

Sports

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Varsity Briefs

Cross country 2nd at Udm

Both the men's and women's Varsity Cross Country teams managed a second place last weekend at a meet hosted by Udm. The Men's team was lead by a 2nd place finish by Keith Fahey and a 10th place by Andrew Dunphy. Jennifer Phillips posted a 9th place for the women while rookie Megan Roushorne notched a promising 12th. Both teams take a breather this weekend before heading to St. FX for a meet next Saturday.

Athletes of the Week

Josette Babineau, Field Hockey

UNB's female athlete of the week this week is Josette Babineau, a fifth year business administration student from Moncton. Josette is the Co-captain of the Varsity Reds Field Hockey team. She is a three time All-Canadian and a former member of the National Junior team. Over the weekend Josette scored 3 goals in a 3-0 win over UPEI and added 3 more in a 5-0 win over the Panthers. "Josette continues her amazing goal scoring streak of 16 of the team's 19 goals this season, including a streak of 13 consecutive goals," said coach Donna Hornibrook.

Keith Fahey, Cross Country

Keith Fahey is this week's male athlete of the week. Keith, a fourth year student from Labrador City, is a veteran of the Varsity Reds Cross Country team. The team ran in their first meet of the season this past weekend in Moncton. Keith finished 2nd in the 7 km race. "He ran a great race," said coach Tim Randall. "We look forward to a great season from Keith and his teammates."

This Week in UNB Sports

Saturday, September 25

Field Hockey @ SMU

Sunday, September 26

Soccer vs. Udm (2:00 pm at Chapman Field)
Field Hockey @ SMU

Results

Soccer

SFX 4 ACA 0
DAL 1 SMU 1
MTA 4 PEI 0
SFX 2 MUN 2
UDM 2 SMU 1
MUN 1 SFX 0
SMU 1 PEI 0
UDM 1 MTA 0
ACA 1 DAL 0

Field Hockey

UNB 3 PEI 0
UNB 5 PEI 0

Cross Country

Men

Dal 39
UNB 72

Women

Dal 15
StFX 69
UNB 75

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Lordon returns to homestead Former Bloomer named women's B-Ball coach

by Bruce Denis
Sports Editor

It took only three years for former Red Bloomers star Pauline Lordon to return to her Alma Mater. She will replace Claire Mitton as Head Coach of the Varsity Reds Women's Basketball team.

After an up-and-down season last year, Mitton felt this was a convenient time to take a year of leave and pursue other interests. She left the door open for Lordon.

"Early in 1993, Claire talked to me and told me she had planned to take a year off. She said there were certain people she would like to see apply for the job as coach and I was one of them," Lordon says.

"I later talked more seriously to Jim Born about it and decided that when the applications for the position came out I would apply."

The decision wasn't an easy one however. "I had decided to return to school this year so it took some time to change my focus which had been trying to prepare for graduate school to preparing myself to coach a university team. It took a while to say 'I'll go this direction.'"

While coaching, she will also take courses here at UNB enroute to her second graduate degree.

As a player, Lordon spent five years under the tutelage of Mitton. She captained the team from 1987 to 1990 and helped capture the AUAA title her final two years with the team.

Since graduating, she has been involved with the New Brunswick Junior Team. In fact, she shared coaching duties of the team with



Coach Pauline Lordon

Mitton in 1992 and this past Summer she took the team to the Canada Games in Kamloops, BC.

It wasn't until Lordon returned from the Canada Games that she was sure she had the job. "When I graduated in 1990 I guess I knew that it was going to happen, I just didn't know when."

Lordon is taking over the team after

a relatively disappointing season (by Bloomer standards at least). The team travelled to Lethbridge, Alberta and defeated the host University of Lethbridge to capture the Lethbridge Invitational Tournament but lost home court advantage for the AUAA Championships by finishing second to UPEI in the final league standings.

To add insult to injury, The Bloomers were upset in the semi-finals by a young St. FX team. After three consecutive Championships, this was a bitter pill to swallow.

The loss of All-Canadians Jennifer Hale and Kara Palmer in the last two years hasn't made things easier. Lordon, however, is optimistic about the crop of youngsters ready to play.

"Kara was a great athlete and Jennifer Hale was definitely a great leader but I also see the same kind of potential in the athletes here."

"I think we have a good corp of players. We lost some athletes in the last years who have done great things for the program but I think people will step up because there's no one around to do it for them. That's just the way a team evolves."

"Certainly for the next eight months I'm going to do everything I can to keep this basketball team where it belongs; at the top of things."

FIELD HOCKEY

Reds stick it to Panthers

by Maria Paisley

The four-time reigning AUAA champion UNB Varsity Reds field hockey team began their regular season at home against the UPEI Lady Panthers last weekend. The Reds started the season on a winning note by shutting out the Lady Panthers in a pair of games 3-0 on Saturday and Sunday 5-0. The Lady Panthers and the Varsity Reds will meet again in Charlottetown on 09-10 October.

Josette Babineau scored all three goals against UPEI on Saturday and again on Sunday she scored another three goals with sweeper Kelly McCormack and forward Wendi Vautour adding the other two goals.

Babineau, the two-time AUAA most valuable player, has done most of the offensive work so far this season by scoring 16 of the team's 19 goals, including 10 of 11 on a six game competitive pre-season tour of New England universities. She was also part of New Brunswick's gold medal winning effort at the 1989 Canada Games as a player and managed the team to a fourth place finish in the 1993 Games.

There were seven of the Reds playing at the 1993 Canada Summer Games, including Krista Harris,



Tammy Jewer (front) and Josette Babineau battle a Panther last weekend.

Shonaugh Coles, Stacy Gallant, Tammy Jewer, Tami Leger and Kim Richard on the New Brunswick entry and Charla Currie was captain of the Prince Edward Island team.

The combination of team members competing at the 1993 Canada Games and the brutal six games in five days New England tour has obviously helped the team's fitness level. The pre-season tour also provided the team with the rare opportunity to receive strong competition on astroturf which is necessary in preparing for the nationals. In

addition the team gained a fair amount of experience finishing second at the CIAU last season. The teams goal this year is to go back to the CIAUs.

The teams will play an eight game regular season which will be followed by the AUAA championship at Saint Mary's University in Halifax on October 30-31.

The Varsity Reds will be playing their next game against the third team in the conference the Saint Mary's Lady Huskies in Halifax on Saturday at 4pm and 1pm on Sunday.

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