

UNB Rugby club gears for spring tour

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Since 1971 the UNB Rugby Club has statistics to prove that they have the best won-lost record of any other UNB sports team.

The club has impressive facts showing that they have won the Maritime Championship 3 times, the New Brunswick Championship 6 times and for five consecutive years the Inter Collegiate championship. From 1968 to the present the team has won 95, lost 26 and tied 4 for a points for of 2,174 compared to a pointed against of 584. These figures were gathered from games played in the league, in playoffs, in Maritime University Tournaments and in Caledonia Cup fixtures.

Yes the Rugby Club is keeping up with the tradition by planning yet another spring tour. These tours test the club members running, talking, passing and kicking when competing with some of the better east coast teams.

The 1978 spring tour results were 8 wins, 2 losses for apoints for of 198 compared to a points

Supporting them will be a strong front row of Russ Curotte, Frank Szeligo, Dan Thompson and Ian Smith. The backs will be lead by Brian Conheady, Jeff Mephan, Andy Eymon, Bill Robson, David Dermers, Andy Ferrier and Michel Panet-Raymond.

A lot of players miss tour every year because of other arrangements like summer jobs. However, this is not stopping the club from training new players. New players can only be beneficial to the club in the long run. Right now all the players have a strong desire to play. This will help the club to do as well if not better than last year.

The spring tour is completely financed through the club. The main reason for this is that the club is not Varsity and therefore does not qualify for school funds. Activities in the past to raise money have been pubs, bottle drives, membership dues and sponsorship by local business.

A major portion of the clubs funds are raised by an advertising campaign which they hope the Fredericton business will participate in. Businesses can help the



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Practices are held every Thursday night at 8:30; Saturday and Sunday at 2:00.

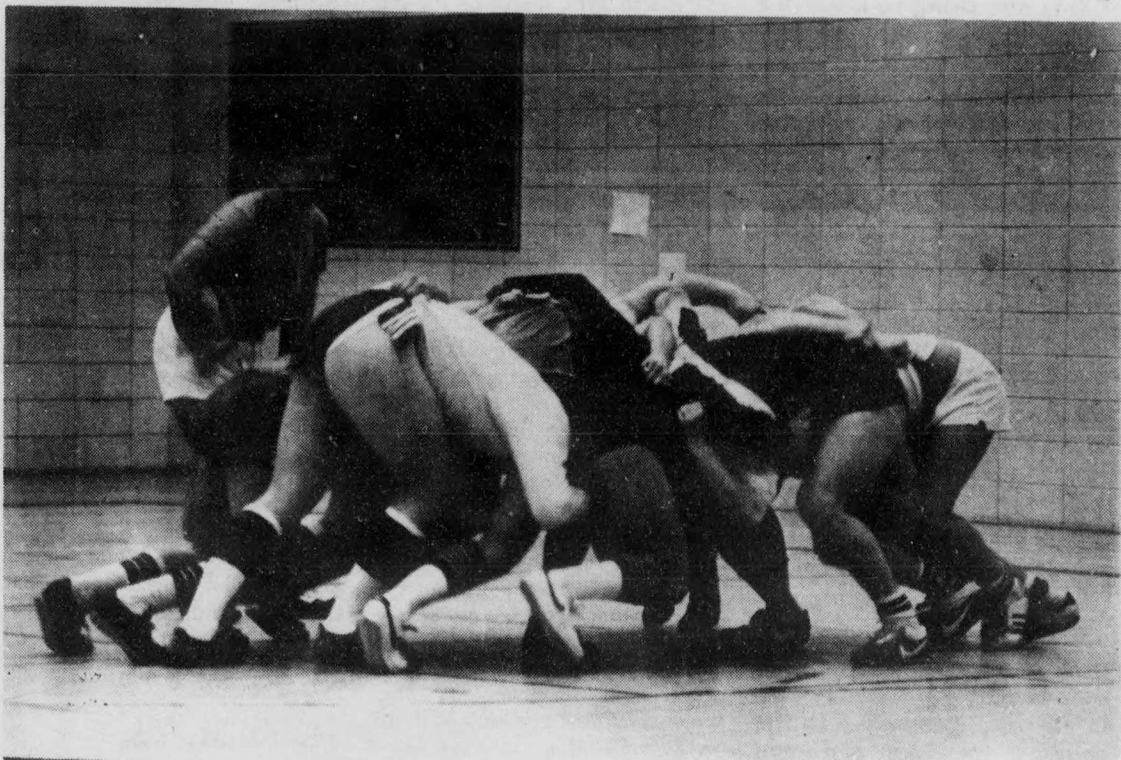


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Coach Bob Cockburn working with some club members on the fundamentals.

club by buying \$30.00 blocks of tax deductible advertising in the Daily Gleaner.

All of the above information was received from coach Bob Cockburn, president Andy Bynum and treasurer Brian Conheady who encourage new players to join. There are still six weeks in which new members can learn the fundamentals and tactics of the game.

SPRING TOURS

- 1971 - Boston
- 1972 - Montreal
- 1973 - Virginia
- 1974 - New England

- 1975 - Montreal-Kingston-Ottawa
- 1976 - Delaware-Virginia
- 1977 - Connecticut-Pennsylvania
- 1978 - New England

1978 SPRING TOUR

University Maine 1st	9-6
University Maine 2nd	22-0
Norwich College 2nd	46-0
University New Hampshire	15-10
Norwich College 1st	32-11
Queen's University (Ont)	0-20
Harvard University	8-6
Amherst College	46-6
University Massachusetts	20-12
Springfield R.F.C.	0-12
	198-83

UNB INTRAMURAL STANDARD WATERPOLO Final Standings

TEAM	GP	W	L	T	F	A	PTS
Harrison	6	6	0	0	47	12	12
L.B.R.	6	4	2	0	26	23	8
Jones	6	2	4	0	22	32	4
Bridges	6	0	6	0	17	45	0

Congratulations to Harrison House on winning the standard Water Polo league championship.

against of 83. Incidentally these games were played in a 11 days span. This can only prove how fit the club members were, for the sport demands tremendous non stop play.

On tour last year a victory was realized when UNB defeated Harvard 8-6. A victory like this over a strong U.S. side shows that Canada can be adequately represented.

This year's spring tour starts off with the University of Maine on April 26, Spring Field Rugby Club on April 28, University of Rhode Island May 2, Wesleyan University May 5 and Trinity College May 6. This is just a start, another 3 games are in the process of being organized.

The co-captains this year are Andy Johnson and David Beard.

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