

SPORTS

Red Devils burnt in playoffs

By ROBERT MACMILLAN

Last weekend say the UNB Red Devils travel to Halifax for the AUHC three-team round robin semi-final tournament in the Halifax Forum.

There were many fans giving much support for the Red Devils Friday night in the opening game against the Dalhousie Tigers who went on to win 3-2.

Moochie Friesen scored for the Tigers during a breakaway. The Red Devils outshot the Tigers during the first period 11 to 10.

Paul Jeffrey continued the scoring for the Tigers in the second period, with an assist from Neil Megannety. Mike Kelly scored for the Red Devils less than 4 minutes later. Kelly was assisted by Dave Bluteau and Vaughn Porter. Friesen got his second goal of the evening to give Dal to its final

goal. The Tigers lead at the end of the second period, 3-1. Shots on goal were even at 10.

Dave Mancuso and the rest of the Devils made a last attempt to put the Red Devils back into the game during the final period. With four minutes left in the game Mancuso scored, with an assist by George Kelley. With a little more than 3 minutes left in the game Mancuso was given a roughing penalty, as well as a penalty for unsportsman like conduct.

With UNB playing shorthanded for the last three minutes, they were able to outplay, and outskate the Tigers, but not able to score while shorthanded. UNB outshot the Tigers 13-5 in the final period.

After a day of rest the Red Devils met the UPEI Panthers on Saturday night to play their final game in the round-robin. The Panthers won 9-3.

The scoring race was opened by Norman Beck of the Panthers at the half way point of the first period. The Devils tied it up less than 2 minutes later with a goal by John Kinch, assists coming from Allen Lewis and Tony McLean. With a little more than two minutes left in the period Trevor Crawford put the Panthers ahead once more.

The first period had such low scoring due to the tremendous efforts of the two goalies; Scott Brogan for UNB, and Avelino Gomez for UPEI. Gomez was the number one goalie in the conference this year.

The second period belonged to UPEI and UPEI only. The Panthers got four unanswered goals in the period from Callie MacPhail, Bob Hicks, Bob MacDonald, Trevor Crawford (his second of the game).

The start of the third period saw a goaltender change for UNB. Scott Brogan was pulled, and was replaced by Kevin Rochford. This was the change that the Devils hoped would bring them back into the game.

In the first sequence of play, the Panthers took the puck into the UNB end. Gary Trainor took a shot, which went up in the air, Rochford make the initial save, but the puck went even higher. Most players lost sight of the puck which eventually came down on Rochford's back and bounced



Rebound! Dalhousie goalie steers the puck to his defenseman. UNB had a lot of shots but few second chances during the game last Friday night.

into the net. UPEI lead 7 to 1, just 16 seconds into the third and final period.

A little more than a minute later, Doug Currie scored to put UPEI ahead 8 to 1. At the five minute mark Greg Nicholson got the ninth and final goal for the Panthers.

The final for UNB came from Don Cameron, assisted by Allen Lewis and John Kinch, but it was too little too late. The final score was 9-3 for UPEI.

In summing up the season, MacAdam said they had a "hell of a great year." He was pleased with the performance of the team throughout the year. The highlight of the season for MacAdam and the Red Devils

was being nationally ranked. The main objective of the team, for the season, was to be ranked nationally. Thus being ranked was very satisfying for the season, it proved something to themselves.

Bloomers fall

For some it was a week of sun bathing in Florida, for others a week's rest at home, but for the Red Bloomers it was a week of hard work down in the LB gym as they prepared themselves in hope of defending their 1980/81 AUAA Basketball title.

The Red Bloomers opened the AUAA championships this past weekend in Halifax with a game on Friday night against the St. F.X. X-ettes. Although UNB was the superior team by far, the Bloomers never slacked off. Simply put, UNB outplayed, outshot and outscored their opponents. UNB led St. F.X. at half time by a score of 44-21. In the early minutes of the second half the X-ettes came out steaming. They played aggressively and held UNB to only a few baskets, but this did not last for too long, as the Red Bloomers shot their way to an impressive 68-52 win.

UNB got high scoring from the trio consisting of Laura Gillespie: 17 pts., Joanne McLean: 16 pts. and Jill Jeffrey: 16 pts.

This win advanced the Bloomers to the final game against the Dalhousie Tigers who beat out 4th place St. Mary's Belles in other semi-final action.

In the first ten minutes of the game UNB scored basket for basket against the tigers. After this everything seemed to go against the Bloomers.

First, Margaret Jones in-

jured her ankle, followed by Kathy Norman also going over on her ankle forcing them to remain on the bench for the remainder of the game. Next, UNB ran into early foul trouble. Top shooter Joanne McLean had 4 fouls with 14 minutes remaining in the game, while Sharon Keays was fouled out of the game. By half-time Dal led UNB by a score of 46-28.

In the second half the Red Bloomers tried desperately to narrow the gap which they did at one point by a mere 8 points, but were eventually over powered by the "bigger" Dal girls. UNB got high scoring once again from Laura Gillespie 18 pts., Sandy Hill, 12 pts, and Jill Jeffrey 11 pts, but Dal managed to hold the Red Bloomers' big gun Joanne McLean to only 4 pts.

Following the game were the AUAA all star presentations. Both UNB's Laura Gillespie and Joanne McLean were selected to the All Star team. Joanne was also named to the 2nd CIAU all star team.

For what many of us believed to be a rebuilding year for the Bloomers, turned out to be a very competitive one. The Bloomers finished in an impressive 2nd place in overall league standings.

With the departure of only 2 veterans, Jill Jeffrey and Sharon Keays, things are looking good for the Bloomers for the upcoming season. . . Look out Dal!

Bears win 5th straight title

By RON HARWOOD

On February 19 and 20, UNB hosted the AUAA wrestling championships. The Black Bears have won this championship for the last four years in a row and extended this winning streak to five years after victory at these championships. Top honors, however, were not UNB's alone as St. Francis Xavier came up with an admirable performance to tie the Black Bears for first place. This was the first time in the history of AUAA wrestling that this has happened.

Coming first in their divisions were UNB's Tim Murphy (126 lbs.); Gabriel El Khoury (167 lbs.) and Leo McGee (150 lbs.) Second place honors went to Ron Harwood (176 lbs) and Wayne Wiggins (190 lbs). Dennis Mahoney and Shane Donovan exemplified the grit characteristic of a Black Bear as they wrestled on badly sprained ankles and placed

well in their weight divisions. Rick Parker was placed in a position where he had to win to assure UNB a share of first place. Park, as usual, came through and wrestled the match of his life, defeating his opponent from "X" to finish ahead of him in the standings. Brian Bessey, competing above his normal weight class, wrestled as well as he's wrestled all year and really turned in an outstanding performance. Greg Hughes, a well initiated member of the Black Bear club, also contributed significantly to the victory.

In all, fellow Bears, we put it together and everyone on the team contributed to the team's success. Credit must also go to the "X" team for their outstanding performance.

Leo McGee, shardik of all Black Bears, was honored after the finals as being one of two people in AUAA history to ever win five AUAA titles. He was

undefeated in five years of AUAA competition. The only other wrestler to share this honor was Greg Wilson, presently coach at Dalhousie

Leo, Gabriel, and Tim in winning the AUAA's, earned a birth on the Atlantic team to the CIAU's. The three wrestlers put on a good performance having close matches in almost all of their fights. Although they did not place in the top three of their respective divisions, they earned the respect of their competitors and spread the name of our university across the country.

In closing, this writer thanks the Bears (and Coach Born as leader of the pack) for the memories and valuable experience he was exposed to through association with the UNB Black Bears. The kid takes his hat off to Clark Kent, Prune Face, Moon, Hollywood, Cobra, Gub, Torch, Park, Huggy Bear and Flat Man.