Free throws

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Are you a 'Red Raider Rooter'? If so, then this column will hopefully provide you with some behind the scenes information on the team, along with any news concerning upcoming games. If you are not, then drop by and see a game sometime, and you will quickly find out why the Red Raider basketball team is considered by many to be the most exciting on the hill.

I would like to open my first column on a more optimistic note, but due to the present circumstances an injury report is more appropriate.

The good news is that by now some of the ailing players have recovered. Ken Amos and Scott Devine are over the flu bug ,and it is expected that Paul Holder will be fully recovered from his leg injury. The team is hopeful that Ted DeWinter will be able to play after spending last weekend in the hospital with a bladder infection

On the down side Dale Kozak is still on the limp with a bad leg and is yet to play a game. The really big news though has to be the foot injury to star foward Chris Mc-Cabe. In what he described as a 'freek accident', during the Machais game three weeks ago McCabe broke a blood vessal in his foot and the subsequent infection required him to have surgery during the past week. He is expected to have to stay in the hospital for another ten days and will not be able to practise for two weeks after that. Although in good spirits Chris admitted he was' missing it bad' and would be ready to explode in the games after Chrismas. While recognizing that it will be an 'uphill battle' he feels that the team will still make the playoffs.

Speaking of playoffs, this weekend presents a major obstacle in the way of any playoff hopes. With tonights game at 8:00 against the Acadia Axemen, and Saturday's matchup at 3:00 against the Dalhousie Tigers, the Raiders could find themselves in a deep hole. Associate Coach Phil Wright is 'looking forward to winning both games' and believes that it would be a 'terrific boost in terms of our playoff hopes. The Reiders always come up with big games at the Altken Centre so a couple of great matches are guarenteed.

In addition to the action on the court there are a couple of other attractions in store. This has been designated Family Weekend for the Raiders. The parents and other family members will be honored at the game and after the Acadia game will attend a reception in the Aschley Colter Room of the Altken Centre. This is a small token of appreciation from the coeching staff to the parents of the athletes. As a final note, reliable sources have indicated that tonight will mark this season's premier appearance of the Beaver,the Red Raiders official mascot.

That's it for this term but the teamn will be back in January and if we don't foul out, so will the column.



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