

SPORTS

Men's team splits two

by Kevin Barrett

In their final preparations for the regular season, The Dalhousie Men's Basketball team split their last two exhibition tilts against the McMaster Maunder and the Aca-

dia Axemen to finish the exhibition season at three wins and four losses. Both games centered around the Labatts Blue Doubleheader in Dartmouth and offered fine hoop action for all fans.

Last Thursday at the Dalplex, The Tigers jumped out to an early 12 - 6 lead only to have McMaster come back and make it a very close match throughout. The teams remained relatively even until the last six minutes when Dal took advantage of McMaster foul trouble to score at the foul line and won the game 79 - 72.

Newcomer Keith Donavan continued his impressive debut as he fired in 26 points while center Dean Thibodeau netted 21 and Marcus Williams added 14 to lead the Tigers attack. With Donavan and Thibodeau supplying the offense the Tigers stayed right with McMaster and won the game by converting on 14 of 20 (70%) fouls shots for the game.

Ironically against Acadia, it was the Axemen who took advantage of Tiger foul trouble to pull away at the end for a 97 - 88 win in the first game of the Blue doubleheader.

Acadia surged to a quick 17 - 5 lead in the first eight minutes and

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Alexander Keith started brewing fine ale at a time when getting to the top required patience, dedication and a mule.

Even as a young man living in Scotland, Alexander Keith knew that someday he would make the long voyage to Halifax. But first he placed himself under the instruction of his uncle to learn the art of brewing fine ale.

Only when his apprenticeship was complete did he go to the shipping agent to book his passage. For it was part of Alexander's character not to take action until the time was right.

Upon his arrival in Halifax in 1817, Alexander knew he could make a name for himself if he brought determination to the task. Indeed, it wasn't long until young Alexander's determination became the stuff of legend.

In Alexander's day, the roads of Halifax were nearly impassable in certain weather. Come winter, delivery routes were difficult to negotiate even with sturdy wagons.

Alexander realized that the distribution of his new India Pale Ale would require extraordinary care and patience.

Alexander began a careful search for beasts of burden and eventually he assembled a stable of strong animals. The most difficult delivery route was reserved for a mule that Alexander named Halkirk, after his own birthplace on Scotland's River Thurso.

The wagons of Keith's Brewery became a familiar sight as they made their weekly rounds. And Alexander gained a reputation as a man who worked slowly and carefully, taking the time to get things right.

The merits of his philosophy were confirmed by the taste of his India Pale Ale. Nova Scotians came to understand that Alexander's name on a bottle of ale was assurance of a quality brew.

Today, we still brew Alexander Keith's India Pale Ale his way.

Swim win

by Ian Robertson

The Dalhousie swim team defeated the visiting Acadia team easily in AUSA competition Saturday. The women axed their competitors 112-64, winning 9 of 11 events. The men took 8 of 11 events for a 97-56 victory.

Winners for the men included Jason Jardine (200 freestyle), Jason Cross (50 freestyle), Jason Shannon (100 backstroke), John O'Brien (400 IM), Dave Murray (100 freestyle), and Richard Peter (100 breaststroke). Jardine, Shannon, Murray and Ron Hawary combined to take the 800 freestyle relay while Cross, Peter, O'Brien, and Todd Dixon won the 400 medley relay.

The women were led by double winners Lisa Beaton (800 freestyle, 100 backstroke) and Kellie Andrews (50 and 100 freestyle). Maria MacPherson added to the point total with a gold in the 100 breaststroke and Susie MacDonald took the 400 IM. MacPherson, Andrews, Robin MacKay and Felicity Sapp combined to take the 400 medley relay, while Beaton, MacKay, Ainslie Harvey and Christy Gustavison finished the competition with a win in the 800 freestyle relay.

"This is the first time we've faced Acadia this year and it gave us a chance to assess the competition and see exactly where we are early in the season," said men's team captain Darryl Dutton. "We had some good swims, particularly on the women's side, but there's a lot more work to do if we want to send a decent sized team to the CIAU championships," added Dutton.

The team aims to continue its winning way this weekend at the AUSA Invitational at Mount Allison.



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