

Editor's Corner

by R. BURROWS

This column begins today as a regular feature of the Brunswickan sports section. In it, I will attempt to air a number of my opinions on the UNB sports picture as the year progresses — perhaps some will agree, probably more will disagree with the views expressed here; but then, that is what makes life interesting.

Probably paramount in the minds of UNB fans was last weekend's exhibition tilt in football. Shearwater won the game 20 - 13 but actually the score meant very little. What was important was the fact that the Red Bombers stayed within seven points of the Navy — it was their first game while Navy had already played and defeated St. Marys.

Coach Nelson unveiled a new quarterback, namely Houston MacPherson. UNB had been bogged down for more

Second quarter action in Saturday's Shearwater-Bomber game. Bruce Tetreault is shown back Paul Courtice (15) looks on.



Flyers Drop Bombers

Shearwater and sheer water combined to defeat the UNB Red Bombers 20 - 13 in a scheduled exhibition tilt played at College Field last Saturday afternoon. Playing on a rain-soaked field, both teams were prevented from showing their best and fumbles were frequent.

On the opening kickoff, Gord Cahill, Shearwater safety man, fumbled the ball and an alert Gord Dudley picked up the loose pigskin and scampered 15 yards to paydirt. Tetreault's convert attempt was wide and Big Red led 6 - 0. Seapower was not to be overlooked however, and before the first quarter ended, the Flyers had marched from their own three yard line to score on a 65 yard pass-and-run play, Cormier connecting with Carrier. Parker, the big Navy halfback and the game's leading scorer, booted a 30-yard single and Navy led 7-6 at half-time.

The third quarter was scoreless as the weather took charge. Webster and Dudley missed several key passes thrown their way as the rain-soaked ball slipped through their outstretched hands. Shearwater's air attack also faltered during this period and any gains were either via the ground or to UNB's advantage through penalties.

In the final quarter, defensive lapses occurred in the Bomber secondary and Cormier, the Navy quarterback, was able to connect with halfback C. Taylor on a 30-yard pass-and-run play into the Bomber end zone. Navy's Parker added their final major on a three-yard plug through the middle of the Bomber defense. Both convert attempts

were wide.

UNB coach Don Nelson then made a player change, sending rookie QB Houston MacPherson in to replace Paul Courtice. MacPherson's first pass was picked off by an alert Navy defender and the Flyers

played the last ten minutes of the game, Houston MacPherson, with his spirited running and passing, gave the team a lift and the fans something to cheer about. No doubt we'll see more of Houston in this Saturday's game against Acadia.

Special mention must also be made of the outstanding effort put out by the Bomber defensive squad, led by Jim Malnerich, Gerry LeBlanc, Wayne Kirk and Russ Radcliffe.

Next home game is this Saturday against Acadia Axemen. They should get the axe by three touchdowns; a Bomber victory is predicted.

	UNB Navy	
FIRST DOWNS	11	10
YARDS RUSHED	51	187
YARDS PASSED	30	205
PASSES MADE/ATTEMPTED		2/10 7/17
INTERCEPTIONS	0	1
PUNTS/AVG	7/24.1	4/34.8
FUMBLES/LOST	3/1	4/2
PENALTIES/YARDS	0/0	8/100
FIELD GOALS MADE/TRIED	0/0	0/0

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In three quarters but MacPherson, although he had only been in camp for a little more than a week, gave the Bomber defence a startling shot in the arm. MacPherson's coolness under fire and his excellent improvisation and running ability certainly impressed and it adds me to believe that we will be seeing much more of him as the season ages.

The Bombers looked a little light on the line but they seemed to be able to contain the powerful Navy running game when they had the chance — the fact that they had little chance to set for the run was obviously due to the Bomber's helpful pass defence.

It asks a question. Why did the Bombers have four to five men in the defensive backfield going both ways? No man, however good he is, can expect to cover a fresh receiver downfield when he is playing for fifty minutes of a game!

Perhaps this week's game with Acadia will show a more balanced Red Bomber team. Probably most attendees at the Navy game noticed a new name on the Bomber coaching staff. His name is Gary Smith and he is one of two new members of UNB's Dept. of Physical Education.

Smith, along with Mary Lou Whitwill, according to Mr. Pete Kelly are "—both rated quite highly". Kelly, head of UNB's athletic department, feels that UNB has been "—quite fortunate" in landing these two and a look at their



WHITWILL

credentials appears to back up the Department's enthusiasm.

Smith was All-star quarterback in the Western Inter-Collegiate Athletic Union in 1960-62-63; an All-star guard in basketball in 1961-62-63-64; most outstanding athlete at the University of Alberta in 1963 and Captain of U of A's basketball and football teams from '61 through '64.

Miss Whitwill's credits are equally outstanding. She attended the Universities of Western Ontario and Illinois and while at Western was woman athlete of the year for four years and a member of the Canadian Pan-American Swim Team in 1959.

For those interested — look on this page for a delineation of the new MIA eligibility fiasco — it's unbelievable!

Thought for the week. How do you assess last weekend's crushing defeats — St. FX 0 Queens 21; St. Marys 14 McGill 31.

Red Sticks Open Season

The UNB Redsticks will open their defense of the Maritime intercollegiate Ladies Field Hockey title when they meet Acadia University Axettes Saturday, Oct. 2, 10:30 AM, College Field.

Coach Mrs. Lorraine Thurston reports that most of last year's team were lost through graduation, but, about thirty enthusiastic coeds are trying out for the team.

Returnees from last year are Julie Ellen Shapiro, and Ann Austin, Joanne Taylor, Linda Gibbs, Carolyn O'Neil, Clare Hey, and Sally Smith.

Last Saturday the Red Sticks participated in a tournament held in conjunction with an

Official's Clinic at Buchanan Field. In addition to two UNB squads, there were teams from Saint John High, Moncton High, Simonds Regional and Rothesay Regional. Mrs. Trurott termed the clinic a successful one; and members of the Red Sticks (who won most of their games on Sat.) are looking enthusiastically to a year which could bring UNB their fourth consecutive title in four years of competition.

The league has increased this year to include Mount A St. Bernard College in addition to returning teams from Acadia, Dalhousie, Kings, Mount Allison, and UNB.

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