Shirts mush Huskies, slide to fifth straight

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UNB Red Shirts won their fifth game in a row on Sunday afternoon at College Field as they defeated a fairly strong St. Mary's side 4-1. This was St. Mary's second setback of the season. The victory upped UNB's record to 5-1 as they hold first place in the AUSC along with Dalhousie.

The Red Shirts performed brilliantly in the first half as they carried out coaches Gary Brown and Garry Furlong's pre-game instructions. Playing in unfavourable field conditions, they controlled the play with short, precise passes that eluded the St. Mary's defenders early in the game. By utilizing this style to perfection, UNB scored three times, 2 of them in the first seven minutes of play. St. Mary's slow start really hurt them and it could have been a different outcome had they not been so lackluster in the first part of the game.

Ebenzer Dania scored his fifth goal in three games on a scramble in front of the net, then Jim Kakaletris on a long pass from Robert "Beckenbauer" McFarlane. broke past the last St. Mary's

See Jimmy run

defender and made no mistake in driving the ball to the right of the helpless netminder after he had stopped the first shot. George Wood found the mark later in the half as he took advantage of a rebound in front of the net.

In the second half, UNB's defence was slack at times and the defenders were caught square on various occasions allowing the St. Mary's forwards to penetrate for clear shots at the net a couple of times on break aways. Only a steady performance by captain Winston Ayeni at goal kept the hungry Huskies from scoring. Ayeni's bid for a shutout was ruined when Cletus Nstike accidently head the ball into his own net. It was ironic that Nstike scored on his goalie since he had been the one generating UNB's attack all throughout the game.

The play got rougher as the game progressed and the climax occurred with ten minutes remaining when Tim Hicks was ejected from the game for challenging an unfriendly St. Mary's player to a fist fight. St. Mary's failed to score while UNB played shorthanded. Instead UNB

struck gold again. The "Golden Greek" Jim Kakaletris in his first game of the season, scored on an outstanding individual effort. He picked the ball up at centre field and carried it deep down the wing before Feinting his way to the penalty area where his well placed shot, sizzled past the goalie. His entire performance mesmerized the spectators, myself included.

The only two rookies to crack UNB's starting line-up continue to impress and they can only improve as they get more accustomed to UNB's style of play. These two players Tim Hicks and Pierre El-Khoury along with Ed Hansen, Gabriel El-Khoury and George Wood hail from New Brunswick and are starters for UNB. Other members of the team are from Montreal, with some from as far as Africa. Three other players did not dress this weekend. Don Castle the substitute goalie, Gerry Murphy who is on the injury list and David Stringer who was given a rest by coach Gary Brown.

UNB's next home game is 4:00 p.m. today. The Mounties from Mt. A will be invading college field. They will not be there to bring peace to an already friendly UNB

atmosphere but instead to wage a addition, Mt. A will be out to tions between these two teams. In

war A very tense game is in the. avenge an earlier loss in their own making in view of past confronta- backyard. Remember: game time 4:00 p.m.

Sticks plunder MUN, SMU

The Red Sticks, UNB's field hockey team, travelled to Mt. Allison U., Wednesday Sept. 28, and came back with another victory. The Sticks demonstrated skillful play and would have run up a much greater score than 3-0 if Mt. A's goaltender, Cathy Wheaden had not been outstanding.

The Stick's forwards had great support from the defensive lines and consequently, the first goal, scored in the first half was by left half-back Lola Montgomery. The play was most tense in the last few minutes of the first half as Mt. A applied pressure in the Sticks' goal circle. Luckily the whistle ended the first half before any damage was done.

The Red Sticks came back in the second half determined to improve their score and relieve Coach Joyce Slipp's anxiety pains. The insurance goal was netted by Heather Howe who also added an extra one in the latter part of the game. Goaltender Pam Wiggins recorded her third shut out as she came up with some brilliant saves.

This past Saturday, Memorial U of Newfoundland came to UNB. The game was played in the rain but this condition did not affect the Stick's determined drive as they beat MUN 3-0. Coach Slipp's game plan was to score a goal in the first 10 minutes of the game and the team went out and got two within that time period.

Lola Montgomery fed the ball to Heather Howe who broke in to beat MUN's goaltender. Shortly after, winger Sharon Gilmour sent the ball across the circle and center Janet Miller neatly connected to make the score 2-0.

The third goal was also scored in the first half during a short or penalty corner. Tammy Casely hit the ball out to halfback Lola Montgomery, who put a wicked shot into the lower left hand corner of the net. That concluded the scoring for the game which gave Pam Wiggins her fourth shut-out of the year.

Sunday, the powerful St. Mary's team took on the Sticks. Red Sticks' inner Ann Ingraham gave UNB a 1-0 lead in the first half. SMU came back in the second half to tie it up. Regulation time ran out and the teams then went into overtime. Janet Miller was quick to the mark as she put the ball in SMU's net to give UNB a 2-1 lead SMU was unsuccessful in their bid to tie it up before the 20 minute overtime period was up, so the Red Sticks came out the winners. The score of 2-1 was not indicative of how well the Sticks played but was a result of the terrible field conditions. The Red Sticks play a fast paced game and like a dry, firm playing surface to show their stuff but as seen from the play this weekend, the poor conditions do not alter their winning results. The Red Sticks now sport a record of 7 wins and 1 loss putting them in the top of their division.

The Golden Greek returns to UNB

Bruns Jim, what made you decide to return to UNB considering you had an offer to play pro soccer in Greece?

Kakeletris I wanted to finish my education since I have one year remaining and the contract which was offered to me required that I played two years on a farm team before being allowed to play first string.

Bruns You have played semi-pro in Montreal, on an amateur card. How would you compare University soccer and semi-pro soccer in Montreal, or other areas in Canada? Is the level of soccer about the same?

Kakaletris In most areas of Quebec, they play a more control game and university soccer lacks the refined skills to play that style of soccer. University players make up for it by their hustling and determination.

Bruns In you opinion, are there any players besides yourself who could play semi-pro in Montreal? Kakeletris Yes, there are qutie a few who have the potential.

Bruns How would UNB do against some of the best semi-pro teams in Montreal?

Kakeletris In the first half of the game UNB would do well but because of their lack of the skills and experience necessary at this level of soccer, the semi-pro team could come out on top.

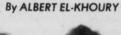
Bruns This is your fourth year playing for UNB. Do you think that this is the best team that UNB has ever had?

Kakeletris Definitely. In all aspects. Better ball control, better team play, better players.

Bruns What are your chances of winning the Atlantic Universities' soccer conference this year? Kakeletris Excellent. We are going to win it.

Bruns Could this team win the National Championship?

Kakeletris I don't know. One thing for sure we are going to surprise a lot of people.





Bruns You have played against many Maritimers in this university league. Are players from the Maritimes improving and how far are they from coming up to par with the skill level in Montreal? Kakeletris Very much so. They don't have far to go. I feel that with all the efforts put in by these dedicated players, N.B. should be up to par with Montreal within a period of five years?

Bruns How about the coaching aspect of soccer? Do university coaches, namely Gary Brown of UNB have different attitudes towards the game than let's say a semi-pro coach? Do they have the same approach in techniques, physical conditioning, and strategy on the field? Are the practices run differently?

Kakeletris Both coaches are similar in many aspects of the game for example physical fitness, knowledge of the game, and development of the skills. They differ on the emphasis of each of these aspects. Gary Brown would emphasize more of everything but mostly ball control Odribbling, trapping, passing, shooting whereas in Montreal they stress fitness because that is what they lack. The coaches are more open here. They are willing to discuss team strategy during practices with their players and that's good whereas in Montreal

they are not that willing.

Bruns How do you teel playing with UNB this year as compared to other years?

Kakeletris Great! I am impressed with the calibre of soccer at UNB and hope I can contribute to an al-ready talented team. Bruns What are your objectives

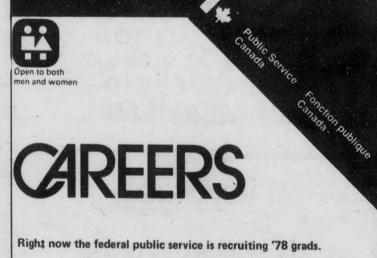
after graduating from UNB?

Kakeletris My dream is to make the Canadian National team but as it stands the doors that are opened to me are as follows: 1) could return to Greece, 2) there is also a possibility of my trying out for the Dallas Tornados which was made possible through coach Gary Brown, 3) used my physical education degree and my overseas experiences to coach with special emphasis at the provincial and national level.

Bruns Jim, you are a great guy both on and off the field and that's why you have earned respect from your fellow teammates and others. You have distinguished yourself as one of the best players to ever play for UNB. You were picked as an AUSC all-star both times in its two years of existence. But as you already know, critics have stated that one of your weaker points is you dribble the ball too much. Do you feel that this hold true and if it does, is there a reason for it?

Kakeletris Dribbling in soccer is a temptation! I know I dribble too much but most of the time it is effective because the opposing defence seems to concentrate on me. Therefore leaving my teammates in excellent position to receive a pass and a chance on goal.

Bruns Thank you very much, Jim. Kakeletris May I add that I have thoroughly enjoyed my three years at UNB and the reason for that is the great understanding, hospitality, affection shown to me by the New Brunswick people, the students and professors, and especially my coach Gary Brown.



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