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And they're off!... Hockey team captures AU banner

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It was a memorable moment.

That is how UNB Varsity Red's hockey team assistant captain Scott Muscutt described the win against the defending CIAU champs Acadia Axemen to clinch the AUSA title from them.

The Reds won their second title in recent years, the other was in 1983-84 when UNB head coach Mike Kelly was the team captain.

UNB clinched the MacAdam Division title by downing their cross campus rivals the St. Thomas Tommies in 2 straight games.

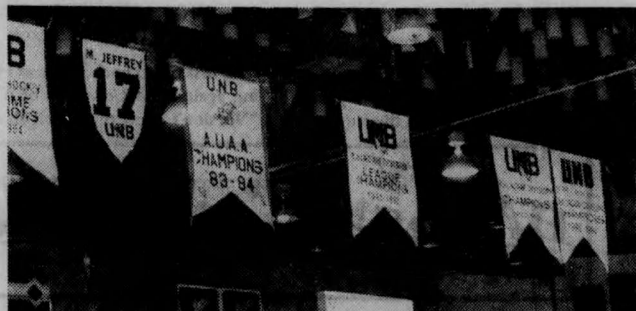
The Reds took the first game 8-5 in the LBR. The two teams met at the AUC for the second game with Peter McKellar's goal winning it 4-3 for the Reds in triple overtime.

Jeff Andrews, Dan Sherstenka and Toby Burkitt scored for the Reds. Mike Bondy, Dave Gilmore and Shayne Gaffar responded for the Tommies.

UNB won the best of three series in 2 straight games. In the first game of the series the Reds downed Acadia 5-4 in overtime in front of a home crowd at the AUC.

Dax MacLean got the Reds on the board almost 3 minutes in the game. Acadia's Paul Doherty responded tying the game up at 1. Andrews found the net giving UNB a one goal lead heading into the dressing room.

Red's Jason Campeau goal increased UNB's lead early in the second to 3-1. Five minutes later Jason Campbell notched a point for the Reds to give them a 4-1 lead. Greg Clancy responded



The Reds added another banner to their collection. And head off in a quest for another.

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with 2 goals for Acadia to end the period at 4-3.

Doherty got the lone goal of the third period to tie the game up at 4 and to send the game into overtime.

UNB's Campeau got his second goal of the game and to win the game in overtime. Campeau was back for his first

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Okay, so were did that darn puck go anyway as UNB defeats STU.

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Reds move on as... Season comes to end at "The Pit"

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UNB says farewell to Gordon McNeilly and Jon Stevenson as the season comes to an end.

The UNB Varsity Reds men's basketball team played their last game of the season against UPEI on the weekend of March 1st and 2nd. This was an important game for graduating players Gordon McNeilly and Jon Stevenson, who took the game as a chance to say goodbye.

The Reds downed the Panthers 100-91 on Saturday in hopes to make it to the AUSA championships. The score was close at the half, UPEI only leading by 1 point 44-43. The Reds came into the second ready to score and took the game 100-91. McNeilly scored 22 points for the team and was named player of the game.

The teams met again on Sunday, but UPEI was ready to do battle this time and defeated UNB 89-80. At the half, the Panthers were in the lead 46-38. UNB was unable to breach that gap and UPEI took the game 89-80. Dan Graf was named player of the game scoring 12 points for the team. Gordy McNeilly also contributed 25 points before fouling out with only 32.7 seconds remaining on the clock.

It was a disappointing game for UNB, especially for McNeilly and Stevenson who had hoped to play their final game at the AUSA championships.

UNB coach Clint Hamilton commented on Saturday's game, "A difficult game to... we had the wind taken out of sails when we won a game that meant something." Referring to Sun-



Simon MacDougall goes for the hoop against the Panthers.

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day's game, Hamilton remarked, "UPEI played a good game, they showed a lot of heart, shot the ball very well... defensively we weren't that very good all weekend and I thought that cost us."

Overall he had to say, "Not a very good way to end the season, but you have to

move on."

When asked about the impact McNeilly and Stevenson's leaving would have on the team, Hamilton said, "We'll have to bring in quality players to replace quality guys."

Women's B-ball battle on court Reds give everything at AU's

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The best of the Reds was to found at "The Pit".

The UNB Varsity Reds women's basketball team hosted the AUSA championship last weekend. The title was won by St. FX who beat Acadia.

UNB - UPEI

To win a berth in the AUSA semi-final, the UNB women's basketball team had to beat the UPEI Lady Panthers. And that they did, by a slim three point margin Friday night at the Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium, in front of a crowd of approximately 300 fans.

With the playoff format expanded to six teams from the old Final Four, that they AUSA women's basketball used to have, UNB met UPEI in one quarter final match with Acadia taking on Memorial in the other. The two winners would advance to play league winners Dalhousie and second place St. FX in semi-final action.

The V-Reds and UPEI Panthers exchanged early baskets in a fast paced start that saw Player of the game, UNB's Donna Retson, on fire as she sunk several baskets and scored 12 of her team high 16 points in the first half.

UNB built up a lead of 15 points with about 5 minutes to play in the first half, however, would only end the half with a 34-26 lead.

The second half was very even with UPEI picking up their game and capitalizing on UNB turnovers. First year Panther guard, Marie-Claude Couture also hit a couple of clutch three point shots to keep the score close. Ex-UNB V-Red, Krista Foreman, was also a key in keeping the Panthers close, as she hit 10 of her game total 14 points in the second half.

With the score deadlocked at 57-57 with 30 seconds on the clock, UNB's Bonny Munn hit two free throws to pull the V-Reds ahead by two points. Another UPEI foul put Bridget Gamble on the line and she hit one out of two free throws to seal the 60-57 victory for UNB.

After the game a relieved Joyce Slipp, UNB Varsity Reds head coach, said she was happy with the win. "I thought we did a good job on defence, especially against Eireann Rigby and Jennifer Johnston. Coach Slipp went on to say that the V-Reds had achieved their game plan well. Late in the game I told Bonny (Munn) not to pass."

The victory over UPEI set up the premiere semi-final between UNB and St. FX at "The Pit" on Saturday night.

UNB - St. FX

The Reds faced the second ranked St. FX in a tough battle between two evenly matched teams. X got on the board first and held a 4 point lead be-

fore the Reds battled back. The game continued through the first half with the score see sawing back and forth with neither team taking more than a 1-3 point lead until in the final minutes UNB took a 39-33 lead into the locker room.

The teams returned to battle back and forth again both on the court and on the scoreboard. It wasn't until in the dying seconds Munn's 3-pointer hit the hoop to tie the game at 86 and send it into overtime.

In the overtime the teams continued to battle with never more than a 4 point gap in the score. The Reds looked like the game was their's with only seconds left and up by one point when St. FX sunk a basket to win the game 98-97.

Slipp said after the game "I thought that was the best game that the kids played all season, the best group effort that I got out of them all season and to lose it by one is always a heart breaker. I think the kids gave absolutely everything they had to give. I mean I'm proud of them for that."

The Reds came close to beating St. FX in the game which both teams battled back and forth on the scoreboard as well as on the floor. Slipp says "I'd like to play them again. A best two out of three and not just a one shot deal."

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Reds "bumped" out of AUSA final Men's V-ball season comes to an end

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The time just wasn't right this year for the men's volleyball team.

UNB Varsity Reds closed out it's season two weekends ago in Halifax, losing to the Dalhousie Tigers 2 straight in their best of 3 AUSA Championship series.

Dal went onto the CIAU's last week and ended up in the finals against Alberta. The Tigers lost in that final, however it says something about how competitive the AUSA conference really is. This was the same Dal team that UNB took to a fifth game (losing 15-13) in a match earlier in the season.

On Friday, the Reds started slowly, and even though they fought hard to come back, the Tigers proved to be too much. Dal eventually won 3-0 (15-2, 15-7, 15-10).

According to fourth year setter Darcy Harris, the team "started terrible in each of the games and couldn't pull through in the end. Had we started better, you probably would have seen different results."

Saturday's match had similar results. Dal used their quick start to "spike" the Reds hopes of forcing a third match. The Tigers took it in three straight games winning 15-3, 15-4 15-10.

Despite the losses, the team did enjoy its best season in years. As Harris explained "Our team took some big steps this season, and we are certainly looking forward to next year."

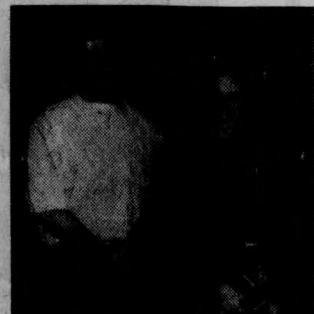
Harris and Jeff Byrne were both named to the AUSA All-star team.

Head coach Mark Thibault will spend the off season recruiting new talent to add to his already multi-talented team. And, with only one player graduating this year, this team is sure to be exciting to watch next season. Fifth year player Mike Pitre is the only player not returning next season.

February Athletes of the Month

TIM POMEROY, WRESTLING

The male athlete of the month is Tim Pomeroy, a member of the University of New Brunswick Varsity Red's wrestling team. Pomeroy, a 1st year Computer Science student, led UNB to their 8th consecutive AUSA wrestling championship and their 20th in the last 26 years. In addition to winning his own 57kg weight class, he was also named AUSA MVP and CIAU male athlete of the week. UNB head coach Don Ryan was impressed with his rookie's performance and stated: "Tim was down 8-0 before starting his comeback. He won the match 20-13. Tim showed a lot of heart and determination coming back from an 8-0 score. His victory was an emotional victory which helped the Varsity Reds capture the champi-



Krista Morrison

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KRISTA MORRISON, SWIMMING

The female athlete of the month is Krista Morrison, a 1st year member of the University of New Brunswick Varsity Reds women's swim team. Morrison won the 200 Individual Medley at the AUSA swimming championships. She was also named the AUSA Female Rookie Swimmer of the Year. UNB head coach Andrew Cole stated that: "Krista has shown tremendous improvement over the course of the season, and is one of the reasons why the women came within 9/100ths of a second of winning the AUSA championship." At the CIAU championships, she qualified for 4 events and finished 7th in the 200 IM with a time of 2:24.40. Morrison is a native of Fredericton, N.B., and is studying within the Faculty of Science.

Athletes of the Week

UNB Games	Results	March 3	March 10
SATURDAY, MARCH 15 Hockey @ CIAU's Semi-finals (Toronto)	SWIMMING WOMEN 9th MEN 9th	IAIN TENNENT, SWIMMING Iain Tennent, a member of the UNB Varsity Reds swimming team has been named UNB's male athlete of the week. Tennent, a 4th year Business Admin. student, led UNB to a 9th place finish at the CIAU Championships, held at Brock University over the weekend. He medaled in all 4 of his events, setting UNB and AUSA record times in the process. In the 100m butterfly, he won gold in a time of 54.7 seconds, and in the 50m freestyle, he won a bronze with a time of 24.93, and he seconded in the 100m freestyle in a time of 24.93, and the second in the 100m freestyle in a time of 50.50 seconds. UNB head coach Andrew Cole was very pleased with his personal best times in all of his events. With the high caliber of this year's CIAU's, his medals are even that much more impressive." Tennent, the team captain, is a native of St. John's Nfld.	MICHELLE MACWHIRTER, SWIMMING Michelle MacWhirter, a 4th year member of the University of New Brunswick Varsity Reds women's swim team has been named UNB's female athlete of the week. MacWhirter was instrumental in leading the Varsity Reds to a 9th place finish. She posted personal best times in each of her 4 events. This included a bronze medal in the 200m freestyle in a time of 2:04.01 to finish 8th. In MacWhirter's remaining 2 events, she broke UNB and AUSA record times. In the 50m backstroke, she finished 6th with a time of 30.6 seconds, and came 4th in the 50m butterfly in a time of 29.12 seconds. UNB head coach Andrew Cole stated that "Michelle had a terrific meet in setting personal bests in all 4 of her events and winning her first CIAU medal." The native of Stephenville, Nfld. is studying in the Faculty of Kinesiology.
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	BASKETBALL WOMEN AUSA's UNB 60 UPEI 57 UNB 97 St.FX 98	WOMEN'S BASKETBALL The women's basketball team has been named UNB's female athlete of the week. The Reds played a great game against St. FX in one of the best basketball games ever played at UNB. UNB opened the AUSA championships on Friday, with a 60-57 win over UPEI. On Saturday, UNB lost in a heartbreaker, as they fell 98-87 in overtime to the eventual AUSA champions. As a team, UNB shot 50% from the floor, and 8% from the free throw line. They totaled 40 rebounds, 27 assists, & only 15 turnovers for a great overall performance. Coach Joyce Slipp was very pleased with her team's effort & stated that "the entire team can be very proud of their performance in a 1 point loss to the AUSA champions in what many considered to be the game of the tournament."	