

SPORTS

Memorial routed by new soccer experience

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Blanking Memorial University 5-0 over the weekend, the men's soccer team seem better than prepared for their tough upcoming two-game road trip.

In their smashing rout of a squad which was larger and more physical than they, the Tigers gave a showing of skillful playing not without errors, but certainly one with much potential. Good marking, great one-touch passing and a domination in the air which would rival any air force became the winning variables in a game beautified by an idyllic autumn day.

New to the Dalhousie men's soccer experience were three variables only the veteran Tiger fan might be able to point out. One, a newly sodded pitch - which absurdly enough, only runs about 80% of the field. Two, a new blazing gold and black uniform which surely matches the ambitions of the financier who ordered the new suits to replace the dismal smocks of last year. And three, an added accent on the playing field to complement the vociferous flair of Andy Wheeler and John Amis. This comes from the newest addition to the team, fellow countryman Adrian Ibbetson (complete with the same unique British slurs and profanities that go hand in hand with disdainful scowls and gestures at bad arbitration).

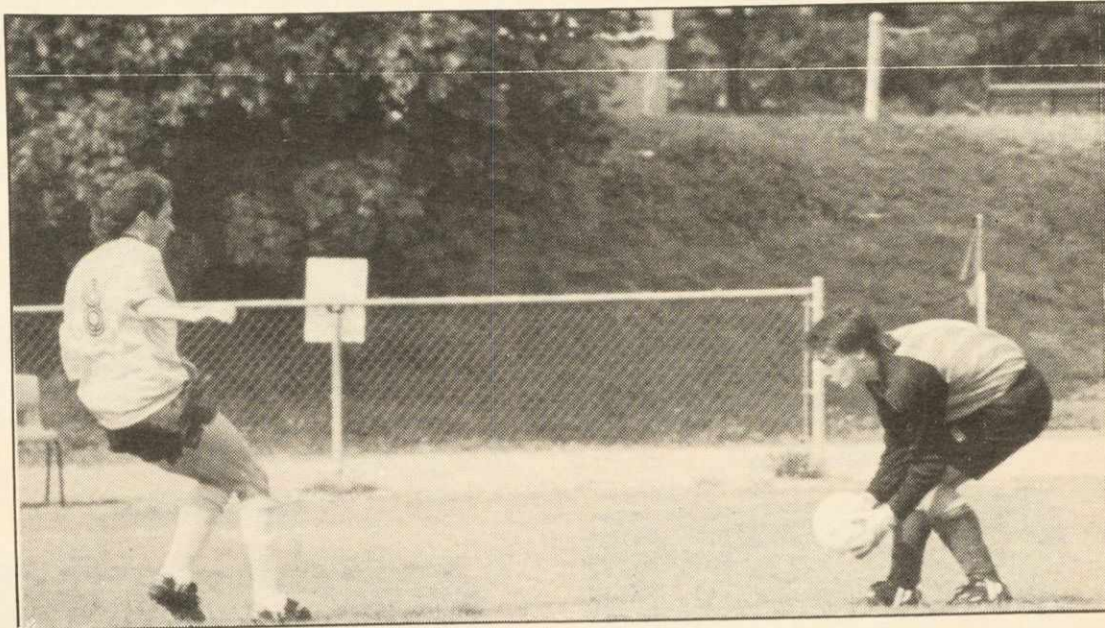
Eighteen minutes into the game

veteran player Tim Hall scored on a keeper error to put Dal into an early lead which saw no turning back. Shortly after, striker John Richmond was fed by Rob Sawler at midfield and took it down alone where an auspicious deflection from a defender put the Tigers up 2-0. Hall notched his second goal of the game after a brilliant pass by Jamie Sawler in the 41st minute, as Hall one-timed it past a diving Memorial keeper.

As beleaguered as Memorial became, they had some chances as well, but the likes of Amis, Ibbetson, and Rob Adams proved too formidable at midfield for any real threats to get through. And keeper Phil Samyn handily took care of that which did get through, showing the marks of experience he obtained from playing for a league team in Winnipeg over the summer.

Ian Clarke put the nail in the coffin after scoring from a penalty kick early in the second half, the result of a foolish handball near the net that left Memorial as good as done for the day. Clarke, with a brilliant shot that completely fooled the keeper, is already on this writer's list of year-ending all-stars.

Not to be outdone however, Richmond nailed one of his own with only a few minutes left to play. The hapless Bermuda ex-national would have been the first to admit the score should have already been 7-0, as two of his solo



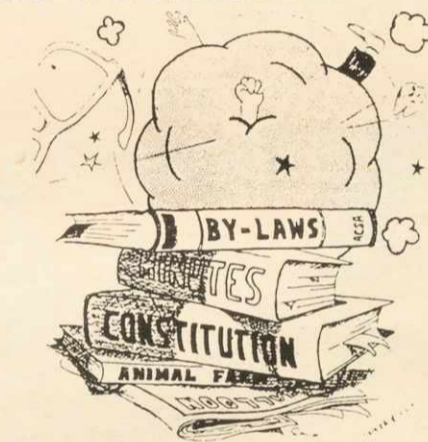
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Veteran player Tim Hall, with two goals in a 5-0 whipping of Memorial, was too familiar a sight for the beleaguered keeper.

breakaways were embarrassingly wasted earlier on. But he redeemed himself on a third breakaway with a gentle, low chip into the near corner, after receiving a beautiful pass from Andy Wheeler at midfield.

In other AUAA men's action, U.N.B. and St. Francis Xavier tied at nil apiece, as did Acadia and St. Mary's, putting Dal comfortably on top of the league's overall standings. Dal is off next weekend to visit U.N.B. and Mount Allison, two strong teams which will likely deliver some of the toughest games all season.

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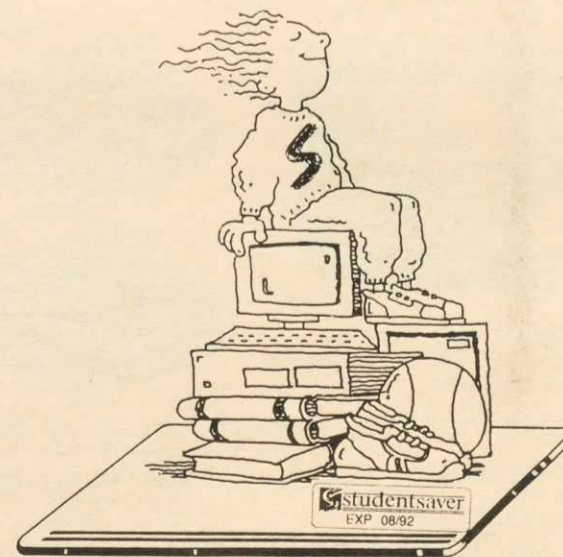
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SUB COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1991 Men's Soccer Schedule

A full player roster will be available on September 30, when Dal and SMU go head to head at Studley Field at 4 p.m.

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	SCORE
Saturday Sept 7, 4pm	U of P.E.I	Studley Field	2-0
Sunday Sept 15, 3pm	Memorial	Studley Field	5-0
Saturday Sept 21, 5pm	Mount Allison	Mount Allison	—
Sunday September 22, 1pm	U of New Brunswick	U of New Brunswick	—
Monday September 30, 4pm	Saint Mary's	Studley Field	—
Wednesday Oct 2, 4pm	Acadia	Acadia	—
Sunday Oct 6, 1pm	Acadia	Studley Field	—
Wednesday Oct 9, 4pm	Saint Mary's	Saint Mary's	—
Wednesday Oct 16, 4pm	Saint Francis Xavier	Studley Field	—
Saturday Oct 19, 3:30pm	Université de Moncton	Studley Field	—
Saturday Oct 26, 10:30am	Saint Francis Xavier	Saint Francis Xavier	—
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November 7-10	CIAU Championships	Queen's University	

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