Devils win, tie on Island

By EARL McCURDY

The UNB Red Devils invaded Charlottetown over the weekend and came within 10 seconds of sweeping four points from the first place UPEI Panthers. The Devils won 8-6 Friday night, and lost a 3-0 lead in a 3-3 tie Saturday afternoon.

Friday night, a tremendous performance by the Devils' first line was the key to the victory, as the line of Bob Keefe, Steve Benoit and Brian Tapp combined for 16 scoring points. Keefe led the way with two goals and four assists, Benoit had a pair of goals and three assists, while Tapp who missed the third period Friday night and all of Saturday's game because of a knee injury had a goal and four assists. Defenceman Don MacAdam added two goals Friday night, while Gerry Bell scored once.

For the Panthers, Claude Lambert scored twice, with singles coming from Gene Power, Sean MacIssac and Jack MacEachem.

The Keefe-Benoit-Tapp line was right on target in the first period, as they led the Devils to a fast 4-0 lead. Benoit, a small left winger with a very quick shot, opened the scoring at 10:58 when he lifted a backhander past UPEI goalie Steve van Diest afterbeing set up by his linemates.

About four minutes later, the line slicked for one of the prettiest goals of the night, Keefe finishing off a beautiful passing play by slipping Benoit's perfect pass into the UPEI net.

Before the period ended, Tapp and MacAdam connected on a pair of long shots to give the Devils their formidable 4-0 lead. This margin was upped to five goals early in the second period when Keefe got his second of the night on a deflection.

Three goals were scored in less than a minute, a short time later. After MacIssac scored for UPEI to break Gord Hubley's shutout, Benoit came back a few seconds thereafter to tip one in. PEI roared back from the faceoff to make it 6-2 on a hard shot by Power. This scoring opportunity came about when a UNB defenceman got tangled up in a broken stick that was lying on the ice, and consequently lost the puck.

Each team scored one more goal in the latter stages of the second period. Lambert brought UPEI a little closer when he finished off a beautiful play with Michel Paiement, but UNB's Gerry lifted in a rebound with 37 seconds left to restore the four goal

It turned out that the Devils needed the cushion, as the Panthers really came on strong in the final period. Lambert, with a shot that went in off a UNB defenceman's stick, and MacEachern, with a backhander from a scramble in front of the UNB net, brought the Panthers to within two goals before the midway mark of the period, but MacAdam bounced his second of the night in off a

UPEI defenceman to make it

Bill Weatherbie finished off the game's scoring when he skated the length of the ice, split the UNB defence, and deked Hubley for the finest scoring effort of the night.

who were never shorthanded in the entire game, clicked for three power play goals.

There was a lot more emphasis on defence Saturday afternoon, and a strong goaltending performance by Gord Hubley kept UNB in the lead until the final ten seconds of the third period when Gene Power scored to give the Panthers the tie.

The first period was scoreless, but the Devils took over in the second. Keefe opened the scoring when he flipped in a loose puck from a scramble just past the midway mark of the game. At 17:39, defenceman Mike Kohler ripped a hard slap shot from the blueline that struck UPEI goalie Guy Deauliniers and appeared to go into the top comer of the net. The puck bounced out quickly, however, and play went right on. It wasn't until after the next whistle that UNB captain Bob Keefe persuaded the referee to check with the goal judge, and the goal judge ruled that the puck had gone in, so the goal counted.

The Devils got another break late in the period, when, with UPEI playing two men short, MacAdam went on a long solo dash, stepped around the defence, and lifted the puck past Desaulniers just before the siren went to end the period. The referee ruled that the goal was scored at 19:59, so the Red Devils had a 3-0 lead going into the final period.

For the first half of the third period, Hubley's outstanding netminding kept the Panthers at bay, but they finally broke the ice and Hubley's shutout when Tom Hayward whipped in a wrist shot from the slot just past the 12 minute mark. About two minutes Penalties played a major role mter, Weatherbie drilled a wrist in the outcome as the Red Devils, shot in off the post to bring the Panthers to within a goal.

> The Devils appeared to be in for trouble at 14:59, when Hubley got a minor for getting involved in a fracas behind the net, and Gerry Bell took a costly match penalty for chasing the referee with his stick. The Devils successfully killed the two-man, two minute disadvantage, and also killed off most of the remaining three minutes in Bell's sentence, but with ten seconds to play in the game, Claude Lambert blasted a hard shot from the blueline that Gene Power deflected past Hubley to tie the game 3-3 and send it into overtime. UNB argued that there was a UPEI player in the goal crease on the tying marker, but the referee refused to listen.

After the teams played ten scoreless minutes of overtime, the game ended as a tie.

With three games coming up this week, the Devils will get a good testing, as they play Mt. A. here on Saturday, in Moncton on Sunday, and back here on Wednesday against St. Thomas. Missing for the Devils though, will be Brian Tapp, who pulled leg muscles on the Island. The game Saturday is at 7 pm at the rink, as the Devils play Mt. A., who are in first place in the league with a 4-0 record, one point ahead of the Devils. With a bunch of wins this week, the Devils could start their holidays in first place, something we've been waiting for a

Raiders split pair

By BOB MARSHALL

The Raiders went down early in Monday's game at Presque Isle and never recovered the lead. The final score was 99-79 in UMPI's favour. Chuck Underwood sparked the Owl's first half drive by scoring 20 points, many of which broke up Raider threats to get back in the game. Underwood finished the game with 30 points while Paul Bouchard had 22 and Bart

Wyman 17. For UNB John Wetmore led the way scoring 20 points with in with 13. Nelson was very impressed with MacDonald's play and feels he now has another rookie to provide future help.

In Wednesday night's home

lege Bulldogs of Houlton, Maine.

Coming off Monday night's loss to the UMPI Owls, the Raiders were led again by John Wetmore with 16 points. Blaine Mac-Donald aided Wetmore with 14 points and Tom Hendershot threw

The Ricker College squad was led by Clarence Henniger with 19 points. He was helped by Phil McNeil's 11 and Rod Swallow's

The Raiders were down 14-6 12 of those coming in the first with ten minutes gone in the ten minutes of play. Tom Hender- first half but came on to lead shot added 13 to the cause and by 28-19 at halftime Ricker never Blaine MacDonald also chipped seriously challanged after this hence the 67-54 final score.

The next home game for the Raiders will be this Saturday Dec. 2 at 3:00 P.M. against the Dalhousie Tigers. This is their first opener the UNB Red Raiders conference game and a good made their season record 2-1 with crowd present to cheer them on a 67-54 win over the Ricker Col- to victory would be appreciated.

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Much ado about nothing. That was the case last Saturday and the scheduled Caledonia Cup match between the UNB Ironmen and the Pictou County team. The brave and courageous Nova Scotians did not bother to put in an appearance, supposedly because the weather was not to their liking. Poor little lads.

It's too bad that the Ironmen didn't get a chance to play, coz I think that they would have done bad things to the other team's bodies, as well as win the Cup. It is my opinion that they should be given the Cup due to default by the other team.

On to better news, the UNB Mermaids, those shimmering beauties of the pool came through in fine style last Saturday as they completely crushed, and de-finned the Goldfish from that hallowed hole in the swamp, Mount A.

The final score in the dual meet was the Mermaids 85 and the Ghoulfish 21.

Depth was the key for the girls, as they not only took first place honors in all 13 events, but they also took an abundance of seconds and thirds. Some of the most impressive veteran swimmers were Suzanne Fitzgerald and Debbie Prince each with three wins, and Lynn Grey with two wins and a second. Rookies that did well included Ann Thompson and Carol Mulholland each picked up two wins apiece. In other words it was a total team effort.

The Beavers also posted an impressive win over their counterparts from Mount A. The details of which were not available to yer humble servant when this edition of the Skulker was being fingered out. So don't feel left out lads your feats did not go unnoticed.

There is a meet this weekend for the Beavers, they will be hosting two teams from the US of A. The teams are the University of Maine and Husson College. Starting time for the meet I think is around 1:30 pm, but you better check that out if you want to be sure.

The Red Raiders ran into some difficulty last Monday, as they got defeated 99-79 by the University of Maine at Presque Isle.

On the hockey scene, the Red Devils came away from the Island with their record still unblemished by defeat, as they beat and tied the UPEI Panthers.

They are at home tonight against Mount A. Game time is 7:00 p.m. Their next home game is next week against those evil and nefarious characters from up the hill, the Tommies from STU. That should be a good one.

In volleyball action over the weekend, the Red Rompers fared well in their first action against teams from the newly formed Senior Women's volleyball loop. The only team that they lost to was the team from Dal, and they are not members of the loop. The Red Rebels, on the other hand did not meet with success, they did not win a game, but apparently they were not outclassed, they just had problems getting their offence together. The Rebels second team, did fairly well out in a tourney at Base Gagetown. They lost in the finals to a team from Moncton. Their highlight was apparently the defeat of the Mount A varisty in the semi finals.

Well so long for now.