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### VARSITY BRIEFS

#### Volleyball Reds split weekend

After two years of undefeated AUA action, the Varsity Reds women's volleyball team finally succumbed to the inevitable at SMU Saturday as the Huskies won in 5 sets. One of the few bright spots for the Reds were Carla Mason's 16 kills and 4 blocks. Sunday was a different matter when they revenged the loss with a 3-1 win, 15-7, 13-15, 15-3, 15-11. Chantal Martin dominated the game for the Reds with 23 kills while Mason had eight. The Reds have this weekend off before the visit of the St. FX for a pair of games on the 28th and 29th.

The Varsity Reds mens volleyball team split a pair of games against the Memorial Seahawks at the Main Gym. The Reds swept the first game 3-0 with Chris Johnston leading the way with 15 kills and five blocks. UNB was as unfortunate on Sunday as the Seahawks took the game 3-2. Johnston had 15 kills and nine blocks, while Jasyson Stewart had 14 kills and 12 blocks. The Reds see action at the Dal Classic in Halifax on Friday and Saturday.

### ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

#### Anna Baker, Swimming

Former British record holder and National Swim Team member, Anna Baker of Norwich, England is the Female Athlete of the Week. In her first season with the Varsity Reds, Anna destroyed the field in every event she swam in a meet against Dalhousie this weekend. Individually, Anna won gold in the 200m breaststroke and the 200m Individual Medley and was also a member of UNB's gold winning Medley Relay team. According to coach Cole, "One of Dalhousie's strongest events will be the Individual Medley and Anna has proven to be the best athlete in the conference for this event". Anna's performance helped the UNB women outpoint Dalhousie at the meet.

#### Jason Lukeman, Swimming

Fourth year science student Jason Lukeman of Port Hawkesbury, NS is the Male Athlete of the Week. Jason has built upon a strong 1993-94 season in which he was a CIAU swimming gold medalist and National record holder as well as being selected as UNB's Male Athlete of the Year. Jason was selected as Pepsi swimmer of the meet this weekend as UNB outpointed Dalhousie to win the meet. Jason won gold in every event that he swam. He beat one of Canada's best distance freestylers to win the 200m Freestyle and also captured the 100m Freestyle. He was also a member of UNB's gold medal winning Freestyle Relay team. Coach Cole says that "Jason's season looks bright after having the background with gold at the International Swimming Hall of Fame Ocean Mile Swim in Florida over Christmas and sprinting well this early in the season on the weekend."

### RESULTS

Basketball		Volleyball	
<b>Women</b>		<b>Womens</b>	
UCCB 44	UNB 54	UNB 2	SMU 3
UCCB 39	UNB 47	UNB 3	SMU 1
<b>Men</b>		<b>Mens</b>	
UCCB 99	UNB 85	MUN 0	UNB 3
UCCB 65	UNB 101	MUN 32	UNB 2
<b>Hockey</b>		<b>Swimming</b>	
SMU 4	UNB 7	<b>Women</b>	
		Dal 42	UNB 64
		<b>Men</b>	
		Dal 45	UNB 63

### THIS WEEK IN UNB SPORTS

#### Friday, January 20

Womens Basketball vs UPEI (6:30pm @ LB Gym)

Mens Basketball vs UPEI (8:30pm @ LB Gym)

Mens Volleyball at Dal Classic

#### Saturday, January 21

Hockey vs Acadia (8pm @ AUC)

Womens Basketball vs UPEI (1pm @ LB Gym)

Mens Basketball vs UPEI (3pm @ LB Gym)

Mens Volleyball at Dal Classic

#### Sunday, January 22

Hockey vs Dalhousie (2pm @ AUC)

### Female on male Varsity Team?

## Frank LeBlanc out with mono

by Bruce Denis  
Brunns Sports

Facing their toughest weekend of the season on home ice, the Varsity Reds hockey team had their hearts broken last Tuesday.

Test results showed starting goaltender Frank LeBlanc has contracted mononucleosis and will be out for three to four weeks. LeBlanc has proved to be the teams most valuable asset helping the team to a 3-1 record this month.

In the mean time, Backup Jason Payne will start between the pipes against Acadia tomorrow night at 8:00pm and Dalhousie on Sunday at 2:00pm.

Interestingly, filling in on the bench for Payne will be Leslie Reddon, a member of the Red Blazers women's hockey team. Reddon played with the University of Toronto women's team and served as the backup goalie to Manon Rheaume at the World Championships last year.

Acadia, ranked number one in the country, and Dalhousie, number four, are both 4-0 since the holiday break. Says assistant coach Shane Easter "Both teams are going to be tough on our defencemen. Dalhousie is a physically punishing team, they have some big forwards



Chris Nadeau thwarted by goalie. Photo Roxanne Robinson

and Acadia has five or six high scoring forwards who can do damage.

"We haven't lost at the Aitken Center this year. We'll just have to be aggressive offensively and backcheck. Their defencemen are good but not too mobile so we'll have to play a very quick transition game."

Last weekend's 7-4 victory over visiting St. Mary's may sound convincing but the Huskies added some flavour to the game in the third by netting three consecutive goals. As had happened only a few days earlier against STU, the Reds blew a comfortable lead, only this time they managed to come out unscathed.

Rob Knesaurek led the way for the Reds with a pair of goals and an assist garnering Player of the Game honors while Todd Sparks also nabbed a pair of goals.

"When we get up by three or four goals the guys get a little complacent. Against St. Mary's we were up 7-1 and we had to play defensive hockey and we can't play like that, it's not our style. It almost felt like a loss after the third period we had."

There won't be any room for mistakes this weekend however. "If we play 60 minutes of hockey, I think it's going to be very close."

LeBlanc and teammates Kelly Reed, Mike Cavanagh, Toby Burkitt, Sparks and Derek Cormier have made the AUA All-Star team.

### Basketball

## Hoopsters take Capers at the Pit

by Mark Savoie  
Brunns Sports

The Varsity Reds men's basketball team pulled a Jekyll and Hyde routine last weekend, first losing a contentious 99-85 clash on Friday night to the UCCB Capers, before humbling those same Capers 101-65 the following afternoon. The Reds have a 4-4 record on the season, leaving them in a good position to reach the playoffs for the first time in over a decade.

The first game of the weekend saw both teams' coaches in disagreement with some of the officials' calls. As a result of their displeasure, Reds Coach Clint Hamilton was served with a technical foul, while Capers Coach Greg Jockims found himself ejected after receiving his second technical of the contest. Following the game, however, neither coach was willing to comment upon the officiating.

The scoring star for the Reds was Jon Kreiner, who sparkled with a 9 for 10 shooting performance good for 22 points. Joining him in double figures were Stanleigh Mitchell, Marc Aubé, and Andy MacKay. Aubé also led the team in rebounds, pulling down 8 of the team's 23.

None of these totals equaled UCCB's John Ryan's 33 points or Michael Dailey's 12 rebounds. As a result, UNB saw their 7 point half-time lead disintegrate. Part of the problem came from long range, as the team was a collective 4 for 17 beyond the three point border. This further mag-



Jon Kreiner goes for the rebound. Photo Dave McCluskey

nified their abysmal 10 for 20 shooting from the free throw stripe.

Aubé personally solved the team's three point shooting woes the next day, finding the bottom of the bas-

ket 7 times on 9 long range attempts. This helped contribute to a collective performance of 13 for 24

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