

Year end sports wrap-up... (most anyway)

Red Bombers

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The 1978 season for the Red Bombers was one of a mixture of things. The team had a new head and by most standards Coach Balenko and his assistants did an excellent job. Of course the team had its fair share of talented players with male athlete of the year Perry Kukkonen at half back and Mike Aurthur, Mike Brown, Steve Corscadden, Charlie Proudfoot, George Coyle, Ken Martin, Robert Lockwood, George West, and Chris Oram all receiving letters.

The team was also plagued by many injuries, Wayne Lee had rib problems through out the year and the defensive line lost several starters.

The fan support for the home games was great even for the Ste. Mary's game which was played in a down pour.

The team played some very tough games and their record of 3 wins, 3 losses doesn't reflect the effort that was put out.

The general atmosphere on the team for next year is one of optimism. Next year will see the return of Coach Born from a years sabbatical at Central Michigan.

It will be interesting to see what happens next year after Coach Borns experience with American football for one year.

Red Blazers

UNB's other hockey team, the Red Blazers, finished their season with a 7/9/1 win-loss-tie record after a commendable 3 & 1 performance in last weekends tournament in St. John, in which Karen MacMaster pulled off three shutouts. Karen will be sadly missed next year as she's leaving the Squad, and a goalie of her calibre is always extremely difficult to replace.

Coaches Howie Myatt and Bruce Hicks have done a tremendous job all year in spite of the lack of publicity and support for the team. This is a situation that will be corrected next year; at least the publicity aspect.

GAMES PLAYED WERE

- 5-1 vs. F'ton Bantm Boys
- 3-5 vs. Woodstock Canucks
- 3-3 vs. St. John Kiwanis
- 1-7 vs. F'ton Bantam Rep. Team
- 3-2 vs. F'ton Bantam Boys
- 7-6 vs. UPEI Panthers
- 0-4 vs. PEI Spudettes
- 2-3 vs. North River Mass.
- 1-4 vs. St. John
- 0-1 vs. Woodstock Kinsmen Club
- 0-1 vs. Sunny King, PEI
- 0-2 vs. PEI Spudettes
- 6-0 vs. Mt. Allison
- 3-0 vs. Black Path, St. John
- 2-0 vs. Sunny King
- 2-0 vs. Kent All-Stars
- 0-2 vs. Moss, PEI

As one of coach Myatt's charges would say, "Watermelons away Howie".

Ironmen Rugby Club

This past season was a remarkable one for the UNB Rugby Club, even though they did lose in the Caledonia Cup game against Pictou County, N.S. Before that game, the Ironmen of Division 1 had run up an incredible 22-0 record including pre-season games, with a point total of 511 for and 97 against. Their pre-season games included their New England tour where they were 7-0, facing such teams as U. of Maine, U. of Massachusetts, and Harvard. It also included the Maritimes Seven Championship in which they were 5-0.

Coach Bob Cockburn, who has been with the UNB club for 10 years, stresses conditioning, and it obviously paid off. The UNB second division team also had an excellent season, finishing with a perfect 11-0 season and winning the Thorpe Trophy, this was the most impressive season ever for UNB rugby and with over 50 players participating on both teams, it looks like a good future for our rugby teams.

Ironmen season scores follow:

- 21-9 vs. F'ton Exiles
- 24-3 vs. Mt. Allison
- 20-9 vs. F'ton Loyalists
- 48-14 vs. STU
- 10-4 vs. Saint John
- 29-4 vs. F'ton Loyalists
- 30-6 vs. Mt. Allison
- 11-0 vs. F'ton Exiles
- 40-9 vs. STU
- 22-4 vs. Saint John
- 4-10 vs. Pictou County-Caledonia Cup

Ski Team

The past season for the UNB Ski Team was a successful one, and a good experience for everyone. Unfortunately, training was hampered because of poor conditions at Silverwood, but the skiers still maintained a good attitude going into all the races. The Ski Club was also fortunate in having some great pubs which raised some badly needed funds for the dedicated skiers.

The following are some of the highlights of the past season in the New Brunswick Cup series.

Sugarloaf Provincial Park Jan. 20, 21.

Women: 1 gold, 1 silver, 1 bronze
Men: 1 bronze.

Poley Mountain Feb. 10, 11.

Women: 1 gold, 2 silver
Men: 1 silver, 1 bronze

Mt. Farlang March 24, 25.

Women: 2 silver
Men: 2 gold, 2 bronze.

Michelle Dauphinee won the Senior Women's Atlantic Cup.

The Ski Club would like to thank the sponsors and the UNB Athletic Department for their support. Join us next year!



Photo by Shaver
Front Row L-R: Dave "Nortchore" Chamberlin, Mike Shaver, Dave Agnew, Kevin "Kato" Shaver, Wayne "Weiner" Caldwell, Rob "Beak" MacFarlane, Jeff "Digger" Wilson, Joe Butts (winning goaler in Olands Cup Showdown).

Back Row L-R: Jeff O'Rouke, Neil Wortman, Mike Brown, Jim Jordan, Tom Christie, Gene Murphy, John "Pixie" Hayward, Gerry "Gerard" Sonier, Coach John Rick.

Inter-residence Hockey

Last Sunday night at the Aitken Centre saw the final in the inter-residential hockey league, Jones House vs. Harrison House. Harrison House won their way into the final by beating Mackenzie 4-3 in overtime. Jones House reached the final by defeating Neil House 4-0.

Jones finished first during the regular season and seemed to be the favorites, Harrison came out really skating but Jones found some cracks in their defence and

Jeff Wilson of Jones scored on a back hand while digging for a loose puck around the Harrison goal. Shortly there afterward Jones scored again. Dave Agnew scored on a rebound from 10 feet in front of the Harrison goal. Harrison then replied with a goal from Don MacAdam on a low slap shot from the top of the face off circle.

Going into the second period Harrison came out looking for a quick goal to even the score but their hopes were dashed when Jeff O'Rouke of Jones scored on a slapshot that beat the Harrison

goaler high to the stick side. The Jones fans went wild and the sound was deafening till the end of the game.

The game ended with Jones taking the Championship by a score of 3-1, ending a perfect season without a loss. The Jones team then carried their Coach around the ice upon their shoulders.

It was a very exciting game mostly because of the tremendous fan support for both teams. A word must be said on behalf of the officials, Scott Wood, Dan ComEAU, and Don Kinsmen.

Red Sticks

This year marked another successful season for Joyce Slipp's field-hockey team. Even at a pre-season invitational tournament in Maine the Red Sticks showed that a young team can be successful.

Veteran Patty Sheppard and 'ace' goalie Marleigh Moran leaped to prominence as Patty drove in two goals in their opening game and four that day; Marleigh posted two shutouts, even though hampered by a cut over one eye. Marleigh will be returning next year and Joyce is expecting great things from her in the future.

The Red Sticks captured the AUAA title, defeating both SMU and Dal in the final games held here at UNB.

They then went to the Nationals where they had a 2-1-2 record as they were playing on astro-turf for the first time. On astro-turf the shots are faster and usually fewer whistles are called.

Donna Phillips, Lois Scott, Laurie Lambert, and Marleigh Moran for the Red Sticks all made the all-star team.

Coach Slipp looks to make the Nationals again next year as the team has some experience behind them now. She went into the year with 11 rookies out of 15.

Exhibition

- 3-0 U de M
- 1-0 Mt A
- 2-2 UMPI
- 2-3 Dal
- 2-1 Ohio State
- 0-1 UMPI

LEAGUE PLAY

- 1-0 vs U de M
- 2-0 vs Mt. A
- 4-0 vs Acadia
- 1-2 vs SMU
- 3-2 vs Dal
- 2-0 vs SFX
- 2-0 vs Mt. A
- 4-2 vs Memorial
- 2-3 vs Memorial
- 4-2 vs U de M
- 0-3 vs UPEI
- 5-0 vs UPEI

Playoffs

- 2-0 SMU
- 2-0 Dal

NATIONALS

- 6-1 vs York
- 3-0 vs McGill
- 0-4 vs Manitoba
- 0-1 vs UBC
- 1-1 vs U of Toronto

