

B-Ball Team "Creative"

by Keith Johnston

Contrary to popular belief, the 1974-75 basketball season has arrived, and it looks like this year Dal fans are really going to have something to get excited about. This Saturday nite, a greatly revamped and offensively potent Tiger squad was to face a virtually unknown quantity in the form of the Royal Military College. Unfortunately, RMC has had to cancel out, however, plans have been made for a game on Sunday, November 3, 1974 at 1:00 p.m. with Budget Rent-A-Car.

The whimsical feeling that it still seems early for basketball season is being poignantly realized by coaches Yarr and de la Mothe as they continue with last minute preparations. The biggest problem, surprisingly, is that due to football season and injuries, the final team selections have still to be made. As it stands now, the Tigers will likely add another post, in addition to Kevin Kelly, Mike Donaldson, and Bruce Cassidy and while there are a number of names circulating, the final choice is still up in the air. Concerning this turn of events, Coach Yarr is predictably disappointed, since two weeks ago his post slots were booked solid, and now the depth just isn't there. One possibility mentioned was merely to go with three posts, however given the length of the season, and injury possibilities, that would be a risky proposition.

Although anything could happen between now and Sunday afternoon, especially with a coach like Al "the Adjuster" Yarr in control, you'll probably find these players scrambling for the opening tap: at points, Bob Blount, with Boy Fagan and Dave (O.D.) Iverson on the wings, backed up by Kevin Kelly and Mike Donaldson inside. These players have been playing together in practice scrimmages and have exhibited a remarkable propensity to make exciting

FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

by Cathy J. Campbell

Ms Tish Pertus, 21, is a fourth year Physical Education student at Dalhousie. Tish, the captain of the JV Field Hockey Team, scored 3 of the 6 goals this past weekend to help win the Intercollegiate Intermediate Title.

Ms. Pertus played on the JV Field Hockey Team all of her 4 years at Dalhousie, capturing the Most Valuable Player award one of these years. Ms. Pertus also played 1 year of Varsity Basketball and 2 years of JV Basketball, again being awarded the MVP on one of these years.

Tish competes and instructs in twirling as a majorette. Although extremely busy, Tish still finds time to hold the position as Treasurer on the Physical Education Council.

Tish will be successful in her teaching as she is an asset to every field which she endeavours!

things happen. While they are untested as a unit, the fact that they are all endowed with great individual skills, and in addition, compliment one another so well can indicate only one thing - **problems FOR THE OPPOSITION.**

Another problem appears to be a lack of size in reserve strength - with the exception of Bruce Cassidy. As anyone who has followed Dal basketball over the past two seasons knows, Bruce, although small for a post, always plays as if someone just said something really nasty about his mother. He, along with Kevin Arnstein, who has been playing great both ways lately, and Bill Burns, who never much cared for the semi-prone position anyway, could definitely cause a few juggling acts with that starting five before long.

The 1974-75 Tigers should be a great one to watch,

because unlike teams of the past couple of years, they have the knack and ability to "create" consistently. Perhaps it seems odd for some to think of athletes as being creative, but in fact, that's the key behind any team sport which attempts to engender excitement - the ability to create certain situations and then capitalize on them.

From what I can read and hear, there's nascent support and interest around Dal for athletics, and it's just looking for something to get involved with. So, even if you're a stereo-type Dalhousie "nattering nabab of negativism", but still enjoy watching good basketball, drop by the gym at 1:00 p.m., Sunday afternoon. Former Dalhousie basketball stars John Cassidy, Steve Bezanson and Albert Slaunwhite will be playing for Budget Rent-A-Car. It could be a lot of fun.

HOCKEY ACTION

The Tigers are back from the Jubilee International Hockey Tournament which was held in St. John's, Newfoundland and their record stands at 2 wins and a loss.

On the initial day, the team received two goal performances by Paul Finlay and rookie Danny Flynn to defeat Memorial University 7 to 6. Other scorers were Dave Creurer and newcomers Jim Shatford and Dave MacDonald. Don MacGregor was probably the outstanding player on the ice as he played a very consistent offensive and defensive game from his rearguard position. Greg Lynch made key saves especially during the last part of the game. The tempo of the game was guided by a very close checking play of both teams.

The second game of the tournament proved to be the best one for the Tigers as they displayed outstanding team play. The Swiss players were fast and moved the puck around well but from the second period on, the Tigers showed an advantage in every area. Super play was exhibited by Vince Desjardins in goal, Don MacGregor on defense and Bob Richardson on offense who electrified the crowd with his speed and fakes. Coach Page and assistant coach Pierre Gagne were most pleased with the level of performance displayed at this early stage of the season. When the Swiss National Team made it 4 to 2 with 2 minutes left in the game, the Tigers showed that they have gained a lot of experience from last year's close games as they remained poised and organized. Dal scorers were Bob Richardson with two, Don MacGregor and Paul Finlay with one.

The third game against Senior "A" St. John's Capitals started on a rough note. Then Bob Richardson put the Tigers ahead 1 to 0. The Caps responded with 5 unanswered goals before Bob Richardson scored his

second goal of the game. Many fights and dirty play broke out during the first two periods as the referee lost control of the game by refusing to penalize the aggressors more severely. A fourth line was put together by Coach Page in the third period as to help establish some momentum but it was too late. Rookie Art Ellis and veteran Darrell MacGregor showed a lot of aggressiveness in the last stanza.

Overall it was a most welcomed tournament as competition was keen and organization excellent. The players had nothing but praise for the administrators. The international character of the tournament with the presence of Swiss all-star players created a lot of enthusiasm. Most of the Tiger players took time to say a few french words to the Swiss delegation who spoke mainly German, French and Italian. The ceremonial exchange of gifts at center ice in addition to the play of both national anthems provided unforgettable moments. Even her worship the Mayor of St. John's offered help to Paul Finlay who had lost his luggage. Paul Finlay and manager, Greg Zed were consequently given a cordial

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