

Basketball Tigers take two

By LISA TIMPF

CROSS-TOWN RIVALRY IS more than just an expression when the Dal women's basketball Tigers meet the St. Mary's Belles on the court.

A meeting of the two teams last Friday at the Dalplex resulted in a see-saw battle. Dal eventually came out on top 70-66, but the outcome was in doubt almost until the final buzzer.

In the last minute of play, St. Mary's, trailing by two points, had a chance to tie the score, but an errant foul shot sealed their fate and Dalhousie potted another two points for the winning four-point margin.

The Belles jumped out to an early lead, holding a 12-point edge at one point in the first half of play.

"We got off to a slow start," admitted Dal coach Carolyn Savoy. "But I was really proud of the way the girls chipped away at the lead." Dal came back to

within four points to trail 36-32 at the half.

The Dal squad held St. Mary's scoreless in the first five minutes of the second half, and from then on it was a see-saw battle.

Lisa Briggs scored 13 points for Dal, while six-foot three-inch rookie Patricia MacCormack came up big with 12 points. Christa Wheeler and Alice Cerny contributed 11 and 10 points respectively to the Dal cause, while Sandra Mumford scored 20 to lead the way for St. Mary's.

The Tigers tangled with St. Francis Xavier on Saturday and emerged on top 59-54.

"We weren't sharp against St. F. X.," noted Savoy. "Our transition game broke down, and we turned the ball over too many times (25).

"The team just couldn't overcome the fact that the game didn't really matter."

Dal had clinched second spot, ending the season with a 12-2 record to finish behind University of New Brunswick (13-1). Dal handed UNB their only loss of the season.

This sets the stage for the AUSA playoffs this weekend. On Friday Dal will lock horns with University of Prince Edward Island in one semi-final match-up, while St. Mary's takes on UNB. The winners will meet Saturday to determine the AUSA Championship title, and Savoy thinks her team could be there.

"We're going into the AUSA finals well prepared," she said. "We've been in a lot of close games this season, and have had to play with intensity. The team's coping skills in close games have really been developed, and this could be a factor in the playoffs."

Regardless of the outcome, though, Savoy feels her squad has "had a tremendous season.

"The team has come a long way. They've reached some goals, they've become more independent, and they've become better decision-makers," she noted.

Dal's Kemp swim coach of the year

DALHOUSIE'S HEAD SWIMMING coach Nigel Kemp was selected AUSA Swim Coach of the Year this weekend for the fourth time in his 13 year term.

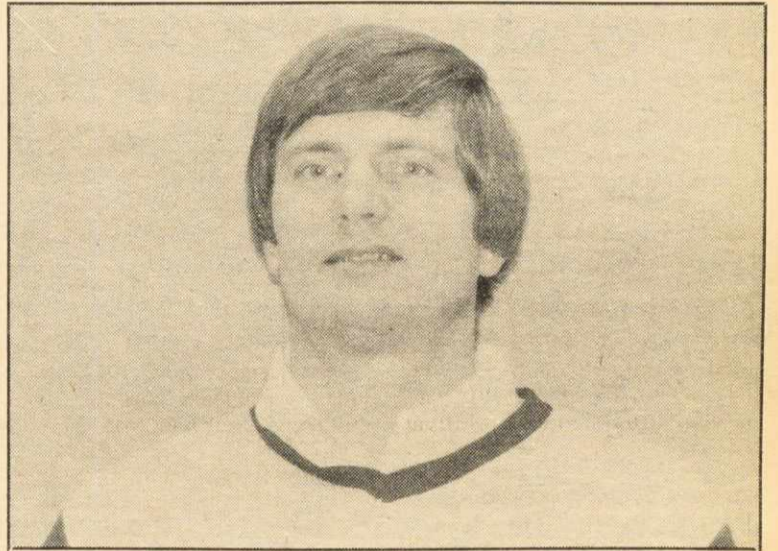
Kemp has guided the women Tigers to five straight AUSA titles, while leading the men to an AUSA victory in 1982 and second place finishes in the following years.

A former international swimmer for Great Britain, Kemp has made swimming one of the most successful sports at Dalhousie.

Kemp has been a national coach since 1973 and has travelled

with the Canadian teams to Sweden in 1973; England in 1974; German Democratic Republic, 1975; Second World Aquatic Championship, Columbia, 1975; Montreal Olympics, 1976; Australia, 1977; Commonwealth Games, Edmonton, 1978; Third World Aquatic Championship, West Berlin, 1978; and the World University Games, Mexico City, 1979.

He was named Dalhousie Coach of the Year in 1980, CIAU Swimming Coach of the Year in 1974 and 1980 and CASA Coach of the Year in 1975.



Dalhousie athletes of the week



MEN: Andrew Cole, a fourth year Physical Education student and member of the Tigers swim team, is Dalhousie's male Athlete of the Week for the week of Feb. 11-17. Cole, a native of Dartmouth and a former member of the Dartmouth Crusaders swim team, claimed three gold and two silver medals at the AUSA Championships over the weekend.

Cole won the gold in the 100 and 200M Breast Stroke and was on the gold medal winning 400M Medley Relay team. Cole also claimed silver in the 400M Individual Medley and the 4 by 200 Freestyle Medley Relay.

The 21-year-old All-Canadian, last year's Tiger MVP, will now go on to compete at the CIAU Championships

WOMEN: Susan Duncan, a third year Commerce student and member of the Tigers swim team, is Dalhousie's female Athlete of the Week.

Duncan was perfect at last weekend's AUSA Championships. The 21-year-old Dartmouth native claimed gold in all five of the events she was entered in and was the only individual female triple medalist.

The former Halifax Trojan won individual gold in the 50M Freestyle and the 100M and 200M Backstroke. Duncan also won gold on the 400M Medley and Freestyle Relay Teams.

Duncan is one of the nine Dalhousie swimmers who will advance to the CIAU Championships at Brock University



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Women take provincial title

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THE DAL WOMEN'S HOCKEY club ticked more time off the countdown to the National Championships by securing the Provincial title in weekend action.

The Dal team squared off against Acadia, the only other registered women's team in the province, in a two-out-of-three series to determine who would advance to the Nationals, sponsored by Shopper's Drug Mart, March 20-25 in Summerside, PEI.

The scores resembled football rather than ice hockey tallies, with Dal taking the series two straight by 13-1 and 14-0 margins.

However, Friday night's 13-1 win was a closer contest than the score indicates, according to Dal coach Kim Houston.

"The Acadia team came out like gangbusters—they were really hitting," said Houston. "I think they caught us off guard," he added. "They had a couple of close chances right at the start.

But (goaltender) Barb McAuley made a couple of key saves to keep us in there."

Dal did their part offensively, opening up a 3-0 lead in the first period and nudging the margin to four goals after the second before breaking loose in the third period.

Danielle Pourier and Heather McLean led the scoring parade with three goals each, with Lorraine Williston adding a pair. Singles went to Trish Selig, Leslie MacFarlane, Ellie Stein, Wanda MacNeil, and Patti Meehan.

In Saturday's contest, Acadia was missing two players lost due to injuries in Friday's game.

"It took a little bit out of them," said Houston. "It just wasn't there. We were able to control the game from the start."

Dal again opened up a first-period lead, 4-0 this time, and ran it up to 9-0 by the end of the second period.

McAuley earned the shutout in the 14-0 final verdict.