# Name Change For Varsity Teams Left In Limbo

Last week, as we are sure you are all aware, a new name for the University of New Brunswick athletic teams was disappointingly not announced. After months of deliberation, polling and name contests, the committee chosen to announce thé name did not come through. As a result UNB's new name is left in limbo and appears not to be soon forthcoming.

Although numerous individuals, at present, do not feel this way, we, the elected members of the Physical Education Society, feel it unfortunate for the students of UNB that a name was not effected, as was originally planned.

One of the main reasons why we feel that the "new name" idea is not as popular as it should be, is due to the lack of overall understanding by the student, coaching and alumni population, for the need of a universal name.

We would like to express our thoughts on this matter, so that possibly the individual reading this article might understand the reasons behind the "new name" proposal.

The new name idea has been suggested for several reasons. It has arisen out of the need by the university to be recognized nationally. As it is now, our varsity teams are called everything from their own individual name, to any of the other names on campus and more. Take, for instance, our Rebels Volleyball team who were called the Raiders on National television coverage of the National Volleyball championships this spring. Other numerous examples can be cited, and even on campus, students will not recognize the name of every varsity sport.

Coaches who are in favor of the name change feel that a universal name would assist in the recruiting of athletes. For some of the big sports this recruiting is very important to their survival.

There are other reasons that have been cited by those in favor of the name change, but the one that we feel is the most important concerns each and every student on campus. We feel that a universal name for our athletic teams will bring unity and a sense of enthusiasm back to this campus. Primarily, the one name will give everyone a sense of belonging to something.

For example, at St. F.X. everyone is an X-man. Whether the individual is a Basketball player, a volleyball player, a football player, a spectator, makes no difference, that person is an X-man and would call himself that. Everytime a St. F.X. team plays, it represents each and every X-man. The one name principle gives every student of St. F.X. something to identify with.

At UNB if you are not a Bomber, a Bloomer, Rebel, Mermaid, etc. then you really have nothing to identify with and therefore cannot call yourself anything. This is probably one of the key factors as to why there is such a poor showing at most athletic events, here on campus.

Although the athletes in our athletic program are of prime concern, the rest of the student population, meaning potential spectators, are also very important. It is often they who provide the winning atmosphere for our teams. Since a portion of their fees does go into athletics, each student has a right to feel part of the athletics program in some way. By giving everyone one name, both athletes and students. Will feel joined together in a common bond.

With one name, it will be more feasible to start a booster club on campus. It is much easier for a group to learn one song for all teams than to have to make up a new cheer for each team.

It is understandable why athletes, alumni and some coaches are not in favor of a name change. For them, the team they are associated with has always been called that name. Each person has fond memories of that team under than name. The problem is that people are afraid of change.

Hopefully this letter has enlightened some to the need for a universal name. One cannot just think of the athletes alone but must also consider the spectators who are a very integral part of any athletics program.

We, the Executive Committee of the Physical Education Society, feel that immediate action should be taken, in the direction of finding a new name before next September.

We encourage all persons to seriously think this matter over and hopefully start to voice your

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# NB Track Team defeats NS

Last Monday, six athletes from the UNB track team represented New Brunswick at a dual meet against Nova Scotia. The meet was held at the UNBSJ Fieldhouse and featured teams of around 50 people from each province.

N.B. won the meet with a final score of 256 over N.S. with 243 points. UNB athletes contributed 25 points to the N.B. total.

Top UNB athlete was Robyn Scott who set a new provincial record on her way to winning the senior women's shot put. The new mark now stands at 11.93 metres, over 1 metre further than the previous record of 10.74 metres. Scott recently won a bronze medal at the Quebec Championships in this event.

Peter McAuley ran the second fastest time of his life to win the senior men's 800 in 2.00.8, ahead of Henry Krause of Fredericton. The times at the meet would have been much faster if the athletes had been allowed to war spikes on the small, unbanked track. Because of this problem the meet will be held next year in Fredericton or Moncton where spikes are allowed.

Paul Guimond won the senior men's 1500 walk in 6.55.7 while Doug Haines finished a close second in the 3,000 behind Robert Englehutt. Englehutt's time was 8.45.8 while Haine's was 8.50.5.

Shawn O'Connor was second in the 1500 with a time of 4.11.0 behind Englehutt who won the event in 4.05.0. O'Connor also placed third in the senior men's shot put.

Sharon Gilmore had two fourth place finishes at the meet, in the women's 50 metre dash with a time of 7.1 seconds and in the shot put with a throw of 7.19 metres.

The next track meet for the team will be the Fredericton Invitational being held at the Nashwaaksis Junior High School Fieldhouse on Sunday April 2.$

Also planned is an outdoor meet in Boston, Mass on April 8 and 9 and the season will close with the New Brunswick Indoor Championships being held in Riverview, N.B. on April 29 and 30.

Although not a varsity sport, Indoor track and field will again be offered at UNB next year. All UNB athletes are welcome to train and compete with the team. The team would like to thank all those who supported them throughout the season.

# Naughty BBA 8

By rule infraction I-em 6:01, rules and regulations governing intramural hockey, BBA 8 has been disqualified from the championship game of inter-class hockey league.

Although BBA 8 were the winners in the championship game against CE 3, the BBA 8 team is disqualified by rule infraction concerning the use of an ineligible player.

Andrew Sullivan, player for BBA 8 was found to be ineligible for inter-class hockey league play because he was playing in a hockey league organized outside of the UNB not organized by the intramural and recreation office.

The championship winners status will now be awarded to C.E. 3 1977-78 Inter-Class Hockey Champions.

# Three Athletes All-Canadian.

This year, three members of UNB teams were chosen to All-Canadian teams in their sports. Stuart Fraser was selected in football for his prowess as a wide receiver for the Red Bombers, Dirk Kiy was chosen to the volleyball picks and Dale MacLean made the mark for his excellence as a diver.

Fraser led the league this year in pass receptions with the Red Bombers in one of their more spectacular seasons in recent memory. In one game, Fraser snared the ball for a total of almost 200 yards. He was the most common target for quarterback Terry Cripotos whose bullet like passes would knock most people off their feet.

Fraser went to Florida as a member of the Canadian team that participated in the CanAm bowl against all stars from American schools.

Last year, Fraser was rookie of the year in the AUAA conference.

Dirk Kiy, a four year veteran with the volleyball team was selected to the all-Canadian picks following his explosive performance at the CIAU volleyball championships where he led the team to a fourth place finish.

Kiy was one of the hitters on the team, which this year upset the X-men from St. Francis Xavier after going into the conference playoffs in fourth place. This year was the first time that the Red Rebels had one won the conference in eight years.

Coach Mal Early described Kiy as his social convener since Kiy was largely responsible for arranging entertainment for the fun-loving squad.

Dale MacLean finished his four year career as a diver at UNB by finishing third in one event and fifth in the other at the CIAU's and being named as an all-Canadian by the diving coaches.

MacLean was a medal winner for the past three years at the CIAU's as well as being all-Canadian for those years. He was a member of the N.B. Summer Games team that travelled to Newfoundland last summer where he won a bronze medal.

MacLean aspires to make the Olympic or Commonwealth Games teams and he intends to continue his práctice of the sport to meet these ends.

Currently he is polishing up his list of dives for the Commonwealth trials.

# Intermural Winners

*INTER RESIDENCE*

| SPORT | CHAMPIONS | RUNNERSUP |
|---|---|---|
| Flag Football | Bridges | Neville |
| Soccer | MacKenzie | Harrison |
| Basketball | LBR | Neville |
| Waterpolo | Harrison | Jones |
| Volleyball | Bridges | Holy Cross |
| Hockey | MacKenzie | Bridges |

*INTER CLASS*

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| Softball | STU | C.S. |
| Soccer | Geol | Law |
| Floor Hockey | Educ | BBA |
| Basketabll | BBA 4 | Eng. 3 |
| Hockey | C.E. 3 | — |
| Volleyball | Eng 2 | P.E. 34 |