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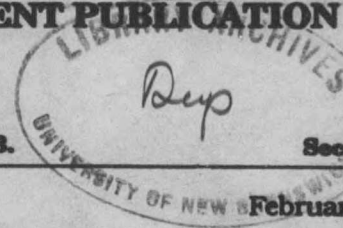
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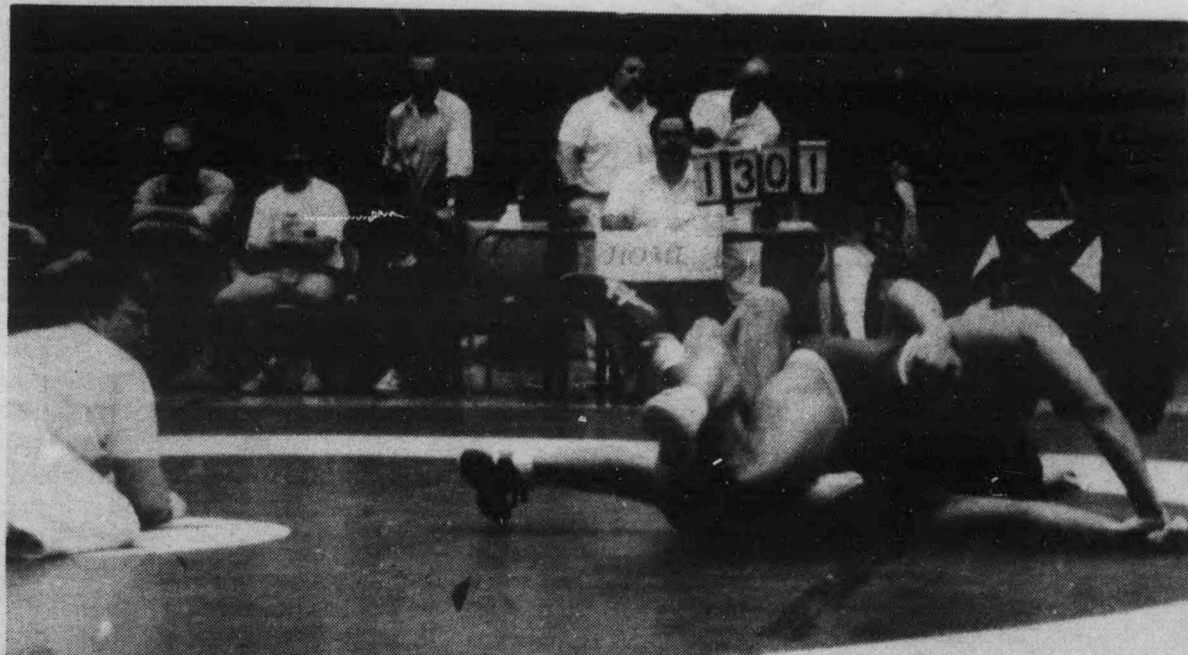
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Bears bring title home to UNB



Marcel Saulis pinning an opponent

by Kelly Craig

It was dubbed as a battle between the UNB Black Bears and the Memorial Seahawks for the AUAA title. Both these teams were the only teams with wrestlers in all ten events. However, Memorial's hopes were dashed as UNB proved too tough for the rest of the AUAA. They copped the team title with 43 total team points. Last year's co-AUAA champions finished last in the AUAA with 19 points. The difference this year as opposed to last year was definitely one of vastness.

Friday night the UNB Black Bears weighed in for the AUAA championships in hopes of successfully defending their title. Early Saturday morning the team headed to the St. Francis Xavier gymnasium. Expectations were high but everyone was ready for a tough battle against the Memorial Seahawks.

The host team St.FX proved to be the comeback team of the year. Nobody had expected that the St.FX team would finish in second place and qualify five wrestlers for the CIAU's. However, many of the final matches saw UNB going against a St.FX wrestler.

There was no real competition for UNB. Jeff Jones of Mount Allison gave UNB's Sean Dockrill a tough match first thing in the morning but

Dockrill soon woke up and defeated all competition. The highlight of the tournament for Dockrill came when he defeated the Concordia wrestler in his class. Concordia is usually a tough team for the AUAA league to beat. It is very rare that Concordia gets beaten. However, Sean made easy work of this Concordia wrestler.

Pat Zwicker gave UNB a scare as he got off to a slow start against a Mount Allison wrestler. Pat fell behind in the match and it looked as though he would be defeated. But, true to the success story that Pat has shown this campus he came back to defeat the Mount Allison wrestler and went on to win the gold medal in his class.

Pat Zwicker is the epitome of success. Just last year he sat out the AUAA's because of a broken back that he sustained in an accident last year. This year Pat came back with a vengeance. He aided the Red Shirts soccer team in the fairly successful season that they had this year. Then he became the Co-captain of the Wrestling team and won the gold medal at the AUAA's.

UNB left Antigonish, NS with seven gold medals, two silver medals, and one bronze. They qualified nine wrestlers for the CIAU's. Coach George Multamaki was very pleased with the team's performance as he walked around for hours after the AUAA's had ended with a

smile on his face. "George did an awesome job with the team this year," stated Pat Zwicker.

Coach Don Ryan was extremely nervous going into the tournament but his hard work paid off as well. Don had been working with the heavy weight wrestlers all season. His work paid off when two of the

Nine Bears for nationals

three won the gold medal. "Donnie brings enormous experience to the team as he was a member of the Black Bears for five years and now is assistant coach," said Co-captain Sean Dockrill.

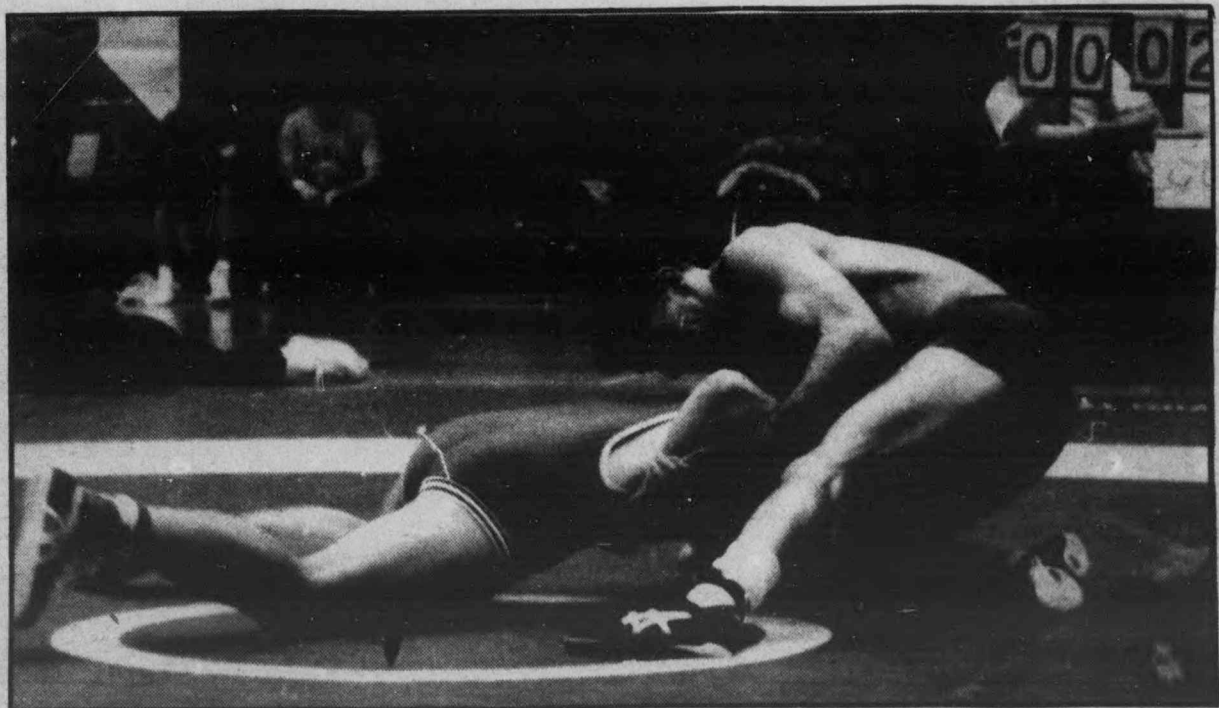
Wrestling is, for the most part, an individual sport. However, there was definitely a feeling of unity as each Black Bear cheered on the others to the finish. The results of the weekend went as follows:

- 52kg- Daren Anderson; UNB
- 57kg- Albert Cassell; MUN
- Jason Pleasant-Sampson; UNB
- 61kg- Pat Zwicker; UNB
- 65kg- Stacey DesRoches; UNB
- 68kg- Sean Dockrill; UNB
- 72kg- Marcel Saulis; UNB
- 82kg- Ian Fogerty; MTA
- Adam Simon; UNB
- 82kg- David Seeley; UNB
- 90kg- Quincy Knox; UNB
- 130kg- Mike Scharberg; MTA
- JD Surette; UNB/ 3rd

UNB's Sean Dockrill was named the most outstanding wrestler of the tournament. Sean definitely deserved this honour but so did many of the other UNB Black Bears. Pat Zwicker was deserving of this honour as he came back in a match that he almost lost. Marcel Saulis clearly dominated his weight class as he easily defeated all competition in his path to the gold. Stacey DesRoches won his weight class throwing his opponent for three points with 20 seconds left. Stacey came from behind in his final match as he got off to a slow start to win in the final seconds. Rookie sensations Dave Seeley and Daren Anderson also had a terrific tournament.

The season of hard work and long training hours paid off for the Bears. They deserve the AUAA title. The performance by the Bears earned Head Coach George Multamaki the Coach of the Year award for the AUAA's.

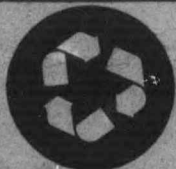
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Sean Dockrill attempting to pin opponent

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