

SPORTS

Red Devils Fall to STU and Mount A

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Going into the final week of the hockey season the UNB Red Devils were in need of two wins in order to be considered playoff contenders. Unfortunately UNB dropped both games, losing 3-2 to St. Thomas and 8-4 to the Mounties of Mt. Allison. The loss to STU could be considered an upset especially since UNB has just finished trouncing St. Mary's earlier in the week.

The game had an emotional build up and a large crowd was at the LBR for the game. The players and fans were both psyched but unfortunately for UNB, Kirk Furlotte played outstanding in the Tommies net. UNB appeared to control most of the game but were behind for most of the contest.

The Devils badly outshot the hapless Tommies but Furlotte had his box of horseshoes out as he thwarted the Red Devils' all night. STU pulled out to a quick two goal lead in the first period, but most of the action was in the stands. A scuffle

erupted on the ice next to the post a 3-2 victory. The loss all STU fans but some fans could not bear to see a Tommie get

beat so they joined in. The fans tried to attack some of the UNB players. It was too bad a few had to ruin it for the others. Play did not resume until at least twenty minutes later.

The Devils finally put one in the net at 19:16 of the second period when Vaughn Porter blasted a screen shot behind Furlotte. The Red Devils came out flying in the third period and put constant pressure on the Tommies defence. At 5:38

Al Lewis tied the game up at 2-2 when he slapped home an errand rebound. Although UNB was dominating the play one could see their level of frustration increasing. STU scored the winning goal with just over three minutes left in the game.

How the Devils never scored in the final three minutes remains to be seen, the goal posts were ringing like the Bells of St. Mary's. Somehow STU survived the onslaught to

UNB still had one game remaining against Mt. Allison in Sackville. The Red Devils played well for the first period but looked tired and slow. UNB was leading at the end of the

"Undeclared" says it all

The University of New Brunswick Red Bloomers captured their 21st AUAU Women's Basketball title with a 75-56 victory over a roiling St. Francis Xavier X-ettes last weekend. The Bloomers were not expected to be given much of a run in the affair, and they weren't as they thrashed the St. Mary's Belles 86-48 in Friday's semi-final nitecap to give them the final berth. About the only contested game in the weekend was the opener Friday when the X-ettes defeated the defending champion Dalhousie Tigers 65-59 in overtime in a game which was only to decide who would be the

sacrificial lamb for the Bloomers on Saturday. Dalhousie had opened a seemingly comfortable halftime lead but AUAU All-Star Linda Barcauskas led the X-ettes as they battled back to tie it up with 4 seconds on the clock to send the game into overtime, where Barcauskas and company gave the Tigers a lesson they had to learn, you can't have a championship team relying on just one player, even if she was Anna Pendergast.

Saturday's final was to be merely a formality as the Bloomers, who had a 14-0 regular season record, showed why, with Jennifer George hooping a season high 27 points enroute to the victory. Jill Jeffrey and Sue McMaster added 11 each as they were the only other Bloomers in double figures.

"They were probably tired, it was a really good ball game they played against

first period but Mt. A. blew the doors open and coasted to an 8-4 victory. George Kelly had three goals for UNB while Steve Adams added UNB's frustrating moments and even fourth goal. It was not a very impressive game for UNB and understandably for the STU loss had taken a lot out of their spirits.

Dalhousie", comments Jennifer "but we were really psyched up compared to the regular season, and we knew if we could play well boxing them out and rebounding, then we would do okay."

"A lot of credit has to be given to them for sure," adds Assistant Coach Joanne MacLean, "they played a heck of a ball game against Dal and had given us a run all year, but I think that none in the conference was up to us today."

Also handed out last weekend were the AUAU All-Star awards. Heading the list was Dalhousie's Anna Pendergast, who few will dispute is the best player in the conference. Joining Anna on the first squad was UNB's Sue

McMaster, who also earned Rookie of the Year honors, and another freshmen, Jennifer George. Linda Barcauskas and Adele Belliveau of St. Francis Xavier finished out the senior squad. Jill Jeffrey of the Red Bloomers, who many thought was a shoe in for a top placing,

led the second team, along with Karen Baggs of Memorial, Sye Schayes of St. Francis Xavier, Angela Van Barnevald of Acadia, and Sandra Mumford of St. Mary's. Coleen Dufresne of the Red Bloomers was named coached of the year.

This weekend the Bloomers are at the Canadian Inter-

The final two games of the season showed the lack of scoring punch in UNB's lineup. The season was full of many frustrating moments and even a water bottle could be seen flying by. The season did provide some exciting moments and next season promises to be better yet.

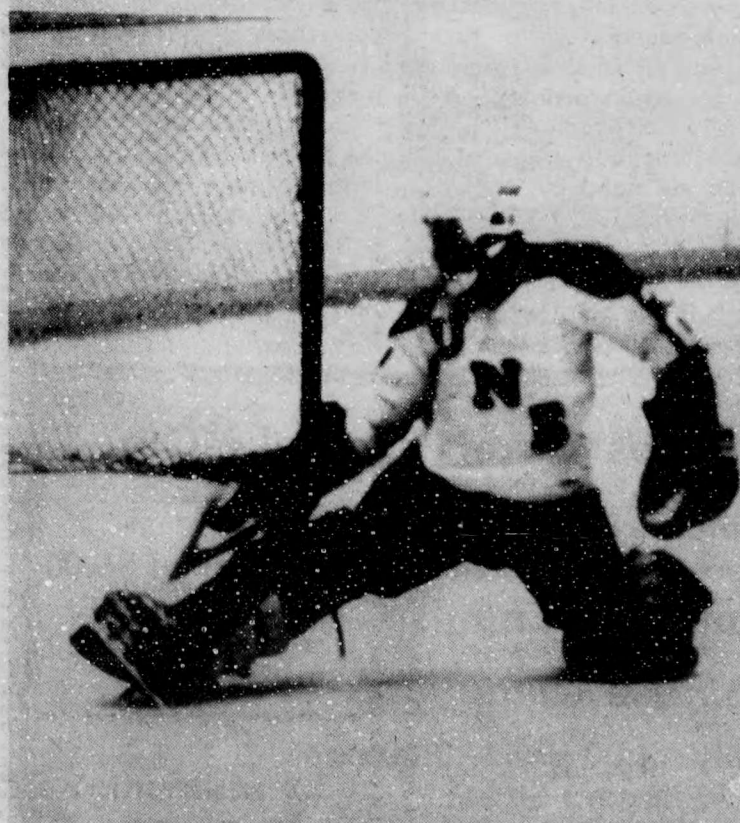
collegiate Championships, and by the time this paper goes to print Friday morning they will have already played their initial contest of the tournament, which will probably have been against the Bishops Lady Gators. UNB's chances at the tournament are not to be

thrown out as their record against the teams that will be participating shows. They had a two pointer against Concordia, who are ranked fourth, and Concordia beat the Lady Gators. As well the Bloomers had close games (all within 7 points) with Laurentian, Toronto, and Winnipeg, so they will prove to be competitive and even have a shot of winning the whole thing.

"I don't think we will be playing over our heads, we have had close games with most of those teams," comments veteran Sandy Hill, "the only two teams we haven't seen are Victoria and Brock, so we feel we can play with anybody in the nation at this point."

"The teams are so close that any one of the eight teams there can win it" comments guard Laura Gillespie "and it will all come down to who has the intensity and the cool heads combined to determine the winner."

Any way you look at, whether they win or lose at the nationals, the Bloomers are a class team and deserve all the support we can give them, as they represent our conference, and most of all our university in Winnipeg.



This is the goal that broke the Devils' back. Scott Brogan put forth a valiant effort all season but it just wasn't enough to get the Devils into the playoffs.