SPORTS

Overtime

Welcome to sports at the Gazette

By MARK ALBERSTAT

September has come once again, just as everyone said it would, and the *Gazette* is starting to roll again, just as many feared it would. This being the first Overtime of the year, I thought it would be a good time to introduce to the new readers the *Gazette* sports and what we try to accomplish here.

Our main priority is of course to cover Dalhousie Tigers in all their different capacities, through thick and thin, good times and bad (god forbid the bad times), till death or graduation do we part. We try to cover the most recent games as possible, but this is not always as easy as it may seem. The sports deadline is on Monday, and the paper not coming out until Wednesday night or Thursday morning means we miss out on telling you about any games that happen through the week.

We hope once again to feature the AUAA standings each week though problems occur in this area also with the standings not always being available to us at the sports deadline, which means we—and you—miss out on the standings and stats for that week.

The objective of this column is to let the *Gazette* sportswriters, and mainly the sports editor, release their views to the world on certain undefined and as yet unknown subjects (which often remain unknown even after the article has been written and published). Last year's Overtime dealt mainly in editorial-style and content with some apsect of sports. This year's will still have those types of articles, but we will also have articles on players, coaches and the people behind the scenes at Dal Sports. We will also have the occasional sports book review and the odd column written for nothing other than a laugh from writer and reader alike.

For the closing paragraph of this premier Overtime, I thought it would be appropriate to congratulate Pat Curren and Wayne MacDonald on successfully getting the CIAU Final Four Basketball Championships once again. I will also take this opportunity to wish all the teams the best of luck in the coming year.

P.S. - Readers of this column beware: Future Overtimes may not be as clear and lucid as this one—you have been warned.

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Field hockey Tigers in action

By LISA TIMPF

The Dalhousie women's field hockey team will kick off their season early in the St. Marys—Dalhousie Invitational tournament this weekend.

The tournament will involve six teams in all: club teams Le Club and the Halifax Commoners, and university squads from Dalhousie, New Brunswick, St. Francis Xavier and St. Mary's.

The latter four teams, incidentally, should comprise the power of this year's AUAA field hockey loop. St. Marys, in particular, will

be a strong threat for CIAU as well as AUAA top honours. Returning team members Lisa de Silva, Annelie Vandenberg and Sue Maloney, all strong players, will be joined by rookie Angie Banks, a standout with Prince Andrew high school, and national team member Darlene Stoyka.

The fact that SMU will have the advantage of playing seven games on the astroturf, their home surface, will be icing on the cake for the Belles.

St. Francis Xavier should be fielding a strong team, as they did not lose any players to graduation.

UNB will be led on the field by Cathryn McDougall, and will be introducing some fresh blood in the form of rookies from the New Brunswick Canada Games team.

As for Dalhousie, this year's edition of the Tigers promises to field a strong defense. Sweeper Heather McLean and halfbacks Maureen Levy, Julie Gunn and Lynn McKinley will anchor the defense, with Gail Broderick and Shelley Butler helping to marshall the offense.

The Tigers will have their hands full, however, with this year's opposition.

Tiger goaltender has international exposure in Europe

By LISA TIMPF

Claudette Levy, a goaltender with the field hockey Tigers, received a free trip to Europe this summer courtesy of the National Womens' Field Hockey team.

The Canadians played twenty games in the course of an extensive travel schedule in Holland.

The highlight of the trip for Levy was playing goal in a 2-2 tie with the Dutch national team, currently the best in the world.

"I was really nervous before the game," said Levy. "But once it started, I got rolling and got over it."

After the Holland tour, Levy travelled to Germany to join the Canadian Under-21 team. Despite three losses and a tie to the German Under-21's, it was also a worthwhile experience.

"I really benefited as a goalie," said Levy of her European trip. "It was a great trip, and really enhanced my game.

"The National team members are excellent to play with," she added. "They're all very supportive."

What did Levy think of the performance of her short-term teammates at the Los Angeles Olympics? "I think the United States would have beaten anyone in their first game," she said of Canada's



Claudette Levy

initial 4-1 loss to the U.S. "They were really up for the game. They beat Canada to the ball.

"The West German game was a disappointment for Canada," she added. "But they finished the tournament strongly, and the 2-2 tie with the Dutch was excellent. Canada is the only team in the world to tie the Dutch twice."

Although Levy didn't make the Olympic squad this year, her next major long-term goal will be to prepare for the 1986 World Cup in Vancouver.

Levy hopes to be in the picture for the '86 tournament. It is a realistic aspiration for a goaltender who is currently among the top five in the country.

In the meantime, it's back to school for Levy. The fourth-year physical education student started a session of practise teaching on Wednesday.

James Bayer new Pres. of AUAA



DALHOUSIE VARSITY SWIMMING Wednesday 12th September

Team Meeting

Room 206 Dalplex 5:00 p.m.

All Interested Welcome

James D. Bayer, Dean of the School of Recreation and Physical Education and Director of Athletics at Acadia University, has been elected President and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Atlantic Universities Athletic Association. A member of the AUAA for the past six years, Mr. Bayer has served as chairman of Association committees on football and swimming, and has been Vice-President and Chairman of the AUAA's Technical Committee since 1982. One of his most recent major projects was the coordination of the AUAA Handbook, which is soon to be released to member institutions.

A native of Dartmouth, N.S., Mr. Bayer came to Acadia in 1977 from the Nova Scotia Department of Recreation where he had been Director of Operations. He became Acting Dean/Director of Athletics at Acadia in 1978 and Dean/Director the following year: