

SPORTS

Baumann shines

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The CIAU national swimming championships, which were held at the Dalplex pool over the weekend, generated a lot of interest. The big individual winner at the three day event was Alex Baumann, national team member who swims for Laurentian University. The dominating teams were Toronto on the women's side, who captured their seventh national title in nine years. They were followed by UNB and Calgary. On the men's side, the university of Calgary Dinosaurs managed to wrestle the men's team title from Toronto, who finished in second spot. Victoria placed third.

On Friday, the first day of competition, medals were presented in seven events. Not surprisingly, Toronto and Calgary went away with the greatest number of medals.

In women's competition the Atlantic region had only two swimmers qualify for the finals. Manon Tardif and Krista Burris, both of Mount Allison, were part of the field of eight in the women's 200m IM final. UNB's Jackie Hatherly finished second in the consolation final.

Dalhousie's Sue Hall and Nicole Deveau swam in the consolation final of the 200m IM. Their teammate, Monique Deveau, just failed to qualify with them.

There was one women's relay race held that evening. In the 400m IM relay, Calgary won with a time of 4:19.05, breaking the previous mark of 4:19.85 which they had owned also. Dalhousie, represented by Kerri-

Lynn Montgomery, Sue Hall, Mary Mowbray and Sara Kennedy, finished eighth.

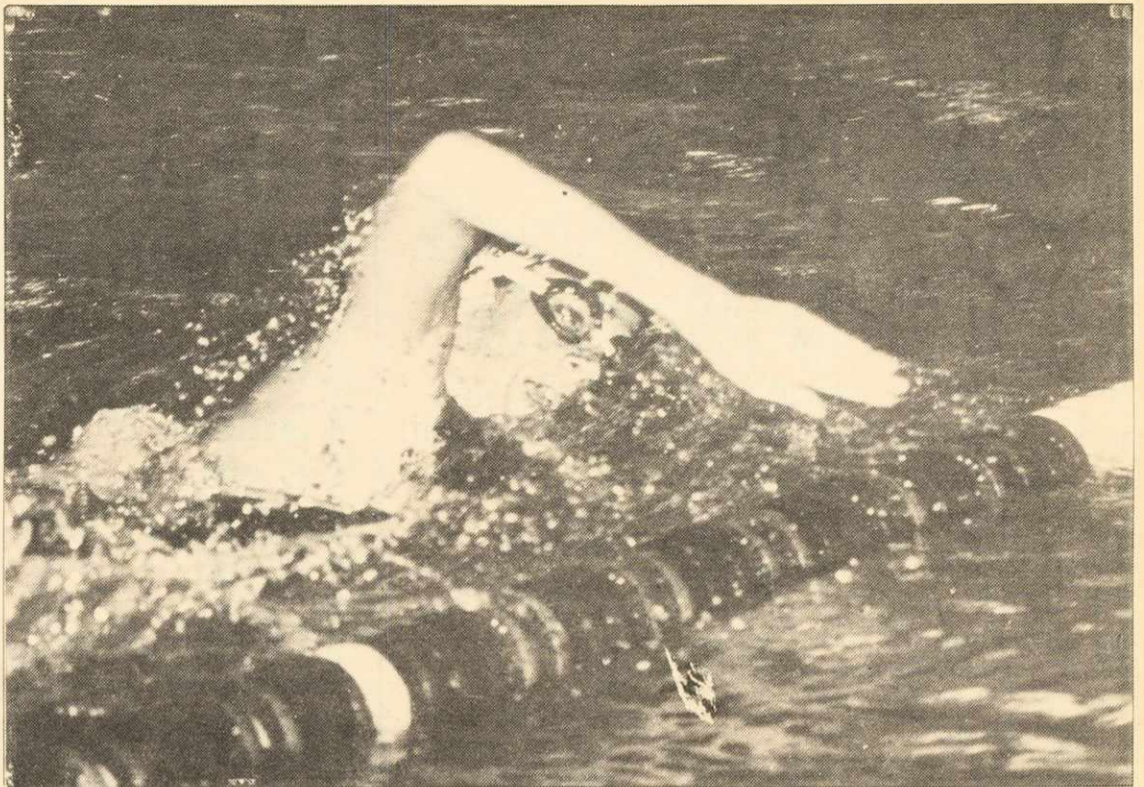
The last individual event on the first day of competition was the women's one metre diving final. Waterloo's Clare Young amassed 317.30 points to win the gold medal. Dalhousie's Stephanie McLean totalled 293.75 points, good for 19th place.

In men's swimming action of Friday, Alex Baumann stole the show. The nine-year member of Canada's national swim team equalled his previous best time in the 200 IM.

Baumann had qualified for the final with the second best time preliminaries. Jon Kelly of the Victoria Vikings, who won the 200m IM at last year's CIAUs, qualified with the fastest time. He hit the wall after Baumann to win the silver medal. Dalhousie's Darryl Dutton finished fifth in the consolation final.

In other men's action on Friday, Calgary's Gary Vandermeulen set a new CIAU record and Canadian short course record of 3:46.83 in the 400m freestyle. The previous best time was 3:49.58. The men's 400m IM relay was taken by the Calgary team who bettered their 1982 CIAU record by 2.80 seconds.

After the first day in the pool, Toronto led in the women's team standings with 187 points. They were followed by the defending champions from UBC and the Calgary women's team. The Dalhousie Women were 12th out of 18 teams. Defending champions Toronto had 119 points for first place in the men's division. They were followed by Calgary and Victoria. Dalhousie stood just out



The CIAU swimming championships, which were held last weekend at the Dalplex, created quite a splash as many new records were set. Photo by Deepak Seth/Dalphoto.

of the basement in 18th spot. Swimmers from the Atlantic region fared much better on Saturday. On the women's side, Calgary's Suki Brownsdon captured the women's 100m breaststroke title. Mount Allison's Krista Burris was third.

In the consolation event, Dalhousie's Sue Hall was first in 1:18.00 with Mount Allison's Janet Pincott second. The Tigers' Nicole Deveau was third, for the sweep of the consolation medals.

In the women's three metre championship diving finals, Erin McCune of Toronto was first with 372.425 points. She was followed by Manitoba's Jennifer McArton and Angela Borthwick,

also of Manitoba. In men's competition, Alex Baumann was again the big name. The native of Sudbury, Ontario swam a world-best time of 4:09.64 in the men's 400 IM, replacing his previous record by more than a second. Baumann called the race the second greatest career achievement.

Dalhousie's Darryl Dutton was second in the consolation final of the 400m IM. The consolation gold was won by Ron Page of Victoria. Rob Chernoff of Calgary was the gold medalist in the championship round of the men's 100m breaststroke, swimming the course in 1:03.00.

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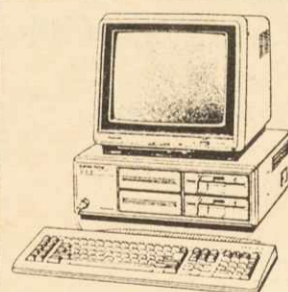
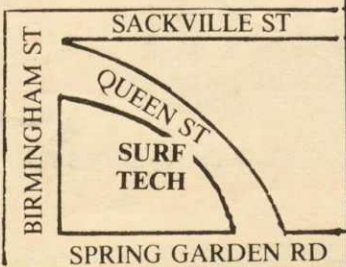
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