

# Red Sticks

By TOM BEST

With only two games left in regular play, the Red Sticks field hockey team remains the sole undefeated squad in the league. Last weekend they knocked off Saint Mary's 3-1 and Acadia 4-0 in a pair of road games.

Saturday's game saw the return to action of captain Beth McSorley, who left no doubt as to her recovery as she beat the Saint Mary's goaltender twice. McSorley moved back to a halfback position from forward, came through numerous times to test the SMU defence and played strong defensively. Mary McCann netted the other Sticks goal.

Donna Phillips and Mary McCann each scored twice in Sunday's win

at Acadia to extend UNB's streak to nine straight on the season. Marleigh Moran received the shut out.

Although the Stick's offense has proven potent, the defence has, as of yet, been fairly untested and could prove to be the teams weak area. However, the speed and skill of fullbacks such as Carla Blaignire, Mary Lu Heckbert and Nancy Drope should pose a more than sufficient obstacle to any opposition with scoring in mind.

This weekend the Sticks head to UPEI for a pair of games. With many players on the team hailing from Spud Island the team is looking forward to the trip. While PEI has had its problems this season, they have had several key wins and are much improved over last year when they failed to score even a single goal.



Scott Brogan clears the puck as Dave Bluteau looks on.

The U.N.B. Red Devils defeated the team from Bishops 6-3.

# Red Bombers

By TOM BEST

After their upset win over St. Francis several weeks ago, the UNB Red Bombers were flying high but head coach Jim Born held no visions of instant grandeur. The team had a major task ahead and nothing but hard work was in order.

The Bombers have, to this point in the season had to prove themselves after three straight losses. Following an opening loss against Mount Allison, the Bombers went down to St. Francis and Saint Mary's.

Born said that the first game was lost on only three or four plays in which the special teams for punting and kick-offs played poorly and allowed the ball to run back for touchdowns which won the game for the Swampies.

In the second and third games, the Bombers were simply outscored while showing well on defense. Offensively quarter-backs Greg Clarke and Don Cameron had their difficulties moving the ball. Clarke, who likes to throw the ball, had difficulty in finding open receivers, and also was hampered by an injury that left him unable to utilize his scrambling ability.

The Bombers had difficulty also in capitalizing on third down opportunities deep in their opponents zone by either failing to convert to first downs or score.

The Bombers first win of the season came as the slaughtered Mt. A at College Field and racked up their several with their upset of St. F.X. in Antigonish. After sitting out a weekend due to scheduling the Bombers should be healthy and ready to meet the powerful Saint Mary's squad. The offense, now strong and the defense with a solid reputation behind them, practised well over the preceding two weeks including last Sunday.

Born feels that the team cannot slack off now that they have a couple of wins behind them especially going into Halifax against the nationally ranked Huskies. The team may be confident, according to Born, but they have to be realistic in that they are up against a tough team that will take up on the smallest of mistakes by the Bombers.

With the team hopeful of a play-off spot, this Saturday's game is as usual, a must and the Bombers will have to play undoubtedly their best game of the year both offensively and defensively in order to come out on top.

# Athletes of the Week

**Beth McSorley**

**John Kinoh**

After missing three games due to an injury, Beth returned to the Red Sticks lineup to spark the team in weekend victories over St. Mary's and Acadia. She scored 2 goals in the games from her halfback position and was an offensive threat throughout the contests. Beth is a 3rd year Education student from Fredericton.

Following the Red Devils first weekend of exhibition hockey play, John has started the season where he left off last year. In the two games against Bishop's University and Edmundston he had 3 and 3 assists for six points. He also led the team in checking, dishing out several crushing body checks. John is a 3rd year Business student from Montreal.

# Red Shirts

By DAVE HARDING

The UNB Red Shirts soccer team came up big last weekend to take two games from the Memorial Beathucks in St. John's Newfoundland. The scores were 1-0 and 2-1.

Along with beating the Beathucks, the Shirts had to overcome the adverse playing conditions. During the first fifteen minutes of game one, Memorial put the pressure on UNB with the latter being able to stay in the game by virtue of a hit cross bar, a couple of near misses and a some fine goaltending by Gary Kraft.

Although Memorial could not seem to find the target, UNB

scored the only goal of the game on their first attempt. The goal was set up beautifully by Dwight Hornibrook as he crossed the ball to Ebenezer Dania. Dania promptly headed the ball past the outstretched Memorial goalkeeper.

The Red Shirts played good two-way soccer as they protected their lead throughout the game.

On Sunday the two teams met again and once more the field was in bad condition. In this game Memorial took a 1-0 lead at half time and it was up to UNB to muster a comeback. And that they did.

First year player Peter Carpenter started things off by going by

the Beathuck goalkeeper and rolling the ball into the open net.

The goal provided the Red Shirts with the lift that they needed as they scored again - this time it Ebenezer Dania who scored after the Beathuck goaltender dropped a cross made by Carpenter.

Again UNB held on well to the lead, this time with a little help by some mud which helped stop the ball on their goal line twice.

The Red Shirts round off the regular season today and tomorrow against UPEI. The game today begins at four o'clock at College Field with tomorrow's being at 1 p.m. at the same place. The Red Shirts need one point against the Panthers to capture first place in the AUAA west division.

# Women's Volleyball

James Sexsmith is the new addition to the coaching staff at UNB. Jim is a Alberta native, he gained his first volleyball experience by playing four years varsity in Lethbridge. Jim later moved on to the University of Alberta where he coached the junior womens team for two years and assisted with the womens team. Second year he coached with Betty Baxter formerly the captain of the '76 Olympic team in womens volleyball and now presently coaching the womens national team. During this year the junior varsity Pandas won the Alberta championship and placed sixth in Canada. Sexsmith's third year was highlighted when he coached the University of Alberta's Golden Bears (men), this team was rated one of the top ten in the nation. Also this same year his junior

Golden Bears won the Alberta provincials and the Junior Nationals. His fourth year at U of A he retired from active coaching and became a fitness consultant to both mens and womens volleyball teams. That year the U of A mens team placed third in the CIAU and the junior men placed first in Canada. Mr. Sexsmith also taught volleyball classes to students at U of A and was a guest coach for three years '77, '78, and '79 at the Jasper Valley Volleyball Camp organized by the Alberta Volleyball Association.

This year at UNB, Mr. Sexsmith is finishing his Ph.D in Exercise Physiology. He was hired to teach graduate and undergraduate courses in Exercise Physiology. Also he was asked to coach the womens volleyball team. His objective this year is to set up a club system to promote volleyball for

women in the Fredericton area. Another objective specifically for the Reds "work hard and be competitive and have fun." This is to be a "introductory and rebuilding year, reviewing and improving basic skills." Coach and team are disappointed by having no returning setters, a setter is similar to a quarterback in football. AUAA eligibility rules cause the Reds to lose two talented veterans but there is "a positive feeling on the team about what it can do this year." Coach Sexsmith is looking forward to staying at UNB for two or three years.

Coach Sexsmith wants all UNB students to know that the Reds will provide "an exciting brand of volleyball, therefore he hopes to see a lot of fans enjoying the action." Good luck to the Reds this season and remember the famous letters of Colleen Carten "T.T."



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