## **Basketball Preparations Underway**

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For openers, the article you read last week was two weeks old, not being published on time for one reason or another, and thus may have appeared a bit musty to some of you. I tender my humblest apologies ... (and hope to hell it doesn't happen again!)

What's been happening with "Yarr's Hussars" (oh - that's bad!) over the last week? To begin with, that overflow of muscle and talent which was and is still boasted of, has been diminished to the tune of one. Cliff Shockley, the

rangy American forward who was noted jointly for his slippery inside moves and untimely temperamental outbursts, has apparently hung up his shoes for the season, and thus ended his brief but illustrious three week career with the Tigers. Along with this Don Robertson is still maintaining indifference toward basketball this season, which as a result, leaves Coach Yarr with a gaping hole at the post slot. Rumour has it that Yarr, in an act of bitter frustration, was about to assign everloyal, Jim de la Mothe to the empty position, but was foiled when it was learned that de la Mothe was not a regular Dal student, and was consequently ineligible. Perhaps he can seek solace in the knowledge that, at least now, he no longer needs to worry about CIAU directives or non-Canadian quotas.

In other developments, Doug Ryan has been sidelined for a week due to a dislocated shoulder. Apparently, at the time of the injury, the pain was of such an intense nature that it required morphine to quell the ache. Reports are that Doug took his medicine like "a little soldier," no doubt loving every moment of it! He should be back in top shape for opening night, on November 2.

As a final note, mention should be made of the "behind the scenes" work being carried on by Gord MacKay, who is attempting to upgrade and innovate the Tigers image for the 1974-75 season. His aim is to capture your interest, imagination and support, which is not an easy task.

Apparently, he is presently formulating Dal's answer to such deadly crowd pleasers as the Acadia cheerleaders infamous bass drum, along with their equally infamous (if not revolting) swivelling crothces. Hmmm ... should

be interesting to see what you come up with, Gord.

Although the team has been somewhat hampered recently by injuries and defections, they are building daily and really beginning to get things together. Dal has rarely had, in the past, a team which was capable of fostering all these side-effects, but this year it would appear that possibility is very real.

Get involved and make it

## **Nfld Tourney**

HOCKEY TIGERS TO FACE SWITZERLAND NATIONAL TEAM

by Pierre Page

The Tigers are most anxious to participate in their first exhibition contest as they depart for St. John's, Newfoundland, Friday, October 25, 1974.

The tournament consists of a round-robin draw over the 25, 26, 27 of October. The team's roster will be reduced to 20 before the weekend so every member of the team will get a chance to play in the three scheduled matches.

The first game is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on October 25 against Memorial University while St. John's Capitals play the Swiss Nationals at 8:45 pm On Saturday, the Tigers go against the Swiss National Team at 6:15 while St. John's Caps play hometown rival Memorial University. Sunday, Dalhousie Tigers complete the tournament draw as they meet the Senior "A" St. John's Caps at 12:15 while Memorial go against the Swiss Nationals. The tournament winner will be decided on a total point basis, going to a goal

for goal against total statistics in the event of a tie in win-loss records.

Coach Page and Gagne will finally get the opportunity to see many newcomers at work. Paul Finlay has been enjoying his best training camp ever as he joins captain Randy Sears and ex-Truro Bearcat, Dan Lombard on one unit. Jim Shatford has been moved to left wing with centre Dave Creurer and bullet Bob Richardson. Tom Coolen presently sees action on left wing with Darrell MacGregor and ex-Chester Raven, Bill Davis. Dave MacLeod on left wing, Peter Wentzell at center and Kirk Heisler form another unit as Chris Turnbull sees action both on defense and forward.

The defensive squad has Rick Roemer and Don MacGregor, Dave MacDonald and John Gillis, John Mullowney and Art Ells.

Greg Lynch and Vince Desjardins are setting up an interesting competition in nets as it becomes evident it will be hard to determine a starting goalie. Both are expected to help the Tigers keep the goal against average at a low point.

## Athlete of the Week

by: Cathy J. Campbell

Ms Kathy MacPherson, an 18 year old second year Science student, displayed her athletic talents at the Atlantic Intercollegiate Track and Field Championships this past weekend at Beazley Field in Dartmouth. Kathy threw the discus 93' to take first place. Ms MacPherson also placed third in the javelin and fourth in the shot put.

Kathy has been involved in Track and Field for several years. She won a bronze medal for Nova Scotia in the discus at the Eastern Canadian Championships in Brantford, Ontario in 1971. Kathy also won the provincial high school discus title two years

in a row. Ms MacPherson enjoys her training and is in no great rush for glory. She wishes to continue her training to improve her own personal performances.

Kathy is as conscientious in her studies as she is in



her training. After obtaining her Bachelor of Science Degree, she wishes to enter Medical School. A few of Ms MacPherson's hobbies are piano, reading, and various recreational sports.



