

Upcoming events

MEN'S BASKETBALL
 Jan.25 UNB@Dal 3pm
 Jan.28 Dal@SMU 8pm
 Jan.31 Dal@SFX 8pm
 Feb.6 Dal@SMU 8pm
 Feb.8 UPEI@Dal 3pm
 Feb.14 Dal@SFX 8pm
 Feb.15 Dal@UCCB 3pm
 Feb.19 ACA@Dal 8pm
 Feb.22 SMU@Dal 8pm
 Feb.27 Dal@UNB 8:30pm

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
 Jan.25 UNB@Dal 1pm
 Jan.28 Dal@SMU 6pm
 Jan.31 Dal@SFX 6pm
 Feb.6 Dal@SMU 6pm
 Feb.8 UPEI@Dal 1pm
 Feb.11 Dal@ACA 8pm
 Feb.14 Dal@SFX 6pm
 Feb.15 Dal@UCCB 1pm
 Feb.19 ACA@Dal 6pm
 Feb.24 SMU@Dal 6pm
 Feb.27 Dal@UNB 6:30pm

HOCKEY
 Jan.24 SMU@Dal 7pm
 Jan.31 UPEI@Dal 7pm
 Feb.4 Dal@SMU 7:30pm
 Feb.7 All-Star Game (@Metro Centre)
 Feb.11 SFX@Dal 7pm
 Feb.14 Dal@UdeM 7pm
 Feb.15 Dal@STU 2pm
 Feb.18 SMU@Dal 7pm
 Feb.22 ACA@Dal 7pm
 Feb.27 Quarter Finals
 Feb.28 Quarter Finals

SWIMMING
 Jan.23 MTA@Dal@UNB 7pm
 Jan.24 UNB@Dal@MTA 2pm
 Feb.13 AUAAs@UNB 10:30 am & 6:30pm
 Feb.14 AUAAs@UNB 10:30 am & 6:30pm
 Feb.15 AUAAs@UNB 10am & 4pm
 Feb.20 CIAUs@Sherbrooke
 Feb.21 CIAUs@Sherbrooke
 Feb.22 CIAUs@Sherbrooke

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL
 Jan.24 Dal@UNB 7pm
 Jan.25 Dal@UNB 1pm
 Jan.30 Dal@Laval Tournament
 Jan.31 Dal@Laval Tournament
 Feb.1 Dal@Laval Tournament
 Feb.13 AUA League Tournament [UNB vs Dal 8pm]
 Feb.15 AUA League Tournament [MUN vs Dal noon]
 Feb.20 AUA Championships (#2@#1, best 2 of 3)
 Feb.21 AUA Championships (#2@#1, best 2 of 3)
 Feb.22 AUA Championships (#2@#1, best 2 of 3)

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL
 Jan.24 UCCB@Dal 6pm
 Jan.25 UCCB@Dal 11am
 Jan.27 Dal@ACA 7:30pm
 Jan.28 Dal@UNB 8pm
 Jan.31 Dal@UNB 1pm
 Feb.7 UPEI@Dal 6pm
 Feb.8 UPEI@Dal 11am
 Feb.11 Dal@SMU 7pm
 Feb.14 MTA@Dal 5pm
 Feb.15 UdeM@Dal 2pm
 Feb.20 AUAAs@Dal
 Feb.21 AUAAs@Dal
 Feb.22 AUAAs@Dal



Men's hockey Tigers, waiting to exhale...

BY EUGENIA BAYADA

The men's hockey Tigers showed what they're made of last Wednesday as they slammed the St.FX X-Men 7-0. They then dropped two easy points to the Mount Allison Mounties on Saturday as they lost 5-3, and a further two in a 6-2 loss to UNB.

On Wednesday, St.FX didn't stand a chance at Memorial Arena. The Tigers came out to play and easily dominated the game, outshooting the X-Men 43-24. Forward Jan Melichercik opened the scoring at 5:31 of the first period and his team never looked back. Melichercik added another goal on the power play early on in the second frame. Tim Hill, Craig Whynot and Ted Naylor also contributed in that period, while Chris Pittman and Hill scored in the final frame where the home team tested X-Man goaltender Shawn Silver 16 times versus St.FX's paltry four shots. Neil

Savary took Player of the Game honours as he cruised to his first shutout of the year.

"It was a good game," said team

only goal. Hill tied the game up at the halfway mark of the second and Derrick Pyke put the Tigers up on a short-handed goal a couple of minutes later.



Tiger Jan Melichercik puts one past Ken Carroll during Sunday's game. (Photo by Lisa Verge)

Jody Shelley increased the Tigers lead to two at 19:14, but a lapse in the Tigers' defense allowed the Mounties to narrow the difference before the end of the period. The Tigers then proceeded to give the game away to the conference bottom-dwellers in the third frame. Mt. Allison's perpetual losing

of the weekend — we couldn't finish."

Both the Varsity Reds and the Tigers came out strong on Sunday. Ryan Naismith was quick to open the scoring for UNB at 1:30. Shelley countered at 4:48 on the rebound from an attempt by Martin LaPointe. Peter MacKellar netted a slapshot from the crease to give UNB a lead which they did not concede for the remainder of the game. Humourless referee Bob Best awarded Shelley a ten-minute misconduct before the end of the period, allegedly for making a joke. It should be noted that this was the former Moosehead's only penalty of the weekend.

The Reds opened up a two-point lead before Melichercik narrowed it down for the Tigers at 11:28. UNB increased their lead just over a minute later when Dax MacLean went one-on-one with Savary.

Best awarded Pyke a minor for goaltender interference early in the final frame, raising questions among the fans present about whether or not a netminder is "fair play" if he is out of the crease. Impolite suggestions were made to the referee to review the hockey rules book.

With rookie blueliner Dave Bourque called for slashing at 17:56 and Savary pulled in favour of an extra forward, UNB was able to score two empty-netters from the blueline to seal their victory at 6-2.

"I think our team has made a decision after the last two games about whether or not we want a ring in two months," says Shelley.

With just over a month left until AUHC quarter-finals, Dal has a few consistency problems to work out. Conference standings mean little more than home-ice advantage and a little extra confidence for playoffs, but one can only hope that the Tigers want that ring badly enough to shake up the opposition before another season goes by without hardware. They've proved themselves more than capable.

captain Dave Haynes. "We played well — we were firing on all cylinders... then we shut it down on the weekend."

On Saturday, Dal outshot Mt. Allison 17-3 in the first frame yet it was the Mounties who scored the period's

habit had left them winless since Oct. 24 and floundering at the bottom of the MacAdam Division at 1-16-0 before Saturday's game.

"We played well but we couldn't finish," said Haynes. "That's the story

Women's hockey gains experience at AUAAAs

BY EUGENIA BAYADA

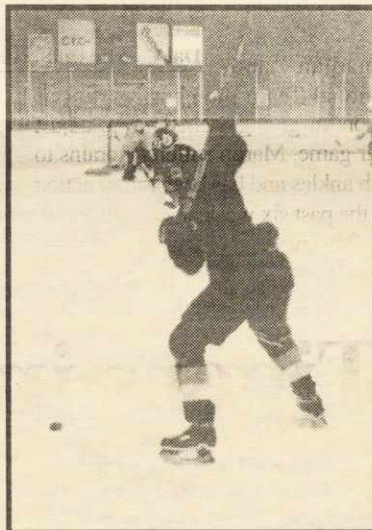
The Dalhousie women's hockey team took part in the first ever AUAA Championship at UNB last weekend. SMU took the inaugural title in double overtime over Acadia.

"It was disappointing," says Dal captain Tanya MacDonald of the team's loss. "It could've been anyone — all the games were close."

Dal faced-off with Acadia first on Jan. 16 and suffered a 4-1 loss which was not indicative of the closeness of the game. The win earned Acadia an automatic berth in the two-game total-goal final.

Dal fared better against St.FX the following evening as MacDonald scored to give her team an early 2-0 lead in the first period. The Antigonish team scored their first

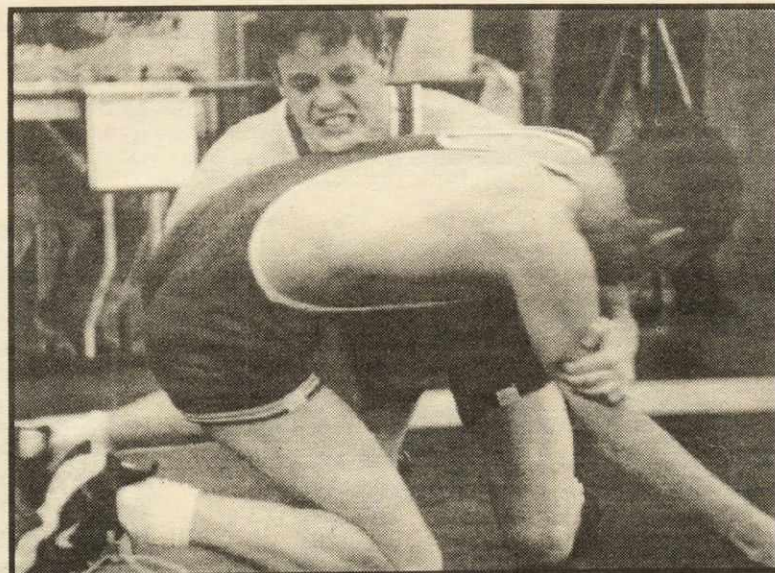
goal on the power play which "got their momentum going". Despite being outshot, outchanced and



Blueliner Simone Page tees one up during practice before the Championship. (Photo by Ryan Lash)

outplayed, St.FX were able to emerge with the win only to be defeated 5-1 by UNB in the bronze medal game.

"It was great to see Dal represented up there," said right winger Shelley Malcolm. "We had a good time and played some great hockey and I hope that us being involved in the first AUAA Women's Hockey Championship will help pave the way for future Dal hockey players."



Dalhousie's Logan Ward takes down a South Shore Wrestling Club competitor. (Photo by Ryan Lash)

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