



Official removes Atic from Fan

From the Armchair
By CRAIG MUNROE

The Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary defines a fanatic as a person who is "marked by excessive enthusiasm and often intense uncritical devotion", while a fan is described as "an enthusiastic devotee, usually a spectator".

Given the above definitions most of us would fall into the category of a fan. We go view an athletic contest and while there we react to situations as they arise, either good or bad. The fanatic, however, is the person who runs around with paint on his/her face, carries a bullhorn or dances in the aisles and cheers on his/her team despite the score.

Fanatics would then be the proper term to describe the 100 or so residence students who ventured to the Dalplex on Tuesday, November 25th, to support th

Tigers Men's and Women's Basketball teams in both squads first home games of the 1986/87 AUSA regular season. The group consisted of two residences and their respective sister floors from Sherriff Hall and the idea was that the group that displayed the most enthusiasm would be declared the champions and as a result would be awarded a grand prize.

The women's game was played first and by the time the men hit the court the fanatics were starting to roll. The noise added to the excitement of the game and things, other than the score of the game, seemed to moving along quite smoothly, and then it happened. A little used and little known rule concerning the home team and their respective fanatics was used by one the officials with the result being a slightly confused Dalhousie crowd.

One of the aforementioned fanatics was also a creative child and he had brought with him an

electric guitar. The guitar was of course adding to the enthusiasm displayed by the group. In an attempt to aid the Tigers' cause the guitar was brought alive during the oppositions free throw attempts. It was here that the confusion started.

The St. F.X. coach, Steve Konchalski, called Roger Caulfield, one of the official's over to his bench and as a result of that conversation an announcement was made stating that if the guitar was played during the St. F.X. free throw attempts, the X-Men could, if they desired, retake the shot.

Such a rule the Armchair, along with most of the other people in the stands, had never heard of before.

After some investigation, however, it has been determined that the officials have the right to control the fans, or penalize the home team if the fans are distracting the shooter. (You might want to reread that last sentence just to make sure that your eyes are not playing tricks on you.) The guitar was obviously a distraction.

Of course having fans wave towels and flags behind the backboard, ring bells, run around the gym and do the wave, all things that happen through out the AUSA, and not considered distractions.

Lets be serious folks and officials. Mechanical noise making devices have become as much of sports at the university level as the ball is to basketball and if they are considered distracting then what's to say that fans cheering or sign waving is not. The call was one of the most ridiculous that I have ever seen and it only goes to prove that the officials in the AUSA are not working at the same level that the players are playing.

Swim Tigers swamp Acadia

By DEAN GOODMAN

Both the Dalhousie men's and women's swim teams easily defeated the Acadia Axemen in Wolfville last Friday. Led by Darryl Dutton, with wins in the 100 backstroke and 800 freestyle, and Kent Williams, who won both the 200 and 400 free, the men's team posted a 67-27 win to improve their record to 5-0.

The women's team defeated the Axettes 68-28 to improve their record to 4-1. Nicole Deveau became the third women's team member to qualify for the CIAU championships with a win in the 100 breaststroke. Deveau, who also won the 100 butterfly, joins Mary Mowbray and Susan Hall on Dalhousie's CIAU team. Darryl Dutton is the only men's qualifier thus far.

Both teams were impressive, winning all the relays and a majority of the events. Among the individual winners were first-year student Kerri-Lynn Montgomery in the 50 free, Mike Naylor in the 400 free, and Ismael Aquino in the 100m breaststroke.

Both teams are now building towards the AUSA championships, which will be held Feb. 19-21 at Acadia. The location of the championships pleases coach Nigel Kemp because Acadia is hosting an AUSA invitational tournament later in January which will give the swimmers more time in the Wolfville pool.

"Experience in the pool is valuable," explained Kemp. "It could make a difference in the meet."



Dalhousie's Whitney Richardson (23) fires the puck wide of the St. F.X. net in the Tigers' 6-2 victory over the X-men on Friday. Photo by Sean Foley/Dal Photo.

Tigers win home series

By JOANN SHERWOOD

The hockey team played its final two home games of 1986 over the weekend. On Friday night, the Tigers routed St. F.X. 6-2. The following evening, they came alive in the third period to beat St. Thomas 5-3.

In Friday's contest, the Tigers drew first blood just over a minute into the game, when Kevin Quartermain blasted a slapshot from just inside the blue line past X-Men goaltender Marc Champoux. Peter Dermastja's goal at 5:34 rounded out the first period scoring and evened the game up at 1-1.

While on a four minute power-play, Dalhousie's Martin Bouliane picked up a pass from Joel Brown to make the score 2-1. Peter Dermastja's second tally beat Dalhousie netminder Rick Reusse from in close to tie the score at 2-2. Whitney Richardson scored a pair 23 seconds apart to make the score 4-2 Dalhousie. The Tigers' offence dominated from that point on.

The Tigers' fifth goal was a powerplay marker 28 seconds

into the third period when game star Martin Bouliane stuffed the puck through Champoux's pads. The Tigers padded their lead and set the final score at 6-2 when Quartermain directed a perfect pass from Bob Crawford into the St. F.X. net.

On Saturday, the game was scoreless until 12:04 of the first when Dalhousie's Alan Baldwin put a high shot up in the corner of the St. Thomas net. The Tommies tied it up with just under three minutes remaining in the period on a goal off the stick of Bob Brown.

Dalhousie went ahead 2-1 at 6:37 of the second period Whitney Richardson picked up a pass and put the pack past Smith, who was unable to slide across the crease in time to stop the shot. St. Thomas came back to tie the score when Mike McCabe managed to get the loose puck past Abrie.

Around the ten minute mark of the final period, Paul Herron whipped the pick past the Tommies' goaltender to put the Tigers in the lead again 3-2. A shot by St. Thomas' Bob Brown trickled through Abrie's pads but St. Thomas never improved on their

three goal performance. Goals by Dalhousie's Jay Innes and Bob Crawford secured a 5-3 win for the Tiger squad.

Dalhousie coach Darrell Young said it was hard to get ready for a team that they'd beaten 11-0 last time out. Young realizes all aspects of the Tigers' game will have to be clicking when Dalhousie plays the University of Moncton on December fifth.

"Looking against Moncton you have to think we'll have to play solid defence. We have to go for sixty minutes. You can't lapse for a minute or two minutes, which means Moncton turnovers, which means we're down 2-0 very quickly."

The team lost its leading scorer, Quartermain, who suffered a shoulder injury in the first period. Bouliane did not play the final frame because of back problems. Young praised the players who have filled in because of injuries.

"Key players are out and guys like Currie and Ward are coming in and doing well. They're all chipping in. These guys are two defensemen playing forward."

Dal falls in Semis

By JOANNE SHERWOOD

The Dalhousie women's volleyball team competed in a tournament at the University of Moncton this past weekend. The Tigers compiled a preliminary record of 6-1, good for second place. In the semifinal round, the Tigers were eliminated by Mt. A.

Dalhousie coach Karen Fraser felt her team played well on Friday. The Tigers beat Mt. A. 16-14, 15-8. They also topped a club team of former U de M varsity players with scores of 15-1, 15-10.

The women got off to a slow start on Saturday but quickly built up steam. Dalhousie won matches against Carleton and Acadia. It took three games for the Tigers to get by Carleton 15-4, 9-15, 15-6, but they had an easier time with Acadia, defeating the X-ettes 15-4, 15-3.

The team's play picked up against UNB, whom they downed in three games, 10-15, 15-13, 15-11. Coach Fraser said Dalhousie's best game of the tournament came against the

Nova Scotia Canada Games team. The Tigers lost the first game 8-15.

Says Fraser, "We were getting tired. We knew we'd finish in the top four even if we lost that game but we really put forth an effort."

The team showed "a lot of energy." The aspects of the Tigers' game that Fraser had been working on, team play and communication on the court, began to come together. Dalhousie swept the next two cont'd on page 18