

Hockey

Reds set for AUAA's UNB tame Panthers

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Taming Panthers isn't easy. Taming a Panther forward named John Nelson is even harder.

But that is exactly what the Varsity Reds hockey team did last weekend when they blasted Nelson and his UPEI Panthers 10-3 on Saturday and 9-2 on Sunday. The wins leave them just two points shy of securing the top spot in the MacAdam Division.

With a win over the Mount A Mounties tonight in Sackville, the Reds would avoid having to face a pressure situation tomorrow when they play U de M.

Nelson, usually in the headlines when the Reds meet the Panthers, had not only his crafty stickwork shut down but also his flapping mouth. It was Derek Cormier and Craig Brockelhurst who took centerstage. Cormier had a goal and two assists on Saturday and earned Player of the Game honors on Sunday with two goals and two assists. Brockelhurst was Player of the Game on Saturday with a pair of goals and a pair of assists.

The Reds opened both games slowly, giv-

ing the Panthers the illusion that the game was still in reach after the first period but productive second and third periods coupled with consistently disciplined hockey helped the Reds show their true colours.

Troy Ryan and Todd Sparks each scored two on Saturday and Mike Cavanagh, Luke Naylor and Ted Naylor rounded out the scoring for UNB. Sparks also notched two on Sunday while Bill Wright, Wade Simpson, Cavanagh, Scott Muscutt and Toby Burkitt had singles.

Jason Payne had a solid weekend between the pipes but despite amassing a 7-0 record since starter Frank LeBlanc contracted mono, coach Danny Grant will start LeBlanc at some point this weekend in preparation for the playoffs which begin this coming Wednesday.

If the Reds clinch the division title this weekend then they will face either UPEI or STU depending on how each team fares. Both teams are tied for third place but the Panthers have a game in hand. If they face the Tommies, then the series will start Wednesday at the LBR, 7:30 pm.



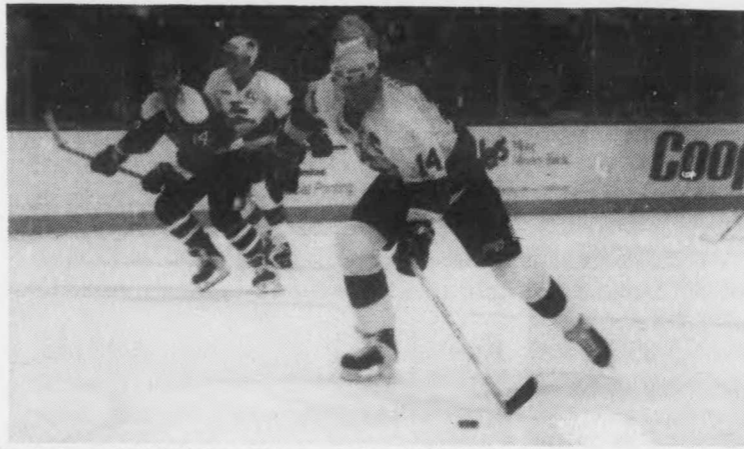
MacAdam wins battle of Divisions All-stars shine in Halifax

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The best players in AUAA hockey gathered at the Metro Centre, Halifax for the inaugural all-star game for the Tim Horton's Cup. After a penalty shootout, the MacAdam division all-stars hoisted the cup, defeating the Kelly division all-stars 9-8 before a crowd of 4,520 and the TSN cameras.

The game was set-up as an exhibition of AUAA hockey and, unfortunately, an exhibition it was. The teams had only a 20 minute practice/photo session together before the evening and it seemed to show; especially in the first couple of periods where much of the play can only be described as sloppy. Many passes were off target and many that weren't seemed to go straight through the sticks.

The MacAdam all-stars shocked both the Kelly team and Metro Centre fans, scoring in the first couple of minutes. The Kelly goaltender, Dennis Sproxtton of Acadia, looked less than legendary as he let Todd Nelson's slap shot go behind him as he came out of his net to meet Nelson. In the rest of his 30:31 minutes in goal he let 4 more shots past him and batted a pass from behind his goal into the net as the MacAdam all-stars jumped out to a 6-2 lead. The goals came from Dominic Rheume (UdeM), Richard Smit (MtA), Kelly Reed (UNB), K.J. White (UPEI) and Greg Fouldis (MtA).



MacAdam (white) in action at the AUAA All-star game.
Photo Maria Paisley

Nelson himself was the MacAdam division's surprise package. The renowned hard-man of the UPEI Panthers kept his fists to himself and gained four points for the MacAdam all-stars on the way to Man of the Match honours. STU's Johnny Lorenzo was the other standout for the MacAdam Division. During his 30:31 in goal he stopped 13 of 15 shots and was the base of the MacAdam defense as the Kelly all-stars sought revenge for the humiliation being dished out on their home ice. UNB's Mike Cavanagh and Toby Burkitt also showed their class, supplying the the MacAdam shooters.

At 30:31 the goalies were changed and the game turned on its head. Darryl Paquette, the UCCB goalie who has conceded the most goals in the AUAA (161), discovered the advantages of a quality defense. He let in only 2 goals over 29:29 (his season average is 7.61 per game). At the other end Pierre Gagnon of UdeM was facing the wrath of the Kelly division as their offense finally got their act in gear; looking more like all-stars than some guys in a pick-up game. Gagnon conceded 6 goals in his 29:29 as the Kelly all-stars tied the game with little time remaining.

The MacAdam all-stars pressed forward

again to little avail as the game headed towards a penalty shootout. Once again there was a role reversal. In the first three shots he faced, Paquette was beaten by Todd Sparks (UNB) and Nelson, while Jean Imbeau shot high. Meanwhile at the other end, Gagnon stopped the first three Kelly division shots. Derek Cormier (UNB) then stepped up with the opportunity to clinch the cup and proceeded to tuck the puck past Paquette.

The lone UNB selection not to dress was Frank LeBlanc who has just recovered from a bout of mono. LeBlanc said that it was a "big honour" to be chosen and had "hoped to play." Reds coach Danny Grant was also in street clothes as he coached the winning team along with Jack Drover of MtA and honorary coach Bob Maybie.

The one major gripe was about the scheduling. Grant, for one, "would like to see the event held over a weekend" This would have made things less rushed as the UNB contingent had to leave early Saturday morning for the weekend series against UPEI.

Overall, a good advertisement for AUAA hockey, (eventually) showing off the class of players in the Maritimes.

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