

## JJ's Jock Talk

Well, the holidays are over and the athletes are back to being athletic, the scholars are being scholastic and me, well, I'm here too, just talking jock talk.

There's been a fair amount happening for this early in the New Year and for those of you who have made resolutions to get some exercise within the next 12 months, you have good a chance here at the University.

The Athletics Department is offering, free of charge (and that's rare these days!) both instructional swimming and fitness classes. And for those who like to ski, or would like to learn, there will be ski instruction. All these activities offer book- and pub-bound students a chance to limber up.

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Another way to get involved is through the intramural program offered by the University. They're just starting up again after the Christmas Break and provide a fun-filled, relaxing way to have fun and meet some new people. If you have the opportunity, you should do it. The folks down at the Athletics Department, Amby Legere and his crew, do lots of hard work to ensure fun for others.

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Speaking of intramurals, rumor has it that the slight problem they were having before the holidays, with regards to intramural hockey, has been resolved. Don't know what the solution is yet, but once we folks at the BRUNS find out exactly what's been happening, we'll be sure to pass on the information to you.

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The UNB Red Devils planned to get in some extra ice time over the break by travelling to Boston for some exhibition games. Unfortunately, they never made it because of the snowstorm which hit the area the day after Christmas. Better luck next time, boys.

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While on the topic of extra playing time, the volleyball teams of UNB, the women's (Reds) and the men's (Rebels) squads, are both taking off for the Laval Invitational Tournament today for weekend action. The Rebels will play among the 15 men's teams and the Reds will find competition from the 10 women's teams in attendance. Best of luck to both teams.

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Both of UNB's basketball teams will be involved in exhibition play at home this weekend, with the Red Raiders hosting the Seventh Annual Holiday Classic and the Red Bloomers taking part in a pair of exhibition matches against the University of Guelph. The other teams taking part in the Classic are McGill, Carleton and Maine Portland-Gorham. It's a good opportunity for fans to take in some good basketball away from the intercollegiate conference games usually played.

On the whole though, the idea of an annual Holiday Classic is a good one, something this sports writer would like to see continued.

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The last word we had on the UNB Tennis Club wasn't good. Seems they have been having problems with facilities or rather a lack of them. After some people have gone out of their way to see that there could be such a thing as a tennis club here at UNB, it seems a shame to see it fall by the wayside. Surely something can be done to make sure this doesn't happen.

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A while back, someone asked varsity teams were not allowed to try to raise money by way of having pubs or something similar. The question was posed by a varsity athlete, a member of a team which was willing to spend some time raising some money to supplement their budget.

It seem the guys were told they were not allowed to raise money because they were a "team" and not a "club". Now admittedly all the facts are not here and no one should jump to any hurried conclusions, but it does seem to be something worth looking into.

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Did you see the exhibition hockey games between Russia's finest and the NHL? The games between Montreal and the Red Army and the Buffalo Sabres versus the Wings of the Soviet (it would be so much easier to say Soviet Wings) were impressive, to say the least. It was refreshing to see good clean hockey for a change, rather than the bloody violence kick that our players of the sport have been on in recent years.

Still, that 3-3 tie does give one something to think about with regards to the "Canadian system" versus the "Russian system". Maybe it's time Canadians got honest and realized that we can't go on a reputation, which is precariously resting on past performances (with the exception of that 12-6 Buffalo game). Even then, as Rick Martin said, there's something to be said about a team that scores six goals.

Think about it, and remember,  
Be a straight shooter.

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## Red Blazers ready for S.J.

Friday night the UNB Red Blazers will play host to a seasoned Saint John squad in a women's hockey game that is scheduled to get under way at 5:45 p.m.

The UNB team, according to head coach Brian Savoy, this year is a "good working team with good spirit". Apparently last year's team had individual standouts, but this year's edition is more balanced.

Beverly Brown has been between the pipes this season, taking over

the goaltending duties left vacant by the graduation of Deena Harris.

In addition to Brown's defensive efforts, the Blazers blueline brigade will have the opponents seeing double if twins Chris and Debbie McLoon have their way. The McLoons will be joined by another defensive stalwart in the person of rookie Sue Martin.

Always posing an offensive threat is Lola Montgomery, with scoring strength supplemented by Coreen Flemming and Cheryl Fleiger.

Coach Savoy stated the main objective for the squad this year will be to "clean Dalhousie Tigerettes", a team the Blazers

meet around February 17. However, this weekend UNB will be travelling to Bishops University in Quebec for a couple of exhibition games.

Savoy summed up his team's effort as "lots of heart and desire equals winning" and that's just what the Red Blazers, UNB's women's hockey team plan to do.



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