

## Fakers and shakers in the NHL



**Overtime**  
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THIS IS A GREAT TIME OF year. The best of baseball has just ended, the National Basketball Association is just started, the CFL is coming into its closing weeks so we might see some good games, the NFL is well under way and we all know which teams to watch, and the NHL is back in everyone's mind. The following *Overtime* is my prognosis of this year's NHL standings, which teams will do well and which will do poorly. Some of these teams will be shakers this season and others will be fakers, but let me remind you only time will unfold the true story.

First stop, the Smythe Division. This is an interesting and fun division because even if you know just a tiny bit about the NHL you can pick it.

First place goes of course to Wayne Gretzky and Co., the Edmonton Oilers. There is not much teams can do against this team. They are fast skaters, hard shooters, and high scorers. Grant Fuhr is arguably one of the NHL's best goaltenders and since I don't feel like arguing I will say that he is. All the lines have scoring punch and if I were on one of those lines I could score 20 goals. Well, maybe.

Second place here goes to Winnipeg. Poor old Winnipeg. If they were in any other division they would have a clear shot at being atop of the division but not in the Smythe. You must also feel sorry for Dale Hawerchuk. If he were on one of Edmonton's lines he would be the one we all talk about and not Gretzky but then again that's hockey. In third place is Calgary. They're interesting to watch once in a while but not often. Want a big tip, watch for the 2015-16 season, they may do something by then. Next comes Los Angeles and Vancouver. Although L.A. did improve last year both teams can pretty much be written off as a bad dream.

Second stop is in the Norris Division. This is unquestionably a weak division with one strong

team, that being Chicago. They are a clear first placer in this set. However, there should be a battle for second place between St. Louis and Minnesota. I'm leaning towards St. Louis but anything could happen. After these two teams come Detroit and Toronto in that order. You can watch for Toronto to be a little better than last season, but after all that won't be hard. Don't look for miracles.

Third stop on the magical mystery tour is the wonderful division you and I call Adams. In my opinion this is the best division in hockey. First place here this season will be won by the Quebec Nordiques. However, I like to keep on the safe side of things and will say that almost any team in the division could win it, except Hartford. In second place here will either be Montreal or Boston, which one is hard to say this early in the season but you can watch for a fight between these two teams. Next will be Buffalo. Buffalo's good but not great, but I have one bit of advice to you — be careful of Buffalo, they might capture second spot. I doubt it but it's possible.

Last stop is the Patrick Division. Here the dominant team will be Philadelphia. I don't have a lot to say about the Flyers except that they lost only four of 40 home games. That can go a long way, and it will again this season. Next is either the Islanders or Washington. I like Washington. The Islanders are truly in a rebuilding phase and right now are only surviving on history and history majors know how dangerous that can be. The next three in my mind are an easy pick. They go: Rangers, Pittsburgh, and the dreaded New Jersey Devils. With a name like that they deserve to be cellar dwellers.

So there you have it hockey fans — Mark's picks for the 1985-86 season. Remember, these are less than educated guesses do don't bet your degree on them, let me do it for you.

## Atlantic Dish set for Saturday

THE SECOND ANNUAL Atlantic Dish is set to go this Saturday, Nov. 2, at 8 p.m. at Studley Field.

The Atlantic Dish, which is Dalhousie's answer to the Atlantic Bowl, is Dal's annual football game. Dalhousie's opponents this year will be University of

Prince Edward Island.

This year's game is co-sponsored by 92/CJCH and the Armchair Tigers and the evening will include a 92/CJCH victory party in the Garden at the SUB following the game.

Last year's game attracted 300 fans as Dalhousie defeated Mount Saint Vincent University.



THE DALHOUSIE WOMEN'S field hockey team lost their bid for an AUSA title, but will nonetheless travel to the CIAU playdowns this weekend in Toronto.

The Tigers lost the final match 4-1 to a powerful University of New Brunswick Red Sticks squad at St. Mary's Huskie Stadium, the site of the title playdowns. Janice Cossar recorded Dal's only goal in the contest.

Dal coach Darlene Stoyka, a member of last year's AUSA champion, St. Mary's Belles squad, was disappointed with the outcome of the game.

"I could tell before the game

## Field Hockey Tigers off to CIAU's

that they weren't quite ready mentally," said Stoyka of the Tigers team. "I know they can play better than that."

"They were outthrustled on tackles, and weren't playing tight defense," she added. "These are the things we'll be working on this week in preparation for the CIAU's."

UNB coach Joyce Slipp was pleased with the win, the third title the Red Sticks have captured in the past four years.

"I got good games out of a lot of the kids," she said. "Carol Cooper played well defensively, Lisa Kilpatrick had a good two games for us this weekend and Cathly Whalen performed well in the second half," she said. "And, of course, Kathryn MacDougall put in a strong effort as well."

"Realistically, I think we have a good shot at a medal in the CIAU's," said Slipp. "We're aiming to finish in the top four at

least."

The Red Sticks earned a final-game berth by edging St. Francis Xavier X-ettes in a close-fought match Saturday. MacDougall and Kilpatrick scored the Red Sticks' goals, while Florrie Bradley replied for the X-ettes.

The Tigers blanked Universite de Moncton Blue Angels in their semi-final Saturday. Cossar, Sue Jollimore and Gail Broderick notched the Tigers' tallies.

The Tigers played a strong semi-final, showing a lot of hustle and determination, but couldn't seem to carry the intensity over to Sunday's game.

The AUSA all-stars were named at a brunch during the championship weekend. Three Tigers were included in the listing of luminaries, with Cossar, halfback Julie Gunn, and net-minder Claudette Levy all earning all-star berths for their efforts this season.

## A look at the Hockey Tigers

By MARK ALBERSTAT

OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS the Dalhousie Tiger's men's hockey team has been going through a rebuilding program. Although the long term schedule roughed out by last year's head coach Kent Rhunke has not yet been completed, this year's edition of the Tigers are clear contenders for this year's Atlantic Universities Hockey Conference (AUHC) title.

The team has 23 players, 15 of which are rookies. The performance of the team through the annual Lobster Pot tournament showed the blend should provide for a strong present and a very bright future.

### GOALIES

In goals through the Lobster Pot for the Tigers was first year net minder Peter Abric. Abric was named player of the game in Dal's exciting victory over York. In 1984 Abric was drafted by the Hartford Whalers and through the 1984-85 season he was an OHL All-Star.

Sharing the goal line this season with Abric is number 30 Rick Reusse. Reusse is in his second season with the Tigers and head coach Darrell Young claims that the combination of Reusse and Abric "gives the Tigers one of the strongest duos in the CIAU."

### DEFENSE

The Tiger's defensive lineup starts with 4th year veteran Peter Woodford. Young will look for Woodford to guide the power play teams and show some leadership to the rookies on the squad. Another veteran on defense is Royce Roenspies. Although he was named the 1984-85 most improved player, Tiger fans can watch for yet more improvement

in his game.

The rest of the defense consists of rookies Gord Reid who played last year with the Pembroke Jr. A Lumberkings. Number 27 Brian MacDonald is a second year student but is a rookie on the team. MacDonald played Major Junior A in Windsor and was an All-Star with the Halifax Lions of the Metro Valley Junior A Hockey League last season. Joel Brown will be wearing number 18. Brown is a history major who played the 1984-85 season with the Kitchener Major Junior A Ranges and was a playoff MVP for the team. Ron Pitre, another rookie defenseman, played last season in the Quebec Major Junior system and this year will be wearing number 5 for the Tigers. Young has the interesting comment on Pitre that he plays "like he's a tough 6'2" 200 and not the 5'7" 175 that he is." Paul Priddle is also a new face on the team. In 1984-85 Priddle was the scholastic Player of the Year for the Hamilton Steel Hawks of the OHL. Priddle can be watched for the steady strong play. Rounding out the defense is number 12, Serafin. Serafin is a physical and aggressive player, and will keep the opposition honest.

### FORWARDS

The Tigers will have 13 forwards this season, eight of whom are rookies.

Starting off is number seven, Greg Royce, who will be playing left wing and centre. Royce is a fast player and very entertaining to watch because of his speed and playing style. Number eight is once again being worn by Neal Megannety. Megannety is a fourth year Tiger who this year will be playing left wing. He has

constantly been improving over the years and should continue to do so this season.

Terry Crowe is back for what should prove to be another successful year with the Tigers. He will be playing both left and right wing. Young says that Crowe "is one of the hardest working Tigers, who adds leadership and poise to the young Tiger team." Kevin Quatermain is another returning who will also be playing both right and left wing. He should be looking at a very productive year after picking up the Rookie of the Year award last season.

Jerry Delaney is in his second year with the Tigers and will see action on the left and right wing as well as centre. One of the team leaders this season will be the 1984-85 MVP Tiger, Paul Herron, who will be playing centre. Last season he was 15th in the league in scoring. Kevin Reynolds will be seeing action as a right wing and centre this year for the Tigers.

Starting off the rookie forwards is Jerry Scott, who will be one of the centres for the Tigers. Scott played for the Ottawa Major Jr A 67's last season. Jamie Jefferson is another centre the Tigers will be using and has already showed his worth scoring once and assisting once in the Lobster Pot against York. He should be one of outstanding rookies on the squad. Number 20 will be worn by Jasmine Breton who will be playing left wing. Breton played with the Jr A Canadiens of the Northern Ontario Jr A Hockey League where he was the 1984-85 Rookie of the Year and last season won the league's scoring race as well as being league MVP.

Graham Stanley will be wear-

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