

B. BALL TOURNAMENT AT DAL



Tiger Prowl

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As this will be the last regular sports page for the Gazette this term, I would like to give my impressions on sport at Dal in '52-'53. To start the ball rolling, let's start our survey last autumn. At that time, Dalhousie's football team held the spotlight. The Canadian football team had its ups and downs this year, losing several games before setting the city on fire. Just when fans counted the Tigers out of the league, the K. King coached lads bounced back with 44-9, 44-6, 44-1 victories and before anyone knew it; Dal was picked by the favorites to cap the championship. However, a team from H.M.C.S. Shearwater had different ideas and as most loyal Dal football fans know, the Fly boys upset the Tigers in the semi-finals and continued to cop the league and Maritime championships.

Over on Wanderer's Field, another Dal team was struggling around in the City Rugby League and after a rather unsuccessful run in English football, the Dal boys were eliminated by Wanderers. Football at Dalhousie thus came to a rather unsuccessful end as far as titles go, but on the field, the Tiger teams won many fans for some flashy play.

The girls, however, had better luck in winning titles. The Girls' Ground Hockey team, after suffering only one defeat in an exhibition game, wound up their season with Maritime honours. The girls then formed an ice hockey team at the end of the Fall term and were ready for the new Spring term commencing in January. Before the end of the year, however, the Senior boys hockey team had entered the Halifax-Dartmouth Senior League. The Tigers lacked drive and only managed to win a few games, however, and by the time January came, most of the college were hoping that they would quit. The team, however, was playing in a tough league and many players on the opposing teams were old pro's or South Shore league performers.

The new Junior Varsity Hockey team now took over on the hockey front, and after losing to King's in the opening game of the Intermediate League, the Junior Bengals roared through their remaining schedule without a loss. The main reason for their success was determination, and next year this same team will once again be roaring to go. Tonight, the team will end its '53 career with a game against St. F. X.

In February, the girls' ice hockey team played several exhibition games and then were defeated in

the Inter-collegiate playdowns at Acadia. The Axettes and the Mounties defeated the Tigresses in two games.

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Basketball went into high gear and boys' divisions. The Senior Tigresses trimmed U.N.B. Saturday 47-27. The Intermediate Girls also brought honours to Dal when they copped the Maritime title two weeks ago.

The boys team did not win any titles, but they were strong contenders for both the City Senior and Intermediate League titles. The Seniors took first place in their league, but bowed out to Stadacona in a two game total point final series last week. Stadacona upset the Tigers 121-110. The Intermediates wound up in fourth place in their league after starting fast. The boys, however, ran out of steam late in the schedule and dropped one to Agricultural College of Truro last week.

Badminton at Dal also had its ups and downs, with Dalhousie splitting a series with Shearwater and being runner-up to Mount Allison in the Maritime playdowns. Curling had a successful year at Dal and this weekend the college will be strongly represented in a playoff at the Halifax Curling Club. Last year Dal won the title and this year the Dal boys are expected to give an even better showing.

Dalhousie also ran a successful inter-fac competition as well as Varsity competitions. Ping-pong, basketball, hockey were the main inter-fac sports in '53 while English rugby took over the inter-fac scene in '52. The Meds copped the rugby title and last Sat. trimmed Law in an overtime hockey game 3-2 to win hockey honours. The Law team, sporting several ex-varsity basketball stars was the terror of the inter-fac basketball.

And with that brief summary of Dal sports, the Gazette sports department will write 30 to sports at Dal in '53. Before closing, however, I would like to say that, although Dal was not overly successful in winning titles, the spirit of Dal sports was excellent. The teams tried hard and at all times showed top sportsmanship, the quality that pays off in the long run. For those optimistic souls who prophesy a banner sports' year next year, I wholeheartedly agree with them. This year, frosh supplied the bulwark of Dal's teams and judging by the performance of these new comers to Dal, Dalhousie will not be let down in '53-'54 sports events. Next year, Dalhousie has an opportunity to re-enter the M.I.A.U. and with this, student apathy at Dalhousie should be eliminated. If we do re-enter the Union, let's support it all the way and show the other Maritime universities just how worthy Dalhousie teams are.

BASKETBALL

Dalhousie will be the scene of this year's Provincial Women's Senior and Intermediate playdowns this coming Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Teams entered in the Senior division are Acadia, Cape Breton, Tartans and Dalhousie. The

Intermediate section will see teams from Acadia, Blue Cagettes, Greenwood, Mt. St. Bernard, Normal College, Sportettes, Sydney Y, Windsor, Halifax Y. The games are on Thursday evening, Friday and Saturday with playoffs Saturday night.

Champions



The Dalhousie Junior Varsity Hockey Champions: 1. to r., front row — G. Hill, G. Moir, G. Robertson, G. Glark, G. Conrad, T. Currie. Back row—B. Hill, E. Reid, R. Greer, T. Kennedy, J. Miller, "Tinker" Mullane, N. McKinnon, Coach Angus Gillis.

D.G.A.C. REVIEW FOR '53

There was a great deal of activity in Girls' sports at Dalhousie this year. In all, the girls made a good showing and in several, they succeeded in bringing home top honours.

The year opened with Dal, the defending champions for the Maritime Intercollegiate Ground Hockey championship, again winning the title, having remained undefeated throughout the schedule.

At U.N.B., the girls' badminton team were runners-up to Mount A. in the M.I.A.U. Badminton Tournament. Dal succeeded in winning both their singles and doubles events from U.N.B., but lost both events with the Mount A. team.

On the ice hockey front this year, Dal failed to bring back the title that they won last year. The Tigresses lost both their games to Acadia and Mount A. in very closely contested games.

Basketball at Dalhousie was very successful this year. The Intermediate squad captured the Maritime Intercollegiate title and the Varsity team, after winning the Nova Scotia Intercollegiate championship, went on to win their first of a two game total-point series for the Maritime title at UNB last Saturday when they defeated the UNB girls 47-27. The girls' Varsity were also runners-up to the Tartans in the City Senior Basketball League.

Swimming was not very successful this year because the only time Dal could obtain the Stadacona Pool was on Tuesday at noon,

a time unsuitable for a great number of students. To top this, the M.I.A.U. Swimming Meet, to be held at Acadia last week, was cancelled because of a flu epidemic.

Inter-mural sports functioned well this year. Team 1 came out on top in the Inter-mural Basketball Tournament. Badminton, ping-pong and archery were also enjoyed by the girls on Monday nights.

Good bye until next year . . .

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