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POOR WEEKEND FOR BLOOMERS

By MARK SAVOIE

The UNB Red Bloomers had one poor game and one excellent game last weekend. As a result they won the poor game 57-47 and lost the excellent game 82-80.

The first game of the weekend was a 10 point victory over St. Francis Xavier, with Pauline Lordon leading the way with 16 points. However, the game should never have been as close as it was. On two occasions, once in the first half and again in the second, the Bloomers opened sizable leads and seemed to be on the verge of breaking the game open, but both times the Bloomers let St. FX back into the game. As a result Coach Milton was unable to get her bench into the game as much as she would have liked.

The loss to Dalhousie can be summarized in one word: Boards! The bigger, stronger Dal team simply outrebounded UNB, particularly at their offensive end in the second half. In this effort they were led by fifth year players Trish and Kathy MacCormack, who both also play for the Canadian National Team. At points in the second half the Bloomers were unable to get the ball back from Dal before the Tigers had had two or three shots at the

basket. It is hoped that Tracy Ross, a freshman who stands 6'1", will be able to make an impression rebounding for the team. In fact, there are currently plans to start Tracy on a weight program to enable her to play a stronger, more physical game under the hoop.

At the half against Dal the Bloomers led by a 40-38 score. At this point the Bloomers starting five had played well over three-quarters of the half. Only Tracy Ross and Leanne Brady saw much time off the bench in this half. In the second half more of the bench was forced to see action. This circumstance arose when first Pauline Lordon and then Kara Palmer went out with foul trouble with 8:37 and 7:36 left respectively. They stayed out of the game until 5:36 was left. During this period the Tigers opened up an eight point lead. The bench, which has seen only limited action against St. FX, came in relatively cold and was not up to the task of stopping Dal. Perhaps if the bench has received more game exposure against St. FX they would have been more ready to face Dal's squad. Therefore, the seeds of the team's loss to Dal may have been sown in the team's lacklustre effort against St. FX.

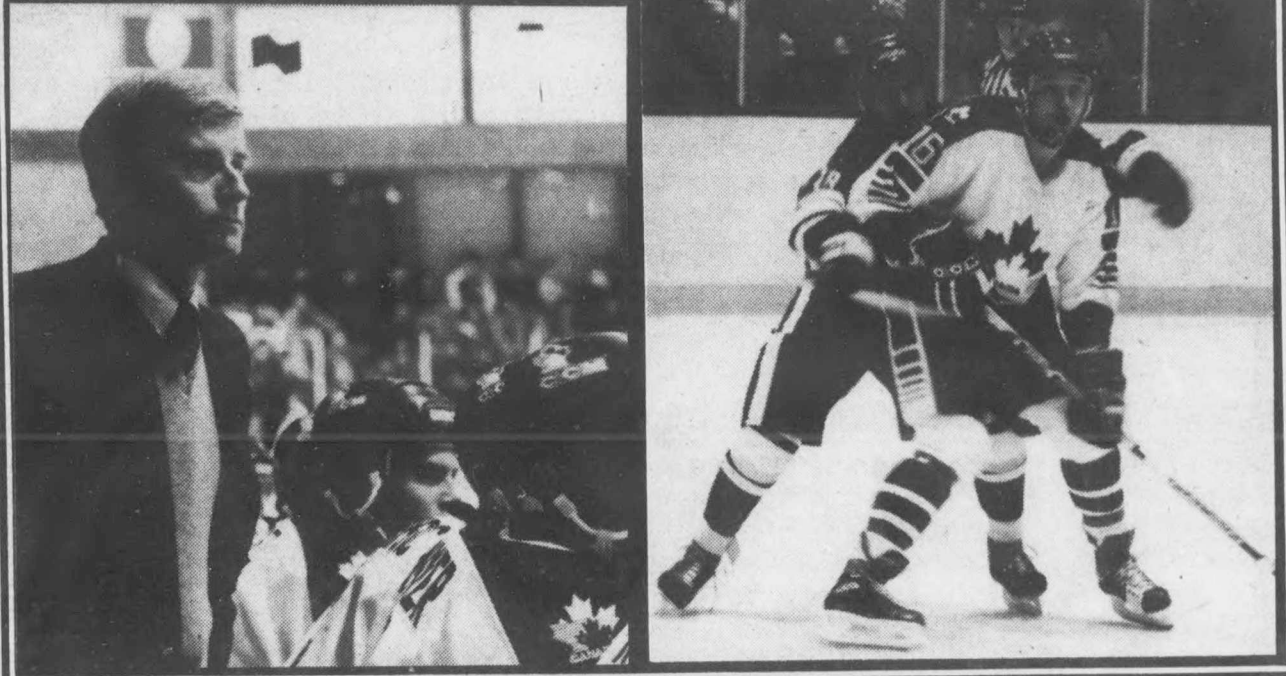
On two occasions in the se-

cond half Dal opened a sizable lead. The first came five minutes into the half after the Bloomers has opened a seven point lead of their own. The Dal Tigers answered this lead with a 15-2 run, shifting the game to their favour. UNB fought back and had evened the score until both Pauline Lordon and Kara Palmer went out. When these two got back into the game, the Bloomers were down by eight points. Still they fought back once again and in a frantic last

minute highlighted by a couple of steals by the Bloomers and a three point basket by Pauline Lordon which the officials missed and only counted for two. The game came down to Dal inbounding the ball from midcourt with five seconds left. Pauline Lordon was able to knock away the inbound pass and fell on the loose ball. Lying on her back she passed to Lynn Christiansen but there was no time for a final desperation shot, leaving Dal with the win.

The Bloomers were led in this game by Pauline Lordon (naturally) and Kara Palmer with 22 points each. Also noteworthy was the gutsy play of Lynn Christiansen. Lynn played in pain throughout the game and at times was limping badly, yet she managed 12 points and rebounded strongly. The team as a whole played one hell of a game, and of this team it can truly be said that they didn't lose, they merely ran out of time.

Team Canada visits Fredericton.



Team Canada played the USSR Selects last Saturday at the AUC. Team Canada lost 6-3. LEFT - Coach Dave King behind the bench. RIGHT - #16 Todd Strueby being tied up by #18 Nikolai Suhanov. Photo by Eric Drummie

Athletes of the Week

Lisa Pellerin, a second year Reds volleyball player, has been honored as UNB's Female Athlete-of-the-Week, the last such award this year. The 19 year old Moncton, NB native put in a very gutty performance Wed. night at Mt. Allison (a 3-2 loss). Playing with a sprained left wrist, Lisa set-up the Reds offense and kept the ball in play for her teammates. The second year Education student showed her toughness during the 3 year match by diving and digging up Mt. Allison's tough attack. Coach Alice Kamermuns says, "Lisa is a tough player who made sure her teammates were set-up well for the attack."

Todd Bursey, 22 from Moncton, NB, has been given the last UNB athlete-of-the-week award for 1988. The defending AUSA champion travelled to the University of Maine (Orono) Freestyle meet on the weekend and came out victorious in the 143 pound class. The fifth year Black Bear easily defeated his three opponents; pinning wrestlers from Northeastern and Fort Kent and outpointing a UMO wrestler 15-0. The 1987-88 wrestling MVP is looking very strong and ready to defend his AUSA crown. Coach George Multimaki says, "the fifth year Business student's technical ability and mat strategy continue to improve in every competition."

BLAZERS TIP THE SCALES

by RON CAMERON

The UNB Red Blazers tipped the scales back to this school's favor last weekend, when they beat the University of Maine Black Bears Women's team 16-0 at the Alford Arena in Orono. The win compares well with the 12-0 pounding the Red Devils took at the hands of their Maine counterparts 5 weeks ago.

Rookie center Cheryl Campbell was the big gun for the Red Blazers. She fired 4 goals and 7 points. Other UNB scorers were Jennifer Dey with 3, Cecela Halihan, Anh-Thu Vu, Jennifer Reicker, and April Wilson with two each, and Andrea Stilwell with a single. Carolyn LeBlanc pick-

ed up the shutout.

UNB coach Mike Power credits the lopsided victory to having the better skating team, "We were much faster, we had more experience also." He points out that this was only Maine's third game and that they have no Canadians in their lineup. "The American girls are still learning a lot of the game's strategy, actually they were a pretty game bunch despite the score." Coach Power was happy to see the offense click for his team however "It was good for our confidence, some of the rookies put the puck in the net for their first goal, and they were a lot more relaxed with that out of the way."

The Red Blazers will now

take a couple of weeks off for exams, they do have a pair of exhibition games next weekend before breaking for Christmas. Saturday the 17th they host Grand Falls at 12:30, and the next day meet Sussex at 5:00, both games will be at the Aitken Center.

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