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Pete Collum gives a perfect demonstration of a one-handed block of a short set in action against College St. Louis. Play was part of UNB Invitational Tournament which was eventually won by Fredericton Junction.

SPORTS COLLUM

By Pete Collum

It was indeed a black weekend, the Dallas Cowboys lost. So did the Devils, Raiders and the Red Rebels, (if you call third out of 13 teams a loss.) Even the Mermaids lost a swim meet, to Acadia. It was a close one - 47-46 with our girls having four disqualifications.

On the brighter side the Beavers defeated Dalhousie and Acadia, once, and Memorial twice. This bodes well for the Beavers in the Intercollegiates. They lost to Memorial last year, but this year I don't think they will pose too much of a problem for the Beavers.

The Red Devils put up a spirited battle against the Dalhousie Tigers last Saturday in their 7-5 defeat. Lelievre was great in goal. One thing I want to say, is that, when UNB scored the tying goal (the 5th) the roar from the crowd was tremendous.

The Raiders made it back safely from Halifax for a couple of big games this weekend.

The Rebels 'A' Team blew it last weekend, they finished tournament play with a 10-2 record but lost to Mount A in the semi-finals. The team did not play that badly against Mt A, but they didn't seem to "want" victory as much as Mt A. I have a feeling that the team members, are already chaffing for another meeting with the Mounties, which will come at the Intercollegiates.

I don't think I'm going to make anymore predictions this year after Dallas lost the Super Bowl. Talk about born losers - I still don't believe it.

Mermaids Go Down

The University of New Brunswick split their weekend competition for the first time this year. After allowing the Dalhousie girls only 10 points while amassing 84 of their own, they ran into a strengthened Acadia swim team and went down to defeat by the narrow score of 47-46. The rematch with Acadia could be a very different story as the Mermaids had four swimmers disqualified which would have meant a difference in score of at least 10 points.

At Dalhousie, the Mermaids won all 11 events, and only allowed the Dalhousie girls one second in the 11 events. For UNB Suzanne Fitzgerald compiled three individual first. Gail Journeaux won the 50 and 100 metre freestyle events and was a member of the winning 400 free relay team. Single individual victories went to Michele LaRose in the 1 metre diving, Gwen MacDonald in the 200 Backstroke, Jane Fraser in the 200 Butterfly, and Pat MacMillan in the 200 Breast stroke.

The Mermaids ran into much stiffer competition at Acadia, as their women's team surprised UNB with two superb freestylers. The Mermaids won the 400 Medley Relay and despite wins in the 200 yard freestyle, 50 free and 1 metre diving by Acadia the Mermaids still led 23-19. Both Jane Fraser and Shawn Atkinson who had placed 2nd and 3rd in the Butterfly event were disqualified giving Acadia all 8 points to move ahead. The Mermaids fought very hard in the 100 freestyle and ended up with the top two spots. Gail Journeaux got first in the 100 freestyle and Trish Mahoney got second. Now the Mermaids were ahead 31-28. They remained 6 points ahead till the 400 freestyle relay which Acadia won and gave them 7 points to sneak ahead and win 47-46.

Mary Trenholm valiantly led the Mermaids with victories in the 200 yard Individual Medley, the 200 yard breast stroke, and swam anchor of the winning 400 Medley Relay team. The only other first by the Mermaids were Gail Journeaux in the 100 yard freestyle and Gwen MacDonald in the 200 Backstroke.

Rebels Lose In Semis

University of New Brunswick Red Rebels "A" team finished in a third place tie with the Rebels "B" team in the Volleyball Tournament there last Saturday.

The "B" team reached the semi-finals against Fredericton Junction Piranhas with a 7-5 record in tourney play and a second place finish in their division. Friday nite they were 0-2, while Saturday they were 7-1, their only loss was at the hands of the Maritime Grads. (The Grads team had four former UNB Rebels stars. Buddy Brander, John Muscroft, Rollie Pickard and Hans Lammen.)

The Piranhas defeated the "B" team 2-0 in the semi-finals by scores of 15-9 and 15-6. The scores however were not indicative of the play. The Rebels made the eventual champions earn every point they scored.

The "B" teams play throughout the tournament was very good. They showed plenty of hustle and desire. They were not afraid to throw themselves around if it meant the difference between winning or losing a point. Assistant-Coach Patterson said "I was proud of them, they played well and were beaten by a team with a lot more experience, and in volleyball that means a great deal."

On Saturday the "A" squad 4 and 2. They lost one game due to their own complacency, against College St. Louis 17-15, and another 11-6 against the Piranhas. In the other games with the above clubs, UNB beat St. Louis 15-2 and the Junction 11-6.

The "A" team finished with 10 and 2 record and finished second to the Piranhas (11-1) in their division. The Rebels then met Mount Allison University

in the semi-finals.

The first game was an exciting, as Mt. A jumped into an early lead, and UNB came back to erase the lead and lose 15-13. The second game was a complete reversal of the first. The Rebels gained an early lead and never lost it. They showed flashes of their potential winning 15-6.

In the final game which UNB lost 15-8 the "A" team seemed not to have as much desire as the Mounties. Possibly it was over confidence on the part of the UNB entry, whatever it was Mt A won the series 2 games to one, and advanced to the finals against Fredericton Junction.

Mount A did not provide the Piranhas with much competition after they jumped into a 6-4 lead. The Piranhas applied pressure and won 15-8 and 15-6 to win the championship trophy.

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