

# Sports wrap up continued

## Red Bloomers

After disappointing fourth place finish at the conference playoffs last year, the Bloomers were anxious to gain some vengeance. That they did as they lost only one single game, to Dalhousie, in regular season play and finishing up with an overall record of 26-2.

Joyce Slipp was back at the reins for the second year and the team looked stronger than ever with the return of eight members of last year's squad, and the addition of two players with former AUAA experience. Only one rookie was able to crack the line up, that being Carolyn Gammon, a Fredericton native.

Sylvia Blumenfeld had spent the summer as a member of the Canadian National team which traveled to various parts of the world abroad and Claire Mitton, a transfer from St. Francis had national level experience as a member of the Junior national team.

The Bloomers returned to their aggressive, driving style of play that had delighted fans the year before and those who turned out to the games were not disappointed as they last nary a game on home court all season long. They won the Holiday Classic for the second year in a row as they defeated Bishop's and Halifax Midtown to take the title.

They also won tournament at Acadia and finished third at Concordia.

At the conference playoffs, five of the Bloomers were chosen to either the first or second all star



The Red Bloomers made it all the way to the nationals where they finished fourth.

teams to demonstrate the depth of the team. Sylvia Blumenfeld, Moira Pryde, Patti Sheppard, Cathy Maxwell and Mitton were named as all conference picks.

The Bloomers travelled to the nationals in Winnipeg where they met the other conference representatives. The meet was a disappointment as they lost their first game and had to go into the competition for the consolation honors. They won one game but lost the next as they were forced to concede to a fourth place finish.

The next year should prove eventful as most of the team will be returning in the fall.

## Salto's

The Salto's were another team that were coached by a rookie coach this year. Rob Paradis, who was assistant coach last year, jumped in to the drivers seat with the absence of coach Don Eagle who was on sabbatical this year.

Paradis pushed the team to another first place win AUAA action and had three gymnasts placed on the five man team that represented the conference at the national.

Ken Salmon again was a mainstay for the team as he has been for the past four years. Bob Johnson again showed that the sport was not the domain of small individuals and Randy Thompson took a spot on the squad with a qualifying score.

Thompson was also named as MVP for the team.

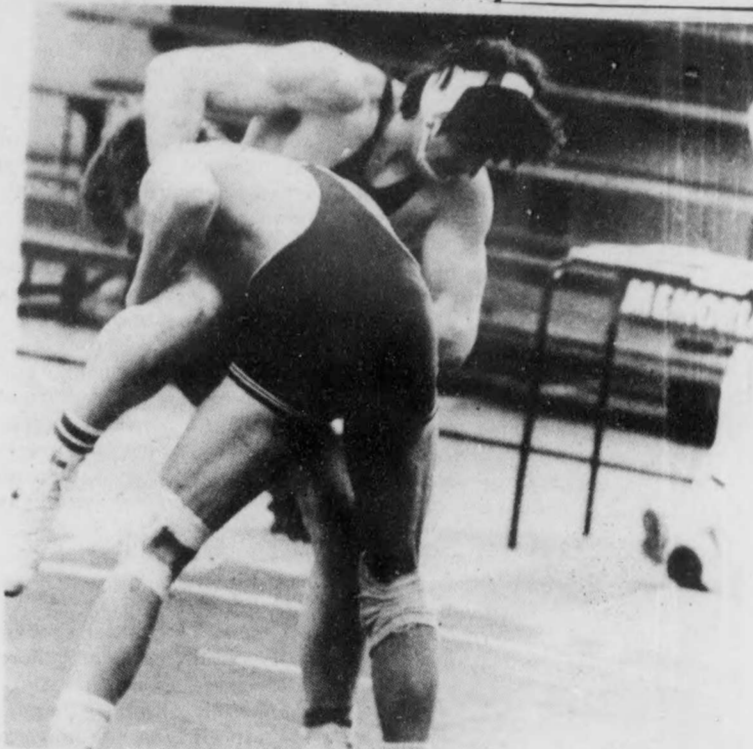
Next year, the team will be losing the services of Salmon, Mike Sissons and John O'Keefe, all of whom displayed outstanding dedication to the sport over the last four years.

The burden of keeping the conference championships in UNB will be thrust upon Johnson, Thompson and Bill Meighan.



Ken Salmon of the Salto's led his team to another first place finish in the AUAA.

## Wrestling



After a long wait by coach Jim Born, the Black Bears finally had the AUAA title back at home. After a highly successful meet schedule, the Bears took the AUAA championships meet by storm, breaking all records in the process.

At the meet the Bears took no less than seven first place finishes of ten team members as well as a second and third. Enroute, they won 32 matches and pinned 30 opponents.

Born was the object of some controversy midway through the season when he publicly criticised several former team members for quitting the squad. He attributed their demise to a lack of "mental toughness". Despite the loss of two potential winners, Born held his

team together for the conference crown. The Bears who won their categories were Dan Berman, Gabriel, El Khoury, Leo McGee, Phil Knox, Mike Ballack, Perry Kukkonen, and Reid Barnett. Bob Lockwood placed second while Churck Cortes took a third.

The seven winners went to the Nationals as conference representatives where they met the representatives from the other conferences in dual meets. Although none of the team were able to bring home medals, Born felt that they had done well considering that most had never been to the Nationals before.

Next year, the team will lose only one or two members and therefore will have a strong shot at the AUAA title again.

## Red Devils hockey

The UNB Red Devils had a good finish to their hockey season this year. Coach Don McAdam, in his first year at UNB, gave the team much encouragement towards the end. They would come out after the first or second period and take the lead, or they would manage to keep their lead.

Two of their most outstanding games were played against the U de M Blue Eagles. In one game the

Devils picked up goals to defeat the Eagles 9-8. In the other game that they won against Moncton, they scored first, and kept the lead throughout the game, to win 6-3.

George Wood was awarded the MVP this year as well as being awarded the Oland's Cup. This cup went to the player who gained the most points by being picked an outstanding player at the Devils' home games.



The Red Devils proved that they weren't that bad by beating the U de M Blue Eagles twice.