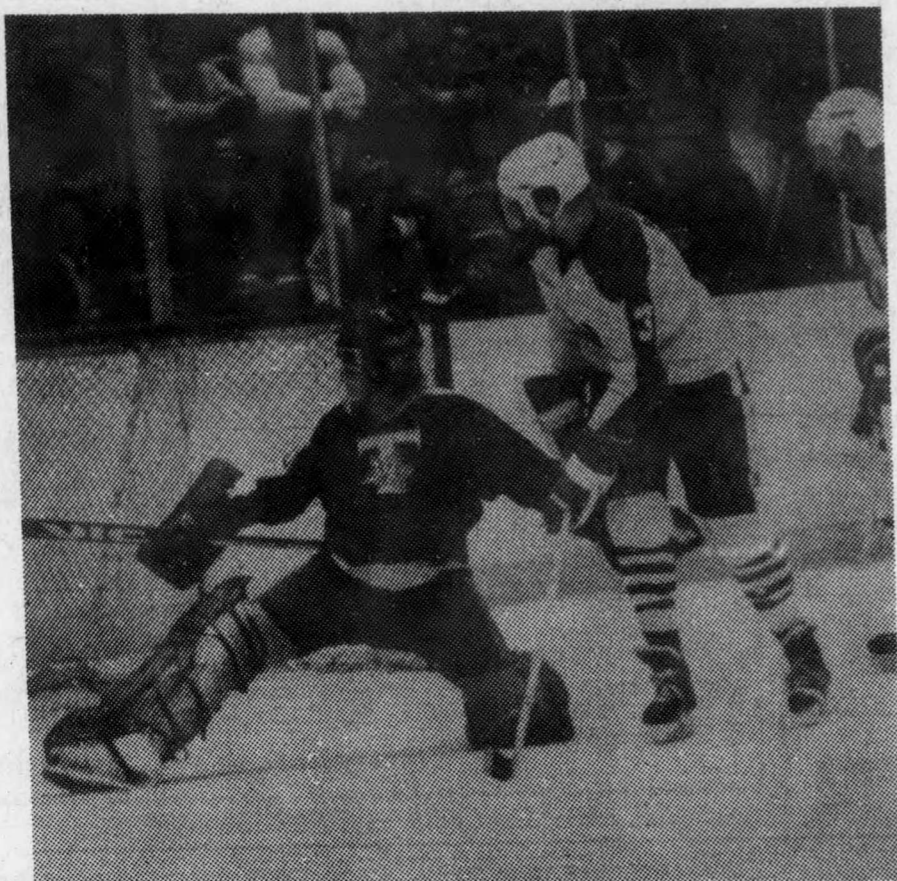


# SPORTS

It was one hell of a series

## Devils lose to Toronto



U of T goalie John Kemp making a save on a Kurt Regenous shot.  
Photo by Bill Traer



Red Devils were out in droves for both games against the U of T Blues.  
Photo by Alys

The season may be over for the UNB Red Devils, but the memories of the past two weeks will be in the minds of many people for a long time.

The Devils, who finished the regular season Atlantic University Hockey Conference season with a first place mark of 21-3 and later won conference playoff

series against Acadia Axemen and Moncton Blue Eagles, were overpowered by the best collegiate team in the country at the Aitken Centre last Saturday and

Sunday. The team is the University of Toronto Blues, and they are considered by everyone to be the heavy

favorite at this weekend's national championship in Trois Riveriere, P.Q.

The Aitken Centre was filled to capacity for both Toronto games in the best-of-three series, with 3,748

partisan fans urging the Devils on. Saturday's first game was the more exciting of the two, with Tom Callaghan's goal with just

2:38 remaining in regulation time giving Toronto a 3-2 victory and ending the

outstanding performance of UNB goaltender, who made 37 saves on the night.

Brad Andrews scored Saturday's first goal,

beating Rochford at 17:19 of the opening period, only to have Terry Balcom tie things up less than a minute later.

Mark Welton gave UNB its only lead of the series when he beat Kevin Hamlin at

9:38 of the second frame, with Daren Boyko putting Torontot back on even terms at 15:13 of the period.

Toronto seemed to carry the play from that point on, with Callaghan finally beating Rochford with his shot high to the stick side.

Sunday's contest saw the Blues carry the play for the first two periods, with Andrews, Andre Hidi, Dave McCarthy and Boyko scoring unanswered goals for Toronto during the first 40 minutes.

Ed Trail, playing his first shift since the Acadia series, put UNB on the scoreboard at 1:25 of the final period, and set the

tone for the Devils' best period of the game. Callaghan restored the

Blues four-goal bulge at the 11:44 mark, with Steve Adams - the hero of the Moncton series - scoring the game's final goal at 12:25.

The season was over for the Red Devils - but the fan's remained until the very end, giving the Devils a thunderous standing ovation in the dying seconds of the hockey game.

"All year we were as good or better than any team in our league, but Toronto definitely has more talent than any team in our

conference. The Blues are well coached and I expect they'll be in the national final."

Rochford, Dave Mancuso and Dave Bluteau were playing their final game for the Red Devils Sunday, and

Rochford feels his last opponent was the best he has seen.

"Toronto has no weakness. They are the top team I've played."

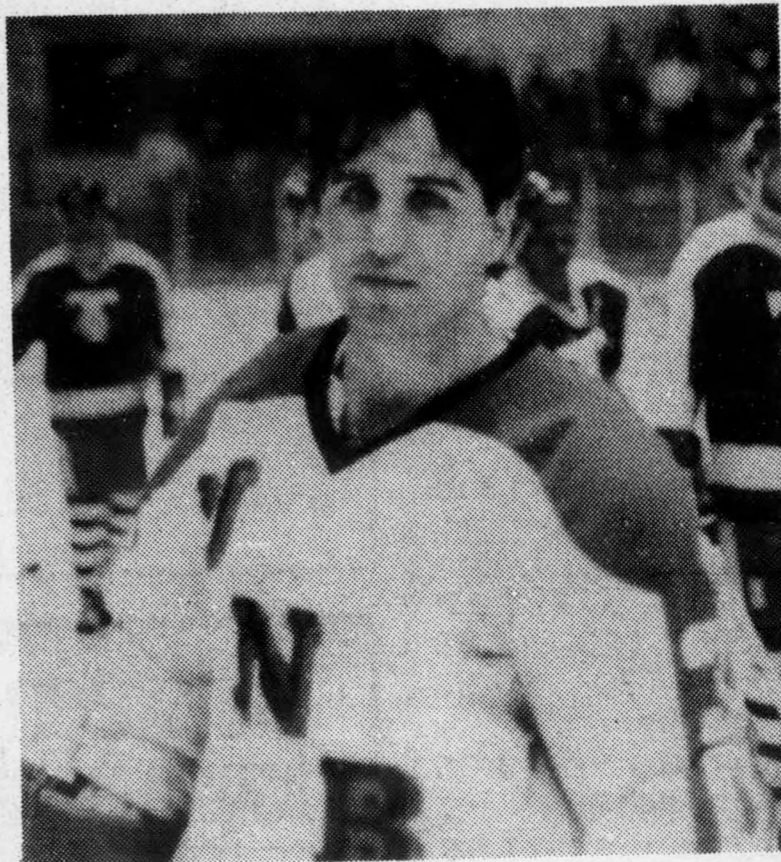


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The male athlete of the week is Kevin Rochford, the goalie for the UNB Red Devils. Kevin is 22, a 5th year business student from Pierrefonds, Que. In the C.I.A.U. Eastern Regional Hockey tournament this past weekend at U.N.B., Kevin was brilliant in goal tending against the University of Toronto. Coach McAdam feels that Kevin has had a great 5 years at U.N.B. and finished it off with a fantastic performance against the number one ranked team in the nation.