

# RED STICKS TOPS IN EAST !!!!

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It was a long, sometimes tense season but the field hockey Red Sticks finally won the games they've been playing towards all year long as they defeated the Dalhousie Tigerettes 2-0 to take the AUA title.

Last year, the Sticks came up on the short end of the draw when the Tigerettes won the crown on penalty strokes after regulation and overtime play. The 1980 season was a different story as they were undefeated on the way to the Finals outscoring their opposition 41-6 with goalie Marleigh Moran collecting five shutouts. No team scored on them more than once.

In the semifinal, UNB locked horns with Memorial of Newfoundland to decide one spot in the final match. Dal met Universite de Moncton in the other preliminary.

The Sticks completely dominated the seemingly shocked Memorial squad as they netted an impressive eight goals. Demonstrating superior playing skills and team work, the Sticks slipped into the scoring area time and again to blast shots at the Memorial goalies.

In surprise move late in the game, MUN pulled their goalie for an additional attacker but it was to no avail as they went down 8-1.

Mary McCann and Donna Phillips each netted hat tricks while Sue Grady notched a pair. Phillips who has scored twice on penalty strokes that easily eluded MUN's netminder.

Dalhousie expected to walk over Moncton but had no easy task as they slid by Les Angels Bleu 1-0. Moncton, in their first playoff ever, played with a ferocity and determination that had the Tigerettes by the tail more than once. It was not to be however, as Dal scored and hung on to go to the finals.

The consolation game had the same Moncton team determined once again against a dejected Memorial side. The two teams battle cold and wind for 70 minutes with Memorial coming out ahead 2-0.

To the strains of the theme from Rocky the Sticks took the field and perhaps a bit nervous but confident that they could achieve the goal of avenging the previous season's loss.

Although they got off to a slow start the Sticks controlled the play most of the game. Late in the first half, Mary McCann and Donna Phillips each scored to give UNB a 2-0 half time lead. In the second half, neither team could put the ball in the goal although there were several balls in the goal although there were several close calls. Marleigh Moran kept the

Sticks hopes alive as she kicked out numerous shots while Carolyn Gammon played almost perfectly on penalty corners, beating the Dal offense to the ball time and time again.

Late in the game, Dalhousie was awarded a penalty stroke but on the shot, it went wide to preserve the shutout.

Three Sticks were chosen as conference All-Stars. Mary McCann and Donna Phillips received the hot as forwards while half-back Joanne McLean also was honored.

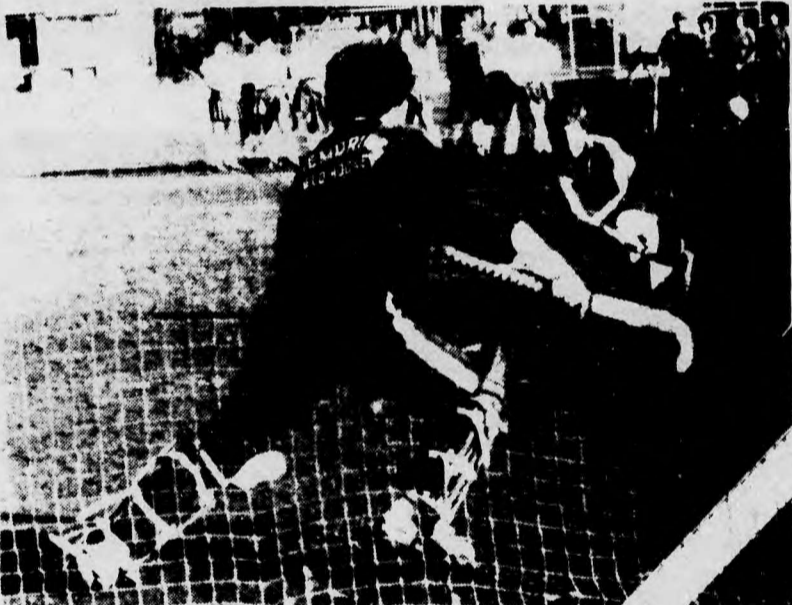
To date the Sticks have put the ball in the net 51 times and have allowed only seven goals. Strong both offensively and defensively the team has what may be called a reasonable shot at the National title as they compete in CIAU play this weekend in Toronto.

The team's schedule for national play is not the best as they meet the three toughest teams first. Yesterday they met University of



Anne Kelzer and Mary McCann charge the Memorial goaltender. U.N.B. won 8-1.

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Donna Phillips takes a penalty flick against Memorial University

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Toronto while today they play the University of British Columbia and host York University. Saturday they go against Brandon and the other Ontario representative at press time undecided.

Two factors could be against the team those being the artificial surface they will be playing on and the tournament format of play. The astroturf makes the style of play a factor in ball control. Most of the team has played on the surface previously.

The tournament style of play is not that which the AUA operates under as they employ a home and away schedule. Playing two games a day, the team may run into fatigue problems but the team should be in excellent condition due to the series of strenuous workouts presented to them since early September.

If the team gets through the round robin play with enough wins, they advance to the finals on Sunday. In 1978 the team called a "Cinderella story" by some played to a fourth place finish with two wins, two losses and a tie.



Mary McCann comes close on this scoring attempt against Dalhousie. U.N.B. won 2-0

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## Athletes of the Week

Marleigh Moran Ebenezer Dania

The field hockey "Red Sticks" topped off a perfect season by easily defeating Memorial 8-1 and Dalhousie 2-0 to win the AUA championship. Goalie Marleigh Moran only allowed six goals against all season, gaining five shutouts. Easily one of the best goalies in Canada, Marleigh now leads her team in search of the CIAU championship. Marleigh is a third year Physical Education student.

In the soccer "Red Shirts" big AUA championship win in Halifax on the weekend Ebenezer Dania just kept on doing what he did all year. In the semi final win over St. F.X. he scored 2 goals and in the final against St. Mary's he added another. Ebenezer also was the regular season top scorer in the league and an outstanding player all year for Coach Gary Brown's Shirts. Ebenezer is a 5th year B.Ed. student from Nigeria.

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