Raiders finish exhibition on positive note

The UNB Red Raiders have to be fairly pleased with their start so far this season. In their first three games they have a 2-1 record.

On Thursday, November 8 the Raiders played host to Husson College Braves of Maine. Husson defeated UNB in a close game by an 84-79 score. The game could be described as a nip and tuck battle with the two teams going basket for basket for most of the game.

The Raiders were sparked by the scoring efforts of Tom Gillespie and Mark Newell with 23 and 22 points respectively. Andy Hayward scored 17 points to add to the Raiders UNB centre Dale MacIssac chipped in with 12 points and played a strong

defensive game. The Raiders were victorious over the UNB alumni team for the second time last Saturday. They won by a 86-83 score. Once again this game proved to be highlighted by a balanced scoring effort for the Raiders. At half time UNB

held a commanding 15 point

lead. UNB rookie centre Doug Rutherford who played in the absence of regular centre Dale MacIssac came through with a very strong performance. He score 22 points and hauled down 15 rebounds in his first starting game of the season. Mark Newell played very well scoring 16 points. Andy Hayward and Tom Gillespie chipped in with 14 and 13 points each. Coach Nelson was also pleased to see Wally Banks come off the bench to score eight points.

Coach Nelson reflected on his exhibition season by making the comment that he was able to get a good look at his personnel. He added that the team could have played better against the alumni on both occasions but was glad to get the two wins. In the game against Husson, coach Nelson felt that his team could have won the

The Red Raiders have a busy schedule for the next two weekends. This weekend the

Raiders will travel to UPEI for two games against the Panthers. Coach Nelson feels UPEI have the strongest team in the conference. Next week the Raiders play host to Mount

Allison in Friday and Saturday, November 23rd and 24. These will be two critical weekends for the Red Raiders.

In closing coach Nelson stressed that his team is young and in a transition year. The first three games of the season have shown a very hard working Red Raiders team who may surprise a few of their opponents.

Engineering Hockey Tournament

This past Monday marked the beginning of this year's engineering hockey tournament. The tournament involves teams from Mechanical, Civil, Forest Engineering, Electrical, Surveying, Chemical, Computer Science, as well as a team representing the Engineering Faculty. Games will be played over a two week period culminating in the championship game on Sunday, November 25. The organizers of the tournament would like to thank the following sponsores for their contributions:

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The schedule for the remaining games is below so come out and support your team.

Division A

Forest Engineering Computer Science Chemical Civil

Division B

Electrical Mechanical Surveying Faculty

Monday, November 19

E.E. vs. M.E. 1:45 - 2:45 Chem vs. C.S. 3:00 - 4:00 S.E. vs. Faculty 4:15 - 5:15

Tuesday, November 20 F.E. vs. Chem. 3:00 - 4:00 Wednesday, November 21

S.E. vs. E.E. 3:00 - 4:00 M.E. vs. Faculty 4:15 - 5:15

Thursday, November 22 C.S. vs. C.E. 3:45 - 4:45

Friday, November 23 S.E. vs. M.E. 3:00 - 4:00

Sunday, November 25 Championship game

Winner 'A' vs. Winner 'B' 11:00 - 12:00 a.m.

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sports editorial written by Jeff Whipple which appeared in last week's Brunswickan. In

that article, Mr. Whipple I wish to respond to the delivered a scathing attack

> against the U.N.B.men's Basketball program in general

and head coach Don Nelson in particular.

"Dump the Deac" cries are not new to U.N.B.. However, Mr. Whipple is articulating what is in my mind a horribly warped perspective of the role of intercollegiate athletics.

It is clear from gleaning

through Mr. Whipple's comments that he views winning as

the be-all and end-all of a college team. Indeed, when he writes "Face the facts, college sports is a business" (I know that there is a comma splice there; I'm quoting Mr. Whipple verbatim), his stand is ob-

While Mr. Whipple and others are entitled to their own opinion, I do not share it. A

university is not just a vehicle for athletic teams. If anything, it is the other way around. UNB enjoys a fine academic reputation for a school of its size and geography. In order to play on a varsity team, athletes must conform to academic standards. A case in point is the Jamie Frizzell incident; he could not cut the mustard where it counts on the transcript, so he was out, number one goalie status notwithstanding.

It is a reality that U.N.B. is not a heavy recruiter of athletes, and does not offer financial incentives to prospective athletes on non-athletic grounds. However, it wins some championships perhaps not as many as do universities which view athletic success as an end in itself, but some none-the-less. Changing head coaches in any sport would not change this recruiting philosophy.

Sure; it would be nice to win lots of titles in basketball, and in other sports for that matter. However, for a university that is indeed a university (no basket weaving degrees here; I get a laugh out of athletes introducing themselves and their sketchy degree programs before the college bowl games in the U.S.), being competitive and winning the odd crown is fine by me.

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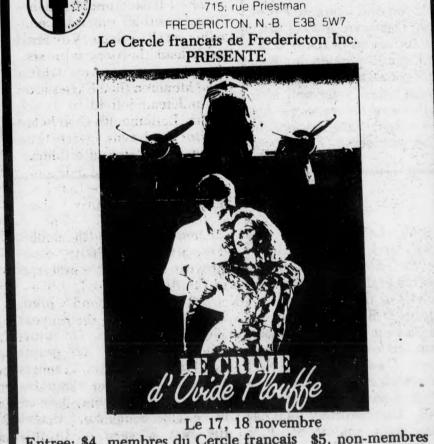
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