

Red Devils looking forward to season

by Frank Denis

Last Thursday night the UNB Red Devils hockey team kicked off their 1990-91 campaign by hosting the Queen's University Golden Gaels in an exhibition game held at the Aitken Centre. The Red Devils sent everyone home in a good frame of mind as they won 4-3 in overtime.

For most, including the coaches, it was the first look at the team in a game situation after weeks of dryland training and tryouts, the final cuts were made and the team was ready to go.

This year there will be 8 new faces in the lineup with 16 returnees from last season. Gone from last year's squad are Brian Clark and Jamie Lehman who have graduated and are now playing in Europe, Dan Altherr and Dan O'Brien for academic reasons, and Rob Beatty ran out his eligibility. As well Scott Bridges, Corey Anquetil and Darryl McNeil won't be on this year's edition of the Red Devils.

Of the above four were defencemen which means that there will be a lot of rookie blue liners. The new faces consist of Mark McSween, Shane Easter who last played

for the Fredericton Alpines of the Senior League and Derek Scanlon who hails from Richmond County, Nova Scotia. On the offensive side of things the team will sport 5 new forwards. The five are Hollis Chamberlain, Clyde Simmons, Jason Lessif, Joey McTamney and John Osborne. The last two played major junior hockey last year in Ottawa and Hull respectively.

Last year's solid goaltending duo of Scott MacDonald and Chris Somers will return and should be an integral part of the team's success this season.

Behind the bench head coach Mike Johnston will be entering his sophomore year and will once again have former Red Devil Mark Jeffrey as his assistant.

The big question mark concerning the Red Devils as they prepare to open the season tomorrow night in Sydney, NS is how well will their defence hold up. After all, when you lose 4 experienced and quality defencemen it's pretty hard to replace them over the course of the off season.

With veterans Costa Papista, Rob Boldon and Brian Wilson still around the defence is not without leadership and those three will be counted on for by

coach Johnston

With a good balance of returning players and rookies the UNB Red Devils should have a successful season.

Whether or not they will match last year's record remains to be seen but the picture should become clearer after this weekend's opening games in Sydney against UCCB and in

Antigonish against St. FX. The Red Devils first home games are next weekend when Friday night they host the Mt. Allison Mounties and Saturday the UPEI Panthers.

1990-91 Red Devils

No.	Pos.	Name	Age	Yr.	Program	Hometown
34	goal	Scott MacDonald	22	3	Business	Waterloo, Ont
29	Goal	Chris Somers	22	3	Business	Summerside, PEI
2	Def.	Mark McSween	23	4	Grad, PE	Fredericton, NB
3	Def.	Rob Boldon	21	2	Business	Fredericton, NB
25	Def.	Shane Easter	24	4	Arts	Brockville, Ont.
33	Def.	Costa Papista	22	3	Arts	Detroit, Mich.
14	Def.	Derek Scanlon	19	1	Phys Ed	Richmond Co. NS
4	Def.	Brian Wilson	20	3	Phys Ed.	Fredericton, NB
7	D/LW	Dominic Niro (A)	22	2	Business	Sault St. Marie
6	LW	Hollis Chamberlain	21	3	Education	Dalhousie, NB
5	LW	Gord Christain	21	2	Arts	Mt. Hope, Ont.
11	LW	Hugh Hospdar (A)	22	5	Business	Dalhousie, NB
17	LW	Clyde Simmons	22	2	Phys. Ed.	Mt. Moriah, Nfld
8	LW	Jason Lessif	20	1	Business	Tillsonburg, Ont
9	C	Jamie Colvin	20	2	Arts	Hunsville, Ont.
10	C	Dominic Deluca	21	3	Arts	Sault St. Marie
15	C	Jim Landine	20	3	Science	Fredericton, NB
35	C	Joey McTamney	20	1	Phys. Ed.	Uxbridge, Ont.
16	C	Mike Sutherland	24	4	Science	Fredericton, NB
21	RW	Tom Gemmell	20	2	Phys. Ed.	Moncton, NB
30	RW	Ken Murchison	22	2	Phys. Ed.	Summerside, PEI
22	RW	Murray Nystrom (C)	24	4	Arts	Thunder Bay, Ont.
77	RW	John Osborne	18	1	Arts	Saint John, NB
12	RW/LW	Steve Kippen	22	2	Arts	London, Ont.

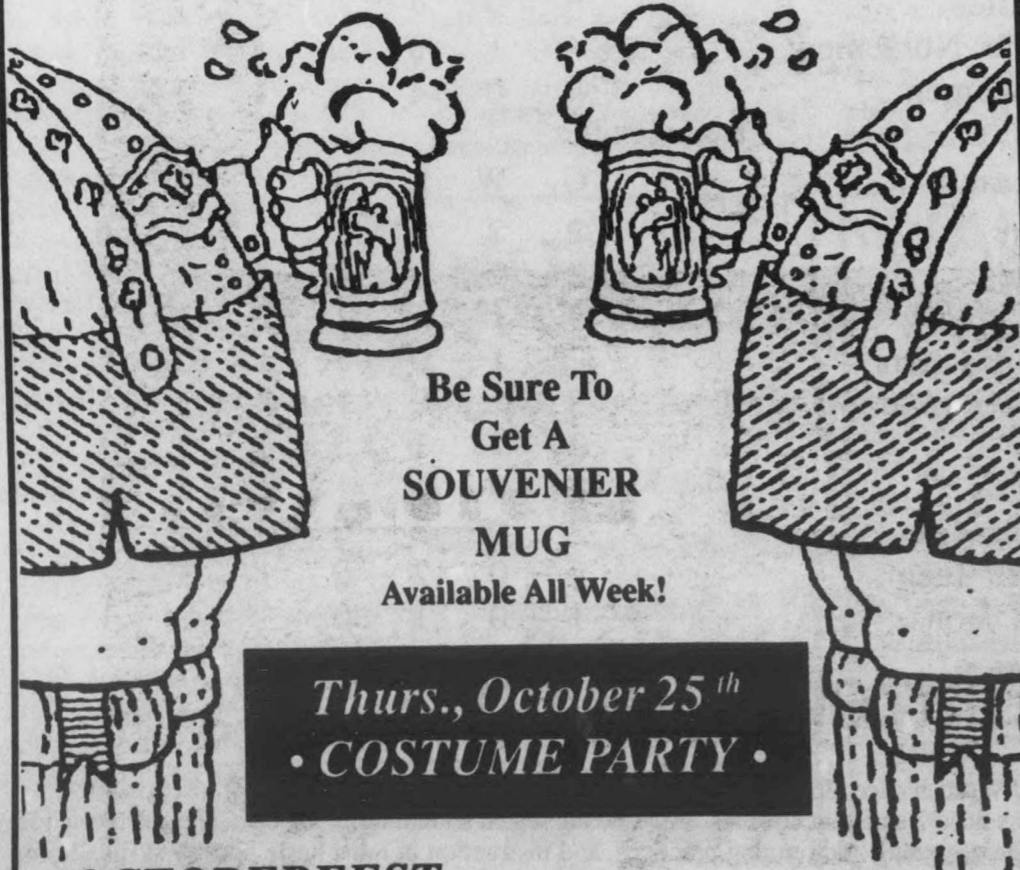
Coach: Mike Johnston
Staff Asst: Ralph Silliphant

Asst. Coach: Mark Jeffrey
Manager: John Ward

Trainer: Ian Bladon
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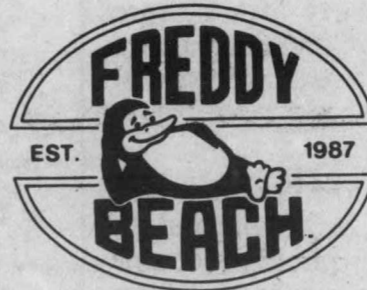
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