

UNB rugby club to begin sixth annual spring tour

The UNB Rugby team will leave Fredericton on April 28 to begin their 6th annual spring tour. This year they return to Virginia, where they last played in 1973, winning five and losing four.

The highlight and major challenge of this will be the Commonwealth Cup competition in Charlottesville May 1-2. UNB will be matched against the powerhouses of U.S. rugby football.

The seven teams invited by the host club, the University of Virginia, are: U.C.L.A. (West Coast Champions); Old Red (East Coast Champions); Sudamerica; Houston All-Stars; Philadelphia RFC; Toronto Scottish; and UNB. The fact that UNB have been asked to join this prestigious battle says a lot about the Club's high reputation in eastern North America.

Thirty-five players - two full teams and reserves - will be travelling. The first opponent of the tour will be the University of Delaware April 29. Then, after the weekend Commonwealth Cup matches, the Ironmen visit

Richmond, Virginia for games with Richmond RFC, James River RFC, and Virginia Commonwealth University. The final contest is at Virginia Beach on May 8 against the Norfolk Irish.

Training sessions are being held

three times a week, and this spring's team which defeated both Queen's University (Ontario University Champions) and the Ottawa Irish (Quebec League Champions). UNB's co-captains are Huey Dickison and Mike Lloyd.

Athletics banquet slated for Tuesday

University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, will honor its men and women athletes at the annual athletic awards dinner to be held Tuesday, March 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Union Building ballroom.

Conferring of awards and a

dance will follow the buffet dinner for the 275 athletes representing 17 teams.

The Colin B. Mackay Shield will be presented to the top woman athlete, and the best overall man in UNB sports will receive the H. Kenneth Corbett Medal.

U of T Blues win CIAU hockey title

For the eighth time in the last 11 years, the University of Toronto Blues captured the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union hockey championship.

Last weekend they defeated the University of Guelph Gryphons 7-2 behind the two goal performance of John Precious. Tallying the other markers for Toronto were Paul Sawyer, Bob Andoranti, Doug

Herridge, Larry Hopkins and Mike Hannan. Frank Staubitz and Lorne Jarrett replied for Guelph.

Toronto lost the first game of the tournament 5-4 in overtime Friday night to Calgary but came back Saturday to beat the Stingers in a sudden death semi-final. Guelph lost its first game 5-2 to the Stingers.

Judo on a grand scale set for UNB Saturday

The UNB Judo Club is hosting its second tournament of the season this weekend at the South gym. Competitors from the three Maritime provinces are expected to attend the tournament, which is expected to be one of the largest of the year.

One of the trophies at stake is the RCMP "J" Division Trophy for the winning club in the five man team contest. In this aspect of judo competition, the contestants arranged from lightest weight to heaviest and the lightest on one squad is pitted against the lightest on the other team. The next heaviest pair are matched and so on with points being awarded for the type of win scored.

The maximum number of points that can be scored is ten for an "ippon" which translated from the Japanese means roughly "full point".

The team with the highest accumulation at the end of the five matches is declared the winner.

UNB is the defending champions of the "J" Division trophy, the first team trophy ever won by the UNB club, and has since won two other team trophies. UNB, with Samson Chung, club coach, Gerry Peters, Fred Blaney, Don Glaspy and Ray Hale, took the honors at the UNB

Fall tournament. The quintet of Blaney, Marcel Morency, Bill Smith, Ron Ward and Tom Best took the top spot in the provincials.

Hopefully this weekend will produce more winners from UNB and since this will be the last tournament of the season, before the summer "layoff" the winning club will carry a psychological advantage into next year. Anyone interested in observing a totally different sport than those associated with Olympic competition is urged to view the action this Saturday afternoon at the South Gym.

Love Trophy up for grabs

This weekend the Dr. Robert Love Trophy, annually presented to the finest distance runner of the University New Brunswick will be up for grabs. The time of the race has been slated for this Saturday, March 20, starting at 12:30 a.m. The site of the activity is at the UNB Gymnasium and the event is open to everyone at UNB.

Education nips CE 4 3-2, wins inter-class floor hockey

The Inter-class floor hockey championship was decided on Monday night with Education capturing the crown in a hard-fought 3-2 win over runners-up Civil Engineering 4. The game was the second of a two game, total point series in which the first was

won handily 7-1 by the Education squad.

Goal scorers in Monday's game were Gary Legassie, Dave Cooke and Ron Bradbury for Education while George Thompson and Randy McConnell replied for CE 4.

The standouts of the tight game were undoubtedly the two goaltenders, Education's Mike Sproul and CE's Gus Beattie. Both played superbly in a tight checking game which often saw tempers flare.

The only major penalties of the contest were handed out to Gord Bryant and Randy McConnell for fighting at the close of the first half.

In the first game, in front of strong goaltending by Sproul and the solid defense of Fred Branston, Mike Phetorino and Tim Buckley, the Education squad coasted to a 7-1 victory. Goal scorers were Daryl Mathews with four, Dave Cooke with a pair and Darrell Belyea with a single. The goal scorer for CE was unknown.

The champion Education club will enter a round robin tournament with Electrical Engineering, Post Grads and the Saint John Voyageurs. The action will get under way Saturday from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the West Gym.

Runners to train in U.S.

The big news in the cross country world lately is the trip that Peter Richardson and Wayne Stewart, both of the Fredericton area, will be taking to Florida to train under the coaching staff of the University of Florida in hopes of gaining a berth on the Canadian Olympic team for the Summer Olympics in Montreal this summer.

Both Richardson and Stewart will have their eye on the qualifying times and top placing at the Olympic tryout meets at Laval

University in Quebec on May 29 and at a later one in Montreal June 12.

The only way a runner can be guaranteed a spot on the Canadian team to the Olympics would be to finish first and make the Olympic time standard as well.

The 28-year-old Stewart was coach of the UNB cross country representatives, the Red Harriers, this past season and his experience was largely responsible for their excellent showings.

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