

Soccer team loses two at home

By MARK ALBERSTAT

DALHOUSIE'S MEN'S SOCCER team lost once again this weekend, dropping two home games, in which they found a new way to lose.

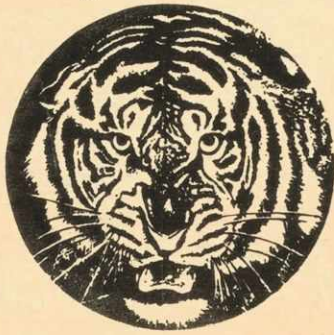
The Tigers met University of New Brunswick Red Shirts Saturday and lost that contest with a 2-0 score, then played to Universite de Moncton Sunday and dropped the game with a 1-0 tally. The team finished the weekend with a record of no wins, four losses, and two ties. This places the team seven points behind division-leading St. Francis Xavier.

Saturday's match was a rare one for Dal as they started the game tough and fast, unlike most of their other games which had the team starting off slowly.

Despite the fast start the Tigers slipped to a one nothing deficit early in the game as UNB's Steve MacKay headed the ball past Tiger goalie Kenny Burton barely ten minutes into the opening half. With about two minutes left in this half MacKay scored again. This time UNB brought the ball

up the right side of the field, drew the Dalhousie goalie off, passed the ball in front of the net and popped it in with three Tigers standing around the goal mouth.

George Lucas was credited



with the shutout.

In Sunday's game Dalhousie outran, outthought, outplayed and, yes, even outscored the Universite de Moncton Blue Eagles only to lose with a 1-0 score, the lone point was an own goal.

The goal was scored when the ball came into the goal area. Netminder Kenny Burton came out of the goal, but the ball got away from him. Mark Gascoigne tried to come in on the ball and control it, only to knock it into the net.

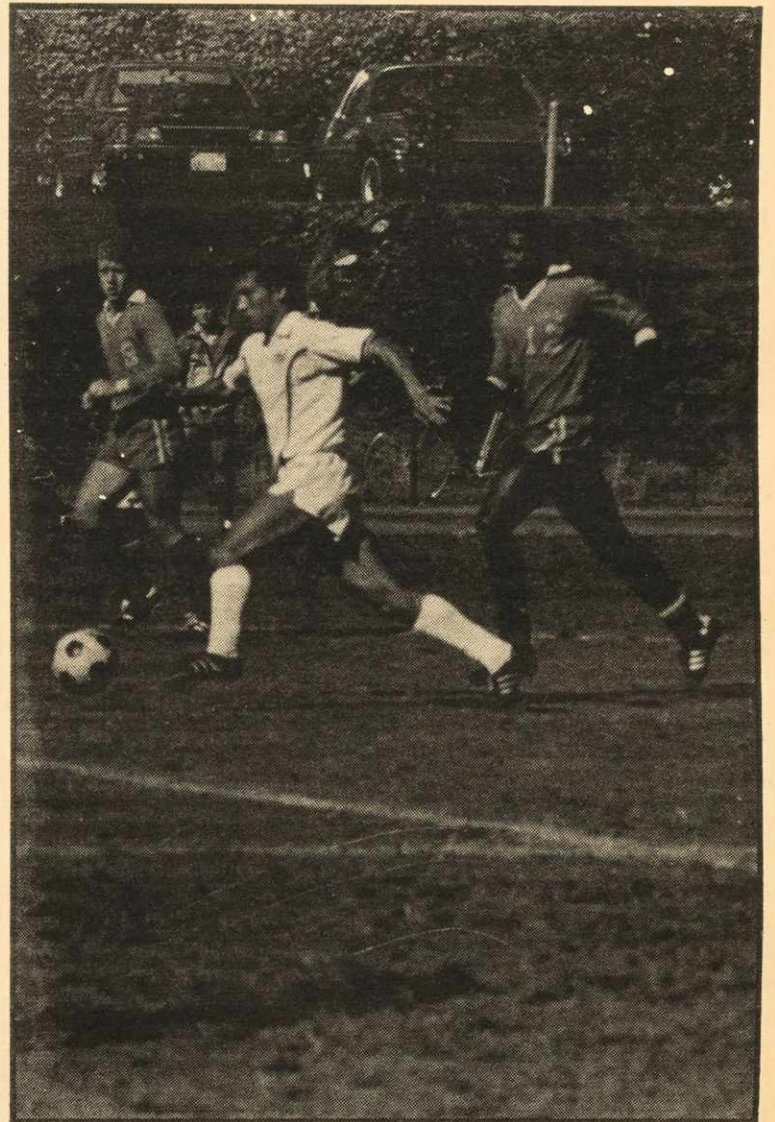
The scoring Tiger then hung on the side of the net in obvious and understandable disappointment.

The Tigers then went into the half-time break knowing they would have to do something they have yet to do this season, score twice to win the game.

Through the second half Dalhousie had several opportunities to tie the game only to see the ball go flying far over the top of the net. The attempts produced some painful groans from the few fans in attendance and more than a few comments of "unlucky" from the bench. Just how "unlucky" one team can be is hard to say; could it be something else?

After the game Dalhousie's usually talkative head coach Eric McIntyre gave a simple "no comment." It is difficult to say if McIntyre's reply shows his feelings about the team, the general play of the game, or the fact that for his second year coaching varsity level he is facing a winless season, or at best a losing record.

The Dalhousie men's soccer team that plays their next home game October 6th against St. Mary's at 2 p.m.



Christos Migas (in white) guides the ball upfield Sunday against Universite de Moncton. Dalhousie lost the game, played at Studley Field, by a 1-0 count. Dal Photo: Paul Chairot.

Rugby team trying to regain form

By LIONEL D. WILD

IN THE WAKE OF TWO losses and a tie in their past three games, the Dalhousie Tigers have fallen on hard times in Nova Scotia Rugby Union action.

After outplaying Acadia University at Wolfville and settling for a 4-4 draw, the Tigers again put in a fine performance last Saturday in an 11-3 loss to the Halifax Tars at Studley Field.

The next day, though, the roof fell in for Dalhousie in Darmouth, where the hometown Saracens defeated the Tigers 19-9.

At Acadia, the symptoms of sloppy play first became evident in the Dalhousie team. Dal. Captain Ian MacLeod's early try held up for most of the match. Only the failure to finish off numerous scoring opportunities prevented the Tigers from building up a greater lead.

With two minutes left in the match, Acadia fullback Chris Heseltine broke through the Dalhousie defence and scored a try to tie the score.

Russel Williams scored both of the Tars' tries, and standoff Mark Williamson added a drop goal. For Dalhousie, fullback Scott Yaschuk was successful on a penalty kick.

Sunday's match against Dartmouth was a complete turnaround from Dalhousie's earlier efforts. Now the Tigers were not just failing to capitalize on scoring opportunities, but were being outplayed by a less skillful team.

"That was the worst rugby we've played all season," said



Rugby action. Dal Photo: Sean Forbes.

Tigers' coach Rolland Smith. "It was our first bad game of the year."

Dartmouth prop forward Jose Barriero scored two tries, with Bernie Campbell and Bill Stairs adding one try each. Standoff Bim Hazel scored on a penalty kick. For Dalhousie, MacLeod scored a late try. Yaschuk converted the try and added a penalty kick.

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MacLeod agreed with that assessment. "It was a combination of injuries and the fact that we were just walking through [the game]," he said. "Our heads weren't in the game."

This was in sharp contrast to Saturday evening's match against the Tars. Though the outcome was similar, Dalhousie played a controlled game against a larger and more experience opposition.

Dalhousie had some problems in the line-outs, where jumpers Bienenstock and Mark Piesanen were matched up against a pair of superb leapers in John Stairs and Brian Pascher of the Tars.

Still, the Tigers acquitted themselves very well in an emotionally heated match.

"I was impressed that despite being down 7-0 at the half, we never let up at all," said wing forward Jamie Van Wiechen. "We just didn't quit."

This fiery determination will have to be recaptured this coming

weekend during two important home matches against St. Mary's and St. Francis Xavier.

Three days of practice and five days for recuperation from nagging injuries should go a long way to helping Dalhousie back onto the winning track.

Kick-offs will be at St. Mary's field: Saturday at noon against SMU, and Sunday at 2 p.m. against St. F.X.

Season hockey tickets on sale

For the first time in three years, the Dalhousie Tigers men's hockey team is selling season tickets. The tickets, which cost \$30, are available immediately and are good for all 11 of the Tigers' regular season home games. The figure of \$30 represents a \$14 saving over the course of the season.

The tickets may be purchased at the Dalplex Information Desk between 8 a.m. and 10 p.m. from Monday to Friday and between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Tickets can also be purchased from any of the Tiger Hockey players or from the Tigers general manager, Bob Had-dow at 3424-3375.

The Tigers home schedule contains four games before Christmas and seven games after the holidays. A breakdown of days shows three Wednesday evening games, three on Saturday afternoon, two each on Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon and one on a Friday evening.

For more information on the Tigers and the season tickets, phone the Dalplex Information Desk at 424-3372.