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BOMBERS CREAM MT. ALLISON

By TOM BEST

It's been a while coming, but the Red Bombers finally proved that they are a force to be reckoned with as they crushed the visiting Mt. Allison Mounties 36-7 for their first win of the season.

Steve Corscadden was the man of the hour as he burned the Mountie defence 19 times for 162 yards. Included in that total were three touchdown strikes.

Also adding majors were rookie running back Chris Skinner, back in the line up following a disabling ankle injury, and big Wayne Lee who leaped on a fumbled ball in the Mt. A end zone.

Kicker Jim diRenzo played his usual steady game as he added five conversions and a point on a missed field goal attempt. He also had a 57.3 yard kickoff average.

Coach Jim Born said "It's the best game we had all year. We moved the ball consistently on the ground and consistently in the air. In other games we would move it in the air well or on the ground well, but not both consistently."

Penalties, a factor in previous games, were held down to five for only 35 yards as opposed to over 100. "We have the confidence we need to have at this stage of the game. We can play the type of ball we know we can play," Born said.

Although UNB's running game has been suspect as of recent, Q.B. Greg Clarke put it together calling a wide variety of surprise plays that kept the big Mountie defence line in confusion. Choosing to run Corscadden up the middle, Clarke and company moved the ball 227 yards on the ground.

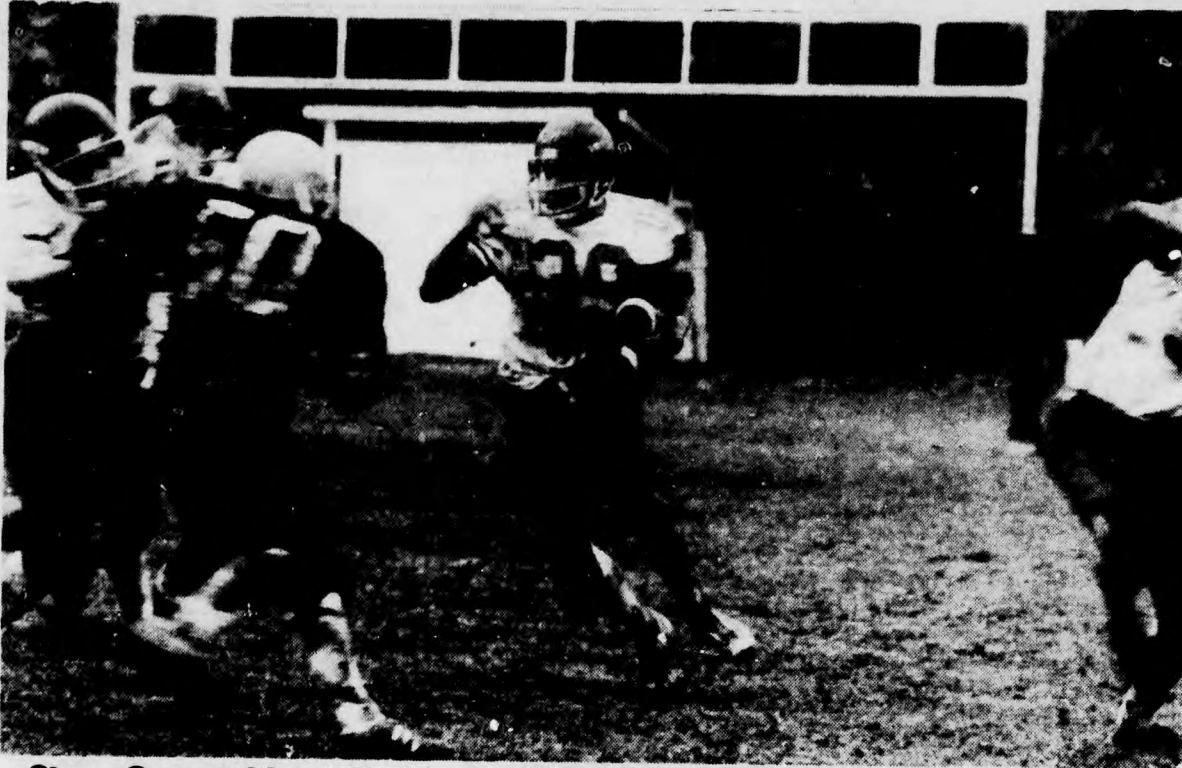
Corscadden got some excellent assistance in the way of one Doug Johnson, who blocked numerous Mountie tacklers intent on making Corscadden part of the field. He also gave credit to the offensive line for opening up holes to allow him to go inside.

Bob Lockwood, a senior offensive tackle with the team said the difference from past games was that "we began to work as a unit. We got our timing down and practice the fundamentals all week."

Born said that the key to this weekend's game against St. Francis Xavier would be to stop Kevin Aver. Last weekend, Aver scored three touchdowns to lead the X-men to an upset win over the previously unbeaten SMU Huskies. Aver, a nominee last year for MVP in the CIAU plays both offensively and defensively and according to Born "he's living up to his billing."

Offensively, Born said that the Bombers have to stop the aggressiveness of the X-men defensive line if the team is to be able to run the ball on the goal end.

Corscadden feels that the type of offense will rely heavily on the weather. He also said that the team "needs to work hard. Now we should have the confidence and the positive attitude to give 100 per cent for 60 minutes of a ball game."



Steve Corscadden finds a hole in the defense in last weekend's football action.

With half the season over, Bomber quarterback Greg Clark feels that the team is finally coming together. Clarke, who likes to throw the ball, moved the ball well on the ground gaining 227 goals.

Clarke said that the two aspects of the offensive game complemented each other. "I expected to throw more. I get more enjoyment out of it," he indicated but added that with field conditions as they were, he was forced to go on the ground more than usual.

Early in the season, Clarke was hampered by a knee injury that limited his ability to scramble. Now with his injury healed, he feels that he's added an extra dimension to his game but "I still intend to stay in the pocket as much as possible."

Injuries have been a factor with the roster this year and several

players have had to play new positions on both defense and offense. One of the team captains, Mike McIntyre, normally plays in the defensive secondary but last weekend saw action in the offense.

Coach Born praised McIntyre as "one of the fastest guys on the team..." Since the team will be carrying less players on road trips, Born feels that the versatility shown by McIntyre and others such as Chuck Proudfoot and Don Cameron will be valuable assets.

Proudfoot, punts, plays defensive back and fills in as a receiver while Cameron, has according to Born, more athletic ability than to be sitting on the bench all the time as a back-up quarterback.

Recently Cameron has been able to come in for Clarke and has shown some promise in that

position, coming up with several plays.

McIntyre feels that this weekend's matchup with the X-men will be a challenge. "Last time, they didn't beat us up. They have some good receivers like Kevin Aver and will be looking for a lot of sweeps."

A big factor going for the Bombers according to MacIntyre is the fact that "the guys had to learn to win. That hurt us against SMU we've done it now and we want that feeling back. We're playing to win. We've got a chance at the playoffs and we going for it."

With depth and versatility in players like Clarke, MacIntyre and the confidence and determination of Born, the Bombers are on the upswing and could be a big threat to the rest of the league for the remainder of the season.



Greg Clark eludes the Mount Allison defenders for a big gain.

Red Sticks

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An overtime goal by Sue Grady lifted the Red Sticks field hockey team to a 2-1 win over Universite de Moncton and kept their winning streak in the AUFHC alive at six straight.

The Sticks, now 6-0 on the season and boasting a 10 point bulge over Mt. Allison in the western conference rallied behind the impressive play of Janice Bianco at halfback to roar back after a penalty flick by Camilla Vautour went past UNB goalie Kelly Sonier to tie the game late in the second half.

Mary McCann tallied first for UNB as she beat the Moncton goalie on, mud-soaked field in generally miserable conditions.

In the Eastern division, the St. Mary's appears to be the team to beat as they spoiled a 3-0-1 record on the year to remain unbeaten. Up to this point the Sticks have played and beaten all teams in the league save St. Mary's and Acadia, which occupies the Eastern base-

Coming up tomorrow for the Sticks is a match against a much improved Mt. Allison squad in Sackville.

Athletes of the Week:

Janice Bianco

In the Red Sticks exciting 2-1 overtime win over U de Moncton Janice played her halfback position extremely well. With less than 4 minutes remaining in the overtime period, Janice set up the Sticks winning goal to keep their AUA winning streak alive. Janice is a 4th year forestry exchange student from UBC. Her home is in Salmon Arm, B.C.

Steve Corscadden

Steve Corscadden has an impressive day last Saturday against Mt. Allison University at College Field. Steve ran for 162 yards on 19 carries and scored 3 touchdowns. His longest run from scrimmage for a touchdown was for 48 yards. It was the second week in a row for Steve to go over a hundred yards rushing. Steve is a 4th year Education student from St. John.

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