

SPORTS

Impressive return for Kinch

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The Red Devils got back into the winning groove again with two wins last week. Wednesday night the Red Devils played St. Thomas Tommies at the LBR and came away with a 6-1 victory. Don Cameron who celebrated his birthday Wednesday led UNB with two goals. Other scorers were Vaughn Porter, Jim Somers, Dave Mancuso and Gary Clark. Again as was evident in the preceding game played at the LBR there was an exhibition of poor refereeing. In the second period a STU player tried to elbow a UNB player but missed sending the linesman to the ice. Unfortunately he was shaken up pretty bad and could not finish the game and another linesman had to take over. STU goaltender Kirk Furlotte kept his team in the game, making many superb saves especially in the first period when UNB had several power plays. Scotty Brogan's shutout bid was spoiled when Fred Slipp skated by everyone and put it in low on the right side. The game was close until

the third when UNB pulled away with three goals.

On Saturday UNB faced their arch rivals from Sackville, the Mt. A. Mounties. UNB once again was healthy with John Kinch back in the lineup. Because Vaughn Porter has been playing so well with John's old line he was put with Mark Jeffery's and Todd McQueen. It was to be a big day for John as well as the line as they picked up 12 points on John's two goals and three assists. Todd McQueen two goals and three assists and Marks two assists. Allan Lewis also had a big game also picking up two goals, one the winner in the ten minute overtime period.

UNB opened the scoring half way through the first period when Todd McQueen put a pass in from John Kinch and Mark Jeffreys. Mount A scored on a nice three way passing play with Andy Nesbitt putting the puck behind the UNB goaltender. Mount A scored again when Kevin Faron found the UNB defense asleep and put a back hander up under the cross bar.

After a little speech to his players Don MacAdam's Red



Close call: Red Devil Centre, Tony McLean (11), just misses after moving past three Mounties in an AUSA game against Mt. A. last Saturday. UNB won in overtime, 8-6.

Devils came out fired up and took the lead on goals by John Kinch and Jim Somers. Unfortunately, UNB could not gain their zone and Mount A tied it up on a goal by Steve George. UNB jumped into a 5-3 lead on

goals by John Kinch and Allain Lewis. The second period was wide open as UNB had 19 shots and Mt. A. 17. Kevin Rochford again played superb robbing Mt. A many times.

Mt. A. scored on a power play when UNB was not able to clear Kevin Faron out of the crease as he tipped one behind Kevin Rochford. UNB went ahead again on a goal by George Kelly that went in and out so fast no one saw it except the goal judge and he forgot to put the light on. It was not till play had stopped down the other end was the goal awarded after conformation between the referee and goal judge. Mt. A scored again 23 seconds later to make it 6-5.

With Mt. A's goaltender pulled for an extra attacker Kevin Faron scored again to put it in to overtime.

UNB did not waste any time scoring as Allain Lewis put one in from Paul Murphy with little more than a minute gone. The UNB defense came on strong led by Dave Bluteau who hit everything in sight to allow Mt. A only four shots. It was coming to look like Mt. A might pull their goaltender again for an extra attacker until Todd McQueen scored to put the game away for the Red Devils.

This weekend UNB travels to Moncton to play the Blue Eagles this Friday. The Red Devils next home game is Feb. 11th when they face the St. Thomas Tommies at 7:30.

Raiders gain split

By DAVID MOMBOURQUETTE

If the first round is any indication, the battle for the fourth and final playoff spot, in AUSA men's basketball action, is going to be the main event for the remainder of the season. The two combatants clashed last weekend, with the UNB Red Raiders gaining a split against the UPEI Panthers, on the Island. The Raiders won 93-91, on Friday, before dropping an 87-79 decision on Saturday.

The Friday night game proved to be a thriller from start to finish, as the Raiders kept the Panther lead to between three to five points, before taking the lead in the closing minutes. UNB coach Don Nelson, called it, "a great basketball game," comparing it to the Raider's win in the AUSA championships back in 1967. Although he singled out the play of Scott Devine, Nelson stressed that it was a total team effort that secured the win. "Scott was a dynamic force out there, he just couldn't miss," said Nelson.

The rest of the squad also found the range, with Chris McCabe hopping 24 points and

Don McCormack adding 17, the Raiders combined for a 67% shooting performance. Chris Sumner led the attack for the Panthers.

On Saturday the Panthers gained revenge, as Chris Sumner once again led the home squad, scoring 29 points, to go along with 26 from Len Redmond. Scott Devine led all UNB scorers with 27 points, while Chris McCabe, Bill Young and Don McCormack added 12 each. Devine's totals pushed him into the lead as the all time leading scorer at UNB, surpassing the mark of UPEI coach, and former Red Raider, Dave Nutbrown.

Coach Nelson felt the Raiders had a chance to win the game, but lost it when Ted DeWinter fouled out with two minutes left to play, and the Raiders down by four. "We couldn't afford to lose Ted, and when he did, it was game over. Ted was a real pillar of strength for us." With DeWinter out, Vinnie De Pinto took the ball inside on the Raiders, who were forced to foul, allowing the Panthers to pull away.

On Tuesday night, the Raiders defeated a pesky

squad from the University of Maine Presque Isle, walking away with a 92-82 victory. Don McCormack led the Raiders held a 44-34 edge after the first half, which was marked by the poor shooting, and generally sloppy play of the home team.

The second half proved much the same, as the Raiders could not get their offense clicking, and scored most of their points off of numerous turnovers, caused by some tight defensive play. The major factor had to be the Red Raiders height advantage, as the tandem of McCabe and DeWinter easily controlled the boards. The only UMPI player they couldn't stop was Joe Liscott, a 6'4" freshman forward, who proved he could play both inside and outside, by scoring 37 points from almost everywhere. Coach Nelson had nothing but praise for the Maine squad, saying, "we got out hustled, and we just couldn't stop Liscott. He's a great player, and I wish I had one just like him."

The Raiders continue their quest for a playoff spot this weekend, as they host the St. F.X. X-Men at 3:00 Saturday in the AUC.

Special event

Professor Eric Garland is the Assistant Vice-President at the University of New Brunswick; however, he administers more than just the needs of the university. For several years, Eric has conducted a basketball shooting stunt to raise funds for the Rotary Camp for disabled children and adults at Grand Lake, N.B.

On Saturday afternoon, January 30, at the Aitken Centre, Saint Francis Xavier will be playing basketball against the UNB Red Bloomers and Red Raiders. During a ten minute period of half-time of the men's game, Eric will attempt to see how many baskets he can shoot from positions outside of the key.

Members of the Rotary Club of Fredericton are collecting pledges who will pay so much per basket, or a set amount of money. All proceeds will go towards reducing the outstanding deficit of the Rotary Camp, which is the major project of the Club.

If you would like to help Eric make this project a success, you can phone in your pledge to 454-5990.

Last year, Eric pumped in 101 baskets. Come down to the Aitken Centre on Saturday and see if he beats his record!