

The New Thinking Man's Guide to Pro Football

Dear Football fan,

I have just finished one of the finest books of football ever written. The author is Paul Zimmerman and the book is



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called *The New Thinking Man's Guide to Pro Football* (Simon and Schuster \$26.95).

Zimmerman is of course the chief football writer for *Sports Illustrated* and covers all of the big games through the season. His insight into the game is so incredible that it shines through in almost every paragraph.

Dr.Z. (as he is sometimes known) starts each chapter with a quote which is so well chosen that it spurs the intrepid reader to start and hopefully finish the chapter in one reading. A prime example of these quotes is quite appropriately one of the first in the book, the chapter called "A Violent Game"

...Another time he (Bill Bradley of the Eagles) tried to get inside my face mask, so I stuck my fingers in his. I was trying to pull his eyes out. That's when I realized I might be insane.

—Conrad Dobler

Some of the other chapters in the book are the "Offensive line" (one of the best in the book in my estimation, it actually makes you interested and want to watch an offensive line), "Quarterbacking for fun and profit", "The coaches", and "We never lose a game in the press box" (a favorite of mine, full of humor and wit). In total there are 21 chapters in the book. From just these few examples one can see that Dr.Z. makes house calls on every aspect of the game one would want.

The book was written recently, which gives one the feeling that they are not reading the dated material one all too often finds in books such as these. Zimmerman mentions players like Eric Dickerson and John Riggins

with as much ease as he mentions O.J. Simpson and Gale Sayers.

It is on the subject of history that Zimmerman uses his collage of writing-knowledge to a magnificent extent. He does not fill up the chapters with useless history but only puts it in when needed. The quotes that he brings back are the ones that will be ripe (in the right context) for ever and a day.

An interesting piece of history Dr.Z. does bring up is the evolution of the 3-1 defense. This part of the chapter on defense, with its diagrams and tight explanation may be the best in the book.

Diagrams of plays are nothing new to football and they are clearly nothing new with Zimmerman. He uses them in precisely the right places and does not overuse them. His diagrams are often many diagrams rolled into one, and are both pleasant to see and easy to read.

The book is so well written that the avid football fan will soon finish all 400 pages and wonder if there is more to come.

Anyone who is a football fan and wants to learn more about the game will become a fanatic in no time. The author of the review is a prime example. Anyone who has a mild or miniscule interest in the game will learn to enjoy and appreciate it all the more. Zimmerman has a talent for taking the usually boring parts of the game and making them interesting enough for the fan to want to see more.

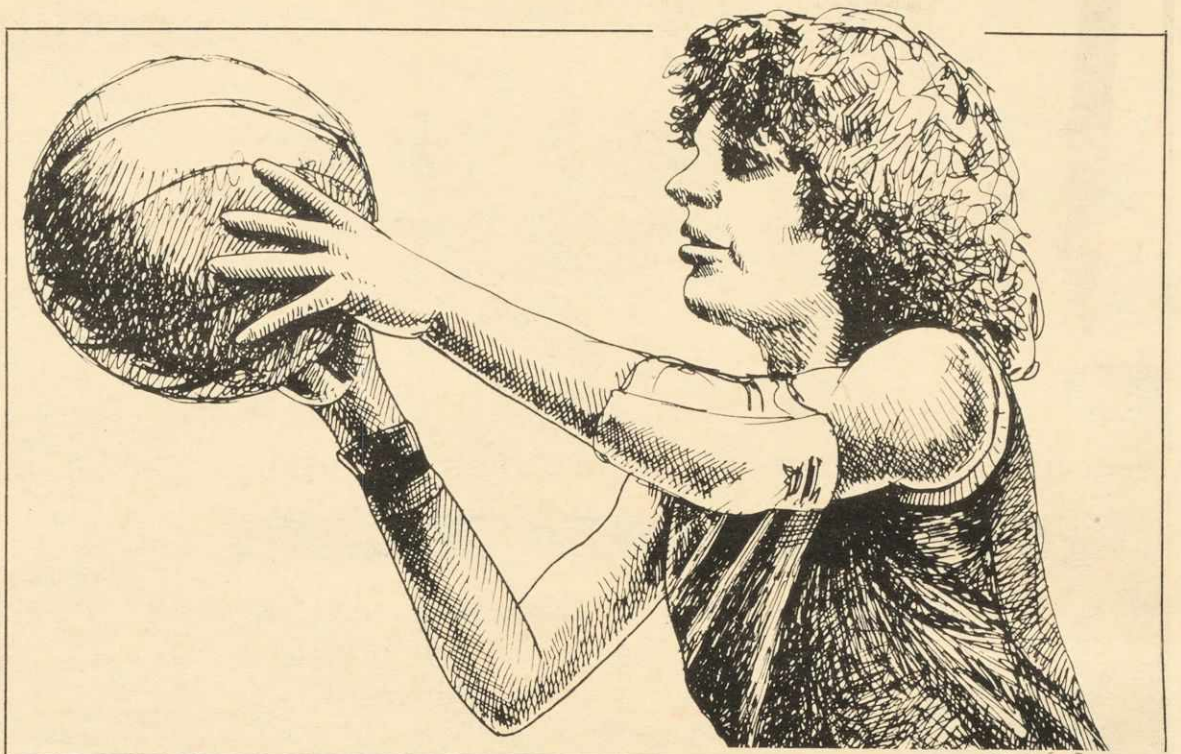
If you only plan to buy one sports book this year make it *The New Thinking Man's Guide to Pro Football*. Your money will be well invested.

Malott an All-Star

JAMES (BO) MALOTT, a fourth year veteran on the Dalhousie Tigers Men's Basketball Team, has been named to the AUAA Second All-Star Team for his efforts this year. The six-foot four-inch Sociology major from Toronto, Ontario, has received many awards since coming to Dalhousie, including team MVP last year, but this is his first selection to the conference all-star squad.

Malott, who plays the swingman position for the Tigers, has been a leader for the team on both offense and defense. Nicknamed by Tiger coach Doc Ryan as "The Secretary of Defense", Malott is a solid player at both ends of the court.

The versatile Malott led the Tigers in scoring this year with a 15.6 point per game average (tied for sixth in the league) and recorded 5.1 rebounds per outing.



Basketball team bows out

By LISA TIMPF

"WE DIDN'T GO OUT playing our best."

That, in coach Carolyn Savoy's words, summed up the Dal women's basketball team's 52-11 loss to University of Prince Edward Island in the AUAA semi-finals.

"They were so excited by the belief that they could win that they became overanxious," said Savoy. "They just couldn't put the ball in the basket."

Although they played well defensively, poor shooting plagued the Tigers as they converted only 13 per cent from the floor in the first half. The second half wasn't much better, as the Tigers put up 42 shots, more than enough to have won them the game, but again failed to convert on a high percentage.

Alice Cerny scored 13 points to lead the Dal team in scoring.

The championship game saw UNB claiming the AUAA title with a 46-45 win over UPEL.

The game went down to the wire, as UNB scored to go ahead with six seconds left and UPEL hit the rim in a last effort to come back at the buzzer.

Although the loss was a big disappointment for the Dal squad, Savoy thinks the effects could be positive.

"Because it was such a big disappointment for them, it could be a positive factor in their development," said Savoy.

"They may be all the more determined to come back strong next year."

"Overall, we had a fantastic season. We started out a little shaky, but after Christmas the team got stronger, more experienced, and more assertive," said Savoy. "It has come together really well, and they're developing into a really nice team."

"I felt that all season they never quite played up to their potential but they did play consistently and played good basketball."

"They will become very good players because they are making

their own decisions out there instead of having to be told everything by the coach."

With all of the players eligible to return next season, Savoy looks forward to a good one.

"They remind me of a team I coached in 1979. They came up

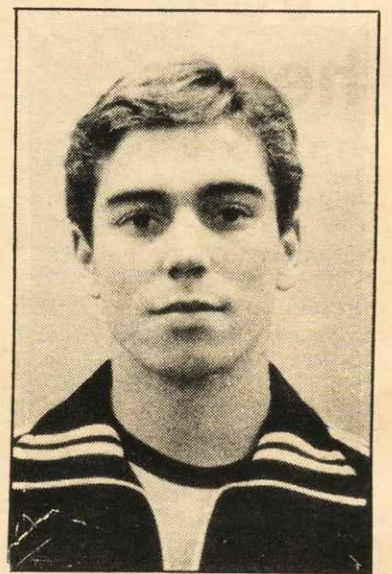
flat in the semi finals of the AUAA's and lost. It was a real disappointment for them, but the next year they came back and had a fantastic season, won the league championships, and finished second in the CIAU's."

Athletes of the week

MEN: Andrew Cole, a fourth year Physical Education student and member of the Tigers' swim team, is Dalhousie's Athlete of the Week for the week of February 25-March 3. Cole, a native of Dartmouth and former member of the Dartmouth Crusaders swim club, claimed double gold medals at the CIAU Swimming and Diving Championships held at Brock University last week.

Last year's Dalhousie Climo Award winner set two AUAA records in winning both the 100 M and 200 M breast stroke events in times of 1:04:33 and 2:17:96 respectively.

The 21-year-old Cole has won medals in these events for the past three years, but this is his first taste of CIAU gold.



Diving Championships at Brock University last week, and all seven were outstanding. The entire group has been selected at the Tiger Female Athlete(s) of the Week.

The group captured three bronze medals, set a new AUAA record in the 400 M Medley Relay, and placed fifth overall in the country. The fifth place ranking is the Tigers' sixth consecutive CIAU finish in the top five. The Dalhousie women, who are all being honoured as athletes of the week, are Patti Boyles, Susan Duncan, Heather Kaulbach, Jennifer Davidson, Lisa Hoganson, Mary Mowbray and springboard diver Paula Gaudet.



WOMEN: The women's swim team sent seven representatives to the CIAU Swimming and