

SPORTS

Co-editors: Peter Thompson
Alan Robichaud
Sports Hotline 453-4984
Deadline: Monday 5pm

Red Shirts are red hot

The Red Shirts edged a little closer towards hosting the AUSA soccer play-offs this weekend with a 2-1 win over arch rivals UPEI. The result keeps the Red Shirts in contention for the divisional title and reduced the Panthers' chances to slim.

The Red Shirts started quickly and controlled the majority of the possession. After only a couple of minutes Pat Sweeny created a shooting opportunity for Dave Foley who forced the Panthers goalkeeper to make a good save. Soon after, Ross Knodell controlled a long clearance out of defense. The quick striker turned well, dribbled past his marker and crossed the ball through the 18 yard area. Unfortunately, no UNB player could add the finishing touch to a fine play.

After 15 minutes the Red Shirts took a deserved lead. Goalkeeper George Lucas punted the ball three-quarters of the length of the pitch before its first bounce. The kick completely fooled the Panthers defense, but it didn't fool Dave Foley who sprinted past the Panthers defense and chipped the ball over the onrushing goalkeeper and into the net. It was the kind of opportunity which has made the Hampton native UNB's top goal scorer for the past two years.

At this stage of the game the spectators could have been forgiven for expecting a rout of the Panthers but it wasn't to be. The Red Shirts relaxed and allowed the Panthers to gain their composure. On two occasions the UPEI forwards found a way through the Shirts



File Photo: A fight for the ball.

defense but could not beat Lucas in goal.

Eventually a goal did come for the home side. Jamie Pollock was adjudged to have intentionally upended a UPEI striker inside the penalty area. George Lucas saved the first penalty kick, but the referee decided that he had illegally moved before the ball was kicked. Panthers striker Pierre-Gilles gave Lucas no chance second time 'round.

The set-back sparked new life into the Red Shirts line-up. The midfield combination of Stewart Galloway and Pat Sweeny started to make more use of Alex Scholten playing wide on the right. The winger had the measure of his man and consistently got on the goal side of him. The Panthers defender demonstrated that he could tackle much better with

his arms than with his feet, something which the referee took exception to. It was from one of the succession of free-kicks awarded in the Red Shirts' favour that a one goal lead was re-established. Stewart Galloway played a perfect cross to Dave Foley who scored his fifth goal of the year.

The second half saw a general deterioration in the quality of the game as it was broken up by frequently awarded free-kicks. The play was becoming increasingly physical and tempers were becoming frayed. The game stayed under control, however, with the UNB team creating the better chances to score. Finally, after the referee had added on seven minutes of time for stoppages, the Red

Shirts were awarded the two points.

On Sunday the Red Shirts' scheduled game against Moncton was cancelled because of dangerous playing conditions. Parts of the Moncton field were under up to 12 inches of water.

Next game for the Red Shirts is on Saturday Oct. 10 at 2pm when they face UPEI on Chapman Field.

Scoring	
Salem Shaban ACA	8
Woody Bailey SMU	5
David Foley UNB	5
Dennis Robinson SMU	5
Randy Thomas SMU	5
Gerard Aucoin UCB	4
Richard Pierre-Gilles	4
Gus Richards MUN	4



George Lucas



Patti Ramsey

UNB ATHLETES-OF-THE-WEEK

Red Shirts goalkeeper, George Lucas, was selected as UNB's male Athlete-of-the-Week. The 23 year old from Saint John, New Brunswick, was outstanding during a 2-1 win over UPEI Panthers. Lucas showed great alertness in coming to his defense's rescue on several occasions with some fine saves. Only a penalty shot spoiled his attempts at a shut out. Lucas also used his long punts effectively. He picked up one assist and placed considerable pressure on the Panthers' defense. The Red Shirts shot-stopper is in his fifth year of a BPE degree.

Patti Ramsey, 22, from Fredericton, NB has been selected as the female Athlete-of-the-Week at UNB. Patti, the co-captain of the Red Sticks and CIAU all-tournament player at the national championships last year, scored two goals in a 6-0 win over Mt. Allison and assisted on UNB's only goal in a 1-1 tie with Moncton University. This enabled the Red Sticks to remain undefeated and improved their lead at the top of the AUSA field hockey standings. Coach Joyce Slipp commented that "Patti is giving the team added offensive power, while maintaining her outstanding defensive play." The Red Sticks veteran is working toward a Master of Science degree.



File Photo: Ross Knodell attempts to take ball from Moncton player.