

Raiders dribble into season

In the forecourt the team is led by the outstanding shooting and board work of Tom MacMillan from Antigonish, N.S. and hustling Marc McGeachy from St. Stephen, N.B. Two newcomers are demanding attention, left handed sharp shooter Steve McGinley from St. Stephen and "Mr. Defence", Bruce Nicholson from the same high school. In the pivot Fredericton sophomore, strongman Tim Howatt, has matured into an excellent rebounder and fierce competitor. His backup, sophomore Al Campbell, gives Timmy fits in practice and will see floor time because of his excellent jumping ability. Two other newcomers, Greg Holton of Campbellton and Gerry Sullivan add depth in the backcourt and post respectively.

Coach Nelson and Assistant Coach Phil Wright have sensed the infectious enthusiasm of the entire

team from the word go. They will need all of that and desire to cope with one of the most challenging schedules in Canada. The 29 game schedule is highlighted by three tournaments, the Western Tip Off in Lond, Ontario in November, the New Brunswick Holiday Classic in January (U.N.B., Bishops, St. Joseph's and Ottawa), plus the Laval Winter Carnival Tournament also in January. In addition, the Raiders play a full slate of A.U.A.A. conference games, plus interlocking games with Northeast College Conference teams from Maine.

The Raiders will be in shape, scrappy and exciting to watch. There may be some surprises in store for teams visiting L.B.G.

The 1977-78 version of the UNB Men's Varsity Basketball Team has put the final touches on it's pre-season preparation. Since beginning workouts in early

October, the athletes have worked tremendously hard on conditioning and team drills getting ready for the opening weekend of the season, November 4 against Royal Military College from Kingston, Ontario and November 5 against the Alumni.

Coach Don Nelson, entering his 21st year at the helm, is cautiously optimistic about this year's version of the Red Raiders. Essentially a sophomore club, the Raider's will be led by a strong backcourt and outstanding shooters from the wing. The heart and soul of the team are the two starting guards, Captain Andy Cheam from Dorval, P.Q. and Luigi Florean from Fredericton. Andy has developed into a fine floor general, while Luigi has the ability to score from outside with the added threat of penetration to the hoop. Backing them up are Wayne Veysey from Florenceville and freshman Marty Hilton from Charlottetown, P.E.I.

Gads, foiled again!

The West Gym in L.B.G. saw a lot of use on Oct 29 and 30 as the UNB Fencing Club hosted the N.B. Open.

Championships, the first fencing event held by the club this semester. The tournament was organized and run by the NBFA and the UNB club. Approximately 40 people entered, coming from Maine, N.S., N.B. and P.E.I. An

impromptu party washeld Saturday night at the apartment of Mark Belleville, a UNB fencer. Trophies were presented by Mike Flynn, the president of the NB Sports Fredericton.

Preliminary competition was run on Sat and the finals on Sun.

The final rankings were:

- Jr. Ladies Foil
1. Carla Dorrington, Dart
2. Shirley Murray, Dart
3. Karen Moland, Dart

- Sr. Ladies Foil
1. Pat Rossi, UMO
2. Carla Dorrington, Dart
3. Linda Rowell, UMO

- Jr. Mens Foil
1. Steve Eastwood, UMO
2. Kevin Moland, Dart
3. Antony Hall, unattached N.S.

- Sr. Mens Foil
1. Jerry Bauer, UMO
2. Roland Morrison, N.B.
3. Sheldon Berman, UMO

Jessica Feely had to withdraw from final competition due to an injured ankle.

Epee

1. Roland Morrison, N.B.
2. Jerry Bauer, UMO
3. Sheldon Berman, UMO

Sabre

1. Sheldon Berman, UMO
2. Roland Morrison, N.B.
3. Walter Wiklins, UPEI

Attention

Next Tuesday Interclass Organizational meeting for floor hockey Nov. 8 at 7:15 p.m. in Rm. A-116 at Lady - Beaverbrook Gym. All interested class teams should submit team lists either prior to or at this meeting. (All welcome to attend).

Deadline

Organizational Volleyball Meeting, Wed. Nov. 9, 1977 7:15 p.m. Room 116, L.B. Gym. Entry deadline Wednesday, November 9.

Co-Ed

CO-ED RECREATION FOR UNB & STU Nov. 5, 26: Co-ed Inner Tube Water Polo Sir Max Aitken Pool, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. (Nov. 19 - 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.) experience not necessary - just come along & bring a friend or two.
Nov. 7 Co-ed Volleyball West Gym 9:30 - 10:30 p.m.

UNB & STU WOMENS RECREATION

Nov. 6 - Sunday afternoon, Maggie Jean & Murray Day at the Gym 1-4 p.m.
Nov. 7 Floor Hockey, West Gym 8:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Basketball

Tonite

best of best

I'd be lying if I said that I wasn't disappointed with the Bombers loss last weekend. Just like everyone else on this campus, my dreams of a national championship in football have been shattered and like everyone else I am saying "wait till next year."

I will have to say something that, now as I look back on it, I am ashamed of. I did not really think that the Bombers could go all the way. I've been conditioned by teams of other years to expect them to lose. In my estimation, not too many people really believed that they could.

Of course there were exceptions. There was a small group of fans who believed. And, of course the team itself. A great coach once said "You gotta believe!" That philosophy took a team that most people had counted out of the running to a World Series Championship in baseball back in 1969. Of course I am talking about the Miracle Mets of that year.

No one on this campus really believes in much of anything. Those who do also are the ones who make things happen. If you work hard enough, the odds begin to appear to be on your side, the easier it is to succeed.

One of the those groups who put out around 200 percent were the Bombers. I don't mean just the players either, because the players are only the part of the team that everyone sees. I include as well the trainers, the managers and the coaches. All of these people did their part to help the team along to it's best season in a long time, longer than most of us care to remember.

Unlike many other schools, the UNB coaching staff is not composed mostly of paid personnel. A large part of the staff is composed of students and of volunteers. What they get out of it is not much if you look at material things. Some people point to the fact that they get to go on trips with the team. Believe me, those trips are not joy rides. Sitting on a cramped bus for up to six hours, lugging around heavy trunks of equipment, taping players, keeping tabs on everyone and everything ... All that does not account for the lost hours of studying, the late assignments and the hurried meals.

The players themselves were without a doubt, the best team that UNB has ever produced. There was a cohesiveness between the different portions of the team that is uncommon. There was also a feeling of togetherness between the rookies and the vets. Guys like Dave Kelly and Chris McKenna, who incidentally does not have gimpy knees, helped the rookies find a spot on the team and feel a part of it.

Terry Cripotos is one of the finest quarterbacks that the Bombers have ever seen and he provided some of the best displays of passing that some of us will see in college ball.

The team won together and lost together. They did not go out with a whimper: they went down swinging to the last bell. They were the most exciting team in the conference this year, partly because of their never say die attitude, partly because of the fact that no-one expected them to do so well. Last year their record would have topped the conference, this year, with new rules, it didn't.

Three of the players made the conference all-star list. They were Stuart Fraser, Jacques Chartrain and Phil Battaglia. All three played exceptional ball but again, the team effort was what did the trick.

Coach Jim Born, who had perhaps the toughest training camp in the country can be proud of his team. All of us can be proud: the UNB Red Bombers are a credit to the university.

The Red Sticks lost in their bid to gain the Atlantic conference berth to the field hockey nationals. Again, the same as what applies to the Bombers applies to the Sticks. They represented UNB well and spent a lot of time away from other things that most of us take for granted.

The soccer team, the Red Shirts are still in there and they play in the conference playoffs to be held here this weekend. Get out there and support the team, which has so far enjoyed one of it's best seasons ever.

The cross country team, the Red Harriers is off to the nationals this weekend in Ottawa. Best of luck and all that.

If you are the least bit observant, you will have noticed that of the four teams I have mentioned so far, there are four different names there are some rumors, pretty good ones too, floating around concerning this aspect of UNB life. A committee has been formed to see whether the teams should all have one name or not. No one knows what student reaction will be and the committee will be looking into what it will be.

I kind of like the idea of having different names as it lends some immediate identity to a team. On the other hand, it can be confusing to someone unfamiliar with the names. If you have any opinion at all, send me a line at the Bruns telling me what you think.

California here I come!
See ya next week.



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