

Red Sticks qualify for CIAU's

The UNB Field Hockey team were runner's up in the AUSA playoffs last weekend but still qualified for the Nationals as 2 teams are sent from the AUSA league.

The Red Sticks, by virtue of their first place finish in the Western League, played Dalhousie, the runner's up in the Eastern League. Shawna Lambert scored the first goal of the game on a cross by Lena Corey. She first timed the ball in the net from the top of the circle.

The lead, however, was short lived as Dal replied about 5 minutes later as Sharm Andrews let a high shot go from the edge of the circle. It deflected off a defensive player into the net to even the score. The game stayed tied throughout the remainder of the game. Tempers flew in various instances as the intensity of both teams rose.

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The game went into overtime which consisted of 2 fifteen minute halves. Anne

Campbell scored early in the first overtime on a scramble in front of the Dal goal. It was not a pretty one but effective and put UNB up early. As it turned out this was the winning goal. Dalhousie pressed UNB especially at the end of

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the first overtime but it was not to be. Barb Leaman kept everything out of the goal and had an outstanding game. Shawna Lambert came through time and time again to stop the Dal offense. Patty Ramsey also turned in a solid defensive effort throughout the entire game and overtime with remarkable stickwork.

In the other semi-final game S.M.U. defeated U de M fairly easily by a 4-1 margin setting up an East West League Champion Final. The Red Sticks played exactly according to game play in the first half with everyone doing their assigned task exactly as asked. Carla Reeves, an All-Star Rookie for UNB scored the first goal of the game on a marvelous solo effort. She took the ball shortly over the 50 yard line on a long pass from Kathryn Mac-

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Dougall. She beat the SMU sweeper then banged a hard shot by the goalkeeper into the corner of the net. However within 5 minutes SMU had replied with a miscue on the part of the UNB defensemen in front of the net. The score stood at 1-1 at the half with the play having been pretty equal for both sides.

SMU came alive a little more in the second half as Darlene Stoyka took over on penalty corners. She has a unique ability to No. 1, draw a penalty corner call then, No. 2, to persist until she gets the ball close to the net for an easy shot. As a result Darlene scored 3 goals in the second half all on penalty corner plays.

Kathryn MacDougall scored with 8 seconds left in the game on a strong hard penalty corner deadly shot. But the Red Sticks were not to defend their AUSA Field Hockey Title for the Third Year in a row. Final score SMU 4, UNB 2.

There are a few bright spots

other than the fact that UNB also goes to the CIAU's as the second AUSA team. Other teams at this national other than UBC (the host) are U of Victoria, and 2 Ontario teams not yet known. The Sticks are in a round robin section along with the University of Victoria and the second place team from the Ontario-Quebec conference. These 2 games took place yesterday. Results are not known yet. Friday has the cross over games and Saturday, the finals.

The East and West AUSA league All Stars were announced during the playoffs. Making the Eastern All-Star

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Team which includes players from Memorial, SMU, St. F.X., Dal and Acadia were:

Juli Gunn - Dal: Defense
Sharon Andrews - Dal: Forward
Claudette Levry - Dal: Goalkeeper
Darlene Stoyka - SMU: Forward
Annalle Vardenburg - SMU: Defense
Lisa deSilva - SMU: Forward

Andrea Garland - MUN: Defense.

Seven players including 3 forwards, 3 defenders and a goalkeeper are chosen from each section with a coach of the year chosen from the whole league. The Western Division schools consist of Mt. A., U de M, PEI and UNB and the All Stars were:

Sharon Pigot - Mt. A.: Defense
Tracy MacEachern - PEI: Goalkeeper
Daniel Audet - U de M: Forward
Joanne Vautour - U de M: Defense
Carol Cooper - UNB: Defense
Kathryn MacDougall - UNB: Forward
Carla Reeves - UNB: Forward

AUSA Coach of the Year was Joyce Slipp of UNB.

All in all, the Red Sticks played extremely well in both games. Best of luck goes out to the Red Sticks as they head to the nationals in British Columbia.

Special congratulations are extended to UNB Field Hockey coach Joyce Slipp for being chosen coach of the year in the AUSA.



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