

# Dominance (yawn) from V-Reds

by Mark Savoie  
Sports Editor

It shouldn't be this easy. The Varsity Reds have once again demonstrated that they remain the team to beat in the AUSA after convincingly destroying the St. Mary's Huskies 3-1 and 3-0 last weekend. The games weren't actually that close, since the domination displayed by UNB was such that one began to wonder if the two teams on the field belonged in the same league.

The first contest between the two teams actually created a bit of a scare for the V-Reds. They ended the first half trailing 1-0, despite having had the run of the play for the entirety of the half. However, on the Huskies' only trip upfield, usually stalwart goalie Krista Harris nonchalantly the minor threat into a St. Mary's goal.

Still, Coach Stacey Bean discounted the impact of the goal. "I wouldn't say it was scary. We had them on the run and we couldn't put it in the net. It's just we weren't capitalising on our chances. I mean, it's our first game of the season, so I'm more than happy."

Bean may have found it easier to be so happy with the team's performance after watching them explode for three goals in the final fifteen minutes of the second half. For the longest while the second half looked like a duplicate of the first, with near constant pressure being established by the V-Reds, only to have that pressure turned back by the stellar efforts of St. Mary's goalkeeper Sabitha Morih. Morih was even able to thwart Charla Currie on a penalty nine

minutes into the half with a dramatic dive to her right.

Finally, however, the intense pressure resulted in Shonaugh Coles knocking one past Morih for the tying score at 20 minutes. Then, for the first time in the match, the Huskies showed some life, playing UNB even for the next ten minutes and actually giving Krista Harris the chance to redeem herself. This pressure resulted in UNB's second goal at 31 minutes when Kim Richard launched a counter-attack which gave Coles her second goal of the day. Three minutes later rookie Jolene Bourgeois made it 3-1, and the game was over.

The suspense didn't last nearly so long the next day, as Rebecca Wright converted UNB's first penalty corner of the match into a 1-0 lead after just three minutes. Ironically, SMU played the V-Reds comparatively even during the first half, but still saw the half end with them trailing by that 1-0 score.

The second half was all UNB, with Krista Harris not being forced to handle a single shot. The St. Mary's goalie was much more busy, and V-Reds Dianne Rogers and Shonaugh Coles each scored early in the half (the 8th and 13th minutes respectively) to remove what little doubt there had been about the outcome.

Stacey Bean was adamant that the team had to work very hard for the victories, a sentiment which was echoed by three goal scorers Shonaugh Coles. Coles, however, indicated that the work ethic of the team is such that UPEI and SMU will be hard put to compete with the V-Reds. "We had to work really hard

to do it," said Coles following the second win, "but I suspect that we can work just as hard, if not harder, for the rest of the year."

Given the degree of dominance displayed by her charges, it becomes a challenge for Bean to find things to work on in practice. Her topic for criticism (minor though it was) last weekend was the defence, despite the fact that they had very little to defending to do.

"It's a matter of watching the defence when the ball's at different points on the field," explained Bean when pressed about how she could tell that the defence needs work, "and just in terms of our zones, zoning up their hits; we just have to clean that up a bit. We've got some new kids who don't quite know their responsibility yet in that zone, but they're playing amazing, so you can't take that away from them. Our defensive rotation just needs a little sharpening up and we're ready to go, firing on all cylinders."

The only slightly negative happenstance of the weekend for the V-Reds was a minor injury to Kim Richard. Richard was struck upon the index finger during Saturday's game, and eventually received a couple of stitches as a result. This still wasn't enough to force her to miss the next game on Sunday.

The next pair of matches on UNB's trapeze to the CIAU championships are this weekend at UPEI. UPEI and SMU have already played to a pair of scoreless draws, and it is expected that the UPEI Panthers will prove just as incapable as was SMU at providing the V-Reds with a real challenge.



One of the few times St. Mary's goalie Sabitha Morih saw the ball moving away from her. photo by Maria Paisley

## NOTICE

Students intending to apply for entrance to medical school are requested to make appointments for the purpose of having the personal interview which is required for admission.

Interviews will begin as soon as possible.  
Please apply at Room 109  
Physics and Administration Building  
Office of the Dean of Science

Dr. M.C. Sears, Assistant Dean of Science

# YOUR COMPLETE PET STORE

- Large selection of tropical freshwater & saltwater fish
- Live aquatic plants
- Full line of aquarium & accessories
- Puppies & Kittens
- Reptiles, Snakes & Small animals
- Full line of pet supplies
- Cat & Dog food
- Bulk pet food (for birds & small animals)

\* SEE US FOR DAILY, WEEKLY & MONTHLY SPECIALS \*

**For the joy pets bring  
JOIN OUR  
V.I.P. CLUB  
(VERY IMPORTANT PET)**

As a V.I.P. Member, you will be receiving additional SAVINGS of up to 20% on selected regular low prices! These extra savings are passed exclusively to you our V.I.P. Members.



You are invited to enter our  
**CHRISTMAS Lucky Draw.**  
See store clerk for details



## Pet 'R' Us

148 Dundonald St.

451-0707