Sports

Soccer Tigers bow out to UNB in playoffs

by Bruce Galloway

The old adage, "History never repeats itself" seems to have found an exception in the Dal soccer Tigers and the AUAA playoffs.

Last Saturday for the second year in a row the Tigers were eliminated in overtime by the UNB Red-Shirts in semi-final action at Husky Stadium. With 2 minutes remaining in the second overtime period, UNB striker Greg Kraft scored on a breakaway, giving the Red-Shirts a 3-2 victory.

UNB went on to the final on Sunday where they defeated UPEI 2-0 to capture their second AUAA soccer crown in three years. UPEI had advanced to the final by upsetting SMU 2-1 in Saturday's other semi-final game.

Saturday's game between Dal and UNB featured a fast and aggressive style of soccer which was appreciated by the large crowd at Husky Stadium. After a scoreless first half, the Tigers opened the scoring when Ian Kent drove a penalty kick past UNB keeper Donny MacKinnon. Down 1-0, UNB pressed for the equalizer and at the 75 minute mark were

awarded a penalty kick off a Dal hand ball. Fullback Ed Thompson scored on the ensuing kick and regulation time expired with the score tied at I-1.

UNB struck first in the overtime period when Kraft scored the first of his two goals on a hard shot which eluded Dal keeper Pete Moore. With their backs to the wall, Dal opened the game up, keeping strong pressure on UNB.

Perseverance paid off when Charlie Fisher headed an Ed Kinley free kick past the UNB keeper. The game appeared to be heading towards a penalty kick shoot-out when Kraft stole the ball off Dal's backline and raced in to score the winner.

Although very disappointed with the result, Dal coach Terry Mac-Donald felt that his team did Dal proud. "It was an excellent game -both sides played very well," he said.

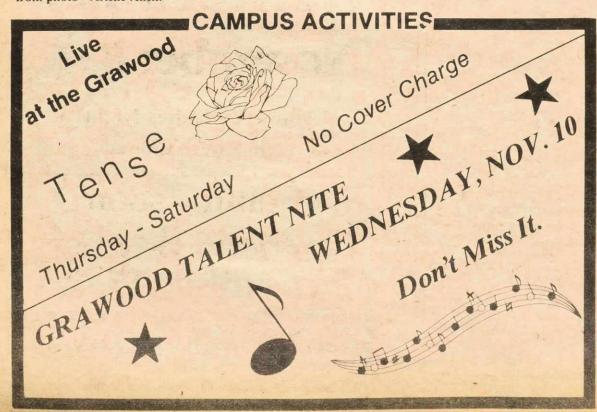
UNB now advances to the Eastern final of the CIAU's while Dal closes out its season with exhibition games against the Alumni and the Royal Military College of Canada.



Playoff action last Saturday at SMU. UNB eliminated Dal in overtime 3-2.



Field Hockey Tigers Front row (L to R): Lynn McKinlay, Jane Caverhill, Maureen Levy, Carolyn Merritt, Gail Broderick, Jeanette Peacock, Nancy Tokaryk (coach). Back row (L to R): Ann McGrath (manager), Denise Pelrine, Susan Brushett, Sharon Andrews, Catherine Innes, Pam Taylor, Cecilia Hawkins, Jane Vincent, Mary McGlone, Claudette Levy, Sue Beazley (Ass't coach), Brenda Ogilvie (Ass't coach). Missing from photo - Arlene Allen.



Tigers to show their stripes in Calgary

Dalhousie's field hockey Tigers are off to Calgary this weekend to compete in the CIAU championships. This will be the third time in four years that the Tigers have made an appearance at the Canadian championships.

In the AUAA championships held last weekend in Fredericton, Dal lost the final to a tough UNB squad 3-1. Dal had advanced to the final by defeating Université de Moncton 2-0. In the other semifinal UNB eliminated Memorial with a 2-1 victory.

Despite losing in the final, Dal advanced to the nationals on the basis of their strong performance over the regular season.

Dal's Carolyn Merritt was picked to the AUAA all-star squad. Merritt was a standout for the Tigers all season and is a member of Canada's national team.

In Calgary, the Tigers will compete in a round robin format playing against Calgary, UNB, U of T, York, and UBC. The two top teams of the round robin will play in the final on Sunday afternoon.



