

## Rugby season gets into high gear

This past weekend marked the debut of a number of rookies who, combined with a core of veterans, dismantled both opponents.

At 1 PM Saturday the Ironmen "B" side played host to a much bigger team from the Army base in Oromocto. The past two weeks of intensive training helped a tentative "B" side overcome a determined Oromocto effort. The first half of play saw the Ironmen all but destroy their opponents. The play was confined primarily within the Oromocto 22 yard line. Repeatedly the Ironmen knocked on the scoring door but alas scored only one major by rookie wing forward Paul McKay who dove over on an excellent scrum push by the Ironmen pack.

The second half began with only that score, 5-0 for the Ironmen, but could easily have been 25-0. As play resumed the Ironmen once again held their enemy deep in their own zone, and finally on a penalty play newly installed eight-man Ron Robichaud banged in from 10 yards out for their second try. John Croucher added the convert and the score was Ironmen 12 - Oromocto 0. Unfortunately the Oromocto Pioneers succeeded in breaking the highly sought shutout when scrum-half Brian Squires scooted in to score for the Pioneers.

All in all the results were positive, Ironmen 12, Pioneers 5. Many aspects of the game were favorable but more work is

needed to mold the "B" side into their apparent potential.

At 3 PM the "A" side took to the pitch against the Trojans B of St. John. Without much difficulty the Ironmen thrashed the Trojans 44-3. Very good running by the backs resulted in a quick start and the forwards proved to be well prepared to support deceptive running by all of U.N.B.'s backs. Newly conditioned eight-man Sonny Urquhart opened the floodgates with a determined run from 40 yards out; that distance would have killed him a year earlier, bravo Sonny! Other majors were scored by scrum-half Scott Cessford, inside center Jason O'Brien with two major league runs, Matt Thorpe for two from the outside position, and finally "Little head" Flynn from the wing darted in late in the second half. Thorpe added one penalty for 3 points and converted 2 of the tries - his total

on the day was 19 points! The Trojans did also ruin the shutout when Jerry Pineau hit a penalty kick from 30 yards out.

The final result of the first day's competition should please the Ironmen and mainstay coach Bob Cockburn, but many more challenges lay ahead and the work ethic must rise at practice in order for the Ironmen to repeat as Maritime Universities Champs and recapture both the "A" and "B" Provincial titles.

Any interested players or those who would like to learn the game are strongly encouraged to attend practice at Buchanan Field at 5 PM Tuesday and Thursday. Many positions remain unchallenged and hopefully players should continue to work hard; it's only a matter of time and consequence before everyone interested wears the Ironmen colors. Good luck!



Ironmen battling for the ball

Those interested in playing for the Ironmen show up at Buchanan field Tuesday and Thursday at 5pm

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