Women's volleyball team drops Acadia

By LISA TIMPF

ALTHOUGH THE DAL women's volleyball Tigers extended their undefeated record to seven games for the season, coach Karen Fraser felt they could have played better in a matchup with Acadia on Saturday.

"It was a bit frustrating," said Fraser. "We weren't quite prepared enough mentally for a tough match.'

The Tigers found the going rough in the first game, which ended 15-10 in Dal's favour. The Tigers swept the next two games 15-5, 15-2. The victory came without the services of Brenda Turner, who was being rested due to a nagging leg injury.

Player of the Game Simona Vortel hammered home ten kills, while Donna Boutilier added nine.

The Tigers are currently

preparing for the Dal Volleyball Callis this weekend.

We hope to make it into the semi-finals of the tournament," said Fraser, "but we'll have our work cut out for us."

Seven of the eight teams participating in the women's section of the event are ranked in the top ten in the CIAU. Some of the toughest of these are in Dal's pool-number-one ranked University of Winnipeg, number six University of Ottawa, and eighth-ranked Laval University.

The Tigers, who were ranked eighth two weeks ago, have slipped to tenth spot in the national rankings, despite their undefeated record.

"The top ten rankings are important in determining seedings for the National championships," said Fraser.

"We have something to prove at the Classic.'

Volleyball Classic slated for weekend

By MARK ALBERSTAT

THE SIXTH ANNUAL DALhousie Volleyball Classic will be held this weekend, and will feature some of the best volleyball action likely to be seen in the area this season.

Each of Canada's five conferences will be represented at the tournament in both the men's and women's divisions.

The men's side will feature University of Saskatchewan Huskies, University of Winnipeg Wesmen, York University Yeomen, Universite de Moncton Aigles Bleus, Memorial University Beothucks, and, of

course, the Dalhousie Tigers. The women's division has the University of Saskatchewan Huskiettes, University of Manitoba Bisonettes, University of Winnipeg Lady Wesmen, York University Yeowomen, Univer-sity of Ottawa Gee Gees, Laval University Rouge et Or, Universite de Moncton Aigles Bleus, and the Dalhousie Tigers. The action starts Friday at 2:30

pm when the Tigers women's team takes on Laval and the men's team sees action at 4:30 pm against Universite de Sherbrooke. Dalhousie coaches Al Scott and

Karen Fraser are understandably excited and are hoping for the usual good fan support.

Volleyball team still has little challenge By MARK ALBERSTAT

THE MEN'S VOLLEYBALL team was in action twice over the weekend as they took on the Universite de Moncton Blue Eagles. The matches were to be a warm-up for next weekend's action in the Dalhousie Volleyball Classic, but instead of a warm-up, the Tigers faced some of their most anemic opposition this season.

Friday night's match took very little time at all as the Tigers triumphed by 15-2, 15-11, and 15-2 scores.

The match got off to a quick start with the first Dal server picking up three points without surrendering the ball. The game continued in this vein until the 9-2 mark, when the Blue Eagles held off the Tigers and neither of the two teams put any points on the board for a short space of time. Once the Tigers regained their momentum, they finished off the match with the required

The next game had the teams change ends and seemingly change fortunes as the visitors racked up a fast three points. The Tigers then got the serve and put themselves ahead with four points of their own. The score see-sawed back and forth throughout the game. The strongest rally of the weekend happened at the 14-10 mark in the game, as Dal had seven different chances to serve up the winning point before it was finally set up by Shane Munro.

The last game of this match had the Tigers well in control, allowing the Blue Eagles to amass only two points.

The Coke Player of the Match was Brian Rourke with four digs, five blocks, and six kills. Other leading Tigers were Reid Umlah

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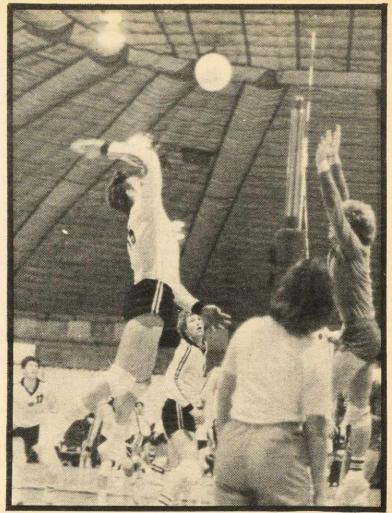
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with three kills and eight blocking stuffs, and Jeff Bredin with nine kills, two aces, and three blocking stuffs.

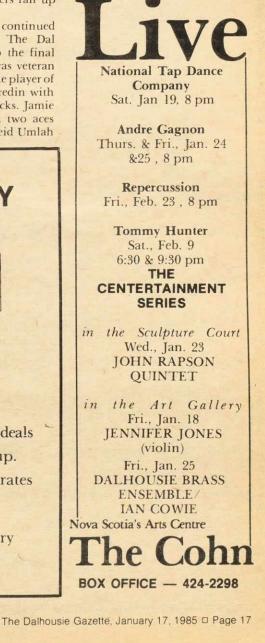
Saturday afternoon's match had the Tigers dispatch the Universite de Moncton's team with equal ease with scores of 15-7, 15-6, and 15-3.

The first match was a see-saw battle in the low numbers until the Tigers got to the nine point mark and the Blue Eagles seven. At this point the Tigers ran up the score to 15.

The next two games continued on in this manner. The Dal player who served up the final point in this match was veteran Phil Langille. The Coke player of this match was Jeff Bredin with eight kills and two blocks. Jamie Fraser had nine kills, two aces and two blocks, and Reid Umlah

Deepak Seth, Dal Photo had eight kills, one ace, and one block

After the match, Tigers coach Al Scott said in responce to the fact that Moncton was easily handled and is second in the league, "It (the league) should be tough at the end of the season," but did admit that to this point it has been a bit of a disappointment. The Tigers' league record to date is a perfect 11-0.



Tigers improve record

THE DALHOUSIE TIGERS men's basketball team left the ranks of the winless this weekend as they swept a pair of AUAA contests from the University of New Brunswick Red Raiders in Fredericton

The victories left the Tigers with a 2-3 league record, while the Raiders dropped to 1-6.

On Friday, Tiger guard Bo Malott led the Dalhousie squad to a 73-53 victory. Malott recorded 21 points for the Tigers. Dal forward Al Ryan added 14.

On Saturday, Malott continued to impress, scoring 26 points and adding 11 rebounds in a 68-56 Tigers' victory.

Third year guard Ron Wright netted 16 for Dal while Louis Atherton and Ryan scored 11 and 10 points respectively.

The Tigers will be on the road this weekend as they head to Prince Edward Island for a pair of games against the Panthers. The Tigers' next home game is slated for Friday, January 25, when Acadia will be at the Dalplex for an 8:30 pm contest.

Oops, we forgot

vear-end review in last week's sports section was the failure to mention the women's soccer team's AUAA title victory.

After four years at the top of the heap in non-varsity women's soccer competition, the women's soccer club finally got a chance to compete in an AUAA championship tournament. The Dal squad made the most of the

ONE OVERSIGHT IN THE opportunity, clinching the championship with a 4-0 semifinal win over St. Mary's and a 2-0 victory over Acadia in the final.

Dal squad members Cathy Charles, Sally Thomas, and Heather Kaulbach were recognized as AUAA all-stars, while Leslie Cherry was named MVP of the AUAA championships. Dal coach Terry McDonald got the nod as AUAA women's soccer coach of the year.