

DAL SPORTS

FROM THE SPORTS DESK

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IS THE COACH TO BLAME?

It has been stated in this column that the failure of the basketball team of 1960 lies solely on the shoulders of the players of that team. However, it has come to our attention that the players have not shown cooperation with the coach in his efforts to produce a winning combination and that this lack of cooperation could be because of the coach, himself.

The coach of the basketball team also coaches the football team. The footballers had better than fair success last season as a team was put forth that went to the league finals. The basketball squad has come nowhere close to that record and plays as if it never hopes to attain that goal. The players on the team are better than average material. **WHY AREN'T THEY WINNING? COULD IT BE BECAUSE OF THE COACH AND THE COACHING?** Has anyone stopped to consider this point?

We have seen with our own eyes that only six or seven players show up for practice each day. This shows a lack of interest on the part of the members of the team which could be attributed to the fact that the coach, by self admission, has had little experience in the basketball field, and is, as a result, not sufficiently familiar with the game's techniques to provide inspiring basketball leadership.

Nothing can be done to remedy the situation this year but the fact remains that next year we need a basketball coach. We have a fine football mentor. If there were separate coaches, each person could put all his time on his sport and Dal might produce a winner in one, or both, sports.

A solution to the problem might be:

- (1) Keep the football coach but restrict his duties to coaching football.
- (2) Get a basketball coach who can do an equally fine job as that one done by the football coach with his football squad of 1959.

DISSA AND DATTA

WHA HOPPEN??? Our Tigrettes were walloped on their short road trip. The first loss was excusable as the girls leaped from their bus to the basketball court. And a 16 point loss under such conditions is nothing to be ashamed of. But at UNB... Ugh... 67-26 was a score that was a far cry from what was thought our girls could do... Maybe things will be better in the friendly confines of the Dal Gym... **The hockey team is up to its old tricks... 6 goals in the space of 15 minutes is quite a feat but the Tigers seem to have a knack for coming up with such performances... Coach Dargie deserves some of the credit for those 6 goals as he lifted the boys to a psychological peak between the second and third periods... also the lines were changed considerably... John Graham played both defense and forward and was a big cog in the Bengal machine... Bob Lund scored his first goal of the season... The little guy rates a pat on the back for his consistent performances all season long and his digging and scrapping finally paid off with his third period tally... Eric Parsons also placed two pucks in the net for Dal... Goog Fitzgerald added four points to his total with a goal and three assists... he now has 17 points this season... Peter Evans kicked out 29 shots in the wide open encounter... Dal shot 42 pucks at Vaughan in the Acadia cage, their largest total in many a moon... The turnouts for interfac hockey and basketball have been very encouraging to the members of the athletic department... there is always great enthusiasm for both sports with hockey usually drawing the greater number of participants...**

LAW, DENTS TOP LEAGUE

Law remained one point ahead of Medicine last week in the Interfac League's A division. Law won a squeaker to gain that margin as they edged King's 2-1 on a goal by Ken MacDonald late in the last period of the game. Medicine trampled Engineers 10-2 in the other A game of the week. Fleiger paced the Med attack with three goals.

Dentistry appeared to have the B League crown stowed away as they downed Pharmacy 5-1 and opened a four-point spread between themselves and second place Commerce. The Moneymen, with only a six-man squad, roared back from a 3-1 deficit to pull a 4-3

triumph out of the fire. Tim Unwin scored two goals, including the winner for Commerce.

STANDINGS

A Division:	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Law	4	1	0	20	13	8
Med	3	0	1	25	9	7
King's	1	2	1	17	15	3
Engineers	0	5	0	9	34	0
B Division:	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Dentistry	5	0	0	28	13	10
Commerce	3	2	0	22	18	6
Pharmacy	2	3	0	21	24	4
A & S	0	5	0	11	27	0

Tigers Tally Six In Third; Acadia Falls 8-6



THREE STARS—Bob Lund (left), Walt Fitzgerald (center) and Don Bauld were three of the sparks in the Dal victory Saturday at Acadia. Each scored a goal and Fitzgerald was voted star of the game. (Photos by Acker)

Dal Tigers roared for six goals in the final period to pull out a well-earned 8-6 victory over Acadia Axemen Saturday afternoon before a packed arena in Wolfville.

Dal started with vengeance in the third session as Goog Fitzgerald slipped the disc behind Benny Vaughan in the Acadia cage at 1:50 to make the score 4-3 in Acadia's favor. Bob Lund, scoring his first goal of the season for the Bangals, converted a pass out from Ray Kaizer at 5:17. John Graham, who was a standout all night on offense and defense, put the Tigers in the lead to stay at 9:09. Four goals were split evenly between the two squads until Eric Parsons, another star of the game, slammed the puck past Vaughan on the rebound of Fitzgerald's shot at 16:14. This made the score 8-6 and Dal held off a

determined bid by the Axemen to get back in the game.

Dal goaltender Peter Evans, playing only his second game of intercollegiate hockey, started the game with a case of the jitters and Acadia took advantage by scoring twice in the first three minutes and twenty seconds of the game. Dal fell behind in the opening session 2-1 and by the end of the second stanza were down 4-2.

The game was fast and cleanly played with only eight penalties being called—a scant number for the current season of intercollegiate play. Dave Cunningham and Pete

Corkum split four penalties for the Tigers.

Coach DeWitt Dargie shifted his lines considerably and the players were confused during the opening period of the game because of the changes in lines. However, unity showed in the second and third periods as the Tigers seemed to come to life. This was noticed on the scoreboard.

At Acadia, there is an innovation which could well be applied by the other schools in the circuit. At the end of each game, the Junior Hot Stove League chooses the three stars of the game. Walter "Goog" Fitzgerald was chosen as first star because of his stellar offensive and defensive play. Murphy of Acadia, who scored two goals and was a thorn in the Dal side all afternoon, was chosen second star and John Graham, who played one of the best games he has ever played in a Dal uniform, was chosen third star.

The win moves Dal into third place in the league behind St. Francis Xavier and St. Mary's who are currently tied for first place with 4-2 records. Dal are third with a 3-3 mark, tied in points with Acadia 3-4, but with a game in hand. Dal's final two games of the season will be played on successive Saturday nights at the Dal Rink—this week against Tech and the 20th against St. F.X.

LAWYERS SCORE DOUBLE WIN

A last minute victory and an overtime thriller were the highlights of Saturday's action in the Interfac Basketball League.

Ron MacGillvary hit a 10 foot one hand push shot with 30 seconds remaining to give Med B a 32-31 win over Graduate Studies. Med led at the half 21-14 but the Grads forged back to tie the count before the Meds pulled the game out of the fire.

Law B upset Commerce 41-35 in overtime as Fince O'Donovan scored two free throws early in the extra session and Rick Dawson and Ross Mollard put some icing on the cake with two layups. Commerce was down 22-19 at half time but the shooting of Reg Kimball and John Gillies kept the Moneymen in the game until the end of regulation time when the score stood 35-35. Law threw up a solid defense in the overtime to keep the Millionaires off the score sheet.

In the only other game played, Law continued their mastery of the A section of the league with a 42-29 triumph over Dentistry. The Law powerhouse was far off form as Dave Matheson, the league's leading scorer, was held to 9 points. Ross Carson picked up the slack, however, swishing 13 markers while Cam Smith chipped in with 9.

Two games were forfeited. Med A won by default over Engineers and Arts and Science B moved atop the B division with a default win over Education. The A & S victory set the stage for the crucial game of the B league season Saturday at 1:00 when second place Commerce do battle with the Artsmen in hopes of wresting the crown from them. A&S currently holds a two point lead.

STANDINGS

A DIVISION

	W	L	F	A	Pts
Law A	3	0	158	76	6
Med A	2	1	108	75	4
Dent	2	2	126	125	4
Engineers	1	2	64	67	2
Pine Hill	1	2	99	130	2
Arts & Sc.	0	3	61	143	0

B DIVISION

	W	L	F	A	Pts
Arts & Sc.	4	0	109	77	8
Commerce	3	1	139	86	6
Law B	2	2	113	118	4
Grads	1	3	118	142	2
Med B	1	2	74	96	2
Education	0	3	37	61	0

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

BASKETBALL

Varsity:
Sat. Feb. 13—
Dal at St. Mary's, SMU Gym
Wed. Feb. 17—7:30—
Acadia at Dal, Dal Gym
Interfac:
Saturday, Feb. 13—
1:00—A&S B vs. Commerce
2:00—Med B vs. Education
3:00—Law A vs. Engineers
4:00—A&S A vs. Pine Hill

HOCKEY

Varsity:
Sat. Feb. 13—8:00 p.m.—
Dal at N.S. Tech, Dal Rink
Interfac:
Sat. Feb. 13—
1:30—Kings vs. Engineers
2:30—Commerce vs. Dentistry
GIRLS' SPORTS
Basketball:
Feb. 13—7:00 p.m.—
UNB vs. Dal, Dal Gym
Feb. 17—7:00 p.m.—
Tartans at Dal, Dal Gym

BENGALS LOSE TO "X"

Dal basketball Tigers went down again Saturday night, this time at the hands of St. Francis Xavier 62-50. The game, played at the St. F.X. Gym was cleanly played and both teams were well received by the crowd.

Dal led early in the first half by five points, 12-7 but slowly fell off their pace and at the half were down 29-18. In the second half, X retained their margin and Dal should be praised for being able to stay within hailing distance of the well-conditioned Xaverians.

The Tiger players were shocked, during the game, by the applause drifting onto the floor from the stands as the Bangals put the ball through the hoop. Rarely, or never, do fans in Antigonish applaud the opposition, but Saturday night, things were different. Maybe, they were making up for the uproar they caused earlier in the season at the hockey game in Antigonish between the same two universities.