

— RUSSIAN ROULETTE —

Remembering the Red Roulettes

Wesson Smith sheds a tear remembering our russian roulette team

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1961 Russian Roulette Alumni

As one of the most elusive teams in the history of UNB Sports, the 1961 Varsity Russian Roulette team found fame and glory in Maritime competition.

Unfortunately, the novelty of the team wore off and the program lasted only one year. With recent firearm restrictions, it seems unlikely the program will be revived.

The following is the 1961 season review written by the only survivor:

The UNB Varsity Russian Roulette team, after a limited amount of practice, began elimination trials to pick the leading team member, who incidentally had not previously participated in a tournament, to round out the team being sent to the MIAU (Maritime Inter-Athletic Union) Championship Trials.

It was decided that we would

have a single knockout competition due to lack of interest shown by competitors who lost out in the first round. The nine members who had survived earlier rounds of competition, along with the winner of the 1960-61 competition, made the team to be sent to the trials. This team was assured of victory for it was composed only of veterans of this grand sport.

The shoot-downs were relatively uneventful until the third day when some disagreement (as yet undetermined) resulted in a free-for-all. This resulted in the disqualification of our team after we were unjustly accused of picking off a referee. It serves him right for continually sticking his head into the matches.

In the end, the Red Roulettes were the trophy winners and are pictured above. These are the surviving members of the MIAU tournament and justly claim the

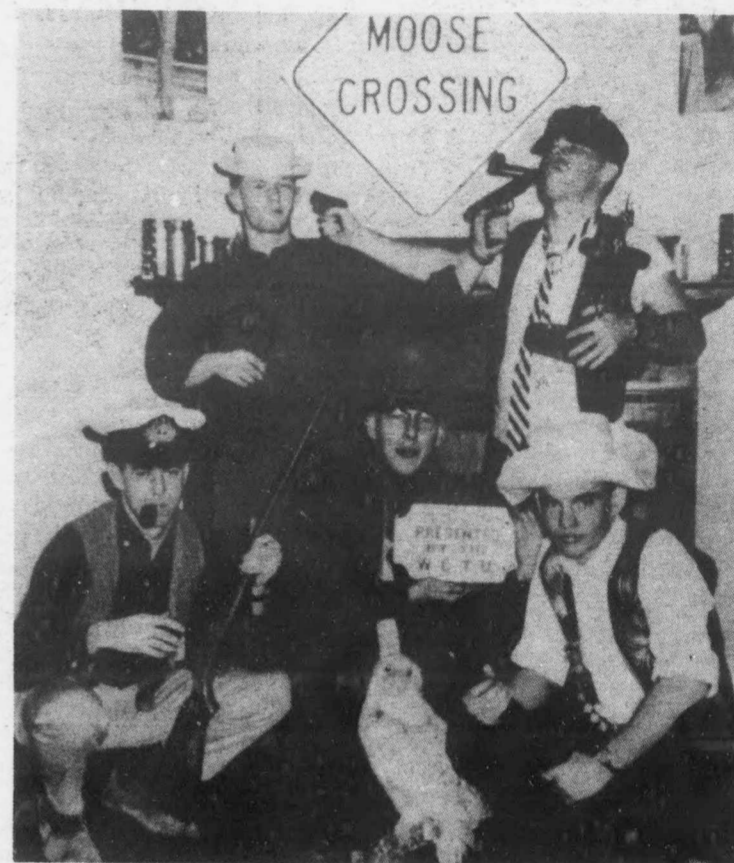
right to the title even though the meet was never officially ended.

The diversity of the members childhood days may be seen by the authentic dress in the photo. From the South Side of Chicago to South Central Los Angeles to the Miramichi, the difference in background made the competition an international match.

This, however, presented some difficulties when some of the foreign teams persisted in using illegal equipment such as bullet proof toupées.

The tournament will not be held next year due to the lack of competition in the Fredericton area. The remaining members of the team plan an early retirement and leave this motto for those who aspire to be members of future teams:

"It matters not whether you win or lose, but how you play the game."



— CLUB SPORTS —

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UNB/STU Taekwon-Do

Two member of the UNB/STU Taekwon-Do Club competed at the maritime Invitational Tae Kwon Do Championships held on Saturday, November 6.

Congratulations to Mike Hanselbacher for winning the gold medal in the sparring competition (green belt, middleweight division), and to Kevin Keys for winning a bronze medal in the patterns competition (blue belt division).

The Taekwon-Do Club trains Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 7:00 pm-8:30 pm at the Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium studio. Through regular training, the student of Taekwon-Do will develop character, fitness, and self-defense skills.

Anyone interested in becoming a member can contact Maxwell Shane Oates (457-2060), Kevin Keys (459-3442), or visit the club in action.

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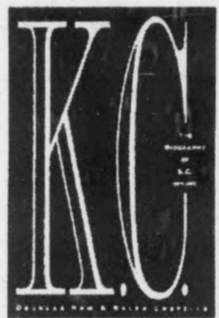
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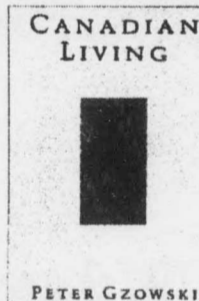
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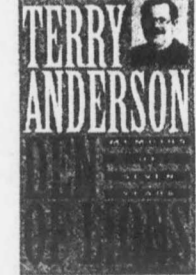
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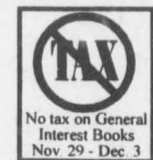


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