

TIGER-BELLES TOP HI-QUEENS 52-49 IN EXHIBITION TILT

The Dal Varsity Tigresses squeaked by Moncton Hi-Queens 52-49 last Saturday night in an exhibition tilt. The game was the first of the season for the Dal girls, and it was an excellent tuneup for Dal's first league game against UNB this Saturday night. Moncton had already beaten Mt. A by a substantial score this year. Lib MacRae won the game for Dal in the last minute of play when, with the score 49-49, she sank a free throw and a field goal to put the game on ice for Dal.

The game was very fast and for the first few minutes of play Dal found themselves being left behind the fast Moncton team. Pam Dewis was Dal's playmaker in the first quarter with 6 points from 3 lay-ups, and she set up most of Dal's other 5 points in the quarter. Quarter time score was 11-10 for Dal.

The second quarter feature a lot of interceptions by the Moncton team, as they out-ran and out-drove Dal in the centre region of the floor. The Dal forwards began to click, and their playmaking improved as they sank 16 points, and had hard luck on several other close shots. The first half was on the whole played too fast, as both teams threw away passes and did a lot of travelling and the guarding was too loose. Play was rough and scrappy because of the speed. High scorer for the half was Pam Dewis with 11 points; Donna MacRae sank 8.

The second half was much more closely contested, with Dal holding a small margin for most of the third quarter. The guarding tightened up and the shotmakers became more accurate. Dal duplicated their second quarter effort by dunking 16 points. Moncton sank 11 to make the score 43-35 for Dal.

Lib MacRae Sews It Up

The final quarter started with a bang, and the tenseness and intensity of the play never let up until the last whistle sounded. The Moncton team began to hit from outside, and they started a drive that brought them right back into the ball game, and for the rest of the period there were never more than 3 points separating the two teams. Fouling was frequent and the lead changed hands more than four times in the last five minutes of play. Lib MacRae pulled the game out of the fire in the last minute sinking the last three points of the game for Dal's win.

JU's Begin Practice

Dal's J.V. hockey hopefuls, under the guidance of Coach DeWitt Dargie, began their season's activities last Saturday when an unusually large group of 30 pucksters turned up at the South Street ice-surface.

Practice sessions for those interested will be held on Saturday afternoons from 1:30 to 2:30 and exhibition games between local high schools and junior teams will be played on Monday nights at 8:30. A possible encounter with Truro Agricultural College has also been suggested by Coach Dargie.

Girls' Basketball Maritime Intercollegiate League

DAL vs UNB

Date: Saturday, January 21
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Dal Gym

Support Your Team!



DONNA MacRAE gets set to dump in two of her 20 points against Moncton Hi-Queens on Saturday. It was Dal's first game of the season before their Intercollegiate opener again U.N.B. in the Dal gym this Saturday. Picture with Donna is Marilyn Johnstone of the Moncton team.

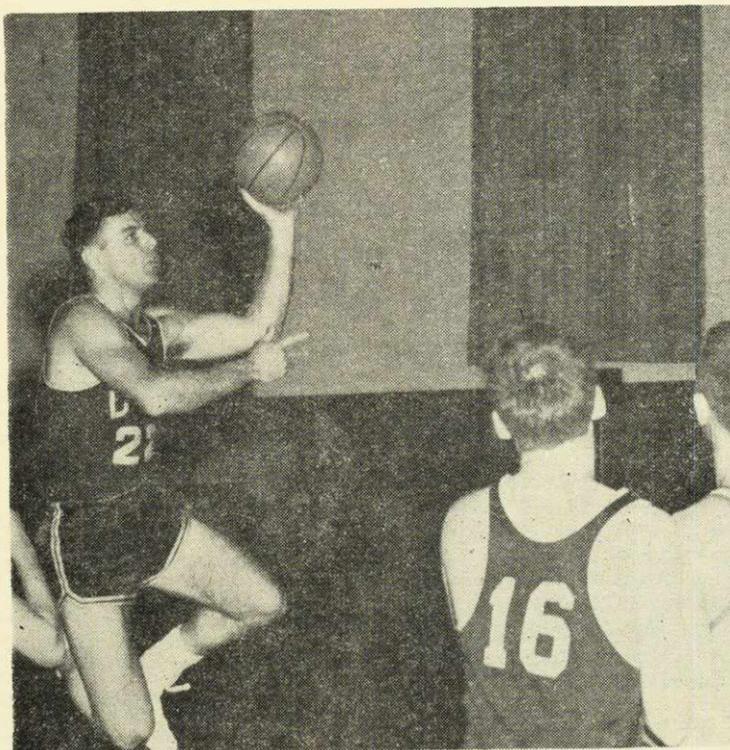
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High scorers in the game were Donna MacRae with 20 points and Pam Dewis with 17. Moncton high scorers were Marilyn Loewy with 14 points and Peggy Gaudet with 12.

Lineups

Dal: D. MacRae 20; P. Dewis 17; L. MacRae 11; S. Mason 4; G. Ash; E. Wood; E. Smith; H. Hebb; J. Murphy; E. Bainbridge. Total 52.

Hi-Queens: P. Cosman 7; M. Johnstone 6; P. Gaudet 12; M. Loewy 14; M. Landry 7; G. Lowerson 3; B. Dole; Y. Arsenaault; S. Bouchard; P. Dupins; S. Gould; J. Lebens. Total 49.



TWO OF NINE POINTS—John Schiffman (22) leaps to score two of his nine points in Saturday's battle with X. Al Murray (16) waits for the rebound that never arrived.

(Photo by Bissett)

Dal Falters in Second Half; Loses 64-54 to X

by JAMIE RICHARDSON

A late surge lifted St. Francis Xavier to its first Inter-collegiate basketball win of the season as they came from behind to dump the hosting Dal Tigers 64-54 in a fast, free-wheeling game played Saturday night at Studley.

The Bengals boasted a slim 34-32 lead at half-time and boosted it to six points midway through the second half only to see the X men push into the lead and come on strong in the dying minutes to carve out their 10-point decision. Jay Ashe led the Xaverians with 15 points but the most outstanding player on the floor was the Tigers' 6'3" Bruce Stewart. Stewart not only covered both backboards, pulling down 20 rebounds, but also led the scoring parade, dropping 17 points through the cords.

St. F.X. opened quickly and by the three-minute mark had a six-point lead on baskets by John Civiello, Ernie Foshay and Terry Daigle. Stewart and Al Murray drew Dal even and George Bendelier gave the Tigers a short lived advantage. The lead changed hands several times during the half with Dal emerging with a two-point cushion. Daigle led the X men dropping five field goals through the hoop for 10 points.

Early in the second half, with Stewart still covering the boards, Dal built up a six-point lead but some brilliant shooting by Rollie Lebonte and Ashe drew X men even and put them ahead to stay. Towards the end of the half, Dal seemed to tire while the Xaverians came on strong. Ashe scored 13 points to pace the second half surge.

The game was rough and hard played with referees Eddie Allan and John Fortunato calling 39 fouls—21 on St. F.X. and 18 on the Tigers. Foul shooting was far from accurate with X making 14 of 26 and Dal 18 of 32, for an average slightly over 50%.

St. F.X.

Haggan 1, Ashe 15, Lebonte 11, Daigle 10, Lacey, Foshay 8, Bouchey 4, Sanchez 4, Civiello 5, Sullivan 6—64.

Dal

Richardson 4, Bendelier 6, House 1, Murray 9, Stewart 17, Robertson 2, Cunningham 6, Schiffman 9, Blakney—54.

Dal again faltered badly in the second half in a regularly scheduled Senior B league game, allowing the Stad Sailors to defeat the Bengals 72-63. This game was played Wednesday night in the Stad Gym.

The Sailors were behind 39-35 at half time and remained on the short end for most of the second frame, but with six minutes remaining pulled ahead and never looked back. Freshman George Bendelier led Dal with 17 points while Bruce Stewart, Pete House and Al Murray each picked up 8. Pete Bomack led the Sailors with 19 points, making most of these from outside.

Dal mustered a good offense, shooting just a little under 40% but were loose on defense, especially near the end of the game.

Meds, Pharmacy Lead Hockey Loop

The Inter-fac Hockey League resumed operation after the Christmas holidays with Medicine defeating first place Law of Section A 5-4. The Med team was led by MacKenzie with two while Gregg, Cudmore and MacLean each counted singles. The Lawyers goals were scored by Andrea with two, Martin and MacInnis with one each.

In the second game of the double-header, King's swamped Dents 7-1. Jackson, Wentzell and Knickle each triggered a pair for King's while Canning added a lone tally.

Pharmacy, spreading their scoring among 8 people, trampled Pine Hill 10-2. Wood and Forbes scored two goals each while Sprigg, Miles, Jarvis, Chisholm, Power and Donald, each scored once. The "Deacons" goals were scored by Shannon.

A. & S. defeated the top-placed team of Section B, Engineers, by a resounding score of 8-2. Moore scored a hat trick for Arts while Backers and Chalmers each counted a pair of goals. Grant added a singleton. The "slide-rule" boys goals were scored by Hollebene and Bell.

In the final game of the past week, Pharmacy scored their second win of the week by defeating Commerce 6-4. Again the "druggists" were led by Wood who had a hat trick while Campbell, Keats and Miles each scored once. Commerce goals were scored by Matheson, Hayman, Beckett and Tomes.

Basketball Clinic with Harry Wilson

THE FAST BREAK

The fast break is a controversial issue, some coaches refusing to use it. Actually, both those for and against have valid arguments. Among some of the claims of those "for" is that the breaking game affords the opportunity of the easy basket, that it keeps pressure on the defense, and that it offers a better chance to overcome a lead. The "cons" argue that the fast break is more tiring, and causes additional floor mistakes. We feel that the fast break is an integral part of the offense and a team should have it in its repertoire of plays.

How does the fast break work? It starts with gaining possession of the ball. There are two main ways for the defensive team to get the ball; one is after a successful field goal or foul shot by the opposing

team; the other by a defensive rebound. Once getting the ball, it must be moved up the floor with all possible speed. It is clear to see that two abilities which are necessary for the fast break are good defensive rebounding and good running speed.

Keys to a Fast Break

Some fundamental points to remember in the fast break are:

(a) The outlet pass is the key to the break. It is the pass made by the rebounder or man out of bounds to a teammate on court. This pass must be quick!

(b) The man receiving the outlet pass should either dribble up the centre or pass to a teammate cutting up the middle.

(c) This middle man should stop at the foul line unless he can con-

tinue to the basket for a shot.

(d) Two flankers should be up the floor with the middle man. They should stay wide until near the hoop, and then cut for the basket (not at the same time) looking for a pass from the middle man or a rebound.

(e) To be effective, two players should trail the first three, anticipating a delayed hand-off.

The true fast break occurs when the offense outnumbers the defense down floor. We have discussed the three-man break in this article. However, a 2-on-1 situation could develop, or even a single man break. Since the fast break is so flexible, any player may be in it and in any spot. It is necessary therefore that the coach drill all his players in the basic mechanics of the break.