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## Red Raiders win tournament

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An upset victory over the Johnson State Indians enabled the host University of New Brunswick Red Raiders to retain their New Brunswick Holiday Classic title.

Johnson State from Johnson, Vermont were the pre-tournament favourites to take the title. On the opening evening of the tourney Johnson State came through with an 83-72 victory over a tough Thomas College club from Waterville, Maine. Ron Thomas led all scorers with 24 points for Johnson State while Antony Collier added 20. Thomas College was led by Gary Brill's 17 while Rick Renell added 13.

In the second game of the opening night the host UNB team took an easy win from an injury riddled second seek Belknap College team. The final score was 87-63 after UNB took a 48-37 half time lead. Ken Amos and Tom Hendershot led UNB with 14 points while Dick Slipp, John Wetmore, and Blaine MacDonald each had 12 in a great team effort. For Belknap from Centre Harbour, New Hampshire, Jerry Boston led the way with 25 points; 15 of them in the second half and Sal Baglione added 13.

UNB (87) Ken Amos, 14; John Wetmore, 12; Dave Seman, 4; Tom Hendershot, 14; Dick Slipp, 12; Brian Boyd, 2; Scott Fowler, 4; Blaine MacDonald, 12; Steve Ruitter, 4; Van Ruitter, 6; and Ike Gallagher, 3. Personal Fouls 19; Foul Shooting 7/12.

Belknap (63): Sal Baglione, 13; Jerry Boston, 25; Tony Curry, 4; Verne Eaddy, 9; Harvie Harris, 2; Chuck McGhee, 10; Perry Ciccatelli. Personal Fouls 15; Foul Shooting 13/18.

On Saturday in the Consolation game Thomas College showed their skills with an 84-66 victory over Belknap. Leading the way

for the Terriers, who led 45-34 at the half was Ted Bryant, a substitute in the second half, who scored 16 points. Bob Drovin had 12 points while Gary Brill, Endresen and Libby had 10 each. For Belknap, Jerry Boston had 26 while Sal Baglione and Verne Eaddy had 15 each.

In the Championship tilt, UNB went ahead early leading 17 to 16 with ten minutes gone in the first half. Johnson State came on to lead by 8 points late in the first half but UNB made a charge and by the half way mark the Raiders had a five point lead which they held until the closing two minutes. In the last two minutes Johnson State brought the score down until they gained possession of the ball by Collier when he pinned Tom Hendershot's layup shot against the boards. At that point Johnson had the ball down by a point and with 13 seconds left. After a time out Johnson State tried to work for a sure basket but tough defence held them off as Ron Thomas. Shot went astray with 5 seconds left. The rebound went out of bounds off UNB Johnson State put the ball into play with four seconds left but strong defence forced Borders to shoot from 25 feet and his shot hit the back of the rim and bounced out giving UNB the Championship.

UNB (73): Amos, 17; Wetmore, 14; Seman, 4; Hendershot, 18; Slipp, 10; MacDonald, 7; Van Ruitter, 3; Steve Ruitter; Boyd; Fowler; Gallagher. Personal Fouls, 13; Foul Shooting, 13/17.

Johnson State (72): Collier, 26; Ron Thomas, 24; Borders, 10; Elmer, 2; Perkins, 10; Lehoulier, 2; Nacasio, 4; Ward; Bob Thomas; and Smith, Personal Fouls, 19; Foul Shooting 6/15.

This weekend brings a pair of crucial games, in the Red Raider playoff hopes, to the Lady Beaverbrook Gym. The opposition will

be Northern Conference rivals University of Prince Edward Island Panthers. Coach Don Nelson feels that these two games are the turning point of the season. Victories are a must if the Raiders are to make the post season tourney.

The Raiders have a three game win streak going and have brought their record to 5-4. Nelson hopes the momentum will continue so the Raiders can even their Conference record at 2-2.

The Panthers are led by conference all-star Andy Packard who at 6'1" is one of the smallest centres. Because of his speed and viciousness on the boards, Packard has overcome his size to be a star. Other starters for UPEI are Mike Connolly, a 5'8" guard; Bob Gray, a 6'0" forward; Brian Robertson, a 6'1" forward. An interesting feature of the Panther is their 6'8" centre, Grant Canvin, one of the tallest men in the league.

Game times are 8:00 pm Friday night and 3:00 pm Saturday afternoon. Lets have a good tournament to spur the Raiders on as they prepare for defending league champions Acadia University who are at UNB Wednesday, January 17, at 8:00 pm.

### ADULT INSTRUCTION

Red Cross: Beginners - Senior  
Royal Life Saving Society: Bronze  
Medallion Diving Instruction  
Screening & Registration - Jan.  
16, 1973.  
Bring your bathing suit.

### NEW BRUNSWICK WATERPOLO TEAM

Anyone who wishes to try out for the New Brunswick Waterpolo Team is invited to the first tryout practice on Sunday, January 14-8:00 p.m. at the Sir Max Aitken Pool of the Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium.

## the Midnight Skulker



Hope always springs eternal in the new year and that is the case of some of the athletic teams here at UNB. Both the basketball team and the hockey teams opened the year with game competition.

Coach Nelson of the Red Raiders has cause for hope as his team won the Fourth Annual Holiday Basketball Classic over three yankee teams.

Friday night the Raiders thumped a rather weakened Belknap College team from the wilderness of Nfld. It seems that they did not bring along some of their players. The Raiders did not have very much trouble disposing of them. The UNB'ers started to hit from a distance with their outside shooting, the same outside shooting that deserted them against Dal and Mt. A., two pre-Christmas loses.

Saturday afternoon the Raiders tangled with the Johnson State Indians. This group of expatriate New Yorkers play out of Johnson, Vt. They were a fairly large team with good board strength, they also had a flashy guard who knew how to put the ball through the hoop. He did just that in the finals, the only drawback was that even though he scored 24 points, guys like Tom Hendershot and Ken Amos netted 18 and 17 points respectively. The final score read 73-72 in favor of the Raiders.

If the team keeps up their improvement, they should do well for the last half of the season. They have some important games coming up soon. They face the University of Prince Edward Island this weekend in a doubleheader. They are also at home to the defending AIAA champions, the Acadia Axemen. If the Raiders get up for that one it really should be worth watching. Anyway only time will tell.

The hockey team, the Red Devils took on the league leading SMU Huskies. The same Huskies, mind you that defeated the Canadian champions, the U of Toronto Blues. Needless to say that the Devils had a tough time on their hands. They lost 5-3. The promising thing about the game was that the Devils were leading 3-2 until about eight minutes left in the game. Then the roof fell in with three quick goals and it was all over. Anyhow the fact that the Devils stayed so close to the Huskies is a good sign, it augers well for upcoming games.

The women's varsity volleyball team is making a change in their name, formerly the Red Rompers, they will now be referred to as the Reds. To my mind it is just as well they should get rid of some of the other tail-ending names like the Bloomers for instance, that has a real archaic ring to it.

The Reds were off at a tournament in Truro over the weekend, they fared well going through the preliminary play undefeated. They downed the Dal Tigerettes in early action, but lost to the same Dal team in the finals. According to one of the players Dal had better watch out in February when the intercollegiate take place, because they are going to have a real battle on their hands.

## Devils give SMU a scare

The Devils came close to upsetting the powerful St. Mary's Huskies last Sunday, but it was not to be, as SMU pulled off three ratty goals late in the third period to come from behind to win 5-3.

The Huskies, a tremendous skating team who might just be the top college team in Canada started off slowly, as they had played the night before, and the Devils were able to keep up with SMU for the first two periods. Saint Mary's scored first from a scramble in front of the UNB net, but Steve Benoit and Jerry Bell scored midway through the period as the SMU defence was repeatedly caught out of position, SMU tied the game 2-2 late in the period, again poking one in front of the net.

In the second period, Gord Hubley was at his best, as he kept Saint Mary's from taking the lead, while the defence played well in killing off a series of UNB penalties. The Devils seemed to be waiting for a break and it came at 10:22 when Jerry Bell tipped in his second goal to give the Devils a 3-2 lead. The Devils hung on for the next nine minutes to carry the lead into the final period.

The third period saw St. Mary's pressing for the tying goal, but the Devils kept them scoreless with a close chicking style while they missed a few good chances at taking a 2 goal lead. A double penalty mid-way through the period backfired, as the Devils gave up playing defensive hockey and

tried for another goal, allowing the Huskies to break into the UNB zone and fluke the tying and winning goals past Hubley in a span of only 3 minutes.

The Huskies explosive scoring power was well known and to be expected, but the game still ended as a disappointment as a win over the Huskies would have been a great way to start the second half of the season. This weekend the Devils will have their work cut out for them as they travel to Nova Scotia to play St. F.X. Friday night and Dal on Saturday afternoon. Both teams have 3-5 records, so hopefully the Devils can bring home a few points and get closer those second place swamps.