

Red Bloomers back on track

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The UNB Red Bloomers got back to their usual winning form in AUAA women's basketball action here last weekend, with the visiting St.

Mary's Belles and Acadia Axettes paying the price.

The Bloomers easily defeated St. Mary's 68-48 on Friday night and followed up on Saturday afternoon with a 68-45 drubbing of Acadia,

displaying throughout that the shooting woes which largely caused their only defeat the preceeding weekend against UPEI was merely a temporary slump.

Pam Hartling held the hot

hand Friday night, hitting on 11 of 15 shots from the field, almost all from outside the point, and finished with 25 points.

Hartling hit her first 6 shots in helping the Bloomers to a 29-19 halftime lead. St. Mary's played a strong defensive game and that kept things interesting for awhile, but they didn't have the scoring punch to close the gap which steadily widened in the second half.

Pauline Jordan, filling in at point guard for the injured Chris Matheson, contributed 9 points to the Bloomers total while Sue McMaster and Bonnie MacKenzie added 8 apiece. Michelle Gaunce led the Belles with 11.

On Saturday the Axettes were stung early by the Bloomers full court press and repeated turnovers led to a quick 17-6 UNB lead. Once

they figured out the press they were able to keep things on relatively even terms for most of the contest but the Bloomers defense was too tough to allow a comeback.

For the game UNB caused 25 Acadia turnovers and as another indication of their defensive dominance they limited the Axettes to only 16 shots in the 2nd half.

Nadine Edman had an excellent afternoon on the offensive boards and led a balanced UNB offense with 12 points. Also in double figures were Sue McMaster and Bonnie MacKenzie with 11 apiece and Jane Williams with 10.

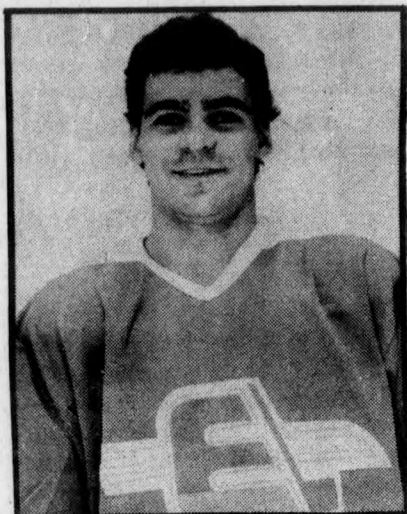
This weekend the Bloomers take to the road for return engagements at Acadia and St. Mary's, hopefully getting tuned up for next weekend's showdown with unbeaten UPEI at the Aitken Centre

Home, sweet home for Express

By MARK SAVOIE
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After playing poor hockey over the half season, the Express have recently started to come together. This is significant for the teams seems unable to buy a win on the road; while winning two for every one on the road.

The express have won four in a row at home. The first of these came on a last minute goal by Jean-Marc Gaulin (now with the Quebec Nordiques) to break a 3-3 tie against the New Haven Nighthawks. In that game the Express out-shot New Haven 44-16. The second was a convincing 6-3 victory over the Moncton Golden Flames (who have not won in Fredericton in over two years). This victory broke Moncton's



Jean-Marc Gaulin called to Nordiques

seven game winning streak. The third consecutive home ice victory was an overtime 4-3 win over the tough Baltimore Skipjacks with Yves Heroux scoring with just one second left in the overtime period.

And two nights after that they again easily handled Moncton with a 5-2 victory.

The impressive thing about the wins is the individual performances given by the Express. In the second game against Moncton Alain Lemieux gave the sellout crowd a lesson on puck control on the power play. Against Baltimore both Mike Stevens and Yves Heroux demonstrated how to take a hit and still keep playing, this especially was a refreshing sign. The team has been accused of folding after someone takes a heavy hit, but both Stevens and Heroux kept skating flat out after being hit. Heroux even managed to score the game winning goal on the same shift.

Frank Caprice will be out for two or three weeks with his injury which created a real hole in the goaltending spot. Luc Guenette has thus far been unable to do the job, and Quebec has refused to send down one of their three goalies. Kirk Firlotte (formerly of St. Thomas) played backup for a couple of games until John Garrett came down from Vancouver to fill the gap. Garrett, who is officially retired, started and won the last two games in a row, and is providing a leadership role in the dressing room.

Hard times for Red Raiders

By Laura Lee MacLean
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The U.N.B. Red Raiders hosted both the University of Acadia and St. Mary's University this past weekend at the Aitken Centre.

Friday night saw the Raiders pitted against St. Mary's. Even with the efforts of M.V.P. Mark Newell and Bill Jarratt, scoring 12 points each, St. Mary's triumphed by a 94-66 score. Saturday found the Raiders in a match up with Acadia. Tempers flared throughout this match, at

some points leaving the crowd wondering if this was a basketball game or grand prix wrestling.

One call in particular comes to mind with the vicious fall of an Acadia player by Bob Aucoin's nose. The first half was a highly defensive game, with neither team really being dominant. Not surprisingly Bob Aucoin was named M.V.P. of the game scoring 22 points. The Red Raiders lost that game by a 62-22 score.

Monday night the Red Raiders were defeated by the University of Maine in Machias by a 81-75 score.

Athlete of the week

(Week ending Jan. 19)

A wrestler and a swimmer are the latest athletes-of-the-week at the University of New Brunswick.

Jackie Hatherly, a second-year science student from Thunder Bay, Ont., won two races and finished second in three other as the UNB women's swim team placed second behind Dalhousie at the UNB Invitational. Hatherly, 20, was first in both the 200 and 400 metre individual medley. She is the top 400 medley performer in the conference and is currently ranked third in the nation.

"Jackie is proving to be one of the most consistent performers in the conference," Coach Mich Oliver said. "She is one of the leaders on our team."

For the men, wrestler Todd Bursery won the gold medal for his weight class at the Mount Allison Open. Bursery, a second-year arts student, beat three strong wrestlers to qualify for the championship match. In that bout, he defeated Mernash Pestonji of Mount Allison, who is the defending CIAU champion for that weight class. Bursery, 19, was the Black Bears rookie of the year in 1984-85 and is proving to be one of the bright lights on the team in 1985-86. The Black Bears, who are defending AUAA champions, finished third at the Mount Allison event.



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