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Red Shirts...the fun is over

The UNB Red Shirts exercised their legs these two past weekends, and had some fun at the same time. On Sunday, Sept. 4, UNB kicked off against their mighty predecessors, the Alumni. this game was very exciting, albeit a little one sided. Team Alumni dominated the match shutting out the varsity squad 4-0. Experience, not fitness seemed to be the key to their victory. Dwight Hornibrook capitalized on this weakness by sneaking a lay back pass engineered by Dave Brown past the Red Shirt netminder. Then David Stringer pounded in a rebound briefly before the half time whistle making the final score before the half 2-0.

Things just got worse for the Shirts in the second half. The Alumni team kept mounting the pressure until finally midway into the half the Shirt defense broke down and made the hideous mistake of committing a foul in the 18 yard box. James Kay pounded in the ensuing penalty shot leaving the Red Shirt net minder standing still. Alex Scholten finished the scoring by placing a chip shot over the ill positioned Red shirt tender.

Kevin Thompson regained some face for the shirts seconds before the final whistle. Being pressured by Dwight Hornibrook, Thompsons former coach, he calmly faked left and slipped the ball through Hornibrooks legs leaving him covered in dust. As the fans shout 'Meg' in a frenzy, Hornibrook knew that the teacher can learn some lessons too.

Despite the loss, Coach Brown seemed optimistic. "We played well with what we had", Brown said. The Shirts only had for this event because most of the players were not back from their summer vacation. The Alumni game is a traditional event and is played every year.

The Red Shirts improved their performance in their next outing. They hosted an Atlantic Select team on Sunday September 8, 1991 at the Chapman Field. The Selects, coached by Dwight Hornibrook was comprised of some very talented players, many of whom have even played professionally in the C.S.L. These players include: Dave Foly, Steward Galloway, Jamie Pollock, Steve Harris and George Lucas, all of whom now play with the N.S., Clippers. This line up made life difficult for the Shirts. Within 3 minutes of the kickoff Jamie Pollock pounded a pass from Steward Galloway making the score 1-0 for the selects.

However, much to the surprise, and delight of the fans the Red Shirts came back and scored a goal of their own. Number 10 Malcome Lightfoot was credited with the goal that tied the score near the end of the first half. This put a new perspective on the game, and the fans waited for the second half to commence with anticipation.

In the meantime however, the fans were superbly entertained by an incredible halftime show put on by varsity mania, and an unknown Harmonica Maniac. There was also the unforgettable beaver, Roudy. Roudy served as UNB's mascot.

The second half proved to be a very exciting see saw battle that physically drained both teams. Finally midway into the second half the Shirt defense broke down to mounting pressure created by the Selects. Red Shirt Andy Miller mistimed a head ball clearing attempt and lobbed the ball towards his own net. Red Shirt tender Trevor Shaw, who had been outstanding all game, had no chance of making the save. This secured the win for the Atlantic Selects, but

they were taking no chances.

Coach Hornibrook decided to send in his secret weapon five minutes before the end of the game, just to play it safe. He put in the superstar from Aitken, the Heapster alias Jeff Richard. Heapster was impressive, but the final score remained.

Redshirt Coach Gary Brown was pleased with the performance of his players and suggested that, because his starting halfback line was away his team would be more complete for his next match.

The Atlantic team coach said that this game was played for fun. "It gave a chance for former (red) Shirt players to come back and play against their old team."

The shirts next game will not be played for fun. They kickoff their first competitive match in St.FX against the Xaviers this weekend, September 14 - 15.

- Sean Dockrill



Michael David Smith photo





Kevin Thompson beats out the competition.

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Jeffrey Dies in Accident

Red Devils Mourn Loss

by Frank Denis

The University of New Brunswick Red Devils hockey program suffered a great loss over the summer when assistant coach Mark Jeffrey died as a result of an accident.

Jeffrey was cutting a tree on August 3 at his in-laws cottage near Ste. Agathe, Quebec north of Montreal when it fell onto hydro wires. The electrical current killed Jeffrey instantly.

Prior to becoming assistant coach with the Red Devils Jeffrey had been a player for UNB and led the team to its first AUAA championship in twenty years. A fine defensive forward, Jeffrey was the league's third leading scorer in 1985, his final year, registering 61 points.

After graduating, Jeffrey was signed by the Corner Brook Royals of the Newfoundland Senior League and help lead the team to the Hardy

Cup, emblematic of the Canadian Senior League championship.

After graduating with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, Jeffrey was hired by the Crain-Drummond Inc., a business form manufacturer firm where he held the position of District Manager for Central New Brunswick.

Mark Jeffrey was named assistant coach of the Red Devils in 1988 by Rick Nickelchuck. Following Nickelchuck's departure during the season, Jeffrey was named interim head coach. When current Head Coach, Mike Johnston was named as a full time replacement for Nickelchuck, he retained Jeffrey as his assistant.

Mark Jeffrey was 29 and is survived by his wife, Willa and fam-

A funeral was held on August 8 at St. Paul's United Church in Fredericton.