

AT LAST AFTER FIVE YEARS

DAL SPORTS VARSITY GIRLS BREEZE TO WIN OVER X-SPURTS

Dalhousie Girls' Varsity Team breezed to a 52-36 victory over X-spurts last Wednesday evening in an exhibition tilt, the first game of the season for the Dal girls.

The Dal girls built up an early lead, and were leading 14-4 at the end of the first quarter, with Pam Dewis and Shirley Ball sharing the scoring honours. In the second quarter the scoring was more evenly distributed, although Dal play was superior. Dal netted 12 points, while X-spurts got 11. Terry of the X-spurts sank five baskets to lead the scoring in that quarter. The half-time score stood at 26-15 in favor of Dal.

In the third quarter, Dalhousie tightened up their zone defense, holding the X-spurts to five points, while Dal forwards collected 11. Three-quarter time score was 37-20 for Dal.

The final quarter saw X-spurts outscore Dal 16-15, with D. Terry sinking 8 points. She was high scorer in the game, with 20 points. Shirley Ball and Donna MacRae, a newcomer to Dal basketball, shared the runner-up spot with 12 points each. Dal's scoring was evenly distributed among all five forwards.

Dalhousie: P. Dewis 11, D. MacRae 12, S. Ball 12, J. Bennett 11, L. MacRae 6, F. Boston, J. Murphy, M. Sinclair, E. Brown, J. Sinclair. **Total—52.**

X-Spurts: C. Flemming 6, E. McGough 1, D. Terry 20, D. Ellis 9, E. Stoddard, J. Kicks, C. Bruce, J. MacPherson. **Total 36.**

J. V.'S WIN FIRST GAME; OUTSCORE BLUE BARONS

The Junior Varsity basketball squad won their opening league game by defeating the B'nai B'rith Blue Barons 60-50. The outstanding players for Dal were Wayne Beaton and Ken Wong who combined to score over half of their team's total.

From the start it appeared that Dal was the stronger side as they quickly jumped into a commanding lead. After ten minutes of the first half the game settled down to a fairly even contest with both sides just trading baskets. At the close of the period Dal was ahead 29-23

In the final session the college boys started off at a rapid clip and soon increased their lead to 12 pts. At this stage they seemed to weaken badly and the Blue Barons, paced by the shooting of Paul Goldman, came back to close the gap to four points with one minute and 40 seconds left. Then Beaton hit for two foul shots and a basket to put the game out of reach of the home team.

For Dal Wayne Beaton and Ken Wong showed brilliantly, picking up 18 and 13 points respectively. The former got most of his on set shots from outside the key, while Ken

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was very good at hitting the bucket from anywhere in the corner. Defensively, the best man was Don Tomes whose height and good jumping ability allowed him to be the most effective rebounder on the court. Ron Ward also played a good game off the backboard. The squad as a whole showed very well in their opening encounter.

Scoring:

Don Tomes 7, Bill Sommerville 4, Ron War 5, Reg Kimball 6, Joel Freeman 2, Bill Robertson 3, John Grant 2, Ken Wong 13, Wayne Beaton 18.

DAL COMES FROM BEHIND TO BEAT "X", FIRST TIME IN FIVE YEARS

by MIKE KIRBY and MIKE NOBLE

Five years is a long time for anyone to wait and solemnly watch their beloved Alma Mater get crushed each time by a bitter rival. For many Dalhousie partisans, that bleak five year stretch, was terminated last Saturday night as the local collegians roared when the chips were down to hand the "X" men their second setback of the season. The "come-from-behind" 56-55 victory featured a sparkling team effort as the Dal aggregation remained undaunted by the perennial champs from Antigonish.

YEA WICKWIRE



(Photo by Thomas.)

St. F.X. opened quickly, and with only 5 minutes played, they were coasting along on a comfortable 9-2 cushion. To the many fans just getting settled, it seemed that once again they would play witness to another "run of the mill" romp by the X-Men. Their belief was upheld during the remainder of the opening session, as "X" continued to maintain a healthy lead throughout the stanza. The Dal defense was sagging badly, and 'X' forwards Moran and Davenport had little trouble penetrating into scoring territory. At the same time, it seemed as if Dal was afraid of the boards as the blue and white cagers controlled both very effectively. The staunch Dal fans found consolation in the half-time score which read 33-27. However, it seemed only a matter of time before "X's" six-point lead was to be increased.

The opening minutes of the final frame saw "X" start off true to form to open up a nine-point lead by the time the minute mark was reached; but that was the last "X" saw of Dal's sagging defense. The Tigers commenced to roar and for the first time in many years the Dal rooters backed their team to the hilt as the local boys netted 11 points to 4 for the visitors in a matter of minutes. Moran and Davenport no longer controlled the boards. Freshman Dave Woodworth, aided by capable veteran Bill White cleared everything in sight on both boards and the Dal defense stopped the "X" attack cold. For the first time this year, Dal had five players executing their maneuvers with machine-like efficiency, as they "picked" and "roll-

ed" the "X" front court men crazy.

At 18:55 Dal was trailing 55-53 when Wickwire sank a field goal to again knot the score. With 15 seconds remaining on the clock, Dal was in control of the ball, when an intentional foul by an "X" player sent Woodworth to the line for two shots. All eyes were on the basket as his first shot arched high then dropped neatly through the twines. However the second shot bounced high off the back rim with Moran snaring the rebound. Time out was called by "X." With 13 seconds left the fans watched with baited breath as Bob Moran eluded his guard, drove along the base line for a routine lay-up, and . . . missed. Following a wild scramble Moran let a jumper go from the key that rolled around the rim only to fall off as the frenzied Dal supporters mobbed the victorious team.

It is often hard for a player to bridge the gap between High School ball and that of collegiate caliber in one game, especially against "X." Freshmen Dave Woodworth, a member of Q.E.H.'s Dominion Juvenile Champions last year, was an outstanding player on the floor, bridging the gap like a veteran. He controlled both backboards making up for his lack of spring and speed with spirit and basketball "savvy." Ted Wickwire and Bill White, Dal's perennial stars, furnished their usual sparkling drive and spirit to spear-head the Tiger's attack. For the first time this year Ted returned to his old form teaming up with Bill White to menace the "X" defense and set up many potential scoring plays.

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