

Red Raiders looking for upset Club news

Troubled St. Mary's and Acadia visit this weekend

by Bruce Denis

Red Raider coach Clint Hamilton is hoping his team can take advantage of some opportunities this weekend. The Raiders host the St. Mary's Huskies tomorrow and the Acadia Axemen on Sunday, two games that may produce an upset for the home team.

"We have two very frustrated teams coming this weekend" says Hamilton remaining optimistic. "St. Mary's has lost some very important games lately and they're in a great deal of trouble."

"I think we can take advantage of the fact that they're not playing particularly well. Acadia is going to play extremely hard and physical. They rebound very well and attack offensively."

The Raiders notched their first win of the season against Memorial University three weeks ago. Guard Greg Mapp had a stellar performance, leading the Raiders to a 61-57 decision. It was a welcomed victory for the team after racking up 9 straight losses.

"The team has been working hard. They've been doing all the things I've told them to do and it's nice to be rewarded with a win."

It was hoped the win would be



Coach Clint Hamilton with post Chris McKenna

photo Kevin G. Porter

the ice breaker the Raiders needed to break out of their slump but they dropped two games last weekend to Dalhousie

and St. Francis Xavier. Hamilton is hesitant to point fingers but admits that offense has been the Raiders' weakest

area this season. "We had a nice defensive effort against St. FX but we just couldn't score and that's a problem we've had all year. We have balanced scoring throughout the team but I think we lack a couple of players who are consistent point-getters."

Guards Duff Adams and Alex Kidney have led the team in points so far this season but have yet to crack the top 10 scorers in the league. Yaw Obeng has contributed with his 5 years of experience and forward Marc Aube is leading the team in rebounds but more is needed from this fairly young team.

For now, Hamilton says the team is focused on the task at hand. "Certainly we have to play extremely well this weekend but I think that if we play consistent defense and get hot with our shooting, anything can happen."

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If you did not attend midnight skating at Queen's Square last Friday you missed out on a rocking good time. All in attendance participated in a game called the "BLOB" which is a variation of the classical tag game. Afterward we made our way to the Senior Comon Room to sip hot chocolate and to warm our feet. Our next Great Canadian Winter Challenge is Friday, February 5th. Survival night at O'Dell park (8-10pm). See you there.

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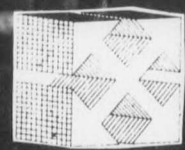
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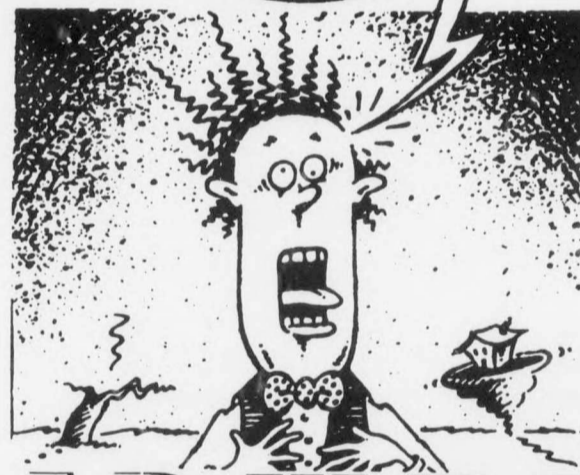
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