

# Swimmers spurt to splendour

by Peter Boyle

The Dalhousie Women's Swim Team shocked no one by dominating the first invitational swim meet this past weekend at U.N.B.

Acadia men were surprised, however, as the Dalhousie men's squad started off the season defeating past A.U.A.A. champions, the Acadia Axemen, and the other teams in attendance, Mount Allison and U.N.B. Both men's and women's wins relied strongly on the performances of this year's rookies.

Contributing heavily to the 171 point total accumulated by the men were three first year swimmers, Andrew Cole, John Burns, and Wade James. Cole beat past A.U.A.A. champions in winning both the 200 IM and 200 breaststroke.

John Burns became the first male C.I.A.U. qualifier in the 100 backstroke in which he placed second to a former Acadian national team member. Burns retaliated by winning the 200 BK in grand style and by placing third in 50 freestyle.

Wade James took off where retired Brian Jessop, last year's most valuable swimmer, left off in the distance freestyle events. James recorded first place finishes in 400 and 1500 freestyle and added a second in the 200. Another rookie, Scott Patrick, added valuable points.

Although the men's team was led by some needed rookie swimmers, the senior swimmers made their presence felt in individual and relay events. Tom Scheibelhut with a win in the 400 IM and valuable placings in other events led the experienced attack. Stuart McLellan competed in several close events but was touched out of victories. Lastly, Tigers Mike Tighe and David Sweet made it known that breaststrokers will be strong this year by placing in the top 3 in both breaststroke events.

## Dal burns Tars

by Llewellyn Butterfield II

It was a late Saturday afternoon at Studley field when the Dalhousie Rugby Club soundly defeated the Tars Rugby Club.

Dalhousie opened the scoring early in the first half through Greg McKenny. For the remainder of the half Dal kept the play in the Tars' end of the field. Dal controlled most of the loose play and held a slight advantage in the set pieces. Despite their domination Dal was only able to score one more try, this time through Robin Dunbar.

Dal's superiority became even more pronounced in the second half. The Tars never really looked like they would score, however, Dal was not able to convert its advantage into more points. The game was not as close as the score suggests. The play of the forwards was impressive, led by hooker Jim Gordon.

The women were even more convincing in their first outing of the year. Leading the Tigers, as she has done so well in the past, was fourth year physio student, Susan Mason. Mason glided to easy victories in the 200, 400 and 800 freestyle events and added a closely contested victory in the 200 butterfly.

The most exciting victory of the meet came as Mason made up more than one quarter of a pool length to beat the Acadia women's relay team.

Second to Mason was Carol Flynn, garnering wins in both 100 free and 100 fly. Flynn's attempts to make a triple were stopped by teammate Sue Bennie who defeated Flynn to win the 50 freestyle.

Coach David Fry was extremely pleased by these weekend performances and looks forward to the next major competition on Nov. 6 at Dalplex when Dal swimmers will try for their second straight win against Memorial and U.N.B. Although the Tigers are officially off this weekend, they will play host to their swimming Alumnae on Friday night at 5:30 in the Dalplex.



## Moosehead Export Salutes

BRENDA OGILVIE - field hockey - completed an outstanding season with two strong games last weekend. She has recorded eight shutouts in 12 games this season and has allowed only five goals in the 12 games. Made some great saves in Sunday's 2-1 win over Moncton. The fourth year physical education student from Dartmouth was an all-Canadian and all-AUUA goalie two seasons ago.

ANDREW COLE - swimming - competing in his first AUAA meet, this freshman from Dartmouth won two events including a heart-stopping win in the 200 breaststroke over Rob Harris, AUAA titlist from Acadia who won that event at the conference championships last spring. Cole also took a first in the 200 individual medley as the Tigers won the UNB Invitational 171-154 over Acadia with UNB and Mount Allison a distant third and fourth. Cole was a gold medalist with Nova Scotia's Canada Games team last summer.



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## Athletes of the Week

# Tigers come out flying against St. T.

by Stephen Gilmour II

The Dalhousie Tigers hockey team opened their season last weekend with a pair of games against St. Thomas University and the University of New Brunswick. The Tigers came into these games after winning both of their pre-season matches.

The first exhibition game on Friday Oct. 16 was a 2-0 verdict over the St. F.X. X-men. The game was, for the most part, quite dull with a lot of sloppy play by both teams. However, the Tigers came alive midway through the third period and dominated the final ten minutes.

Paul Jeffrey scored (from Brian Gualazzi and John Kibyuk) at 17:46 and forty seconds later John Kibyuk (from Mike Jeffrey and Bobby Hull Jr.) added another.

The second exhibition game against Acadia resulted in an 8-1 victory for the Tigers. In this game both the players and the referee lost some control with the result that each team played a good proportion of the game without a third of their players due to misconducts. Peter Glynn, Danny Laforest, Gary Saleski, Brian Gualazzi, Bobby Hull Jr., Paul Jeffrey and Adrian Facca picked up the goals for the Tigers.

The Tigers first season game against the St. Thomas Tommies is best described by the 51-19 margin in shots on goal. Although Dalhousie again had trouble playing consistently throughout the three periods, the final outcome of the game was never really in doubt. After a second period lapse (and doubtless a "lively" second intermission in the dressing

room) the Tigers came out flying to score three unanswered goals in the third which resulted in a 7-3 win.

It is best not to say too much about Sunday's game against U.N.B. After a strong start in the first period, the Tigers lost their concentration and only regained it sporadically. U.N.B. on the other hand played a solid game, capitalized on the Tigers' mistakes and generally out-hustled the Dalhousie players. Despite a good performance by goalie Ken Bickerton, the Tigers went down to defeat 5-3, with one goal going into the empty net. It was this same inconsistency which cost the Tigers

dearly in the first half of last season - obviously something to work on.

Overall this year Dalhousie seems to have a more balanced club than last year. The Tigers have benefitted from the return of veterans such as Brian Gualazzi, Kevin Zimmel, John Kibyuk and Gary Ryan. Tigers fans also welcome back Ken Bickerton in goal and Lois Lavioie on defense after a year away. Newcomers Neil Meganety, Mike Jeffrey, Bobby Hull Jr. and Glenn Ernst have also been playing excellent hockey for Dalhousie. Coach Peter Esdale says that he thinks this year's team has good depth and

a lot of confidence.

In looking forward to the rest of the season Esdale cautions "Nothing is going to be easy. It's going to get tougher." This could prove true at the Tiger's next home game on Saturday Oct. 31 at 2 pm at the Halifax Forum, as Dalhousie hosts the defending national champions, the U. de M. Blue Eagles.

Admission is free if you have a Dal I.D., and the Tigers' games this year promise to give some off the best hockey in Halifax. Next week - watch this column for tips on how you can be a star in the celebrated Burger King Shootout, a feature of every home game.



Kevin Zimmel attempts to score in the third period last Sunday at the forum. Dal lost to UNB 3 to 5.