

Overtime

Some things I don't like about baseball

By MARK ALBERSTAT

The following is a list which may surprise my friends who know me as a sometimes baseball fanatic and an all around fan of the game, its players and peculiarities. The following is a list of things I don't like about baseball.

Broadcasts that begin at 8 p.m. and the games not starting until 8:30, by which time all the munchies are eaten.

Reggie Jackson getting old.

World Series games that don't end till 1 a.m.

Ads on the scoreboard where the scores should be.

Howard Cosell talking through great plays to prove a miniscule point.

Everybody hating Howard.

The Hall of Fame in Cooperstown being so far away.

Dwight Gooden only being nineteen.

Bowie Kuhn stepping down—the man's an institution.

Profanity of the fans.

Fans getting on a player because he's in a slump.

Fan interference.

Not knowing why "K" stands for a strikeout.

Broadcasters asking the old cliché questions and getting the old

cliché answers.

Games with a score of 11-3.

Joe DiMaggio acting like Mr. Coffee.

George Steinbrenner.

Players not knowing the history or heroes of the game.

Fans who vote Rod Carew over Eddie Murray on the All-Star ballot, just because Carew's name may be more familiar à la Reggie Jackson playing outfield this past All-Star game.

Winning runs scoring on errors.

Too many Red Sox games.

No more Washington Senators (what a great name).

Worthy players never making it into the Hall of Fame because they don't have the "proper" image.

TV cameras panning the dugout during the anthems, and the players spitting tobacco juice on cue.

The Expos with the talent but not the heart.

Players' salaries.

Players' contracts, i.e. a certain player getting a cut of the gate receipts or a certain amount of money for each time this player gets to bat, etc. etc.

Players not only playing for the love of the game but also for the money.

Player-Managers, what a farce.

Let's face it, it's a good game, but not perfect.



Soccer Tigers in action over weekend in which they tied 1 and lost 1

Photo: Peter Katsihs, Dal Photo

Soccer Tigers tie and lose

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The University of Prince Edward Island Panthers Men's Soccer team downed the Dalhousie Tigers 4-0 on Sun-

day (Sept. 30) in AUSA men's soccer action at Dal's Studley Field.

The score was 1-0 at the half.

The loss drops the Tigers' record to 0-2-4. They tied a match on Fri-

day (Sept. 28) 1-1 with Acadia. Mark Moffett scored the Dal goal.

The Tigers' next game is at home this Saturday, Oct. 6 at 1 p.m. against the Mount Allison Mounties.

Dal women's soccer continues winning streak

By DONNA LAMB

Dalhousie women's soccer team had another successful weekend in AUSA play. On Friday evening at St. F.X. Dalhousie took an early lead on a goal by Susan Collicutt and their strong defense held off the X squad to win the game 1-0.

In Saturday's match, the Dal Tigers handedly defeated Mt. Allison University 7-0. Leslie MacFarlane led the strong scoring with 3 goals. Susan Collicutt, Leslie Leavitt, Sally Thomas and Dawn Stewart added singles. Eileen Dunn recorded 2 more shutouts to make her total 4 for the year.

Dal's season record now stands at 4-0. □

Athletes of the week

MALE: Norman Tinkham, a 4th year Commerce student and member of the Dalhousie Tigers Men's Cross Country team is Dalhousie's Male Athlete of the Week for the period of Sept. 24-30. The 5' 9" Tinkham broke the course record at the University of Moncton Invitational while leading the Tigers to victory in the first AUSA cross-country meet of the season. Tinkham's time of 31:43 was 1:30 minutes faster than that of second place finisher Craig Parsons, also of Dalhousie. A native of Dartmouth, Tinkham

placed second in the AUSA last year.

FEMALE: Julie Gunn, a 2nd year Physical Education student and a member of the Tigers Field Hockey team is Dalhousie's Female Athlete of the Week for the period Sept. 24-30. Gunn, who plays defence for the Tigers, played two outstanding games for the Tigers last week. A native of Summerside, P.E.I., Gunn is a big reason why the Tigers have allowed only two goals against them in AUSA action this year.

Doings at Dalplex

President's sports festival a success

By LISA TIMPF

"So what's happening this weekend?" one student asked the other last Friday in the Green Room.

"Not much," he replied. "I guess there's some sort of funny Olympics going on at the Dalplex."

The "Funny Olympics" referred to was really the President's Sports Festival. But the chap who coined the term wasn't that far off the mark.

After all, there certainly were elements of the Olympian motto "citius, altius, fortius" (faster, higher, stronger) in the Sports Festival.

Take faster. There you could include the two mile road race, the bicycle race, the three-legged race, and many other events which had officials busy clicking stopwatches and scribbling down times.

And what better test of "stronger" could you ask for than

the tug-of-war and the car push-pull event, in which four contestants and a driver person-powered a Nissan 4X4 around (or sometimes over) pylons marking out a drivers' obstacle course.

There was flagwaving (Pharmacy I and II), "national" uniforms (Meds, Bronson, Sherriff, Henderson, Pharmacy) and even "anthems" (of sorts).

There was even the inevitable boycott—the Arts and Science team failed to show up for any of their events. Organizers do not suspect that the absence was politically motivated, however.

There were, it must be admitted, some decidedly un-Olympic features in the Sports Festival. Winning, or even excelling, was not the aim of the game for some. In fact, Rusty James' DSU team seemed determined to lose at all costs, but surprised themselves with a second place finish in the tug-of-war.

And, too, some of the events are unlikely ever to make an appear-

ance on the Olympic program. Take the liberty relay, in which contestants had to carry a lighted candle while running (or more frequently hopping) through the shallow end of the pool. Or the President's Strut and Cannonball Jump, in which points were given for creativity of costuming.

Then there was the rink race, where helmeted competitors relayed a tray progressively more loaded with plates and cups (break-proof of course) down the slippery surface. And the egg toss, which left some of the teams, if you will pardon the expression, with egg on their faces.

In all, three hundred plus participants took part in seventeen events in a variety of venues—the Dalplex fieldhouse, the Dal arena, Studley field, the pool, the parking lot and the square in front of the Student Union Building.

Overall points champions were the Dal swim team, who have finished at or near the top in the five years the Festival has been held, and are reportedly ready to apply for Carded Athlete status from Sport Canada for the event.

The Meds I team finished second in the point standings. The Cannonball costume and jump competition was copped by their colleagues, Meds II. Top honours in the President's Strut went to the cleverly disguised Physiotherapy team, who hobbled around the course swathed in tensor bandages and supported by a variety of canes and crutches.

Judging from the cheering, chanting and camaraderie, a good time was had by all, before and after, as well as during, the events.