

SPORTS

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Basketball

Both UNB teams went down in defeat in the finals at the annual UNB Fall Classic this weekend. The Red Bloomers reached the women's final by thrashing UCCB 108-40. In the final they met Laval and lost a thriller 82-80. In the consolation final Husson defeated UCCB 73-62. Leading the way for the Bloomers in the final were Jill Jackson with 26 points, Kara Palmer with 15 and Laura Swift with 14.

Raider rookie head coach Clint Hamilton had a successful coaching debut as the Raiders defeated Laval 91-74. However the tables were turned in Saturday's final as Husson College of Maine scored a 111-70 triumph to take home top honors at the tournament. In the consolation final Dalhousie defeated Laval 86-69.

Offensively the Raiders got 27 points from Duff Adams and 18 points from Keith Gibson in the final. This weekend the Raiders are participating in a series of clinics in Sussex while the Bloomers are in Quebec City at the Laval tournament.

Soccer

The UNB Red Shirts hung on to first place in their division last weekend despite a pair of losses. On Saturday the team dropped a 2-1 decision to Dalhousie and then Sunday were shutout 1-0 in Acadia. UNB is in first place with a 4-4-2 record, 1 point ahead of 4-4-1 Moncton. This weekend the Shirts close out their regular season with a game against Mt. A in Sackville

This week in UNB sports

Friday Oct. 30

Ice Hockey UNB at U. of Maine 7pm (EST)
W. Basketball UNB at Laval tourney
W. Volleyball UNB Invitational

Saturday Oct. 31

Cross Country AUAA Championships at O'Dell park 12 noon
W. Basketball UNB at Laval tourney
Field Hockey UNB at AUAA's St. Mary's
Ice Hockey UNB at U. of Maine 7pm (EST)
W. Volleyball UNB Invitational

Sunday Nov. 1

Soccer UNB at Mt. Allison 2pm
Field Hockey AUAA championship game at SMU
W. Basketball UNB at Laval tourney

Wednesday Nov. 4

Ice Hockey UNB at STU 7:30pm

AUAA Scoreboard

Soccer	Hockey
SMU 2 DAL 1	ACA 8 SMU 5
SFX 0 UDM 0	DAL 9 PEI 4
DAL 2 UNB 1	UNB 4 UDM 0
ACA 1 MTA 0	SMU 6 SFX 3
ACA1 UNB 0	STU 5 MTA 3
DAL 1 MTA 0	ACA 5 PEI 5
SMU 3 UDM 0	SMU 8 UCB 7

Field hockey

UNB 3 SMU 1
UNB 4 SMU 1

Football

SMU 30 ACA 8
MTA 60 SFX 10

Field Hockey final standings

	W	L	T	PTS
UNB	8	0	0	16
PEI	1	5	2	4
SMU	1	5	2	4

UNB Athletes of the week

Chris Somers Ice Hockey
Tammy Jewer Field Hockey

Harriers hope to four-peat as AUAA champions

UNB hosting AUAA cross country finals

by Frank Denis

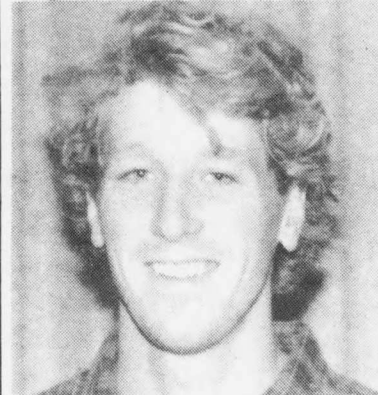
When the UNB Red Harriers cross country running teams step up to the line before the AUAA race tomorrow one will be looking for their 4th consecutive AUAA championship, while the other will simply be looking for respectability and a strong performance.

The UNB men's team has dominated every AUAA race so far this season, while the women, have done as well as a team with one veteran and lots of rookies can.

With their lopsided wins one could say that the men's team could beat themselves if they become overconfident. However co-captain Bill Sheel says overconfidence should not be a problem.

"No one on our team is overconfident about tomorrow's race. There's always a chance that we could get upseeded, but from what I've seen, the team is focused on winning tomorrow's race and then will concentrate on the race at the CIAU National level," says Sheel.

The Harriers had one of their finest seasons in recent memory, however that does not come as a surprise to Sheel.



Bill Sheel

"I'm not surprised by how our regular season went. We had a large number of returning runners. The rookies on the team have helped because they've pushed the veterans in the



UNB runners hope to be first across the line tomorrow

workouts, and because of that no one has taken their position on the team lightly."

Should UNB win tomorrow's 10 km race at Odell Park, they will earn the right to compete next Saturday in the CIAU meet at McGill University in Montreal. Last year at the nationals in Victoria, B.C. UNB finished 5th overall and according to Sheel the team is looking to improve on that result should they win AUAA's one of the reasons is that UNB has already run on the designated course in Montreal. In early October UNB place 2nd at the McGill meet. The experience gave the Red Harriers a chance to not only see the course, but check out the competition.

"This year we're taking the CIAU's more seriously. In the past we've just been happy to be there, but this year with all team members returning, everyone is running very strong," says Sheel. "We believe we have a legitimate shot at a medal, a bronze medal at that, but to get that everyone would have to run really well. Certainly a medal at nationals is a possibility that could become a reality."

This is perhaps one of the best men's cross country team's that has ever been assembled at UNB. Next year the team will be losing

5 solid veterans. Along with Sheel graduating so are Mike Fellows, Kenny Hunter, Rorri Currie and Randy Cauldwell. Currie has won each race so far this season and should lead all runners across the finish line this weekend.

If anyone is to upset UNB in the AUAA's it would be Dalhousie who has finished second all year. However Sheel points out an interesting stat.

"In all of this year's races myself, Rorri Currie, Keith Fahey and Mike Fellows have not been beaten by a Dalhousie runner. In order to win our lower counters have to finish well and place ahead of Dal if we are to win."

Dalhousie on the other hand should dominate the women's race. The UNB's women's team is composed of one veteran Mollie Ferris and a host of rookies and have been reasonable in their expectations so far.

Teams competing this weekend include St. FX, Acadia, Moncton, St. Thomas, Memorial as well as UNB and Dalhousie.

The Women's 5km race begins at 12 noon and the men's 10 km at 12:45 p.m. At 2:30 pm awards and a reception will be held at Choo Chews on King street. Both races will be held at Odell Park, Saturday and admission is free.

Red Sticks finish on top

by: Luke Peterson

For the fourth consecutive season, the UNB Red Sticks have finished first in the Atlantic Universities Womens Field Hockey Conference. By virtue of their first place finish the Red Sticks receive a bye into the AUAA final, where they will face either UPEI or St. Mary's. This weekend's action will determine the Sticks' opponents for the Sunday November 8th final to be played on the turf of St. Mary's stadium.

Despite her team's undefeated record throughout the regular season, third year coach, Donna Hornibrook remains cautious in regards to this year's playoffs.

"It's almost scary when you have to play one game...if you're not prepared and someone else is hungry, they can knock you off!" Although Hornibrook does not want to appear overconfident, a Red Sticks' loss in the AUAA final would be considered a huge upset.

Over the regular season the Red Sticks' offense was led by a formidable midfield comprised of several outstanding conference all-stars including, league scoring champ and All-Canadian Josette Babineau, Senior Wendy Gallant and team captain Tanya Whalen. With a roster that boasts the four leading scorers in the conference, scoring goals

shouldn't be a big problem for the Red Sticks. Should her team's potent offense run into difficulties, Hornibrook says, "The key to us doing well (at the National level) is goaltending".

The level of play at this year's CIAU Nationals is sure to be top notch. The six team tournament will feature the winners from each of the three CIAU conferences, the host team and two wild card teams to be determined on the basis of regular season records. It is quite possible that three of the six teams may come from the perennial field hockey powerhouse division of Canada West. Defending CIAU

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