

Bloomers finish second in Nationals, eye first next year

The UNB Red Bloomers had a successful season this year, finishing with a 23-3 record and with the distinction of being number two in Canada.

Losses were inflicted by good teams. The first was against the University of Southern Connecticut who were rated third in the eastern United States this year. The second loss was against Laurentian University in the CWIAU finals.

The third defeat came in a league contest when the Bloomers met St. Mary's. The Bloomers came back to dump SMU by 35 points, clinching the conference title and eliminating their opponents from further playoff action.

The Bloomers also compiled an impressive list of wins this season. They defeated St. Francis Xavier, easily one of the top five teams in the country, in both meetings.

During the Concordia tourna-

ment, the Red Bloomers clinched third place by defeating Queen's University of New York, a top American team, by an 86-80 score.

In the same semi-finals at the National Championships in Guelph the UNB team was at one time 14 points behind the University of Victoria. However, they were still not out of the game and managed a 62-59 win.

Wherever the Bloomers have played this year, they have done so with poise and pride. At Guelph, one of the tournament officials called UNB the friendliest team in attendance. People all across the country have been impressed with the Red Bloomers, on and off the court.

Opinions are high that this will continue into next season. Coach Phil Wright is looking forward to an excellent year. Only one player, captain Janet Goggin, is graduat-

ing. Losing "Goggi" will deprive the team of her excellent leadership spirit and great enthusiasm.

However, this year's crop of rookies has been impressive and now that they have a year's

experience, will be an even greater contribution to the team.

The remaining players are already looking toward next season with a renewed desire to be as successful as this past season. Some of the players are already

back in the gymnasium getting ready for next year.

With the talent of the Bloomers we expect they will go far next year and hope to see them representing the AUAA at Nationals for the fourth consecutive year.



ONLY NO. 2 THIS YEAR but coach Phil Wright and his Bloomers have their determination geared to bring home the Bronze Baby next year.

Divers plunge way to national prominence

UNB's diving team under the coaching of Jeff Deane made an impressive showing at the Canadian Intercollegiate Diving Championships which were held over the March break. Coach Deane must be commended on his fine coaching ability as all his divers were finalists.

Bernie LeBlanc, in her first national competition, placed 7th on one meter and established a record for women's diving from UNB. Of all the women to compete in National competition from UNB Bernie has had the highest standing.

Gary Kelly, a freshman to UNB and the diving scene, was a finalist on both boards and ended his first National competition in 11th position. With Kelly's fine talent and Coach Deane's teaching abilities Kelly will certainly be a stand-out figure in diving in year's to come. Kelly has proven he is of national calibre and this certainly won't be his last Canadian competition.

Dale MacLean, a second year diver, had an outstanding performance on one meter and entered the finals in second position and held onto that spot. Exhibiting both perfected style and good execution MacLean was a silver medalist in the Canadian Championships.

John Thompson, in his last competition for UNB, showed the true championship material he is

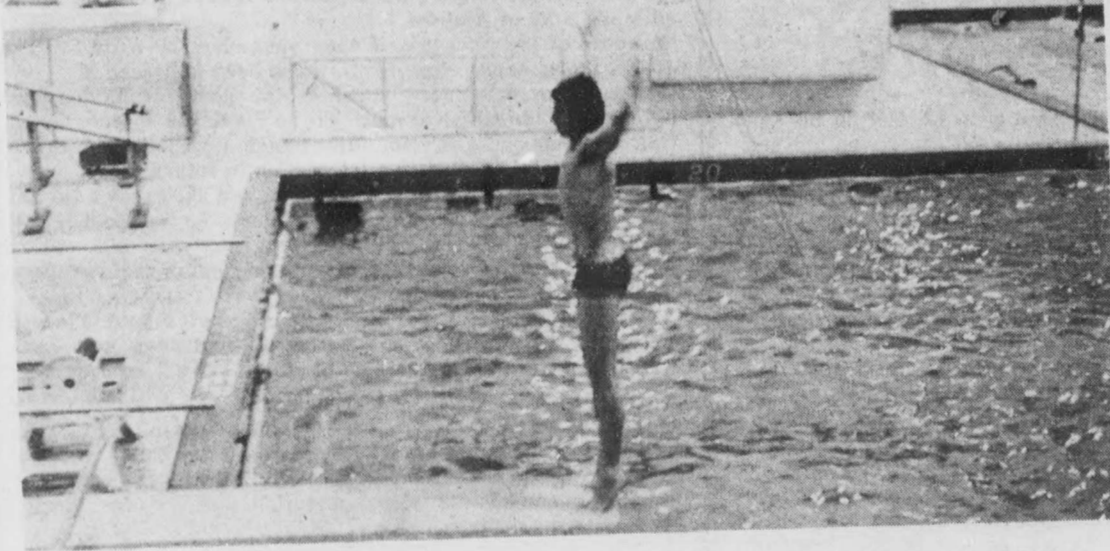
made of when he bounced higher and dove better than most to a bronze medal standing on three meter.

Thompson is a fourth year diver for the university and has ended his diving career for UNB in true championship style. Though he has run out of eligibility for the university, Thompson will still be a name to look for in future regional and national competition.

Although most teams have completed practices UNB diving team can still be seen practicing everyday. Two people who are practicing with further National competitions in mind are Dale MacLean and John Thompson for they have qualified for Olympic trials 1976. Gaining a birth to the trials to be held in Montreal on May 15-17, these two divers are hoping to perform at peak performance and at high national calibre.

When UNB's divers were asked what was the great drive and success behind their fine standings they all accredited Coach Jeff Deane who has done an impressive job and no doubt will continue to do so in the future.

A big vote of thanks from UNB's divers goes out to people such as Donnie Wilson, Barry Roberts, Debbie Prince, Ann Deane, Elizabeth Thompson and all those who have helped and contributed to their success this year.



NATIONAL CALIBRE during can be found at UNB under the guidance of coach Jeff Deane.

Savoy's Red Blazers leave imprint on UNB hockey scene

Although not a varsity sport, or for that matter a much recognized one, women's ice hockey made its impact on the sports scene of UNB with noticeable effect this year.

The Red Blazers did not have a schedule to follow but none the less they had their fair share of action.

At the season's close they took part in the first annual Dalhousie University Women's Ice Hockey Tournament in Halifax. The

Blazers didn't win, but they put on a good showing and came away with the praises of their hardworking coach, Brian Savoy.

The Blazers, who started out with 25-27 players and finished the season with 17, had their best showing in the hockey tourney held at Bishops College in Quebec this year, placing second in tournament standings. The girls lost a close 3-2 final against John Abbott. Bev Bennett, UNB's goalie, was selected as the MVP of the tourney.

In addition to the tournaments which they have taken part in, the Blazers have also swapped thumps with teams from Woodstock, Oromocto and Saint John. As well, they introduced members of the Science hockey team of the Inter-class men's intramurals program to co-ed hockey.

Savoy is in hopes that more females will begin strapping on the blades with the intention of playing some recreational hockey here at UNB.

UNB's Sport Parachuting Club has successful season

Although the UNB Sport Parachuting Club lost its jump plane in the last major storm, it is still alive and well and waiting to come back in full force. The club is anxiously awaiting the purchase of another plane.

Although spells of bad weather hindered many newcomers from enjoying the sport last fall, this was the second year various members of the club travelled to Florida. The prospect of large star attempts and jumping from a DC-3 were fulfilled during the trip.

Because of the attempts and

successes this year the club has more experienced relative workers than ever before. In fact, the prospect of a full summer of jumping is indicated with so many jumpers remaining in the area.

Winter Carnival saw for the first time a sky diving Demo in front of the SUB, and for the second year running, the weather allowed a most successful Winter Carnival Sky-Diving meet. All round this was perhaps the club's best year and it is indeed sorry to see some of its strongest contributors leaving this year.

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