Elite hockey program

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A new feature of the Intramural Hockey program this winter is the introduction of an Elite Development Program. The intent is to provide a place of high calibre play within the University for players who don't make the Varsity teams at UNB or STU as well as for the better players already in the Intramural Hockey program.

The Elite league will consist of four teams and each will receive coaching and a separate practice schedule from the rest of the Intramural program. It is expected that each team will practice once or twice per week and play three games every two weeks. Tryouts for all four teams are scheduled for October 5 and 7 and more details about the tryouts will be available the first of October. It should be noted that any students wishing to play intramural Hockey must register at the Recreation Office by 1 October. Practices start for the Elite Program during the week of October 13 and games will

commence the following week.

The games for the Elite program will be during Saturday afternoons, Sunday afternoon and evenings, and evenings on Mondays and Wednesdays. The playing schedule will finish the week prior to the

mid-term break this winter.

It should be noted that the Elite Program will be governed by the same rules as the rest of the Intramural Hockey program. That means that there will be no bodychecking and no slapshots. Therefore, the emphasis will be on skating, shooting and teamwork.

The cost for playing in the Elite Program is going to be \$20 per player plus a refundable default deposit of \$150 per team. Included in the cost will be team sweaters. Each skater, except for the goalies, will have to provide his own

gear in order to play in the Elite Program.

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Anybody who is interested in playing in the Elite Development Hockey Program should contact the Recreation Office or be on the lookout for announcements in the Bruns around the first of October.

Rookies to fill holes

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the team this year - one second year player Deb Fullerton of Sudbury, Ontario had a very successful summer playing for the Ontario Senior Team and capturing a silver medal.

The other is Nancy Peppler of Hanover, Ontario and she is a freshman having played her high school field hockey at Ridley College. The other four freshmen Red Sticks include Angela Gallant and Tracey **Clements of Summerside and** Murray River, PEl respectively. They have added to the Island majority of team members, of which there are seven. Angela played at Three Oaks High School along with several age group PEl summer teams while Tracey gained her experience at Montague High School.

The other two freshmen are from NB - Patty Slater from Moncton High School and Joan **Robere from Clement Cormier.** Patty is another alround athlete having played both basketball and soccer at high school levels. Joan is another candidate for that 1989 Jr. World Cup Team as she spent

the summer touring with the Jr. National Team as 1 of 4 underage players taken.

Pam Gallant will manage the team this year. Pam (you may remember) was a Red Stick last year but suffered an injury over the summer and has to avoid contact sports for the rest of the year.

Other players that will be missed this year include graduates Carol Cooper, Susan Grady and Anne Campbell. Carol and Susan were both AUAA all stars several times during their careers. Susan was also First Team All Cana-

dian her last year. Lisa Kilpatrick, a second Team All Canadian will also not be back. There are several large holes to fill but a good nucleus of last year's team are back along with a good crop of rookles.

Last year has UNB boast one of its best records yet, 12 and 0 in the league with a 40 and 2 goals against average. That will be a difficult goal to match or better but the team this year promises an exciting brand of field hockey including lots of goals.

