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Dalhousie hockey: tradition and an old habit

by Jefferson Rappell

Carrying on the tradition of seeing how the Dal hockey Tigers fare against NCAA Division I hockey schools, the Tigers invited the Merrimack Warriors of Anover, Massachusetts to Halifax for a two game series at Studley Arena.

As they were but exhibition games, Dal took the opportunity to premiere players Mark Alexander, Aaron Karmazyn and Pat Russell.

Coming off a big loss to Acadia, it looked as though the two games would be an uphill battle, but when the puck dropped for the first bout on Saturday night, Dal showed that they came to play.

The first period featured two grinding goals by rugged centre Mark "I would walk 500" Myles, and an impressive debut from goaltender Greg "thought I'd died and gone to" Dreveny.

The second frame was highlighted by a knuckle-ball goal from centre ice by Brian "Lion" King, and a goal

scored on a penalty shot from Dany "Floral" Bousquet.

In the third Myles finished off the hat trick, and the Dal defence staved off a Merrimack attack to finish with a 5-4 victory.

Sunday's battle featured a chance for Merrimack to even up the series, but apparently they may have indulged in too much of the Haligonian nightlife.

Confidence was also on the rise in the Dal camp as the prospects of facing a Division I NCAA school was no longer as daunting.

Dal scorers were led by Stephen Maltby with two, and Mark Myles netting one for his fourth of the series. Other scorers for Dal included Jeff Letourneau, Dany Bousquet, and Ulrik Bengtsson.

Hopefully the success against Merrimack will spur on the Dal Tigers against Moncton on Saturday at 7 p.m., and St. Thomas on Sunday at 2 p.m.

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Old habits die hard.

What sucks even harder is when your old habit is losing hockey games in Wolfville to the Acadia Axemen.

The Dal hockey Tigers tried to overcome the jinx of losing on the road to Acadia last Friday after two convincing wins at home. It was no secret that Dal was facing its toughest challenge of the early season, but what remained to be seen was whether or not the new faces in Dal's lineup would succumb to the hex that has haunted Dal in the past.

Unfortunately, they did.

The sellout crowd at Acadia Arena included a few dozen Dal fans, the only people in the arena with a pulse.

Even the talented Axemen, breaking out to a 5-0 nothing lead before Dal scored its first goal, could not stir the lifeless Acadia "fans."

The physical play of Acadia opened up the game early as Axeman

Jeff MacLeod sandwiched Dal forward Marc Robillard in the first period, separating his shoulder and leaving him out of action for 4-6 weeks.

The comatose crowd barely even responded in the second frame when Axeman Trevor Fraser left his feet to crunch hulking Dal defenceman Brian King.

Dal got into the game in the second registering goals by Stephen Maltby, and Dan Holmes, but lost their momentum when Jason Weaver scored on a penalty shot to make the

score 6-2.

The third period brought a few bright spots for the Tigers, with Maltby netting his second of the game, and hard working Tyler Naugler potting a goal. The Axemen answered with two of their own, leaving the final score 8-4 in favour of the home squad.

It looks like Acadia will once again be the team to beat in the AUSA, and if Dal can't overcome the Acadia jinx, it could be a short playoffs.

Haley takes on the world



by Carmen Tam

It is all starting to seem like routine as Dartmouth's Andrew Haley packs his gear again. This time he is off to Malta to compete in the World Swimming Championships.

Currently ranked number one in the commonwealth, he had just won a gold medal at the Commonwealth Games in Victoria last August.

He already has his hands wet as Haley has competed at the worlds four years ago in Holland.

"I know what it takes this time around," said Haley.

His goal is to make the finals in all his events. He is competing in the 50 freestyle, 100 backstroke, 100 free, 200 IM and 400 free.

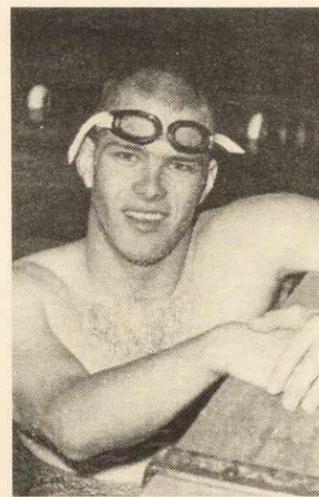


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Dalhousie Athletes of the Week

Dana Holmes-Soccer



*Scored two goals vs. SMU
Player of the Game vs. SFX

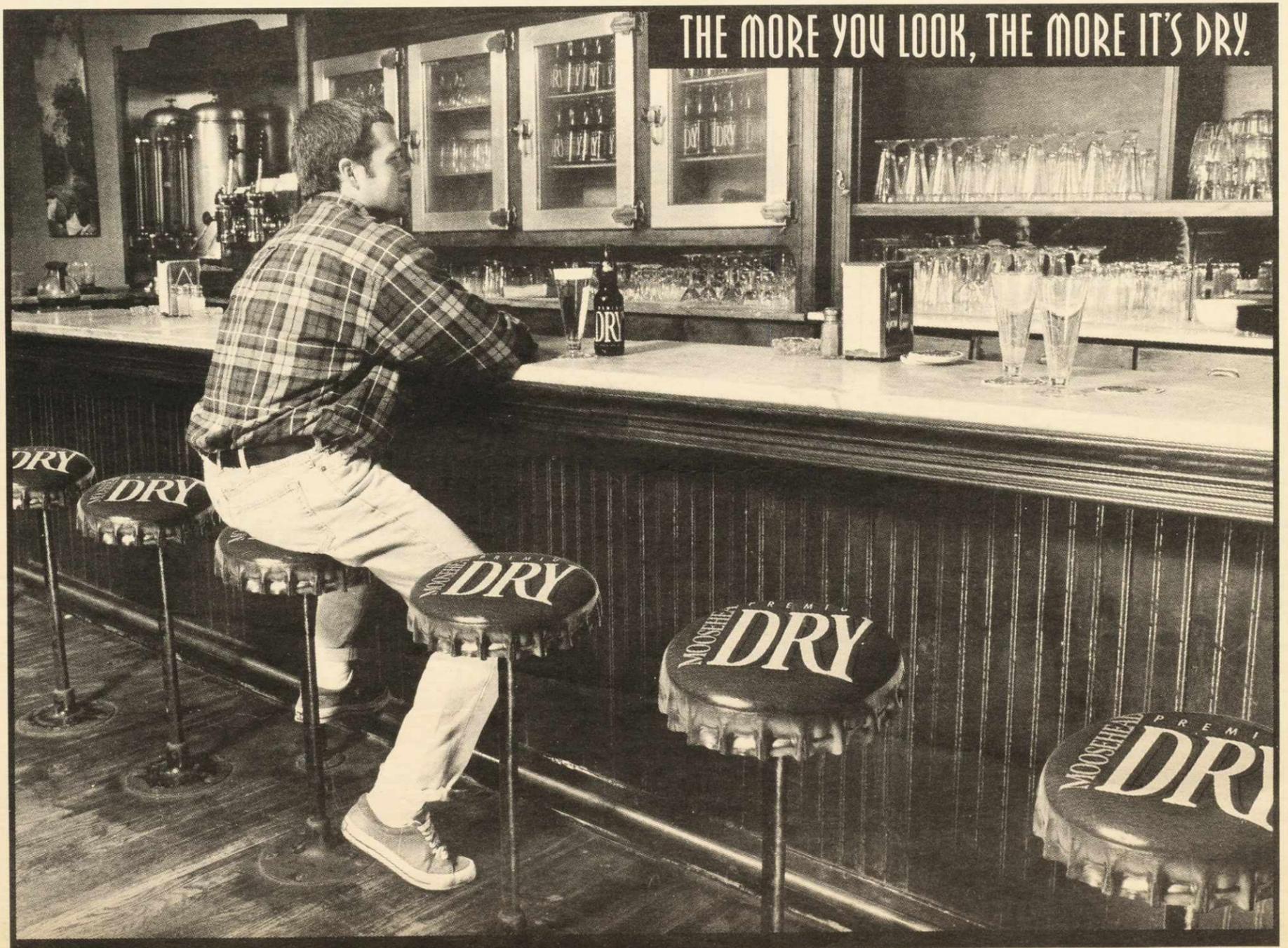
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Rorri Currie-X-Country



*Won Moncton Invitational 10Km in 30:59. Fastest time this season in CIAU

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