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# IAU Meet at UNB TRAME CANADA

This Saturday the University of New Brunswick will host the 9th Annual Canadian Intercollegiate Cross Country Championship. Four teams, representing the various conferences of the CIAU will be on hand to vie for top honors in the annual event. The race is slated for 2:00 p.m., November 13 at the Maritime Forest Ranger School.

Defending champions, The University of Western Ontario, again will be representing the Ontario University Athletic Association. Western certainly has to be considered the pre-meet favorite as they are returning with virtually the same team that carried them to the CIAU championship last season. Western's Grant McLaren was the OUAA's individual race winner and will be the favorite to cop top spot in the individual competition.

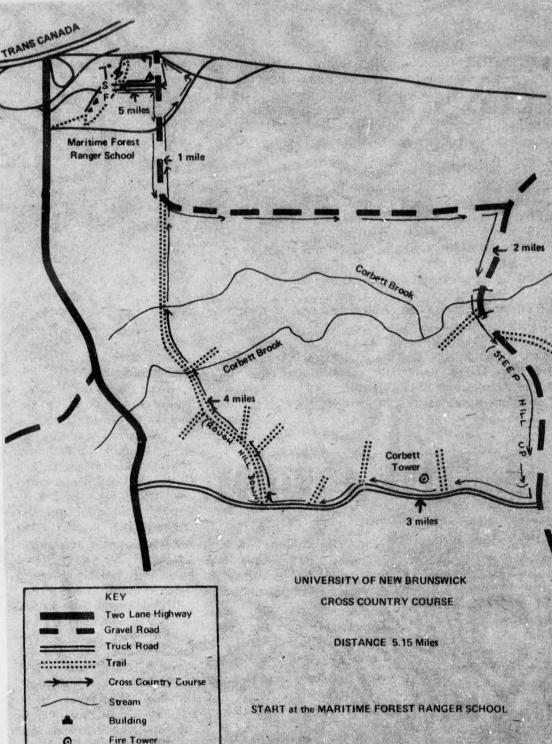
The University of British Columbia upset last years CIAU runner-up, the University of Saskatchewan, to win the Western Intercollegiate Athletic Association Championship. UBC showed great grouping and strength to score an easy victory. The individual winner, however, was Bob Kochan of the University of Saskatchewan. UBC should provide a stiff threat to unseat the defending champions for Western. Bill Smart and Ken French of the UBC Thunderbirds, members of the Canadian National Track and Field Team, should provide McLaren's competition for the individual honors

Royal Military College will be representing the Quebec University Athletic Association. RMC shares the distinction with the University of New Brunswick of being the only teams to have qualified for all nine CIAU championships. Very little is known about RMC's strength this season but with three runners returning from last year, they should prove to be somewhat stronger.

UNB's own Red Harriers, representing the Atlantic Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, will round out the field. UNB has never been a serious contender for top honors but Coach Early expects to see his Harriers put on a much stronger performance than in past years. Mr. Early was somewhat reluctant to offer a prediction but did offer the following comment: "Western is the team to beat. Our team is much stronger this season, and is by far the best team I've ever had. This is the first time I have ever felt we could win." With the meet on the UNB home course the Harriers should have a definite advantage

Bob Book, the AIAA individual Champion will compete for the individual National Championship. Although Book, from Dalhousie, is given little chance to win, he is expected to finish well up in the top ten. Bob Kochan, of the University of Saskatchewan, the WIAA champion will also compete individually.

The course for this championship has been





out in the UNB woodlot at the Maritime Forest Ranger School. It is 5.15 miles in length, with two significant characteristics: a half mile hill and a swampy section about 400 yards in length. The running surface consists of a system of hard surface roads and has been termed "good". In relation to other courses Coach Early observed.

"It's a nice course. It's the best course ever for a CIAU Championship. It offers a variety of terrain. and should provide a great challenge." It was noted that in the past most courses have tended to be flat. The steep hill is a radical departure from this trend, and should be instrumental in deciding the outcome of the race.

At the conclusion of the meet the athletes will be the guests of the University at a banquet at the Student Union Building. Presentation of trophies and awards will be made at this time. The Banquet will commence at 3:30 p.m.

### 1970 CIAU Cross Country

**Team Standings:** Western Ontario U of Saskatchewan York University **U** of New Brunswick Royal Military College

Back row, left to right: Art Slipp (manager), Dick Slipp, Dave Beattie, Dave Pankovitch, Mal Early (Coach). Front row: Normand Savole, Ian Cordner, Bob Slipp, Donnie Davis, Doug Keeling.

# Harriers preparing for

The UNB Red Harriers are gradually winding down their training schedule in preparation for the upcoming CIAU cross country championship. The team is quickly rounding into shape after a series of minor colds and injuries and will be ready for what they hope will be their most impressive finish in nine trips to the national finals.

Harrier Captain, Bob Slipp, a fourth year Physical Education student, will be making his last run for UNB. Slipp has just completed the most successful season of competition of his

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career, finishing in the top three contributed significantly to the in each outing this year. He is team's grouping and success. again expected to lead UNB off the line.

Doug Keeling, a freshman race from him is anticipated.

Dave Beattie and Dick Slipp. been consistent throughout the ond year. Pankovitch, a second two third year students, have season and are improving daily. Their steady performances have UNB.

Ian Cordner, Normand Savoie. and Dave Pankovitch all from

Ouebec, are the only members of the Harriers not from Fredis also expected to be well to ericton. Both Cordner and the top of the field in Satur- Savoie have had impressive seaday's competition. Keeling has sons. Their ability to stay "up always been able to produce front" has given the team the when called upon and a good added depth needed to be competitive on a team basis. Cordner is a third year student while Savoie is enrolled in secyearphysical education student. will be making his first start for