

Skiers compete at Can-Am

This year's CAN-AM finals were held at the sight of the 13th Winter Olympics, in Lake Placid, New York. The four day event included two Special Slaloms, and two Giant slaloms.

On Tuesday, the first Slalom was held on the men's Olympic Slalom course; a 35 degree pitch of blue ice. This was the first blue ice any Dalhousie racers had encountered this year. Consequently, only three finished; Brian Oliphant, Pam Reid, and Willy Cruwys. Anxiety from the first day event made the Dal team exceptionally strong on the second day event, the Giant Slalom.

Both Giant Slaloms were held on the women's Olympic Giant Slalom trail, a gruelling 3/4 mile of man made ice. The hard snow was beneficial to the racers, as the course conditions remained equal for all 180 racers. After the first run, Dalhousie lead the Giant Slalom by an unprecedented 1.5 seconds, beating out its biggest threats, Western Ontario, two racers of which were on the Canadian National Development team, and Plymouth State of New Hampshire, New England's top CAN-AM competitor. Link tucker of Dalhousie captured

first, and Jess Tucker captured fifth, to put Dalhousie in the lead. The second Giant Slalom was a repeat of the first. Link Tucker again lead the pack by 1.8 seconds, and Jess Tucker held 11th. The results of the Giant Slalom upset and surprised many.

The last day was the final Special Slalom. In this event Dalhousie swept the field. In the first run of the Slalom, Link Tucker again lead the pack, but by 2 seconds, something rarely done by world class racers, ahead of both Canadian National team members, Rob Safrata and Bob Rooney. The excitement was even greater when Jess Tucker, Link's brother, came in third, also beating Bob Rooney. In the second run of the Special Slalom the pack was led by national team member Rob Safrata, with Jess Tucker placing a close second, and Link Tucker, an even closer third. Overall in the Slalom Link Tucker of Dal was in first, Rob Safrata of Western Ontario second, and Jess Tucker of Dal third.

The teams competing in the CAN-AM series are . . . CANADIAN) Western Ontario, McGill, Waterloo, Queens, McMaster, Guelph, Dalhousie. (U.S.) Plymouth State,

U. of Main, Boston U., U. Mass., North Eastern, Johnson State and U. Conn.

In overall team standings Dalhousie was unable to compete. A limited budget of \$2,000 enabled the ski team to take only 6 members, which made it literally impossible to compete with other schools of 14 and 16, with budgets upward of \$10,000. The Dalhousie Ski Team is sponsored by Nova Scotia Sport, the Canadian Ski Association, and Dalhousie University. An effort is being made to raise more money for next year's CAN-AM series by team participation in house painting, ski team dances, and by additional sponsorship.

The Dalhousie A team consists of (men) the Tucker brothers, Doug Walker, Brian Oliphant, and Coach Bob Lahody (an ex-national team member); (women) Pam Reid, Willy Cruwys. The B team consists of (men) John Roy, John Logan, Greg Auld, Chuck Piercy, and Tim Reid; (women) Lynn McGregor.

The Ski Team would like to thank Kell Antoft, the team manager, Kathline Barrigan, head of Dalhousie Sports Budget Program, Nila Ipsen, club organizer, Rossignol, K2, and Solomon for their support with equipment.



Jess Tucker one of Dal's skiers at Lake Placid.

All-Canadian squad



Two Dalhousie basketball players were named All-Canadians at the CIAU awards banquet on March 5th.

Back row: second team All-Canadians Carol Rosenthall (Dalhousie), Janis Paskevich (Calgary), Trix Kannekans (Alberta), Betty Hoffart (Regina), Marty Demaree (Western Ontario).

Front row: first team All-Canadians Candy Clark (Guelph), Debbie Huband (Bishop's), Carol Turney-Loos (Victoria), Anne Lindsay (Dalhousie), Debbie Steele (Winnipeg), and Coach of the Year Kathy Shields (Victoria).

Squash tourney

The first Dalhousie University Squash Club tournament wound up on Saturday, March 15th with final matches in Men's B, C and D divisions and Women's B and C. Play took place on March 11th and 13th-15th on the 4 international size Dalplex squash courts.

In a hard fought, one and one quarter hour struggle, Malcolm Grieve eked out a win over Mike Gardner, 1-9, 9-6, 9-2, 9-10, 10-9 in the Men's B final. The Men's B consolation round featured an equally close match with Kevin Doyle beating Bob March 3-2.

The Women's B winner was Linda Rankin, coming back to win over Anna Paton 6-9, 9-6, 9-6, 9-5. Wilma Broeren was the winner on the consolation side of the Women's B division.

Other winners were Jim Dale (Men's C), Wolfgang Novak (Men's D), and Mary Catherine Turton (Women's C). Runners-up in each division were Bruce Grindley, Steve Nicol and Laurie Pow. Consolation winners were Carolyn Cox (Women's C), Randell Stephenson (Men's C) and Brian Lane (Men's D).

Professor Jim Aitchison, a squash player for 38 years and a moving force behind squash at Dalhousie, made the presentations to the winners.

Tom Higgins