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The women's team sinks their rivals, again Reds win their Invitational

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The Brunswickan

The mighty Reds sank their competition. The UNB Varsity Reds swimming team downed the competition in their Invitational over the weekend. UNB hosted the final AUA meet of the season with the Dal Tigers, Memorial Seahawks, and Mount Allison Mounties attending.

For the second time in less than two weeks the UNB women's team defeated their arch rival the Dalhousie Tigers. The Reds had not defeated the Tigers in two and half years, until this half of the season. The women took 223 points, the Tigers got 167 points to finish in second spot. Mt. A finished in third with 18 points and MUN took the final spot with 3 points.

The UNB men's team proved they were no match for their competition collecting 241 points to finish first. The Tigers finished in second with 113 points. Mt. A claimed third spot with 42 points and MUN rounded out the competition with 15 points.

The Reds even took male and female 'Swimmer of the Meet' with Iain Tennant and Michelle MacWhirter respectively collecting the honors. In addition they garnered UNB athletes of the week honours for their outstanding performances in this weekend's AUA Invitational at UNB. Both athletes were instrumental in leading their respective men's and women's teams to victory.

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Andrew Cole

In the women's competition the Reds took 15 of the 18 events. Dal's Angela MacAlpine was the winner of the other three events. In addition two members of the Reds team qualified for the CIAU's. Krista Morrison in the 200m IM, 100m breaststroke and 400m IM. Teammate Michelle MacWhirter qualified for the 200m back and 200m butterfly. Morrison just missed qualifying



Inset: A V-Reds sets her sights on the competition.

JUD DELONG PHOTO

for the 100m butterfly by .03 of a second.

The men's team was equally successful in keeping their opponents out of first with 16 of the 18 events. Marty Laycock of the men's team was the sole qualifier for the Reds in the 100m breaststroke on the weekend.

The Reds used teamwork in their relays to improve their standings nationally. The UNB women's 400m medley relay finished in a time of 4:38.45 to put them in seventh spot in the nation. Meanwhile the men's 400m medley relay team moved into fourth spot in the nation with a time of 3:59.60. The men's team proved how powerful they are with their finish as the Tigers came in a distant second at 4:18.71

Reds' coach Andrew Cole is quite pleased with the team saying, "They have really improved since the beginning of the season, physically, and speed wise. It is surprising what can be done in such little time."

UNB's swim team trains 11 times per week and have attended a rigorous training camp in Florida during their Christmas Break. Cole says, "The team is training almost as hard as the Olympic team, they can't train as hard simply because they are student athletes." What is their secret for their success? "Our training isn't much different than other teams although we have some of

the most dedicated athletes here," explains Cole.

The Reds won't be competing this weekend instead they will use the time to get ready for the AUA's on the weekend of February 14-16 in Halifax. "At that time half of them will shave and taper before going," says Cole.

The entire UNB contingent will be attending the AUA's as it will be the last chance for swimmers to qualify for CIAU's. The Reds who have already qualified for the CIAU's include Michelle MacWhirter, Krista Morrison, Josh Ballem, Iain Tennant, Marty Laycock and Chris Jones. Although there are a number of swimmers still looking to qualify.

"The men are expected to capture the AUA title but the women will have a battle. The Dal women outnumber the UNB women so it will be much harder," says Cole. Despite the Reds beating Dal on the last two meetings of the teams Cole expects it to be tough because "The Dal women will rise to the occasion."

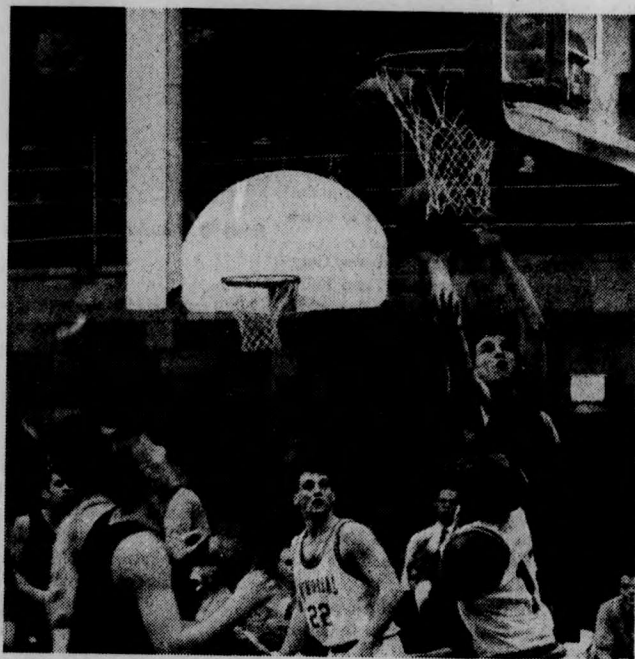
Cole is quite proud of the achievements of Carla Geurts who is ranked by Fina (International ranking) 9th in the 200m free, 6th 400m free and 5th in the 800m free. Geurts also has an article written about her in the latest *SwimNews*. She swims for the Netherlands.

Basketball battles against adversity Reds down undefeated MUN

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The Reds take it in overtime. The UNB Varsity Reds men's basketball team met the MUN Seahawks over the weekend. The Reds went into the weekend ranked 5th or 6th in the league, and came out ranked 4th, after downing the undefeated Seahawks.

"I was proud of the way our players found the way to come back and a pretty high level of adversity and find a way to win."
Clint Hamilton



UNB's Ryan Johnston drives for the hoop in weekend sweep of MUN.

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The Reds met with the Seahawks on Saturday and lead an exciting game, having been outscored 22-41 at the half, but making a swift come back in the second and going into overtime. They took the game 96-91. Dave Low was the top scorer, putting 24 points on the board for UNB. Red's Ryan Johnston was named player of the game. UNB's Gordon McNeilly also added 20 points for the team.

The two teams faced off again on Sunday, in what proved to be a competitive game. The Seahawks were the first to score, putting 2 points on the board. Red's Dan Graf was the first to get UNB in the game by shooting a 3 pointer. From here on the Reds struggled competitively with the Seahawks, both teams trying desperately to stay in the game. The Seahawks later took the lead at 10:59, making it 44-34 and taking it into the dressing room.

However, the Reds were not to be discouraged. They came into the second half ready to do battle. McNeilly was first to score in the second, followed by Simon Mac Dougall for the Reds. Through a team effort, the Reds kept scoring, putting MUN on the defensive. The clock stopped with the Reds and the Seahawks tied at 76-76, leaving them with no choice but to go into overtime.

Overtime proved hopeless for the MUN Seahawks. UNB took the lead scoring continuously and defeating the Seahawks 92-80. UNB's top scorer was Jon Kreiner, who was also named player

of the game along with Danny Gomez. When asked about the weekend wins, Reds head coach Clint Hamilton commented, "They were important wins for our program." He also remarked, "I was proud of the way our players found the way to come back and a pretty high level of adversity and find a way to win." The Reds will travel to Nova Scotia over the weekend to play Dal in Halifax and to Wolfville to take on Acadia. Hamilton remarked that "the Acadia game is a huge game, both for them and for us." Both games are 4 point games.

Reds sit in first as... UNB extends unbeaten streak

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THE BRUNSWICKAN

Entering the final stretch of the season, the women's basketball team is sitting pretty in a three way tie for first place.

After this past weekend, the Reds extend their record to 7-4. They have only lost one game since Christmas and that was to St. Francis Xavier. St. FX along with MUN are the other two teams sharing the top spot with UNB. MUN came to UNB with a record of 7-1 and headed home with some additions to their loss column. The Reds won on Saturday with a score of 65-62 and on Sunday it was 67-58.

Shelly Ryan, top scorer for both games, contributed their wins and constant improvement to the depth of talent on the team. Reds head coach Joyce Slipp goes deep into her bench, playing all twelve players on Saturday and ten on Sunday. Ryan feels that this can do nothing but help the team and make it more difficult for the opposition.



Charlene Woolaver goes for the basket.

DIANE NORMAN PHOTO

Not only does the team have much talent, but that talent is evenly distributed amongst the players. It would be difficult to point out a go to player.

To the chagrin of the opposition, at any one time, one of the Reds players can score. The scoring in both games was distributed amongst eleven and nine players.

Not only do the Reds excel in distributing the chores of the offensive game, they also create many headaches for the opposition on defense. The Reds put a lot of pressure on the MUN players.

The full court defense paid off with the Reds snapping 38 steals over the weekend. Heather Grasman led the way on the boards for UNB with a total of 13 rebounds.

This weekend the women's team is off to Nova Scotia to take on the Dal Tigers and the Acadia Axettes. According to Shelly Ryan, the team is feeling very confident heading into the weekend.

If the team keeps performing to and beyond it's potential, it should be a very successful weekend and make for an exciting AUA playoffs which will be hosted by UNB.

Sports Staff
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The UNB Varsity Reds wrestling team finished second in the university division at their meet held last week in the Main Gym.

The Reds had 44 points, four points less than the winning Memorial Seahawks, the Dal Tigers finished with 14 points and Concordia out of Montreal finished last with 10 points.

The Black Bear wrestling club from Fredericton won the women's division with 15 points, Fredericton High collected 11 points, Valley Greenwood, NS finished with 3 points and Atlantic of Halifax with 3. The Black Bears took the men's division collecting 64 points. Memorial came in second with 48 points, Montreal 20, Atlantic of Halifax with 20, FHS 12, Drag'n Pin of Gagetown 7, Valley of Greenwood, NS 7 and 8, Hants East Canoe, NS 4.

UNB's rookie Tim Pomeroy, Kevin Manderson and Cory Palmer all finished second in their respective weight classes.



UNB levels the competition.

MARC LANDRY PHOTO

UNB has had a successful first half of their season placing second at the Concordia Invitational, behind a strong team from New York. The Reds finished fourth at the University of Toronto Tour-

namment. The Reds won the Eastern Canadian wrestling team title over two AUA schools and three clubs teams from around the Maritimes.

UNB hosted Roger Williams University from Rhode Island in the first half of the season to compete in two dual meets. The team from Roger Williams team won the first dual which was a folkstyle (similar to freestyle) 45-28. In the second dual meet of the weekend UNB lost 35-34.

The Reds will be preparing for the AUA's which will be hosted by UNB at the Main Gym on February 15th.

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Friday 12:30pm**

CIAU Rankings		
Hockey	Swimming - Men	Swimming - Women
1 UQTR (2)	1 Calgary (1)	1 McMaster (1)
2 Alberta (3)	2 British Columbia (3)	2 Calgary (2)
3 Calgary (4)	3 McMaster (2)	3 McGill (3)
4 Acadia (1)	4 Toronto (4)	4 Toronto (4)
5 Guelph (6)	5 Laval (5)	5 Laval (5)
6 Waterloo (5)	6 McGill (6)	6 Alberta (7)
7 St. FX (7)	7 Montreal (7)	7 Victoria (8)
8 Manitoba (8)	8 UNB (10)	8 British Columbia
9 UNB (9)	9 Alberta (8)	9 UNB (Not ranked)
10 Saskatchewan (10)	10 Laurentian (9)	10 Dalhousie (6)

Upcoming UNB Games

Friday, January 31
Hockey - AUA All-star Game @ Halifax

Saturday, February 1
Basketball (W) @ Dal
Basketball (M) @ Dal
Volleyball (M) vs MUN @ 6:30pm (LB Gym)
Volleyball (W) vs UPEI @ 8:30pm (LB Gym)

Sunday, February 2
Basketball (W) @ Acadia
Basketball (M) @ Acadia
Hockey vs Mt. A @ 4pm (AUC)
Volleyball (M) vs MUN @ 12pm (LB Gym)
Volleyball (W) vs UPEI @ 2pm (LB Gym)

Results

Basketball

Women
MUN 58 UNB 67
MUN 62 UNB 65

Men
MUN 91 UNB 96 (ot)
MUN 80 UNB 92 (ot)

Hockey
UNB 2 UPEI 3
UNB 5 UPEI 3
STU UNB

Swimming

Women
UNB
DAL
MUN
Mt. A

Men
UNB
Dal
MUN
Mt. A

Athletes of the Week

Iain Tennant, SWIMMING

Iain Tennant, a member of the University of New Brunswick Varsity Reds men's swim team has been named UNB's male athlete of the week. Tennant, captured 4 individual gold medals and 2 relay gold medals in being named the AUA swimmer of the meet. His individual event gold medals came in the 50m Freestyle, the 50m Butterfly, the 100m Butterfly. His time of 23.87 seconds in the 50m Freestyle qualified him for the CIAU Championships in March. Tennant is a 5th year Business Administration student from St. John's Newfoundland.

Michelle MacWhirter, SWIMMING

Michelle MacWhirter, a 4th year member of the University of New Brunswick Varsity Reds women's swim team has been named UNB's female athlete of the week for the second time this season. By virtue of winning 5 individual gold medals and 2 relay gold medals, MacWhirter was named the AUA swimmer of the meet. She finished in the 200m Freestyle, the 200m Butterfly, the 50m Butterfly, the 200m Backstroke, and the 50m Backstroke. Her times in all 5 events were faster than the CIAU qualifying standards. MacWhirter is a native of Stephenville, Newfoundland, studying in the Faculty of Kinesiology.

