

GIRLS' SPORTS

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TENNIS

The intercollegiate tennis tournament was held at Acadia in the first part of November. However the only teams that were participating were Dal and Acadia. This situation was considered most unfortunate and it is hoped that a more active participation will be shown among all universities. The girls at Dal worked hard to form a team and emerged runners-up. Ginny LeQuesne lost her singles match while Judy Hattie and Lena Messler played three hard fought sets before bowing out.

GROUND HOCKEY

The girls' ground hockey team gained its greatest number of victories in three years this past season. This year Dal saw quite a few players on the team who had never played before but under the excellent coaching of Miss Carol Arnold (Women's Athletic Director) and Miss Jane Williams (who represented Canada on the All-Star field hockey team) the team shaped up very nicely. Many of the scheduled games were played on extremely muddy fields and in pouring rain, however the girls played hard and with a determination to win. The final standings show Dal in fourth place.

The thoughts for next year's team are filled with optimism. Miss Arnold felt that the team did well this year, certainly better than last, and often scores were not indicative of play. Most of the girls were freshettes or sophmores, so this year's team will form a strong nucleus for a real contending team in the next couple of years.

VOLLEYBALL

The Maritime Intercollegiate Volleyball Tournament was played at Acadia University in November. Quite a number of girls turned out for practices in the fall and after some hard work the team was picked. Dal won two games in the tournament and came close to another win. The crown was won by UNB and the final standings showed Dalhousie in fifth place. The team played hard and put up a good fight and all are looking forward to a successful season next year.

BASKETBALL

Again Dal's basketball team had a better year than last, with one more victory. The team had about half its members returnees from last year but they were nearly all forwards and therefore Miss Arnold had to form a new guard line. The team started the season well with a win against Mount St. Bernard on their first road trip. The team could not gather any other victories until Dal hosted Mount St. Bernard again. As part of the Winter Carnival Activities the girls' basketball team played Acadia. This was probably one of their best games as action and baskets see-sawed back and forth with Dal losing by only one point.

MUN HIGHLIGHT

The highlight of the year was a trip to Memorial University in Newfoundland. The girls were treated royally at the university for four days. Like true sports women they came home with a 1-1 record. These were well played and enjoyable games. The final games of the season were rather disappointing and not played as well as the previous ones. However, the team was plagued by the loss of first-string forward Wendy Stoker and first string guard Cathy Shaw. The experienced members of the team again played hard and well this year. The hopes for next year are held high, most of the team will be returning, and with a few new players, more practices, and a desire to win Dal could be a real contender next year.

DGAC

D.G.A.C. has had a troubled year; the executive has been working hard, planning a varied program, but participation has been poor. The girls have sponsored an inter-class volleyball tournament, sand-ball, have had Judo instruction, a badminton tournament, and slim and trim classes, as some program highlights.

Next year the program is going to be changed in some ways and better times are going to be arranged. It should be emphasized that all these activities are for the girls who would not be participating in varsity sports. You do not need proficiency and skill to enjoy recreational and inter-class sports, only interest.

The tournaments are being played by classes, so you will represent your class. Each class can enter as many teams as it wants and each team increases its chances of winning the Inter-class trophy.

Next year I would hope more girls would actively participate in D.G.A.C. One word to the new executive — publicity is the key to success.

Note: Managers for varsity teams are:

- Tennis — Lena Messler
- Swimming — Mary Ann Brown
- Ground Hockey — Liz Campbell and Wendy Doody
- Basketball — Nancy Graham

Now needed: — A Volleyball manager and one more basketball Manager, Contact Miss Arnold.

TO CLOSE

In closing I want to express my appreciation to the Women's Athletic Director, Carol Arnold, for her invaluable assistance ideas, and toleration. Also I would like to thank Dorothy Woodhouse, the past president of D.G.A.C., Liz Campbell, Sue Powers and Nancy Graham for their assistance for reporting games.



The beautiful and faithful cheerleaders for the 1963-64 school year. Left to right; front row: Liz Allport, Annalee Koehler, Barb Goldfrab, Jackie Leary, Margie Baxter. Back row: Janet Bates, Lynn Black, Sue Moir, Judy Bolman, Peggy Herman, Kathy Clarkson.

Hockey Round-up

A great start and a great finish could be termed the sum total of the efforts of the varsity hockey team this year. The Tigers opened the season with an awesome display of power slaughtering Nova Scotia Technical College 9-1. The game was the only one played by centreman Harold Murray who was later lost through an ineligibility ruling.

Dal's second game proved to be the most exciting of the season. Dal bottled St. Francis Xavier to a 3-3 draw. It was all George MacDonald as he knocked away 54 shots. The game went into a ten minute overtime session which saw the X-men come very close to scoring time after time only to be thwarted at the last moment by MacDonald.

After Christmas the Tigers started to slowly decline. They defeated a weak St. Marys team by only one goal and considering the way they played they were lucky to do this.

This game was closely followed by six straight defeats: 5-1 by X, 6-3 by St. Dunstons, 2-1 by Acadia, 10-4 by UNB, 4-2 by St. Thomas and 1-0 by Mount Allison. It is interesting to note that Dal managed only 11 goals during this drought while the opposite

team blinked the red light 28 times.

However, the team finally got out of their rut when they defeated Acadia 6-4. The victory proved a costly one with Dal losing for the rest of the schedule the services of Dick Drmaj, the team's leading goal getter.

The Tigers ended the season with twin victories, both 8-2 against N.S. Tech and St. Mary's.

Incidentally these were the only teams which finished below Dal in the standings.

Bill Buntain, team captain, led the team in total points for the second straight year. He was undoubtedly the most reliable forward on the team as well as one of the best in the league. It is a little known fact that he once played in the same line as Rod Gilbert of the New York Rangers in Junior "A" hockey with Guelph Royals.

George MacDonald also provided yeoman service for the Dalhousie cage being directly responsible for the reputable performance of the team in many games. Dalhousie fans can take

heart in that although George is going to attend Tech next year he does not plan to play Hockey there.

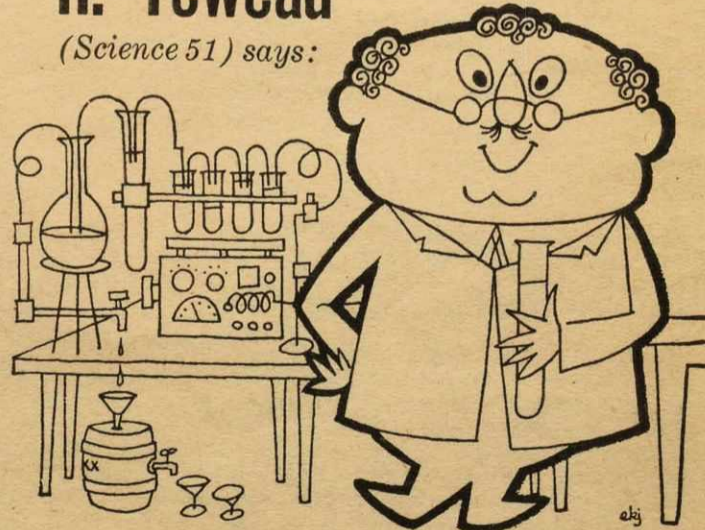
The defensive corps this year was led by Ian Oulton and Dave McClymont. Defensively, this year, Dal was slightly stronger than last although at times it was rather unsteady. Next year all four first string defensemen will return and with another year's experience under their belts should be much improved.

The big question mark for next year lies with the forward lines. This year the team had much trouble in scoring goals and the loss of Buntain will cut even deeper into goal production. Dick Drmaj, Keith Sullivan, Jamie Levitz, Brian Bauld and John MacKeigan face an awesome task next year as they must carry this load. Ray Kalzer, one of the best checking forwards on the team will be lost next year and this will weaken the team.

However, just as unprecedented events weakened this year's team Lady Luck could smile on Dalhousie next year. Anything is possible and although the situation looks pretty thin right now it should improve.

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