

Raiders gain split with Husson College

Don Nelson, head coach of the UNB Red Raiders men's basketball team, says his team is progressing faster than he thought it would in this young season.

The Raiders hosted Husson College of Maine last weekend in a pair of exhibition contests, winning the first by a 90-89 count and losing the second 83-78. The results leave the Raiders at 2-1, with three big games in Maine this weekend.

"The first game was a one-pointer, but it was a legitimate win," said Nelson. "In the second game, we got beat by a better team. We play a fast breaking, running game, and when you do that you can't afford to turn the ball over. In the first half Saturday, we turned the ball over 15 times and we trailed by 15 points at halftime. In the second half, we only turned the ball over seven times and made a game of it. The two are definitely related."

Tony Walker and Bill Young led UNB's scoring attack in last Friday's victory, scoring 16 points apiece, with Chris McCabe adding 13, Mark Newell 12, and

Scott Nicholson and Don McCormack 10 each.

Don Rogers was the big scorer in the game, however, notching 37 points for Husson.

The Raiders did a better job of containing Rogers on Saturday, limiting him to 18 points with David Adams also scoring 18 in the Husson victory.

McCormack was the high man for the Raiders with 13 points, followed by Young at 12 and McCabe with 11. Phil Guthrie was also in double figures, contributing 10 points for UNB.

"Actually, I'm a little surprised we did as well as we did against Husson," said Nelson. "We had only one game under our belt and they have played quite a few. They're the second ranked team in Maine right now."

Last night (Thursday), the Raiders were in Machias for a contest against third ranked University in Maine, Machias, a team that trounced Mount Allison of the AUAA by 24 points two weeks ago. Friday and Saturday, the Raiders are at the Thomas College tourney, with their first game against University of

Maine, Farmington, the team ranked No. 1 in the State of Maine.

Nelson and associate coach Phil Wright are still evaluating the players on their squad in preparation for their regular season opener in Sackville against the Mounties on November 25, and expect to go with that game's starting lineup when Machias is here on

Tuesday, November 22 for an exhibition tilt.

"We're still attempting to make decisions," Nelson said. "We have three games this weekend, and after that we should know who will start against Mount Allison."

Overall, Nelson said the situation is a little brighter than he thought it would be at this juncture.

"I'm a little more optimistic than I was a month ago," he said. "We're shooting more than 50 per cent from the fields; we out-shot Husson in those two games. We have a lot of players with equal abilities, and it appears to be paying off for us."

Next Tuesday's game against Machias is an 8:30 start at the Main Gym.

Reds post win over weekend

The UNB Reds Women's Volleyball team had a successful trip to PEI this past weekend. After losing their home opener to U de Moncton 3-1 the previous week the Reds stormed back to take two matches from UPEI.

In their first match UNB won the first game easily 15-4 before making some passing and hitting errors to allow the Lady Panthers to take the second game 15-13. However, the Reds came right back with convincing 15-5, 15-3 wins. With the exception of the second game the Reds were in complete control hitting with authority and playing adequate defence. The at-

tack was lead by Monique Boulay and Cheryl Matchett with 14 and 10 kills respectively while Paula O'Brien contributed 7 serving aces.

In Sunday's second match the Reds continued their mastery over UPEI with a 3-0 match sweep. Scores were 15-6, 15-11 and 15-0. Boulay and Matchett again led the Reds offensively while Nila Kilfillin came off the bench to make 5 kills in just over a game of work. Cathy Carpenter had four serving aces.

Coaches Phillips and Belanger were pleased with the weekend. Phillips said "We got out of these games as much as our competition allowed us." "We made basic errors but we're young and it will come with playing," added the second year coach. Ass't Belanger was happy with the Reds defensive play. "We worked all

week on keeping our number 6 player on spike reception and our number 1 and number 5 players alert for garbage balls. The girls did a good job." Both coaches were satisfied with the play of 1st year setter Carolyn Campbell who is developing on schedule as the team's playmaker.

The Reds' "vets" would like to thank the "rookies" for their co-operation and "it's all in good fun" during the teams' "Rookie Orientation Night."

The Reds entertain the Acadia Axettes this weekend in two must AUAA league matches. Tonight's match starts at 7:00 p.m. while Saturday's tilt begins at 1:00 p.m. These are last home games before Christmas so come out and watch some exciting womens' volleyball. The Reds need your support.

Red Shirt overview

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At the end of an eventful season, UNB soccer coach Gary Brown still appeared optimistic about his team and the future. The Red Shirts were ranked as the No. 1 team in Canada early in the season, and this made the other teams in the AUAA even more determined to beat them. Brown's opinion though was that he'd rather be ranked No. 1 than No. 2, and the AUAA is still much more competitive than it was a few years ago.

The Shirts maintained a top 10 ranking for the rest of the season, but they continued to be frustrated in a number of ways, the main ones being injuries and the (sub)standard of refereeing.

The injuries to certain key

players forced Brown to shift the line-up from game to game and to field players who weren't 100% fit. With this in mind, and with 6 rookies playing regularly, Brown considered the Red Shirts 7-1-4 won-tied-lost record as no discredit, even though he thought the current team had more potential than the 1980 team which won the national title.

The UPEI Panthers won the AUAA title, beating the Red Shirts 2-0 in the final and twice during the regular season (all games played in Charlottetown), but Brown wouldn't rate them as better than his team. The first goal in the final was controversial, coming after goalkeeper Francois Thibault had caught the ball

and then was clearly head-

butted. The second goal was also questionable, coming from a penalty after Larry Courroisier had shouldered the ball to the ground. The Panthers went on to lose 1-0 to McGill in the Eastern final, but Brown believes they could have won the national title.

Eddie Coulter, who left the university in the middle of the season, was in Brown's opinion, the most outstanding player, and his departure was a definite setback for the team. Brown was also very impressed by the play and spirit of rookies Thibault and David Foley. Thibault had a hip-pointer which affected his distribution for most of the season, and Foley came back from a bad 2nd degree sprain to play in

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SCHEDULE FOR NOV. 14-20

Thursday:
Men's Basketball, UNB at Machias(8 p.m.)

Friday:
Hockey, St. Mary's at UNB(7:30 at Aitken Centre)
Women's volleyball, Acadia at UNB(7 p.m. in Main Gym)
Swimming, Acadia at UNB(5:30 in Aitken Pool)
Men's basketball, UNB at Thomas tourney
Women's basketball, UNB at Acadia(8 p.m.)
Men's volleyball, UNB at Moncton(7 p.m.)

Saturday:
Hockey, Acadia at UNB(7:30 at Aitken Centre)
Women's volleyball, Acadia at UNB(1 p.m. in Main Gym)
Swimming, Dalhousie at UNB(12:30 in Aitken Pool)
Men's basketball, UNB at Thomas tourney
Women's basketball, UNB at St. Mary's(2 p.m.)
Men's volleyball, UNB at Moncton(1 p.m.)

Sunday:
Wrestling, UNB at University of Maine, Orono