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Tigers win first; now meet Huskies

by Sam McCaig

Five months of hard work has culminated in a first-place finish in the Kelly Division for the hockey Tigers. Dalhousie's 19-3-4 record was enough to edge out Acadia by one point. The Axemen sported a 19-4-3 standing.

To clinch home-ice advantage for the first two play-off series, the Tigers needed to win their last three games. They accomplished that feat in grand style, wiping out their final three adversaries by an aggregate score of 22-6.

First to face the firing squad were the X-Men from St. Francis Xavier. Dalhousie travelled to Antigonish last Wednesday and romped their way to a 6-1 final.

The Tigers' winning ways continued on Friday night at Memorial Arena when the University of Prince Edward Island Panthers pussyfooted into town. U.P.E.I. left with their tails between their legs after being skinned 9-1 by Dalhousie.

Joe Suk led the way with two goals and three assists. Suk's first helper set a single-season record for assists by a Dalhousie forward. Not to be outdone, Kevin Meisner also set up three goals, with his first effort giving him the record for single-season assists by a defenceman.

Mark Myles chipped in with two tallies in the first frame as Dalhousie jumped to a 5-0 lead.

Steve Widmeyer, Dan Holmes, Ken MacDermid, Corey MacIntyre and Marc Robillard were the other Tiger snipers. MacDermid and

defenceman Allan Cox each contributed two helpers.

A win on Sunday against the University College of Cape Breton Capers would give the Tigers the division crown and Dalhousie responded with a 7-4 victory.

This game was highlighted by the honouring of eight Tigers who are finishing up their university hockey careers. They are: Brian MacDonald, Anthony MacAulay, Kevin Meisner, Joe Suk, Ken MacDermid, George Wilcox, Scott MacDonald and Brian Keeler. Congratulations guys; hopefully, this season will be extended long enough for you to go to Toronto to grab some C.I.A.U. hardware.

MacAulay, Wilcox and Keeler all bid adieu to their last regular-season game in high fashion as they each potted a goal. Also scoring were Tyler Naugler, Trent Gleason, Allan Cox and Mark Myles.

With the regular season out of the way, the real fun begins.

First round play-off action pits us against them: the good eggs versus the bad eggs; it's our players against their prayers; the bulldozers versus the hockey-posers; the...what I'm trying to say here is that Dalhousie's first-round opponent is St. Mary's.

The Tigers' first home game is this Saturday, February 19, at 7:00 pm. It's the second game of the best-of-three series so, with any luck, it will be the last time the Huskies will take to the ice this season. Wear something loud and bring something louder. Kick off Reading Week by kicking off the Huskies.



Toni MacAfee waits to find a teammate as Acadia's Heather O'Grady guards her in action last Friday. The Tigers defeated Acadia 72-53. DAL PHOTO: MIKE DEVONPORT

It's playoff time for Dalhousie

by Frank MacEachern

It came so fast! What is it? It is the playoffs for university sports.

Just when you think you're starting to get a handle on how the teams on campus are doing, all of a sudden the playoffs come along and hit you at the wrong time. This wrong time is reading week.

Unfortunately the paper takes a break, as do students, from Feb. 21 to Feb. 25. This is just the time when the hockey team will be in league semi-finals. (We're not trying to jinx the team by saying they'll beat Saint Mary's, but we do have to believe they will win.)

It also means we won't be able to report on the team's best-of-three quarterfinal series with Saint Mary's which began last night, Wednesday, and continues on Saturday at Dalhousie. Game three, if needed, will

be played Sunday at Dalhousie.

It also means we won't be able to offer coverage of the AUSA championships at the University of New Brunswick, which is happening this weekend.

But the break also means writers have a chance to take a breather and prepare for the following week.

That week is going to be a biggie with Dalhousie hosting the men's Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union volleyball championships from March 4-6.

For those interested in top-level university sports be prepared to be entertained in the next couple of weeks.

Rowing without water

by Paula Jardine

There may be ice on the water, but it doesn't slow diehard oarspeople down. They turn instead to the ergometer.

On Sunday March 6, 1994, the King's College Rowing Club will host the Nova Scotia Indoor Rowing Championships.

"The Erg" is the Ultimate Test of

an athlete's inner metal. Deprived of the motivation to work harder that comes from the feel of the boat moving, the erg (a rowing machine), tests the athlete's inner drive. The challenge? To overcome the fear within; to survive the machine.

One hundred racers are expected

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Hockey

SMU @ Dal Saturday, February 19, 7 p.m.
(game two of playoff quarterfinal)

SMU @ Dal Sunday, February 20 2 pm (if necessary)

Basketball (men)

Dal @ MUN Saturday, February 19
Dal @ MUN Sunday, February 20
Dal @ UCCB Saturday, February 26
UNB @ Dal Sunday, February 27, 3 pm

Basketball (women)

Dal @ MUN Saturday, February 19
Dal @ MUN Sunday, February 20
Dal @ UCCB Friday, February 25
UNB @ Dal Sunday, February 27, 1 pm

Volleyball (women)

Mt. A. @ Dal Saturday, February 19, 6 pm
UDM @ Dal Sunday, February 20, Noon
AUSA Championships @ SMU Saturday, February 26 & Sunday, February 27
(Top four teams)

Volleyball (men)

AUSA Championships Saturday, February 26 & Sunday, February 27
(At number one)

Dalhousie Athletes of the Week

* CAROLYN WARES *



* 29 pts.
& 12 reb.
* WBB: defeats Acadia

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* 2 goals
& 6 assists
* HOC: 3 wins
* clinches 1st place (Kelly Division)

* JOE SUK *



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Quote of the Week

"Go, Dal, go!"

~ Dal Tigers sports fans