

Volleyball powerhouse almost unknown

The Dalhousie Men's Volleyball team is one that has not received much public attention this year or in fact any year. This is indeed sad as they are the most prolific winning team at the University. This powerhouse has won its last five consecutive tournaments in a convincing fashion. This is quite a feat indeed considering that each tournament has at least five other teams competing. So it is simply not like winning 4 or 5 hockey or basketball games in a row but more like 20-25 games in a row.

The Tigers have so far

won 2/3 of the analagous Triple Crown of Volleyball. Two weeks ago the men won the overall Atlantic League Championship comprised of 4 tournaments by winning their 3rd tournament in a row and finishing 13 pts. ahead of their nearest competition the powerful Ceilidh senior men's team of Nova Scotia. The Atlantic League is comprised of both the best senior and intercollegiate teams in the Atlantic provinces so this was conclusive evidence that Dal has the best volleyball club in the local area.

The past week they successfully defended their

Atlantic intercollegiate title by virtually annihilating the rest of the colleges in the Atlantic region, losing only 1 game out of a total of 14 played. In the finals they met a determined U.N.B. team who gave them greatest challenge of the season. However, the Tigers initially down in all games except one, showed their superior talent by winning the best of five matches 3 to 1 (15-11, 6-15, 15-11, 15-4).

Jan Prsala's protege's now travel to the Canadian Intercollegiate championships at the end of February with high aspirations of a good perform-

ance. This team is a fine homogeneous mixture of seasoned veterans, Ken Johnston, Phil Bryden, and Wayne Manayt, enthusiastic sophomores, Phil Leblanc, and Mike Dayers and a host of exuberant young rookie's, Alan Poole, Dave Murray, Scot Murray and Bill Walker. The team has also picked up two experienced setters, Danny Grant from U.P.E.I., a qualifying masters student in Physical Education and Vernon Yeomans a masters student in Physical Education originally from Acadia. A talented senior player, masters student Larry Ketchinson also adds

to the depth of the team although he is not eligible for intercollegiate competition as he has used up his four year option. These 12 players give Dalhousie Men's Volleyball a balanced attack and possibly the best volleyball team that Dal has ever had.

Dalhousie's record shows that they are the best team bar none - east of Montreal. Coach Jan Prsala must be given great credit seeing that his team has won 3 intercollegiate championships over the last 4 years, 3 Atlantic League championships in its 3 years existence and 2 Nova Scotia senior championships with a possibility of adding a 3rd this year, the last stake in the triple crown of volleyball, of which Dal as previously mentioned has won the first two legs. No Atlantic volleyball team has ever done this, in fact Dal the only team to ever win 2 out of the 3 major championships. However, this year there is a strong possibility that Dal will be the first team to do so, establishing a record. The team would like to thank the avid fans who have supported them this year and hope to continue their successful endeavours in the Year of the Tiger.

Another shutout for Tigerettes, 6-0

by Allison Quinn

The Dal Tigerettes picked up their second win over St. Mary's Feb. 13th to end the SMU home-and-home section at 10 goals to 0. The first game, played Feb. 3 on home ice, saw 4 goals slipped past the SMU goalie. Micki Martenello, on a pass from Terri Bontempo, got the first at 7:37 (1st). Bontempo tallied the second at 8:29 (2nd) on a deflected shot from defenseman Mary Jane Vaughn. A three-man pass pattern caught the SMU defense sprawling as Merl Richardson picked up the third from Joanne Reid and Ann Bunt. Less than a minute later defence Claud-

ia Powell closed the scoring off for the night with a point blast from Martinello's back pass.

Although St. Mary's played the harder checking game, Dal managed to pick up both penalties that night. Nancy Orr got 2 minutes for boarding at 10:30 in the first period while Shawna Paris was called for charging at 11:14 in the second. The other penalties went unnoticed by all but the skating wounded.

A smaller, faster away-game version of the Dal Tigerettes scored the remaining six goals on SMU ice. Bonnie Alders opened

the scoring on the net pass from Claudia Powell at 10:54. A blue line deke enabled Allison Quinn to squeak the second through the goalie's skates unassisted at 13:31. The second period saw twins for Val Dyer: No. 3 at 4:37 and 3 minutes later No. 4 at 7:38. Both were goal mouth passes from Wendy Watson. With the 3rd period scarcely a minute old, Watson tallied No. 5 - an unassisted blue-line streak. Then, in the traditional Orr style, Nancy Orr sizzled a slapshot from the point into the far corner to capture the sixth and final goal of the evening.

The scoring was kept one-sided in both games by two of the top goaltenders in the league. Barb Miles and Gwen Cromwell split the ice time and have played consistent shutout defence. With such defence and offence to work with, there is little doubt in Coach Robert Towner's mind that the Dal team will be the top contender in the conference this year.

IM basketball report

by Cathy Campbell

"A" league

February 16 marked the beginning of "A" league playoffs for the championship.

The underdog Medicine Team gave Law "A" a run for their money but came out on the short end of a 53-48 score. Greg MacDonald's 21 points were not enough to overpower the strong board strength of the Law Squad. Shockley, Pirie, and Gay used their height to block out, rebound and score 14, 10 and 10 points respectively.

Physical Education nipped Oceanography 62-61 in

their semi-final contest. Both teams played close defense but made many costly turnovers. Oceanography's most crucial one came in the dying moments when one of the Phys. Ed'ers. sank a shot and was fouled on the occasion leading to a bonus foul shot situation. A four point spread arose and Oceanography was unable to surpass this deficit. Gary Harris threw in 24 points, while Murphy and Fahie recorded 14 points each for PE. Mike Sayers played strong offensive and defensive ball, and led Oceanography with 20 points. Cota's 15 and Sellner's 14

points aided the Oceanography cause.

"B" League

Engineers downed Dentistry "B" 24-17 in a lack lustre game. Bob Grant and John Salah each tossed in 8 points for the victors. Terry Shaw led Dentistry with a game high of 10 points.

Law defeated Psychology 31-27 in another "B" league encounter. Mike Moore and Rod Snow led the Law tally with 10 and 9 points respectively. David Chernin with 11 points was high man for the losers while John Wincze snapped in 9 points.

Juniors win, lose

by Cathy Campbell

The JV's had a busy weekend, first hosting the University of Moncton Feb. 14, and then travelling to Truro to play the N.S. Teacher's College the following day.

Dal vs U. de M.

Dal JV's recorded their first league loss this year when they were defeated by the hustling Moncton squad 43-61.

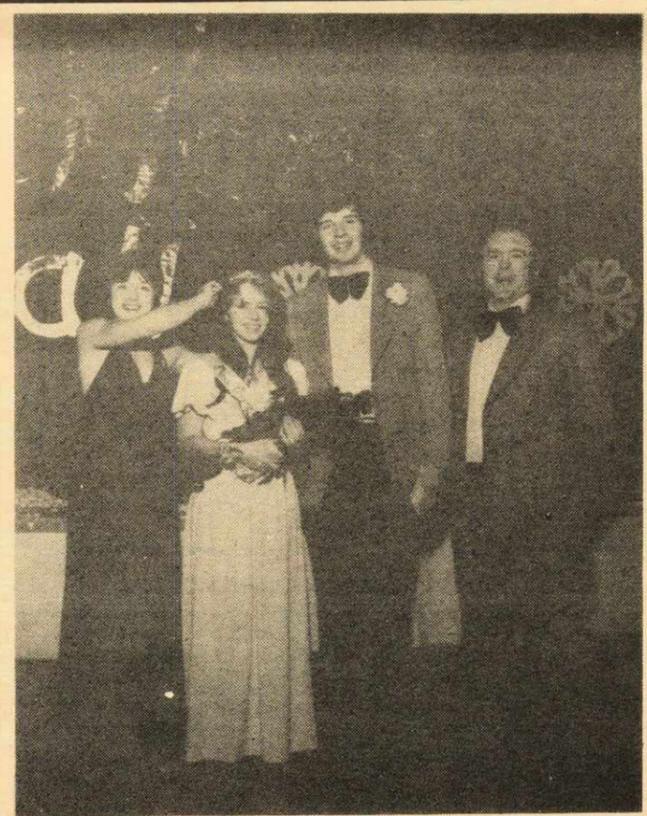
The Moncton team, undefeated this season, built up their lead during the first half, but matched the Dal squad basket for basket during the second half. The Tigerettes certainly had their work cut out for them. Moncton has qualified to play in the Varsity league next year, and recently lost to the Dal Varsity squad by only one point.

Judi Rice led Dal with 14

points, while Devereau of Moncton topped the score books with 22 points. Dal - Rice 14, Brenton 6, Allan 4, Smith 8, Pertus 2, Ellis 9-43; Moncton - Vatour 6, Devereux 22, Leger 18, Bourgeois 8, Gallant 3, Noel 2, MacBeth 2-61.

Dal vs TC

Dal JV's whipped Teachers' College 38-26 at Truro last Saturday (no other report available).



Physical Education King and Queen, 1975. Shown from left to right: Cathy J. Campbell, (Queen '74), Nancy MacDonald (Queen '75), Tom Fahie (1975 King) and Eric Cameron (King '74). Photo by: H. P. Snider.

by Cathy MacKenzie

Physical Education Week, 1975, the annual celebration of the Physical Education Society took place January 17th through the 25th. Participation was adequate with many events headlining the week:

Airport Contest and Casino Party Skating Party and Brewery Tour

Sleigh Ride Pancake Supper and contest provided by the Faculty Coffee House Square Dance.

But the highlight of the week was the P.E. Ball where the King and Queen of Physical Education were announced.

Greater and better times are intended for '76.