

Hockey Tigers second in X open

by Greg Zed

If the Dalhousie Varsity Hockey Tigers were to make the playoffs, there was something that was clear since the beginning of the new year---they have to take each game as a must game and in doing so, each match is to be considered a playoff game. In fact, in an earlier article both coaches suggested that the team must mature and collectively the club needs a big January. Well the determined Tigers haven't played dead...on the contrary they have taken each game as a big game and the outcomes have certainly illustrated the big factor, that, although this club lacks any identity or consistency, they never say die.

They placed second in the St. F.X. Open Tournament in New Glasgow and in doing so brought the Consolation trophy to Dalhousie. They picked up two wins over Memorial and had a strong showing against their neighbors St. Mary's Huskies. Most recently they edged the P.E.I. Panthers in an afternoon contest Sunday Feb 1st. The Tigers quite anxious to pick up two points on the island led 2-0 going into the third period, however, the home-town Panthers came out in the third period and fired three quick goals to take the lead for the first time. This wasn't enough to "con" the Dal squad into "packing it all in": in the

contrary, the Tigers notched the tying goal to even the game and forced overtime. Well the rest of the game is history, two overtime goals gave the Tigers the two points. Don MacGregor, Rick Roemer, Robert Lewicki, Paul Finlay, and Robert Riopel fired goals into the P.E.I. net while Len Kelly, Joe Filippone, and D'Arcy replied for the Panthers.

Dal's goalie Jim Palmer blocked 54 drives and was instrumental in the Tigers victory. Palmer who is in his first year of college play was particularly sharp in the overtime period in blocking twenty shots. For Palmer it must have been a big boost to his confidence and was certainly an indication that the goaltending aspect of the Tigers is improving. Next week GAZETTE will examine the goalies statistics and draw a comparison with those of the 1974-75 season.

Meanwhile it should be noted that Al McNaughton, Paul Finlay, and Rick Roemer are all fit to play, and in fact, all played in the P.E.I. contest. So it appears that it is full steam ahead for Saturday's game.

The Tigers tangle with St. F.X. X-Men in their last home of the season. The game is at the Dal Rink Saturday, Feb 7th at 8:00 p.m. Also the Bengal Award will be presented to the player on the Dal squad who has received the most points for



St. F.X. Invitational

being selected as a star of the game. First star selection is awarded 3 pts, second star selected 2 pts, and third star 1 pt. Throughout the entire season a number of groups have been asked to select the three stars. The aim of this was to get the fans actively involved with the game. It is easy to watch a game and yell and scream but it is quite demanding to select the three stars. The award

has been innovated by Greg Zed to promote fan participation and it is hoped that such will continue "when I'm long gone from the college hockey scene". Furthermore I feel that the winner of this award will be truly representative of the individual that has "put out" the most for the home-town Tiger fans.

Dal swimmers in an exciting victory

As in so many of their dual meets this season, the final outcome of both the Men's and Women's competitions again was decided in final 400 metre freestyle relay events as Dal took on Acadia at Centennial Pool Saturday.

By combining to swim to a new AUAA, Nova Scotia Senior and Dalhousie Team mark of 3:49; 4 Cameron Rothery, Steve Megaffin, Gabor Mezo and Richard Hall-Jones assured victory for the Dal Men's team by a 60-52 margin over Acadia.

In Women's action Acadia overtook the Tigerettes in the last relay to top the "Tankerettes" 57-53.

Dalhousie swimmers came up with six new team marks. In the opening event Lynn Sutcliffe, Anne Campbell, Joann Duncan and Jean Mason combined for a team best in the 400m Medley Freestyle mark with a 12'40.0 timing. Joann Duncan broke the three minute mark in the 200 Butterfly when clocked at 2:59.8 Sprinter Jean Mason improved upon her own 100m Freestyle mark with an impressive 1:07.2 watchstopper. In addition to Richard Hall-Jones 56.2 "split" in anchoring the men's Freestyle relay he sped to new Dal team mark in the Men's 50m Freestyle event.

Jean Mason, who took both the 50 and 100 Freestyle events; Gail Stewart, both 1 and 3 metre diving events; Gabor Mezo 100 and 200 Freestyle and Philip Evans, land 3 metre Diving, were all double winners for Dal. Anne Campbell won a close race in the Women's 200 Breaststroke and Mike Verhey was a decisive winner in the Men's 1000 meter freestyle event. Wendi Lacusta, Janet Bailey, Andrea Gillespie, Lynn Sutcliffe and Charley Cameau all claimed valuable points for Dal by placing well in their respective events. Divers Margie Barrow and Gill Morrow combined well with Gail Stewart to take a cleansweep of both boards in

diving competition, as did the Men thanks to consistent diving by Phil Evans and Ned Blacklock.

Other important point getters in Men's aquatic rivalry were Steve Megaffin, Cameron Rothery, Steve Cann, and R. Hall-Jones.

Results in this, the last dual meet of the season, give the Dal Men's squad a winning 5-3 record whilst the Women's team are with a 4-4

record.

Swimmers and Divers now prepare for the AUAA Championships to be held in Wolfville February 19-21 and the CIAU/CWIAU Championships in Waterloo, Ontario March 4-6, 1976.



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