Tigers tie and lose

Hockey team drops to second

by Gordie Sutherland

for a 2-2 tie on Friday night.

ing X-Men in the opening frame, said Bradley. outshooting their Antigonish rivals

The black and gold carried their first period momentum into the third frame when Kelly Bradley increased the Tiger lead to 2-0.

on the power-play took a low, crisp atop the Kelly Division. shot that hit an X-Men skate before landing on the stick of Tiger winger on a seven minute power-play to Mike Griffith. Griffith took another shot and Bradley came racing in the first for Dal this season. from top of the circle to pick up the rebound and beat goaltender Campbell, John Lake and John Andres Hogberg who was sprawled out in the X-Men net.

The X-Men battled back with a marker at 11:16 of the third.

Duane Saulnier fed teammate Don Leblanc on a two-on-one break and Leblanc beat Dal keeper Pat McGarry with a quick shot to the low, lefthand corner.

The Tigers were visibly shaken after the goal by Leblanc and the result was another X-Men tally by Ben MacIntosh just 36 seconds

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Tiger sophmore Kelly Bradley attributed the third period break-The Dalhousie Hockey Tigers down to untimely mental mistakes. blew a two goal lead, allowing the "We were playing well and then St. F. X. X-Men to rally in the third we made a couple of mental mistakes like not putting the puck in The Tigers dominated the visit- deep or not picking up your man,"

A five minute sudden death overtime period was unable to Third year winger Gord Kiley decide the affair which ended in a put Dalhousie ahead at 7:29 of the 2-2 stalemate. X-Men goaltender period when he scored off a Andres Hogberg stopped 34 shots scramble in front of the X-Men in earning player of the game honours.

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On Saturday night, the University College of Cape Breton showed metro hockey fans just Alan Baldwin playing defence why their sitting alone in first place,

The visiting Capers capitalized defeat the Tigers 4-3. The loss was

Stephen Gordon, Bruce squad.

Chicago native Joe Suk, captain Craig Morrison and veteran Der-Former Halifax Junior A star rick Pringle responded for the Ti-

Photographer of Halifax.

The turning point in the contest came at the 12:40 mark of the second period with the Tigers leading 2-1. Tiger defenceman Brian Melanson was hit by a Caper high stick and Melanson retaliated.

Referee Terry MacDonald gave Melanson nine minutes in penalties for infractions including high sticking, instigation and fighting. Caper John Cunningham only received two minutes for high sticking. The seven minute powerplay proved fatal for the Tigers.

"I think it was the turning" said Caper goalie Darren Nixon. "I think Dal got a little tired because they had to kill a penalty for seven minutes. That takes a lot out of

Cape Breton opened up a 4-2 lead with a pair of goals in the first 10 minutes of the third period.

The Tigers tried to rally their way back with a marker late in the third period to trail by one with just over a minute left on the clock. The Capers were able to hold off the Tiger surge to secure their sixth win of the season.

Nixon believes the win is evidence the Capers have learned from their experience.

"Last year we won our first two and then went into a slide" said the former Amherst Rambler.

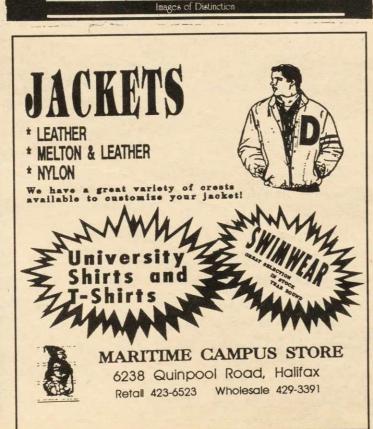
"We talked about that and I think the boys know that it is such a short schedule that you can't afford to go into those slides. Yeah, I think we are for real if we can keep it. going" said Nixon.

The Kelly Division standings are extremely close after last weekend's action. The Capers remain in first place with 12 points but are closely followed by Dalhousie, Acadia and St. F.X. who are all tied for second place with eight points apiece. Dalhousie and Acadia have played one less game than the league leading Capers.

Next weekend, the Tigers go on the road to play the St. F. X. X-Men and Cape Breton Capers.







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