

# UNB Sports

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## Devils Win Season Series Against STU

by Frank Denis

Jamie Lehman, Rob Beatty and Hugh Hospodar all played their final regular season home game for the Red Devils last Sunday, and they had reason to celebrate. The Red Devils came up with a strong performance and went on to beat the St. Thomas Tommies by a score of 3-1.

The game was overshadowed by some questionable officiating which drew the ire of both coaches as well as those in attendance. There were many blatant missed calls and ugly stickwork that went unnoticed by the referee. UNB coach Mike Johnston was especially upset and criticized the referee. "Right from the first shift of the game, the referee lost control of the game," stated Johnston.

Early in the first period STU scored what appeared to be a legitimate goal, but it was waved off because a Tommie forward was standing in the UNB crease. The first period ended in a scoreless tie. In the period both teams had quality scoring chances but nobody could get their team that all important first goal.

Midway through the second period, UNB's Dominic Niro was able to solve STU goalie Rick Poirier. Rob Boldon's shot from the blue line was deflected into the net by Niro, and UNB led 1-0. Also getting an assist on the goal was Murray Nystrom, who was playing his first game in over a month after recovering from a serious knee injury. Nystrom, who has recovered about 90% saw limited action but looked as if he hadn't missed a game. Coach Johnston said he used Nystrom more than he had planned and was pleased with his performance.

Ken Murchison gave UNB a 2-0 lead after being set up beautifully by teammate Tom Gemmill. Before the second period was over UNB would get its third goal of the game. This time it was two defencemen connecting. After some nice passing in the STU zone on the powerplay, Dan Altherr blasted a shot from the blue line which was redirected by Brian Clark into the net.

The Tommies began the third period looking for an early goal to narrow UNB's lead to two goals. Perhaps it was for this reason that the game was a lot cleaner in the third period.

STU got their only goal of the game when Tony Carlisle's shot beat a screened Scott

MacDonald in the UNB net. After that goal STU began to pour it on, but MacDonald held his ground and kept them from pulling even closer.

MacDonald played an excellent game for the Red Devils, and his efforts were rewarded by being named both player of the game and UNB Male Athlete-of-the-Week. Johnston praised MacDonald's performance. "MacDonald played an excellent game. In the last STU game he played just as well and today he was sharp, especially early in the game when we needed him because we didn't have the jump."

UNB is now 3 points ahead of St. Thomas in the fight for third place in their division. Both teams have two games remaining this weekend. UNB has to get at least one point or STU would have to lose one of its games in order to be assured of third place. This weekend the Red Devils play Saturday night in Charlottetown and then close out the regular season in Sackville when the Mount Allison Mounties will be their opposition. The Red Devils



STU goalie Rick Poirier juggles a Mike Sutherland blast.

will play their first playoff game this coming Wednesday night at the Aitken Centre against either Moncton or UPEI. In all likelihood they will meet the UPEI Panthers in

the first round of the playoffs. Last Saturday UPEI downed a much improved Mt. Allison squad 8-6, Dalhousie and St. FX fought to a 4-4 tie, and Acadia edged UCCB 3-2. Other

games besides the UNB-STU game last Sunday saw Dal blank UCCB 5-0 and Acadia improve its AUAA leading record to 15-5 by crushing St. FX 7-1.

## Rebels Locked In Second Place Battle

by Mark Savoie

Last weekend the UNB Rebels Men's Volleyball Team travelled to Moncton for the UdeM AUAA Tourney. They came away from the weekend with two wins and a loss, and will be going into the final weekend in a tie for second place with the UdeM Blue Eagles.

Once again the Dalhousie Tigers proved to be the nemesis, although for the first time since the season's first weekend the Rebels were able to give Dal a fight. The Rebels took the first game of the match 15-9 but were then dropped 15-6 by the Tigers. In the third game UNB crushed Dal 15-2 and the possibility of an upset loomed large. But the young Dalhousie squad once again proved equal to the challenge and took the final two games by scores of 15-8 and 15-13.

Later on that day (Saturday) the Rebels tackled UdeM. UdeM tried to use their home court to their advantage. They had initial success, pulling off a 16-17 squeaker in the first

game. Afterward, the Rebels took command, although UdeM did hang tough while losing the last three games 15-6, 15-13, 15-13.

The last match of the weekend was on Sunday against the Memorial University of Newfoundland Seahawks. (Ed. What the Hell was wrong with 'Beothuks?') The Seahawks entered the match with a 0-15 record and

Eagles will be tackling undefeated Dalhousie. Should they indeed finish in second

spot they will travel to Halifax to meet Dalhousie for the AUAA championship.

AUAA Men's Volleyball						
	MP	MW	ML	GW	GL	PT
DAL	16	16	0	48	10	32
UdeM	16	8	8	28	30	16
UNB	16	8	8	34	29	16
MUN	16	0	16	7	48	0

came out of it with a 0-16 record, as they were defeated 3-1 (15-6, 11-15, 15-10, 15-10).

This weekend the Rebels close off the regular season The Rock with two matches against these same Seahawks. The Rebels are tied with UdeM for second place in the AUAA with an 8-8 record. UNB is the favourite to finish in second spot because they are playing winless MUN while the Blue

## UNB Athletes Of The Week

Scott MacDonald of Waterloo, Ont. has been named as this week's UNB Male Athlete-of-the-Week. The 21 year old, second year Business student continued with his very consistent season while backstopping the hockey Red Devils to a tremendous 3-1 win over cross-campus rivals the STU Tommies. Scott played exceptionally well, while at times making some outstanding saves and showing why he is the top goaltender in the MacAdam Division. His season statistics thus far are: MP - 646, SHOTS - 3421, SAVES - 305, GAG - 35, AVG - 3.25, and SAVE % - .891. According to coach Johnston, "Scott played an exceptional game against the Tommies and showed why he is the top goaltender in the MacAdam Division with a GAA of 3.25."

Pauline Lordon of Chatham, NB has been chosen as this week's UNB Female Athlete-of-the-Week. The 22 year old, fifth year Education student continued her dominant play this past weekend for the basketball Red Bloomers, as she played very well against some very tough competition: the Nova Scotia Senior Team. In the first game Pauline had 22 points and 7 rebounds as they lost 63-61, and in the second game she had 24 points and 5 rebounds as they lost again 74-63. According to coach Mitton, "Pauline's performance was solid and consistent over the weekend... Undoubtedly one of the premier players in the AUAA."

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