

Team loses, but

# MacCormick's efforts praised

by Brian Lennox

Playing UPEI in their own gymnasium is very difficult and the Dalhousie women's basketball team knows this all too well.

On Saturday night, the Lady Panthers beat the Tigers 72-58 in the AUAA championship game. UPEI thus earns a spot in the CIAU tournament this weekend.

Unfortunately for the Tigers, this was their last game of the season, as they will not get a wild card into the CIAU tournament. The Tigers got behind early as star forward Kathy MacCormick picked up three fouls in the first half. Trish MacCormick picked up the scoring slack with Kathy

on the bench. However, as a team, the Tigers did not shoot well from the floor.

In the second half, Dalhousie came within one point of UPEI but could not get any closer. Head coach Carolyn Savoy and her team were understandably upset after the game. What really cost the Tigers this year was not getting home court advantage for the playoffs. Had the Tigers finished first in the league they could have hosted the AUAA championships. Winning basketball games in Charlottetown is almost impossible. The AUAA women's basketball championship should be played at a neutral site.

On a positive note Kathy MacCormick received two awards at the banquet Thursday night. Kathy was named AUAA first team all-star for the third time in her career. She was also named AUAA conference MVP. This

caps a great career for one of Dalhousie's greatest athletes.

The Tigers lose four players off this year's team; Kathy and Trish MacCormick, Sherri Thurott and Krista Morris. They do have some excellent players returning next

year. Look for Angie MacLeod to become a dominant player in the AUAA.

(Viva los hermanos del mundo!)

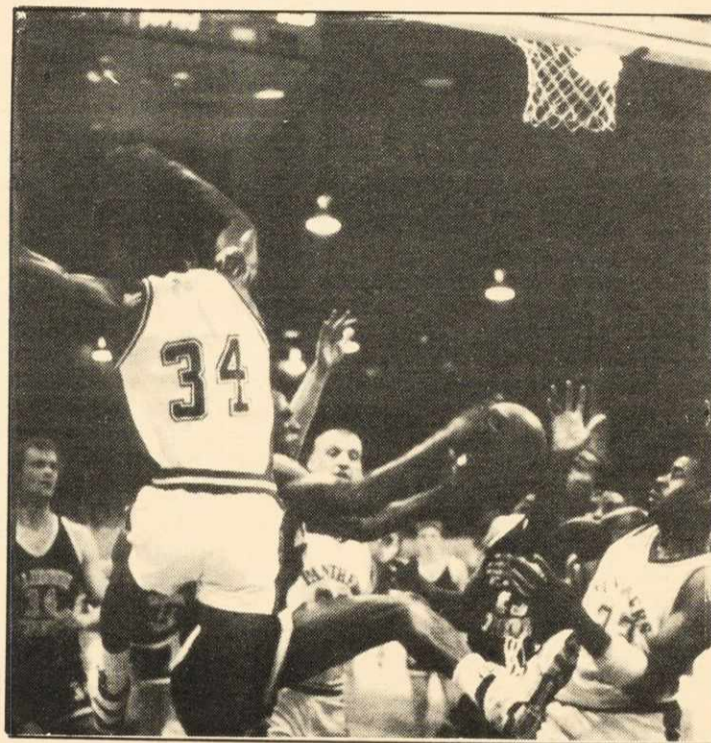
## Up for next year!

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The Dalhousie men's basketball team made their final appearance of the year over the weekend, in a semi-final matchup in the AUAA championships, the University of Prince Edward Island Panthers defeated the Dalhousie Tigers 104-89. The score was fairly indicative of the play as the Panthers controlled the game from the beginning.

UPEI star forward Peter Gordon was the dominant player against Dalhousie as he scored 36 points. Gordon was first team all AUAA and was conference MVP. Gordon is without question one of the best players in the nation. The Tigers could not stop Gordon as he hit almost 70% of his shots. The Panthers playoff experience helped them as well against the young and inexperienced Tigers.

Trailing 55-38 at halftime, the Tigers came out in the second half with a little more intensity. Twice Dalhousie brought the game to within 10 points but could not bring the game any closer. This playoff experience should help them next season. The Tigers seemed very nervous in the first half and made mistakes they would usually not make. They did not execute on offense and were guilty of defensive lapses.



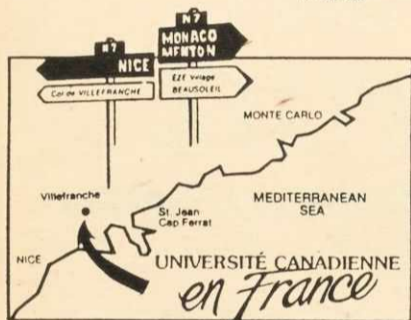
Tigers on the ball

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The Tigers found it difficult to penetrate the Panthers matchup zone defense. Dalhousie would have preferred to keep the score in the seventies but they could not contain UPEI's big scorers. Gordon, Curtis Brown and Mark Roberts scored 84 points.

There was some good news over the weekend as Willem Verbeek was selected to the AUAA's first all star team. The Tigers return all but one player for next year. Colin Charles is the only player who finished his eligibility.

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**"Do you support the collection of a \$25 per year Athletic Fee for the years of 1989-90 and 1990-91. YES or NO"**

Should the student body vote in favour of this question the \$25 fee will be collected with tuition fees from all students and will be allocated directly to Athletics at Dalhousie.

Voting for the referendum will be March 14, 15 and 16 concurrent with voting for the General Elections.