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Name change vote to be held

The UNB Athletics department will be holding the vote to decide a new nickname for all UNB varsity teams next week. The voting will take place at various locations throughout the city and for the price of a loonie you can register your vote.

Voters will choose either Falcons, Red Lions or Varsity Reds to replace the 12 different names that are currently attached to each of UNB's 12 teams. The voting period runs from Tuesday October 13 to Thursday October 15. Bins, in which voters are asked to drop a loonie for their preferred name will be set up at Neill's Sports locations in both the Brookside Mall and on Queen st., The Student Union Building on campus, the Lady Beaverbrook Gym, and the Sports Experts location in the Fredericton Mall. As well those attending the Fredericton Canadiens game on October 15th will also have the opportunity to vote.

The Athletics dept. decided to change the name over the summer in order to better be able to market the various programs. Pepsi is a major sponsor in the conduction of the vote.

Field hockey

The UNB Red Sticks remain alone in first place after a pair of victories over the UPEI Lady Panthers last weekend in Charlottetown. On Saturday the Sticks got goals from Josette Babineau and Natasha Connell and won by a score of 2-1. On Sunday the Sticks won by a similar 2-1 score with Shonaugh Coles getting both UNB goals.

The Sticks record is now 4-0, 5 points better than second place St. Mary's who have 3 points due to a 1-2-1 record. UPEI remains winless at 0-3-1. The team is idle this weekend and next see action October 17 and 18 when UPEI visits Fredericton for a pair of games.

Soccer

The UNB Red Shirts remain in first place in their division following a 2-0 victory over the University of Moncton on Tuesday. The win gives the Shirts a 4-1-1 record. Goal scorers for UNB were Don Hume and Gray Zurheide. Moncton coach, Tahar Allaoui was ejected early in the second half for arguing with the referees.

This week in UNB sports

Friday Oct. 9

Ice hockey UNB vs. Mt. A at Campbellton, NB

AUAA scoreboard

Soccer

Dal 2 St.FX 0
 Dal 5 UDM 0
 MUN 2 Mt.A 1
 ACA 0 PEI 0
 Mt.A 2 MUN 2
 Dal 8 PEI 1
 UDM 2 ACA 0
 St.FX 0 SMU 0
 UNB UDM

Field hockey

UNB 2 PEI 1
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Football

Mt.A 32 ACA 29
 SMU 30 St.FX 1

UNB Athletes of the week

Rorri Currie Cross-country running
 Wendi Gallant Field hockey

AUAA and CIAU athlete of the week

Rorri Currie UNB Cross-country running

Harriers dominate at home meet

Currie named CIAU athlete of the week

by Frank Denis

To say that the UNB Red Harriers men's team has not dominated the AUAA this season would be a big understatement. The Harriers have convincingly won each AUAA meet that they have been in this season including the one last Saturday that was held at Odell Park here in Fredericton.

The weekend win keeps UNB in 6th place in the CIAU rankings.

Rorri Currie led UNB last weekend by finishing the 10 km race more than 2 minutes ahead of anyone else. Currie finished in a time of 30 minutes, 33 seconds while second place finisher Keith Fahey, also from UNB crossed the line in 32 minutes 53 seconds.

Currie's performance earned him athlete of the week honours not only here at UNB, but also at the AUAA and CIAU levels.

In third and fourth place were other UNB runners, Ian Washburn and Bill Sheel respectively. Jeff Munn rounded out UNB's total points by finishing in seventh position.

UNB's 17 points was far ahead of second place Dalhousie who finished with 44. Orono and St. Francis Xavier tied for third with 103 points each while Memorial University finished last with 118 points.

Exposé: Johnathan Thompson 1991 national cycling champ at UNB

by Bruce Denis

Few people at UNB are aware that 4th year BBA student Johnathan Thompson was at one point atop the nation in a sport that is quickly gaining prominence in North America: cycling. Thompson won the national criterium championships in 1991 before hanging up his bike for good at the end of that season.

His 5 years in the sport saw him escalate rapidly from a blossoming local phenomenon to a national team member.

In 1988, Thompson travelled to Quebec for a junior national team selection race where he earned a ticket to the world championships in Denmark.

In the women's race, the Dalhousie Lady Tigers dominated with the top three places going to Dal runners.

Anne-Marie Farnell won the 5 km race in a time of 17 minutes and 58 seconds. UNB's top finisher was Schelly Robicheau as she finished in 18th overall. Rounding out UNB's counters were Jennifer Phillips 21st, Mollie Ferris 25th, Bindu Bittira 31st and Eileen Toner 32nd.

UNB's women's team total was 101 points, far behind that of Dal's 19 points. Orono finished in second with 48 points and St. FX was third with 71 points.

Next weekend the team travel to Antigonish, Nova

Scotia for a meet at St. FX. They then return home to host the AUAA meet here at Odell Park where they hope to qualify for the National Championship which will be held this year at McGill in Montreal on November 7.

CIAU top ten

1. Sherbrooke
2. Windsor
3. Toronto
4. Western
5. UBC
6. UNB
7. Victoria
8. Laurentian
9. Queen's
10. Manitoba



Rorri Currie, center, accepts congratulations for being named UNB male athlete of the month for September from Chris Boyle, left, of Valley Graphics and, right, Mike O'Pray of Moosehead. Currie is a cross country runner who this week was named CIAU athlete of the week. Kevin G. Porter photo

The Brunswickan met with Jonathan Thompson to talk about his career and UNB.

Brunswickan: How did you get started in cycling here in Fredericton?

Johnathan Thompson: In 1984, I watched Steve Bauer finish second in the Olympic road race and the sport looked quite challenging. So I joined a local club and began racing. The big advantage was that there wasn't too much competition in the maritimes so I progressed really well without too much adversity.

Brunswickan: You lived in Fredericton up until your last year as a junior in 1988?

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