

Men's Basketball future promising

League play-offs proved a boon to basketball interest and St. Mary's, a surprise winner to some, proved their class by becoming national champions. The game against Windsor on Friday proved to be the key game and the Huskies won convincingly in overtime with outstanding efforts by Gallinaugh and Fox under pressure, keeping the game exciting throughout.

Dalhousie's performance against the Huskies late in the season bodes well for the future. Our last home game against St. Mary's (the short end of a 75-67 score) only partly tells the tale. The Tigers outscored the Huskies in the second half as the Santa Marians used their top six players exclusively. This

established confidence that our best is good enough for this league. A four point victory at St. Mary's was less significant as some top players did not compete; however, to win in the "pit" with a young team sets the stage for a positive attitude for future encounters. The Tigers were very competitive against Acadia in Wolfville, down three with only six to go, eventually losing by seven with Acadia stalling for the last four minutes. Overall the team finished 9-9 in league play with a strong third place finish. At the end of the season Dalhousie started four freshmen with senior guard Albert Slaunwhite. The bench was filled with promising freshmen and sophomores.

Mainstays of the team in February were Bruce Cassidy, a tough rebounding post man and the key passer in Dal's man to man offense; Doug Ryan a smooth wing who makes the game look deceptively easy and only needs consistency to become a league star; Paul Coste a post who always gives his best effort and who is finally learning to harness his boundless energy and Bill Burns a quick guard who is determined to keep the legend alive that New Waterford is the "hotbed" of Nova Scotian basketball. Occasional starters, John Godden, Bob Blount, and Keith Johnston often came off the bench to bolster the Tiger cause and usually strengthened the floor performance with their

entry. John Driscoll broke many a game open with his exceptional outside shooting and Peter Lang thrilled fans with key defensive steals and strong floor leadership. Tom Fahie and Gord MacKay provided strong aggressive post replacements when needed.

Dalhousie found a special talent who will be a great asset in the developing Tiger fortunes for the future. Jim de la Mothe,

a very capable assistant coach, gave consistent dedicated effort that is unmeasurable in its total impact and his return next year to help the basketball fortunes gives the Tigers the best total nucleus to build a dream on for some years. The addition of a very few key freshmen can make AIBC title aspirations realistic. 1972-73 was a good season — 1973-74 a season for hope.

Sports Caravan coming

The Sports Caravan is scheduled to stop at Dalhousie on March 27-30th, less than two weeks away.

Sports '73, as it's officially called, is jointly sponsored by the Prudential Insurance Company of America and the Fitness and Amateur Sport Directorate of the Department of National Health and Welfare. The Caravan is designed to assist the sport leadership element of the community, be they coaches, managers, trainers, organizers, or enthusiastic parents, in becoming aware of the latest techniques and equipment available to increase the masses and calibre of sports in the community.

To date, the Sports Caravan has been in existence for 15 months and has visited 81 locations from Quebec city to Vancouver, B.C. The Caravan has averaged a daily attendance of 516 sports enthusiasts.

And so you may say "another Sports Caravan." "What makes

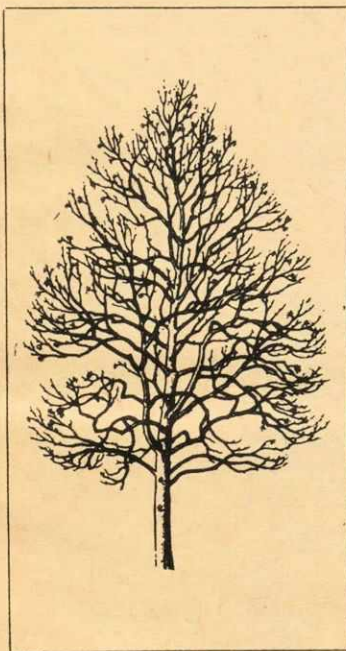
this one different?" Well, for one thing, we don't pretend to be sport experts. Nor do we put on displays of athletic prowess. But we do have information. In fact, the latest information in just about every sport you can think of. For example, in our audio-visual section, which incidentally is located in the building adjacent to where the Sports '73 is parked, we have films on, well, how to accurately perform the slap shot in hockey, or the racing start in swimming, or how to throw a football or even how to snow ski parallel. We have video sport talks on public relations in sports, what to look for when buying sports equipment, and even information on how to raise money in your community.

The main aim of this project is to assist the leadership element, be they coaches, umpires, administrators or managers to become more familiar with the latest teaching aids, organizational hints and procedures in their particular sport. Although the Caravan does offer information for all

ages, the main emphasis is directed toward the adult population who by their influence, position or authority are directly involved with sport in the community.

You will find that the Sports '73 trailer is even more interesting. Here we have the latest information stored in books, microfilms, charts, etc. For instance, we have blueprints on gymnasiums, arenas and swimming pools for the communities who are planning ahead. We have testing equipment to determine which players on your team have the best athletic ability. We even have a videotape machine to be used to record practices in order to determine its benefits as a teaching device.

Well, that's all the information we are going to tell you now. If you are a coach, a teacher, an interested parent or even a whole service group, check the dates on your calendar and make sure you visit Sports '73. FOR YOUR INFORMATION: Gary Donahee



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