

Sticks anxious to avenge loss

Corrine Flemming, coach of the UNB Red Sticks, was in hopes earlier this year that her squad would recapture the trophy they lost to Dalhousie last year and regain their supremacy as Atlantic Universities Athletic Association field hockey champions.

Well, the girls started out their season with the drive of potential champs in exhibition play against the top three teams in Eastern United States. The Sticks dumped University of Massachusetts 1-0 and Mount Holy Oak College 2-1 while losing to the Springfield girls 2-1.

Back into local league play, the Red Sticks proceeded to romp

through their schedule and finish it in full control of the Western division. Flemming's charges posted a win-loss record of 9-1-0 for the season.

Their one loss came at the hands of the Dalhousie Tigerettes, 1-0. The overall league competition offered was keen but, in a number of cases, was unequal to the scoring challenges of the Sticks attack.

Another feature of the Sticks continued success had to come in the form of rookie netminder Pam Wiggins. She posted no less than seven shutouts during competition. Flemming's Sticks were coasting on a winning high going into the

final tourney and continued to win as they downed St. Francis Xavier 2-1 in the opening game of the championship finals. That win put them in the finals and the chance to avenge their loss of the season and their loss of the crown the previous year.

UNB took it to the limit against the Dal girls but finally went down to defeat 2-1, losing the game in double overtime.

In light of the defeats handed out by Dalhousie to UNB two years in a row, there can be little doubt that Flemming's girls will be out to clip the tails of the Tigerettes next year.



Photo by Steve Patriquin

UNB's young cross-country team shows well despite inexperience

Despite a rookie team, having only three returning runners from last year, the UNB Cross Country Team still were strong contenders at the AIAA Intercollegiate Cross Country Meet. That race was held at St. Thomas University on Nov. 25, 1975.

The team was edged out by an experienced Dalhousie University entry but three UNB runners, Shawn O'Connor, Ralph Freeze, and Ed Gillmor won the right to represent UNB and the Atlantic Conference in Victoria on Nov. 8, 1975.

Coach Wayne Stewart is now in Florida training with the Canadian track and field team. He stated he was pleased with the efforts put forth by the Harriers and felt that the developing potential would not go unnoticed next year.

The UNB top seven consisted of Peter MacCauley, Ron McCarville, Mike McGlynn, Vince Fay, Ralph Freeze, Shawn O'Connor, and Ed Gillmor. Other members included Sandy MacCauley, Dennis Nickerson, Steve Chisholm, Paul Gimond, Leo Sheeky, and Alymer Ceserholme.

UNB fared well in their regular season, winning the majority of

their races in Maine and in Nova Scotia with O'Connor and Gillmor pacing the squad.

With the large turn out of rookies, and only losing one senior, Gillmor, the team is looking

forward to that 24th even in the past 28 seasons of racing. The team wishes to express its gratitude to Dean Paton for his interest and help, and to Coach Wayne Stewart — good luck in the upcoming Olympic trials.

"Fast Eddi" runs away with Love Trophy

Sixty degree temperatures and sunny skies greeted the field of eight competitors for the Love Trophy this past Saturday, March 20. All runners were in peak condition and each was confident of his running a good race.

The course was a five mile route consisting of a grueling uphill section running from the Main Gymnasium through Forest Hill to the Woodlot and a treacherous downhill section down College Hill Road to the starting point.

Winning the trophy and the right to be called the finest distance runner at UNB was "Fast" Eddi Gillmor, whose blistering pace brought him through the course in

the time of 29:08. Hot on his tail was Shawn O'Connor who finished second with the time of 29:34.

Mike McGlynn, still feeling the effects of a previous marathon the week before, was good for 30:16 and third place. Fourth was taken by Sandy McAuley, in his first race since losing a fight with an orange Cortina last fall.

Pete McAuley came fifth in his first run since January. Also competing, but disqualified for taking a shortcut were Ron McCarville and Ewen Dickson.

The runners would like to extend their thanks to the organizers and officials and a special vote of thanks is offered to the police

JJ's Jock Talk

Well folks, here it is the end of the year and the last issue of the BRUNSWICKAN. Sometimes I never thought we'd make it, but looking back I can't help feeling that we've only just begun.

The athletes of UNB this year have travelled a lot, seen a lot and accomplished more. Many of this university's teams and individual athletes have taken trips to national events to compete for the Canadian intercollegiate crowns in their sports.

This point was brought home during the annual athletic awards banquet last Tuesday, when the Athletics department gathered together an impressive group of individuals who have given of themselves and their time, to represent the student body of this institution.

I guess that's one reason that it bothers me when people refer to these people as "a bunch of dummies who can't do anything right" because they don't always come first or win.

These athletes and their coaches are there because they care just as much about the end result as about the doing of the activity. And I's say they care a hell of a lot more than all the armchair jocks and coaches that only exercise their tongues.

It's high time these folks got the show of appreciation they deserve, but never ask for. Most of them would gladly settle for some consideration or a second chance when they haven't done their best.

So I'd like to both thank and congratulate the athletes of UNB for their striving for athletic excellence when they wear the Red and Black. What about you?

Special congratulations are extended to the male and female athletes of the year. This time around the honors went to Blaine MacDonald and Janet Goggin. Both have excelled in the field of athletics while here at UNB and are deserving of the award.

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There is another female athlete, who among many I might add, has done particularly well this year. She qualified for the first time for the national diving championships this year and during competition finished seventh. That is the best any woman from UNB has ever done in the event. The athlete - Bernie LeBlanc, a third year Physical Education student. Congrats, Bernie.

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The Bloomers and the Reds did well this season in their respective sports, each qualifying for the national championships after capturing the AUA titles with ease. Both coaches, Phil Wright of the Bloomers and Kaiva Celdoma of the Volleyball Reds, have got a lot to be proud of in their charges and a lot to look forward to in the coming year with all the fine young players returning.

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Bill MacGillivray is hoping that next year will be better for his Red Devils too. Maybe the problem was that this year UNB didn't have the STU Tommies to romp over and make themselves feel better. Or just maybe the Red Devils had a less than impressive season this year because of the number of rookies on the squad - 13!

On the serious side though, I would like to thank coach MacGillivray for the co-operation I received from him this season and for the kind remarks he made at the Awards banquet.

I only have one question, Coach. As the twentieth player on your team, how many more years of eligibility do I have left?

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It's been as difficult to sit down and write this final Jock Talk as it was to write the first one. I feel it has been a good year, a learning one for the BRUNS sports staff. To all the people who helped make this year as good as it could have been, this is for you.

Special thanks has to go to the assistant sports editor this year, Tom Best. His hard work made it possible to cover a greater range and make a lot of deadlines.

To those of you who took it upon yourselves to write for the BRUNS sports pages, your efforts have been appreciated.

Although we have been noted in the past for having our "differences" the BRUNS would like to thank the sports staff of CHSR and their sports director, Mike Gange. It would be nice to see the same type of co-operative interaction in future years.

To Peter Collum of the Daily Gleaner I would like to say a special thank you for your advice and your patience. To the coaches and organizers of the university athletics program, your co-operation and interest in the sports program and the media coverage certainly made things easier for us.

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It was a wise man who once wrote: "To venture causes anxiety, but not to venture is not to find oneself."

Be a straight shooter.

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