

Tigers look good

by Keith Johnston

On Thursday nite, the Dal Tigers, although not completely averaging their earlier loss to Acadia, did show some pretty strong indications that they intend to make the SMU Huskies work for the league title this season. Playing really "inspired" basketball. The Tigers took the Huskies right to wire before dropping a 92-82 decisions to them. The loss gives Dal a 1-2 record in league play, which will resume after Christmas.

From the opening top, both teams came out shooting with the lead switching hands several times in the half. Dal, at one point, led by as much as 6 points, however inattentiveness around the hoop, as well as fouls hurt them again as Saint Mary's capitalized and took a comfortable 41-31 lead to the dressing room at the half. Scoring in the first half reflected the balanced play with Mickey Fox and Lee Thomas collecting 13 apiece for S.M.U., while Bob Fogan had 13 and Dave Iverson and Kevin Kelly 8 apiece for the Tigers.

It was obvious that the

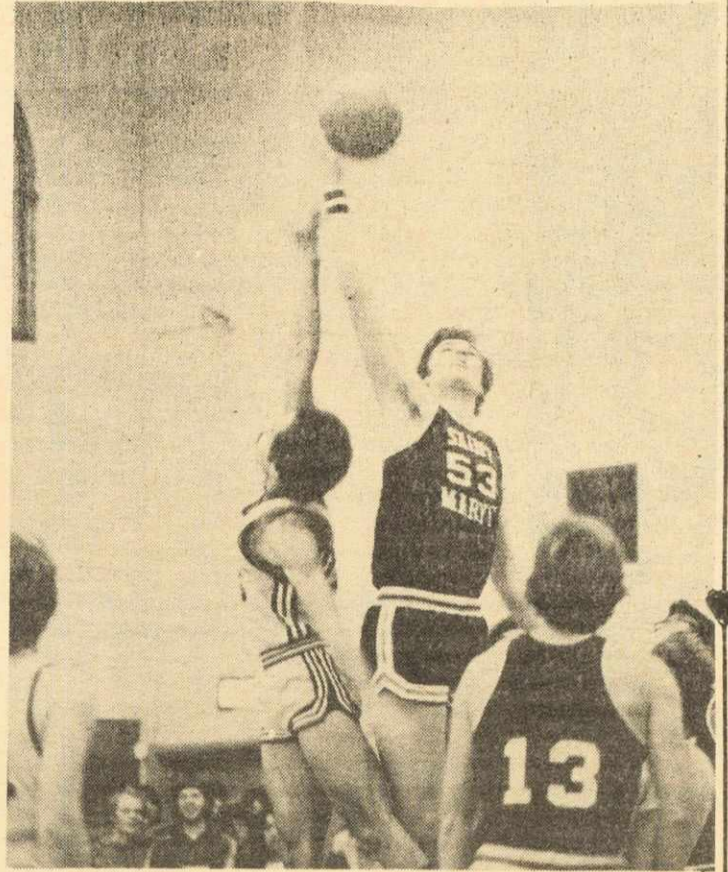
second half was going to be very interesting when towering Mike Donaldson took the top from 6'10" SMU center John (Sour-Face) Dye, and then pumped in the first hoop. Donaldson, who finished with 9 points was THE force on the boards for the Tigers, as he blocked shots, intimidated people, and played on equal terms with Dye and Thomas. Evidently the Tiger fans who packed the Dal Gym to witness the game were appreciative as they applauded for nearly a minute when he left the game in the dying minutes.

Bob Fogan once again led the Tigers in the points parade with 24, and playing his best intercollegiate game to date. He showed the variety of inside and outside shots, dippy-doodles, and left-handed hooks with which he is eventually going to tear this league apart with. All three other members of the starting five hit double figures with Dave (O.D.) Iverson collecting 14, Kevin Kelly 13 and Bob Blount 10.

As good as the Dal effort was, however, it was the shooting touch of Mickey Fox, which buried them. Fox,

trying for his third Atlantic scoring title in four years was smoking in the second half, hitting 13 or 15 from the field and finishing with 41 points. He was unstoppable with a mixed repertoire of 25 footers, baseline jumpers and power moves to the hoop. Other Saint Mary's scorers included Lee Thomas, who got 18, and John Dye and Greig Redding who ended up with 10 each.

Dal looked tough throughout playing a fine inside game on offense and constantly pressing Saint Mary's in defense, forcing turn overs and bad passes. Once again, fouling hurt them badly as they fouled S.M.U. too much and didn't get the line enough themselves. As Coach Yan commented, "they outshot us 14 to 1 from the line in the first half, and that was the game!" Barring any mental relapses, it looks like the Tigers could finally lie in that groove which will carry them on to post season play in February. The Tigers first post-Xmas league game, featuring the same Huskies here on January 13, should prove very interesting indeed!



Scuba Club Report

by Michael J Ervin

As I look back on the past few months of the Dal Scuba Clubs' existence, I can't help but hold a feeling of great anticipation for the next few months. The Club now has Scuba gear available for loan to any of its diving members or members on course.

We held a dive almost every weekend this term. As people began to find out what the Club was about, attendance on these dives rose to an average of about ten persons down per dive!

As the weather becomes less and less favourable (but never impossible!) for diving, I imagine the frequency of dives will be reduced somewhat, simply through the reluctance of some people to brave the icy Atlantic during the winter months. I'm sure the "hard as nails" types will come out, feeling secure in the fact that the water is actually warmer than the winter air (it's true!). So it really doesn't take a "hard as nails" type to dive in the winter after all, even though that's the image we like to project. To make up for the reduced number of dives. It's hoped that more social events and other indoor

activities (hmm!) will develop. Judging from past occasions, a good time is always had by all.

Speaking of social events, don't forget about the upcoming brewery tour. We'll all meet in front of the SUB at (2:00) on the 11th of December to board a chartered bus to Moosehead breweries. Please bring your club id card along with .50 cents (for the cost of the bus). It might be useful to bring a little piece of paper of some sort that says you are 19.

The Dal Scuba Club Poster is back! It's in a slightly different spot though. It's along the corridor going towards the cafeteria, but it is opposite the long bulletin board. In other words, just across from where it used to be. Please come into the SUB at least once a week to check the notices on the Club poster. It's the only way we have of keeping members informed.

We'll be starting another diver certification programme in January. Registration priority will be given to people who are already non-diving members of the club. If there is enough interest we'll try to get a second, simultaneous course going as well, subject to availability of pool time.

Course registration times will be posted on the notice board. Be sure to attend all meetings, since registration for the course may occur during the meetings. More information about these courses will be given at the meetings.

The Nova Scotia Underwater council holds its annual general meeting on Saturday December 7th in the Alpine room at Moosehead Breweries. Bill Cooper is the only voting member for our Club but all are urged to attend.

We may be holding a general meeting before Christmas. We are also trying to get a movie or guest speaker, so again, watch for it on the notice board.

Panthers defeat Wildcats

Led by a three goal performance by Larry Creaser. Panthers defeated Wildcats 6-5 at Dal Rink. Kevin Boylin, Brian Gannon, Kevin Elliott made one goal each for the winners. Howie

Gorman and Dave Black got two goals each for the losers. Brendon Jackson got the other goals for the losers. Panthers got 5 of their 6 goals in the third period without a reply for the Wildcats.

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