



The start of the 100 meter backstroke with the UNB Beavers swimming against Acadia. Both the Beavers and the Mermaids were victorious in their meets over last weekend.

Swimmers Smash Records

The UNB male and female swim teams, the Beavers and Mermaids, proved to themselves and many others in the intercollegiate swimming circuit that they will again be the team to beat at the Intercollegiate Championships to be held at Acadia University, February 18 and 19.

This past weekend both the Beavers and Mermaids trounced Acadia and Dalhousie Universities. Swimming in their own Sir Max Aitken Pool, the UNB swimmers easily downed Acadia on Friday evening.

The Beaver and Acadia meet was a stunning victory for the Beavers. They started off fast and strong and midway through the meet the Beavers were out in front 35-8 at this point having taken first and second place in all events but one. The final score was Beavers 71 and Acadia 24 with 8 of 11 firsts for the UNB swimmers.

For the first time in quite a while the Mermaids started out slow and were behind Acadia 25-18 at half time. But the Mermaids are a very strong and flexible team and hauled a 53-42 win out of the day.

Setting records seemed to be the story of the evening with Debbie Prince of the Mermaids putting the axe to 3. Beaver, Steve Coldwell, 5 weeks out of a hospital bed and an appendix operation swam a beautiful 200 m butterfly, setting a new New Brunswick Native Record.

The following are all N.B. Native Records:

Debbie Prince - 200 m breast-
3.06:5 (3.12:8)
100 m free-
style- 1.03:2 (1.04:4)
200 m free-
style- 2.22:2 (2.31:6)

Suzanne Fitzgerald - 200 Individual Medley - 2.55:2 (2.59:4) Mermaids
Janice Matson - 50 freestyle - 29:6 (30:0) Acadia
Steve Coldwell - 200 butterfly - (2.47:2) (2.48:7) Beaver
400 Medley Relay Team - Brian Mosher
Mike Flannery
Steven Coldwell
John Dowd

Many of the newcomers to the Beaver squad this year proved that they have a place in the swimming area of sports. Dave McFaul, one of the biggest surprises won the 200 freestyle with a time of 2:19:38. Bruce Hewson another newcomer knocked 12 seconds off his best 500 freestyle time by winning the event in 6:44:17. Mike Flannery ended up in first place in the 500 freestyle as the blood bath finish showed his time of 27:8 to be the top.

Veteran Beaver John Dowd picked up a first in the 100 freestyle with a time of 1:01:0.

To finish the meet with Acadia the Beavers 400 freestyle relay team finished lengths ahead with their time of 4:19:2 as compared to Acadia's 5:11:5 effort. The UNB relay team consisted of John Burrows, Ray Hastings, John Dowd and Brian Mosher.

After putting out so much on Friday evening one would think the swimmers would slow down. It seems the Beavers and Mermaids don't know what slowing down is. In their meet Saturday with Dalhousie the men again swamped their opponents 70-74 and the Mermaids embarrassed their rivals with a 74-21 final score.

The male diving team was very successful in both meets

as John Thompson and Jeff Deane captured first with seconds respectively in both meets. This is John Thompson's first year with the diving team.

Both Beaver relay teams came out on top against Dalhousie. The medley relay team of Brian Mosher, Mike Flannery, Steve Coldwell and John Dowd finished some 25 seconds ahead of the Dal relay team.

The freestyle relay team of Barry Roberts, John Burrows, Mike Flannery, and Dave McFaul swam a first place race in 4:23:23 as compared to Dal's 5:01:00.

Team captain Brian Mosher was a double winner for the Beavers as he took the 200 m Individual medley in 2:39:6 and the 200 m back stroke in 2:45:7. John (Beast) Dowd also took two events, the 50 m freestyle in 27.8 and the 100 m freestyle in 1:00:00. The 200 m breaststroke was won by Beaver John Curtis with a time of 3:05:14.

Records set in the Saturday meet were:

N.B. Native Debbie Prince - 50 freestyle - 29.8 (31.8)
N.B. Native Steve Coldwell - 200 butterfly - 2:42:6 (2:47:2)
N.B. open Suzanne Fitzgerald - 400 freestyle - 5:23:9 (5:29:1) (5:31:9)

Several of these outstanding swimmers should qualify for the Atlantic Conference Team to compete in the Nationals here at UNB, February 25 and 26.

The Beavers and Mermaids swim again on February 9, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sir Max Aitken Pool. They will meet Mount Allison in this Intercollegiate encounter.



COLLUM'S COLUMN

by Pete

Well folks, the game of the year took place last Sunday night as the BRUNS 'Red Herrings' utterly humiliated the CHSR 'Goo Guys'. The score was 4-3, (with the BRUNS having had innumerable goals called back) Maurice "The Boomer" Gauthier with 1, Ed 'Mugwump' Stewart with 1, and Rick Fisher with 2 goals rounded out the Herring scoring. First star of the game went to Padi 'Stop the puck' McDonough, second star to Gauthier, with the rest of the Herrings tied for third star.

The victors overcame a two goal deficit with four unanswered second period goals. The Herrings, coached by yours truly, also overcame the handicap of three CHSR officials, and the fact that CHSR had only one female to the BRUNS' four. A CHSR official was quoted as saying "I have nothing to say and that we merely conceded the game. But as the old adage goes 'the proof of the pudding is in the eating', and if that's the case then CHSR is cake.

Back to the world of others, the Mermaids and the Beavers had a field day with the opposition, as Debbie Prince set five records, Suzanne Fitzgerald three, and Steve Coldwell three. Their next meet is against Mount A on Wednesday February 9.

The Red Devils came back to life last Friday as they defeated St. F. X. Phil Lepage, Bob Keefe and Keith Leleivre were standouts for the Devils. Leleivre was outstanding in nets. Lepage had 3 goals and 2 assists, while Keefe assisted on 4 goals, and did not lose a face-off he was involved in.

The Raiders are at home this weekend, for a couple of Carnival games. On Friday, UPEI is here, while the next night Fort Kent is the guest. After last weekend I am sure that the sanctity of home will be welcome, they got roasted by Dal and SMU in Halifax.

In volleyball action, the Red Rebels took part in the Atlantic Invitational Tourney, where they finished fourth in regulation play and were defeated by a rejuvenated Fairview team two games to nothing in the semi-finals. The Rebels have this weekend off as they begin their final preparations for the AIAA Championships to be held here, at UNB on February 11 and 12. The Rebels are defending champions, and the finals between Dal Tigers and the Rebels should be a real 'blood bath'.

The new rink, the latest addition to the winter sports complex on Buchanan Glacier met with great success on its first full week of skating. It makes me wonder sometimes that things can be accomplished so quickly around here. Why can't they do everything that way?

I still would like to hear from people about their feelings on financial aid to needy student athletes (athletic scholarships). The meeting of the Athletics Board was postponed for another week, so there is still plenty of time to get your ideas down on paper and get them into the Bruns office, signed please.

A late note, Tuesday nite Saint Thomas Tommies defeated the Red Devils 7-5. As in the previous contest in which STU was victorious, they seemed to mesmerize the Devils. Keeping in line with the Bruns policy of giving credit where credit is due.

Scott Harvey again showed why he is regarded as one of the best hockey players around, his shots always dangerous, along with being the kind of leader on the ice St. Thomas needs. His scoring effort was a beautiful rink long rush that brought the crowd to its feet.

And last but not least best wishes to President Dineen, who is in hospital in Saint John taking treatment for his cancer condition. The Bruns staff hope he is back on the job as soon as he is able.

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