

# Blazers inconsistent at tournament

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The UNB Red Blazers Womens Hockey team continued to struggle through fits of inconsistency as they went 1-2-1, in 4 games against Bantam boys teams last week.

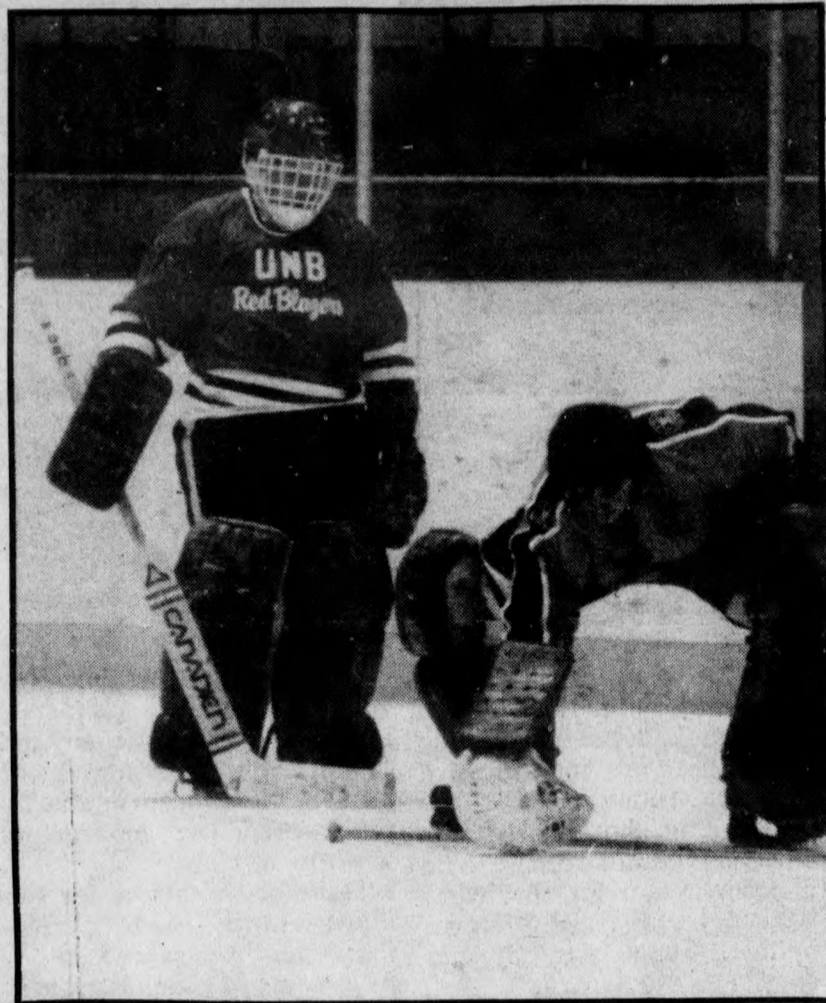
One part of the UNB game that did return was the Blazers goal scoring touch, after notching only 1 goal in 3 previous games the ladies finally scored 11 times.

Friday in an FYHA league game against the York Arena Bantams at the Aitken Centre the Blazers twice held one goal leads on goals by Barb Cox and Carolin Boushel but couldn't hold the Bantams down, settling for a 2-2 tie.

Saturday morning the team was in Woodstock for a Bantam invitational Tournament. In their first round robin game UNB played what might have been their worst hockey game of the season. Sandwiched between goals by Joanne Gillies and Barb Cox the Coliseum #2 Bantams fired 6 unanswered goals. What made it worse from UNB's perspective was the fact that the Bantams had not managed to beat the Blazers in 4 previous games.

Later that day UNB played up to their capabilities as they outplayed the Woodstock Bantams to the tune of 4-1. Leisa MacCavour, Carol Cooper, Anne Campbell, and Jennifer Reicker scored in the win.

On Sunday UNB was faced with an uphill battle due to their loss to the Coliseum, this made it necessary to win over Florenceville by 5 goals in order to advance to the playoff round. That goal went by the



Wendy Dickinson of the UNB Red Blazers and an opposition goalie await the imminent onslaught.

boards early as the Red Blazers fell behind 45 seconds into the game, and were down 4-0 by 5:20 of the second period.

Playing only for pride UNB stormed back to close to 4-3 with 51 seconds remaining, but despite pulling their goalie

the Blazers had to settle for a loss. Anne Campbell scored twice, and Gillies once in the aborted comeback.

In post Tournament Ceremonies team Captain Carol Cooper was named to the Tournament all-star team on the defense position.

When all was said and done what did Red Blazer coach Mike Power think of his teams

weekend, "Of 12 periods of hockey we only had 3 bad ones, yet had to settle for 1 win. I hope they will now realize that playing half a game won't do it."

Following this week's break the Red Blazers will return to a tough schedule to prepare them for the Women's Hockey Nationals in Saskatchewan March 19th through 23rd.

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Be a resource person able to assist the athlete to develop his/her athletic potential and self-dependency.

Be honest and consistent with athletes. They appreciate knowing where they stand.

Recognize individual differences in athletes and always think of the athlete's long-term best interests.

Be prepared to interact with the media, league officials and parents. They too have important roles to play in sport.

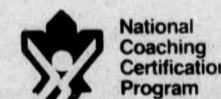
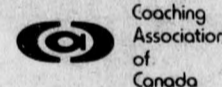
Aim for excellence based upon realistic goals and the athlete's growth and development.

Coaching involves training by responsible people who are flexible and willing to continually learn and develop.

Lead by example. Teach and practise co-operation, self-discipline, respect for officials and opponents and proper attitudes in language, dress and deportment.

Physical fitness should be a lifelong goal for all Canadians. Encourage athletes to be fit all year, every year and not just for the season.

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