

Weekend split for Red Devils

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The UNB Red Devils split a pair of Atlantic Universities Hockey Conference games this past weekend at the Aitken Centre. They started out on the right foot Saturday night when they played host to the St. Francis Xavier X-men and posted a 5-3 victory.

UNB were trailing the X-men 2-0 in the second period after goals by Larry Andrea and Peter Brockelhurst. Finally at the midway point of the second period the Red Devils capitalized on one of their many opportunities. Mike Kelly scored on a centering pass from Ian MacDonald to pull the Red Devils with in one goal. Two minutes later UNB tied the score when Gary Clark batted a Mark Welton pass across the goalmouth to Steve Adams who flipped it in the open side.

In the final minutes of the period Scott Brogan made a super glove save which would have given St. Francis a big boost going into the dressing room. UNB continued its come back in the third period as Mike Kelly netted his second tally of the game. The X-men get their chance to tie the game during a scramble in front of the UNB net. Larry Andrea didn't miss and he scored his second goal of the game.

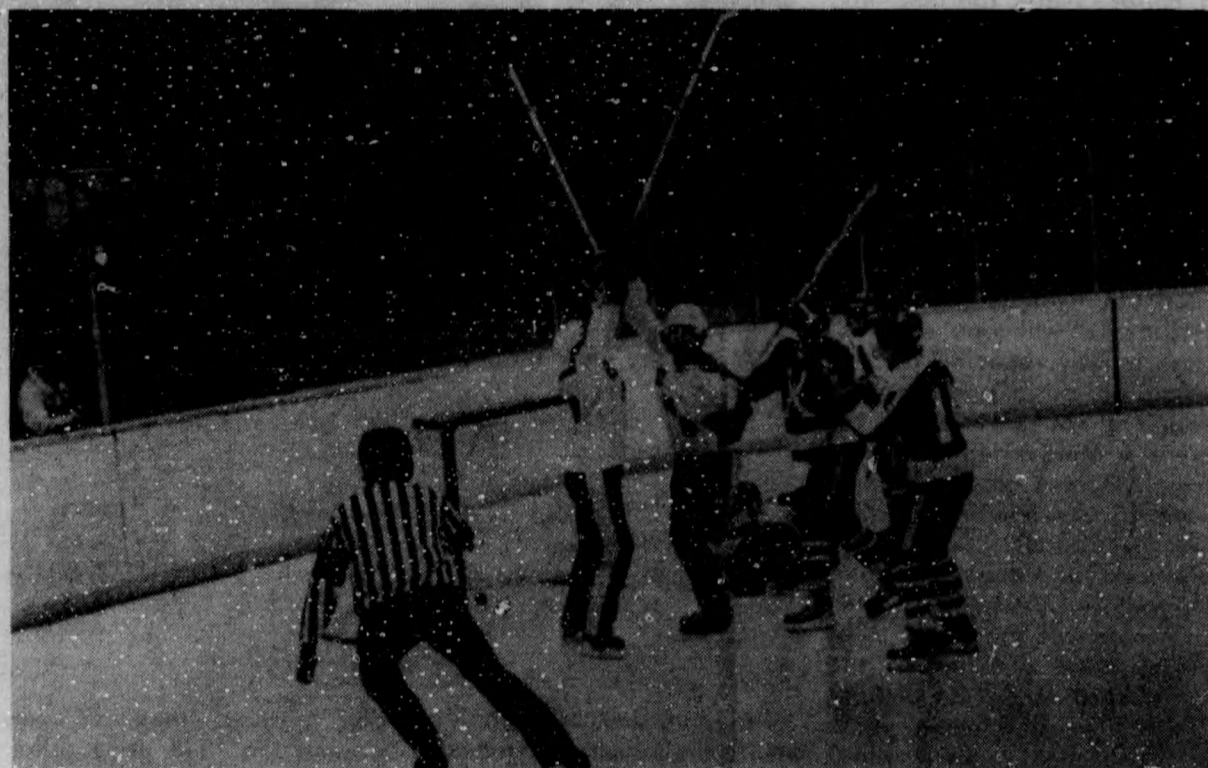
The comeback by the X-men was short lived as rookie

defenceman Kurt Rugenius rushed the puck up the ice and shoveled it in front to Gary Clark who scored what proved to be the winning goal. The Red Devils added an insurance marker on an empty net goal when Al Lewis outraced the X-men defenders and shot the puck into the waiting net.

After the game Coach Don MacAdam said that the defence was the key and once Mike Kelly's line started scoring goals it was the difference they needed. He also had praise for George Kelly's tough forechecking and excellent penalty killing. Rookie defenceman Kurt Rugenius was given the "Pepsi Player of the Game Award" (along with male athlete of the week honors).

A mental let down proved to be fatal Sunday as the UPEI Panthers scored on a two on one break with just nine seconds left to break a 4-4 deadlock and seal a victory. The error occurred when the Red Devils were knocked off the puck in the Panthers zone and a long pass sent two UPEI forwards in on the lone UNB defenseman. Doug Currie scored the winner off teammate Ricky Cameron's pass to edge out UNB at 1951 of the final frame.

In the opening period each team exchanged goals; UPEI's goal came off the stick of John



Celebrate! Two unidentified Red Devil players celebrate a goal, during last weekend's game with St. F.X. The Devils won 5-3 in a come from behind effort.

Butler, while UNB's Mark Welton made a nice move to slip one past the Panther netminder. UPEI went ahead in the second period when Bob MacDonald was left alone in front of the Red Devil net.

The Panther lead was short lived as UNB tied it up on a power play goal by Dave Bluteau who went in and around the UPEI defence before putting it above the

sprawling Panther goalie. Bluteau's tally seemed to spark UNB as only seconds later they netted another. This time Steve Adams broke down the right side and dumped the puck in front where Gary Clark put it in.

The third period opened favorably for the Panthers as they tied up the game at the 1:06 mark on a goal by Tony MacKenzie. The Devils answered the Panther challenge by scoring the go ahead goal. Andy Slipp took full advantage of partially screened Panther goalie to give UNB a 4-3 lead. A costly UNB penalty enabled UPEI to tie the score at four apiece.

The Panthers worked the puck around the UNB box until Terry Crawford was left alone in the slot to score.

Later in the dressing room coach, Don MacAdam emphasized that with only a 24 game schedule you can't afford to lose a game with nine seconds left. He also drew attention to the fact that they out-shot UPEI 19-8 in the second period; but were able to score two goals. Missed opportunities like that are not going to win hockey games!

The Devils next home game is Saturday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. in the Aitken Centre, against the Dalhousie Tigers.

Wrestlers set to defend

The UNB Black Bears Wrestling Team is taking part in its first meeting of the season this Saturday, Oct. 20, in Presque Isle, Maine. The competition will be very tough. Teams attending along with UNB are University of Maine, Presque Isle University of Maine Orono, Keene State, Mt. Allison and Dalhousie. In preparation, the team has been working out for the past month.

The team this year is very young in terms of experience. First year wrestlers include Gary Wilson, Tim Heidman, Ken Arsenault, Mike Judge, Dave Bessey, Bruce Hart, Ron Richard, Chris Rankin, Mike Sharpe and Tom Critchlow. Second year wrestlers and Greg Hughs and Kevin Hodgson. Wayne Wiggins and Rick Parker who wrestled with the Black Bears last year, may be joining the team after Christmas.

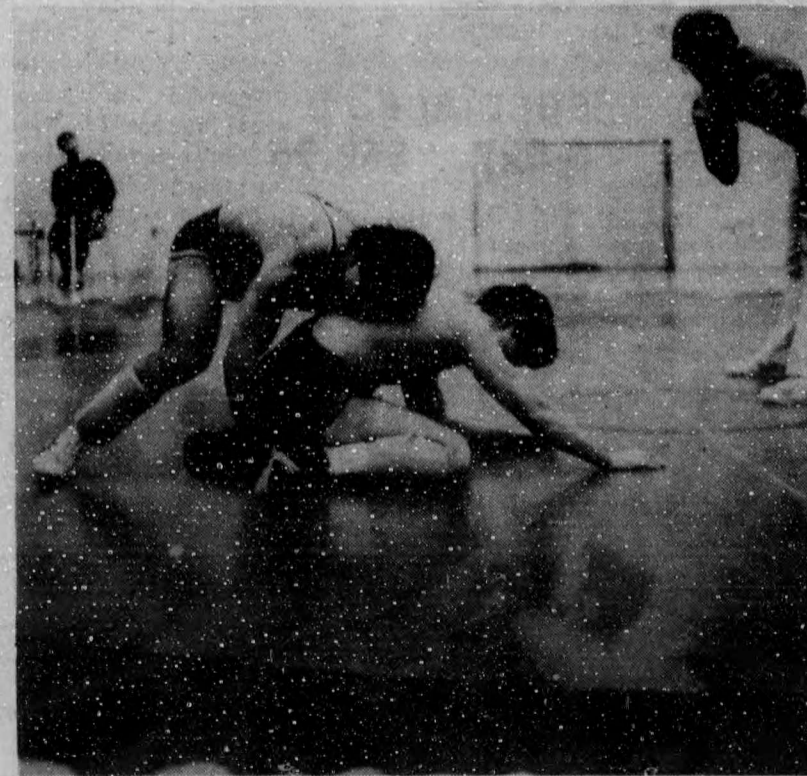
The team veterans are Brian Bessey and Denis Mahoney with 3 years of university wrestling experience. Bessey has spent all three years with the Black Bears while Mahoney spent his first year with Acadia. Both wrestlers played

an important role in the Black Bears victory at last years AUAU championships with Mahoney finishing 2nd and Bessey finishing 3rd in their respective weight categories.

This is the first time in years that the Black Bears won't have at least one returning AUAU champion. Regardless

of the inexperience of the team it should be a very successful season with Coach Jim Born at the helm. Born is in

search of an unprecedented 9th AUAU Wrestling Title in 12 years. He is being helped this year by five time AUAU wrestling champ, Leo McGee.



Athletes of the week

Athletes of the Week are two field hockey CIAU All-Stars and the leading scorer for the Red Devils.

Red Sticks members Donna Phillips and Sharon Creelman are sharing the female nomination after they were chosen to the 1982 CIAU All-Star Tournament team.

Phillips was the tournament high scorer, placing seven of UNB's nine goals in the net in the four days of championship play-offs. This is her fourth year on the All-Star Team, and her fifth with the AUAU All-Stars.

In her last year of Physical Education and Red Sticks action, Phillips

leaves with 33 goals for the season.

First year physical education student Creelman played on the Field Hockey National Team this year, as well as for the Red Sticks. Although a defensive, she scored one goal in the National Tournament and a total of seven goals in four games for the season.

Red Devils Kurt Rugenius is the male Athlete of the Week. In hockey action over the weekend, he was selected player of the game in the St. F.X. win on Saturday. The first year Science student is presently the leading scorer for the Devils with seven assists in four games.