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ligers half time by craig munro

The Dalhousie Tigers' Varsity Teams have put Christmas 1983 and New Year's 1984 behind them and are now beginning the second half of their respective 1983-84 schedules. It's an appropriate time for a review of Dal action in the fall and winter of 1983.

In the autumn sports of field hockey, cross country and soccer, Dal squads performed well.

The field hockey team advanced to the finals of the AUAA, losing a close 2-0 decision to the University of New Brunswick in the championship game played at Dal. Their silver medal showing enabled them to advance to CIAU championships where they claimed a 5th place finish, after losing a 1-0 decision

highlights in overtime to the University of Toronto for the right to advance to the semi-finals.

The team's 10-2 record in AUAA play was 1st in the east and 2nd overall. The Tigers were led in scoring by Mary McGlone and Sharon Andrews, each with 11 goals, tied for 2nd in the league.

In cross country, head coach Al Yarr guided his men's team to

Women's volleyball win invitational

by Jill Phillips

On Saturday, January 7, the Dal Tigers women's volleyball team took top spot in the Dal Invitational tournament.

The Tigers defeated the Dal club team in the final match, 15-3, 15-5. In obtaining first place, the Tigers also defeated Mount St. Vincent 15-12, 15-5; Dart-

mouth Lakettes 15-10, 15-1; Capital Club 15-4, 15-2, and the Truro Screaming Sneakers 15-2, 15-1.

The tournament was a good warmup for the team after the Christmas break. The Tigers welcomed back two players from the Canandian National team as Karen Fraser and Karin Maessen rejoined the team.

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As far as statistics are concerned, the Tigers had an impressive showing on Saturday. Karen Fraser had a 75 per cent serve reception stat, adding 5 stuff blocks, 25 kills, and a 97 per cent serving stat. She also had 20 serving points.

Equal to her in service reception was Beth Yeomans with 75 per cent as well. Donna Boutilier led the team with her 6 stuff blocks. Also to her credit were 62 per cent serve reception stat, an 86 per cent serving stat, and 25 kills.

Karin Maessen had the highest number of serving points with 30. She also had seven ace serves, and her overall play was excellent.

Brenda Turner had a 10 per cent serving stat, with 3 aces, 3 stuff blocks and 13 kills.

Two other players showing their talent were Simona Vortel and Veronika Schmidt. Vortel had 17 kills and a 97 percent serving and 67 per cent service reception stat.

The team as a whole played together well in earning the tournament victory. The win was an excellent way to start the new year.

Volleyball fans can look forward to upcoming action in the form of the Dalhousie Volleyball Classic, to be held January 20-22. This event should prove to be an exciting tournament, with several teams from all across Canada taking part in the action.

their first AUAA championship. The team placed 5 runners in the top 10 at the championship at Point Pleasant Park. The Dal total of 33 points was 6 better than second place Memorial.

At the Nationals, the men placed 5th, led by Tim Pierce, who finished 21st out of 42 competitors. The women's team, not having quite the depth of the men's squad, placed 3rd in the AUAA.

In the soccer field, the Tigers were 6-5 in AUAA play, good enough for 2nd spot in the east and a berth in the AUAA championships. The Tigers lost, however, to the eventual AUAA champions, the University of Prince Edward Island, 2-0 in the semi-final action. Dominic Ashton led the Tigers in scoring with 9 goals (2nd in the AUAA), while Manoj Vohra was next with 5 goals (5th in the league).

Moving on to the winter sports, hockey, basketball, volleyball and swimming are all heading into the 2nd half of their respective seasons.

The men's hockey team lost some tight decisions in the 1st half, both in league and exhibition action. Consequently their 3-6 record in AUAA play could be much better if the team had played more consistently. Tigers hosted the Schooner Cup over the holidays, and then travelled to Alaska to compete in the Alaskan Hockey Tournament. It is hoped that they will benefit from this competition and come out strong in the 2nd half. Mike Jeffrey is the team's leading scorer (8-6-14) while Paul Herron is next with 4-7-11.

The men's basketball team was 7-7 overall and 1-2 in league play before embarking on an extensive series of exhibition games over the Christmas season. Although both these records will be changed by the time this paper is published, the Tigers are expected to remain around .500.

Team leaders in the first half were: Scoring-Pat Slawter; rebounding-Stan Whetstone; field goals-George Leacock;



free throws-Pat Slawter. The Tigers have Acadia's Tip-Off Tournament to their credit so far this year.

On the women's side, the Tigers were 2-0 in league play and 6-1 overall at the half. Their only loss came in the finals of the Bluenose Classic as they too claimed Acadia's Tip-Off Tournament title.

Shelley Slater was 2nd in the league in rebounding while Angela Colley was 3rd in field goals. The Tigers appear strong again this year, and they and UNB were the only undefeated teams at the half.

In Volleyball action, the Tiger women were in second place with a 3-1 record at the half. The women were winners at the Moncton Invitational, and the Schooner Volleyball Classic hosted by UCCB. They placed 4th at the University of Sherbrooke Invitational, while claiming the consolation title at the Tait MacKenzie Classic hosted by York.

The men's volleyball Tigers showed continued improvement throughout the first half, despite their 3rd place 3-6 record. Bernie Derible was a standout for the Tigers, and coach Al Scott said that any gap that may have been present between the Tigers and the frontrunners had been eliminated.

Last, but not least, the Tigers swim team got off to another fine start in 1983. The women extended their undefeated streak in AUAA competition to 39 consecutive meets, while accumulating a record of 5-0 and qualifying 7 swimmers for the CIAU championships. The men are 4-1 at the Christmas break, their only loss coming at the hands of Memorial University, the defending AUAA champions. Andrew Cole is the only CIAU qualifier so far for the men.

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