Halifax West downs Dal 2-1

by Greg Zed

The Women's Ice Hockey Tournament took place this past weekend with Halifax West Warriors taking the championship by virtue of a 4-0 record. In the final game host team Dalhousie Tigeretts were edged out by a score of 2-1. Head coach Dave Andrews of the War-

riors was asked to comment on the victory in light of the fact that his team had a 1-4 record against the Dal squad during the 1975-76 season: "We knew that if we wanted to win the tournament, we had to beat Dalhousie and furthermore we realized that beating Dal wasn't going to be easy. We had to

contain the offensive power which is part of their play. We were successful in doing just that". Robert Towner, who was quite hesitant in admitting disappointment had praise for the high school champs: "They played great. We knew that they were going to be tough and that in order to beat them we would have to be a bit more hungrier. The great fan support that they had certainly added to their play and each of them played great positional hockey''. Towner did not at all attempt to make any excuses for the loss. "Our girls played a good game. Each of them should be very happy with the tournament... it's just too bad we cannot all be

and ended the "Irish" from further play. Halifax West, playing good positional hockey edged Sunny King Motel Angels in their encounter; the score was 1-0 and Wendy Knapman picked up the shut-out for the Warriors. Andrea Mounce fired two goals to lead Acadia University in a 4-3 win over Fairview Aces in an elimination encounter. The Aces were eliminated. Leonarda MacNeil tickled the twine twice for St.F.X. to knock out Acadia University 3-2 while Paula MacClure picked up the shut-out for Sunny King Angels in their 2-0 win over Brian Savoy's Red Blazers from U.N.B

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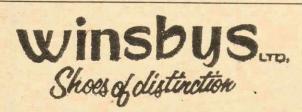
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The two day tournament, the first of its kind at Dalhousie, saw teams from the Atlantic region including the U.N.B. Red Blazers from Frederiction, Acadia University from Wolfville, St. Francis Xavier X-etts from Antigonish, Sunny King Motel Angels from P.E.I., College Ste. Anne, along with Fairview Aces, St. Patrick's High School, Halifax West High School Warriors and Dalhousie Tigeretts.

In the opening game played Saturday, Debbie MacDonald's three goal performance led the Fairview Aces to a 7-0 victory over College Ste. Anne. Elizabeth and Mary Maskell shared the shut-out. Halifax West beat Acadia University in the second encounter, 5-1 while St.F.X. registered its first win by shuting out U.N.B. Red Blazers 1-0. Sue McLellan recorded the

shut-out. Janet McKenna fired three goals for the Dalhousie squad to give the host team its first win. The late entry, St. Pats were on the end of the 6-0 thrashing that the Tigeretts handed out. Brenda Silver picked up the Dal shut-out. The 1974-75 champions, Sunny King Motel Angels posted their first win in the tournament by beating Fairview Acès 4-1. The Angels, from P.E.I. gained a bye in the tournament's first round of play. Marylon Russton's three goal effort led the Axe-etts to a 7-0 trouncing over College Ste. Anne. This eliminated St. Anne's club from further play in the double elimination tournament. Later in the day, Dal Tigerettes gave St.F.X. its first loss by posting a 2-0 win over the Antigonish visitors. Gwen Cromwell registered the shut-out for the Black and Gold brigade.

Two goal performances from Leona Casley and Lorna Montgomery led U.N.B. Red Blazers to an easy 6-1 thumping over St. Pat's

they bowed to Halifax West by a score of 2-1. The Warriors picked up the win during "a show-down" which was necessary after both teams were dead-locked after an over-time period. Sunny King Motel Angels knocked out S.F.X. 2-1 and entered the semi-finals against the Tigeretts, however, the Angels were edged 1-0 during their game with the Dal club. Gwen Cromwell recorded her second shut-out of the day for the host team.

The final game was the meeting of the two "power-houses". On a previous encounter the Warriors beat the Tigeretts 2-1 and hence if the Dal squad were to win, they had to do something quick---they had to stop the fast skating Warriors and shoot more. When asked what the Dal squad was to do in the finals Mike O'Connor was quick to reply: 'We have to contain the Warriors and yet we have to skate harder and shoot more often. We have to stay away from stupid penalties". In short the more than able assistant from the Dal brigade was quite accurate in what had to be done--what was done was another story. Lynn Buckler and Karen Fraser notched a goal a piece to lead the "best in the West" to another 2-1 win over the Dal team. Janet Mckenna scored the tally for the home-town Tigeretts.

After the game, both coaches were asked to comment on the tournament: Robert Towner, who is coach of the Tigeretts, and tournament chairman was extremely happy with the way things went 'Sure we are a bit dissappointed but the Warriors played well. The game was close throughout the entire time. The Halifax West played better and deserved the win but I must say I'm proud of my girls. We had to play back to back games without a rest and our girls were tired but they played a wail of

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