Pam Seymour is top skip Expressions

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first

that competed. Originally the bonspiel was to be limited to Annua! 16 varsity teams but due to Moosehead Varsity Bonspiel the lack of interest by varsity was held Sunday, March 13 at athletes, two independent the Fredericton Country Club. teams curled that day. Three There was a total of 12 teams Cross Country Teams, two

teams from the varsity Swim team, one field hockey team, one men's Basketball team and one men's volleyball team were the varsity teams that played that day. One of the independent rinks was skipped by Jeff Irwin while the other independent team was skipped by Pam Seymour. Pam's team, made up of Allan Hillock, Danny Doirion and Andrew Carrothers won the bonspiel while the man's volleyball team skipped by Dwayne Fairweather came in second. The other members on Dwayne's team were Rex Bolder, Mark Colpitts and

There were many novices that day, but they were instructed by 12 local curlers from 11:30 to 1:00. Everyone played two four end games and the top 8 rinks played a third four end game. Before the third game the curlers enjoyed a soup and sandwich supper.

John Hooper.

Special thank you goes to the instructors and also to Marty Mockler and Vern Davidge who co-ordinated the days activities. Thanks also to Jeff Irwin and Moosehead Breweries for being the main sponsor of the bonspiel.

The bonspiel opened by Sandra Sutherland (thanks Sandra) bagpiping the curlers out and Mal Early threw the opening rock. Everyone had fun but without the following sponsors it could not have been possible.

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Last weekend, the UNB Woodsmen Team and 4 spectators headed to New Hampshire (pronounced New Hampshare) for a woodsmen competition. There were teams from New York, Vermont, Maine, New Hampshire and New Brunswick (the only Canadian team). The highlights of the competition

were, Mel placing 1st in the tobacco spit, J.K. placing 3rd in the chain saw event, Pete H. placing 1st (for the Alumni) in choker setting and the woman's team placing 2nd in swede sawing.

The week of rain before the competition caused the events to be held inside a horse arena, but this did not

dampen our spirits. The new drinking laws, the drinking age (20 yrs) and the hard floors could not prevent the team from keeping up their reputation. The Wildcat will never forget us nor the Boot (right Cam!). Thanks go to Brent B. for his support.

> P.S. How ar ya? hee hee Hamish Dunk

Nick's Picks

Well, sports fans, Nick's back from his long deserved vacation, and let me tell you the scenery was just great. Unfortunately, due to Mr. Walker's performance my pocket book is not in the best of condition.

The USFL is a reality now and from what I've seen it looks quite good, however, the first few weeks will look like exhibition football until the teams get into practice. Now lets look at the games this week.

OAKLAND INVADERS (1-1) at MICHIGAN PANTHERS (1-1): Last week the Vaders lost a close game while the Panthers were never even in the game. Look for the Vaders to win this one big.

LOS ANGELES EXPRESS (2-0) of ARIZONA WRANGLERS (1-1): Well, I admit it, Nick is a Hugh Campbell fan so I'm going to pick the Express by at least 8 points.

DENVER GOLD (0-2) at CHICAGO BLITZ (1-1): Well maybe the gold is really fool's gold, Denver just didn't get it together last week and they won't on Sunday.

TAMPA BAY BANDITS (2-0) at NEW JERSEY GENERALS (0-2): So far the 5 million dollar man hasn't lived up to his price tag, nor has Chuck Fairbanks, while the Bandits sport a perfect record and a rather potent offense. This week Walker should get untracked but not enough to win.

WASHINGTON FEDERALS (0-2) at BOSTON BREAKERS (1-1): The Feds are ripe for a win, especially with the stigma of Riggens still in the air. Watch for a slow start by the Feds but a strong finish for the win.

PHILADELPHIA STARS (2-0) at BIRMINGHAM STALLIONS (1-1): The Stars have the best defence in the USFL so far and it looks like they intend to keep it that way. Stars by

Recontly the New England Patriots have been putting down the USFL and the Tampa Bay Bandits. Well the Bandits answered back. They challenged the Pats to a game to be played anywhere, anytime with a 1,000,000 winner take all purse. So far the Pats haven't answered.

When I arrived back home it was pointed out to me that one individual had written a letter to the editor concerning Nick's SP column.

Well Mr. Bradbury, so you didn't like my column, you don't think I have any journalistic ability? Why did you wait until one particular column was written, after all I have been writing all year, or haven't you noticed? Mr. Bradbury, I would like you to know that you are in the minority of people who did NOT like my column, in other words, most people likedmy column. In fact many people were so impressed that they want to see a sequel, even the CBC.

Now as for no journalistic ability, I have been writing for years and have had articles published in three other papers (that means big time) which if you are right then no paper in the province has any journalists working for them. Furthermore if you think you have the ability to recognize the lack of journalistic talent then you should be able to figure out which other articles and columns I have written. Just remember that I HAVE a column to write, you don't.

Just to be nice, next week I am allowing you 10 column inches in the sports pages, to write on anything you want, just to see if you have any journalistic talent.

Recently, a friend of mine came up to me and asked why I covered the Express, after all, hockey is not an interesting sport, like baseball. Well, we sat down and I proceeded to inform him about the sport of hockey.

When the Express came here last year, they were not a good team, but the fans stuck by them. This year the Express are a good team and have even more fans.

In baseball, all the good teams have rivalries, well the Express is no exception. Their main rivalry is with the Moncton Alpines. Why Moncton? The Alpines are the only other New Brunswick AHL Hockey Team, so naturally each team wants to be the best in the province. Moncton is also a first year team, just like the Express were last year. They also have to fill the shoes of the New Brunswick Hawks, which has been a very popular team in Moncton over the years. Also, neither the Express or the Alpines seem to get along on the ice.

Currently, the Express have a 14 point lead over their nearest rivals, the Maine Mariners, having elimated the Nova Scotia Voyagers from having any chance to gain first place last Tuesday night.

The Express face the Maine Mariners this Saturday in a must win game for the Mariners if they are to have any chance of getting into first place. Several Express players carry scoring streaks into this game. Newcomer Dennis Sobchuk has scored a goal in his last five games and Tim Tookey has 9 points in his last five games, while Tony Currie needs 7 goals to reach Richard David's plateau of 51 goals in a season.

It's no secret that the Express will be in the playoffs, the problem is, the home ice advantage. The Express are running almost neck and neck with the Rochester Americans. Whoever ends up with the most points will gain the home ice advantage, and naturally, we want the Express here.



Jeff Irwin presents the First Annual Moosehead award.

