

# Welcome To A Keen Machine

One of the major problems with the 1968 orientation was that the people who lived in the residences never effectively mixed with the people who lived in the Halifax area. This was a natural situation in that students tend to cling together in groups of friends, especially when the occasion is something as alien as university orientation. The most major efforts in the planning of Orientation '69 have been directed toward more integration. Jameel Rahaman, the Chairman of this year's Orientation Committee has devoted much time and thought to this end and says he thinks he has the problem at least partly solved. The activities are geared toward mass participation that every freshman can and should attend. Campus tours with explanations of how the library operates are a must. This is the ideal opportunity for all new students to be shown the rather awesome operation of the library, to say nothing of the difference in floor levels between the two buildings with none of the confusion that results when a student attempts his first trip alone. Movies, hootenannies, bonfires, and Open Houses are activities for everyone, alone or in groups. The trip to Lunenburg is the big change — instead of the residence people going one day and the non-residence people the next, this year everyone is going on the same day. Buses

will take the frosh down in time hopefully to see the dory races, then for possible tours of National Sea Products, the major fish packing company in Nova Scotia, although this last was not definite at time of printing.

The idea of orientation is a relatively new thing. The old format was an initiation, an ordeal of sorts for new students. But a few years ago the concept of orientation gained favour as a more profitable way to spend the money. The last available figures indicated that the Student Council would be contributing at least \$1500. The other approximately \$6000 is budgeted to come from the Frosh Orientation fees of \$7.00 per person.

Because so few of the buildings on campus are named adequately on their exterior, maps will be posted at various strategic points. The SUB is being emphasized as the student building for all students, so these maps will not only show you where you are, but also where the SUB is in relation to you.

The guides for all the touring occasions have been ordered to make the format lively, with special reference to the Lunenburg trip, so prospects look interesting for newcomers to Dalhousie this term.

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## Trouble For Gillis



There's more trouble in store for President Bruce Gillis and this time it could be close to home — in the office next door to be exact. Vice-President Derryn Crowston is reported to be upset over the lack of a role she has been given in Executive affairs. The President promised her that she would have an important position in the policy-making aspect of Council affairs when he asked her to be his running mate last spring. However since their election, she's been on the outside of all the important decisions made by the Executive.

Away from the Council chambers for the summer, Miss Crowston kept in touch — through the mails with her President and the correspondence wasn't always the friendliest.

It now remains to be seen whether Miss Crowston will want to stay on and fight to gain some share from the decision making process or whether she will leave the fold and resign.

Derryn Crowston has a mandate from her fellow students as one half of the Presidential team. It now remains to be seen whether President Gillis will choose to make use of it.



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