

Wrapping-up '95-'96 intramurals

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The yearly buzz in anticipation of the final results for intramurals happened last Tuesday night during the sports banquet.

Dal Intramurals involves close to 3,500 students, making it one of the largest extracurricular activities the university has to offer.

The inaugural flag football season was met with enthusiasm and highly competitive games on both Monday and Thursday nights. The league culminated in a thrilling co-ed final involving Old Eddy/Eliza and Law. The championship went down to the wire before the Old Eddy/Eliza team prevailed to win the first league title ever.

Soccer brought out a total of 52 teams, including five women's teams, two interfaculty men's divisions, two residence men's divisions, and three co-ed leagues.

The winners included the Pacemakers for men's interfac "A" with a close final against the Home Boys, while MBA won a tightly contested match with the Big Goats for the "B" championship. Top scoring Studley/Eliza captured the men's "A" residence soccer title and the Cameron Killer Cod walked away with the "B" residence division championship.

For the women's league, Shirreff I benefited from numbers and talent to win the women's soccer trophy.

Commitment and team spirit became apparent through the co-ed teams. In the co-ed soccer league this year, Physio was victorious against Studley/Eliza in a shootout. The "B" division winners were Geology for Division I and for Division II, Physics.

On the ice, 35 teams were entered in five divisions with Cameron House dominating the residence "A" and "B" divisions. In the "A" championship, the Killer Cod withstood a spirited challenge from Bronson to claim the title. Law was crowned champion in interfaculty "A" hockey, while the Chebucto Chiefs scored a victory

in men's "B" division and the McKeigans took home a new plaque for the "C" league.

Twenty-seven teams battled for three league broomball championships. The Pacemakers defeated Law for the second consecutive year to win the co-ed "A" division and the Woolly Mammoths were victorious in a very competitive "B" league. On Friday afternoons, five teams played for "C" championships with Bronson/Smith surviving.

The basketball season proved to be dynamic and exciting with seven divisions and 57 teams. Women's basketball was particularly competitive during the play-offs. In a well-deserved victory, Pharmacy shut down Shirreff I in the finals.

In men's basketball, there were two divisions in both interfaculty and residence. The "A" interfac championship went to the Freaks of Nature, and the "B" trophy was earned by Pharmacy. The Dalplex courts saw slam-dunking action from the men's residence teams, with the winners of residence "A", Studley/Eliza, and the winners of "B", the Killer Cod.

Co-ed "A" basketball was won by the Girl Guides, who prevailed over Law. The co-ed "B" championship belonged to Pharmacy, an athletic feat, as they won against the undefeated Dentistry team.

With 72 teams registered to play this season, volleyball had its share of spiking, scooping, and blocking action. In reference to women's volleyball, five teams participated. The Smashers, the last team to qualify for the playoffs, won the trophy.

Highlights in men's volleyball include the interfac "A" championship going to the Med Spikers. The "B" league had three strong teams, but with the possibility of only one winner, Chemistry walked away victorious.

With only one division in men's residence volleyball, Studley/Eliza triumphed as the strongest team throughout league play and in the playoffs.

Co-ed volleyball, with its three divisions, benefited from the updated co-ed rules format. The winners for the "A" division were Med Spikers, who closely defeated Law. In "B," the Doogies shone through. Biology took the co-ed "C" trophy home.

Innertube waterpolo enthusiasts combined their talents in the pool to provide aquatic excitement at the Dalplex. The year finished with an intense match-up between Physio and Bronson/Smith for the co-ed title. Bronson/Smith held off their opposition to win the 1996 edition of intramural waterpolo.

This year's individual competitions brought out athletes competing in personal and partner challenges in well-organized tournaments. These included tennis, badminton, and squash. The intramural gang also organized several team tournaments, including an all-night broomball game, a two weekend co-ed beach volleyball bash, and a 3-on-3 basketball tournament for both women and men, independently.

The outstanding female and male intramural participants, who are nominated by their peers and then selected by an intramural committee, went to Leah Box from Law and Paul Osborne of the Girl Guides. Both were described as well-deserving of their awards, excellent team players, and respectable athletes in their own right.

The Supremacy awards go to the teams with the highest standings in accumulated points. This year, Shirreff Hall won the women's supremacy. The men from the law school teams won the interfac supremacy and the highest residence standings went to Bronson/Smith. This team also won the co-ed residence supremacy, and Medicine, the co-ed interfac supremacy.

The President's Award is presented to a residence or faculty which exhibits enthusiasm, sportsmanship and participates in a wide variety of sports throughout the year. This year's winner was the faculty of Pharmacy.

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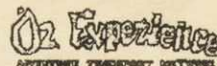
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