

Reds loose rematch in OT Bball ready for Capers

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Reds valiant effort curtailed by Tigers. The UNB Varsity Reds women's basketball team was downed by the Dal Tigers again, in a home game this weekend. The Reds had been defeated by the Tigers the previous weekend, and put up a tough fight to change the odds this time round. But UNB lost 60-62 to Dal.

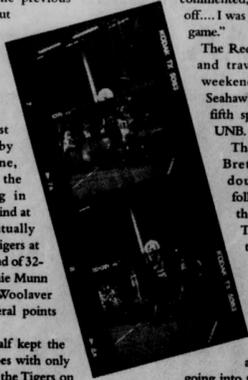
From the first point made by Michelle Greene, the Reds took the lead and hung in there, falling behind at times but eventually outscoring the Tigers at the half with a lead of 32-23. UNB's Bonnie Munn and Charlene Woolaver contributed several points for the team.

The second half kept the Reds on their toes with only a small lead and the Tigers on their heels. UNB finally lost the lead with less than 2 minutes left on the clock. Time ran out with the Reds and Tigers tied at 56 a piece and

a foul against Dal, giving UNB the advantage. Bonnie Munn went to the charity line going 3 for 3 sending the game into overtime.

However, the Reds' luck ran out and Dal took the lead leaving UNB behind by 2 points and taking the game 62-60.

Reds coach Joyce Slipp commented, "I'm really ticked off.... I was disappointed in the game."



The Reds take to the road and travel to MUN this weekend. The Memorial Seahawks currently sit in fifth spot, one ahead of UNB.

They face the Cape Breton Capers in a double header the following weekend of the 22nd and 23rd.

The Capers are in the basement with a 2-12 record and only 4 points. Slipp notes that they recently lost their best player and so UNB has a lot of confidence going into that game.

The Reds show their stuff under the basket.

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Dal waits for Donna Retson's 2 points to go in the hoop.

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Men's basketball 1 pt. from beating Dal Reds face tough battle vs Seahawks

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The Reds saw a four game disappear by only one point.

Another slow first half start wasn't enough to prevent the UNB Varsity Reds men's basketball team from an opportunity to win 4 points, but in the end the Reds came up one basket shy of stunning the Dalhousie Tigers Saturday night at "The Pit."

In the first half, the Reds seemed frustrated with Dal's speed and aggressive defence. After missing their first two open field goal shots the Reds did settle down with Gordon McNeilly contributing six of their first eight points. McNeilly holds down third spot in scoring leaders for points per game with 18.1. He also leads the team with 6.4 rebounds per game.

The game stayed close until mid-way through the first half when Dalhousie opened up a substantial lead with precision passing and shooting and their big man, Shawn Plancke, blocked several UNB shots. For an 8 minute stretch the Reds were held to just one point—coming from the foul line. The half ended with Dal holding a 36-22 lead and very much in control of the game.

In the second half, both teams exchanged early baskets, however it was Jon Stevenson that gave the Reds new life and stirred the crowd of 800 by

had 12 seconds to get a shot for the win. However, the play they had designed did not materialize and a UNB shot in desperation missed the mark, sending home a disappointed crowd and killing a storybook comeback.

After the game, Reds high scorer, Dave Low remained optimistic despite another tough loss. "The team is staying positive the whole game. If we could only bring our first half together we'd win a lot of these games," he said.

UNB head coach Clint Hamilton was visibly frustrated. "I don't think we executed very well tonight," he said. In reference to the last play of the game coach Hamilton added, "We had a play and didn't come close" to executing it. Despite this, he gave a lot of credit to his young team for coming back. "I'm proud of our kids. They played hard against an extremely quick team," he said.

The Reds now prepare for two weekend meetings against Memorial University next Saturday and Sunday in St. John's. The Seahawks hold down third spot with 26 points. UNB goes into the weekend in fifth spot and 14 points. When asked how UNB will prepare for the going to the "Rock," Low offered this. "We're going to have a good week in practice because it's going to be a battle for eighty minutes—two emotional games."



Dave Low goes for 2 against the Tigers.

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two free throws with 12 seconds left on the clock and leading 70-69. With the crowd in an uproar Pallopson missed both shots from the foul line and UNB

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