

## Overtime

### Volleyball, it's a great sport

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Dalhousie's volleyball teams are among the best, if not the best, in the AUAA. A Dalhousie Tiger fan can easily say this without a hint or whisper of hesitation, something varsity sports fans at other AUAA universities would be hard put to do.

For example, just a meaningless, equivocal, beginning of the season, not yet fully pumped up example, take our two teams in their first outing this season. The women dispatched both Moncton and UNB (UNB twice) with scores like 15-5, 15-4, 15-6. Meanwhile, the men slaughtered, massacred, and picked their teeth with U de M, Memorial, and UNB, also with terrifying scores of 15-2, 15-3, and the like.

These types of scores are undoubtedly terrifying, but to the opposition not us. So why are Tiger fans not coming out and seeing their championship teams? Let me guess—you would rather see our teams lose than win.

No? Well you can't use the excuse that you didn't know we have such good teams, the men's squad are gunning for their sixth AUAA championship and it looks like they can get it. The *Gazette* has been touting our teams for a long, long time. The women's team is equally as hot with a former Olympic player coaching and plenty of all-round talent to boot.

Volleyball is not, repeat, clarify, and expand, not a boring sport. It's a fast-paced, high-scoring, high-jumping, action-packed, adrenaline-pumping, easy-to-watch and fun-to-play sport. Golf is boring (just

watching of course), international skeet shooting from Perth is boring, but volleyball, not a chance.

Another good point about volleyball is that anyone can play it. You don't have to be six foot two, have the jumping ability of a kangaroo, or the brute strength of a football player. Although not all of us who can play the sport are good enough to play at the varsity level we can still all enjoy it.

Another advantage volleyball has over, let's say hockey or basketball, is that the matches don't take hours.

After an evening match in volleyball you still have half the night to use, not the case in hockey. This fact is even more exaggerated by the Tigers when they finish off their opponents in three games straight. It's not an expensive sport to watch and some of the matches are even free. Can't get much cheaper than that.

Dal fans are not known for their uproarious support, but come on we have a couple of championship teams here.

An average crowd at a volleyball match might be 30-50 people. We should have over a hundred. Not only are cheering crowds fun to be part of, they help the team immensely.

So when you are asked at the end of the season, when the Tigers win yet another AUAA title, "Did you see many of their games?", don't mumble something about the weather. Say, "Yes, I did, and enjoyed every minute of it," which I am sure you will. □

## Swim team swamped in exhibition match

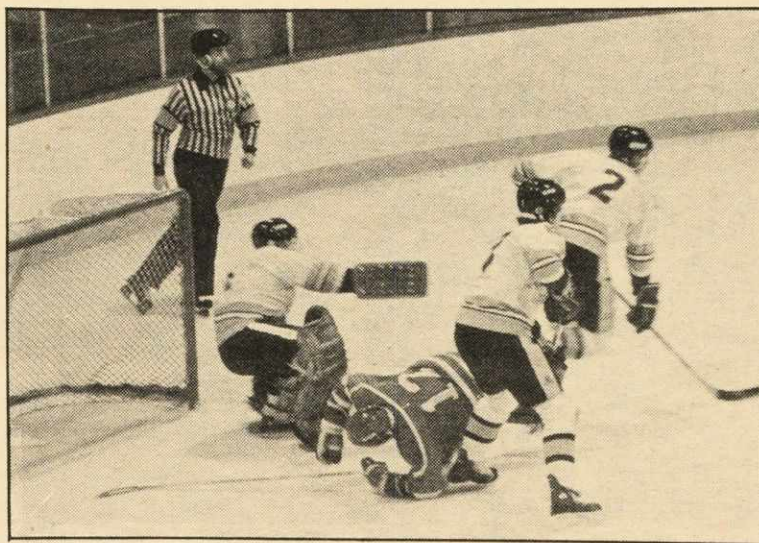
The University of Maine (Orono) Black Bears women's swim team defeated the Dalhousie Tigers women's swim team 81-41 in an exhibition dual swim meet held at the Dalplex pool on Saturday.

The Black Bears, who are the defending New England champions, were led by Lynn McPhail (100' and 200 m breast stroke), Monique Roy (100 and 200 m backstroke) and Laura Negri (200 m butterfly and 800 m freestyle).

Mary Mowbray (100 m butterfly and 200 m IM) and Patti Boyles (100 and 200 m freestyle) led the Tigers.

Mowbray and Boyles also teamed up with Dal's Lisa Hoganson and Suzanne Maxwell to win the 400 freestyle relay.

The Tigers, who posted many improved swims over their last two AUAA outings, will host the defending CIAU champions, the University of Toronto, next Saturday at 6:30 pm at the Dalplex pool.



The Dal hockey Tigers, shown above in action against UNB, dropped the Moncton Blue Eagles 8-1 in exhibition play last weekend. Photo: Leon Steele, Dal Photo.

## Hockey Tigers on winning streak

The Dalhousie Tigers men's hockey team jumped out into a 3-0 first period lead and never looked back as they defeated the Moncton Blue Eagles 8-1 in AUAA exhibition play at the Dal Memorial Arena Saturday, November 10.

First period goals by Terry Crowe, Tony Greco and Royce Baker paved the way for the Tigers, who now have a 6-2-1 overall

The Tigers increased their lead to 6-0 after two periods as Crowe and Greco each recorded their second tallies of the afternoon and Lyle

Kjernisted blasted home a shot from the point.

Paul Herron made it 7-0 for the Tigers in the third period before Claude Vilgrain finally put the Blue Eagles on the scoreboard at 5:31 of the final stanza.

Robert Jerome finished the scoring for the Tigers at 7:24 of the third period.

The Tigers next see action on Saturday, November 17 at 7:30 pm, when they host the Acadia Axemen in an important AUAA contest. The Tigers, who are in fourth place in the AUAA standings, currently trail the third-place Axemen by two points. □

## Volleyball team seventh

The Dalhousie Tigers men's volleyball team managed a seventh place finish at the University of Manitoba Bison Invitational Tournament last weekend in Winnipeg.

The first match of the tournament saw the Tigers face the powerful Manitoba Bisons, last year's CIAU champions. The Bisons beat the Dal squad three straight, with scores of 15-8, 15-4, and 15-1.

In the second round, it was Dal against the University of Regina Cougars. The Cougars needed four to beat the Tigers 15-9, 4-15, 16-14, and 15-10.

In their next outing, the Tigers topped York University in three straight, 15-13, 15-4, and 15-13.

The win over York put Dalhousie into third place in their pool, and as a result, they were pitted against the CUSB Club team from Winnipeg in the consolation semi-final.

The Tigers lost to CUSB in four, 15-12, 15-7, 4-15, and 15-13.

In the final match against York for seventh and eighth spots, the Tigers emerged with seventh position with scores of 15-8, 15-7, and 15-10.

Tiger standout was Reid Umlah who was third highest on the team in kills with 48, had a team high 13 blocks, was second best on service

reception with 52%, and also had 13 digs and eight ace serves.

Coach Al Scott said that the tournament proved that the Dal team can play with top ranked squads provided they play to "near perfection".

The Tigers face the University of Moncton in Moncton on November 16. On November 17 they play two matches at UNB and on November 18 they return to Moncton. □

## Dal edged out for Tip-Off title

The Saint Mary's Belles women's basketball team edged the Dalhousie Tigers 65-61 on Saturday to claim the championship of the Acadia Tip Off Tournament in Wolfville.

The Belles were led by Michelle Gaunce with 27 points, Sandra Mumford with 14 points, and Annelie Vandenberg with 10 points.

Alice Cerny was the top Dal point-getter with 18. Peggy MacLean and Lisa Briggs each added 17 while Angela Colley supplied 10.

The half time score was 38-34 for the Belles.

The Tigers' next home game will be an exhibition match at the Dalplex on November 22. □

## Hockey club

The Dal women's hockey club came back from a 6-4 deficit to tie Oxford Junior High 6-6 last Sunday in the Dal rink.

Patti Meaghan and Trish Selig led the scoring for the Dal team with two goals each. Danielle Poirier and Janice Cossar tallied one goal each.

Shots on goal were 27-12 in favour of Oxford Junior High. Barb McAuley played well in goal to stem the onslaught.

Next week's matchup will have the Dal team squaring off against B. C. Silver Junior High, at 5 pm in the Dal rink.

The team will also be holding a skating party on Friday at the Dal rink from 10:30 pm-12:30 am. Admission is \$2.00 and any Dal students wishing to participate are welcome. □



## Athletes of the week

**MEN:** REID UMLAH, a first year arts student and rookie player with the Tigers men's volleyball team is Dalhousie's male Athlete of the Week.

At the Bison Invitational Tournament last weekend in Winnipeg, Umlah led the team in blocks with 13, was second best on service reception with 52%, was third highest on the team with 48 kills and also had 13 digs and 8 ace serves.

A Metro All-Star for the past three seasons and Metro MVP in 1982, Umlah should make an important contribution to the Tigers this year. □

**WOMEN:** ANGELA COLLEY, a third year BA student and member of the Tigers' basketball team, is Dalhousie's female Athlete of the Week for the week of November 5-11.

Colley was outstanding in leading the Tigers to the finals in Acadia's Tip-Off Tournament. The Dartmouth native scored 16 points and led the tournament in assists as she consistently stole the ball from opponents and set up her teammates.

### TIGER SPORTS THIS WEEK

Nov. 16	M/W swimming	UNB	away	
Nov. 16	Men's Volleyball	U de M	away	
Nov. 17	Men's hockey	Acadia	home	2 pm
Nov. 17	Men's volleyball	UNB	away	
Nov. 17	Women's v-ball	MUN	home	8 pm
Nov. 18	Men's volleyball	U de M	away	
Nov. 20	Men's basketball	N.S. Stars	Home	8 pm
Nov. 21	Men's hockey	St. F. X.	home	7:30 pm
Nov. 21	Women's v-ball	St. F. X.	away	8 pm
Nov. 22	Women's b-ball	exhibition	home	