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Raiders rally to win opener

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A Friday night victory over the Mount Allison Mounties was a hopeful opening to the UNB Red Raiders 85-86 season. The Lady Beaverbrook Gym was witness to a 74-71 second half rally by the raiders, a relief after a 5 point deficit at halftime.

Starters for the season opener included; veteran guards Mark Newell and Andy Hayward, with the forward line being filled by 2nd year player Dag Rutherford, game high scorer Bob Aucoin, and 1st year recruit Richard Walker.

The game began slowly with neither team having any type of dominant control over play. Emotions ran high throughout the game as both teams were anxious to claim the season's first victory. The raiders found themselves constantly trailing by a 2-4 point margin till the end of the 1st half.

UNB seemed doomed to the same fate for the next 20

minutes as they continually gave up the ball for such elementary mistakes as travelling.

Offensively, UNB's passes weren't up to par, and they had trouble working their way inside the key. Even with the Raiders superior height it was still Mount A coming out on top with the majority of offensive and defensive rebounds.

Head coach Don Nelson knows what to expect from the Mounties as they didn't have many changes from last year. It was point guard Randy Field who lead a determined Mount A attack against them dishing off the ball to John Johnson, an outside shooter who just didn't feel like missing the basket.

Fortunately, at 16:34 of the second half Bob Aucoin capitalized on a couple of Mount A turnovers to pump in



Bob Aucoin (42) takes lead jump off; Andy Hayward (35) prepares to assist in a successful season opener for the Raiders. 2 quick baskets; reversing the score to a 47-45 Raiders. Seconds later it was Bob scoring again on a fast break given

Raiders were up by 7...holding on from there for a 3 point victory. When asked about the game coach Don Nelson stated that he believed the squad wasn't playing as aggressive or determined as they could have been. But he added that it will all come in time, practice, and most importantly actual playing time.

Saturday's game saw UNB at Mount Allison, losing their game by a 78-73 margin. Friday night's fan support was a small, but very vocal group of "crazies"...where did they get the guy with the football horn??? Lets hope that this was a good indication of the kind of university spirit we will see with this year's season. The next home game for the raiders is Nov. 30 when they host Univ. of Maine, Fort Keul at 6:30 in the main gym.

by Richard Walker for a "stuff" at the other end of the court.

With only 1 minute left the

Blazers sitting on defence

by MARY SCOTT

For the new kids on the block, the UNB Red Blazers Women's hockey team seem right at home. The Red Blazers, playing their first season in the FYHA boys Bantam Rep Division went 3 for 3 in their first week in the league.

On Wednesday the 14th, the women opened the League with a 4-3 home ice win over the York Arena team. UNB outplayed the boys for the first two periods and then hung on through a shaky final frame for the win. Charlene Arsenault, Diane LeBlanc, "Boom-Boom" Cox and Carol Cooper counted singles for UNB.

Saturday the team went on "the road" as they traveled to the Nashwaaksis Arena for a game with that rink's number one team. Again the girls had the better of the play, as Cathy Potts and Cox scored once each to build up a lead. Unfortunately, a late goal by Nashwaaksis' Rick McCoy broke a much-deserved shutout for Blazer goalie Sue Keirstead, the final stood 2-1.

Last Monday, UNB went 3-0 with a 4-1 win over the Coliseum number two team. In that game the Red Blazers played their worst period of the season as they stumbled into the second frame with a scoreless tie, thanks mostly to the work of goalie Keirstead. Finally, early in period two, a shift by the line of Lynn Halihan, Anne Campbell, and Fran Proulx got things going as

the hustling trio sparked the team. UNB followed with four straight goals off the sticks of Cooper, Cox, Campbell, and Sandy Ward. Despite carrying the play over the last half of the game, the Blazers again couldn't get the shutout for Keirstead as a late deflection by the boys made the final 4-1.

After five games, one thing has been constant for UNB, the play of the defense and the goalkeeping of Sue Keirstead. "If not for them, I think we would have scrambled a bit," says Blazer coach Mike Power,

"Only four forwards have played in all five games, so the front lines have been inconsistent, but the defense has been super." This year's defense is comprised of four team veterans, Carol Cooper and Diane LeBlanc make one pair, while Sandy Ward and Debbie MacLoon are the other. As far as Keirstead goes, Power thinks she has come up big. "Sue is taking over for Wendy Dickinson, and Wendy was the best goalie in Canada last year in women's hockey, not only that but until January she is our on-

ly goalie, and that's a lot of work." Dickinson is expected to rejoin the team after Christmas; what then, coach Power? "Wendy will play her share, but right now Sue has won the job; it won't be a problem, we will have lots of hockey in the second term."

The next games for UNB will be tomorrow at 3:30 at the Nashwaaksis Arena, followed by a home game at the AUC Monday at 7:00, and a Wednesday contest at the Fredericton Coliseum set for 5:45.

Rebels swept by Dal

by TOM LAGACE
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It was a tough weekend for the UNB Rebels men's volleyball team as they dropped two matches in straight games to the 1st place Dalhousie University Tigers, lowering their overall record to 1-6.

On Saturday night the Tigers checked the Rebels easily by scores of 15-7, 15-6, 15-9. Neither team was in great form at the start of the match, both having trouble picking up the serve. However, Dal soon figured out the UNB servers and their powerful spikers started getting their knocks in, led by Andrew Smith who scored 9 in 12 attempts for the match. The Rebels troubles serving and receiving the serve continued and as a result they were never in this match.

The first game of Sunday's match started off with more of the same with Dal quickly running off a 9-3 lead. However, the Rebels finally showed some sparks and behind Mark Golden's deceptive floater serve and Jobb Estey's blocking at the net they fought back to 9-7. Dal eventually took the game 15-8 but the Rebels play was a good sign of things to come.

The next game was by far the most exciting one of the weekend. Both teams were blocking extremely well as well as showing quick reflexes picking up serves and partial blocks. As a result long, exciting rallies ensued.

UNB took the lead at 10-9 before it finally got away from them. With hard-hitting Ross MacGillvray serving for Dal they ran the score to 14-10 before being broken and even-

tually took the game 15-12.

The final game went to Dal by an identical 15-12 score. Despite the score it was not as strong a game for the Rebels who likely had a letdown following the previous loss.

Chris Moore, who was equally effective spiking both long and quick sets was UNB's most effective weapon with 12 kills in 17n attempts, an effort equalled only by Smith for the Tigers. The Rebels recorded 43 blocks in the match reflecting their strength in that area.

Despite the Rebels poor record at this point in the season this team should not be discounted. The only advantage of the 1st place Tigers had on Sunday was that their servers were more effective. With a little more accuracy and movement on their serves the Rebels could cut down this edge. It might be enough.

ATHLETES
OF THE
WEEK
(Week ending Nov. 17)



Two basketball players have been selected as athletes-of-the-week at UNB for the week ending Nov. 17.

Sue McMaster, a fourth-year physical education student from Woodman's Point, N.B., fired 55 points in three games at the Dalhousie tournament. UNB lost in the final to Lakehead by a 60-57 count. McMaster was also selected as an all-star at the event. She is 21 years old.

"This was Susan's best play since the start of the season," Coach Claire Mitton said. "Against the tougher teams at the Dal tournament Sue came through and played well at both ends of the court."

Meanwhile, Bob Aucoin chalked up 49 points in two games as the Red Raiders split their opening league games against Mount Allison. Aucoin, a fourth year education student from Campbellton, contributed 29 points at home Friday in a 75-71 victory and accounted for 20 points Sunday while the Raiders dropped a 78-73 decision.

"It was an outstanding effort by Bob," coach Don Nelson said. "He won Friday's game and kept us in the game on Sunday."