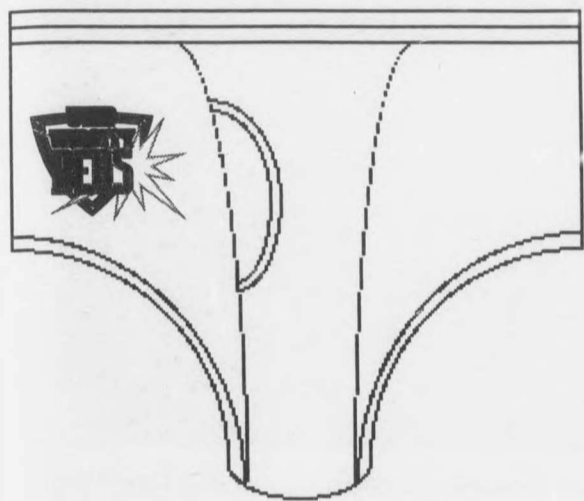


# SPORTS

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## Varsity Briefs



## Athletes of the Week

### Kerry Maher, Women's Volleyball

This week's Female Athlete of the Week honours go to Kerry Maher, a Varsity Reds volleyball player from Bathurst, N.B. Kerry was named Diet Pepsi Player of the Game on Sunday, February 13 against UPEI. The Reds downed the Panthers 3 games to one. "Kerry has quarterbacked the team to its 16-0 season record with her phenomenal setting abilities," says coach McGarvie, "she is a premiere setter in the AUSA League and a key factor to a fantastic season."

### Terry Pomeroy, Wrestling

Terry Pomeroy, a Varsity Reds wrestler, is this week's Male Athlete of the Week. Terry is a third year Arts student from Oromocto, N.B. who, over these past three years, has accumulated 2 AUSA All-Star titles, 1 Canada Games Gold Medal and 5 gold medals at the Nationals. This weekend Terry continued to add to his collection of titles and medals winning his third AUSA title. Terry is undefeated in the AUSA this year and is currently ranked 4th in the CIAU for his weight class. The Varsity Reds wrestling team captured their 5th consecutive AUSA Championships this weekend.

## This Week in UNB Sports

### Friday, February 18

**AUSA Swimming Championships**  
@ UNB (6:30 pm @ Max Aitken Pool)

### Saturday, February 19

**AUSA Hockey Championships**  
-UPEI @ UNB (1:00 pm @ AUC)

**AUSA Swimming Championships**  
- (6:30 pm @ Max Aitken Pool)

**W. Basketball vs. ACA (6:30 pm @ LB Gym)**

**M. Basketball vs. ACA (8:30 @ LB Gym)**  
Wrestling @ CIAU's

### Sunday, February 20

**AUSA Swimming Championships**  
- (6:30 pm @ Max Aitken Pool)

**AUSA Hockey Championships**

\*UPEI @ UNB (2:00 pm @ AUC)

\* if necessary

## BASKETBALL

# Reds gear for maniacal weekend

Acadia visits 'the Pit' tomorrow for Varsity Mania event

by Matthew J. Collins  
Sports Staff

The Varsity Reds Women's Basketball team were handed only by their second loss of the season last weekend, as the UPEI Panthers posted a 69-61 victory.

Despite an 18 point effort by Jackie Flieger, and a 21 point, 6 rebound performance by Laura Swift, The Reds simply could not get on track. The Panthers were hitting almost every shot they launched while the Reds simply could not find the bottom of the barrel.

The UPEI squad caved in on the post game of the Reds, forcing the ball to the perimeter but the shots would just not fall. As coach London says, "It was just one of those days."

However, the Reds did manage to win Saturday night's opener by a 65-59 margin. The well-balanced attack of the Reds proved true once again as four players struck for double figures. Laura Swift had a strong game inside as she banged in 20 points while grabbing the boards, and Jackie Flieger nabbed player of the game honours with a 16 point, 7 rebound outing.

The weekend split puts the women at a 15-2 mark, still good enough for first place in the league. However, the Reds will now have to win two of their last three games if they want a lock on hosting the AUSA championships, and two of these crucial games go straight through 2nd place St. FX and third place Dalhousie.

Once again, the men found that the AUSA is not an easy league to win in on the road, they dropped both games to the Panthers last weekend and now see

## Varsity Roundup

# Varsity Reds weekend update

by Kevin Knealon  
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The Varsity Reds wrestling team clinched their fifth straight AUSA championship over the weekend and will be sending four of their wrestlers to compete at the CIAU nationals which are slated for February 25-26 at Brock University in St. Catharines, Ontario.

The Reds won with a combined team total of 36 points and captured four different weight class wins: Terry Pomeroy in 52-kilogram; Denis Gagnon in 61-kilogram; Marcel Saulis in 72 kilogram and Paul Crevatin in 76-kilogram.

Other strong finishers for UNB were Jason Pleasant Sampson, Charlie Ash, Darren Anderson, Adam Simon, Sonny Urquhart, and Jamie Eastwood. Pomeroy is currently ranked fourth in his weight class in the CIAU.

In hockey action over the weekend, the V-reds finished off the AUSA regular season by playing to a 3-3 deadlock with the University of Moncton Blue Eagles in a Saturday afternoon match-up at the Aitken Centre.

Moncton Goalie Pierre Gagnon was the story on this day turning aside 37 of 40 shots; completely shutting out the

their record drop to 5-10. A team which once seemed playoff bound, will now have to pull out all the stops if they are to make the sixth and final playoff berth.

In Saturday night's match-up, the Reds looked as if they were ready to win on the road. Trailing by ten at the break, the UNB squad stormed out of the locker room to cut the lead to 50-49 with about 16:00 remaining, UPEI responded quickly and built up as much as a 14 point lead. But the Reds would not die as they trailed by only three with 7:00 left in the game. Then things fell apart.

The Reds abandoned the team concept thus leaving any chance for victory behind them. As coach Hamilton states, "When an individual tries to take over at crucial points in the game, although his intentions may be good, it's not always in the best interest of the team." Leading the way for the Reds in the 92-81 was Andy MacKay, who posted 20 points.

Sunday would only get worse for the Reds as they were outplayed in every aspect of the game, losing by an embarrassing margin of 121-78. The only possible glimmer of light in this game came from Marc Fleming and MacKay who combined for half of the Reds offensive output.

I'm not going to analyze this game, but it doesn't take a genius to figure out that the problem here is defense. The Reds scored 80 ppg which is more than enough to win in this league. Ask the 11-2 UCCB Capers who average 83.7 ppg. But when you give up an average of 111 points in two games, you cannot expect to win.

The proof is in the pudding. The 2-12 memorial Seahawks give up an average of 88.4 ppg and their record reflects this. The Reds are simply going to have to bear down on defense if they want any chance at making the playoffs.

## Varsity Mania

At 'The Pit'



vs.



Saturday, February 19

- Women: 6:30 start

- Men: 8:30 start

Reds in the first period despite their barrage of 17 shots on goal. Mid way through the second period, Derek Cormier notched the first of his two goals, the second coming on the powerplay later in the game. Cormier also set up UNB enforcer Rob Knesaurek for a second period tally.

The Varsity Reds finish the season in first place in the Macadam division with a record of 16-9-1. UNB now faces the UPEI Panthers in a best out of three MacAdam divisional semi-final, with game one having already been played on Wednesday, the second and (if necessary) third games are slated for this Saturday at 1 pm and Sunday at 2 pm at the Aitken Centre.

Memorial University Seahawks proved to be rather inhospitable when the men's Varsity Reds volleyball team visited Newfoundland last weekend.

The Hawks defeated the Reds 3 games to one in two separate weekend match ups. On Saturday, The teams battled to scores of 15-13, 13-15, 15-6, 15-9, with Jason Scott registering 19 kills in a losing cause for the Reds. Sunday's match saw Doug Eagle smashing 21 kills for the Reds who were downed 12-15, 15-12, 16-14, 15-4.

The Reds finish off the season with a

disappointing 2-8 mark and will miss the trip to Halifax for the AUSA finals which are slated for February 25-27 at Dalhousie University.

The Varsity Reds women's volleyball team completed their AUSA season in PEI and remained undefeated by beating the Panthers 3 games to one on both Saturday and Sunday.

During Saturday's match, player of the game Carla Mason led the Reds with 21 kills while Sara Ouellette had 7 kills and 10 digs.

For UPEI, Kelly Colwill had 16 kills and 9 digs while Kathrine Camey had 14 kills and 9 digs. Scores were 15-6; 8-15; 15-10.

On Sunday, the Reds were lead by the consistent play of setter Kerry Maher who spread the offence around and make excellent choices at critical times. Scores were 15-7; 15-11; 10-15; 15-10. Offensively, the Red's were again led by Carla Mason (22 kills, 5 blocks and 2 digs) and Sara Ouellette (10 kills).

Next Sunday, in Nackawic, the Reds will play an exhibition match against Senior A women's team from St. John (Black Magic) - 2:00; Sr. High School in Nackawic is the site.