

Women's soccer tied for first place after slow start

BY RACHEL JONES

Another win and a tie for the Dalhousie women's soccer team brings their record to 3-2-1, giving the Tigers 10 points and placing them in a three-way tie with Acadia and St. FX for top of the Eastern Division. With season play nearing the half-way mark, the division is tight, with only one point separating first, second and third places, and making every game count.

This Friday's away game against long-time nemesis Acadia will be especially crucial for the Tigers. A win against the Axettes could lift the Tigers out of the present first-place gridlock and put them alone at the top, as well as gain some ground in the CIAU rankings where Acadia is currently seventh.

Coach Dara Moore described the weekend's play as "decent", despite the added travelling difficulties of such a long road trip.

"I think we were battling with the travelling thing," she acknowledged. "It took the players a few minutes to settle into the game and then it was just a matter of putting away our opportunities, once again."

Saturday's game against the Université de Moncton Blue Eagles earned the Tigers another game in the win column, as a pair of goals from Tara McNeil and one from Natalie Lindthaler raised the Tigers' wins to three. Pleased with the win, coach Moore was also careful to point out that, despite the win, many balls crossed in front of the UNB net went uncollected by the Tigers, and she still feels that this is an area the players must focus on for the back-to-back games coming up this weekend.

The result on Sunday may not have been as rewarding, but the play showed the team's true character as the Tigers clawed their way back from a 2-0 half-time deficit to salvage a tie from the Western Division's first-ranked UNB Varsity Reds. No doubt still riding the high from a win against previously unbeaten Acadia the day before, UNB played a strong game, scoring two goals early in the first

half, but a second-half pair of goals from Lindthaler redeemed the Tigers.

"At half-time we were down and we just decided [that] we had to pull things together," relates Lindthaler. "I got the chances and took advantage of them."

While Lindthaler remains modest, noting that "the goals are always a team effort — it's not just one individual player," Moore credits

her with having a significant part in the rallying tie.

"I felt that our team at half-time put their heads together and displayed a fair bit of character and heart, and really went out and battled," she remarks with a trace of pride. "[They] tied the game up and Natalie Lindthaler was an important part of that."

With lone status atop the Eastern Division up for grabs, Moore is not

overstating things when she admits, "We've got a big weekend this weekend, to say the least."

After Friday's game at Acadia, the weekend finds the Tigers at home in Halifax for two games. The Tigers host UCCB at Wickwire Field on Saturday at 1 pm. On Sunday, don't miss your chance to hear those Huskies yelp when the Tigers roar at the St. Mary's Huskies Stadium, kick-off at 4 pm.

Men's CC ready for Dal Open

BY SARAH GILES

The St. FX Cross Country Invitational showed that Dal's men are well on their way to another victory at the Dal Open and, hopefully, at the AUAA Championships. Though the Tigers, led by sophomore Jamie Blanchard in 7th position and co-captain Tim Lindsay in 8th, placed second, they had much to celebrate. Two of the top runners, Scott Simpson and Trevor Boudreau, were sidelined this week by minor illness and injury.

The men "raced well as a team", said Matt Richardson who placed 11th, followed closely by four consecutive Dal runners: Brian York, Mark Gardner, Ian Blenkhorn and Richard Menzies. The Tigers followed their race plan perfectly and

were able to take advantage of team tactics that included trying to stay together.

There were many outstanding performances on Saturday but one that deserves a special mention was that of York, a fourth-year commerce student who is currently on work term on Prince Edward Island. He displayed amazing forethought and patience as he worked from the back of the pack up to 12th position.

"Not bad for a fat guy who hasn't done anything for a month" was the comment from a svelte-looking York after the race. It was his first race since his rest period following the Canada Summer Games. His achievement is exceptionally outstanding when one considers that he has been training by himself in a town where "people think I'm crazy

for running and cars honk at me".

The finishing-kick-of-the-day award went to veteran Blenkhorn as he tried to edge fellow Tiger Gardner out of thirteenth position; on that day, rookie Gardner held on but he should watch out at the Dal Open in two weeks.

In a sport where the lowest point total wins, the team score was 43 points, just behind Memorial who had 32 points. The guys had a great race on a cold day and showed the other Atlantic university teams that, when they are all healthy, the Tigers will be a force to be reckoned with.

Former Tiger and present team manager Dan Hennigar finished second on the day. Other Tiger results were: Pierson MacLean (23rd), Jason Paris (28th), Curtis Archibald (DNF) and Chris Evers (DNF).

Sports announcements...

- The **Dalhousie Tigers Men's Basketball** team is looking for managers. All those interested should contact head coach Tim McGarrigle at 494-3753.
- The **Black & Gold Tutoring Program** is a program set up by the Black & Gold Club to assist varsity athletes. They are currently looking for tutors from the student body. All those interested should contact Lori Welsh-Hawley at 494-5140, or Dara Moore at 494-6739.

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CROSS COUNTRY
Oct. 11 @ Dal

HOCKEY
Oct. 8 Dal @ ACA 7:30pm (Exh.)
Oct. 15 ACA @ Dal 7pm
Oct. 18 Dal @ U.Mass-Lowell 7pm
Oct. 19 Dal @ U.Mass-Amherst 2pm


MEN'S SOCCER
Oct. 3 Dal @ ACA 2pm
Oct. 4 UCCB @ Dal 3pm
Oct. 5 Dal @ SMU 6pm
Oct. 16 Dal @ SFX 4pm
Oct. 23 SMU @ Dal 6pm

WOMEN'S SOCCER
Oct. 3 Dal @ ACA 4pm
Oct. 4 UCCB @ Dal 1pm
Oct. 5 Dal @ SMU 4pm

SWIMMING
Oct. 4 UNB @ Dal 7pm

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL
Oct. 17 Mizuno Collegiate Challenge
Calgary Dinosaurs @ Dal
Oct. 18 Mizuno Challenge
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Oct. 19 UNB Invitational



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