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## **Hoop Reds Suffer on the Rock**

by Jason Rice The Muse

Varsity basketball returned to the MUN gym last weekend as the men's team hosted the UNB Varsity Reds. This was a meeting of three of the top six scorers in the conference. The Reds were led by one of the conference's top freshmen and third leading scorer, 6' 9" forward Simon Orr-Ewing. However, they ran into a Sea-Hawk team led by the one-two punch of John Devereaux and Peter Benoite, the second and sixth leading scorers.

Saturday night's game was action packed and attracted the fans in large numbers. For the first time in Sea-Hawk

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closed and spectators had to be diverted to a viewing area on the fourth floor of the building. The game proved to be a high scoring affair, with MUN holding a 44-35 lead at the half. The second half saw the Sea-Hawks go on a 9-0 run at one point. This got the crowd into the game, and Leon Peddle kept them in the game with a thunderous dunk towards the end as MUN ran out to a 97-79 win. Devereaux led MUN with 26 points while Benoite added 14. Orr-Ewing and Brian Scales led the Reds with 17 points

On Sunday, another large crowd turned out to see more of the same. It was another high scoring affair. UNB started slowly and found themselves, history, the doors to the MUN gym were trailing at the half 47-35. John place tie with MUN.

Devereaux was already giving an indication of things to come as he had 24 points at the half. The scoring parade continued into the second half as Devereaux and Benoite kept up the pace on offence. Benoite finished the game with 19, 15 of them coming in the second half. Devereaux, however, finished the game with a new Sea-Hawk record of 41 points, breaking Mike Woods' mark of 32 set last season. Devereaux was on fire going 15 of 22 from the floor and 11 of 13 from the line. The UNB attack was led by Gordon McNeilly's 18 points while Orr-Ewing

added 14. The losses drop UNB's record to 4-8. Their 12 points leave them in a sixth

## **Big swims for V-Reds**

Last weekend at the Dalhousie AUAA Freestyle. nvitational the UNB Varsity Reds swam 90% season best trials. Veteran Michelle MacWhirter set a new AUAA record in the 100 Backstroke. Her time of 1:04 34, which is a personal lifetime best, was also fast enough to qualify her for Olympic trails and puts her third in the country according to the most recent CIAU rankings. In addition to winning all of her events, Michelle also made CIAU cuts in the 100 Backstroke, 200 Fly and the 400

On the men's side, Rookies Chris Jones and Marty Laycock also managed to make CIAU cuts in the 100 stoke and 100 breaststroke respectively.

Mac Whirter and Jones were named the "All Sport" athletes of the meet. UNB won the men's competition over Dalhousie, Mount Allison and Memorial. The UNB women placed second in the competition against Dalhousie.

In two weeks the Varsity Reds will swim the AUAA Championship at UNB.

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## "Cam Neely" shines in Halifax

This past weekend, the UNB Rolling Stones intramural hockey team travelled to Halifax to participate in the first ever Atlantic University Hockey Challenge. There were five entrants: TUNS, St. Francis Xavier, UNB and two St. Mary's teams. Competition was fierce as every team except UNB included ex-varsity players, although the UNB enthusiasm was highly respected by the near capacity crowds and fellow players.

Although expectations were high for the Stones, Mr. Alpine quickly put a halt to their hopes. The Stones played in four hard fought contests, but came up short in all four going 0-4 for the tournament. Team manager Bob Wetmore was quoted as saying the turning point was Brian "Hawk" Mallys inability to come through on a crucial penalty shot.

The losses could be partly be attributed to the result of several key injuries: Matt "the slot machine" Petry suffered from tendonitous of the elbow from various encounters with slot machines, Chris "Pete MacNeily" Christie was caught off guard when St. Mary's tough guy Sean Murphy hammered him with several jarring blows to the head and Adam "too much rum" Rickard was unable to play up to his ability. Also the ineffectiveness of Aaron "Ecstasy" Dunfield Curtis "Stone Hands" McFaden and Brian "Me. Sportsman" Jennings aided in the downfall

All was not a loss as Kevin "Cam Neely" McNeish brought home the tournament MVP. Special thanks goes out to Moosehead breweries, the staff at the Lighthouse, J.J.'s and all who helped make the trip possible.

## Once again, so near and yet...

by Jason Rice The Muse

The Varsity Reds women's basketball team headed to St. John's last weekend for a pair of games against the second place Memorial (MUN) Sea-Hawks. The Sea-Hawks were 8-2 and led by the conference's leading scorer Michelle Healey. However, in an effort to shake things up a little, Healey did not start either of the games. When she did appear, she was limited by tight defense by the Reds who held her to 18 points on Saturday and 9 on Sunday.

However, the tough defense on

the Sea-Hawks on the offensive end. The first half of Saturday's game was evenly matched as the teams went to the locker rooms tied at 37. The second half saw MUN come out quickly with a 15-0 run. The Reds were able to overcome this and make a close game of it. Healey was the leading scorer for MUN, but it was strong defense and clutch free throw shooting from Karen Cameron and Healey that handed the Reds a 70-67 loss. Shelly Ryan led the Reds with 11 points.

It was much the same story for the Reds on Sunday. Strong defense ruled their closest games of the season.

Healey opened up other members of the first half, but the half saw MUN with a 26-24 lead. The Sea-Hawks also started the second half with a large run. The Reds fought back to within 2 points, but could not close in any further. Karen Cameron sank the comeback bid with 4 of her 7 points in the last two minutes as MUN completed the sweep 59-56. Erin Savage led the way for the Reds with 17 points.

> This now gives the Reds a 2-10 record. However, their basement record is not an indication of how they have played this year as they have given the top two teams in the conference, MUN and Dalhousie,

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Leading the scoring for the V-Reds was Chris Peach with 3 goals and 2 assists. After a disappointing first half, Peach has joined Toby Burkitt and Trevor Boland on the second line where, according to head coach Danny Grant, "he's playing like the Chris Peach of old.'

Burkitt also appreciates Peach's return to form. "He's easy to play with when he's playing like that. He's going hard to the net and he's making it easy for me to get him the puck."

With the playoffs just 12 days away, the V-Reds are winding up their regular schedule, with a game against each of the MacAdam division teams except for the UPEI Panthers, who they face twice.

The toughest of these tests is likely to be the Saint Thomas Tommies, winners of their last seven games, two of which were against the V-Reds. Despite their form of late, the Tommies are ranked two places below UNB nation-

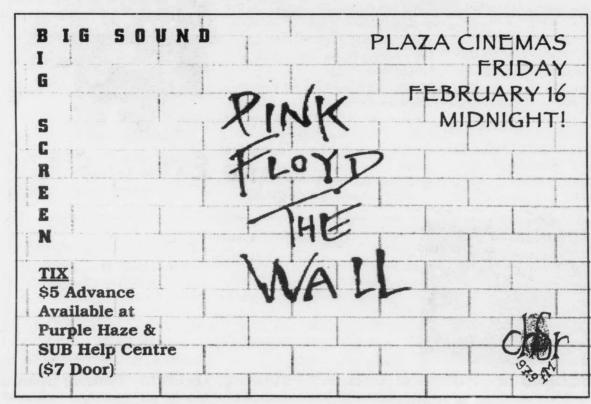


Larry McMorran (34) and Wade Simpson (3) look on as Chris Zanutto completes the V-Red's scoring. Photo Judson Delong.

ally. Danny Grant, for one, no longer sees them as underdogs.

"I think they've got a heck of a hockey team. I don't apologise for losing to that team a bit but I don't think we played as well as we could play."

Only two UNB players remain on the injured list. Both Chris Nadeau (chest) and Jeff Andrews (shoulder) are listed as day to day and may see action against the Panthers in Charlottetown this weekend.



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