Hockey Tigers come up big

by Bruce Galloway

The Dalhousie hockey Tigers laid aside any fears that they couldn't come up big in the playoffs as they defeated a tough Mt. Allison squad two games to one in AUAA semi-final action over the weekend.

After dropping the series opener 6-3 in Sackville Friday, the Tigers roared back to take two straight home games, hammering the Mounties 11-2 Saturday night and then posting a tough 4-3 decision Sunday. Dalhousie now advances to the AUAA final this weekend where they will meet the defending CIAU champs the Moncton Blue Eagles.

Sunday's game was by far and away the best of the series featuring wide-open hockey with plenty of hitting and great goaltending at both ends. After Mt. Allison had scored the first period's only goal, the Tigers appeared to break the game open, when early in the second frame they scored three quick goals. John Kibyuk tied the game while Dal was on the power play beating Mountie goalie Eric Setchell cleanly on a fine setup from John Cossar. Within two minutes the Tigers had increased their lead to two goals by Chuck

Tuplin and Cossar.

The Mounties, to their credit, did not collapse and cut the Dal lead to one before the period ended on a goal by Kevin Foran. The game winner was scored in the third period by Mike Jeffrey as he picked up a loose puck in the Mt. A. end and beat Setchell with a low backhander. Mt. Allison again cut the Tiger lead to one on a goal by John Annear but couldn't get the equaliser to force overtime.

Commenting on the closeness of the game, Dal coach Peter Esdale said they knew before the first puck was dropped the Tigers were in for a bad game. "When you are playing in a sudden death situation it's always hard," explained Esdale, "We knew we were in for a tough one."

In Friday night's opening game the Mounties scored three unanswered goals in the third period to break a 3-3 deadlock. Mt. A.'s Jim Parfitt led all scorers with three goals with Kevin Foran notching two, and Larry Gaudet adding a single. Tim Cranston, Brian Gualazzi and John Cossar replied for the Tigers.

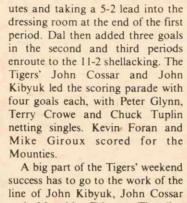
Saturday night, the Tigers, facing elimination, came out flying, scoring three goals in the first ten minA big part of the Tigers' weekend success has to go to the work of the line of John Kibyuk, John Cossar and Moochie Friesen. The line played spectacularly in both of the home games scoring (no less) than ten times.

Kibyuk, who notched five of those goals, attributed his scoring success to his linemates.

"When you're on a line with people like Moochie and John it really helps," explained Kibyuk. "They (Mt. A.) had problems covering us all - we had a lot of 'open net' goals."

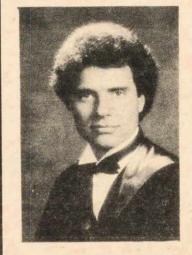
The championship series with Moncton opens on Thursday night with the Tigers hosting the Blue Eagles at the Memorial rink. Game time is 7:30. The second and third game (if necessary) will be played in Moncton on Saturday and Sunday.

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The expectation is already growing for the Dal-U de Moncton AUAA hockey finals this week.

Tigers make a good show at exciting swim meet

Dalhousie swimmers won 18 c. the 32 events at the 1983 AUAA Swimming Championships held at the Aquarena in St. Johns, Newfoundland. The Dalhousie womens team won their third successive team championship, while Memorial edged Dalhousie in an exciting battle for the mens title. Dalhousie's Nancy Garapick and Andrew Cole were named A.U.A.A. Swimmers of the Year and the Tiger coach Nigel Kemp was named Coach of the Year.

Led by Garapick the Dalhousie Women accumulated 165 points, ahead of Acadia's 76, Mt. Allison's 67, U.N.B.'s 62 and Memorial's 34. The Beothuks took the mens title with 147 points ahead of Dalhousie's 142, Acadia's 69, U.N.B.'s 34 and Mt. Allison's 10. The outcome of the mens championship remained

in the balance right up until the conclusion of the sixteenth event—the 400 metres freestyle relay—in which the host Memorial team out-touched the defending Dal Tigers by just six tenths of a second to take their first title since 1970.

Swimming in her first A.U.A.A. Championship Garapick captured three individual titles, winning the 100 breatstroke, 100 butterfly and 200 backstroke events, the latter two in A.U.A.A. record time. Garapick also led off the Tigers 400 medley relay with a record setting 1:06.37 backstroke leg as well as anchoring the record setting 400 freestyle relay with Susan Duncan, Shelley Platt and Louise Deveau. These four swimmers were responsible for the eleven individual golds won by the Tigers. Kathleen Mc-

Kervill of Acadia and Francine Hickey of Memorial were the only swimmers to crack the Dalhousie domination of the womens events.

Cole claimed the 400 individual medley, 100 and 200 metres breast-stroke events, while co-cpatain David Sweett took the 200 individual medley.

Dalhousie qualified 16 swimmers, 8 men and 8 women, for the 1983 C.I.A.U. Championships in Sherbrooke, Quebec, March 4, 5 and 6, where 7 swimmers from Memorial, 6 from Acadia, 4 from U.N.B. and 3 from Mt. Allison will also compete.

Tiger's coach Nigel Kemp was well pleased with his swimmers performances. Remarkably, the entire mens team swam season best times in their 50 individual swims.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK February 21-27, 1983

ANNA PENDERGAST WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Named the most valuable player in the AUAA for the second consecutive year, Anna scored 27 points against St. F.X. as the Tigers were eliminated in the conference semi-finals. Pendergast led the conference in scoring (22.4 points per game) and in rebounding (10.4 per game). The Kensington, P.E.I. native is completing her career with the Tigers. She is a national team member and a former All-Canadian.

Honorable Mention - Bev Audet - Women's Volleyball.

JAMIE FRASER MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Jamie led the Tigers to their fourth consecutive AUAA championship last weekend against Memorial. Fraser, a first year medicine student, is a 6'4" spiker. He was named most valuable player in the AUAA and is also a member of the AUAA All-Star team. Certain to be named an All-Canadian, Fraser has played four years with the Tigers, all championship seasons.

Honorable Mention - John Cossar - Hockey - Steve Lambert - Basketball