

Feet of glory

by Bob Book

The Dal men's cross country team kept up its winning ways over the weekend by capturing the Atlantic Open championships in Oromocto, N.B. As a team the Dal squad has remained undefeated so far this season, racking up six consecutive victories.

Robert Englehutt was Dal's top runner in the meet, finishing behind Harold St. Croix of Newfoundland for second place over the 12,000 meter course (7.5 miles). Both runners automatically qualified for the Canadian Championships to be held in Vancouver later this year.

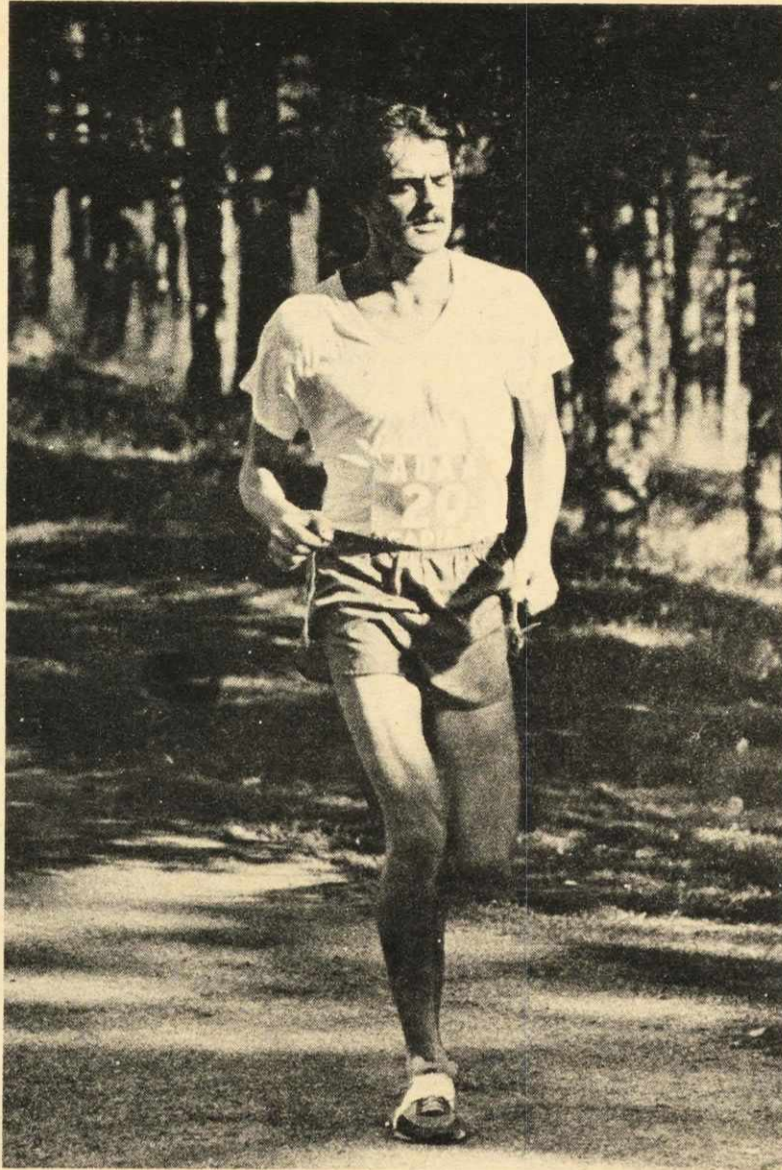
Times in the race were extremely slowed because of the poor conditions of the course. Heavy rains all week made the footing hazardous throughout virtually the whole loop. Randy Bullerwell battled with the leaders and finished a strong third, only a few seconds behind Englehutt. Pat Theriault continues to progress strongly as he placed

sixth. With Bob Book ninth and Andy Walker tenth, Dal was easy team winners with only 30 points. Jim Croft, with his best performance of the year, in 12th and Glen Currie 13th, were the other members of the senior team.

Dal also captured the Junior men's title, displaying some excellent group running. Leonard Currie led the way with a strong fifth place finish. He was followed closely by Tom Evans sixth, Don Brien seventh and Dave Mitton, eighth. They easily captured the team title with only 26 points.

The women's team, despite missing three regulars from their AUAA title team, came up with a strong overall effort to finish a close second to Newfoundland in their 5000M race.

Pam Currie was the top Dal runner with a fifth place finish. Trish Kearney, in her first race of the year, placed eleventh, followed by Lynn MacGregor 12th and Melissa Taylor, 15th. Final point standings showed Newfoundland with 37 and Dal, 43.



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Bound for T.O.

The men's cross country team leaves today for Toronto where they will compete in the CIAU Championships. The race will feature the best college runners in Canada, with each of the five regions being represented by the winning university and the top three runners. Defending Champion University of Toronto will once again be the team to beat, with the western representative also expected to be in contention.

Dalhousie, which has gone undefeated in the Atlantic Region this year, should provide strong representation from AUAA. Coach Bob Book said he would not make any prediction, but felt with the experience and depth the team possesses anything could happen.

"It's only one race and we will be considered underdogs," Book said.

Dal has no less than 4 former AUAA individual winners and several years of national competition among them. Robert Englehutt and Randy Bullerwell are expected to lead the team. Each runner has one AUAA title and both have fared well at the national level before.

Pat Theriault, who is making a comeback after nearly a two year layoff, has been an AUAA winner and has made several appearances at the national level. "He has probably progressed the most since the season began and should be in top form for this meet," Book added.

Book himself has the most experience on the team, having won 2 AUAA titles in the past and twice finished seventh in the CIAU Championships.

Andy Walker, although being in his fifth year, is a newcomer to the team. He went to Dartmouth College (New Hampshire) for four years on scholarship and was one of their top cross country runners. He has competed in the U.S. (NCAA) Championships on two different occasions.

Leonard Currie, the top high school runner in Nova Scotia last year, Tim Croft and Glenn Currie round out the team. All three have limited experience at the national level, but are in top form and will provide further depth to the team, Book said.

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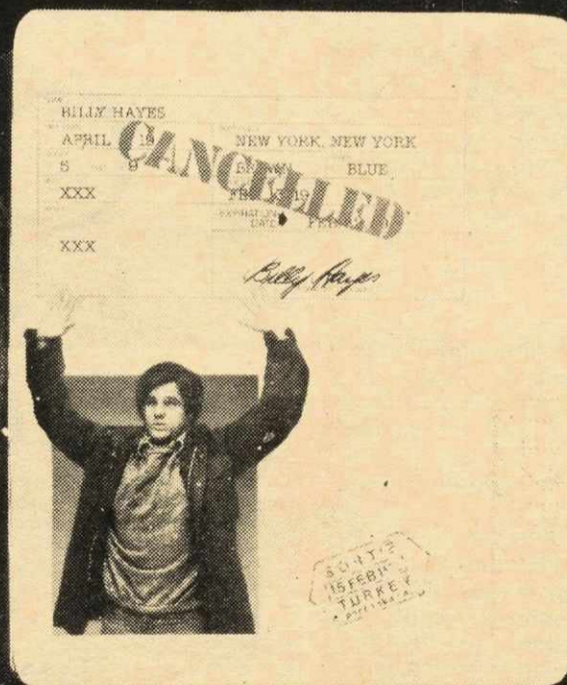
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