

Orientation a hit

This year's Orientation proved to be one of the most successful ever if you talk to Orientation chair Todd Miller. "It went great - better than we expected it to," he said.

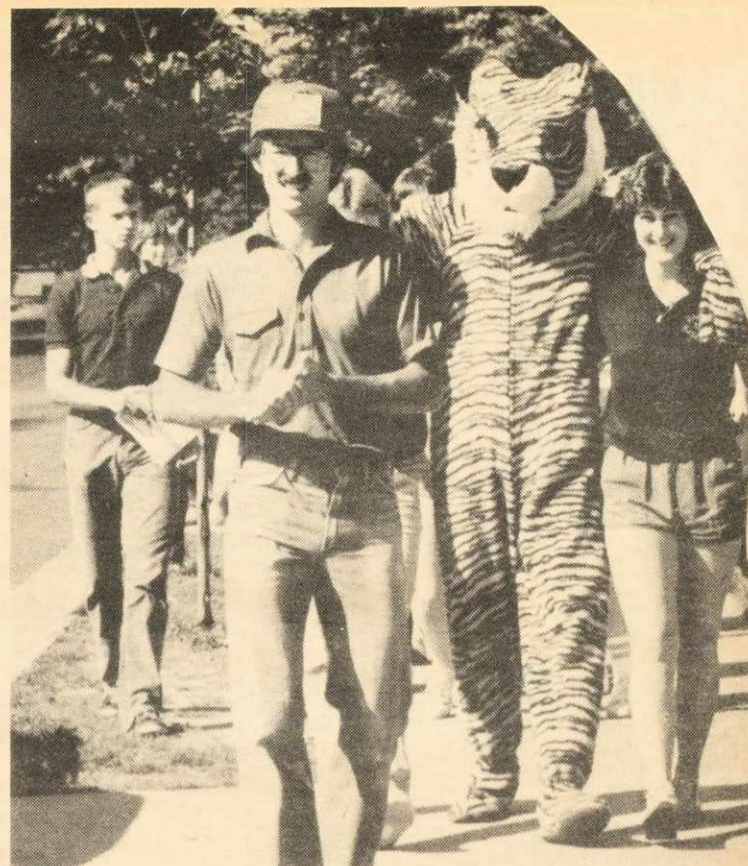
All events were well attended, including the Poor Student's dance and Super SUB which were both sold out. Miller said the committee's objective of drawing off-campus students to the university during the week had been met. "I keep running into off-campus students whom I've seen at the events" he said.

The Orientation committee worked over the summer to

create a program that was "from 60 - 70 per cent new material". Miller said there weren't only the run-of-the-mill entertainment events, but events designed to help students, such as the workshops on financial planning. He added most of the fun events were not drinking-oriented, a factor which had concerned the committee since many freshmen are underage when they arrive at Dalhousie.

Miller's Orientation report should be out by month end, he said. Some recommendations he plans to make are that the Orientation chair should be

selected earlier in the year to enable the new one to be familiar with the previous one's experiences and profit from them



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Chris Elliot breathing beer into the mike.



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SHINERAMA's dunk tank made over \$150 when campus notables such as President Andrew MacKay took the hot (wet) seat.

SHINERAMA

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SHINERAMA took off better than ever this year, topping last year's fundraising by 500 dollars.

Organizer Debbie Robichaud is pleased with the results. "We managed to raise \$4500 this year for Cystic Fibrosis," she beamed. She attributed the success of this year's campaign to ice cream scooping, a dunk tank at the Orientation flea market and an enthusiastic resicommitee who roused frosh out of bed last Saturday morning to them out to shine.

Top shiner was Jennifer Acker, who won a gift certificate to the Silver Spoon Restaurant. "Jennifer went as a clown and collected \$140 in front of a liquor commission," said Robichaud. Prime collection spots were the Micmac Mall and Halifax Shopping Centre and liquor commissions.

The Dalhousie Faculty Association, the Arts Society and CKDU raised \$526.54 scooping ice cream donated by Brookfield in front of the SUB during Orientation Week. The dunk tank raised over 150 dollars.

SHINERAMA day had started off on the wrong foot, with a 70 per cent forecast for rain and Armed Forces buses failing to show to transport the 200 shiners to locations throughout Halifax-Dartmouth. "But Acadian Lines was unbelievable," said Robichaud. "One driver made two trips. Every year they donate buses for us."

Future shineramas should try and get more off-campus students involved by having a dance for shiners at the end of the day said Robichaud. She also suggested more funds could be generated by shining on Friday and Saturday, to catch both business people and shoppers.



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The Convocation lunch on the boulevard.

In past years, Dalhousie has been unable to beat SHINERAMA contributions reached by smaller uniVersities such as St. Francis Xavier University and Mount Allison University in New Brunswick.