

Wrestling extravaganza

by F.A. MacLeod

The Dalhousie Wrestling Club will be hosting the Dal Extravaganza next Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 1 and 2, in the Dalplex. All AUAA members with wrestling teams (UNB, Mount Allison, Moncton, St. F.X., Acadia, and Memorial) will be competing and there will be a high school tournament going on at the same time; however, high school wrestlers will not be pitted against university wrestlers.

Preceding Saturday's matches there will be a wrestling skills clinic from 10:30 to 1:30 for coaches and wrestlers, to upgrade the quality of wrestling in the Maritimes. Mike Barry and Clive Thurston will be directing this clinic. Barry was on the '76 Canadian Olympic team, won a silver medal in

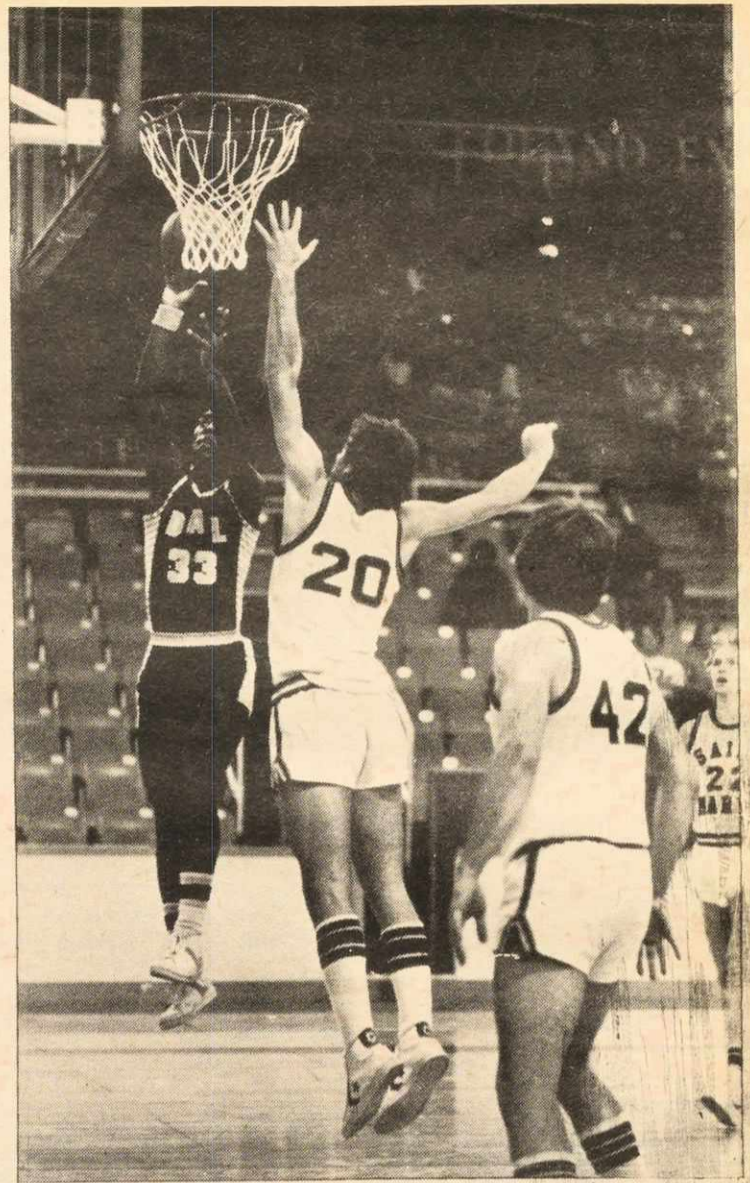
the '78 Commonwealth Games, won the Cuban Invitational this year, and competed in the Spartakiad Games in Moscow. Thurston, coach of the Etobicoke Club in Toronto, has coached five Canadian champions.

The first wrestling matches will begin at 2:00 Saturday in a takedown tournament, with the first wrestler to gain three takedowns being the winner. Sunday's action, which starts at 10:00, will be an Olympic freestyle tournament.

UNB and Acadia, who placed first and second respectively in the AUAA last year, are expected to be the powers in the weekend tournament. The Dalhousie coaches are anticipating good showings from Frank Vassallo and Tim Matheson, returnees from last year's team. Matheson was on the N.S. Canada

Winter Games team and placed fourth in the AUAA last year. Some promising rookies to watch are Mark Baccardax, Danny McDougall, and Paul Mitchell. Baccardax and McDougall are both from Halifax West and they both won bronze medals in the Atlantic Open held at that school last year.

Coaching the Dal squad are Greg Wilson and assistant coach Alex Faseruk. Wilson is a Masters Physical Education student in his first year of coaching after being a four time AUAA champion while wrestling at Dal. He was a silver medallist at the '77 CIAU championships. Faseruk is doing his M.B.A., having come to Dal from the Etobicoke Club, Europa Club (Toronto), and Queen's University, where he coached wrestling.



Dal's Roger Jones in action

Dal Photo / Grandy

Dal volley downs Mt. A

by Kent Rodgers

This past weekend saw the Dalhousie Women's Volleyball Team play their only home game before Christmas. The host club had little trouble defeating Mt. Allison 15-2, 15-4 and 15-6.

A key performer in the easy victory was Karin Maessen. Karin was a member of the 1976-77 edition of the Tigers that won the AUAA Championships and returns to the Tigers after a two year absence.

Karin played an instrumental role in that championship victory and was named MVP that season. In addition,

she was selected to the AUAA All-Star team and was the recipient of the Class of '55 trophy as Dal's outstanding female Athlete.

Karin left Dalhousie and Halifax after that successful rookie season, but volleyball continued to dominate her affairs as she journeyed to Toronto to join the Canadian National Team.

While with the National Team, Karin had the opportunity to compete with and against the best in the world, as she continued to learn more about the game. Also, while in Toronto, she continued her studies towards a degree in

Physical Education at York University.

With the disbanding of the National Team this past summer, Karin has returned to her native Halifax to continue her studies. Not only do the Tigers benefit from Maessen's outstanding playing abilities but her experience, knowledge and leadership has been a great asset to the younger players on the squad.

In addition to playing for Dalhousie, Karin along with John MacGregor, brother of Tiger's mender Lois MacGregor, coaches the women's team at her alma mater, Queen Elizabeth High School.

Tigers win in Wolfville

by F.A. MacLeod

The Dalhousie women's basketball team defeated Acadia University 88-61 in Wolfville on Tuesday evening.

The score at half-time had been 38-19 in Dalhousie's favour. Anne Lindsay, shooting 61% from the floor for 24 points led the Tigers. Jill Tasker and Carol Rosenthal had 14 points each while Anna Pendergast had 11. Pendergast was Dal's leading rebounder with 9.

It was a running game and Dal coach Carolyn Savoy played her whole team. Acadia tried to run with the Tigers but could not keep up the pace. Dalhousie's team shooting was 49% from the field and 60% from the foul line.

The Tigers will be leaving today for a tournament at Concordia University in Montreal; they will play their first game at 7:00 this evening against Concordia. The tournament involves 8 teams:

John Abbott (Montreal), Bishop's, Concordia, Southern Connecticut, Dalhousie, Guelph, UNB, and Vanier (Montreal). The tournament provides a good opportunity to size up teams from other regions of Canada, particularly Bishop's University, which is expected to be one of the powers in women's basketball this season. The Concordia tournament will also be the first chance the Tigers will have to see arch-rival UNB in action this year.

by Rob Cohn

The Dal Tigers marched into Acadia Gym and had the stuffing beat out of them; the score stood one hundred to fifty-three, therein lies a problem which is easy to see—the Tigers are young and experience lacks, But the freshmen play tough while the seniors all slack; The Tigers need desire, intensity, and heart, they also have need of a fresh new start. The Axemen, they led from the opening tap pressing and running a 2-1-2 trap; they ran up a lead with five minutes gone, of ten, and then twelve, and then on and on. Forty-five twenty-three was the score at the half, as Hazard and Upshaw blew Dal off the map.

Coach Ryan got up, to the dressing room walked, fire and brimstone were part of his talk; But when the Dal Tigers returned to the floor, the Axemen came back, and did it once more. As the score disappeared to the next astral plane the Tigers were cursing and moaning again, no longer was heard the Dalhousie roar the whimpers got louder but they still couldn't score; And when the dust cleared at the end of the game All that the Tigers had left was their name. John MacDonald, with 15, was high for the Tigers, While we won't go into Acadia's scorers; As the officials drove off after the fight, They said "Merry Christmas acadia, and to Dal a good night.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

JANIE FLYNN—swimming—won two events at the Dalhousie Invitational meet last weekend—the 100 metre butterfly and 200 metre individual medley, bettering the CIAU qualifying time in each case. The second year science student from Halifax won the 100 fly last year at the CIAU's and was an Olympic trialist in 1976.

STEVE BANKS—gymnastics—a first year phys ed student from Charlottetown, Steve placed second in an AUAA Invitational Gymnastics meet last week at Dal Gym. Banks won the parallel bars, placed

second in rings, floor and side horse and third in vault and horizontal bars. He was a member of the PEI Canada Winter Games team in 1979.

RICK MCCALLUM—hockey—had an outstanding week scoring four goals with four assists. Scored the winner in a 5-4 decision over St. F.X. and counted twice against Memorial. A third year recreation student, Rick is from Halifax and played with Halifax Lions before joining the Tigers. He is tied for the team scoring lead with 20 points on seven goals and 13 assists.



Rick McCallum

Women's hockey

On Wednesday, November 14, the Dalhousie Tigers Women's Hockey Team skated to a 3-1 victory over S.M.U. Scoring for the Tigers were Kerry Butler, Debbie Macdonald and Gretchen Knickle. In a return game on Friday, November 16th,

S.M.U. shut out Dal 5-0.

The girls have the potential this year to be a top contender for the league championship. With a little more hard work and skating the team will be well on its way. League play begins on December 1st.