

Hercun's hat tricks make him a hero

By JOANNE JEFFERSON
Sports Editor

"Well, that was a long time coming," stated a relieved and happy Bill MacGillivray, following his UN Red Devils first Atlantic Universities Hockey Conference win since November 21, 1975.

The Red Devils won both games in St. John's last weekend against Memorial University of Newfoundland Beothuks, winning 8-6 Friday and posting a 10-8 victory Saturday. The contest completed UNB's competitive schedule with a win-loss record of 5-11.

Len Hercun, a third year forester and a member of the veteran line which includes seniors Doug McDonald and Jerry Grant, was the powerhouse scorer for the Red Devils this past weekend, posting a hat trick per game and both winning goals.

In addition to Hercun's three goals Friday night, McDonald scored once and assisted on four other tallies. Grant picked up a single marker as did Pat Morrissette, Mark Rickard and Mike Barry.

Replaying for Memorial were Rick Boone and Kirk Johnson, each with a pair of markers and Dave Delong and Jim Barnable recording singletons.

In the contest played Friday night at the Prince of Wales Arena, UNB outshot Memorial 43-28. John

McLean was in goal for UNB while Hal Baird handled the netminding duties for MUN.

Memorial took a 2-0 lead in the opening frame of the contest on Boone's two goals before Jerry Grant let fly with a shot to beat Baird from the right of the MUN goaltender. McDonald and Jim Matheson picked up assists on the goal which came at 19:39 of the period.

Hercun started his scoring spree in the second period when he combined with UNB's captain, McDonald and defenseman Pat Morrissette. Dave Delong's goal, which followed a little more than a minute later gave MUN a goal advantage and the score stood at 3-2.

UNB was not to be denied their hard earned scoring opportunities and McDonald and Morrissette each tallied quick goals in the period to thrust UNB into the lead.

Kirk Johnson made sure that both teams skated off the ice after two on even terms, 4-4, when he scored for Memorial at 18:42.

UNB scored four goals in the final frame of action but Memorial replied with a pair.

Mike Barry started it off with just over five minutes gone, when he walked in alone on Baird and drilled it between the goaltenders pass. Glen Fisher and Gary Perry picked up assists on the play.

Seconds later Jim Barnable tied

it up again when he beat McLean cleanly to make it 5-5. Hercun scored his second marker of the night when he finished off a passing play from McDonald and Grant, then less than a minute later he tallied what proved to be the winner and his third goal of the game. Gary Perry and Mike Barry assisted on the play.

Kirk Johnson's goal enabled Memorial to threaten UNB's slim lead when he tallied at 16:56 but Mark Rickard's goal was insurance for UNB's victory.

Following the game, coach MacGillivray was pleased that his team had won their first victory since they defeated the Universite de Moncton Blue Eagles in Moncton back in November. The players were also pleased with the win but, as one of the Devils said, "We shouldn't be all that proud of beating the worst team in the league by two goals."

Saturday's contest turned out to be more of a goaltenders nightmare than the previous evening. Phil Jones, keeper of the crease for UNB faced 45 Memorial shots and allowed eight goals. Hal Baird was back again for a second shot at holding off the determined Devils who fired 27 blasts his way.

The final score was 10-8 with Hercun again accounting for the winning tally. He scored two other goals as well. Rookie defenseman Gary Perry lit the lamp twice for UNB while singles were registered by Mike Hawkes, Jerry Grant, Jerry Kelly, Mike Barry, and Mark Rickard.

Bill Perry outshone Hercun's goalgetting efforts with a total of four goals for the Beothuks. Lou Bryne accounted for a pair, Tom Howse and Jim Barnable were the other two to beat Jones.

A two on one break resulted in Memorial's first tally, Bryne bulging the twines behind a screened Jones.

Mike Hawkes evened things up when he converted a passing combination from McDonald and Charlie Bird at 12:37 of the first frame. Bryne and Barnable tallied for MUN before the period was over and the host club went to the dressing room with a comfortable 3-1 lead after the first twenty minutes of play.

Four back-to-back goals by the UNB team put them ahead. Jerry Grant got the first one with only 57

seconds gone in the period. Gary Perry picked up his first marker in the contest at 2:11 and at 3:52 Jerry Kelly rapped home the puck past Baird. UNB's fourth goal of the period came when Perry blasted a hard hot shot from the point netward and handcuffed a startled and screened Baird.

Tom Howse and Bill Perry scored a pair of quick ones to tie the game at 5-5 before the second twenty minutes of play had expired.

The third period scoring show was dominated by Hercun of UNB and Perry of MUN, both scoring three goals in the final frame of the contest. Hercun started it off with a

goal assisted by Grant and Hawkes at 4:10.

Mike Barry followed Hercun's example when he blasted the puck past the Newfoundland goaltender, but was quickly answered by a pair of back-to-back goals from Perry. He scored the first at 12:33 and followed with the second beating Jones at 13:54.

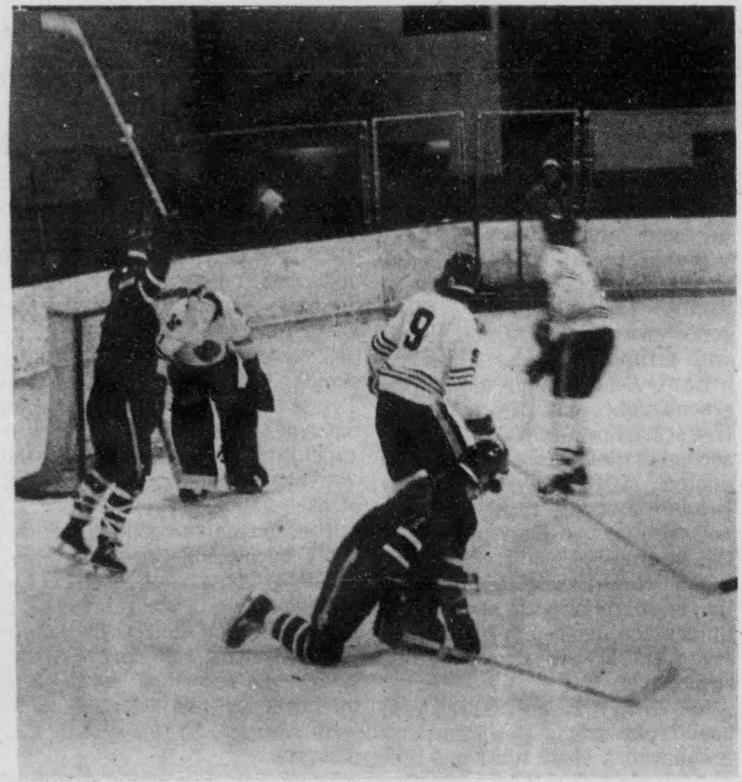
Mark Rickard accounted for UNB's next tally then Hercun put on his dazzling display of accuracy, tucking the puck behind Baird twice with a mere 10 seconds between whistles.

Bill Perry potted Memorial's final goal of the night, 14 seconds

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The Red Devils finally won a few games last weekend as they beat the MUN Beothuks 8-6, 10-8.



UNB dominates tourney

By RANDY WILSON

It was the women's year for UNB at the AUSA badminton championships held in Moncton this weekend, as they captured the women's doubles with the team of Joanne Abbott and Caroline Smallman.

UNB's Judy Rousselle tied with Memorial's Alicia Griffiths for first place in the singles. The woman also took the overall team competition trophy in the seven team event.

The men put on a strong showing

finishing second by seven points to the victorious UNBSJ team.

Eloi Roy of UNB tied for second in the singles. The doubles team of Chris Treadwell and Bent Wortman also finished second.

The winning UNBSJ team consisted of singles player Britt McLeod and doubles team of Randy Dobbeltsteyn and Frank McCarthy. The men shared some of the spotlight however when Brent Wortman and Judy Rousselle nailed down the Mixed Doubles title.

UNB Beavers

UNB Beavers swimming and diving team returned from Acadia this weekend with another Atlantic Universities Athletic Association (AUSA) conference title. Under the coaching of Gary Brown, the Beavers have won the title three times out of the last five years but have shown an overwhelming dominance in all events this year.

Thursday evening, UNB started their victory with Mike Brown placing second in the 1650 yard Freestyle, breaking the old conference record by one second. Dave Pretlove, new to the distance event, placing seventh. To finish off, the Medley Relay team of Bruce Williams, Craig Maitland, Paul Steeves, and John MacGillivray placed second overall behind Acadia, with both teams breaking the old record.

Team returned the next day to begin the individual event with Dave Banks placing first in the



The UNB Beavers captured the records and several qualified

Three UNB for national

By TOM BEST

UNB's wrestling team, the Blue Bears, are still on the prowl although their intercollegiate season is over. Last weekend, all three of the wrestlers from UNB went to the New Brunswick Open Wrestling championships held

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after Hercun's third to end game at 10-8.

The season, so ended for the UNB Red Devils, has been a disappointing one for all involved. The young team, which seemed to suffer from a generation gap between seniors and rookies, seemed to have what it takes to win games but couldn't put it all together.

First year defenseman D. Neill put it this way. "We haven't been able to pull together." Neill stated. "I don't know what's wrong, what it is, everyone's to blame, I think."

When questioned as to whether he was looking forward to a better season next year, coach MacGillivray replied, "Oh God - we have to have a better season next year or there won't be a program the year after."

MacGillivray said that he was finishing this year with a feeling of relief. For him and for the Red Devils it had been a bad season. He felt this year's edition of UNB's hockey representative team was one of the most difficult to understand yet. Problems abounded from the attitudes of the players and MacGillivray is hopeful that natural processes will work out the problem individuals next year.

For the most part, the UNB

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