



Action in a Red Bloomers' game held at UNB last weekend.

Raiders, Bloomers defeated

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This past weekend was another tough one for the UNB Basketball squads. Both the men's team and the women's squad lost a pair of games.

The Red Bloomers started the weekend by losing to the St. Francis Xavier ladies squad. Again it was a pair of New Brunswick girls, Nancy MacIntosh and Kath Fleiger, leading "X" to a 56-46 victory. Nancy MacIntosh led all scorers but putting in 18 points while Kathy Fleigher added 14 to the "X" cause.

Helen Jensen led the UNB squad with 16 points while Anee Fenety put in 10 for the Bloomers who were down by a 31-24 score at half time. Again it was a case of good shooting by St. Francis while UNB often failed to find the mark. UNB out-rebounded the St. Francis team by the total of 42-24, but it wasn't enough to make up the point difference.

SUMMARY: UNB (43); Lynn Kirk 4; Anne Fenety 10; Janet Goggin 6; Helen Jensen 16; Leslie Miziner 2; Debra Holts 4; Dawne Wishart 4; Linda Bicknell; Beve Ogilvie; Pat Bastarache; Personal Fouls 15; Foul Shooting 4-8.

On Saturday night the Bloomers ran into conference power, Dalhousie. The score of the game indicated the type of game it was as the Bloomers lost by 18.

The half time score was 36-17 for Dalhousie while the game ended 65-47 for the Dalhousie girls. The game took the form of a run and gun affair with the Dal. women out shooting the UNB girls by 10 percent from the floor.

Helika Huddoffsky led the Dalhousie women in scoring 23 points. Rose Johnson, a St. Stephen native added 12 points to the cause, while Heather Shute chipped in 8 points on the victory. Helen Jensen again led the Bloomers in scoring with 19 points while Anne Fenety had 13 points, while Pat Bastarache put in 6 points.

SUMMARY: UNB (47); Linda Bicknell 2; Anne Fenety 13; Janet Goggin 4; Helen Jensen 19; Leslie

Miziner 2; Dawne Wishart 1; Pat Bastarache 6; Lynn Kirk; Beve Ogilvie; Debra Holt; Personal Fouls 12; Foul Shooting 3-8.

DALHOUSIE (65); Helika Huddoffsky 23; Rose Johnson 12; Wendy Moore 6; Joan Selig 6; Heather Shute 8; Kathy Bulpin 4; Louise MacDonald 2; Judi Rice 2; Judi Smith 2; Cathy LeBlanc; Personal Fouls 12; Foul Shooting 3-6.

These two losses placed the Bloomer's record at 3-3 within their league. To ensure a birth in the playoff the Bloomers need a victory against Dalhousie this Friday night or over UPEI next Friday night. In any case the Bloomers have lost their chance to host the tourney. Baring injuries and healing those they now have, Janet Goggin, the Bloomers still have a good shot at going to the Nationals.

The weekend was somewhat less than a success for the Raiders as they dropped a pair of contests. The first loss came Friday night as they lost to Saint Francis Xavier 57-51 after leading at the half 28-27. The second loss was Saturday night and it was a disaster, losing to Saint Marys 92-60. The Raiders only trailing 34-32 at half time.

On Friday night it was a battle of the big men as 6'10" Jake Brien from "X" took on 6'7½" Van Ruitter of UNB. Although Ruitter did a fine job it was Brien's night as he led St. Francis in points with 15 and in rebounds with a total of 24. Ruitter who was replacing the injured Dave Seman, who had his knee operated on Monday and is out for the season, scored 10 pts. and led the Raiders in rebounds.

The game was a see-saw contest in the first half with the Raiders leading at half time by a single point, 28-27. In the second half Ruitter began to tire and the Raiders gained a cold shooting hand. St. Francis went ahead by 8 and the Raiders went into a press, but it was to no avail as the Raiders could score, hence the final score 57-51.

Besides Brien, St. Francis was led by Dave Iverson who had 14 points and Brian Kennedy who chipped in 8 points. Captain Dick Slipp led UNB with 14 points all on field goals. Ken Amos and Ruitter had 10 each while Blaine MacDonald added 9 to the effort.

This was a game Coach Don Nelson counted on winning in order to insure a playoff spot. Noe the Raiders must win two games on the road, with at least a split on PEI. This could be a difficult thing as all who play on the Island know, UPEI starts two extra guys with stripes.

SUMMARY: UNB (51); Ken Amos 10; John Wetmore 2; Tom Hendershot 6; Dick Slipp 14; Brian Boyd; Blaine MacDonald 9; Van Ruitter 10; Scott Fowler; Steve Ruitter; Brian French; Personal Fouls 13; Foul Shooting 11-18.

"Who is the Midnight Skulker?" This was the question in the minds of most of the Red Raiders after reading the statement that the SMU game in Halifax was close until the opening tip-off.

Well, last Saturday night it was close until half time with the score 34-32 for St. Mary's. Then it happened St. Mary's came out in their three-quarter court zone press and UNB fell apart with the final score reading St. Mary's 92, UNB 60.

St. Mary's ranked no. 4 in Canada, seems to have a second half edge on the Raiders. In the second half of both games St. Mary's had scored 135 points while UNB has scored a mere 60.

Leading the St. Mary's effort was Fred Perry who threw home 24 points. Mickey Fox, of 46 fame, had 15 points while leaping Lee Thomas stuffed in 14. UNB was led by John Wetmore and Tom Hendershot with 18 each while Dick Slipp added 7.

SUMMARY: UNB (60); Ken Amos 4; John Wetmore 18; Tom Hendershot 18; Dick Slipp 7; Brian Boyd 4; Blaine MacDonald 5; Van Rujiter 2; Steve Ruitter 2; Scott Fowler; Brian French; Personal Fouls 16; Foul Shooting 12-23.

ST. MARY'S (92); Fred Perry 24; Mickey Fox 15; Otha Johnson 11; John Gallinaugh 7; Lee Thomas 14; Art Walters 120; Greig Redding 5; Brian Burgess 2; Pete Halpin 4; Bob Taboski; Don Galligher; Personal Fouls 26; Foul Shooting 10-20.

The next home game for the Raiders is Tuesday, February 13th. against University of Maine, Presque Isle at 8:00 p.m. in the Lady Beaverbrook Gym.

Aitken Wins Broomball

A mens interresidence broomball tournament was held during UNB's Carnival Week on Sunday at Buchanan Field with Aitken House emerging victorious and winning a trophy offered for the competition. In the championship game John Flynn of Aitken scored twice, once on a penalty shot to break a 1-1 tie with McKenzie House and give Aitken House a 2-1 win and a trophy. In the first game for Aitken, Flynn scored another two goals in a 2-0 romp over Neville. The second game proved to be the test for Aitken House as Al Peach scored two goals with less than two minutes left to play in the game to give Aitken a 2-2 tie with Bridges House. The tie breaker was scored by Dave Donaldson of Aitken after each team had taken nine shots at opposing goaltenders.

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The Midnight Skulker is not available this week

Sports rip off, A book review

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"The character and scale of sports today is the child of monopoly capitalism".

Rip Off the Big Game by Paul Hoch, Doubleday and Co., 222 pgs., \$2.15. Paul Hoch's Rip Off the Big Game is somewhat unique in the realm of sports books. In a field full of inane narratives by sports superstars (or rather their ghostwriters), journalists capitalizing on the present sports mania, and the occasional "expose", Hoch's new book is the first to attempt an analysis of the role of sports in society from a radical standpoint.

As Hoch points out, sportswriters have consistently ignored the exploitive aspects of sport. Many sportswriters are in the pay of the owners and the sports page is often little more than public relations work. Those who ignore this trend and write seriously are ostracized by the sports world. A local example is Red Fisher, sports editor of the Star, certainly no radical, who wrote a story critical of the NHL owners and was banned from his job as analyst for Hockey Night in Canada.

The sports establishment is an integral part of monopolistic, bourgeoisie society. general Motors has nothing on James Norris who at one time owned the Detroit Red Wings, New York Rangers, and Chicago Black Hawks in the old six team NHL. Hoch presents a picture of the conglomeration of interests in the sports world and, surprisingly for an American, includes analyses of Canadian sports owners. The cost of an athletic franchise has reached such a point that only corporations can afford to buy one. Through both ownership and directorships these corporations are intimately linked with mainstream economic interests. And, like other corporations, the motivating force is greed, not interest in the spectator or player.

Sports owners have been almost as free of anti-trust action as the reserve clause. Both are used to keep professional athletes in a state approximating slavery. Those who object are liable to be blackballed from the league, with little recourse from the courts. Much is made of the athletes who make very high salaries but the career of the average athlete is short and little is said of those playing in the minor leagues for low wages or the injuries and loss of freedom incurred by athletes.

The socializing aspects of sports in a militaristic society is also documented in the book. It has been, and is still being used to instill a blindly patriotic and bloodthirsty attitude in Americans during the era of the cold war and Vietnam. Sport is the new opiate of the people.

Being a pioneering work in its field the book is a compendium of various ills, though without in-depth analysis. But Hoch does provide some interesting historical insights. The Baron de Courbetin who founded the modern Olympic movement was principally interested in strengthening French youth for another war with Germany, following France's loss in the Franco-Prussian war. Avery Brundige, the recently retired head of the Olympic committee, was at one time an admirer of the Nazis and head of a Nazi inspired group that opposed the US' entry into World War II.

Early in the life of most of the major leagues the teams were owned and run by the players; in basketball this state lasted until after WWII. These co-operative organizations could not last as they were forced out of business by owners of arenas and stadiums, and other businessmen mainly interested in profit. The disappearance of the old teams paralleled the growth of monopolies in America.

Though the virtue of Hoch's book lies in its new approach, he does succumb to some exaggeration. He observes with wide-wondered wonder the use of sports to perpetuate a hard-drinking, he-man culture to sell beer and cars. Still, sports are only one element in the creation of a socialized mentality. The jock culture is more the reflection of an oppressive society than the creator. The answer is the overthrow of the ruling capitalist class rather than the reform of sport. He perpetuates the myth that the he-man culture of the working class is a result of sexual repression (Freudian-Marxism). The relations of a society reflect the conditions of production, both sexual repression and he-man culture are symptoms of the same disease.

Though Hoch claims to be a socialist he hedges on the question of the primary role played by the working class in revolutionizing rather than just reforming society and sports. However, the book is worth reading for its novel approach and for its outline of monopoly sports.