

## Red Devils begin revival

by REGE LEGASSIE

Two years ago, the UNB Red Devils won their first AUSA championship in 20 years. Since that time however, things have changed markedly both in terms of success and personnel. Last season, the Devils were under pressure to prove that they could repeat their reign as league champions and to the disappointment of many, they failed.

But that was last season. This year things have changed considerably for the team, the most notable one being the absence of former AUSA Coach of the Year, Don Macadam. In case you happened to be in a coma over the summer, I'll tell you that Macadam left his duties here at UNB. (Actually, he only took a one year leave of absence from the program to pursue a job as Coach and General Manager of the Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds of the Ontario Hockey League.) With Macadam gone, speculation immediately ran wild as to who would fill the position and most bets were placed on the current coach of the Mt. Allison Mounties, Jack Drover. As were most other people, I was surprised when Doug MacLean was announced as the heir to the throne, since I had no idea who the man was. This problem was solved however through an interview with, to coin a phrase, the man who would be king. Therefore I have taken upon myself to bequeath to all you people who don't have the benefit of talking to the man himself, a little bit of the insight I gained through my conversation with Coach Doug MacLean.

First of all, the obvious question on everyone's mind is where did Doug MacLean learn to coach hockey? According to MacLean, he has been building towards the univestiy ranks for about 8 years. Last year, he was an assistant coach with the London Knights of the Ontario Hockey League and before that he was a head coach with a Tier II Junior team. For those of you who are somewhat uninformed as to what this means, it can simply be said that the man knows what he is doing. MacLean views the transition to the college ranks as "a big jump, but it's something I'm really looking forward to, and I'm really excited about it." Perhaps the biggest factor for MacLean to date has been the process of recruiting players for the up-

coming season. As most people are already aware, the rookie coach did not take over the job until well into the summer, which is prime time for recruiting new stars. This meant that MacLean had to begin the process of contacting all the players who were previously contacted by former coach Don Macadam (sounds complicated doesn't it.) Because of this, Coach MacLean admits that "although we don't have many new recruits, it still took time to convince some of those people to come to UNB." MacLean also went on to add that "I'm in the process of setting up a recruiting network for the next year."

So much for the formalities. The thought on everyone's mind right now is can the Devils put together a winning

team this season, given all the changes that have taken place? Obviously the first place to start is with the returning players and as MacLean says "that is a bit of a disappointment to me in that we don't have as many returning players." To put a number on it, he says "probably 8 to 9 returning players which is not many." So where did all those players go? Coach MacLean explained it this way: "Scott Clements went to Toronto, Robbie Forbes is going to the Nova Scotia Oilers, Johnny Leblanc is in the Flames camp, and George Kelly is graduating at Christmas. But, the guys that are coming back are very enthusiastic and very excited about this year." Now that we know who's not coming back how about those that are. Paul Murphy is back along with

Sean McNally, Mark Hovey and Pierre Gaudet to sure up the blueline and when coupled with some newcomers, MacLean is "optimistic about the defense and I think there is some potential to bring it along." For the forwards, the new man is looking at 5 rookies and 7 returnees for "an opportunity to be well balanced up front." Well the defense and the offense seems to be at the very least, a possibility, but the big question as it has been last season is goaltending. MacLean is the first to admit that this is "a major concern but I still think our goaltending should be better than last year, at this point anyway."

At this point no one can predict what will happen to the UNB Red Devils this season but one thing is certain — the

man behind the bench is no longer Donald Macadam but instead it is Doug MacLean. Obviously there is going to be a lot of pressure on this man to perform and get results as is usually the case in the athletic community at UNB, but based upon my impression of the new coach, I can only say that Doug MacLean is very capable of doing this should the talent and opportunity make it possible. As for Maclean himself, he says "it's great to coach in front of fans, it's great to play in front of fans and we just hope we're going to play exciting enough hockey this year so that the fans are going to come and see us play." All I have to say to this is, wouldn't it be nice if the fans came to the games just because they wanted to, instead of because the team is in first place?

## Ironmen find competitive edge

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Saturday the Moncton Marshawks fell prey to a rising UNB side, as our Rugby Club posted its first win of the young fall season. The atmosphere was more reminiscent of the summer league, the Hub city crew struck early, charging a sluggish Ironmen defense and making good on a penalty play. The convert missed, but little consolation for UNB as they were quickly looking to come back. This situation somehow brought the Ironmen out of their sunny Saturday stupor and began to exhibit winning behavior. Though the scrum was less supportive as a unit than it might have been, sufficient ball reached the backline to inable centres Fred Kaustinen and John Appleby to achieve their objective of scoring points. They contributed one try each and at the end of the half UNB led 8-4.

The forwards recovered after the break, and accounted for most of the scoring in the second half. As play progressed, lock Mike McClare rambled past black shirted bodies en route to his contribution of four points, turned into six by scrum-half doug Stewart's conversion. In answer to a later penalty kick by Moncton, flanker John Warner demonstrated some gritty determination as he cradled the ball over the tryline to salt the victory for UNB, providing

inspiration for the A side's next confrontation.

The B team toiled under the same sun, but in Saint John against the Trojans. This Ironmen contingent included a mixture of veterans and newcomers, and the experience gained by the squad as a whole looks promising for the season. Behind the enlarged shoulders of the props, Ken Goodine and Jean Guimond, the Ironmen scrum put together an impressive series of drives all afternoon. UNB pressured Saint John into their own end on the whole of the first half, and could have lost all momentum when the Trojans suddenly capitalized on one of their few trips in Ironmen territory. Thankfully, the intensity remained, both sides delivered crushing tackles, but UNB again worked the ball close to the Trojan line. With the strength of pack leader Mike Coulombe and number eight Kevin Quigley, the scrum forcefully went about its business and worked the ball over the tryline for scrum-half Scott Cessford to touchdown and the match at four before the first forty-five minutes expired.

As play resumed, UNB continued their persistent pace towards a stubborn Trojan defense. The heat slowed a few runs, yet the more formidable foe was, the pale shadow of the official that grew larger as the sun lowered. Again the Trojans went ahead with a bulky list

over the line by their beg man. UNB knew time was running out. Emotions increased with the temperature, and the saving corrals of fullback Ian Wilson gave UNB the time to dig down for enough to come back. With thoughts of a disallowed try and Wilson's call ("We've got 16 men to beat") weighing in their minds, the Ironmen made a final surge into enemy territory. Hooker Chris Cachie and the scrum provided the ball so dearly needed, and ap-

propriately Killer Coulombe capped off the drive, to tie the match at eight, since all tries in the match went unconverted.

Rugby is much more exciting off of paper and on the field, so don't miss the continuing rivalry between the Ironmen and Exiles 'A' squads, Saturday at 2 p.m. on College Field. The B match immediately following, at 3:30, will see the Ironmen host Fredericton Loyalists. Plan to be there.



## Interview with Canadian Olympic Hockey coach — Dave King

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Bruns: Could you give a brief summary of what has happened to Team Canada since the 1984 Olympic games in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia?

Dave King: We completed the Olympic games in '84 in Sarajevo and then Hockey Canada decided the '84 — 85 season that we would go into a program, where we would scout the talent across Canada but not have a full-time national team. So '84 — 85 my job along with a few scouts was to scout the talent across Canada and then formulate some ideas on who were the best young players coming up. Of course we've now this year the full-time national team. So, in the

two years since the Olympic games we've been very active trying to establish some things now and put in place a program that would hopefully be successful going into '88.

Bruns: What reaction have you received to the scholarships to the University of Calgary that have been offered to prospective team members?

DK: Our players are going to the University of Calgary, and all our players are on scholarships and the response has been very good. For the most part the players are being very well treated. They get a scholarship that's valued at about \$10,000; which covers tuition, books, room and board. That's \$10,000 per year so it's a very

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