

Campus recreation

Sports editorial: Subliminal sports

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As this is crunch time for just about every student including ourselves, Bruce and I have decided (Vote YES) to do a joint editorial about everything that's been happening in the world of sports.

The biggest story by far in sports, other than the Montreal Canadiens finally getting their asses in gear and playing some decent hockey, has to be the Toronto Blue Jays. While (vote YES) this column is being written the Jays are up 2-1 in the series so if they've won by the time this paper comes out we'll do like your student union did and send them our congratulations then.

Some people have criticized me for jumping on the Blue Jays bandwagon only now and they're correct. The reason why is simple and understandable. Montrealers hate Toronto. When Toronto was playing Oakland in the ALCS I was (vote YES) secretly going for the A's because I believe the Expos should have the distinction of being the first Canadian team in the World Series. My feelings all changed when I saw the Canadian (vote YES) flag being paraded around Foulton County Stadium before game 2 in Atlanta.

Everybody seems to think that it was an honest mistake that, while regrettable, should (vote YES) be forgotten. I don't see it that way. Whoever put the flag on the pole must have done so quite some time before the game and surely someone must have noticed. Having a warped sense of humor, they decided to leave it like it was. Not only did it insult Canadians but it also left (vote YES) the United States military looking pretty stupid. Something they hate.

Getting back at Americans for their mistake is on everyone's mind. In fact stores in Toronto have reported selling hundreds of American flags since the (vote YES) incident. The best way to get the Americans back for the blunder is not to wave upside down American flags at the Sky Dome or burn them in the parking lot. That would lower Canadians onto the same level of Americans. What we should do is hope that the Toronto Blue Jays kick the crap out of the Braves in the World Series. Americans say baseball is their game and by having the team from Canada (vote YES) becoming world champions nothing will hurt them more. Actually something would hurt them more; the Montreal Expos winning the World Series next year.

The UNB basketball teams are playing their annual kickoff tournament here this weekend. Looking at the schedule and the list of teams it looks like some good basketball is on tap. Be sure to check it out. While there you can have a chance to win a 5 pound chocolate bar.

Before the AUAA hockey season started a lot of people were saying that STU would struggle for much of the year. However a pair of wins has put them in top spot along with UNB. According to Karla and Angela, goalie Stephen Gaudet was a big factor in the wins. Stephen had limited playing time last season as a backup for Shane Corston and seems to be handling the pressure of being a number one goaltender quite well.

Those of you who (Vote YES) attended the Red Devils games on the weekend witnessed the implementation of some new rules. Players were called frequently for skating through the goal crease resulting in a face-off outside the zone. This (Vote YES) slowed the game down dramatically. Other calls included (Vote YES) "holding the stick" and "attempting to butt-end." rewarded with a two minute penalty. The first victim of the new regulations was New York Islanders draftee Todd Sparks who was suspended (Vote YES) three games for spearing during an exhibition game against Mt.A. Until the players get use to the new rules, expect to spend well over 3 hours at a Devils game.

Those of you who attended the STU hockey games should get your heads examined. And (Vote YES) all those who actually work for the Tommies, particularly in a training capacity should reevaluate your position in society (Vote YES) and consider a lobotomy.

How would Americans vote for the constitutional referendum?

YES

Last week's trivia answer: The Toronto Maple Leafs nickname should be the 'Leaves' if they wanted it to be grammatically correct

This week's trivia question: Who sang the national anthem at the Blue Jays first home game in 1977?

Facilities

Open gym Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium

For the convenience of the campus community, open gym times have been reserved during the academic year. They are offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. Reservations are not permitted at these times: Mondays: West gym, 6:30pm to 8:30pm September 7 until December 7

Services

Equipment

The Equipment Room is located on the lower floor of the Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium. The staff will be happy to supply you with much of the equipment you will need for sports activities.

To borrow the following equipment, complete an Equipment Request Slip and give it and your Student Identification Card/Recreational Membership, or visitor's pass to the attendant. (Equipment must be returned on the same day.)

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| No fee required | Basketballs |
| Badminton Nets | Footballs |
| Ball Hockey Equipment | Horse Shoes |
| Croquet Equipment | Frisbees |
| Eye Protectors (racquet sports) | Soccer Balls |
| Rugby Balls | Waterpolo Balls |
| Volleyballs and Nets | E-Z curl bars |
| Softball Equipment | |

Intramural sports

The Intramural Sports program offers a wide variety of team leagues and tournaments for men, women and co-eds. All intramural sports aim to develop the individual through physical activity, healthy competition, and fair play. Each year, over 3,000 participants engage in Intramural Sports.

The actual administration of intramural leagues and tournaments is handled by students as coordinators, referees-in-chief, and officials. These individuals are responsible for promotion, scheduling, assigning officials, record keeping, supervision, discipline and evaluation. Over 130 students are needed each year to ensure program success. If you would like to develop leadership skills, gain practical experience in recreation administration, and earn some spending money, contact the Recreation Office, SOON.

Intramural tennis tournament

The intramural tennis tournament was held September 21 and 23 a total of 24 participants participated in both singles and doubles. In singles play Brian Singleton defeated Pierre Arsinault 6-2, 6-2 to take the title. Arsinault and Mark White took the doubles title in straight sets over Brian Singleton and Jeff Cheal. The intramural program staff would like to thank all those who participated.



Ladder tournaments

Individuals are invited to register for the squash or racquetball ladder tournaments. Registration begins September 28. Individuals challenge each other throughout the semester with a winner declared in December.

Sport clubs

Sport clubs are predominately student-run organizations with an elected executive, constitutional by-laws and a budget. All sanctioned clubs operate within the established sport club policies and procedures of the University under the supervision of the Sport Club Coordinator.

To become involved call the club representative for information on the club of your choice. A list of contact names and phone numbers will be available in late September from the Recreation Office located in the Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium.

Combative clubs (4)
Budokai Ju Jutsu
Taekwon-Do

Open Style Karate
Fencing

Field clubs(4)
Cricket
Ultimate Disc

Rugby
Women's Soccer

Water sports (6)
Kayak
S.C.U.B.A.
Synchronized swimming

Rowing
Springboard Diving
Master's Swim

Ice sports (3)
Curling Club
Women's Hockey

Figure Skating

Racquet sports (1)
Badminton

Outdoor recreation (1)
Rock and Ice Climbing