

# Dal wrestlers to kick off season in Montreal

BY GAZETTE STAFF

This Sunday the Dalhousie Wrestling club will attend its first tournament of the new season at Concordia university in Montreal.

The club will compete on Sunday against university teams from New York State, Quebec, Ontario and the Maritimes.

This will be one of the few

times when the newly stacked club will compete head to head against both its AUAA rivals — UNB and Memorial. With their Class A sports club status, they will be able to compete against varsity teams at varsity events.

This is the Wrestling Club's fourth season, and coach Scott Aldridge believes that this season could be a breakthrough year —

with the ultimate goal being to dethrone the 27-time AUAA champions, the UNB Reds.

likely be a key figure for the Dal Women's wrestling team in the future. Silver and the rest of the

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"I was fortunate to recruit some of Nova Scotia's top wrestlers this year," remarked Aldridge. "And I honestly believe that even though we are [only] a club, we can spank those Varsity Reds."

Aldridge also says he's equally impressed with this year's female recruits, including rookie Amanda Silver, who has shown exceptional abilities and will most

Tigresses, however, should have their work cut out for them at this year's Concordia Open.

Amongst the competition at the Concordia Open is the Russian women's wrestling squad.

The Dal Wrestling Club is currently practicing three times a week in racquetball court seven of the Dalplex. If you are interested in competing in one of the "original sports", swing by.

Coach Aldridge says they don't bite.

# Dal wins CIAU sailing titles

BY PATRICK BLACKIE

Two Dal students sailed to victory Thanksgiving weekend at the Laser Radial classes of the CIAU National Sailing championship in Kingston, Ontario.

Mike Simms, a second-year Law student, captured the male Laser Radial title by winning five of 12 races and placing no worse than fourth in the remaining seven races.

Simms is no stranger to victory in the sport. His string of past victories includes the 1997 Canadian and North American Laser titles. And thanks to his recent wins, Simms, the top-ranked Laser sailor in Canada and a member of the Canadian National team, is now preparing for the World University Games in Spain this summer.

"This is the first time sailing will be in the University Games, and I am really excited to have the opportunity to represent Canada and Dalhousie," says Simms. The competition will be valuable for Simms, who says his ultimate goal is the 2000 Olympics.

Lee Gifford added to Dal's

domination in the CIAU championship by bringing home the female Laser Radial title. The third-year history student landed eight first place finishes, and nothing worse than a second place. The CIAU title can be added to Gifford's collection of awards, including a first place at the 1998 Toronto Olympic Classes Regatta, and a third at the North American Radials.

"Local training this fall with coach Brian Todd really helped in my preparation for the regatta," says Gifford. "The conditions and fleets were very similar in Kingston to what we were experiencing in practice this fall." Gifford is preparing to go solo for the 1999 Radial World Championships, which will be held in Newport, Rhode Island.

King's College student Kelly Hand walked away with the Europe Single Handed division, qualifying herself for the University Games in Spain this summer as well.

Other Dal competitors in the Laser class were Andrew Childs (7th), Andrew Lea (11th) and John Haverstock (12th).

# Women's hockey begins

*Dal to start season against St. FX*

BY PATRICK BLACKIE

With the men's hockey season already a week underway, the Dal women's hockey team is set to follow suit this weekend. The game is a match against St. FX, and the team is justifiably confident.

With a good balance of about ten veterans and a handful of rookies, Dal has a good foundation of experience and the new blood to expand the team's possibilities.

The team finished second in

the Nova Scotia Women's Hockey League last year and is obviously optimistic about the upcoming season.

"I think we've got an excellent chance [this year]," says Dalhousie Women hockey president Laura Cormier. "I think we've got a really strong team."

Their first game against St. FX is set for Saturday, Oct. 24 at 6pm, at Memorial Arena. The following game is Sunday, Oct. 25 at Acadia.

# Women's team win meet

*MacAlpine first Dal Swimming CIAU qualifier*

BY SCOTT SANCTON

This weekend the Tigers Women's Swim team took control of the water in Fredericton. The women won the AMBY Legere invitational with a score of 153, followed by Laval with 133, and Dal's rivals, the UNB Varsity Reds, with 74 points.

Individually, Dal's co-captain, Angela MacAlpine, became the Tigers' first CIAU championships qualifier, winning the 100 freestyle and just sneaking under the

standard. She also went on to win the 100 butterfly, 50 fly, and 400 free.

Also walking away victorious was Amy Woodworth in the 200 individual medley. Woodworth also took second place in the 100 breast. Other top three finishers included Amber Mather, who placed third in the 100 fly, Amy Clattenburg, who captured the second place spot in the 50 breaststroke, and Catlin Peterson, who took second in the 100 back and third in the 200 individual medley.

The women also took first place in two relays, The 400 freestyle and the 400 medley.

On the men's side, The UNB Varsity Reds defeated the Tigers by 33 points to take the title. Laval, Mount Allison and Sherbrooke followed.

Leading Dalhousie in points scored was Stuart Kemp, who won the 800 freestyle eliminator, 100 butterfly, 400 freestyle and placed second in the 200 individual medley. Also coming first were Dave Leblanc in the 50 fly and Chris Stewart in the 100 breast. Stewart also placed second in

## Dalhousie Tigers' Athletes of the Week

### Jason Trepanier Men's Volleyball

5th-year Economics, Orleans, ON

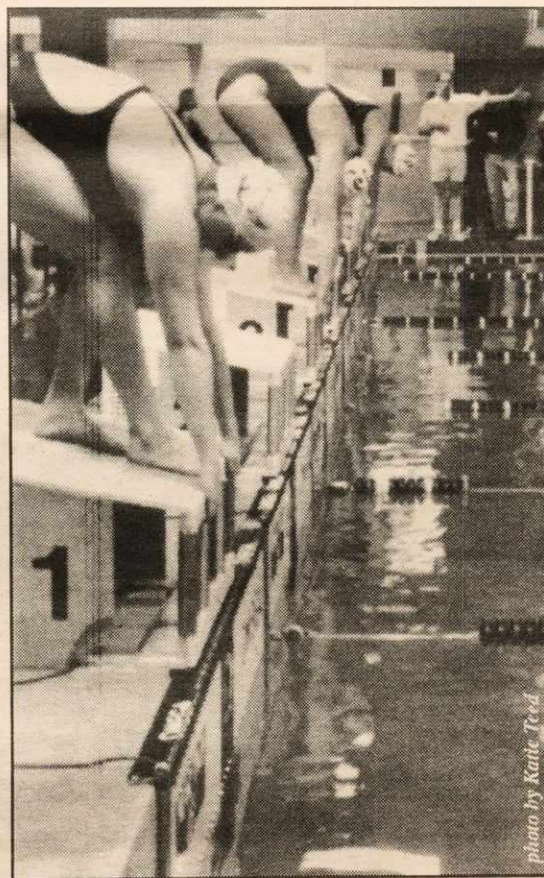
Jason Trepanier is the Dalhousie Tigers' Male Athlete of the Week, for the week ending October 18, 1998. Jason recorded 148 kills, 14 blocks, 40 digs and seven aces in five matches at the University Of Western Ontario Mustang Classic on the weekend. Trepanier led Dal to the bronze medal match in the tourney and was selected as a tournament star.

### Angela MacAlpine Women's Swimming

3rd-year BA, Digby, NS  
Angela MacAlpine is the Dalhousie Tigers' Female Athlete of the Week, for the week ending October 18, 1998. MacAlpine won four races at the AMBY Legere Invitational at the University of New Brunswick on the weekend. Her win in the 100 metre freestyle meet the CIAU qualifying standard and her victories in the 400m freestyle, 100m fly and 50m fly propelled the Tigers women's swim team to a first-place finish over Laval, UNB, Mount Allison and Sherbrooke.

the 50 breast and 400 free. Other top swimmers included Marty Laycock, who placed second in both the 200 individual medley and the 100 breaststroke, and Rob Harrison, who came in third in the 100 Freestyle.

The Tigers' next competition will be at Dalplex this Friday night against Mount Allison. They will also compete at the annual relay meet against age group swimmers from across the province on Sunday.



A women's swim race earlier this season.



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