

Dal "Splashes" to Championship in MIAA Track and Field Meet

By GUY MASLAND

On Wednesday, October 18th the unsung heroes of the Dalhousie Track Team fought their way through driving rain and near hurricane force winds to bring Dalhousie its first Track and Field Championship in the fifty seven years of its existence.

The meet, marred by the bad weather conditions, was run off despite this handicap, and had offsetting results on the times and jumps of the athletes. However, many good times were turned in even in the face of the poor conditions.

Dalhousie had a small but well-balanced team that edged out a strong U.N.B. team for the honors by a 58-50 score, Acadia was a distant third.

Trenton's Dave MacKay was our top sprinter as he topped a third place in the 220 yard dash, Jamaica's Frank Jackson was 4th. Stalwart Randy Barkhouse led the track contingent as he raced to brilliant second place finishes in the 440 and 880 yard dashes. Ghana's Daniel Wuddah was only beaten by inches in the 120 yard low hurdles as he gained three valuable points for Dal with his second place finish. Barkhouse and MacKay combined with Chris Curtis and Sandy Murray to secure the win for Dal as they raced to a first place finish in the final event of the Meet, the mile relay. This was highlighted by the thirty yard lead the fleet-footed MacKay built up on the first 440 leg; MacKay, Barkhouse and Curtis plus Frank Jackson gave Dal the much needed 10 points for their first place finish in the 880 yard relay.

DAL SHOWS WELL IN FIELD EVENTS

It was the events where Dal had been lacking over the past few years that provided the brunt of the points for the team this year—namely the field events.

Former "X" athlete, Cliff Baird led the assault on the top placings as he came through with a first place finish in the Broad Jump with a leap of 21 feet.

7 1/4 inches and a first in the pole vault as he cleared the bar at 10 feet in the face of a fifty mile an hour headwind. He added a third place in the Triple Jump, which he had never done before, for a personal output of eleven points towards Dal's total. Guy Masland added a second place finish in the Pole Vault behind Baird to give Dalhousie a very important eight points (5-3-1 system) in the second last event of the

day. Amherst's Dave Milner turned in an outstanding performance as he placed first in the Hammer, second in the Shot Put and third in the Discus for an individual output of nine points.

Finally Wayne Talbot cleared the bar at 5'10" in the High Jump in a stupendous effort to take first place in that event and close out the individual scoring for Dal.

St. John's Alan Purdy, as did Ken Campbell in the 100 yard dash.

Coach Yarr was very pleased with the teams overall, and despite the fact that a couple of individuals added outstanding performances to the team's cause, it was a team effort that brought the championship to Dalhousie.

Many of these chaps have put in many hours of practise along with the patient coaching of mentor Al Yarr, and everybody involved with the Track Team should be proud of their performances on that rain soaked Wednesday both for themselves and for their University.

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with Gary Holt

The game against Dartmouth doesn't prove much but I feel it will give the Tigers a lift after the 105-20 trouncing they received at the St. F.X. X-men.

It also gave an opportunity to see what reserve back fielders Jim Hurlow, Wyne Twaits, and Bruce McLellan could do.

Obviously, they played very well, accounting for the 5 touchdowns and 231 yards in total offense.

The defense rebounded with a fine effort allowing only 84 yards all on the ground.

A note here that if Dal can win their last two league starts against Mount Allison here, this Saturday, and in Fredericton against U.N.B. the following week, it will be the first time a Dal team has had a winning season in many years.

A word of caution however, Mount Allison are much improved over the team that lost to the Tigers 20-6 in Truro early in the year. As for U.N.B., they will be tough as well, having been at or near the top of the B.F.C. all year.

It is a task of which our Tigers are capable. Whether they can do it remains to be seen.

Football season is coming to a close and with it comes the Bowl games. The winner in this conference and it looks like it will be St. F.X., takes on the winners of the Central Canada Conference in the Atlantic Bowl in Halifax on November 18. The winner will move on to the Children's Bowl in Toronto on November 25 to play the winner of the game between the champions of the Big Four in the West.

The X-Men are rated highly in the Maritimes but time will tell who is the best. This year it will be no conjecture. One team will win and one will lose and nobody is left out as was the case last year.

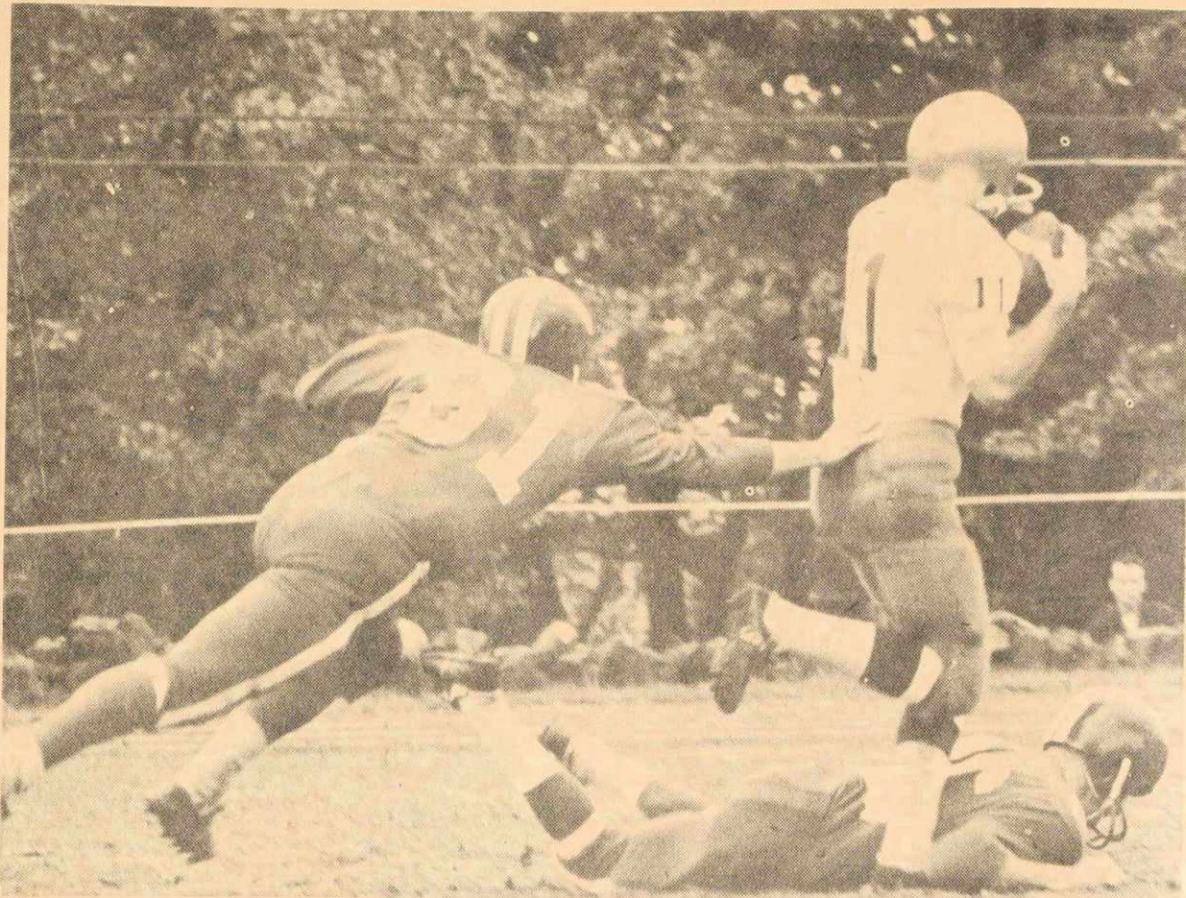
Dal Third

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On Saturday, October 28th the Dalhousie Cross Country Team placed third in the meet held here in Halifax over the rolling hills of Point Pleasant Park. Out of the four teams entered the U.N.B. squad swept the meet as they took the first five places. Memorial University of Newfoundland came second, followed by Dal and Mt. Allison.

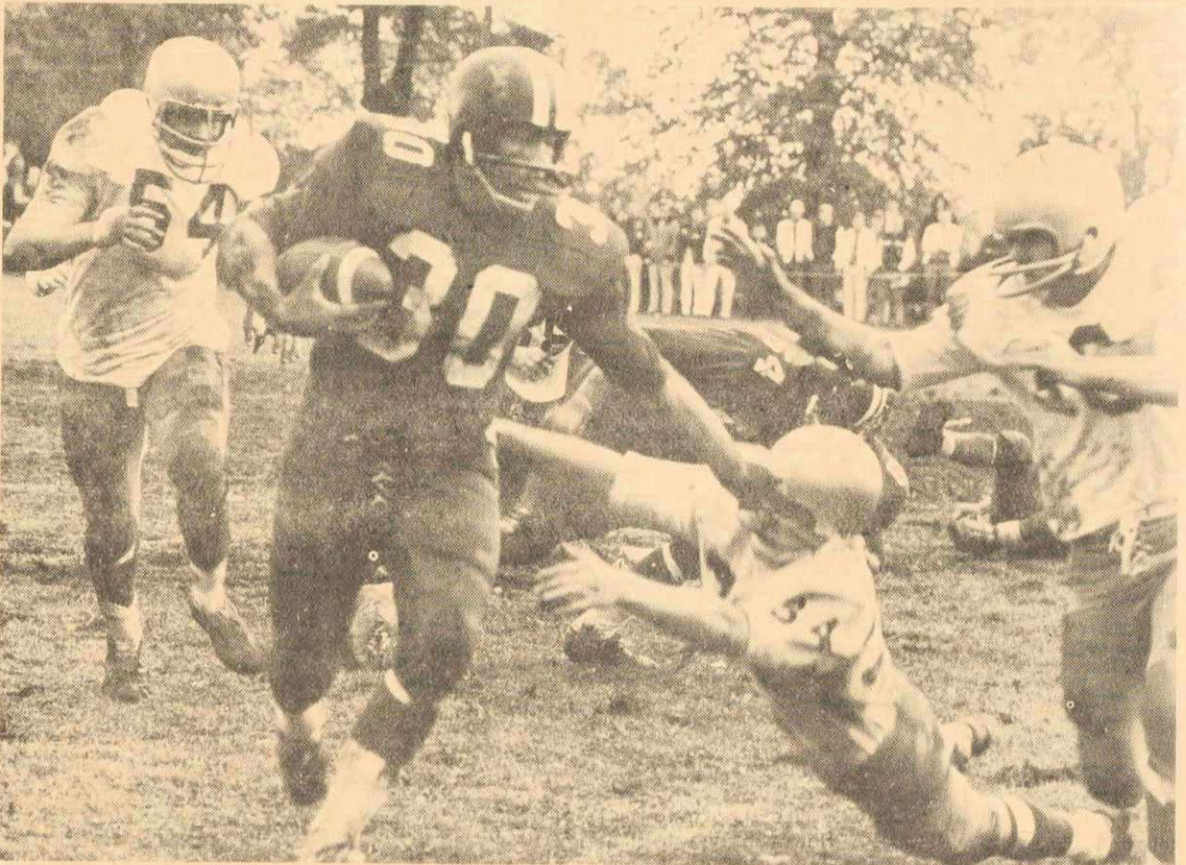
It was a cool and foggy day as the twenty six runners attacked the four and a half mile course up hills and down dales, through fields and furrows and on the harsh pavement—on and on they toiled, and as the field spread out each man became oblivious of his rivals. The loneliness of the long distance is unmatched, his mind falls into a state of subconsciousness, his eyes see only the bleakness of the never-ending road in front of him. Until finally, with the finish line only yards away, and the lines of agony etched on his feverish brow, he falls across heavenly chasm of rest and a nice cold beer, only to find that his desperate efforts have ended in disappointing failure.

For the Dal team, each runner must gain some sort of a personal victory for having conquered this rough course after many hours of vigorous training. The final placings of Dalhousie were as follows: Randy Barkhouse 6th, Sandy Murry 16th, Chris Curtis 11th, John Creber 16th, Greg Bourassa 18th, and Dave McKay 21st. Congratulations on your first 21st McKay!



GO AWAY

Dalhousie flanker catches a 35 yard pass from QB Jim de la Mothe and eludes X defender Terry Gorman.



Complete

St. F.X., fullback Paul Brule (30) eludes Dal tacklers Dave Crocker, (54), Ken Minaker (34), and Bill McLeod (36), and is off on one of many long gains.

Tigers Score 20, but...

The powerful St. Francis Xavier offence completely outclassed the Dalhousie defence, and scoring at will piled up 105 points in posting the victory. Paul Brule led the winners as he scored 8 touchdowns and passed for another. Dick Pandolfo ran for three majors and caught a pass for another. Also getting into the scoring parade were Bill Kelly with 3, and Terry Gorman with 1.

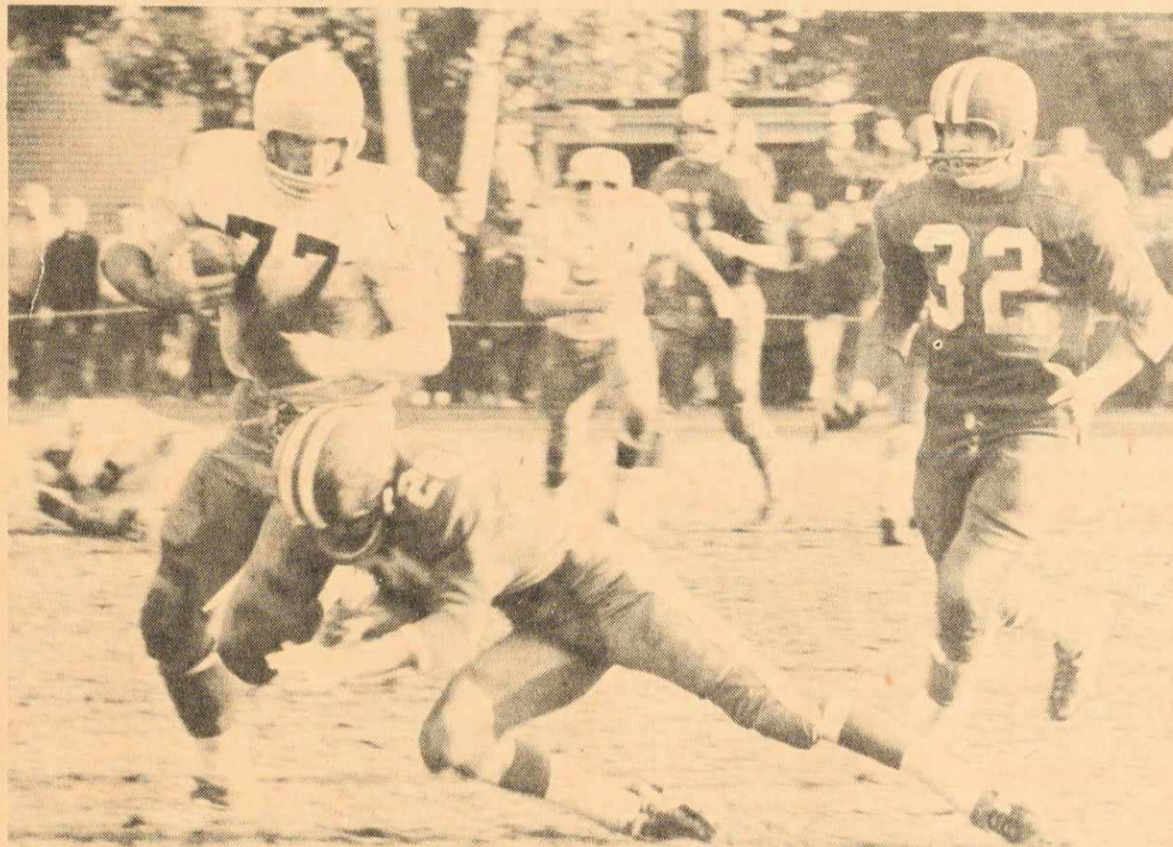
It looked as if there might be a repeat of the previous game upset of St. Mary's. On the first play of the game, Jim de la Mothe passed 35 yards to flanker Tom MacKenzie. Bob Lewington and de la Mothe on two successive running plays gained another first down. Bob Lewington gathered in a pass and rambled to the St. F.X. 2 yard line. On a sneak Jim de la Mothe crossed the goal line. He also kicked the convert and Dal led 7-0.

The lead was short lived however, as Dick Pandolfo ran around left and for 29 yards and a touchdown. Greg Gosling's convert tied the score. For the rest of the half it was all St. F.X. Dick Pandolfo

caught a 16 yard pass for a TD. Paul Brule ran a punt back 65 yards for another score. Bill Kelly ran 1 yard for 6 points. Terry Gorman caught a TD pass of 18 yards. Brule ran 4 yards to score again and passed 27 yards to Bill Kelly for another. At the end of the first half the score was St. F.X. 44, Dal 7.

In the third quarter the Dal offense which looked good many times throughout the day put together two good drives. They both ended in Dal touchdowns by Bob Lewington on a 3 yard run and the other on a 5 yard pass from Jim de la Mothe.

In spite of the two Dal scores, the X-Men were not halted in the least as they had their most productive quarter as they ran up 40 points. In summer, the X scoring half went as follows: Dick Pandolfo ran 44 yards, Brule ran 5 yards, Brule again for 9 yards. On this score Pandolfo passed to end John Purcell for a 2 point conversion. It was Brule again for 1 yard, Bill Kelly went 103 yards with a kick off, Brule 2 yards, Pandolfo 35 yards, Brule 6 yards, McPherson a 60 yard punt for 1 point, Brule for 7 yards.



Rob Taylor hauls in pass against X., for one of the few bright moments for Dal. Gary Yabsley (26) and Bill Kelly (32) move in for the stop.

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