

# V-ball kills UCCB

BY NATALIE MACLELLAN

The Dalhousie women's volleyball team is ranked third heading into this weekend's AUA championship. They wrapped up their season with two convincing wins over UCCB this past weekend in Cape Breton.

Coach Leslie Irie attributes the weekend's successes to a more relaxing week, and thus a more focused team.

"Since we've gotten back in January, we've had to play mid-week, Saturday and Sunday, and all of those matches have been highly intense," said Irie. "This week was the first time we've had time to ourselves."

The venue also gave some team members a chance to visit family and friends. "It was a great time, especially for now — going into the AUAs," said Irie.

↪ The Tigers blew away the unsuspecting Capers 15-1, 15-3, and 15-6 Saturday evening, and again Sunday afternoon 15-2, 15-11, and 15-4. This left the Tigers with a 14-4 record for the season. The

Capers, a first year team, finished the season 0-18.

The volleyball team would like to thank the Dalhousie Alumni Chapter for hosting them in Sydney and for arranging the lunch and get together with the high school students and coaches.

Also finishing the season at 14-4 was the Universite de Moncton. Dal and Moncton split their matches against each other this season, but Moncton outscored the Tigers 82-78 in these matches, and thus are seated in second place. Moncton will have home court advantage at this weekend's AUAs.

The Tigers were up against first place SMU last Wednesday afternoon and fell in four sets, 15-17, 15-9, 15-3, and 15-13. With two wins against UPEI this weekend, the Huskies will go into the AUAs with a record-breaking 18-0 record. Impressive, but the Tigers aren't intimidated.

"Our team always likes playing their team," said Irie. "We look forward to the match-up, but right now, we can't look any further

than Memorial."

Dalhousie kicks off the championship tournament against sixth place Memorial University.

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## Exall excelling as Tiger

BY CARMEN TAM

After his senior year of high school, Peter Exall was recruited by Calgary, Saskatchewan and Dalhousie to their varsity volleyball programs. Not ready to uproot at the time, he chose to remain in his hometown to study biology and play for the University of Calgary Dinosaurs.

The Dinos played in the competitive Canada West conference which housed powerhouse teams like Alberta, Saskatchewan, UBC and UVic.

"That year all the teams in the conference were ranked in the top ten," recalls Exall, now a player for Dalhousie. "Calgary had a very young team and it was a difficult division to move up in standings."

Exall earned a starting position by the second term of his freshman year in 1995.

But last season, the Dinos' coaching staff re-evaluated his role on the team and instead of having him sit out the season, they "red-shirted" him to prevent him from losing a year of eligibil-

ity. This gave Exall the opportunity to consider other schools because he'd already spent the mandatory year out of action required to transfer. Dalhousie was

one of the options as Dal had kept in touch since initially scouting him.

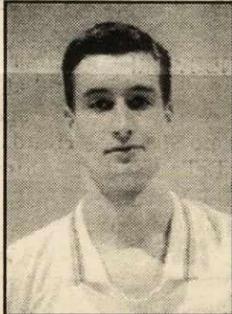
Exall's Maritime connection turned out to be former Tiger assistant coach Dan Ota who helped guide Dal to consecutive bronze medals in 1994 and 1995. Ota had coached Exall

from grades eight to eleven and had passed his name to Dalhousie head coach Al Scott.

"Dan has been the most influential person in terms of my volleyball career; not only was he my first coach, he pushed me to perform my best and was a big part in getting me to Dal."

Exall finalized his decision to come to Nova Scotia in late August, close to the start of term. His new major in psychology and the new team proved to be a wise choice; as he is enjoying his studies and getting substantial

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### athletes of the week

Carolyn Wares, Women's Basketball



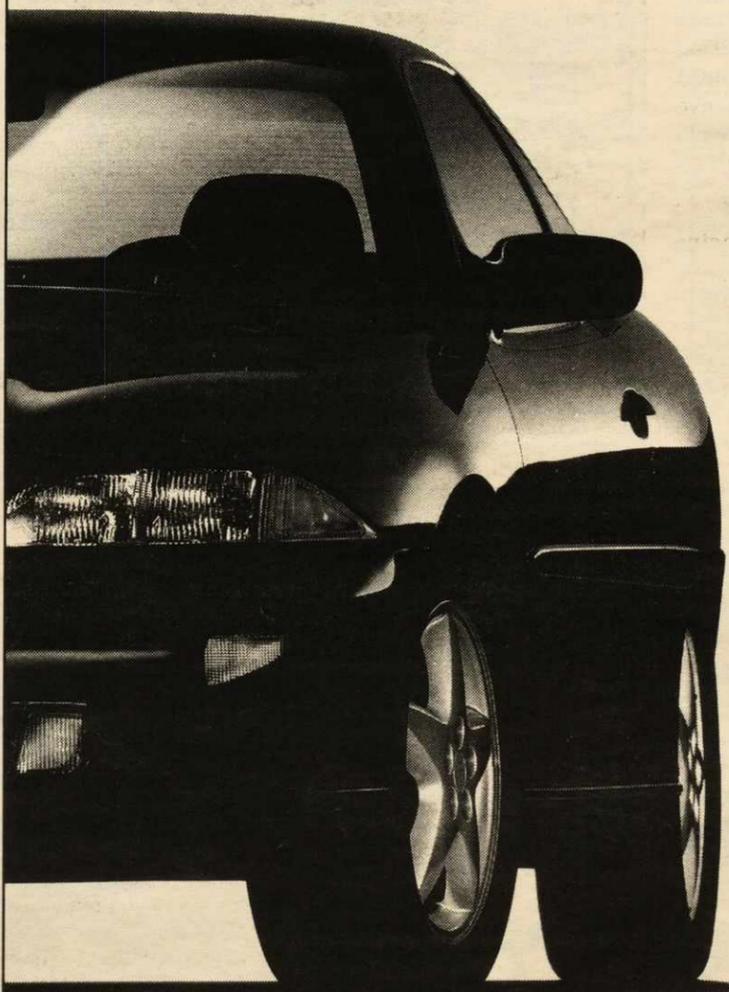
Carolyn scored 30 points and managed 16 rebounds in Dalhousie's demolishing of UCCB. Earlier in the week, against Acadia, she had 25 points and 17 rebounds. She's a fourth year Recreation student from Calgary, Alberta. She stands 6'1", and is 21 years of age.

Tremayne Howe, Men's Basketball



Tremayne scored 15 points against Acadia and 30 points against UCCB, both career highs, in last week's games. He's a second year Commerce student at Dalhousie. This native of Montreal stands 6'2", and is 22 years of age.

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