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UNB SPORTS For Complete Varsity Reds Coverage



Sports wire

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Charla Currie, Field Hockey

Charla Currie of the Varsity Reds Field Hockey team takes honours for the female athlete-of-the-week award. Co-captain and 3rd year BPE student from PEI, Charla showed her leadership on the field as she moved from her center defense position to midfield where, Coach Hornibrook says, "she showed she will be an impact player on the field this year". Charla scored three goals in the Varsity Reds opening weekend at the University of Toronto Invitational Tournament.

Matthew Compton, Soccer

A top striker with the UPEI Under 19 team, Matthew Compton proved he can play university soccer. The first year Computer Science student scored his first AUAA goal in the team's opening game against Université de Moncton on Sunday. Coach Brown stated that "although Matthew was injured he played extremely well and will be a force to be reckoned with on the right wing". In his first year of play and in his first AUAA game Matthew is named UNB's first male athlete-of-the-week for the season.

Club News

Learn to Rock Climb

UNB Rock and Ice will be holding the annual rock climbing school Sept. 24 & 25. An informational meeting is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 19 @ 7:00 pm in MacLaggan Hall 105. For club info call: Mike Gumpert (president) 454-6990 Elise Craft (membership) 459-5268.

Co-ed Cheerleaders

The UNB Co-ed Cheerleaders are looking for new members. The purpose of this club is compete at competions and to generate school spirit. There will be a walk-on try-outs on Saturday, September 17 from 5 to 7pm at the L.B. Gym (Main). For more information contact Tammy at 454-7995

THIS WEEK IN UNB SPORTS

Saturday, September 17 Field Hockey vs. SMU (1:00pm @ Chapman Field)

Reds play 'Musical Coaches' in Off-season

by Maria Paisley **Sports Editor**

The UNB Varsity Reds teams made a number coaching changes before their seasons began.

The coaching changes for the hockey team began in early July with the announcement that after 3 years of service as Assistant Coach Jim Fyarchuk would be leaving the Reds to coach in England.

Danny Grant, longtime midget AAA coach, was named as the Reds new Assistant Coach replacing Fyarchuk. Grant coached the Fredericton Boldon & Brown Canadiens to five provincial and four Atlantic championships in eight years as head coach.

He also brings to the Reds National Hockey League playing experience. Grant began his NHL career in Montreal were the team won the Stanley Cup, he then played for Minnesota, Detroit and Los Angles. In his rookie year he won the Calder Trophy for Rookie of the Year. He was also had a 50 goal season during his career. Grant's pro career was ended with a knee injury, although he did suit up with the Fredericton Express after retiring from the NHL.

Next after five seasons Reds Head Coach Mike Johnston announced that he was taking a two year sabbatical to be the Assistant Coach of Team Canada. He has worked with Team Canada in 1993 coaching them to a gold medal in the 1993 Spengler Cup in Switzerland. In addition Johnston was the As-



Former Reds Coach Mike Johnston talking with players.

Photo by Kevin G. Porter

sistant Coach with the National Junior team for the 1993/94 World Championships in the Czech Republic.

As Head Coach of the Reds Johnston was able to take a struggling team to national contention. UNB captured the MacAdam Division and placed second in AUAA conference final for the second consecutive year.

With Johnston's departure the Reds were left looking for a replacement. Newly appointed Assistant Coach Danny Grant was then named coach, thus leaving his position of Assistant Coach open. Shane Easter, an Assistant Coach under Johnston, accepted a one year contract to become a full time as-

sistant and to assume most of Johnston's managerial duties. This then left Easter's old part-time . coaching position open, which was filled earlier this week by Scott Smith, the executive director of the New Brunswick Amateur Hockey Association.

In coaching changes for the women's basketball team Claire Mitton has returned after a one year sabbatical. Mitton was replaced for the year by one of her former players Pauline Lordon.

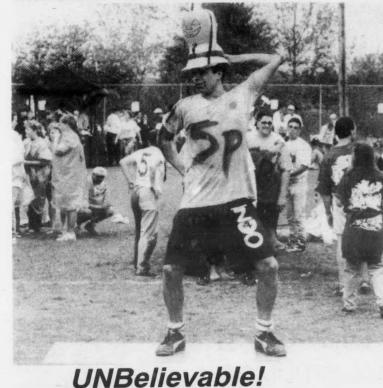
The other team to lose a coach was the men's volleyball team with Paul Belanger resigning. At press time a new coach hadn't been named, although the Athletics Department is in the process of selecting a coach.

UNB gets National Training Center Center for Atlantic Wrestlers

by Paul Mysak

Ironmen 'B' vs. Mt. A (12:30pm @ College Field) Ironmen 'A' vs. Trojans (2:00pm @ College Field)

Sunday, September 18 Field Hockey vs. SMU (1:00pm @ Chapman Field) Soccer @ UdeM



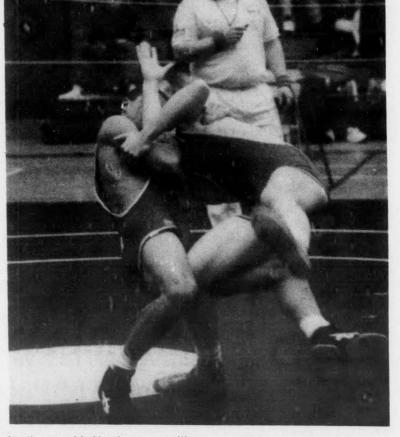
Bruns Sports

The UNB wrestling team prepared for the upcoming season over the summer. Donnie Ryan, AUAA coach of the year, honed his skills as Assistant coach for Canada at the Pan-Am Championships and the Ocean State International held in Rhode Island.

In Rhode Island Terry Pomeroy led fellow Varsity Reds Marcel Savlis and Dennis Gagnon. Pomeroy defeated the Commonwealth silver medalist Rob Wellwood en route to the final where he lost a hard fought match 12-5 to three time Olympic Champion Reiner Reinhold.

The Varsity crew then proceeded to the Franco Games under the tutelage of Donnie Ryan who coached Canada's team. Savlis and Gagnon each placed sixth, while Pomeroy claimed fourth place.

There are many similar feats along with UNB's success and dominating Atlantic wrestling in funding provided by the centre will the form of 8 AUAA titles in the past 10 years culminated in UNB being named as the National Training Center for Atlantic Canada. The



be used to develop local talent and allow wrestlers to travel to tournaments of international calibre. The team has already begun dry

land training and anyone in wrestling, male or female alike, is encouraged to call coach Ryan at 453-4580.