

# RED BLOOMERS SPLIT WEEKEND GAMES WITH UPEI

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The UNB Red Bloomers may have lost the important game while winning the game that officially didn't matter against the UPEI Lady Panthers last weekend, but that win will act as a confidence builder for the team. Before last Sunday's exhibition loss to the Bloomers, UPEI had not been defeated on their home court for several years. Defeating the Lady Panthers there proves to the Red Bloomers that if they play their game they can compete with and beat UPEI.

Unfortunately, in the game which counted in the standings, the Bloomers played their game for only half of the game. Reminiscent of the Red Raiders two weekends ago, the Bloomers played a very solid first half, going into the locker room with a 37-36 lead. But, like the Raiders, the Bloomers were unable to maintain this play in the second half and watched the Lady Panthers ring up an 81-64 victory. UPEI started the second half with a run, putting the Bloomers in a bit of a hole. Instead of patiently working to chip away

at that lead the Bloomers began to try for the 'quick' basket. This failed to work consistently and UPEI was able to fend off any challenge.

The next day the same two teams battled in an exhibition contest. Once again the Bloomers played a solid first half, starting the second half trailing by six (36-30). Unlike the previous day, the Bloomers also put together a strong second half. They surged to a final victory of 59-53, holding the heralded UPEI offence to only 17 points for the second half.

Coach Claire Milton gave considerable praise to both Pauline Lordon and Kara Palmer; two players who will be keys to the team's success this year. This weekend these two and the rest of the team will host St.FX and SMU at 6:30 p.m. tonight and 1:00 p.m. tomorrow, respectively.

Both games will be played at the Aitken Centre for what is to be their home opener. These games should be easy wins for the Red Bloomers, as neither of these schools have women's basketball traditions comparable to that of the UNB Red Bloomers.

# CIAU RANKINGS

## SWIMMING (M)

1. Calgary (1)
2. McGill (NR)
3. McMaster (2)
4. Laval (3)
5. Alberta (4)
6. Western (5)
7. Toronto (6)
8. Laurentian (8)
9. Guelph (7)
10. Waterloo (9)

## SWIMMING (W)

1. McGill (9)
2. Alberta (2)
3. Laval (3)
4. Toronto (4)
5. Montreal (5)
6. McMaster (6)
7. Western (7)
8. Calgary (8)
9. Guelph (10)
10. Waterloo (9)

## VOLLEYBALL (M)

1. Manitoba (1)
2. Waterloo (2)
3. UBC (4)
4. Sherbrooke (3)
5. Saskatchewan (5)
6. Laval (9)
7. Alberta (7)
8. Calgary (8)
9. Victoria (6)
10. Western (10)

## VOLLEYBALL (W)

1. Manitoba (1)
2. UBC (2)
3. Victoria (3)
4. Calgary (4)
5. Saskatchewan (5)
6. Regina (8)
7. Alberta (7)
8. York (6)
9. Ottawa (NR)
10. Laval (9)

## BASKETBALL (W)

1. Calgary (1)
2. Victoria (2)
3. Laurentian (8)
4. Regina (5)
5. Lethbridge (7)
6. McMaster (8)
7. Lakehead (9)
8. Winnipeg (4)
9. PEI\* (7)
10. Western (NR)

## BASKETBALL (M)

1. Alberta (1)
2. St. FX\* (2)
3. Western (3)
4. UBC (4)
5. Victoria (5)
6. Brandon (6)
7. Guelph (8)
8. Calgary (7)
9. Toronto (NR)
10. Concordia (NR)

## HOCKEY (M)

1. Calgary (2)
2. Wilfrid Laurier (3)
3. York (1)
4. Manitoba (4)
5. Moncton (9)
6. Alberta (5)
7. Waterloo (NR)
8. Western (8)
9. St. Thomas (NR)
10. UQTR (6)

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