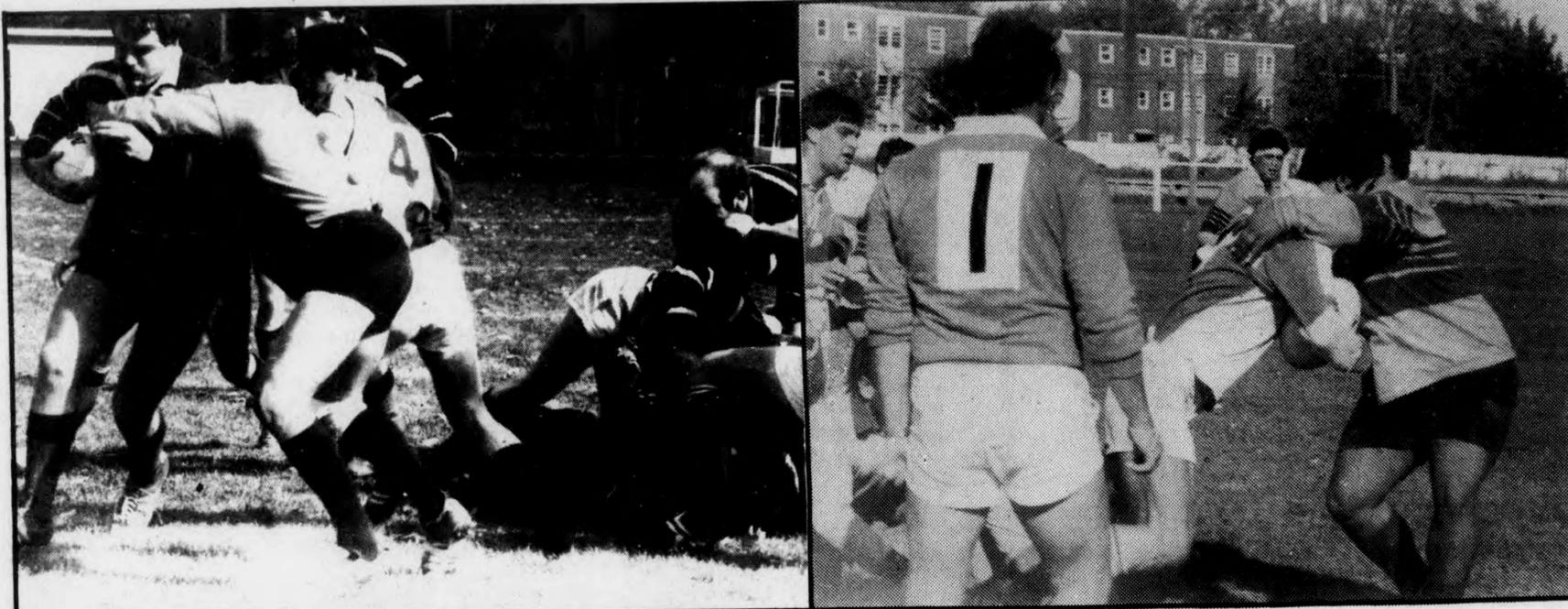


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Rugby Team wins all four to capture Eastern Title

## UNB Ironmen sweep series



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UNB Ironmen dominated all four games they played to win the Eastern Canadian University Rugby Championship

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the Ironmen who quickly made it 13 to 0 from a Tony Lester try and a Doug Stewart conversion. The second half started and saw John Appleby score one of his many tries in the tournament. He intercepted a St. Fx pass and ran 80 meters for a try under the posts that was converted by Stewart. Mike (Centurian) McClare rounded out the scoring for UNB in the first game by scoring another try. This gave the Ironmen 23 points and St. Fx 0 for the final score.

The second game was against Concordia Univ. from Quebec. UNB got off to a slow start and got a little nervous when Concordia kicked a penalty kick early in the game to go ahead 3 to 0. This was quickly taken care of when John Appleby scored in the corner to put UNB ahead by 1. That try seemed to break the ice for the Ironmen as they got several more points to beat Concordia 30 to 3. Rounding out the scoring in that game were Dave Simon, Doug Stewart, Bruce Smith, Tony Lester, and Dave Duffy with 1 try each and Stewart adding a conversion.

Those two wins were good enough to put the Ironmen into the semi-final match against the very hungry Mt. Allisonians. There had been talk the night before, over a few beers, of who would win this game and by how much. Well, as it turned out, UNB won 14 to 0 shutting Mt. A out

(maybe a few too many beers for Mt. A.) It was Dave Simon who put UNB on the scoreboard first with a sprint down the sidelines and a few broken tackles to score under the posts. Stewart converted the try to make it 6 to 0. Appleby then added to the lead with a try in the corner that went unconverted. It was Simon again to give the final blow to Mt. A with another try to put the Ironmen total to 14 and Mt. A. to 0.

With that semi-final win, the Ironmen were ready to do battle with Bishops Univ. from Quebec. Bishops had the same record as UNB going into the finals with 3 decisive wins.

Kick-off for the final game was 3:30 Sunday afternoon. As the rain began to sprinkle thoughts of Thursday's pouring practice came to the minds of many Ironmen players. We knew that we were prepared for any type of weather and, as it turned out, the rain held off.

The Ironmen capitalized on the mistakes of Bishops in the first half as Stewart kicked two penalty kicks to put UNB ahead by six.

Moments into the second half stand-off Randy Ketterling kicked a beautiful up-and-under to the Bishop winger who let it drop and thus giving center Ian Wilson a chance to score a try. While Ian was going for the ball, he was obstructed and a penalty try was awarded by the referee. The convert was good by Stewart thus making the score 12 to 0 for the Ironmen.

Bishops' only try came with about 10 minutes left in the game and was the only try scored against the Ironmen.

The final score was UNB Ironmen 12 and Bishops Univ. 4, giving the UNB Ironmen A side the Eastern Canadian Universities Championship for the second straight year.

The Ironmen would like to thank Mike Webb of Labatt's Breweries for sponsoring the tournament and also thank the referees, participants, and spectators.

While the 'A' team went on to win the tournament, the 'B' team did not fare as well. Even though they were unable

to score a victory during the tournament, their play was spirited and hard fought. The 'B' side is made up of the less experienced players of the UNB RFC and so the weekend proved to be a learning experience for themselves as players, and potentials for future 'A' sides.

It should be noted here of the superb hard playing of a few individuals on the 'B' squad. John "Wacky" Carr was a virtual animal in his desire to attack or defend by crunching tackles. Also in the pack were Kevin McKinley and Colin Reynolds. Kevin ran with ferocity and tackled with abandon. Colin stood out as an

excellent number eight in our last game against Mt. A. In our backs, Dave Fraser and Brian Donovan played excellent ball. Brian led several charges with a hard run and timely passes. Dave Fraser, one of our newest players, is learning the game well, as was proved by his excellent play.

It's hard to pick one man over another, when all played equally well. All small victories on the field were the combined effort of all players. This tournament helped us learn some common sense aspects of rugby that can only be found in actual game conditions.

## Red Harriers fly in Boston

The UNB Red Harriers traveled to Boston, Mass. this past weekend to compete in the prestigious Codfish Bowl X-country race. This race, which featured 25 teams from all over the eastern USA, and over 300 runners was used by UNB as a final tune-up race for the AUAA championships, which are to be held here next weekend. After somewhat frustrating team results from races in Halifax, Maine, and Fredericton, the cream finally began to rise to the top. UNB placed 4th out of 25, which is a huge improvement over last year's 7th place finish. Extraordinary performances were turned in by both Scott Hare and Peter King who have both been flying this year. They finished 4th and 7th respective-

ly and are definite top 5 threats in the AUAA's. Third for UNB was Christopher Pinsent who once again ran very strong. He was followed by Greg Bishop, Bill MacMakin, Peter Dunphy, Ken Shallop and Louis Brill. The increased speed and depth shown by this group could indeed be the difference in next week's championship race.

The AUAA, which is being run in the woodlot on Sat. Oct. 26th, promises to be one of the most exciting sporting events to be held in Fredericton in a long, long time. The race undoubtedly will feature a great individual match-up between four-time CIAU champion and National Champion Paul McCloy from Memorial and National team member Norman Tinkham from Dalhousie.

Tinkham became the first person to beat McCloy in AUAA history two weeks ago when he beat him in Halifax. McCloy will certainly be out to avenge this loss.

In the team competition Dal probably considers themselves a shoe-in for top honors after defeating both UNB and Memorial in Halifax rather convincingly. However, the UNB team they faced in Halifax was definitely not the same team that raced in the Codfish Bowl last weekend. If Dal or Memorial think they are going to blow UNB away, the surprise will be all theirs. The Red Harriers have been getting stronger and faster all year and will be ready to fly at the AUAA's.