Coach lets thoughts slipp on basketball tourny

By COACH SLIPP

Our first game at the Nationals saw us playing 4th seed from last year's tournament Bishop's of the QUAA conference. The team started out jittery and could never seem to get that out of their system. The only game they had lost this year was to us in Nov. at the Concordia Tournament.

The Quebec team proved to be very disciplined. They were excellent shooters and proved it by having 5 players in the double figures. Their offense seemed to be unstoppable and they jumped to an early lead. We continually chipped away at them and brought the game close several times.

That national's syndrome just wouldn't leave us however. Our statistics turned out to be fair except in the turnover department where we had 26 and Bishop's had 13 . I feel this problem is due to not having enough tough competition during the year. We need more out of conference play and against better teams.

We were quite relaxed for our second game but unfortunately we were out of the playoffs as a result of that first game. We came out playing our game and won esily over the host team - Regina.

Our third game was the consolation final against 2nd seed in the country - Winnipeg. We felt we had something to prove as last year Winnipeg came from behind and beat us by 2 on the buzzer. We had a good game especially defensively and easily handled their 3 National Team players.

We improved our conference ranking for next year putting us third which should help the AUAA win. . I was very impressed with the improvement in calibre of the teams over the year and the large increase of height.

High lights of the tournament were Cathy Maxwell being selected First team all conference along with 4 National Team players Debbie Huband - Bishop's, Dori McPhail - Winnipeg. Andy Clarkson - Guelph. Sylvia Sweeney - Laurentian. Cathy was also the tournament high scorer with 73 points in three games and all of this with a 62.5 shooting per cent.

Claire Mitton was named one of the tournament all Stars. Claire had 3 outstanding games and showed why she is a member of our National Team.

Kathy Jennings had one of her best tournaments and particularly led the team in the game against Winnipeg.

Morra Pryde must be singled out for her excellent defensive play in both of our last two games along with Patty Sheppard and Lois Scott.

We are losing Scott, Sheppard, Jennings, Mitton, Maxwell and Manager Terry Curtis due to graduation this year. We would all like to wish them all our best in their future. We know they will be successful in whatever they choose to do. They will each and everyone be missed greatly on an and off the courts at UNB. Many thanks to Terry for her managerial, etc. duties over the past 3 years.

Red Blazers 1 for 3 on weekend

By NANCY WIGHT

The UNB Red Blazers were in Woodstock last weekend for a Women's Hockey Tournament. The tournament hosted 8 teams from the Atlantic provinces including 3 from PEI, 4 from New Brunswick and 1 from Newfoundland.

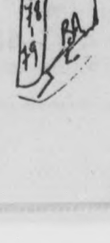
UNB opened up their tournament play against Sunny King from PEI. The game was a very sloppy one on both sides and despite UNB's efforts they lost the game 1-0. Excellent defensive play backed by terrific goaltending held PEI's attacks to only one goal.

In the Blazers second game they faced off against the PEI Spudettes. Revenge was in the girls minds, after losing 4-0 to the Spudettes a month ago. The Blazers went out playing an aggressive style of hockey which gave the Spudettes a hard time. Once again UNB's defence were superb breaking up PEI's attacks one after the other. However in the second period the Spudettes managed to slip one into the net for what was to be the winning goal. The Blazers offensive lines had their problems in front of the PEI net as shot after shot deflected off skates and sticks and hit everything but the net! In a last effort with a six man rush the Spudettes managed to bang the puck into an empty Blazer net with only 10 seconds left on the clock leaving the final score at 2-0.

UNB played Mount Allison Mounties Sunday morning in their last contest. The girls offensive attack was sparked by a 3 goal performance by Cathy Dickinson. Sherry Boyd, Mary Walton, and Nancy Wight helped even out the score with one each to make it 6-0. UNB's defense were tough once again and held the Mt. A girls off giving goaltender Karen McMaster her long deserved shut-out!

UNB's goaltending was phenomenal in all 3 games blocking any pucks that managed to get by the tight defense. Debbie MacLoon was awarded the Best Defenceman award for her tremendous efforts in front of her net.

If the Blazers can get their offensive lines sparked, their last tournament in St. John could prove to be a victorious one!!



Track-meet this weekend

By JACQUES JEAN

UNB Track and Field athletes were not idle during the March Break, competing in meets in Edmonton, Montreal and Fredericton.

Walker Paul Guimond was in Edmonton for the Canadian indoor track and field. Guimond competed in the 3000 m. back walking event, finishing seventh with a time of 14:10.2. One week previously, Guimond raced the same distance at the Ontario championships and registered a time of 13:58.0.

Five runners from the University of New Brunswick track and field team competed at the Chapionat Sportif Quebecois in Montreal. The meet was held in the Claude Robillard Center which is equipped with an indoor 200 m. banked-turns track. Top performers for UNB was Peter Richardson who took home a gold medal for winning the 1500 m. with a time of 3 min. 58 sec. Also competing in the same event but in a different heat was Jacques Jean who recorded a personal best time of 4 min. 8 sec. and finishing third in his heat. Peter McAuley recorded a respectable time of 2 min. 1 sec. in the 800 m. The performance is encouraging to McAuley who is making a come-back after a lengthy absence from the track scene due to illness and injuries. Joe Lehman recorded a time of 4 min. 10 sec. in the 1500 m. and 9:00 min. in the 300 m. Tony Salmon competed in the 200 m. and covered the distance in 23 sec.

Coach Mel Keeling said he is satisfied with the performance of his runners in Montreal. With the progress shown so far by Jacques Jean, Peter McAuley and Peter Richardson, Keeling is optimistic that UNB will have a strong cross-country team next fall; barring any serious injuries over the summer.

Paul Guimond was the only UNB athlete to compete in the track meet hosted by the Fredericton track and field club this past Sunday. Guimond established a new provincial record in the one mile walk with a time of 6 min. 23.8 sec.

Upcoming competition for UNB track and field athletes are the New Brunswick vs. Nova Scotia track meet at the CEPS of U. de M. on Sunday March 11, and the Dr. Love race. The latter is of a distance of 6 miles and will be held in Rusagonis . on March 16th. The Dr. Love is open to any University of New Brunswick student interested in running the event .Further details will be posted at the Beaverbrook Gym.

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Please do not walk, park or otherwise mar the grass areas of the University. With spring coming snow melting and soft ground a great deal of damage can occur if the areas are not left to properly dry out. It is extremely expensive to repair damage caused by lazy pedestrians or careless driving. Thank you for your consideration.

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