

UNB opens state of the art turf facility

Chapman Field v.2.0

by Brian Munn

Already boasting national-class soccer teams, the University of New Brunswick now has a top-notch facility for them to call home.

The newly renovated Chapman Field officially re-opened on Saturday in front of a huge crowd of Varsity Reds supporters and members of the Fredericton soccer community, marking a major addition to the community.

The opening ceremonies included a large contingent of Fredericton dignitaries, including UNB Project Manager Craig Hickey, incoming Fredericton District Soccer Association President Ron Burton, Mayor Brad Woodside, Dean of Kinesiology Dr. Terry Haggerty, UNB Athletic Director Kevin Dickie, and UNB President Dr. John McLaughlin.

They were joined both the Men's and Women's soccer teams, along with the FDSA's Under-6 Lions, who served as flag bearers.

President John McLaughlin, who cut the ribbon to officially open the field, said that he was "unbelievably proud" by the new addition to campus, and was just as enthusiastic about the new facility as the Athletic Director.

"It's special to see how far we've come



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in support of our soccer program," added McLaughlin. "It's really special to be a part of this."

The FieldTurf surface, installed by Springhill Construction, is just the first phase of a much larger project. With a total budget of \$3M, the Chapman Field project will eventually include a full lighting system to allow for night games, a clubhouse, and an electronic score clock. The entire facility will be enclosed

in a dome, providing the Capital region soccer community with an indoor facility for play during the winter.

Dr. Terry Haggerty, UNB's Dean of Kinesiology, noted that one of the greatest promises of the new facility will be the smiles on the faces of the players come January, when they're playing inside and there is a foot of snow outside the dome.

The ceremonies were held during the

break between the women's and men's games against Cape Breton University, which saw the Varsity Reds clubs playing their first games on the new turf.

The women began the day with a 3-0 loss to the Capers in chilly, windy conditions. CBU, which is ranked third in the country and will host the CIS Women's Soccer Championships in November, dominated the play for most of the game, with UNB showing only flashes

of offensive pressure against a solid Cape Breton defense.

CBU took a 1-0 lead into the half on the power of a goal by Cheryl Wall. Kristina Weatherbie and Kim Burt added goals in the second half.

The player of the game for UNB was Ellen Gaudet, while Kerri Mills was named as player of the game for CBU.

After the opening ceremonies wrapped up, the men's team recorded a hard-fought 1-1 draw with the Capers, who are ranked fifth overall in the Canadian Interuniversity Sport rankings.

UNB's lone goal of the match was recorded by Ken Morrison, who was recognized as the player of the game for the Varsity Reds. The goal was Morrison's third of the season, pulling him within one of midfielder Ali Devereaux for the team lead.

Cape Breton's tally came on a miscue by the UNB defense, when Graham Ashworth played the ball into the V-Reds' net for an own-goal.

The draw places UNB fourth in the AUS standings, seven points back of the first-place St. Mary's Huskies.

Despite the efforts by the UNB clubs, the games were a footnote on a day when the university and the city saw a major addition to the soccer community.

"This puts us one step closer to having facilities as fine as any you will find in Canadian Interuniversity Sport," said Kevin Dickie.

"It's a huge step in developing our athletic assets. It's a big deal for UNB and also for the Fredericton community," noted Dr. McLaughlin.

V-REDS RESULTS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

UNB - 3

RMC - 0

MEN'S HOCKEY

UNB - 4

UNH - 3

MEN'S BASKETBALL

UNB - 82

RMC - 55

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

UNB - 3

STU - 2

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13TH

MEN'S BASKETBALL

QUEEN'S - 73

UNB - 42

MEN'S SOCCER

CBU - 1

UNB - 1

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

CBU - 0

UNB - 3

WOMEN'S SOCCER

UNB - 0

CBU - 3

CROSS COUNTRY

UNB WOMEN'S 5K - 5TH

UNB MEN'S 8K - 5TH

MEN'S HOCKEY

UNB - 3

UMASS-LOWELL - 5

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

WOMEN'S SOCCER

UNB - 0

STFX - 1

MEN'S SOCCER

UNB - 0

STFX - 2

MEN'S BASKETBALL

UNB - 106

PAUL SMITH COLLEGE - 64

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

UNB - 3

UDEM - 1

UPCOMING V-REDS EVENTS

WEEKEND TOURNAMENTS

MEN'S BASKETBALL

ERIC GARLAND TOURNAMENT

@ AITKEN CENTRE

SWIMMING

AMBY LEGERE AUS INVITATIONAL

@ SIR MAX AITKEN POOL

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

TEAM CANADA MASTER'S SERIES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18TH

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

UNB @ TRINITY WESTERN

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

WOMEN'S SOCCER

UNB @ ACADIA

MEN'S SOCCER

UNB @ ACADIA

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

UNB @ SIMON FRASER @ 12:00PM,

@ UBC @ 7:00PM

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

UNB @ SMU

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21TH

MEN'S HOCKEY

UNB @ SMU

WOMEN'S SOCCER

UNB @ DALHOUSIE

MEN'S SOCCER

UNB @ DALHOUSIE

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

UNB @ MTA

V-REDS ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Heidi Mouris
VolleyballRob Hennigar
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UNB hosts cross-country exhibition race

by Bruns Sports Department

On Saturday, with the morning dew still thick in the air at Odell Park, UNB's cross-country team hosted men's and women's teams from across the Atlantic provinces for an exhibition race.

After a long season of intense training, both of UNB's clubs were eager to show the fruits of their labour on home turf for the third AUS exhibition race of the season.

Odell Park was familiar ground for UNB's cross-country team and they knew it well – the winding trail that cut through the woods, the grassy hill



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that tested their strength and the gravel road that would bring them home, each lap bringing them closer to the finish. The women completed two laps of five kilometers, while the men finished three laps of eight kilometers.

But victory in the women's race

would go to St. FX, with an average race time of 18:15, while Dalhousie would claim first for the men with an average race time of 25:36.

The UNB women's team was led by Jessica Steed with a time of 20:23 followed by Co-Captain Fonya Irvine (20:52), Heather Bray (21:13), Co-Captain Erin Cochrane (21:38), Jill Griffith (22:13), Gillian Reid (22:16), Keri Pettinger (23:42), Rachel Savage (25:20), and Johanna Toffanello (26:03). These times were strong enough to place the UNB women at fifth place overall.

Leading the way for the UNB men's team was Co-Captain Shawn Miller

with a time of 27:46, followed closely by Cliff Worden-Rogers (27:57), Co-Captain Derek Ferguson (29:09), Dave Brown (29:10), Mike Bone (29:37), Peter Gaudet (29:48), Andrew Mulherin (30:49), Simon Pearn (31:20), and John Bird (33:03).

Like their female counterparts, the UNB men's team placed fifth overall as well.

Both UNB teams put in a strong effort, as the teams continue to improve with each race.

The UNB team will now focus on the AUS Championships, which will take place in Halifax. Dalhousie University will host the event in two weeks.



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Bryden to speak

by Derek Hartnell, Jr.

Born in Port Elgin, New Brunswick, and raised on his father's 100-acre farm, Roderick Bryden – better known as Rod – would later become majority owner of the National Hockey League's Ottawa Senators. His path to the pinnacle of the hockey world was far from ordinary.

After graduating from the University of New Brunswick's Faculty of Law in 1965, Bryden earned a master's of Law degree from the University of Michigan. He was then recruited to the Faculty of Law at the University of Saskatchewan, where he was an assistant law professor for three years.

After his short stint as a professor, Bryden headed to Ottawa where he worked for the federal government. After leaving his government post in 1992, Mr. Bryden became the CEO of the Terrace Corporation, the principal owner of the Ottawa Senators Hockey Club.

In 1993, he became the chairman and governor of the Club. In 1994, construction on Scotiabank Place, formerly known as the Palladium and the Corel Centre and home to the Ottawa Senators Hockey Club, began by the Palladium Corporation, of which Bryden was the owner and chairman. The arena opened in 1996.

Bryden remained with the Ottawa Senators until 2003, when billionaire Eugene Melnyk purchased the team.

Since his departure, Bryden has been busy working in the private sector in areas ranging from healthcare (as the World Heart Corporation founder, president, and CEO to alternative energy production, as president and CEO of Plasco Energy Group).

Bryden has come a long way from his early years as a farm boy, but his diverse interests and talents have established this UNB graduate as a successful and inspirational alumnus.

Bryden will be returning to New Brunswick to speak to the Law faculty on Thursday, October 18 at 4:30 pm, where he will be discussing his experiences in the business world and the joys and challenges of owning a professional hockey team.

The lecture and reception are open to the public.

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