



JOCK TALK

By Mickey Place

Welcome back! We hope you have enjoyed a happy holiday and that we face a most successful semester, scholastically and athletically. We're not certain which should have precedence but will wish for both.

We have just completed a rapid compilation and find that, in what might be termed First Semester sports, (football, soccer and field hockey) we won 3, lost 15 and tied 1 for an overall average of .184. In what might be loosely designated as Second Semester activities, (hockey and basketball) we are at the moment 13-7-0, (these figures are league play), for an average of .650. Now, although we like and admire all participants of the first-mentioned category, we must admit we were beginning to run out of reasons in excusing our lack of success and will make a final comment that Lady Luck was certainly elusive. We are pleased to be able to start off 1980 with hopes of ecstatic reports of victories! Wasn't it a shame that, in the last weekend of play in 1979 and after all those doleful reports of losses, when we won all games there was no issue of the SUN!



In hockey, although it is hard to enthuse in mid-January over an early December triumph we can look back to the 4-3 win over Mount A. with some amusement. After being hit with a misconduct penalty for arguing over a

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referee's decision we felt a bit sorry for the Mounties. However, when they repeated their folly at a crucial time in the final period we wasted no sympathy on them. They didn't appear to be quick learners! One thing we have noted about both Kennedys, when refereeing, they have low tolerance for debaters! For that matter, how often does a referee give in to players protesting a judgment

decision? Our goal scorers were Gerald Walker, Terry McKenna, Gary Trainor and Mike Devine. Now in 3rd place, the Panthers (12 points) play first place Moncton (17 points) and second place Mount A. (14 points) in what are sometimes referred to as "4 point games" at the Forum on Saturday and Sunday. A win over Mount A. would slither us into a tie for second and a win over Moncton would have us just out of the lead. We hope for a big noisy crowd in attendance at both games. We felt that last year Moncton outshouted us in our own rink! That should never happen!

In their games here the basketball Panthers showed themselves fast and entertaining as they dropped one to Acadia, (who should have a #1 or #2 rating nationally) and topped Mount A. in a good game. This past weekend they travelled to Fredericton where they played in the U.N.B. Holiday Tournament. In the first round, starting with only nine players, they lost the game 103-88 to host U.N.B. and also, probably for the season, fleet Ron Stuewe, who suffered a broken foot. (For advice come to us, Ron. We've gone through that.) Rick Millard led our scorers with 22 and was closely followed by Bruce Campbell with 21. In the consolation round, like in Musical Chairs, we were down to 8 players but we still outscored Mount A. 99-91. Bruce Campbell (a tournament All Star choice) scintillated as he racked up 31 points. This week the team travels to St. F.X. and Dalhousie. They will be at home the following weekend for two games against U.N.B.

Another thought...the distance from St. F.X. to Dalhousie isn't very great.. we wonder if Colin MacAdam will BOTHER to ride the bus?

Our Lady Basketball Panthers now boast a 6-0 record in league play with most of their games having been played on the road. They have outscored their league opponents 438-281 and they appear to be well on their way to duplicating last season's mark of no defeats in their own class. It should also be remarked that they have, in their exhibition games, beaten the St. F.X. girls, who are in third place in the reputedly stronger section. We note that Pantherette success is very obviously due to team effort as, although they

have a big lead in their division, their top scorer, Cathy Chandler, ranks only seventh with 81 points while Sharon



Douglas and Dawn MacLeod are tied for 8th with 76 points each. Sharon Douglas and Sue Betts are third and fourth in rebounding. This weekend the girls play two against St. Thomas and should go to 8-0. Good yearbook, isn't it? Good Pig 'n Whistle tonight too.. or so we are told. Frankly we hate what we are told is "good" music.





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