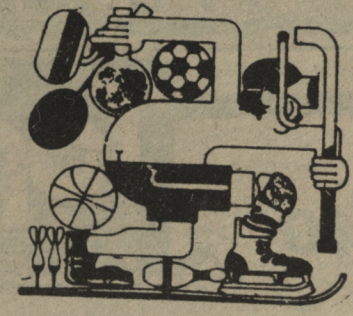


JOCK TALK



By MICKEY PLACE

Curtis Brown won the tip-off as the Basketball Panther's season started, the ball went to Billy Redmond who raced down the right side, cut in under the basket for a lay-up and, with five seconds gone, our boys led 2-0 as the local rooters roared their appreciation. Unfortunately, it was their last opportunity! From then on (nationally ranked as #3,) St.F.X. took over the play and led 14-2 before we garnered another point. It was 55-32 at the half and 90-79 when the game ended. At one point we remarked it just was not our night. We really do not understand a basket ball. Some games or for some teams the ball seems to defy gravity and spin up and out! For X it acted as though there was a magnet in it! Although we were never really in the game we still have high hopes for a winning season as nearly all of our players are in their first or second year of inter-collegiate competition and we expect they will improve as the season goes on. The factor that rally stood out in this game was that we need a big player to be a boss under the net. We thought our new players showed that they can play ball with any team in the league and expect we'll probably have a better idea of team capabilities after the Mount Allison game which will have been played last night when you read this. (We love

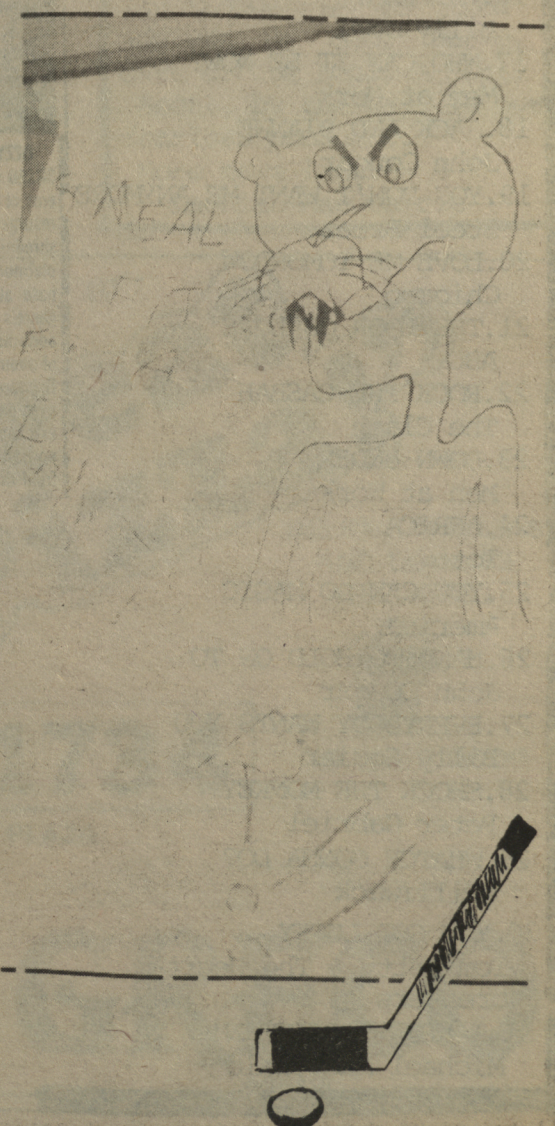
those future/past tenses that come from filing this on Tuesday night) Our top scorers were Curtis Brown with 17, Billy Redmond 16, Mike Morgan and Aion Pettigrew both 15, Tyrone Norman 12 and Tejan Allevne 4. After the Mount A. game the next action will be on 7&8 Jan. when we'll host an invitational tournament. The Lady Panthers dropped two "Away" games as they travelled to Halifax and Antigonish. Against St.Mary's it was 21-35 at the half and 58-72 at the final. Colleen Rossiter led our scorers with 27. Against St.F.X. it was 15-32 at the half and 44-60 at the end with Colleen and Doris MacPhee leading our scorers with 10 each. Similarly to the men's team we suffer in play to taller teams. The team will play its next game last night against Mount A. and will have two against Memorial in our gym this weekend. We note that Colleen is third in the league in both scoring and rebounding. Our Women's Volleyball team dropped two to the visiting St.F.X. X-ettes on Saturday. X won the first match 15-0, 15-13, 15-17 and 15-12 and the second 10-15, 15-11 and 15-6. They are not scheduled for a home game until 28-29 Jan. In hockey the story, at the moment, is a sad one. We got but one point out of a possible four in Acadia in two very

exciting games. On Friday it was 3-3 as the teams went into overtime after a goal by Terry McKenna and two by Trevor Crawford but Acadia got two to win by a 5-3 score. (We'd rather lose by two than by one). Saturday's match was a real thriller. We trailed 3-5 before Terry McKenna make it 4-5 at 19.45 and then, with three seconds to go Norman Beck tied it up! Trevor Crawford put us ahead early in the overitme but Acadia evened up late in the game and the teams settled for a 6-6 tie. Our other goals came from Albert Roche, Ron Carragher and Tony MacKenzie. We really need awin at that Mount A. game as this will be our chief opponent for a playoff spot we think. The team travels on Sunday to the U. de Moncton rated nationally as #5. (Dal is #4) for their last game before the Xmas break. A merry Christmas to all and let us wich for a 6'8" player for Ed Hilton, a 6'2" player for George Morrison and a hefty, healthy, sturdy defenceman for Jack Hynes! What a way that would be to start the year! Standings as of 29 Nov.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

	W	L	F	A	PTS
Dalhousie	3	1	293	184	6
St Francis	2	0	132	85	4
UNB	2	0	130	105	4
Memorial	2	2	203	257	4
Saint Mary's	1	1	129	125	2
Acadia	0	1	49	72	0
UPEI	0	2	102	132	0
Mount Allison	0	3	128	206	0

This was written on Tuesday night and, just as we are delivering it to the Sun we get the bad news from CIMN that our hockey Panthers playing in Sackville fought back from a 0-3 deficit to a 4-4 tie as Ted Kozab got two, while Bob Hicks and Jeff Lantz got singles. Unfortunately for Panther hopes Mount A. scored the winner in the closing minutes to make it 5-4!! Oy! Oy! Say it isn't so! That loss really hurts!!!



HOCKEY Standings

	W	L	T	F	A	PTS
Dalhousie	8	1	0	49	23	16
U of Moncton	6	1	0	54	19	12
St. Marys	6	4	0	50	37	12
UPEI	5	4	1	45	47	11
Mount Allison	4	4	0	39	42	8
UNB	4	4	0	33	34	8
Acadia	3	5	1	45	53	7
St. F.X.	2	7	0	24	46	4
St Thomas	1	9	0	44	82	2

MEN'S BASKETBALL Standings

	W	L	F	A	PCT.
Acadia	3	0	205	1871.000	
Dalhousie	2	0	178	1481.000	
St.F.X.	1	0	90	791.000	
St. Mary's	2	1	191	162.667	
UNB	1	3	292	295.250	
UPEI	0	1	79	90.000	
Mount Allison	0	4	271	345.000	