

# JOCK TALK

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 UPEI's record for the week-end games was one win out of four attempts which about equals the present pace of the vaunted Expo's. In soccer we split in two well played games. On Saturday we lost a real toughie to St. F.X. 5-4 in a game which saw the lead sea-saw back and forth throughout. Ron Taylor scored two for us while Al Stewart and Kevin Burdette chipped in with singles. The winning score by X came with less than two min. to play and time ran out with our boys pressing for an equalizer. It was a different story on Sunday against Acadia albeit similar theme as once again the advantage went back and forth. This time, however, it was out Kevin Burdette who did the heroics and netted the winner to break a 3-3 tie. Our other scores in this game came from Ron Taylor (2 again) and Al Stewart. Possibly because we won, this game impressed us very much and led us to the conclusion that soccer is a REAL good game and the chief thing needed to make it really exciting is a full grandstand. If there had been a big crowd of cheering students on hand, making the usual football noises, this game would have been a thriller. Both games would have been very much

enjoyed..as it was the Prez, Russ Stewart and about forty others of us didn't make much eardrum impact. We tried. The team travels to S.M.U. and Dal. this weekend, but will be at home against Mt. A. on 4 Oct. Why not go and give them the encouragement they deserve?

We dropped two games in Field Hockey, but Cynthia King broke the league scoring drought that has plagued us as she netted the ball that put the game into a 1-1 overtime struggle whcih was, unfortunately, won by Acadia 2-1. Cynthia's feat was loudly applauded by the few spectators. This game was well played by both teams and, we felt, our team improved a great deal over the one that dropped a 4-0 decision to Saint Mary's on the previous day. We had kept the game close until the final minutes when the Halifax girls scored three unanswered goals. We thought Libby Baldwin was a standout in this game and it is too bad she was injured late in the action and was unable to get into the Sunday's contest or that result might have been different. WE don't pretend to be experts in Field Hockey, but we might add that we were impressed, on Sunday, with the play of Heather MacDougall in goal and by the deter-

mination and energy displayed by Patty Bradley and Marlene Costain. We might add that we think that Barb Mullally is taking a lead from Dave Nutbrown in that her instructions and exhortations to her team are clearly audible and keep the all-too-few spectators very interested. The girls travel to the U. de Moncton on Thursday and will be at home to M.U.N. on Sunday.

Our Basketball Lady Panthers are very enthusiastic and optimistic with last year's players Kathy Chandler, Sue Betts, Rhody Gallant, Karen Rowell and Dawn MacLeod anxious for action and Sharon Douglas a strong possibility to return if she can get her courses straightened out.. it is unfortunate that, sometimes, academics can interfere with athletics. There are several newcomers who have great promise. George Morrison, replacing Hermie MacNeil as Coach, will take his charges to Trois Rivieres for three games and the girls will also gain good experience by their participation in the Tip-off Tournament at Acadia on 7 Nov. We know that those who schedule intercollegiate sport may have a difficult job, but we wonder why they do not try more basketball double-headers.

We think it would give entertainment to spectators and bigger crowds would give encouragement to the players. There should also be a saving in those instances where both the Ladies" and men's teams from the same University could travel together. The year before last we did have two or three such occasions and we would suggest a move to have them more frequently.

While we are on the subject of schedules. A resounding "BOO!!! to those who have drawn up the Athletic program for this year. We thought it prejudicial when the Ladies were shunted out of 1st class competition but few here realize that the men's sports are now receiving similar treatment.

In Basketball, we will play home and home games

with St. F.X., Dal, .SM.U. and Acadia, but double home and home with U.N.B. and Mount A. We do not like this, but it is not TOO bad when compared to hockey. In that sport St. F.X. and S.M.U. will play here, we will play at Dal and Acadia.. That ends Nova Scotia competition! The next year, if this obnoxious scheme is retained, the order is reversed. In other words, we will see these traditional rivals here once every two years!! To add INSULT Moncton is included in the restricted opponents! If, and we repeat "IF" there is a justification for this prejudicial and devious scheme to get rid of the sometimes beaten, but never easy Panthers the inclusion of Moncton as a Nova Scotia team defies understanding..or are the league authorities trying to rewrite geography?? We'll get back to this later. We are irritated because while we often suffered defeat, victory over these teams was a glorious experience. Do not forget that we TRIMMED that ~~BOO~~ Annapolis Valley Team from Moncton 7-3 on their last appearance here. Let's see that we do it again. Date of this game is 14 Jan.

We are often amazed at the wide knowledge of amateur baseball statisticians and how they can tell such things as who played third base for the Chicago White Sox in 1972, what his batting average was and so on. For these we have a puzzle that we bet they can't answer. What player has the best lifetime percentage performance at bat for the major leagues. Cobb?-Ruth?, Mantle? Williams? all "NO" not close! Percentage-wise the greatest of them all was John Paciorek whose career consisted of one game for Houston in 1963. He had three hits in three times at bat, twice, scored four runs and batted in three! Why he played in but one game we do not know and can only conclude that, like a smart bettor he may have decided to quit when he was ahead. Let us know Rabbi

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