



JOCK TALK

By Mickey Place

Panther playoff hopes remain alive in all three major sports now being played. Time, however, is running out and the coming weekend struggles are quite crucial. IN BASKETBALL, Coach Dave Nutbrown's charges had little trouble with Dalhousie, as Dave, departing from his usual routing, used his bench quite extensively as we coasted to a 95-74 win. Rick Millard led our scorers with 37 while Billy Redmond had 29. A moment of this game that we enjoyed was when little used Jamie MacSwain, who had played well and garnered 6 points, made a handoff to Phil Yack, who has been on the floor even less, so that Phil was able to register a score. Phil got another in the closing moments. We don't think the bench gets as much credit as they deserve, as they practice long and hard with little actual playing time. The previous night the Panthers played what was possibly their best effort of the year, as without substitutions, they kept even with the nationally rated Saint Mary's team for most of the game. However, with the score 70-70 with seven minutes to go and the upset of the year seeming a possibility SMU drew away as our boys tired perceptibly and we bowed out 96-82. Our high scorer was Billy Redmond with 30, Rick Millard 26, Bruce Campbell and Bill Fanning 10 each while playmaker Colin MacAdam netted 6. We talked after the game with

former Panther mentor, Gary Heald, who now bosses the SMU quintet and he was high in his praise of Dave Nutbrown and the Panthers, who had extended his highly rated team throughout the action. We REALLY regret hearing one bit of news. That Lee Davis, who was the outstanding player on the floor and does unbelievable tricks in manipulation is only 17 or 18 and is in his Freshman year. This means he'll be against us for another 4 years!! Do we have to watch this character pile up points against Panther teams for another four years?

Memorial will be here for a couple of non-conference games this weekend. Next league action will be against St. F.X. on the 15th. We will advise you to take out your notebook and block out other activities on the 16th as Mount A. comes in the play both Men's and Ladies' Basketball. The girls take the floor at 6:00 for the match that should decide the league winner. As it stands Mount A. leads us by 2 points in the standings, having won from us by 2 - 1 points while we beat them in the first encounter by 6. This past weekend, in Sackville, the lead changed back and forth several times, but the Mountie girls, with 30 seconds to go, took a 58-56 lead and managed to stall us off to win. Cathy Chandler was high with 23. On Sunday, the girls travelled to Halifax, where they took on the Saint Mary's Belles and led by 4 with five minutes to go when the roof fell in and in the short time remaining, four regulars, the tallest players, Cathy Chandler, Sue Betts, Sharon Douglas and Colleen Rossiter were relegated, via the foul-out rule, to a side-line

spectator role! Final score was 69-51, which was quite a turn-about. Do not forget that deciding game on the 16th. The girls deserve a full house on their final appearance here.

Our hockey team has won two and lost one during the past week, but face a hard schedule if they hope to make the playoffs, although every team in the league seems to find us hard to beat...but they succeed too often!! The boys had no trouble as they topped Memorial 6-0 as Trevor Crawford scored two while Gary Trainor, Steve Murphy, Lonnie Thompson & Shane Turner netted singles. Brian O'Stroski had three assists in the game to top the former record for a season's assists held by David Cameron & Val Mitchell. Shane Turner's goal marker tied Billy Weatherbie's career mark of 40. Shane Carmody's shutout tied several previous season marks and he also got an assist. We cannot recall

any Panther goalkeeper having a point on a score. On Saturday, in Fredericton, against Saint Thomas, Trevor Crawford tied an old record of Billy Doherty's as he scored 5 times in leading

the team to an 8-1 decision over the hapless Tommies. Next day it wasn't so easy, as we were shaded 5-3 by the fast skating Red Devils from UNB. Gary Trainor, Mike Ready and Rory Beck tallied for us. Between the time we write this and

the time you read it, we play the U. de Moncton, rated #2 in Canada and seem to be running away with the league lead winning, we think, their last twelve games. A win for us would be (or is it "Would have been?") most encouraging and helpful. Next home games will be against Dal. & St. F.X. on the 23rd and 24th. These should be good games, as even if we don't make the playoffs, being spoilers can be fun!



ISLANDS ENTERTAINMENT CENTER

PLAYING NEXT WEEK

LIVERPOOL

Monday & Wednesday

Student Nights - HALF PRICE FOR STUDENTS
DRINKS AT SPECIAL PRICES

Tuesday

Ladies' Night - HALF PRICE FOR LADIES
LADIES' SECOND ONE ON US

CASCADE DINING ROOM AND LOUNGE

Charlottetown Mall

Tel: 892-4146

Charlottetown

THE

SPA

West Royalty

Fitness Centre LTD.

SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP RATE FOR STUDENTS

FITNESS MEMBERSHIP \$100

RACQUET MEMBERSHIP \$140



NORTON JEWELLERS

*Your Charlottetown Family Jeweller
Growing to Serve Islanders Better*

117 Kent

Charlottetown, P.E.I.

Phone 894-3922