

Miracle at UPEI...Goat Turns Into Lamb!!!



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It happened away back in December but it is too good a story to skip... Having missed two foul shots with only 45 seconds to go & our Pantherettes trailing the Saint Mary's Girls by a 57-58 score Sandra Dunsford appeared to be the leading nominee for the "Goat of the Game" that designation so often given to a player when a close game is lost. A stout heart, however, does not give way to adversity easily so when Janet Trainor stole the ball downcourt & made an accurate heave to Sandy, who was surrounded by jumping & arm waiving Santamarians, she knew just what to do with it...just as she was being deposited on her hypertrophied gluteus maximus she made a desperate arching throw that went through the basket just as the buzzer sounded to give us a 59-58 victory. For this heroic feat Sandra becomes our pick for the "1975 Jock Talk Extra Effort Award"...This award & 60 cents will get her beer at all 1976 Pig & Whistles. While we may joke about this we can't tell you how pleased we were for Sandra is one of our favorite athletes who gives a 200% effort every game she plays. Sunday's game against Dalhousie did not

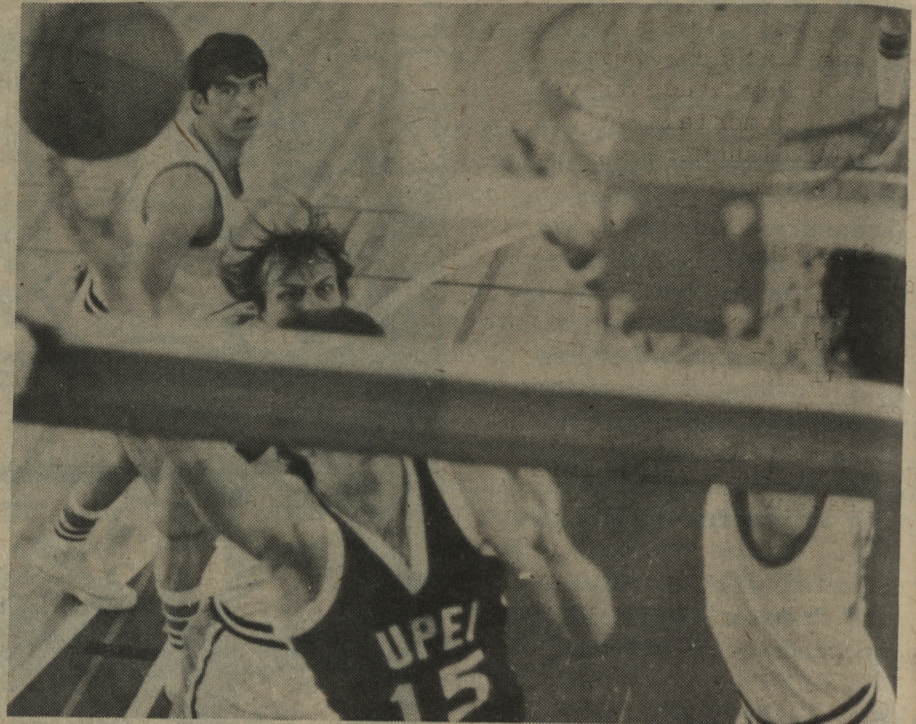
have as happy an ending as, after holding the Dal girls even in the first half, our shooting soured in the first ten minutes of the second stanza &, although we were catching up, time ran out with us on the short side 56-49. Janet Trainor scored 13 points in the loss. As this is being written the girls are playing the Moncton Blue Eagles...we had to choose between finishing this in time to watch the super-bowl and seeing the girls play &, when we flipped a coin to determine our choice it did not stand on its edge! The girls go to Acadia & SMU next weekend...next home action will be against Acadia on the 31st.

Although Fred Sher **MUST** have known of the time conflict between the Red Army/Flyers game and the Panther/Dalhousie basketball match the schedule was not changed & it did not appear that the attendance figures at either contest were diminished extensively although we have not heard that Philadelphia returned our courtesy by announcing the progress of our chronologically competing contest. In our 83-62 victory we believe that our boys played better than and P,E,I, University team that we have ever seen.. particularly in the first half in which we outscored the third place Tigers 44-26.

Although the play of all the Panthers was excellent we'd be remiss if we did not mention that center Tom Kappos sparked the team with 17 points and 16 rebounds.

On Friday night the Panthers played the kind of game we enjoy....they took an early lead over Memorial and never looked back, winning 98-56 after leading 55-21 at the half. It was a pleasant evening ...the real contest being in their efforts to keep the Panthers short of the 100 point mark.

Bulletin from the Pantherettes: Unhampered by lack of Jock Talk support we managed to win our Sunday afternoon match with U. de M. by a 73 - 64 score with Janet Trainor leading the way for U.P.E.I.



The faceless Mark Vickers enrages and amazes as he beats John Cassidy (13) of Budget Rent-A-Car for a hoop.

They succeeded but it was close &, hopefully, both teams finished in a happy mood. This win gives us a 4-2 league record and puts us in a tie with Dalhousie for third place. However, should the season end with these two tied we would get the advantage in placing inasmuch as we outscored them in the league games, which were split. Tom Kappos & Bloyd Pullen led our scorers with 16 points each but coach Gary Heald gave his bench a lot of the action and the greatest applause went to Anson MacLauchlan and rookie Colin MacAdam who racked up 12 & 4 points respectively. Sponsored by the Panther Booster Club the Panther Basketball team played two games against the strong Budget-Rent-A-Car team the first in Summerside which was won by Budget 100-89, and the second in our gym on Sunday afternoon at 1.00 (The super bowl was smart this time & scheduled the big game to start a half hour after ours was completed.) This game gave real excellent entertainment, particularly so because we won a real close one 93-91 with Mark Vickers stealing the ball as Budget were playing for a last second winning shot, & scoring an insurance marker. Art Laffin was our high scorer with 24 points. This, and any basketball game, gives us the resolve that we will NEVER raise our children to be basketball referees... what a job!!!!!!

Next basketball action will see our Panthers at Acadia & SMU next weekend.

It was a sad story Saturday night the 10th at the Forum as our Panthers succumbed to a fastproviding the opposition.

skating St. F.X. team by an 8-4 score in which the only cheering note for our side was the fact that it might have been worse...we trailed 8-1 with only 4 minutes to go. By reason of illness or other holiday plans several of the players had not been in any games since before the holidays & the team timing & conditioning both appeared "off"! Goalscorers were Lennie Kelly, Larry Arsenault, Ray O'Donnell and Daniel Lessard. We outshot the Xmen 36-32 but that has no effect on the won/lost statistics. This past Saturday our heroes invaded Fredericton for an important game with UNB and, after a fantastically good 3-0 first period outlasted the Red Devils 7-4. We were out shot 29-26. Goals were scored by Larry Arsenault, Doug MacLean, Darcy Murphy, Dave Murnaghan, Ray O'Donnell and Wilfred MacDonald who had a pair. It is pleasing to note that Kenny Hughes, who hasn't had much of a chance to show his abilities, played in place of an ailing Daniel Lessard and did extremely well. We were not able to make this trip, owing to personal reasons and listened to it on CHTN. We have sat beside & listened to John Neville's good, honest, and factual comments on games so we were particularly amused when, after the 3-0 first period he asked UNB expert what he thought of the game up to that point & got the reply "I've been listening to your comments & wonder if we have been watching the same game!" We are with Neville & Bob Henry all the way. Next game will be in the

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