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In the only league game played by a UPEI team this season our Lady Panther Field Hockey team started off in a most successful fashion as they outscored Les Dames from the U. de Moncton 3-2 with Libby Baldwin contributing a hat trick..we believe the first three goal performance in UPEI history. The win was made more impressive when we learned that, on the following day, the Moncton team beat Acadia 2-0. We write this on Monday for a Tuesday deadline which gives an opportunity for unusual tense structures so we hope you'll understand us when we inform you that the team played Mount Allison in Sackville tomorrow night! Our girls (Oops! Sorry Barb) Our women play in Antigonish and Halifax Sat. and Sun. but will be back here the following weekend.

The Panther Soccer Team has played a couple of practice games against a local squad, winning 6-1 and 3-0. In the first game Scott Neil (The braw lad is back from Scotland) booted in three while Andy Cameron, Bob MacMillan and Glen Smiley added singles. This weekend the team travels to play Dal and SMU. We'll contact our Halifax confidant and will know by next issue if our boys are as good as we think they are. Next home game will be on 3 Oct.

In Panther hockey we haven't much info as practices haven't started yet. We believe that with many holdovers from last season, when we could have been in the national finals, we will be STRONG particularly up front and in goal. Newcomers Tony MacKenzie, Ronnie Carragher, Don MacKay (possibly Robbie Forbes?) from goal junior rands along with Ted Turner from Calgary teamed up with last year's Doug Currie, Norman Beck, Trevor Crawford and others should give opposing netminders some miserable moments. We'll have Avalino Gomez and Dave Reid in goal and this could be the strongest combination in the league. Defense, however, has been hard hit by graduations. Garth Arsenault will probably be moved back from the forward line, Terry MacKenna is a surprise and welcome returnee, Jeff Lantz and Rob Mazooka will probably round out the known defense corps. (We particularly welcome Jeff. We are on the Red Cross executive and his father is President. Last year when we'd excuse ourselves from a meeting we felt others regarded our exit with an attitude that we had our priorities mixed. This year we'll wager that meetings will be called after a perusal of the Panther Hockey schedule) If the

defencemen stay healthy we'll be o.k. but, with such meagre numbers, an absence will result in our having very busy goalkeepers. Too bad Mike Ready has outlasted his eligibility (he WASTED a couple of years with St. Mary's) and he'll now have to try to pass on his skill and great team spirit as an assistant coach to Jack Hynes. Basketball practices start soon and Coach Hilton is close mouthed although optimistic. Last year's coach, Dave Nutbrown relinquished his position for seemingly greener pastures at Acadia and Ed takes on double duties as BB,B, Coach and Athletic Director. Some years ago our Football Coach departed under identical circumstances and Ed had to jump in to fill the gap. That year we had the best team and record we ever had (ask Mike Read) and Ed was named "Canadian Coach of the Year!!" Could we hope for a repeat? On the subject of Dave Nutbrown et al we do not think there should be any adverse criticism of him for his move. He moves on the what is probably the best job in Canadian Intercollegiate ranks and if some of his players wished to follow him,,,so what? We think we should thank him and them for a most entertaining season and wish them well...., except when they play the Panthers.