

Mens Hockey Panthers Run Out Of Steam In Third

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The men's hockey team faced off against rival university St. Thomas last Monday, and had a chance to seal a spot in the playoffs with a victory. Unfortunately, the Panthers ran out of gas in the third period and lost to the Tommies by a final score of 4-2.

After allowing the first goal of the game a mere three and a half minutes into the first frame, the Panthers seemed to be firing on all cylinders after the Tommies' tally. Shortly after-

wards the men responded with a goal of their own on the power play when Lorne Misita tipped the puck just past the Tommies' goalie off a weak shot from the point by Adam Rivet. Just over a minute after the tying goal, Ontario native Adam Campbell received a game misconduct for checking from behind, leaving a big hole in the Panther's blueline. Despite this, the men kept the pressure on, outshooting the Tommies 17-6.

The Panthers quickly took the lead in the second period when Misita recorded his second goal of the game, roofing the

puck past the netminder, with assists coming from Derek Hennessey and Adam Rivet. The men were unable to keep the lead into the third, as they allowed the tying goal late in the second period on the penalty kill.

It didn't take long for the tie to be broken as poor passing in the Panther zone resulted in the go ahead goal by Tommies' forward Robin Boucher. Although the men continued to fire plenty of shots at St. Thomas' goalie, poor passing and horrible puck control seemed to be ravaging the team. In an effort to score the tying goal the Panthers pulled

their goalie, but the Tommies iced the game with an empty net goal scored by Kyle McAllister.

The Panthers looked great in the first two periods handling the puck well and creating a number of excellent scoring chances. However, they were just the opposite of that in the third period. They seemed to be on their heels and looked nothing like they did in the first and second. Although the men lost, Lorne Misita played an excellent game recording two goals, while third year veteran Adam Rivet tallied two assists.

Lady Panthers Split Nallbiters

Our panthers women's basketball team is not ready to call it quits on this season just yet. Although the girls now sit with a 5-11 record they are still capable of making the playoffs. The girls will have to come out hard like they did against St. Mary's and Dalhousie before the break.

The Saturday before the break saw the UPEI Panthers take it to the St. Mary's Huskies in what could be considered their most decisive win of the season. The girls won the game convincingly by a final score of 68-58, but the most impressive thing was that four of the girls posted double digit points. Leading the way for the panthers was Katherine Walters with 15, Tasha Eadie and rookie M.C. Connolly potted 12 points apiece while Lindsey Coade chipped in with 10 points.

After jumping out on Sunday to an early 15 point lead, the panthers allowed Dalhousie to

creep back into the game and ultimately watched the game slip right out of their hands. At halftime the teams were all tied up 33-33, and they worked their way through the second half by trading buckets until the final minute. With only a few seconds left on the clock and the panthers down 58-60 until Katie Andrews drained a huge three pointer with only 3 seconds remaining. But it was all for nothing as the Tigers were able to draw up quick play that saw the Dalhousie player launch up a prayer at the buzzer that unfortunately for the panthers, was answered.

Upcoming Games:

Opponent	Date	Time
vs MUN	Sat, Feb 21st	6:00
vs MUN	Sun, Feb 22nd	1:00
vs UNB	Sat, Feb 28th	6:00
vs UNB	Sun, Feb 29th	1:00

Women's Hockey Finish Up Tough Season

The UPEI women's hockey team finished up their season last week in similar fashion as when they began by dropping their final game 4-1. Although the girls season hasn't been all they had hoped for, there have been improvements made and the girls are definitely a different hockey team than when they first began the season.

The ladies completed their

season with a record of 1-13. Through these 14 games the girls have been out shot, 219-505, and out scored 19-89. However, the girls did lead in a few key categories. They were #1 in saves per game with 36, and penalty minutes per game with 19.8. Here are a few more numbers to dwell over from the 2003/2004 season.

	GP	W	L	T	OTL	PF	PA	PTS
StFX	13	12	0	1	0	86	11	25
Saint Mary's	14	10	2	2	0	66	24	22
Dalhousie	14	10	4	0	0	53	26	20
UNB	14	7	6	1	0	42	35	15
St. Thomas	14	5	9	0	0	27	47	10
Moncton	14	4	8	1	1	28	59	9
Mount A	13	3	9	1	0	35	65	7
UPEI	14	1	13	0	0	19	89	2