

Panthers Get Recognized

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Although the end of the year brings such negative things as term papers and final examinations, it also brings good things like summer and the UPEI's annual Intercollegiate Awards Night.

Held on Tuesday, March 30th at the Rodd Royalty Inn, the Awards Night provided a chance for UPEI's athletes to get together, eat, drink and get recognized for their contributions to UPEI sports.

All of UPEI varsity teams were present, including field hockey, women's soccer, hockey, women's volleyball, men's basketball, women's basketball and men's soccer.

The awards night saw the male athletes decked out in shirts and ties and the female athletes sporting dresses -- a far cry from the uniforms they donned for their seasons. The format for the awards night was very enjoyable. MC Joe Sullivan called up each team and a summary of the team's year was given from the balcony.

The team members of each team were then introduced under spot light and special recognition was given to the seniors. Finally each team gave out their team awards. The team awards varied from team to team but most team's awards consisted of an "Outstanding Rookie," "Most Improved Player" and "Most Valuable Player" awards.

If there had been an award for the team who cheered, clapped and sang

the most and loudest it would have gone to the women's soccer team hands down. The girls were cheering from start to finish and instigated countless standing ovations.

Much of the women's soccer team's energy was expended supporting the AUSA Championship men's soccer team. The men's soccer team was presented with the AUSA Championship certificates and a long standing ovation from the entire audience.

The big winners of the night were UPEI men's soccer player Glen Miller and Jennifer Johnston of the women's basketball team. Miller and Johnston each took home the UPEI Alumni Association Outstanding Athlete award, as well as many others.

Keeping with sports news, Joe Ryan the coach of the UPEI volleyball team has stepped down as coach.

Finally many people may be wondering what is the story behind the Roots posters on the walls of the Sports Center. The large posters which displayed UPEI athletes had been up for part of the season this year. The posters were taken down and were adjusted so that they are now able to stand freely.

At this year's Intercollegiate Awards Night the posters made their free standing debut and they will be returning to the Sports center. The posters are sponsored by Roots and are presented to recognize some of UPEI's outstanding athletes.

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