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It was not a happy weekend for Panther fans as our teams managed to salvage but one point out of a potential of twelve...albeit the one was so dramatic and came as the climax to such an exciting game that we cannot be too downcast and we feel we have very good reasons to hope for better success in the near future.

In hockey, our boys played well in both games. On Saturday night we think the Panthers outplayed the Dalhousie Tigers as they outshot them 36-27 but managed to drop this very important contest by a 5-3 score. Ralph Josey and Val Mitchell catapulted us off to an early 2-0 lead but from then on sensational goalkeeping by Tiger Goalie Bickerton foiled us with the exception of Mike Sellick's counter in the third, which made it close, but was not enough. A usual Panther rooster, Dr. Doug MacDonald, had great cause for satisfaction as his son, Shaun, was, we thought, the outstanding performer for the visitors. On Sunday the Panthers hooked up with St. F.X. in a really exciting game which ranked with our best in several years. Once again we outshot our opposition but, in this case, we managed to eke out a 3-3 tie by virtue of ailing Wilfred MacDonald's



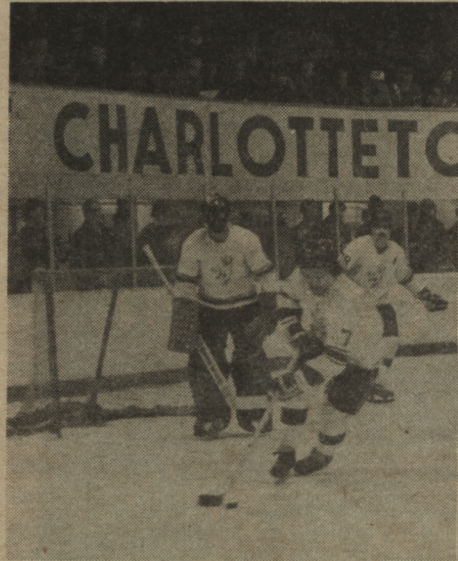
Steve Miglia

20 foot blast from 15 feet out with less than a minute to go in overtime. Larry Arsenault and Shane Turner were our other scorers. We'd like to mention that we thought Shane Turner had the best weekend he has shown since

WELCOME KAPOS & VICKERS ??

graduating to intercollegiate ranks. Both goalkeepers, our Snags MacInnis and their Fred Cuvilier were outstanding and stopped shot after shot from point blank range in a wide open game on rather heavy ice.

Although a four point weekend would have been gratifying, we are by no means out of contention. Saint Mary's, undefeated in league play and rated third in Canada, are a shoo-in for first but several teams have a chance for the next three playoff spots. The Panthers (4-5-2) have nine games to play. They play Saint Mary's only once more, one with Acadia (0-8-2), three



Val Mitchell

with Mount A. (5-6-1), two with U.N.B. (0-9-2) and two with Moncton (7-4-0). Winning seven of these would make them very close to second and six should give a playoff spot. This weekend two games will be in Fredericton. Don't slip here boys!

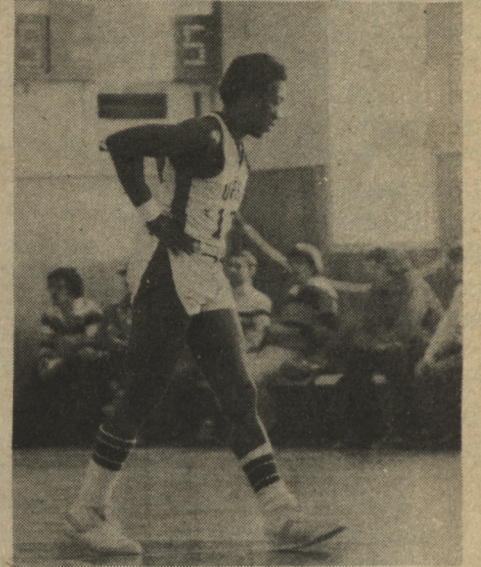
We do not know what decision has been made regarding the rumoured return to the campus freezer so, until further notice is received, we'll start a SUN feature, "Tip to Rink Warmth" and this week we'll deal with feet. 'Put on thick woolen socks, put each foot into a plastic bag (a bread wrapper will do), then put on thick boots and do lots of stamping. If, after the game, your feet get warm be sure to bathe and change socks as later sockfoot association with others is not recommended as a way to gain friends, although it might influence people!

In basketball, the fates were even more unkind. George Birger's charges ran into a red hot and vastly improved St. F.X.

quintet who hammered us with a 100-74 win. Vince Murray was tops for us with 25, while Lloyd Pullen had 17. At Saint Mary's we were in the game all the way but finally bowed 96-85 to superior bench strength. Flatbush's Vince Murray again led the way for us with 31 while Dave Arsenault counted 25. The two losses put us in 4th place with a 4-4 record. We get an appreciation of how strong this league is if we watch the college games on the C.B.C. Saturday afternoons. Comparison makes you really appreciate the class of our league. We also note that three Atlantic teams are rated in the first ten...Acadia (2), St. F.X. (6) and Saint Mary's (8). This weekend, in our gym, we play two with Saint Mary's...and what a double win for the Panthers would do to those ratings! We do not think we'll have to urge students to get out to see these games for we are sure that every sport fan on campus will be eager to be on hand to show the love, affection and gratitude we feel for Mark Vickers and Tom Kappos who defected to Saint Mary's after two very exciting years as Panthers. To them we wish health, success in their studies, a happy love life and future prosperity. BUT IN THESE GAMES MAY THE BALL STAY OUT OF THE BASKET FOR THEM! However, in other games, good luck to you, Tom and Mark...we enjoyed your play and we hope you feel welcome back on your trip... although we would have preferred seeing you in our uniforms!

Our Pantherettes

dropped games to Dalhousie and St. F.X., both by decisive scores as they travelled over the weekend to foreign



Vince Murray

shores and brought their record to 0-7. We must realize they are largely a freshman team and we sympathize with their plight. We might point out, however, that time has a way of remedying such situations and that, if they keep on trying and stick together, in only three years time they'll be a Senior team with lots of experience and then...well, let the rest of the league watch out!

We like to end on a positive note so we'll congratulate Bill Jenkins for a very good curling game against Canada's best on national T.V. and also to Kellye Crockett for her usual victory in a Table Tennis Tournament. Does that girl ever lose?

Basketball this weekend:
Panthers vs. Saint Mary's:
Friday at 8:00 p.m.
Saturday at 2:00 p.m.
Pantherettes vs. Moncton:
Saturday at 4:00 p.m.
Pantherettes vs. Mount A. 2 p.m.

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