


ATHLETICS



This year in Old St. Dunstan's the torch of athletic achievement has been held aloft, the noble records of other years have been gloriously maintained, and the wonderful endeavours of our athletes have been such, that they will serve as beacons, ever encouraging those who follow.

Rev. Fr. Mullally has again been chosen moderator, and as such has taken a great interest in our football activities. Both he and our efficient coach, Prof. Fleming, have striven zealously for the welfare and success of the teams, and we may say their efforts have not been in vain, as is clearly shown by the records of both teams on the football field.

This has been a banner year for football at St. Dunstan's. In the games with local and outside teams she has established a record which future years will find hard to equal.

Senior Football

Although our senior team this year practically had to be remade as only a mere skeleton of last year's team returned, yet their record has shown that our boys today need yield the palm to no one. They won the Island Championship from the Abegweits without defeat. Their game with Dalhousie was a wonderful exhibition. S. D. U. played a more experienced and heavier team and held them. Again, our rivals, St. F. X. were beaten, and it was just by that indomitable spirit that will never say die, which characterized our team this year.

Following is a report of the games in detail.

ABBIES—0.

S. D. U.—16

This year an exhibition game was arranged between the Abbies and Saints, and the two teams lined up on Saturday afternoon, October 16, at the C. A. A. grounds. The game throughout was very one sided, with the Saints almost always in complete control of the ball. The first period was all St. Dunstan's, and they scored almost at will; some very good plays were featured by our team, with both back field and forwards working well. With

the count ten to nil against them the Abbies played better ball in the second period. Our boys scored twice in this half, the first made by Leo Campbell from a nicely blocked kick, and the second by Prof. Fleming, who was playing a wonderful game, being responsible in all for thirteen of the sixteen points.

Line up.

Abbies: Full—Saunders. Halves—Kelly (Capt.), D. Diamond, Darrach, Campbell. Quarters—Trainor, S. Diamond, Desroches. Forwards—G. Connolly, L. Connolly, Morris, Walker, Lonergan, Woolner, Woods.

S. D. U.: Full—Cullen (Capt.) Halves—R. Macdonald, A. Gormley, G. Macdonald, D. O'Leary. Quarters—Fleming, McGillivray, Hagen, Forwards—Campbell, Conway, L. Macdonald, Dalton, Francis, O'Brien, W. Dunphy.

ABBIES—3.

S. D. U.—3.

The initial game of the Championship series resulted in a tie score, much to the surprise not only of the Saints but of the Abbies as well. The Abbies, who were playing a brand of ball much superior to that of their first attempt, not only held the Saints to a tie, but had the edge of play in the last half. The Forwards of both sides played good ball with the Abbies having the advantage in the scrum. In the first period the play seesawed back and forth, up and down the field, the Saints being forced to touch for safety twice. With but four minutes of the first half left, Desmond O'Leary, our fast wing half, punted the ball past their full back and followed up to bring the play to their five yard line, where O'Brien on a pass neatly carried the ball over for the only score of the period. The attempt to convert failed, Fred Kelly blocking the kick.

In the second half the Abbies showed a decided determination to even the score and did so, when Walker from George Connolly's pass went over for a try, which was not converted. During the last two minutes the teams struggled fiercely for the deciding score, but to no avail, and the final whistle ended the game with the ball in our territory.

The line up was as follows:

Abbies: Full — S. Diamond. Halves — Saunders, D. Diamond, McNutt, McEachern. Quarters—Trainor, Kelly (Capt.), Walker. Forwards—G. Connolly, L. Connolly, Morris, Darrach, Woods, J. Connolly, Loneragan.

S. D. U. Same as previous game, except M. Dunphy replaced W. Dunphy on the forward line.

ABBIES—3.

S. D. U.—6.

The second game of the series was not as open as the previous ones, and the Abbies took full advantage of their heavier scrum. Nevertheless our forwards never lost an opportunity and played the game for all that was in them, and saved the situation for us on many occasions by their heady plays.

In the first half the wearers of the red and white forced matters, and in short order the ball was down on the Abbies' ten yard line. A free kick for the Abbies staved off a score, but only for a short time. Our whole team worked well and again brought the play to the enemy's five yard line, where O'Leary, in his usual style snapped up a fumbled ball and went over the line for the first score.

The Saints blocked the kick-off and the ball was forced over the line to be touched for safety by Kelly. But our fellows were not to be denied another try, and a few minutes later Tingley, our lengthy forward, dribbled the ball to the Abbies' danger line, where "Tinny" Francis secured, to pass to O'Brien who scored. Neither try was converted.

The Abbies exerted every effort and were rewarded when "Sage" Trainor scored from a scrum on our ten yard line.

The second half provided a flashy brand of ball, both teams meriting equal praise and neither side being in danger of scoring.

The line up was as follows:

Abbies: Full — Loneragan. Halves — Kelly, D. Diamond, McEachern, McCarey. Quarters—Trainor, McNutt, Walker. Forwards—G. Connolly, L. Connolly, Beaton, J. Connolly, Woods, Darrach, Morris.

S. D. U.: Full—Cullen (Capt.). Halves—R. Macdonald, Gormley, Hagen, G. Macdonald. Quarters—McGillivray, Fleming, O'Leary. Forwards—L. Macdonald, L. Campbell, W. Dunphy, Francis, Tingley, O'Brien, Conway.

ABBIES—3.

S. D. U.—3.

On Saturday November, 20, the final and deciding game of the Island Football Championship, for 1926, was played between the Abbies and S. D. U. The University men did not display their usual snap and vim, but seemed to be content to hold their opponents to a tie, which was necessary for the Championship, as they had previously won the second game and tied the first.

During the greater part of the first period the Red and White forced the play, and, after about twenty minutes' play, Tingley followed the ball over the line for a touch down. This score seemed to spur on the Abbies and by repeated efforts they forced the play to our five yard line, where Kelly by a heady piece of work, bucked his way over the line. Neither score was converted.

The second period was a great improvement over the first, with both teams breaking even. The Abbies' forwards played a great game, and were always on the ball. Dunphy, Fleming, Hagen, and Tingley played their usual heady game for the University, and were it not for the slippery condition of the field a different score would, doubtless, have been the result.

The line up was as follows:

Abbies: Full—S. Diamond. Halves—Trainor, D. Diamond, McNutt, Darrach. Quarters—Kelly (Capt.), Linkletter, Walker. Forwards—G. Connolly, L. Connolly, Morris, Woolner, Woods, Beaton, J. Connolly.

S. D. U.: Full—Cullen (Capt.). Halves—M. Dunphy, McGillivray, G. McDonald, Hagen. Quarters—Fleming, Hogan, Conway. Forwards—Curley, Connell, L. Macdonald, W. Dunphy, Shreenan, O'Brien, Tingley.

DAL.—6

S.D.U.—3

On Saturday, Nov. 6, St. Dunstan's senior football team met the Dalhousie visiting team on the Abegweit grounds, to contend for football supremacy. The Dal.

fifteen, composed of husky, well trained, and experienced players, is one of the snappiest teams in the Maritime Provinces. They know the game, and every man plays the game for the game's sake. It was really a privilege and an honour to play against such an aggregation, and every man on the S. D. U. team is loud in his praise of Dal's football sportmanship.

St. Dunstan's put up a great game, but especially so in the forward line. Dalhousie's scrum worked to perfection and the passing in the halflines was like clockwork. It was only the sharp tackling of our boys that prevented a larger score. O'Brien as usual played a wonderful game, and it was he that made the first touchdown, and the only one in the first period.

In the second period Dal. forced matters, and Doc. Smith very soon went over for a try. St. Dunstan's played a defensive game practically all through, and held their heavier opponents until about two minutes before the final whistle, when Macdonald, speedy wing half, scored for Dal. Neither try was converted, and the game ended 6-3 for Dalhousie.

The line up was as follows:

Dal: Full—McLeod. Halves—Doc. Smith, Macdonald, Murphy, Langstroth. Quarters—Hewat, Wickwire, Dobson. Forwards—Cox, Baxter, Beaton, Ernst, Tupper, McLean (Capt.), A. Smith.

S. D. U.: Full—Cullen (Capt.). Halves—R. Macdonald, Gormley, G. Macdonald, Hagen. Quarters—W. Dunphy, Fleming, M. Dunphy. Forwards—Connell, Campbell, L. Macdonald, Tingley, Francis, O'Brien, Conway.

St. F. X.—0

S.D.U.—5

This year St. F. X. football squad visited the Island and played with both the Abbies, and the Saints. Their game with S. D. U. came off Friday afternoon, Nov. 12, at the C. A. A. grounds, and was a brilliant exhibition of football in all its phases. The game itself was replete with thrills. St. Dunstan's, remembering their defeat last year at the hands of St. F. X. were determined to win. Every man on our team without exception did his level best; the work of our forwards was particularly brilliant, and never for one moment did they ease up, but dribbled, punted, and tackled like veterans.

The only score of the game came near the end of the first period, when "Brick" Gormley our big half liner, followed up on a dribble to take advantage of the full-back's fumble, and to carry the ball over for a touch down, directly behind the goal-posts. Fleming easily converted the try. The remainder of this half and all the last went scoreless, each side working like Trojans to cross the opposing line. St. F. X. almost succeeded in the first half but were literally hurled back by our forwards. The final whistle brought to a close one of the hardest fought, and most exciting games of football seen in Charlotte-town for many years.

The following was the line up:

St. F. X.: Full—Mahaney. Halves—Monaghan, MacNeill, Gillis, Chisholm. Quarters—Coleman, Miller, Young. Forwards—MacGillivray, V. Macdonald, Rankin, J. J. Macdonald (Capt.), R. MacLean, H. Sutherland, M. Macdonald. Spares—H. Sullivan, D. Sullivan, Moran, Lamy.

S. D. U.: Full—Cullen (Capt.). Halves—M. Dunphy, A Gormley, G. Macdonald, Hagen. Quarters—Conway, Fleming, Hogan. Forwards—Shreenan, Francis, O'Brien, Tingley, L. Macdonald, W. Dunphy, Connell, Campbell.

Intermediate Football

The members of this year's second team, almost all new members, have very effectively demonstrated their ability to play football, by winning the Intercollegiate Championship from their old rivals P. W. C. St. Dunstan's won the first and last games of their series, and tied the second, proving conclusively, in these three encounters, their right to Championship honours. But these honours were not won without a struggle, for P. W. C. have this year a team of which they may well be proud, a team which have showed their good sportmanship in every game, and have merited the praise of rivals as well as of fans.

P. W. C.—0

S. D. U.—3

In the first game of the Intercollegiate League Championship at the Abegweit grounds, St. Dunstan's

second team were victorious, winning on a penalty kick shortly before the end of the last period.

The game all through was of the open variety and this tended to speed up the play. Both teams took advantage of the wind with the result that the ball remained in the same territory practically the whole game.

The College scrum worked well and their halves did some fine passing, but any scoring was prevented by the brilliant tackling of our back field.

In the second half the play seesawed back and forth, mostly in P. W. C. territory, the Red and White making desperate efforts to score. Murray, Trainor and Dunphy did some fine passing and brought the play to their opponent's danger line, where S. D. U. was awarded a free kick. Mark Dunphy on a beautiful drop kick scored three points for his team. There was no further scoring in this period and the game ended 3-0 in favour of the Red and White.

Following was the line up:

P. W. C.: Full—Cullen. Halves—Chandler, Dar-rach, Gallant, Raymond. Quarters—MacMillan, McNutt Linkletter. Forwards—Beaton, Keenan, Woolner, (Capt), Macdonald, Harris, Mathieson, McGowan.

S. D. U.: Full—Praught, Halves — O'Hanley, Murray, E. McKenna, Dunphy. Quarters—Curley, Duffy, Trainor. Forwards—Connell, Corcoran, Shree-nan, Callaghan, Ellsworth, (Capt.), Campbell, R. McKenna.

P. W. C.—3.

S. D. U.—3.

On Oct. 26, the second game of this series was fought to a draw at the C. A. A. grounds. Prince of Wales scored shortly after the play began, while our score came just before the end of the first period. The Saints kicked off and scarcely one minute later Mathieson of P. W. C. intercepted Trainor's pass to Dunphy and broke away to pass to Woolner who scored. The try was not converted. The Saints were determined to even the score and forced the play well down into College territory where repeated efforts were made for a try. Our halves worked well and forced the ball to the enemy's five yard line, where O'Hanley, University half, carried it over

for a touchdown. Dunphy failed to convert this try. In the second half, the Saints' scrum worked well, though the back field did not show up to advantage. The Collegians in this period were twice forced to touch for safety. McNutt for P. W. C. and Dunphy, McKenna and Ellsworth for S. D. U. starred in their blocking, kicking and running. The final whistle brought hostilities to a close with the play in P. W. C. territory.

Line up—P. W. C. same as previous game except Murray replaced Harris on the forward line.

S. D. U.: Full—Praught. Halves—Dunphy, Murray, O'Hanley, E. McKenna.—Quarters—Trainor, Duffy, Hogan. Forwards—Connell, Curley, Croken, Shreenan, Ellsworth, (Capt.), Campbell, Dalton.

P. W. C.—3.

S. D. U.—5

On Thursday, November 4, the last and deciding game of this league was played. The slippery condition of the field made ball handling difficult, but taken all in all a very good exhibition of football was handed out. St. Dunstan's second team defeated their rivals of P. W. C., and by virtue of this win brought back to the University the Intermediate Championship, which Prince of Wales had won last year.

The two teams were evenly matched in this game, with P. W. C. on the offensive. Shortly before the close of the first period Gallant secured the ball and by a pretty run scored for Prince of Wales. From the kick off our boys rushed things and the play was soon down on their opponent's five yard line. Dalton neatly blocked McNutt's kick and carried the ball over for a touchdown before P. W. C. realized what was happening. Mark Dunphy converted this try with one of the prettiest kicks of the season.

The second half went scoreless. P. W. C. made every effort to count but failed. The brilliant work of our team repelled their every effort, the flying tackles of Dunphy being particularly effective.

Dalton was injured in the last period and was replaced by E. McKenna.

Line up was as follows:

P. W. C.: Full—K. McMillan. Halves—Raymond, Chandler, Gallant, Cullen. Quarters—McNutt, Link-

letter, McMillan. Forwards—Beaton, Keenan, Woolner (Capt.), McDonald, Curley, Matheson, Shaw.

S. D. U. had the same line up as for the previous game.

Intermural Football

An excellent opportunity was again offered this year to those students who wished to play football, but who could not make senior teams. Many promising players showed up in the different intermural games. Three teams were organized namely: St. F. X., Dalhousie, and U. N. B. captained respectively by James Farrell, James McIntyre, and Maurice Curley. The result of the series shows what any team with coaching, encouragement, and organization can accomplish. Captain Farrell led his team to victory; his presence, and timely exhortations on the field so inspired his teammates that they bore down all opposition, and never permitted their line to be crossed at any time, a record unique in intermural activities in S. D. U.

Arthur Hogan, who began the year on Capt. Farrell's team, showed up to such advantage, that before the end of the season, he was playing as a regular on first team. Maurice Curley, Dan Praught, and Harold Croken also, through their good showing on intermural teams, were promoted to the line up of second team.

The line up of St. F. X. team was as follows: Full—Praught. Halves—Bradley, Cassidy, Dube, Lawlor. Quarters—Hogan, W. Callaghan, Farrell (Capt.). Forwards—Croken, Desroches, J. McGuigan, Leslie, A. Murphy, Devereux, S. McIntyre, F. Hughes.

Field Day

Field day was held this year on Tuesday, Oct. 12. The weather was not ideal for the events, and the number of competitors was not as large as it might have been. Quality, however, made up for the lack in quantity and keen competition in every event made the issue very exciting. Two new records were established, one by R. Macdonald in the standing broad jump, and the other by L. Cote in the shot put.

Desmond O'Leary is to be congratulated on winning the all-round senior trophy, a beautiful silver cup donated by Dr. Jack Jenkins. To J. Ledwell also we extend

our congratulations on his carrying off the honours in the intermediate events.

Following is a list of the prize winners, and track records.

SENIOR EVENTS

Best All-Round Athlete—D. O'Leary.

100 Yard Dash:—1, J. Trainor; 2, A. Gormley.
Time 10 2-5 secs. Record—10 1-5 secs.

220 Yard Dash:—1, D. O'Leary; 2, J. Trainor.
Time 24 4-5 secs. Record—24 secs.

Quarter Mile:—1, D. O'Leary; 2, M. Conway.
Time 58½ secs. Record—55 secs.

Half Mile:—1, D. O'Leary; 2, M. Conway. Time
2 min. 28½ secs. Record—2 min. 6½ secs.

Mile Run:—1, A. Hughes; 2, M. Conway. Time
6 min. 47 secs. Record—4 min. 39½ secs.

High Jump:—1, A. Gormley; 2, R. Macdonald.
Height 5 ft. ½ in. Record—5 ft. 1 in.

Running Broad:—1, R. Macdonald; 2, J. Trainor.
Distance 18 ft. 5½ in. Record—19 ft. 7 in.

Standing Broad:—1, R. Macdonald; 2, M. McGuigan.
Distance 8 ft. 10 in. New Record.

Hop, Step and Jump:—1, R. Macdonald; 2, A. Gormley. Distance 35 ft. 4½ in. Record—37 ft. 11 in.

Shot Put (12 lbs.):—1, L. Cote; 2, G. Macdonald.
Distance 38 ft. 8½ in. New Record.

INTERMEDIATE EVENTS

Best All-Round Athlete—J. Ledwell.

100 Yard Dash:—1, J. Ledwell; 2, G. MacGuigan.
Time 11 4-5 secs.

220 Yard Dash:—1, J. Ledwell; 2, G. MacGuigan.
Time 27 secs.

Quarter Mile:—1, J. Ledwell; 2, G. MacGuigan.
Time 67 secs.

High Jump:—1, J. Arsenault; 2, J. Ledwell. Height
4 ft. 6½ in.

Running Broad Jump:—1, G. MacGuigan; 2, J. Ledwell. Distance 14 ft. 6 in.

Hop, Step and Jump:—1, O. Murphy; 2, J. Ledwell. Distance 30 ft. 9 in.

OPEN EVENTS

Baseball Throw:—1, R. Macdonald; 2, A. Gardner.
Distance 300 ft.

Football Kick:—1, R. Macdonald; 2, G. Macdonald. Distance 139 ft. 9½ in.

Mile Walk:—1, E. O'Hanley; 2, M. Curley. Time 9 min. 45 secs.

Green Race:—1, G. Macdonald; 2, E. Murray and N. Bradley, (equal).

Boot Race:—1, E. Dalton; 2, A. Gormley.

Wheelbarrow Race:—1, J. Walsh and E. Duffy; 2, E. Murray and R. Poitras.

Three-legged Race:—1, R. Ellsworth and G. Macdonald.

Relay Race:—Won by Sixth Year Team: J. Hagen, J. Walsh, M. Conway, M. Curley.

Handball Tournament:—Senior — R. Macdonald and D. Praught.

Intermediate—M. Callaghan and F. Callaghan.

Junior—R. Marquis and A. Lawlor.

One thorn of experience is worth a whole wilderness of warning.—*Lowell*.

Nothing is so strong as gentleness,
Nothing so gentle as real strength.—*St. Francis de Sales*

Be merry all, be merry all,
With holly dress the festive hall;
Prepare the song, the feast, the ball,
To welcome Merry Christmas.—*Spencer*.

No man can be provident of his time that is not prudent in the choice of his company.—*Taylor*.

I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year.—*Dickens*.

A good conscience is a continual Christmas.—*Franklin*.

'Tis the season for kindling the fire of hospitality in the hall, the genial fire of charity in the heart.—*Irving*.