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INSIDE

After five years of absence, the Undergraduate Association General Assembly may be called again. Plans are currently under way to select members for the body so that a meeting can be called later this term. The assembly does not have any specific duties set, but will act as a voice for the student body.

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Junior Rich Okine's three event victories (120-yard high hurdles, 100 and 220-yard dashes) and anchor leg on the victorious MIT 440-yard relay team pace the Engineer trackmen to a 91-63 rout of Bates College.

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OUTSIDE

United States military aid to China is a possibility that can not be rejected "out of hand" former Defense Secretary James Schlesinger said on CBS program "Face the Nation." Schlesinger said that China is a "quasi-ally" of the United States.

Turning off Karen Quinlan's respirator may not end her life quickly, according to Dr. Julius Korein of the New York University Medical Center. Korein said that she might go on breathing for hours or even days without the respirator. Quinlan, who has been in a coma for months, is the subject of a debate between those who believe she should be allowed to die and those who believe she should be kept alive, no matter what the chance of her recovering is.

ERRATA

The article last Friday called "Two new living groups forming" contained some errors. The name of Zaurie Zimmerman was spelled incorrectly. There "is hope" of getting living space for the women's living group next year, but probably in a dormitory rather than in a separate building. The building that the group wants is presently being renovated. They will either live in a wing of that building or a floor of a dormitory, Zimmerman says.

The article in Friday's *The Tech* entitled "Few courses seen violating faculty rules" said that the Registrar will only send one status form to a student. It should have said that the Registrar will only send one status form to a student unless he changes his registration after classes begin.

CONCOURSE-433

Provost considers Concourse future

By Mark James

The Committee on Educational Policy has tentatively recommended that the Concourse program be approved as a permanent academic program.

According to Associate Provost Hartley Rogers, Jr., the Provost's Office is "right in the middle" of reviewing the proposals and preparing to make a recommendation to the CEP.

After the recommendations are returned to the CEP, the program still will await final CEP approval, followed by approval of the full faculty.

The proposal contains seven conditions that the CEP feels must be satisfied if the program is to be approved:

1) The program must receive support on a par with that given

to teaching by the academic departments;

2) There must be continuity in the administration of the program;

3) The program must receive adequate budgetary support and must show fiscal accountability;

4) There must be active participation by the faculty and recruitment of faculty for the program, and there must be adequate safeguards to protect the status of young faculty in the program;

5) The academic structure of the Concourse program must be maintained;

6) The program must teach the Freshmen Core subjects in such a way as to adequately prepare students for entry into the sophomore year; and

7) The subsequent progress of Concourse students in upperclass subjects must be on a par with other students.

The CEP recommendations were made about a month ago, according to Rogers. Provost Walter Rosenblith said that "we need a little more time" before a decision can be made.

There are three possibilities for the future of the program, according to Rogers: discontinuation, which Rogers considered unlikely; continuation as a permanent program; and renewal of its experimental status under the CEP.

According to Concourse Director Martin Horowitz, delay in the Provost's recommendation has hurt the program's planning for next year. He said that program

administrators were considering taking the issue back to the CEP for further action.

"A clear path does not exist at the moment," according to Horowitz. He added that there was "no precedent" for making a temporary program permanent, making an assessment of the delay difficult.

The Concourse program was begun in the fall of 1971 to foster "collaborative teaching" across disciplinary lines, according to Co-Director of Course XXI Louis Bucciarelli, one of the founders of Concourse.

Concourse was begun as an experimental program administered by the CEP. This temporary status has since been renewed several times by the faculty.

Hope seen for world food supply

By Jim Eisen

There are encouraging signs that developing countries have become more aware of food and nutritional problems in recent years, according to an American expert on global food needs.

In a Nutrition and Food Science seminar "World Nutrition: Political and Economic Aspects" held on Friday, former Ambassador Edward M. Martin told a group of about 25 about his experiences in the field and lessons that have been learned in the past few years.

According to Martin, the higher priority now given to food problems by less developed na-

tions is a reaction to food and fertilizer shortages apparent during this decade. This has resulted in a new emphasis on raising agricultural production. In addition, donor commitments have doubled since 1973 (including assistance from OPEC states) to a level at which there is a problem of "money chasing people" due to a lack of well-trained administrators and planners.

Martin emphasized the need for coordinating agricultural and developmental projects with nutritional goals and needs, observing, "The basic problem is that the profit-makers are in the production areas rather than in

the consumption areas." He noted that appropriate organizations are beginning to consider nutritional needs.

Other short-term problems and developments identified by Martin were:

— a "most worrisome absence of reasonably accurate data" in such areas as production and demand for food and nutrition, especially in less developed countries;

— a dependency on good weather that reveals a worldwide need for a constant level of food reserves;

— the critical position of the Soviet agricultural sector, whose large fluctuations are usually

hidden by government secrecy; and

— a "remarkable turnaround in the fertilizer situation" in the last few years with substantial hoarding and shortages ending, a promising development for agricultural prospects in poor nations.

In the longer term, he observed that the changing income levels of many countries are producing shifting tastes in food, a problem that in developed countries has meant a demand for less efficient forms of food production (e.g. meats).

Martin, former Ambassador to Argentina and senior advisor to
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Food day observed with no-meat meal

By Eileen Mannix

Food Day 1976 at MIT drew about 200 people to the Sala de Puerto Rico last Thursday night for a choice of two meatless meals, followed by a talk by Dr. James Levinson, the director of the MIT International Nutrition Planning Program.

The annual Food Day is a national effort to encourage Americans to work for two major goals: "Winning Back Control (over food quality)" and "Eating Lower on the Food Chain."

Levinson, who was scheduled to speak on "World Hunger and the American Response" at 8pm, began much earlier because many people began to leave after finishing their vegetarian repast, which began at 6:30.

Levinson's address concentrated on the futility of isolated efforts — like Food Day — to make any real gains in the fight against

world hunger. The primary difficulty in fighting hunger, Levinson said, is wading through the mounds of red tape involved in assisting Third World countries.

Pamphlets were available that included suggestions for less meat-oriented diets, commentaries on American consumption of junk food, lists of vegetarian cookbooks and restaurants serving vegetarian food, and a written plea from Earth Campaign Against Hunger and Over-Eating (ECHOE). Among the suggestions for meatless meals distributed were recipes for bean curds with green pepper, sweet and sour cauliflower, bulghur wheat and millet stew, soring the Food Day events included Hillel (a Jewish students' group), Tech Catholic Community, Sangam (the Indian students' association), and Chinese Student Club.



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Taiwan

President Wiesner and Chancellor Gray have once again refused to be present at an open forum on the Taiwan program, even though it was made clear that they would not be expected to make a policy statement in defense of the program, but only answer students questions about their own role in the whole affair. Their refusal was based on the grounds that they did not have the full facts themselves on how the program was originally negotiated, beginning in 1974, nor had they any part in them. Consequently, they are going to wait until the Robbins Committee on International Commitments has finished its investigation. The forum will nonetheless be held, without them, tonight at 8pm in the Sala de Puerto Rico (see box this page).

We're coming to the conclusion that the administration seems perfectly willing to stall on Taiwan until the end of the term when students are going to be preoccupied with passing exams to make any effort to influence the course of events. We're going to be passing out questionnaires in the hallways to find out what action people think would be appropriate for the UA to take--let it wait, protest, investigate further, lobby Congresspeople, etc. Bring them back or mail them to the UA office, W20-401.

General Assembly

Most aspects of student representation for the General Assembly have been finalized. Elections have been moved back a week and will be held on April 29th, with the first GA meeting to be held on May 3rd. Representation will be from living groups, proportionate to population, breaking down as follows:

- Fraternities - 30 representatives
- Dormitories - 54 "
- Nonresident
- Students - 16 "

Each fraternity will select 1 representative by whatever method it chooses. Elections of dorm representatives will be held by dorm, with each dorm figuring out its own appropriate mechanism. Dorm representation will be as follows (calculated on the basis of 1975-76 living group figures with allowances made for next year's overcrowding):

- Baker - 8 representatives
- Bexley - 3 "
- Burton - 9 "
- East Campus - 10 "
- Macgregor - 8 "
- McCormick - 5 "
- New House - 7 "
- Senior House - 4 "

Procedures for electing non-resident student reps haven't been figured out yet. We'll publicize it when we do figure it out. Any suggestions or questions concerning GA elections should be directed to the appropriate living group.

All Tech Sing

The Student Center Committee is planning a revival of the All Tech Sing. The Sing was a traditional event, sponsored each year by the now defunct Baton Society. It was designed to promote spirit and humor in song writing at the Institute. Along with performances by the regular musical groups, entering teams from the living groups and activities would compete in either the serious or humorous divisions, all composing songs about life at "Tech". The Sing was popular, but currently all that remains of it is a dentist chair on the Senior House balcony--an Egbert, or prize in the humorous division, from a past year.

Traditionally, the exact nature of the Egbert was kept a secret until the night of the event. Egberts of the past included the dentist chair, a giant slide rule, and a stuffed beaver with a red tail. This year the Committee will be running a contest to see who can most accurately guess what the Egbert will be. The winner will receive a season's pass to the Midnite Movies and a \$5.99 gift certificate to the 24-Hour Coffeehouse. Ballots can be cast at the Coffeehouse.

Judges will include both administrators and faculty members, whose true identity, like that of the Egbert, will not be known until the event itself--to avoid bribery! The date of this year's All Tech Sing will coincide with Kaleidoscope; it will be May 1 at 7:30pm in the Sala de Puerto Rico. Entry forms and rules can be obtained in the Coffeehouse. Any questions on the Sing should be directed to Katrina Wootton, dl 8622, x3-2696, or x3-3916.

SCEP News

In the spring of last year, the Student Committee on Educational Policy (SCEP) distributed an opinion survey to all undergraduates. One surprising result was the discovery that a majority of those expressing an opinion favored establishment of a new Institute requirement in English Composition. Apparently, even the students believe that the quality of writing is no longer "acceptable."

There are many arguments in favor of improving the writing ability of MIT students. Among these are:

1. Engineers and scientists need to be able to write clearly and effectively, possibly even more than do their colleagues in the liberal arts. The writing of proposals and papers is economically essential.
2. Greater ability in students' writing would tend to upgrade the overall quality of all humanities courses.
3. Poor writing on the part of MIT graduates reflects badly on other graduates, and on the Institute.

Proposals abound for improving writing. One is to require a semester of English Composition of all undergraduates. There would be several subjects (options) that would fulfill the requirement each approaching the topic from a different viewpoint or at a different level. As with all Institute

requirements, demonstration of competence would exempt a student from the requirement. To derive the maximum possible benefit, the student should take the subject during the freshman year. Such a program would require about ten faculty members. It is doubtful that all these could be drawn from the present MIT faculty, however, local professional writers, and others, could also be used.

If you have comments, questions, or suggestions, please contact SCEP at x3-2170, W20-413 or the UA News at x3-2696, W20-403.

MIT Ecology Action is sponsoring a bike trip to the Arnold Arboretum, via the Fens. People who wish to participate should meet in front of the Student Center at 10am on Tuesday, April 20 (the last day of the four day weekend). Hope to see you there.

The MIT Auto Club will be running a beginners road rally on Sunday, May 2, Kaleidoscope weekend. The rally will start at MIT, and will wind up at Wellesley in time for the picnic there.

There will be at least two classes for the rally. Single car entries will be one car with two people; team entries will consist of two cars with two people in each or one car with more than two people in it.

An entry fee of \$3 per car will be used to purchase trophies.

A road rally school will be held at the Auto Club meeting April 25, Sunday, in room 491 of the Student Center at 7:30pm. Questions can be answered by David Schaller at 494-0076 or dl9640.

NomComm has been undergoing a slight restructuring this past year, with the hope that it will become better organized and serve as a more effective communications link between the student body and student-faculty committees. The major points of restructuring are as follows:

- A. Student terms on student-faculty committees are to be for one year (with the exception of the Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid Committee--two year terms. All other references to student terms in Rules and Regulations of the Faculty are to one year terms.). The intent of NomComm is not to remove students who are actively participating on committees from their respective roles, but rather to insure feedback on a regular and continual basis. Students who are nominated by NomComm will be asked to return in one year to discuss present and past committee activities and to apply for renomination, if so interested.
- B. Under the provisions in (A) a permanent schedule will be set up, to go into effect next semester, whereby each student-faculty committee associated with NomComm will be scheduled for one hearing each school year, at approximately the same time each year, although special hearings at other dates could be arranged. At that time, present student committee members would be asked to discuss their activities/involvement in an open hearing, and nominations to the committee for the following year would be made by NomComm, selecting from those students present at the hearing.

(TO BE CONTINUED IN THE NEXT UA NEWS.) For information about the hearing, or for comments, questions, etc. about NomComm, contact the UA office at x3-2696 or Stan Martin at 267-2867.

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UA General Assembly to return

By Gerald Radack

The General Assembly of the Undergraduate Association will be convened for the first time in five years as part of an attempt by the UA leadership to increase student participation in the UA.

UA President Phil Moore '77 said that he is contacting the presidents of living groups to inform

them of his plans to bring back the GA.

Moore expects the Assembly to meet twice this term and once every one or two weeks next fall to discuss a number of issues.

The GA members will represent living groups, Moore said, adding that each living group may choose

its representatives in any way it chooses. There will be 54 representatives from dormitories and 30 from fraternities — one for each fraternity and one for Student House. There will also be 16 representatives of non-resident students, chosen in an election administered by the UA, Moore said.

Moore asserted that the previous GA died because it was "too large and unwieldy" and because of a lack of interest. "Everybody worked through SACC (Social Action Coordinating Committee) and SDS (Students for a Democratic Society)" rather than through student government, he explained.

Indeed, one of the items on the agenda for a meeting of the GA on Dec. 1, 1970 was a motion to dissolve the GA. At the time, UAP Wells Eddleman said that there was support for having the UA executive committee run the student government. This is what has happened since then.

Moore said that the GA will not be restricted to one particular function, but will be able to discuss any issue that it finds important. He mentioned the Institute's controversial program to train Taiwanese nationals in inertial guidance technology as one possible area of discussion, despite the fact that the GA would probably not be able to directly influence MIT policy on the matter. "Students have very little direct power," he explained.

Food supply hopeful

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Secretary of State Henry Kissinger at the World Food Conference last year, now heads the Consultative Group for Food Production and Investment, an international organization that deals with food problems in developing countries. Current work is focusing on seed and fertilizer production and distribution, post-harvest losses, "food planning" by specific nations,

and alterations in the appraisal process for ongoing projects.

In terms of American policy in this area, Martin feels that a commitment to equitable distribution of food resources is essential, and that a higher priority should be given to maximum output and aid than to agricultural exports. "Investment in free nutrition is as important as free education", he concluded.

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Track trips Bates; Okine wins three events

By Dave Dobos

The MIT outdoor track team avenged an indoor season loss to Bates by walloping the Lewiston, Maine school 91-63 in their rematch here on Briggs Field last Saturday. The Engineers won eight of 16 individual events and both relays enroute to their lopsided victory.

Junior Rich Okine, back in the line-up, captured three events and anchored the 440 yard relay to lead the Engineer running attack to a 49-33 scoring edge over its Bates counterpart. The hurdler/sprinter won the 120 yard high hurdles in 15.2 and later sped to firsts in the 100 and 220 yard dashes. His come-from-behind victory when anchoring the 440 relay made it a clean sweep for the Ghana native.

Senior co-captain Greg Hunter, earning a first and two seconds, helped the field event men to a 42-30 margin in their segment of the meet. Hunter won the javelin and took runner-up to Bates' Bob Cedrone, who won three events, in the shot put and discus. His eleven point score totals him 25 for the two meets to pace the Engineer athletes.

In a strong supporting role, Paul Kuzmenko '77 captured the triple jump, added a second in the long jump and a third in the 220, and led off the winning 440 relay team for a 10 1/4 point total. It was the Connecticut junior's best scoring effort of his MIT career.

In the hammer throw, John Lundberg '77 tossed another personal best, this time 160', to place second behind Bates' Cedrone. Sophomore Darwin Fleischaker's 162'3" performance in the javelin

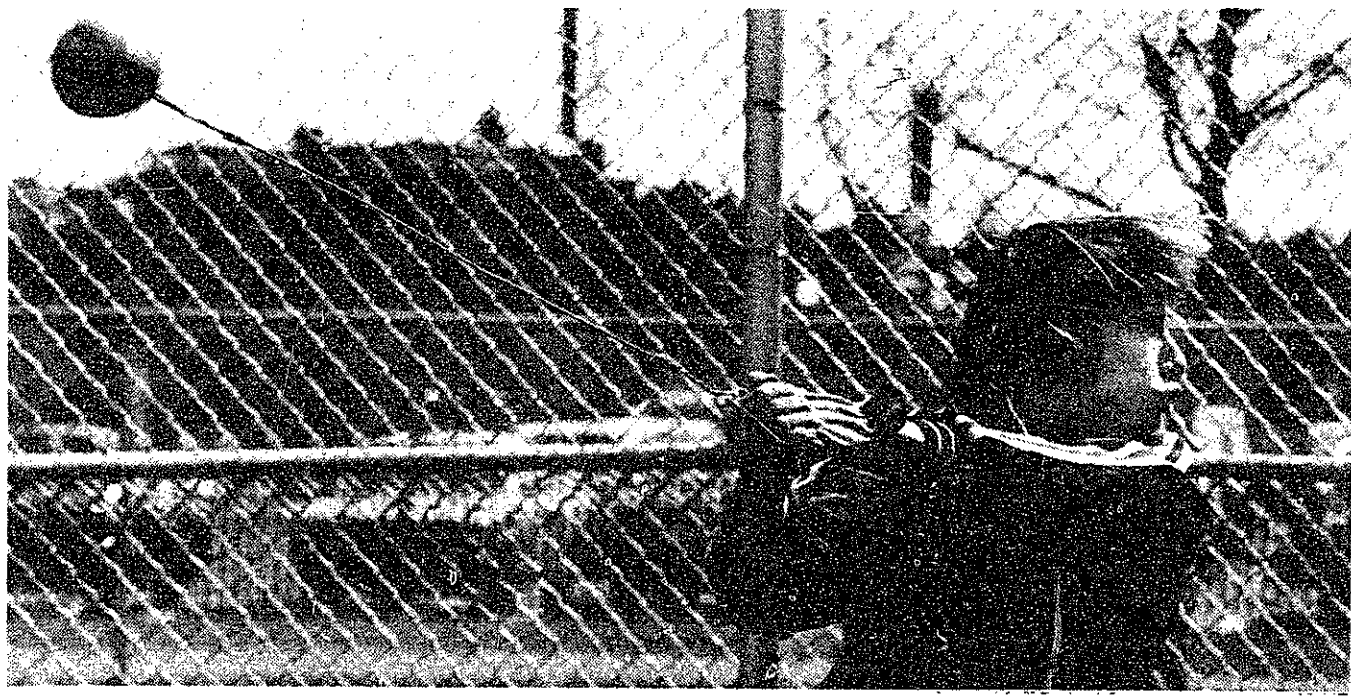
John Lundberg '77 placed second in the hammer throw with a personal best of 160' in the MIT trackmen's impressive victory over Bates last Saturday. The Engineers were led by triple winner Rich Okine '77 and senior co-captain Greg Hunter, who contributed a first and two seconds.

also was a personal record.

A rare kick during the last 150 yards sped Frank Richardson '77 to a two mile run victory. Richardson, who usually relies on his superior endurance to run a gruelingly consistent pace, found himself five yards behind with less than half a lap remaining. He stepped up his own pace and passed his Bates opponent, winning by some 15 yards. Freshman Barry Bayus was in close pursuit with a 9:29.8 clocking for third. Two other MIT runners, John Krolewski '77 (9:47) and Jim Walton '76 (9:54) also ran sub-10:00 races.

Chris Perley '77 came from behind to nip his Bates adversary by an eyelash in the 440 intermediate hurdles. Freshman Jim Dunlay ran a fine race for third in that event. Joe Egan '77 and seniors Jim Banks and Jeff Baerman also displayed excellent efforts in their second place finishes in the 880 (1:58.4), 440 (51.8), and mile (4:20.0), respectively. Banks, Dunlay, Mick Ryan '76 (who also placed third in the 440) and Egan combined for the mile relay victory.

Reid von Borstel '78 edged out his Bates opponent on fewer misses when they both leaped 6'4" in the high jump. Pole vaulter Ed



Gordon Haft

Ingenito '79 enjoyed his finest day in an MIT uniform as he cleared 13'3" in his event for second place.

Not only did the Engineer thinclads win a majority of first places, but their depth helped them to ten of 16 seconds and eleven of 16 thirds. It was a super effort by the team, but MIT will need that same effort to keep its undefeated streak alive at Bowdoin this Saturday. Last winter the two teams tied 59-59 in Rockwell Cage.

Summary of events:

- Long Jump: 1-Lungelow (B); 2-Paul Kuzmenko (MIT); 3-Ficarra (B); 20'7 1/2"
- Triple Jump: 1-Paul Kuzmenko (MIT); 2-Jason Tong (MIT); 3-Bill Heil (MIT); 42'1"
- High Jump: 1-Reid von Borstel (MIT); 2-Bardaglio (B); 3-Paul Edelman (MIT); 6'4"
- Pole Vault: 1-Wells (B); 2-Ed Ingenito (MIT); 3-Jim Williams (MIT); 13'6"
- Shot Put: 1-Cedrone (B); 2-Greg Hunter (MIT); 3-Fred Bunke (MIT); 48' 1/2"
- Discus: 1-Cedrone (B); 2-Greg Hunter (MIT); 3-Steve Sifferlen (MIT); 148'11"
- Javelin: 1-Greg Hunter (MIT); 2-Darwin Fleischaker (MIT); 3-Olsen (B); 178'2"
- Hammer Throw: 1-Cedrone (B); 2-John Lundberg (MIT); 3-Fred Bunke (MIT); 181'4"
- 120 yd. High Hurdles: 1-Rich Okine (MIT); 2-Anderson (B); 3-Bardaglio (B); 15.2"
- 440 yd. Intermediate Hurdles: 1-Chris Perley (MIT); 2-Anderson (B); 3-Jim Dunlay (MIT); 58.4"
- 100 yd. Dash: 1-Rich Okine (MIT); 2-Pachico (B); 3-Tom Stohman (MIT); 10.3"
- 220 yd. Dash: 1-Rich Okine (MIT); 2-Pachico (B); 3-Paul Kuzmenko (MIT); 22.9"
- 440 yd. Dash: 1-Taylor (B); 2-Jim Banks (MIT); 3-Mick Ryan (MIT); 51.5"
- 880 yd. Run: 1-Scharn (B); 2-Joe Egan (MIT); 3-DeBruin (B); 1:58.0"
- Mile Run: 1-Merrill (B); 2-Jeff Baerman (MIT); 3-DeBruin (B); 4:18.5"
- Two Mile Run: 1-Frank Richardson (MIT); 2-Oparowski (B); 3-Barry Bayus (MIT); 9:22.6"
- 440 yd. Relay: 1-MIT (Paul Kuzmenko, Tom Kesler, Jim Banks, Rich Okine); 2-Bates; 44.9"
- Mile Relay: 1-MIT (Jim Banks, Jim Dunlay, Mick Ryan, Joe Egan); 3:30.6"

Roundup

Lacrosse, baseball routed

By Glenn Brownstein

An eight-goal burst in the third period nullified an even first half and fired Amherst to a 15-4 win over MIT's lacrosse (2-5) team in Amherst Saturday afternoon.

Corky Ellis paced the victorious Lord Jeffs, scoring five goals and adding one assist. Seven other players contributed Amherst goals. Phil MacNeil '79 led Engineer scorers with one goal and one assist, while Paul Pilorz '76, playing attack for the first time, Blake Hurt '77, and Gordie Zuerndorfer '78 each scored single goals for MIT.

Although the Engineers took 20 shots on goal (36 total), Amherst goalies Steve Ehrlich and Brian Bedford stopped all eleven second-half MIT shots and prevented the Engineers from making any headway toward the lead.

Each team had trouble clearing the ball out of its own end, with MIT successful only 45 per cent of the time and Amherst clearing just 11 of 21 times.

MIT faces New England-ranked Bowdoin today at home.

Game time is 3pm.

JV lacrosse (0-2) opened its season last week with losses to Governor Dummer and Proctor Academy. The JV squad also takes on Bowdoin at home today at 3pm.

Bowdoin rudely interrupted the winning ways of the varsity baseball (7-4) team, stopping the Engineers 11-0 on a three-hitter by pitcher Mike Merella. MIT had its defensive and pitching problems, committing five errors in the game, and yielding six runs to the Polar Bears in the fourth inning.

MIT faces archrival Harvard, currently 12-5 and a top Division I playoff contender, today in a 3pm game at Soldiers Field in Allston.

Golf (1-1) opened its season successfully, losing a tight 4-3 match to strong Tufts, but routing Wesleyan, 7-0. In the other match in the triangular meet, Tufts defeated Wesleyan, 7-0.

Tufts blanks ruggers

By Charles Cox

The MIT rugby club bowed to Tufts twice last Saturday by scores of 12-0 and 17-0 in the A and B games, respectively. Tufts dominated the first half of the A game, scoring a penalty goal soon after the opening kickoff to jump to a three-point lead. The Jumbos added a converted try and another penalty goal to raise their total to twelve points at the half.

In a second half marred by fights, an MIT player was ordered

off the field. The Engineers, although playing shorthanded, held Tufts scoreless for the rest of the game.

Tufts went over the try line twice in the first half of the B game. The second try was converted to give the Jumbos a 10-0 lead at half time. Penalty kicks hurt the Engineers in the second half and resulted in a penalty goal and an unconverted try for Tufts, making the final score 17-0.

sporting notices

The MIT Auto Club will be running its first annual rally, Kaleidoscope I, on Sunday, May 2nd. The rally is open to the entire MIT community, and two-car teams are encouraged to enter.

A rally school will be held at the club meeting, April 25th, in Room 491 of the Student Center at 7:30pm. All people planning on running the rally are urged to attend the meeting, as registration and other details of the rally will be discussed then.

The rally will start at MIT, and will wind up at Wellesley for a picnic. Other info can be obtained

from Bob Humphrey, at 494-8683, or David Schaller, 494-0076 or dl5-9640.

IM weightlifting team rosters are due in the IM office (W32-123) by April 27. Individual entries will also be allowed. For further information, contact Tim Reckart at 353-0010.



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