Students at MIT compete in some 28 varsity sports, as many as any other school in the country as well as 17 intramural sports and several club sports. But how many high school seniors who are considering attending MIT realize that athletics rank second? We have thus an exciting and diverse athletic program! Not very many. Except for a few outstanding athletes who are courted by the coaches, the prospective freshman hear little about sports from MIT.

As Exception

Even after being accepted, the entering freshmen receive very little information about athletics. A notable exception is crew. The head coach sends out a brochure to entering freshmen. This coach, not the Athletic Department, sends it out. Neither does the Athletic Department send out a brochure to any other school in the country. MIT offers 20 varsity sports, as many as any other school in the country.

Different Emphasis

At most large schools varsity activities are considered a separate group that compete in sports first and attend school second. Also the athletic contests are promoted with the spectator in mind. Neither MIT nor any other school in the country offers thetry a team, not the Athletic Department, but a brochure to freshmen with the sport.

Successful Teams

All of this should be made plain to prospective freshmen along with the fact that we have some of the top teams in the New England area. This year has been the best season ever for MIT sports. However, as one can see in the future, increased scouting and recruiting means that MIT's performance in varsity athletics will be greater than ever before.

As an example of how little publicity is given to MIT sports, a high school senior from the Midwest has been accepted to MIT and to a local state university. This man loves to play golf and is inclined to go to a university where he will be able to play golf. Yet, however, he decided that a good education is worth more than playing golf, so he decided to come to MIT. Then in the spring when he visits the campus he is pleased to find out what MIT has to offer. This man is now a junior here and is on the varsity. MIT has a higher proportion of correspondence between the athletic Department and prospective freshmen.

NRSA DU battle for first Lambda Chis place third

By Rob Clin

Last night NRSA battled against DU for the intramural hockey crown. As NRSA's only loss had come in a previous match with the undefeated DU team, the tournament has now come down to a best two out of three series, with DU given the advantage of one extra match ahead in the tournament. A win by DU last night would have clinched the championship, while if NRSA came out victorious, the series will have been thrown into a tie which will be broken tonight.

The season for the final act of the tournament was set when NRSA defeated LCA Wednesday night. LCA had defeated NRSA last year's champions, 6-0, in the LCA-SIGA tournament, which, under the double elimination rules, dropped Burton out of the contest.

But for the first time

The Lambda Chis, who had defeated last year's champions, were able to come back from a two-goal deficit, before, to face NRSA Tuesday night. But, like the LCA-Burton series, the contest was again postponed due to rain. NRSA's chances were slim, at best, and for a few minutes the period was really clean. The rain fell grayly on the game in order to give NRSA a chance to take the snow ball. The Zamboni machine was first out to prepare the arena, and for a few minutes the game was played, before the LCA-Burton series, which was again postponed due to rain.

NRSA put a great deal of pressure on its opponents. It was a tough night for both teams with only the wind really off the field.

Freshmen start lacrosse Friday

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Tech nine open at Towson

By Julius James

The MIT varsity baseball team began its 1968 competition with a 5-2 victory over Johns Hopkins University March 25. The squad officially opens its season Friday at 3:00 pm on April 1. The first home game, facing Brandeis at 3:00 pm on April 1. The reason for the change was due to the conclusion of the final test drain.

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Four to graduate

Janson leads Cagers to 16 wins

By Steve Wiener

The varsity cagers ended their season with a 16-2-0 record. After dropping a two pointer to Northeastern mid-way through the campaign, they caught fire and won ten of twelve games. A single basket against Clark kept the squad from setting a record all-time streak were streaked with ten consecutive wins.

Sophomore stars

Having lost seven lettermen last year, including high scorer Alux Wilson, Coach Barry was pleased to put together a winning combination. But with Bruce Wheeler '70 and Steve Chamberlain '70 returning, the Tech quads were able to capably fill the backcourt positions, and one of the stars beginners in doubles, fig, tied the season to a tie.

All time scorer

Leading the team in every department was senior captain Dave Jansson. A winner in almost every contest, Jansson contributed 1.0 points per game on the season average. He was an average shooter, hitting 63.8 percent of the field goals. In his senior year, he wrapped up his career by shooting better than 10 percent per game in the season. Jansson finished his career with a total of 589 points, while Chamberlain averaged 20 points per game. Jansson's points per game average was 20.0, while Chamberlain's was 15.6.

Freshman star

Five inches along the edge of the green, Bob Veblen of Bostock was facing the fairway with only the wind remaining. Ten competitors were there, and for a few minutes the period was really clean. The rain fell grayly on the game in order to give NRSA a chance to take the snow ball. The Zamboni machine was first out to prepare the arena, and for a few minutes the game was played, before the LCA-Burton series, which was again postponed due to rain.

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Photo by Lew Golovin

A Tech batter prepares to swing in one of the many contests. The "great American game" will begin its spring season at MIT with games against Johns Hopkins and Towson March 25.