The MIT cross country squad made a strong showing against perennially powerful Boston College last Wednesday at Franklin Park. The previously undefeated Engineer runners lost the meet, and now hold a 7-1 record. Picture was taken shortly after the start. Photo by Sheldon Lovenstal

Sailors win Gr. Boston title

By Randy Young

As the fall sailing season approaches the halfway mark, the MIT men's varsity squad continues to prove itself to be on top in New England competition. Latest in the team's string of winning efforts is the Greater Boston Yachting Championships, decided in the O'bay Trophy Regatta at MIT on Monday, October 11, Tom Bergen '72, Alan Spoon '73, and Steve Cicciarino '74 combined to take the title from Tufts by a thirteen point margin. Defending champion Harvard placed third, twenty-eight points behind the leading engineer mariners.

Spoon, with Dean Kron '73 crewing, took low-point honors in B-division, while Cicciarino, sailing with Launey Thomas '74, won C-division. Bergen, with John Lacy '72 crew, placed second in Division A. Schools participating in the regatta, in order of their finish, were MIT, 49 points; Tufts 62, Harvard 77, Boston University, 79, Boston State 112, Northeastern 116, and Boston College 123.

On Saturday, October 9, MIT's representatives to a coed regatta at Boston University compiled an impressive record of nine first places and one second place in the ten races, as they easily triumphed over the five school fleet. Stanley Bernstein '74 and Larry Basow '73 co-skipped one MIT boat, while Lynn Royall '72 and Walter Frank '74 sailed the other. Competing in the event were MIT 11 points, Tufts, 22, Boston University, 32, Harvard, 39, and Colby 62.

Rounding the weekend's action was a freshman invitational at MIT, in which the Tech from placed second. Rob Parker and Chuck Tucker co-skipped in B-division, taking low-point laurels, while Scott McKenzie and David Aldrich sailed in Division A. Brown University, eventual winner of the event, and MIT led the remainder of the field by a wide margin. The results were Brown 18 points, MIT 23, Harvard 51, Holy Cross 54, Tufts 58, Coast Guard Academy 60, Uxie of Rhode Island 60, Boston Univ. 80, Merrimack 92, Amherst 95.

SPORTS

Baseball team finishes unbeaten fall campaign

The word is out: this is going to be the year for the MIT baseball team. Coach Fran O'Brien's team climaxed an unbeaten fall season last Monday, with a thrilling come-from-behind victory against North Shore Community College. All three teams, 6-0, in the tie re-scheduled game which was called off account of darkness.

The Techmen opened the season with a 6-1 victory over an improved Mass. Bay team. Of- fensively, the game was highlighted by the 2 for 4 hitting of Rowlan '73, and 4 forve Cucchiaro '74 and 4 RBI's, and a 2 for 4 performance from Rich Charpie who also collected an RBI. The pitching was consistently strong, the only run coming in a mixup during a rundown. The second game of the season saw MIT defeat Boston University 6-2. Pitcher Chuck Holcomb was the starring star when he drove in 2 runs which was the only run scored in that game.

The pitching staff was superb, allowing just one hit. The third game was the defending masterpiece of the season, as Al Djafz-Henry combatted with no-hit powerful Boston College. Yes, MIT, not only beat them, but with a feat that has not been accomplished in as long as anyone can remember, but beat them on a no-hitter. The final score was 2-0, with both runs coming in the third inning on an error and three back-to-back singles. Following BC the Beavers travelled to North Shore Community College, where they scrambled for a 4-4 tie after nine innings. However, the twelve players were able to make the trip and the shortness of personnel forced the creation of an unusual starting nine including a centerfielder at second base, a catcher at first base, and pitchers in the outfield. To add to the confusion Al Djafz-Henry was ejected from the ball game in the third inning for no apparent reason. The offensive team was led by Bill Dallman who had a double and a triple, and Kevin Rowland who went 3 for 4. The pinch work defense performed well as the North Shore attack centered around wild pitches, junk, balls, bad hops, and questionable decisions by the umpire. After a rainout against BU, MIT defeated BC again by a score of 5-3, as the victorious punch was distributed throughout the lineup and the defense was a solid team effort. Finally, on Monday the Techmen scored five runs in the last 2 innings to defeat North Shore 6-5. Rich Roy went the distance to win the game which was called off account of darkness.

As Coach Fran O'Brien's Techmen pointed toward a successful season for the Greater Boston League title, they hope only one thing will be different from the previous year: a good team can be great with the right kind of fans. Come out to support the Techmen when they come back - it's exciting and it's free.

Jock Shorts

Cross Country

The Sports Staff announces the insauspicious debut of The Foot - Cross Country Team, which will demonstrate its prowess and prowess at the IM cross-country meet on Sunday.

The attitude around the boathouse is: "This is the year of the heavyweights." According to colorful freight heavies coach Don Sarel. Sarelly, the heavyweights experienced a slump in their performance during the last few years. Beginning with the freshems heavyweights last year, their performance has improved remarkably. This year, both heavyweight squads will be

Basketball

The varsity basketball team will begin workouts today. The big question for the hoops team this season is who will be the guards to replace Bruce Wheelan and Gary Lowe, both lost through graduation support. A good team can be great with the right kind of fans. Come out to support the Techmen when they come back - it's exciting and it's free.

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