Lacrosse edged 7-6 in OT

By Glenn Brownstein

Although Saturday afternoon's 13th varsity lacrosse game will go into the record as MIT's 27th consecutive varsity lacrosse defeat, MIT fans can take away from the fact that MIT fought Springfield down to and actually past the wire, losing a 7-6 heartbreaker to the Indians in overtime.

The Engineers came from behind three times to tie the game, including a three-goal burst in the final eleven minutes of regulation time to make up a 6-3 deficit.

Springfield struck first with two quick goals at 7:02 and 7:21 of the first period, the only score of the first half. The Engineers got two goals early in the third period to tie the score at 2-2.

Following a Springfield tiebreaker less than a minute later, co-captain George Braun '75 fed attackman Jim Cook '75 in front of the net for the tying score at 8:46.

However, Indian scores at 12:03 of the third period and 0.11 and 2:50 of the fourth quarter put the game out of reach for the Engineers, who have had problems in the second half of the season, while Bye provided some stability for the troubled MIT defense.

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Jim Cook filled in for regular attackman Bob Cannon '75 quite well, scoring two goals and assisting on another. As the Engineers lose one attackman (John Routon '75) to graduation, Cook may be the man to fill the gap.

Co-captains Braun and Rick Bye '75, have both put in fine efforts this year. Braun controlling the offense all year and scoring 20 of MIT's 39 goals this season, while Bye provided some stability for the troubled MIT defense.

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window one again. Yet if Saturday's game was any indication of what lies in the future for the Engineers, things should be quite bright next year both for the ending of the losing streak and for MIT lacrosse as a whole.