Cagers stun Suffolk, 70-69
By Glen Brownstein
Sophomore John Wozniak hit two high-pressure free throws with 2.6 seconds left to give the MIT men's basketball team a 70-69 win over the Rams Wednesday night at Rockwell Cage.

It was "Alumni Winter Sports Night" at MIT, and a crowd of 600, largest of the season, witnessed a see-saw battle not decided until Suffolk's Bob Mello missed a 15-footer at the buzzer that would have given the visitors the win.

Rick Van Etten '78 led the Beavers with 18 points, but MIT's star was senior guard Peter Maimonis, who scored 14 points, added six assists, and stopped the Beavers with nine rebounds. Ironically, it was a missed free throw by Maimonis, the team's leading free throw shooter, that gave Suffolk one last opportunity to win the game at the end.

Suffolk captain Chris Tococi poured in 18 points, but the visitors were outrebounded 14-9 in the game. Little's 14 rebouds were high in the game; Tococi's total was not as effective as he had been last year in a 12-point, 20-rebound performance.

How did an unranked 7-10 team from MIT knock off the 1-5, third-ranked Rams? There's a one-word answer: defense. Beaver Coach Fran O'Brien has keyed the team's potential success on defense, on keeping the other team from doing what it wants to do. Suffolk, a 20-point field goal shooting team, was able to hit just 39 percent of its shots Wednesday night.

Defense. It kept MIT in the game, forced the Rams turnovers in the final five minutes.

With 5:41 remaining in the game, Suffolk's Steve Forlizzi hit a short jumper to give the Rams a 65-60 lead. That was to be Suffolk's last field goal of the game. The teams traded baskets, Maimonis hitting a 15-foot jumper and Suffolk's Chris Tococi swishing two free throws to make it 67-62 with 4:45 left. Following a couple of turn-overs, John Cavolowsky '77 was fouled by Little and sank both free throw attempts. After a forced a Suffolk turnover, Little hit Van Etten in the backcourt and he converted two more foul shots. One turnover and one shot later, MIT had the ball again. It was Cavolowsky who fished it off from Maimonis for a lay-up and a 68-67 lead with 1:51 showing on the clock.

Defense. On its next two possessions, Suffolk had no less than four shots at the basket to retake the lead. None of them went in, and when Ryan's 20-footer bounced off the rim, Cavolowsky leaped high for the rebound and passed it to Wozniak, who was fouled immediately by Ryan. Suffolk called a timeout before end of Suffolk's free throw attempt to try and rattle his concentration, but Woz was equal to the task and swished them both.

Bob Mello, fouled by Maimonis with 14 seconds left, hit both foul shots to pull the Rams within one, and Maimonis, fouled in desperation, missed a charity toss with 11 seconds remaining to keep Suffolk one last chance.

Guard Steve Rutkik, brought in on the balance of the ball, passed it to Mello, who fed it to Little in the corner. Little's 20-foot pump was off, but Mello grabbed the rebound and forced a 15-foot heave at the buzzer that was wide, preserving the upset.

The Beavers, still clinging to hopes of a winning season, beat a talented Bates team in the final home game of the season tomorrow night. Tip-off time is 8:15.

John Cavolowsky '77 goes up for a shot in the varsity basketball team's upset victory over Suffolk Wednesday. The Beavers edged the Rams 70-69.

Gymnasts tumble rivals
By Tom Curtis
Winning all six events, the women's gymnastics team lifted its first victory of the season Saturday with a 132.25-118.25 victory over the University of Vermont. The day's finest exercise, however, was Sears' 8.3 on the vault, junior Larry Yablons' 8.05 on the rings, and junior John Tracey's 7.6 in floor exercise.

Tomorrow, the gymnasts take Central Connecticut at 2:00 pm in the last home meet of the season.

In a tri-meet Saturday, the women's gymnastics team scored its second victory of the season, topping Mount Holyoke 90.0-85.3. Northeastern was first in the meet with 93.3 points.

The team's best events were the vault and the beam in which Helen Miyasaki '78, Jean Hughton '77, and Elaine Sear's '79 all turned in excellent performances.

The day's finest exercise, however, was Sears' 8.3 on the uneven parallel bars. This score brought her number one in ton initiation to the Eastern Championships. A score of at least 8.0 is either of the team's remaining meets will guarantee Sears a berth in the tournament.

The next meet is tomorrow against the University of Maine (Orono) at Salem. The season ends Wednesday with a meet at the University of New Hampshire.

Wednesday, the rifle team topped Harvard 105-93 in the pool. Senior Dave Muller, Glenn Grasham, and Jesse Vil- lagran led the team with scores of 265, 265, and 263 respectively. The marksmen have a perfect 440 in the Greater Boston League.

The men's varsity fencing team shot 21-6 in a home meet Wednesday night. The Blue and white sabre squads all posted wins with six, seven, and eight victories respectively.

Tomorrow, the fencers host Stevens Tech at 10:00 am. The varsity squash team succumbed to Harvard 9-2 Tuesday night. The Beavers were clearly overmatched against the Crimson who are rated as the best team in the country. Tomorrow the team hosts Wesleyan at 7:00 pm.

The varsity wrestling team was overwhelmed by Springfield Col- lege 36-4 Wednesday night.

The home victory for MIT was senior co-captain Werner Haag's decision in the 143-pound division. Last Saturday, the team's fortunes were better as they stopped Boston State 25-11. Haag also won a decision in that meet.

The team ends its regular season with a 5-1 record.

After winning its first four meets of the season, the javelin team was stopped by Army. The team was handcapped by the absence of two regular throwers.

The next meet is Saturday at Navy. The squad will return home Saturday, Feb. 26, for meets against Air Force and Villanova.

The women's basketball team topped Wellesley 13-26 Tuesday night for its third victory of the season. The team's next outing is tomorrow night at 6:00 pm in Rockwell Cage against Bates.

The hockey club fell to Nichols 6-1 Wednesday night at Briggs Arena. Dave Damery '80 assisted by Lou Odetke G and Rick Bryant '79, around the Beavers' only goal. Goalie Paul Eaton G had 27 saves for MIT. The team's record is now 16-5-1.

Sports
Women's swimming whips by Wellesley
By Wendy Irving
Last Wednesday the women's swim team defeated Wellesley College by the score of 84-37, bringing its season record to 4-3. MIT won all of the 15 events, never giving Wellesley a chance to score. The 200-yard medley relay team of Beth Marcus '79, Stella Kang '79, Mary Whelan '79, and Carol Brown '78 led off an opening match-winning streak with a time of 2:17.17. Then Fabrices were the 200-yard freestyle (2:17.7); Korenke won the 100-yard individual medley (1:07.07); and Carol Brown '78 was also100-yard backstroke (1:07.17); and Korenke followed with the 100-yard breaststroke (1:36.6).

First place finishers for MIT were Fabrices in the 50-yard butterfly (0:26.04), Joan Hooper '78 in the one-and-three- minute diving, Wendy Irving '77 in the 500-yard freestyle (6:31.18), Korenke in the 100-yard breast-stroke (1:04.4), and the 200- yard freestyle relay team of Marcus, Irving, Kangas and Bel (2:18.4).

Competing in the MWIA meet Saturday, the women medaled fifth in a field of seven teams. BC and BLU were the top contenders as usual. The surprise of the day came when MIT's Sheli Konecke captured first place in the 500-yard breast-stroke event, in clearly the fastest time of the day. The lead see-sawed back and forth between Korenke and a BC swimmer until Korenke pulled the race out in the last 25 yards.