Water polo much improved

By Gordon Half

Last Friday, MIT's varsity water polo team squandered Brown University. Last year's New England Champions, although MIT was outsprinted throughout most of the early quarter practice. Coach John Benedek was upbeat about his team's performance, however. "It is the best we've ever shown. One of the key things is that MIT's defense never played with the men's worse than at times. MIT's three games were played well, however, when the first three were rather expected. MIT even out

scored Brown during one of the late quarters.

On his behalf of the team and on what he has seen in practice, Coach Benedek is enthusiastic about the prospects for the current year. Although he conceded that there were "too few signs of lack of experience" and that "there is still work to do on aggressiveness and the fundamentals," he is pleased with his squad.

Most of the players from last year's team are returning this year, and in addition there are several promising freshmen, notably John Weimer. Even the Brown coach was impressed by the 1977-78 team. He remarked that they had "improved a lot" and were "very aggressive." If Hart Friday's scrimmage is any indication this coming season looks like a good one for the water polo team.

Both the "A" and "B" squads open their seasons on Wednesday against Boston College, one of the perennial rivals of MIT water polo. Games against BC are usually exciting contests. Particularly with this year's team, Wednesday should be no exception.

Sports

Could you spare $4.4 mil.?

If not, write some alumni

By Tom Curfey

Soon the intramural season will begin and hundreds of teams will compete for league titles. However, the number of games per team will be limited in many sports because of inadequate facilities.

This underscores the need for new sports facilities at MIT. With the intramural participation increasing each year, it is imperative that construction begin soon.

"The dollars can have an effect, if only a limited one. Perhaps someone could organize a letter drive asking alumni for contributions. Maybe a special plea for monies at Alumni Sports Night would help.

"One thing is clear: the athletic program is in need of expansion. We want to offer more sport facilities, and this is imperative to the needs of the students."

The Bus

Our first week of operation was quite successful. Over 400 of you took advantage of the service and we learned a lot about how to run it better. Next week buses will run every 7-8 minutes starting at 9am, the last bus will leave Stop & Shop at 5pm sharp. The lines at the cash register get quite long by mid-afternoon; if you want to avoid waiting plan to come earlier in the day.

Tickets are for sale at dorm desks all week long and in Lobby by 10 Wednesday to Friday. Tickets are 50¢ roundtrip, and remember that if you use the service now, we will still be around when the snow comes. We always appreciate your comments; compliments should be directed to your Dorm representative, they provide the front money to make this service possible.

See you Saturday, and bring a friend.