MIT Swimming defeats Amherst

By Gregg Stave

Ten school records, five each by the Men’s Swim Team (8-1) and Women’s Team (6-1), were set this past Saturday as MIT overpowered Amherst 74-27 and 80-51 respectively in a double meet to cap off a season of over one hundred at the Alummi Pool.

With the aid of several inspired performances, the men’s team avenged three years of losses to Amherst. In their first event, the 400 yard medley relay team of John Dieken ’80 (backstroke), Dave Erickson ’82 (butterfly) and Mark Hunstuzinger ’81 (freestyle) set a new MIT mark of 3:45.3, thus winning the race easily. Bill Dawson ’82 stayed right up with Bruce Bain of Amherst for the first 300 yards of the 1000 yard freestyle event before surging ahead to a winning time of 10:31.8. The score became twenty to five when Erickson and Dieken placed one-two in the 200 yard individual medley.

Hunstuzinger in the 200 yard backstroke (206.1). At the conclusion of the meet the 400 yard freestyle relay team of Dieken, Hunstuzinger, Greg Flore ’79 and Erickson set still another record by finishing in 3:18.2. The women’s team was equally impressive against Amherst, demonstrating that this year’s squad is unquestionably the strongest since the team was granted varsity status three years ago. Karen Klineczewicz ’81 set a new MIT record every time she stepped up to the starting block. Klineczewicz won the 500 yard freestyle in 5:23.8, the 100 yard butterfly in 1:03.3, and the 200 yard freestyle in 2:02.1. She was also a member of the record-setting 300 yard freestyle relay team along with Karen Fabricius ’80, Mary Krall ’80 and Judy Snodgrass ’81. This relay clocked in at 1:49.0. Previously, Klineczewicz had qualified for the Nationals in the individual 50 fly.

Hat trick not enough to give Hockey victory

By Lou Odette

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Rejean Meisner ’81 scored three goals for the MIT Varsity Hockey team Saturday night, leading the MIT offense out of a seven-long scoring slump, but it was in vain as the Engineers lost to Assumption 8-6. It was the second time in less than a week that a final minute empty net goal by the opposition ended a MIT comeback.

Assumption skated to an early 3-0 lead before Meisner could put MIT on the board. The Engineers closed the gap to one in the second period on the strength of pre-checking that kept Assumption largely bottled up in its own end.

In what was apparently an attempt to psyche out the Engineers, Assumption announced that they wouldn’t play a third period, citing the bitter cold and biting wind. MIT responded with a sustained display of enthusiasm and enough noise to force a resumption of play.

MIT came out flying. By midway through the third period the game was tied at five and the Engineers looked strong enough to win. A goal by Assumption was countered by one from Rick Bajani ’79 and with two minutes to go, the game was headed for overtime, but a gaudiering error provided the margin of defeat, as MIT’s record slid to 8-6.

Earlier in the week MIT lost to Gordon, 3-1, and Curry, 5-1. MIT’s goals in both games were provided by Frank Scarrino G. This week MIT meets Nichols on Wednesday and plays their last home game of the season Friday against Clark.

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