Football closes with 24-10 loss to Providence College

By Martin Dickau

Eighty-two yards rushing by Don Curran '85 and an eighty-yard kickoff return by Vincent Martinelli '85 were not enough for the football club as it dropped a 24-10 decision to the Friars of Providence College in the final game of the season. MIT finishes the year with a 2-6 record in seventh place in the New England Collegiate Club Football Conference, in which the Engineers competed for the first time this year.

A thirty-seven yard field goal by Willy Schwartz '82 gave MIT a first quarter lead of 3-0. A safety scored when Martinelli was tackled in the end zone made the score 5-0 at the half. Martinelli's kickoff return opened the half for MIT, making the score 10-0 with only nine seconds gone in the second quarter. From then on it was all Providence, who scored three times to put the game out of reach while the defense managed to shut down the Engineers' offense. The Engineers have been victims of their own mistakes all season long. Saturday's game was no exception. Two pass interference calls and a fumble helped fuel the Friars' scoring drives. The visitors were also helped along by a very questionable call on a pass which the receiver dropped. The pass was ruled complete, giving Providence the half deep in MIT territory, and an eventual touchdown.

The football club is now looking ahead to next year. Because of the young age of the team, many players should be returning and giving coach Dwight Smith a strong nucleus to build around.

Champagne sollen take IM football

By Eric R. Fleming

The 83's and ChemE took IM football champions after action this past weekend. Chemical Engineering (Chem E) lost to defeat the Sloan Dogs 32-25 to win the B-League title. Saturday's score was 13-12, with Don E. taking an early 13-0 lead. On Sunday, the Friars in the finals had scored a 6-0 shutout. Saturday's game determined which of two teams (Sloan, Chem E., and Theta Chi) would complete the semifinal matchups. Alpha Epsilon Pi (AEP) and Theta Chi had already earned spots in the final round. Chem E., eliminated AEP, while Sloan decided Sigma Chi to set up the final.

The lone score in the B-Leage took place in the first half, giving Chem E.'s block of a Sloan punt. Neither team could put the ball in the end zone in the last half, as both teams traded interceptions, the last squelching a Sloan drive with less than two minutes to go.

The A-League final saw the 83's complete an undefeated, unscored-upon season by blanking Lambda Chi Alpha (LCA), 13-0. The 83's, composed of residents of MacGregor and Chocolate City, were never really threatened, bottling up the LCA attack while scoring in the last two minutes of both halves. Two other touchdowns were called back because of penalties. A pass from Nkere Udofia to Cedric Jones set up the 83's first score (a Fred Allen run around left end). Udofia was the workhorse in the second touchdown drive, making two big runs in a six-play drive, and throwing to Jones for the score. The contest was a very physical one, and several times topics on both sides threatened to get out of control.

IM Soccer — In the A-League championships held Sunday on Briggs Field, the Greeks defeated Club Latino for the Independent title, 2-0, and first captured its second consecutive living group crown by holding off a late Baker House charge to win 1-0. The Greeks scored the only goal in the first half. The appearance in the finals was Baker's first after a number of years in the playoffs.

Cross Country — Led by junior Paul Newsom, the harriers captured a strong seventh place in the New England Championships at Franklin Park Saturday, news, who hailed from nearby Brockton, took 14th place with a time of 24:25 over five miles to gain all New England honors. Others in top fifteen for MIT included Bob Walensky '84 (24:45, 26th), and Jeff Lucas '82 (24:47, 29th).

Pistol — The Engineers' strong pistol squad won a tri-match with Ohio State and New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT) here Saturday. Led by Joe Mayes's 763 points, MIT captured first place with 3064 points, while NJIT had 3081 and OSU gained 2366.