Wrestling opens its season tonight

The wrestling team will open its 1984-85 season tonight at Plymouth State College. This year’s squad will be captained by Tim Skelton ’85 and Steve Linda ’86. Fifth-year head coach Tim Walsh will be joined by former MIT All-Americans Ed Hansby ’74, who will be Walsh's assistant.

MIT athletics adds soccer for women

The MIT Athletic Department will include women’s soccer as a varsity sport beginning next September, according to MIT Athletic Director Royce N. Flippin, Jr. Women’s soccer has been available at the club level for the past four years.

The Athletic Department has already begun looking for a part-time coach for the new team. This newest addition to the varsity ranks brings the number of intercollegiate varsity sports sponsored by MIT to 33. There are currently 12 women’s teams—basketball, crew, cross country, field hockey, gymnastics, sailing, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, and volleyball.

MIT also fields 21 varsity teams which are either coed or all male—baseball, basketball, heavy-weight crew, lightweight crew, cross country, fencing, field hockey, gymnastics, sailing, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, and volleyball.

Sailors place 9th in championships

The varsity sailing team compiled its highest successful season with a ninth-place finish among the 16 teams competing in the Atlantic Coast Championships at Old Dominion in Norfolk, Va. The MIT effort was led by skipper Peter Quigley ’85 and crew Louise Sedlacek ’87. The pair captured sixth place in the “A” division.

MIT captain Steve Paradis ’85 skippered the “B” division entry. Paradis and his crew, Linda Maxwell ’85, finished 12th.

Women’s bball begins tonight

The women’s basketball team kicks off the 1984-85 season with the Western Connecticut State University Tip-Off Tournament. The Engineers will take on New York University in the competition’s opening round Friday night.

Women’s xc country finishes season

The women’s cross country team ended its 1984 season with a fifth-place showing in the NCAA Women’s Cross Country Championships at Boston’s Franklin Park Saturday. The Engineers did not place high enough to qualify for any further post-season competition.

Martin Dickas

Jenny Smith ’86 (#10) blocks a spike by a Northeastern player during Sunday’s volleyball match.

Volleyball to host NCAA tournament

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MIT also defeated Northeastern in three matches. The Engineers’ only losses came at the hands of the University of Toronto team which swept both matches the teams played.

In reflecting upon the season, Altman pointed to the Chicago tournament as the turning point in the season. "At the Chicago tournament we started playing really aggressively," Altman explained.

One reason the squad has fared as well this season is the ease with which players have been able to adapt to new positions. Janeite Kauth ’85 has adjusted to hitting on the strong side, a new position for her. The team has relied upon her as a kill hitter, and Altman has been pleased with her performance.

Altman has had her team work on shifting the block to the line this week in practice. The shift is designed to force the opposition to hit the ball cross court. Altman hopes this will make her team less vulnerable to the fast offense used by the volleyball powers MIT will be meeting in the tournament.

MIT’s first test will come tomorrow. The match against Eastern Connecticut State University will begin at 1 pm in the duPont Athletic Center. NCAA rules require a $2 admission to the match.

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