MIT hockey loses to Jumbos, 7-5

By Peter Dunn

Last week it appeared that the MIT hockey could do no wrong, and that it would almost certainly take the championship trophy at the Ben Martin Hockey Tournament. The Beavers, however, failed to deliver on these expectations as they lost 9-5 to the Tufts Jumbos in an exciting championship game last Wednesday.

The game began promisingly enough. The crowd at the MIT Athletic Center was huge, filling the entire stands, although a large (and vocal) part of the audience was comprised of Tufts supporters who had come for the game. The beginning of the first period seemed to indicate a blowout for the Beavers as they quickly put two goals in the net, coming from Marshall Jackson '87 and from Rick Russell G. These two goals in the first three minutes of play got the crowd excited, and they clamored for more.

The period was hard hitting and very fast paced, and the Beavers managed to keep pace with the faster skating Jumbos. The MIT checking deep in the Tufts zone seemed to intimidate the Jumbos, while at the other end of the rink goalseeker Peter Gasparini '88 made several good saves to keep the crowd in control of the game. Tufts began putting all the shots on net while MIT could not respond. The Beavers were having their paces intercepted as they came out of their own zone, and the Jumbos were dumping the puck back into the MIT zone, relying on their faster forwards to beat the Beavers to the puck. This strategy seemed to work well and Tufts put in a second goal at the 13:09 mark when a Jumbo forward beat the MIT defense and put the puck in from a difficult angle.

The period ended a 2-2 tie with the momentum in Tufts's favor. However, MIT is known for breaking a game wide open after opening with only a slim lead in the first period, so the crowd was not totally displeased. The Beavers needed only to begin the second period well to turn the game in their favor.

As with other second periods in other games before, a large part of the crowd began spelling the name of Plan G during warmups. Kaplan (Please turn to page 21)

Jason Kipnis '87 does an L-seat on the parallel bars last Saturday.

Men's gymnastics wins tri-meet

By Eric M. Reifschneider

The MIT men's gymnastics team kept its undefeated record intact Saturday with a victory over the University of Vermont and Coast Guard in Dupont Gymnasium. The dual meet was MIT 194.7, Vermont 187.55, and the best scores were a 6.45 by Reifschneider '94 on floor and 9.0 on parallel bars. Vermont's performance was weakened by losing co-captain Matt Kaplan '87 during warmups.

The meet was MIT's first real challenge of the season after easy wins over Dartmouth and Yale, and as Hirano dismounted by a solid double back flip and a straddle one and one quarter front flip, and Malonson did a front flip immediate front flip for 7.1.

MIT turned the meet around by outscoring Vermont by more than six points on pommel horse. The best scores were a 6.65 by Alan Nash '89 and a career-high 7.2 by Hirano. Nash performed exciting four circles in his routine, and Hirano dismounted by pressing through a handstand.

MIT never relinquished this lead as several gymnasts hit their routines in the chest. Hirano scored 8.75 on rings, 8.35 on parallel bars and a meet-high 9.0 for his piked Tsukahara vault. (Please turn to page 21)

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