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Hopes were high for this year’s soccer team as it was reviewed before the season began. Led by co-captains Mal Cook and Tom Morris, and returning lettermen Brian Barefoot, Chad Giroux, Charlie Cutler, Fred Heap, Ron Weiner, and Gary Reynolds, the team was looking forward to a successful year. They had a new head coach in Harry Murphy, who himself was a professional star of note.

Several outstanding freshmen showed up and spirit rose. However, several key injuries limited the manpower of the Beavers and they were forced to play with the bare minimum on several occasions. Moise Elga was easily the outstanding player for the booters as he led the team in scoring from his center forward post and was named outstanding player on the squad. John Fazio, Bob Fiestal and Bob Stevenson were other outstanding newcomers.

The team defeated Assumption 4-1 and tied Brandeis 2-2 in two outstanding performances. The highlight of the season came on homecoming weekend as the Beavers held a powerful Clark University eleven to a scoreless tie. Led by the outstanding goalkeeping of Brian Barefoot the team demonstrated it had the ability when all hands were healthy. They dropped close games to Boston University and Bates College that could have been won with a little luck.

The play of the co-captains Cook and Morris was outstanding throughout the season and they are to be complimented. The outlook for next season is very bright with the entire front line returning and the defense being led by co-captains elect Ron Weiner and Brian Barefoot. This past season must be considered successful under the adverse conditions in which they played.