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Yeowomen victorious over Gryphons in volleyball

By Greg Saville

The slow style of the Guelph Gryphons wasn't enough to hold back York Yeowomen, ranked fourth nationally, in volleyball action at the Tait McKenzie on Tuesday. York prevailed in all three matches; 15-9, 15-10 and 15-7.

Guelph was the team that narrowly defeated York last year at the OWIAA pre-finals, but they couldn't match the Yeowomen's collective effort and the skills of what one spectator was overheard calling the "dangerous two" - Fiona MacGregor and Sandy Hart.

The first match showed keen spirit on both teams, but with York into an early lead, Yeowomen's faster pace proved too much for Guelph.

Regaining their composure, Guelph burst into a narrow lead by drawing out the game with what York coach, Frances Flint, called their "slowed style of play." On some excellent plays by MacGregor and Hart, who, according to Flint, played a bad game, Yeowomen managed to defend against the aggressive Gryphons and tied the game at five apiece. The York squad once again were caught off guard at nine apiece by the persevering Gryphons. A collective

York effort, showing a well-trained team, regained their momentum and they downed Guelph by five points turning a near disaster into a victory.

In the third match, York's opponents found that the Yeowomen capitalized on almost every opportunity made available to them.

The Yeowomen have really only Waterloo and Western to contend with at the OWIAA championships at York on February 23rd and 24th. They then proceed to the national championships in Hamilton, March 2nd and 3rd.



Yeowomen captain Linda Berry finds it difficult to get by Guelph defenders. However, York defeated Guelph, 3-0.

Gryphons shutout by Yeowomen while Yeomen upset arch-rival Blues

By Randy Noble

Captain Linda Berry, utilizing her natural scoring ability and excellent skating, paced the York Yeowomen to a 3-0 victory over the Guelph Gryphons Tuesday night.

The game was one of the most exciting of the season, featuring fast end to end action along with good defensive play.

In the first period, both teams had several good chances to score, but neither team could capitalize.

Early in the second period, Carol Trewin of York deked her way around the Guelph defence and was robbed by Guelph goalie, Chris Wooley. In the middle of the period, Berry tipped in a slapshot from Trewin to make the score 1-0.

Guelph applied pressure around the York goal shortly after Berry's goal, but Debbie Phonix made a spectacular save on a point blank shot by Alice Vanderley.

In men's hockey, Yeomen upset number two ranked University of

Toronto Blues 7-4 also at the Ice Palace. Al Sinclair and Alf Beasley scored two goals each for York with Wally Stankov, Paul Johnson and Jim Duinnan netting singles.

The win gives York a record of three wins and two ties in nine games.

Yeowomen's next game is tonight against the University of Toronto at Varsity Arena and the Yeomen travel to Sudbury to play Laurentian Saturday.

York swimmer advances to finals

By May Lau

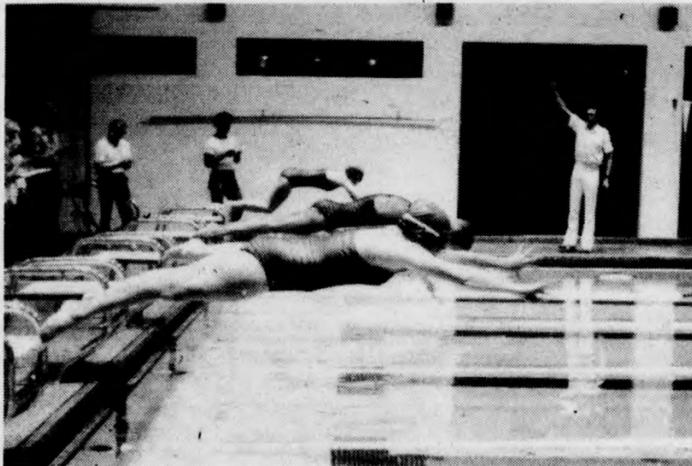
Hamilton - Jane Thacker became the third swimmer from York to qualify for the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union Championships to be held this March in Montreal.

Thacker, who had been swimming well all season, easily won all of her individual events - the 100m, 200m breaststroke and the 200m individual medley last Friday. Despite having just returned from a tough training camp, Thacker's times were excellent - 1:21.7 for the 100m breaststroke, 2:57.2 for the 200m breaststroke and 2:42.1 for the 200m individual medley. All year Thacker had a knee problem, which affected her breaststroke and most ironically, last Friday, it was in both of the breaststroke events that she qualified. The Yeowomen's coach, Carol Gluppe, felt that Thacker's performance was sensational, "especially when Jane had to keep breaststroke out of most of her workouts to bring down her knee problem to a minimum." Other fine swims were by Anne Querengesser, in the 100m and 200m freestyle, and by Liz MacGregor, in the 400m and 800m freestyle. Both returned personal best times.

Although the others did not do as well, coach Gluppe was not disappointed. "Most of the girls had just returned from the hard training camp we had down in Florida and I did not rest them for this meet," said Gluppe. "So, I certainly was not looking for top performances."

Similar views were expressed by the Yeomen's swim coach, Gary MacDonald. "Our 1 1/2-week training camp was a heavy one. We swam twice a day and distances covered were between 800m to 10,000m, twice the amount we normally do here," said coach MacDonald. "Those who were down at the camp are in good shape; they need more sprint work now to bring out their speed." Disappointments for coach MacDonald during the meet were when John Bevan, in the 50m freestyle, and Martin Tiidus, in the 100m and 200m breaststroke which he won comfortably. Both missed qualifying for the CIAU Championships narrowly.

On the whole, the Yeomen swam as well as could be expected. The other individual double winner at the meet was Mark Erwin. Erwin swam superbly to easy victories in the 100m and 200m freestyle. Other pleasing swims were by Marc Nadeau in the 50m and 100m freestyle. "Marc returned personal best times for these two events this season so far," said coach MacDonald. "My hope now is for Marc to qualify for the CIAU's by the Ontario's." The last event of the day, the 400m freestyle relay, was another winner for the Yeomen. However, the team, comprised of Bevan, Tiidus, Nadeau and Erwin, had to swim hard for victory.



Swimmers competing in York's Swim Meet at the Tait McKenzie Building last weekend, prepare to hit the water. McMaster won both men and women competition.

Randy Bregman

York spears rival to win tourney

York University defeated University of Windsor and Ontario Universities Athletic Association sabre champion Ron Taggart en route to a 10-0 record and top honors in sabre competition at York University's Men's Fencing Invitational tournament last weekend at the Tait McKenzie Building.

University of Guelph and McMaster University finished third and fourth respectively.

Ten Ontario universities and colleges competed in the tournament, including Ryerson, Waterloo and the University of Western Ontario Mustangs.

The round-robin tournament, which leads to the OUAA finals-slated for Feb. 10 in Ottawa,

featured competition with two weapons.

In foil competition, the University of Toronto A squad managed to hold off a strong charge by the Royal Military College to finish first. U of T's B team took third place and Queen's finished fourth.

York coach Richard Polatynski says he wants to help change the public image of fencing. "We need these tournaments to combat what I call the Errol Flynn Syndrome among spectators," Polatynski said. "A lot of people who see fencing for the first time are disappointed because they confuse Hollywood swash-buckling with what is really a lightning-fast and highly intricate sport."

Annual swim meet to be held Tait McKenzie

The ninth annual York University Invitational Women's Gymnastics Meet will be held Saturday at the Tait McKenzie Building.

Seven Ontario universities are expected to participate in the annual event.

York Yeowomen have been working extra hard for this meet, practicing six days a week, three hours a day, with the aim of regaining their seventh championship title. York lost their title to McMaster Marauders last year.

York coach Natasa Bajin feels it will be a difficult task since this year's team is new and relatively inexperienced at the inter-university level of competition.

Assisting with the coaching duties are Tamara Bompia, who helps with the choreography of their routines and Steve McClean, a York graduate and a former Canadian champion of intercollegiate gymnastics who assist the girls with their tumbling skills.

"The calibre has increased a great deal since I've been involved in inter-university gymnastics," Bajin commented. "Of course, this is due to better programmes and coaching in high schools and clubs."

The meet, which begins at 11 a.m., will feature York's Cathy Corns, an international competitor for Canada.

Yeomen lose to Voyageurs

In their first competitions of the New Year, York's volleyball Yeomen lost in a tough final match in the fourth annual Voyageur Invitational volleyball tournament last weekend.

In preliminary round-robin action Friday night, York lost to the ninth-ranked Laurentian Voyageurs 10-15, 15-9, 12-15, 15-9, 7-15. The team looked ragged at times and seemed to be unsettled in the deciding fifth game.

York regrouped for their Saturday afternoon match against the University of Guelph Gryphons. After losing the first game 11-15, came back to win the next three games 15-10, 15-9, 15-7.

The final against Laurentian was typical of most York-Laurentian match ups - well executed plays with lots of emotions on both sides of the net. York came out soundly, executing their attack extremely well to build up a 10-0 lead then coasted to a 15-7 victory. York coach Wally Dyba conceded it was a tough match.

"Up to the time the score was tied 11-11, it was hard to even buy a point and I felt that someone was going to crack. Unfortunately, it was us," Dyba said.

Laurentian won the second-game 2-15 and went on to win the next two 2-15, 7-15.

Although the scores of the third and fourth game make it seem as if the rest of the match was a runaway, it wasn't. It took just under two hours to complete the match. "It was the length of the match and not necessarily the final score which indicated the quality of the match," Dyba said.

As a highlight to the tournament, middle blocker Larry Simpson was chosen as the tournament's most valuable player.

"No one was more surprised than me," said the York student. "I guess I must have played well."

York is currently in second place in the Ontario Universities Athletic Association East Division standings, behind Queen's and followed closely by Toronto and Laurentian.

Intercollege

Scoreboard

Men's Basketball

Osgoode 1	1 0 3 (One tie)
Stong	1 0 3 (one tie)
Alumni	1 0 2
Bethune	1 1 2
Calumet	1 1 2
Founders 1	1 0 2
McLaughlin	1 1 2
Founders 2	0 1 0
Osgoode 2	0 2 0
Vanier	0 1 0

Upcoming Games; Thursday, January 18, Founders vs Founders, Vanier vs. Alumni, Calumet vs. Osgoode 1, Osgoode 2 vs. Stong, Bethune vs. McLaughlin.

Women's Basketball

	W	L	Pts
McLaughlin	5	0	10
Stong	4	1	8
Bethune	3	1	6
Calumet	2	2	4
Founders	2	3	4
Osgoode 1	2	2	4
Vanier	2	4	4
Osgoode 2	0	3	0
Winters	0	4	0

Womens Ice Hockey

	W	L	Pts
Winters	4	0	8
Osgoode	3	0	6
Stong	3	0	6
Bethune	2	3	4
Vanier	1	4	2
McLaughlin	0	5	0