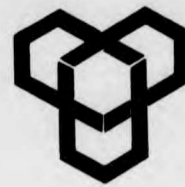




SPORTS



Yeomen sweep RMC, Laurentian



Clive Cohen

TAKING IT IN STRIDE: After a less than glorious trip to Quebec last weekend, the Yeomen returned to the Ice Palace to play Laurentian on Friday and RMC Saturday. York won both games. Here Yeoman Dave Noseworthy in action.

by Josh Rubin

For some teams, a heart to heart with the coach is enough to pull out of a slump.

After a pair of victories over Laurentian and RMC last weekend, you can count the hockey Yeomen among them.

Coming on the heels of a disappointing jaunt to Quebec which saw them crushed 8-4 by UQTR, the Yeomen were glad to be back home.

And whatever head honcho Graham Wise told his players seemed to pay off as they dominated a pair of tough squads at the Ice Palace.

York 7, Voyageurs 2

Going up against Laurentian on Friday night, the Yeomen were facing a squad that had already beaten last year's CIAU finalists from Laurier.

The Yeomen took control from the start in this one but weren't

able to get on the board until Kevin Bonello got his first of two goals on the night after 13 minutes.

The Yeomen added one more to take a 2-0 lead into the second period.

The second frame proved to be decisive as the hosts outscored Laurentian 3-2 to grab a decisive 5-2 lead, adding two more in the third to seal the victory.

The Laurentian matchup was

the second straight start for third year netminder Willie Popp, who provided some key saves in the tense early-going.

Between the pipes for the Yeomen against RMC was Ted Mielczarek, given a chance at redemption after last weekend's debacle in Trois Rivieres.

Even though he didn't need to be the way the rest of his teammates were playing, Mielczarek was brilliant.

York 4, RMC 0

The other half of York's dynamic goaltending duo showed cat-like quickness, and his glove-hand stopped this game from being closer than it should have.

After taking a 1-0 lead midway through the opening period, the Yeomen couldn't find the net again until Guy Girouard moved up to put one past a sprawled RMC puckstopper at 15:02 of the second.

However, the determined RMC Redmen just wouldn't give up, so it was with a sigh of relief that the Yeomen finally ended this one.

Also showing signs of improvement in both games was York's young defensive squad, led by Guy Girouard and Dave Noseworthy.

Next up for the Yeomen is Thursday night's game at the Ice Palace versus archrivals the UofT Blues.

Sport York Results Nov. 6-11

YEOWOMEN

Cross Country

Nov. 10 CIAU Championships at Ottawa. Nicole Masil ran to a silver medal behind Anna Gunasckera from the U. of Victoria.

Badminton

Nov. 10 East Sectional II at Queen's. York placed second with 11 points behind Ottawa who had 15 points. Roula Roubis went 3-0 in singles action and teamed up with Jeanille John for a 2-1 doubles record.

Ice Hockey

Nov. 6 vs. UofT. UofT dumped the Yeowomen 13-0. Nov. 10 at McMaster. The Yeowomen defeated McMaster 3-1. After losing starting goalie Kristen Lane (due to a back injury) during the UofT game, M.J. Heal faced 41 shots in her first ever game in net. Michelle Campbell had 2 goals and Shirley Hanna had 1.

Volleyball

Nov. 9-10 Winnipeg Invitational. The Yeowomen took home the silver medal after losing to Manitoba 0-3 (6-15, 0-15, 7-15) in the final. In pool play they defeated Carleton 2-0 (15-1, 16-14), Regina 2-0 (15-11, 15-10) and the University of North Dakota 2-0 (15-5, 16-14). In the semi final vs Laval they defeated Laval 3-0 (15-11, 15-13, 15-10).

YEOMEN

Badminton

Nov. 10 East Sectional II at Queen's. The Yeomen finished 3rd behind Queen's and UofT.

Basketball

Nov. 6 at Brock. Brock won 76-73. Mark Bellai was the Yeomen's top scorer with 35 points. Nov. 9-10 Frank Tindall Tournament at Queen's. The Yeomen won the consolation final by defeating Clarkson New York 70-64.

Gymnastics

York(A) placed 1st and York(B) finished 2nd taking 17 total medals. Top performers were George Zivic and J.P. Kraemer who finished 1st and 2nd All-Round respectively.

Volleyball

Nov. 9 at Queen's. The Yeomen defeated Queen's 3-0 (15-11, 15-8, 15-8). Dexter Abrams had 12 kills and Mark Cossarin had 6 kills, 10 digs and 2 stuff blocks. Nov. 10 at RMC. York won 3-0 (15-2, 15-10, 15-13). Dexter Abrams had 12 kills, Adrian Adore had 12 kills and 5 stuff blocks and Mark Cospsey had 7 digs and 8 blocks.

Waterpolo

Nov. 9-11 at Cross Over Round Robin 02 at Ottawa. The Yeomen defeated RMC 8-7 and lost to Queen's, Ottawa and Carleton 3-9, 6-18 and 6-10 respectively.

Badminton squads gear up for playoffs

Yeomen place in 3rd, while Yeowomen grab 2nd

by Franko Fernandez

For the first time ever, both York badminton teams are good bets to qualify for post-season play.

The Yeowomen, on track for their first winning season since their founding in 1987, finished a strong second to defending champion Ottawa at the year's third tournament in Kingston last weekend.

The men, who missed the playoffs by one point last year, finished third at Kingston, only one point behind second-place Toronto, but look good for at least fourth place in the combined standings and a berth in the playoffs.

Playing without number two player Roselin Yuen, out with a foot injury, the women won 11 of 18 matches, to bring their record to 45-21 (.682) with one regular season tournament to go.

Yuen, the team's top winner in the first two tournaments (7-1 in singles and 6-2 in doubles) was ably replaced by Jeanille John, who won two of three singles at third seed and teamed with fourth seed Roula Roubis to win two doubles matches. Roubis swept her three singles matches and is 8-3 for the season.

Playing in the tough number one spot, Danish exchange student Pia Sorenson, contributed a win in both singles and doubles, teaming up with captain Sharon Johnston, who moved into Yuen's second spot and won two singles. Sorenson is 6-5 overall, while Johnston has won 7 and lost 4.

"We are very pleased with our depth this year," said coach Fred Fletcher. "We are still competitive even without one or two of our starters."

The men split their 18 games, a one-point improvement over the first Eastern Sectional.

Playing coach Eddie Watt, the team's top player, won a singles and a doubles, while coping with a rash of blisters and sprains in his other role as team trainer. Watt is 7-4 this year.

Watt himself is just rounding into form after fracturing his wrist last Spring.

Number two player Doni Chan-

dra won two singles to go to 9-2 for the season and added one doubles win with Watt.

Dan MacDonald picked up one singles win and two victories in doubles with Tutul Kundu while Edward Yee was 2-1 at fourth singles.

"Although Queen's is overpowering everybody (they lost only one game at Kingston)," Fletcher said, "we are competitive with all the other teams."

Head-to-head against the other eight teams, the Yeomen are trailing only Queen's and Toronto, the latter by a single win. The Yeomen are 38-28 (.576)

overall.

In the unofficial combined standings (adding the results of men's and women's teams and the experimental mixed doubles competition, in which York is 6 and 5), York leads the East with 89 points and is in a tight battle with Western for top spot.

Both York teams won more than 70 per cent of their matches playing against the five West Section teams two weeks ago and hope to repeat that in the final regular season tournament in early February.

The playoffs are set for February 16 at Ryerson.

York track star takes silver

By Josh Rubin

For someone who's supposed to be a sprinter, Nicole Masil sure does a good job at cross-country.

At the CIAU championships last weekend, Masil grabbed a silver medal in the 5000 metres.

The medal added to Masil's already formidable collection of hardware garnered in two years of university competition.

At last year's indoor track and field CIAUs, Masil won gold in both the 600 and 1000 metre races, while racing the 800 metres outdoors.

This season, though, Masil plans to compete in the 600 and 1500.

According to coach Fred Foot, Masil is taking on the 1500 for one

simple reason.

"She doesn't have a fast [starting] 400, which is what you need to pull off the 800 metres."

The 25 year old Masil is lucky to be running at the elite level in any distance these days, though.

After competing in highschool at the age of 18, Masil gave track and field a break.

It was only in August 1988 that she began to train again.

But in the intervening two years, Masil has built herself up into what Foot calls "among the best I've ever coached."

Coming from the veteran Foot, that is high praise indeed. Among some of Foot's alumni are Bruce Kidd and Bill Crothers.

These days, Masil is training hard in the hopes of making the

1992 Olympics in Barcelona.

For the moment, though, a strong career in university athletics suits her fine.



Nicole Masil