

SPORTS and RECREATION

Six York girls slated for provincial team

Yeowomen place fourth, Blues sweep meet

The University of Toronto women's senior field hockey team trounced all competition to sweep to their 13th consecutive OWIAA invitational field hockey tournament, this weekend at York. In all, eight universities competed for the right to represent Ontario in the first national field hockey tournament, being played in Burnaby, B.C., next week.

In intermediate competition, the girls from Laurentian won all seven of their games to edge out Queens, York and Trent for first place.

York's senior team placed fourth in a field of eight while the intermediate team were third in a field of four.

For the senior Yeowomen the fourth place finish was sweetened by the announcement that six of their players had been chosen, by a selection committee watching the play at the tournament, to try out for the Ontario provincial team. Cathy Brown, Julie Steins, Barb Lade, Pat Johnson, Marilyn Payne, and Cathy Walker were selected to attend the try-outs next year.

U. of T. coach Liz Hoffman felt that her team's major goal was to play up to their potential rather than to win the tournament. This attitude may seem ridiculous, until one considers that the Blues' squad had a total of six players on the Canadian national or the Ontario provincial team.

Toronto amassed a total of 14 points on seven victories and no defeats, scoring 27 goals and blanking the opposition.

York, in placing fourth, finished with eight points.

In the intermediate level of the tournament, York's squad placed



York Yeowoman (58) battles with opponent over white ball with funny curved hockey sticks. The game is field hockey and York finished fourth in the eight-university meet.

third behind Laurentian, who won the tournament, and Queen's. The girls from U. of T. finished in

last place.

Overall, the tournament proved to be quite a success and reflected

greatly the growing interest in field hockey among girls from universities across the province.

Sports in Briefs

The York Chinese Students Association won the annual 'China Cup' soccer tournament this weekend, by defeating the U. of Western Ontario 2-0.

The York Yeowomen volleyball team opened their season on a winning note Tuesday night, defeating McMaster University, three games to one.

The York men's volleyball team placed third out of five teams in an OUAA invitational tournament this weekend.

New kids on block prove too much for old legs

By MYLES DAVIS

In hockey, as in any sport, the clash between youth and experience can often produce more than its expected share of thrills and excitement. Such was the case Thursday night, when the York hockey Yeomen played the alumni team in the frigid confines of the York Ice Palace.

The alumni, composed of former York hockey players, gave the Yeomen all they could ask for before bowing under tired limbs to the tune of 10-4.

From the opening face-off to the final whistle, the game was free-wheeling and end-to-end throughout, with both teams setting up excellent scoring opportunities.

The Alumni opened the scoring early in the first period when Lisio Cengarle converted a perfect pass from Doug Dunsmuir and slid the puck under surprised Yeomen netminder Peter Kostek.

The teams traded goals later in the period, and the alumni went to the dressing room leading 2-1.

The Yeomen sped up the pace of the game in the second period and banged in three quick goals to jump out in front by a two goal margin.

Dave Kosoy put the alumni back in the game on a power-play goal, only to have Brian Burtch reply for the Yeomen and restore their two goal lead.

In the third period, conditioning paid off for the Yeomen as they scored another five goals against the tiring alumni. Wayne Weatherbee, who replaced Peter Kostek in the nets for the Yeomen halfway through the second period, allowed only one goal in the third and the game ended 10-4 in favour of the Yeomen.

The spectators, some of whom brought along liquor-filled ther-

mos bottles rather than down-filled parkas, also enjoyed the match, and cheerfully applauded both sides for their skillful play.

Pat Digby, Peter Titanic, and Gerri Greenham were chosen as the three stars of the game, although Rick Quance, who kicked out 45 shots for the alumni, was perhaps the best performer on the ice.

Last Tuesday night, the Yeomen won their second pre-season game of the year by handing the Laurier Golden Hawks a 7-3 defeat.

The York rugby team's unbeaten streak came to an abrupt end, Saturday, when the league-leading Yeomen were defeated by an enthusiastic Guelph team, 19-0. It was the first loss for the Yeomen since last October, and it came on the last game of the regular season.

The loss, however, had no effect on the league standings as the Yeomen finished atop their league, ahead of the Queen's Golden Gaels, who placed second. York plays the Gaels for the championship Saturday at York. In a previous meeting the Yeomen had beaten Queens 12-0.

Saturday's game saw the disciplined Yeomen going through the

motions, more afraid of injuries than of the prospect of losing. But it was the referee who handed out 24 penalties to York compared to 4 to the Gryphons, who turned the game into a joke. The Yeomen were penalized for talking (injured Paul Madonia was ordered from the side-lines because he was talking), off-sides, and just about every other call imaginable.

Despite the loss, the Yeomen figure to be ready Saturday, which will pit two of the strongest teams in the league in a do-or-die test.

Both teams have a tradition of strong, wide-open rugby, so the final match will more than likely prove to be both bitter and entertaining.

The Yeomen go into the final with no major injuries and many veterans who will not be returning next year will be anxious to win the cup in their last year.

"This game is the one we've been building for all year. You can bet that we'll be ready," said York coach Mike Dinning after Saturday's loss.

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