

Sports and Recreation

York swimmers sweep meet

Varsity records came crashing down as predicted last Friday evening as York's totally revamped swim teams swept the first OUAA meet of the season.

Led by "workhorses" Mark Langdon, Neil Harvey and Graham Sutch, the Yeomen were successful in all 11 of their events, breaking existing Varsity records in all but one event.

The Yeowomen were almost as invincible that day, taking nine of the eleven events in which they were competing. "This is the best swim team ever assembled at York," said coach Byron McDonald, "and it is entirely possible that we will finish in the top five in the country this season".

McDonald, himself an Olympic and World class competitor, has plans to work the team very hard and expects the effort will show in this year's results.

"I don't think we can catch U of T this year, but we're looking forward to upsetting Western who have been second to Toronto for more than ten years."

Carol Gluppe, coach of the women's team has similar aspirations, "We are out to beat the number two teams," she said, "it will be either Western or Waterloo this year".

At Friday's meet York outscored their opposition 266 to 111.

Leading the Yeomen was former Canadian record holder Mark Langdon, who won the 200 metre butterfly by more than two lengths of the pool and shaved 30 seconds off of the old Varsity record.

Langdon, a second year student from SFU has already qualified for the CIAU finals on the basis of his performance on Friday.

Also breaking a school record and qualifying for the national meet was Yeowoman Chris Lovett-

Douts, a first year student who won both events she was entered in, as well as anchoring the winning freestyle relay team.

All members of York's swim teams are training once and sometimes twice daily. "We're training hard, getting up early most mornings and logging a total of 25 miles a week," said McDonald.

As an added incentive the team will also enjoy some Florida sunshine at Christmas where they will continue their five and six day a week training program.

In the diving competition York again was quite successful, placing most of their divers in the top five spots.

In the one metre event York's Terry Duff was the winner followed by Lisa Beverly, Ann Filbert and Martha Halencken in second, fourth and sixth places respectively.

The men, led by Lee Colby in first place, took all but one of the first six positions, with John Filion, Mark Palmer Bob Robishaw, and gymnast Dave Steeper dominating the other four varsity teams.

In the men's three metre event Lee Colby came second to a CIAU finalist from Ryerson.

"We're looking forward to Western too," said coach Kathy Lane, "they have been number one in diving recently, it will be good experience for our divers to compete against them".

The diving team has undergone a marked improvement over last year's effort. "There was no team last year, said Lane, "there was no coach either, it's hard to say how well they will do, but they look very good, there is a lot of talent there."

Adding more to the York effort than space allows to report were Neil Harvey, Graham Sutch, Gabor

Mezo, Peter Tiidus and Arvids Silis all of whom won their events as well as the relay events they entered.

The women were bolstered by winning performances from Candy

Millar, Ann Westball, Dede Demers, Janet Sadler, and especially Liz McGregor who, according to coach Gluppe, "looks very good".

While the teams do have other meets coming up before December 10th, everyone is looking forward to that day when they take on Western in London.



York swimmers dominated last weekend's OUAA meet held here at Tait McKenzie. As coach Byron McDonald has predicted the revamped swim team shattered most of the existing varsity records, some by as much as thirty seconds. McDonald foresees a Yeomen finish among the top five teams in the country.

Soccer Yeomen bow out early

By DAVE FULLER

The season ended prematurely for York's soccer Yeomen as they went down to defeat and elimination at the hands of the University of Waterloo Warriors last Saturday.

Under cold and windy conditions the Yeomen went into the contest looking for a tie or a win, either of which would have given them a second place finish. A fluke goal early in the game the Warriors a 1-0 lead which they defended until the final whistle.

Coach John Dobbie said "the shot was from about thirty yards out but the wind caught it and it looped right into the top corner".

In goal again after di Martelli's injury was John Debenedictus. "He played it pretty well", said Dobbie "but he misjudged the wind, it was just one of those things".

On the whole the team played well but better team play on the part of Waterloo was the difference. "We had better players on a man to man basis", said Dobbie "but they played well as a team, they got that goal and then defended it very well."

York attempted to tie it up and came close on several occasions hitting both the post and the crossbar, the ball however, would not go into the Warrior's net.

Looking back on the season

Dobbie admitted that the high number of tie games had cost the Yeomen their chance at the final next week at Western. "That Guelph game killed us", he said, "we should have won that one easily but we let them tie it and look what happened."

The finals will be played next week at Western, where the Varsity Blues will take on the first place Mustangs for the OUAA soccer title, won last year by Queen's.

Dobbie is optimistic about next year, understandable considering his team's improvement over last year, and looks forward to having all of the team return except Lou Sekoulski and Mack Musaby.

Field hockey team has improved

By DAVE FULLER

There has been a big improvement in Women's Field Hockey at York, a fact that was born out by the Yeowomen at the OWIAA sectional meet held here last weekend.

Able to field two teams for the first time in years, York earned a hard fought second place in the Senior competition while the Intermediate girls were caught in a three way tie for second with Queen's and Laurentian.

University of Toronto, perennial powerhouse of the OWIAA placed first in both the senior and intermediate divisions and will most likely repeat this year as Ontario champs.

In the senior division however, York was only one point behind Toronto and hopes to remain close to the Blues in order to benefit from any upsets that could occur.

That upset could materialize if McMaster is able to hold U of T in a tie and if York wins their four remaining matches, including one contest with McMaster.

The York senior's were backed up by a very strong half-back line, consisting of Barb Lade, who also plays for the Ontario Senior team, Marilyn Payne, Marg Cation and Mary Deveaux.

These defensive four were responsible for most of the Yeowomen's scoring punch.

For the Intermediate team the standouts were left - half Marg Webster who played a strong defensive game, left-inner Carol Trewin and Brenda Stewart who tends goal for both the Field and Ice Hockey teams.

Although traditionally the second team, the Intermediate girls

displayed every bit of their heads up attitude toward the game with some fine positional play.

The similarity in team play is due to the expert tutelage of Coach Marina van Der Merwe, Canadian Women's Field Hockey coach and coach of the second place Ontario Senior team who were narrowly beaten by the team from Alberta in the recent Canadian championships.

In senior team play York defeated Queen's 2-0, while holding U of T and McGill to 1-1 ties each.

The intermediate girls came up with a strong effort despite playing back to back games, ending up with a 1-1-2 record.

Led by a majority of first year girls the team defeated Trent 3-2, lost to U of T 3-0 and tied Queen's and Laurentian 1-1. Next weekend the Yeowomen travel to McMaster for the finals of the OWIAA Championships, and, if the senior team are able to upset U of T, the following weekend they will make the trip out to Dalhousie for the CWIAU championships.

Sailors place seventh

By BONNIE BOWERMAN

York's unofficial sailing team finished seventh overall out of thirteen universities from across Canada competing in the intercollegiate national championships hosted by RMC in Kingston last weekend.

Queen's skippers Terry McLaughlin and Doug Harvey dominated the last and most competitive regatta of the season, by narrowly winning the 420 dinghy races with a 37 point total. The University of Toronto's skippers Jamie Kidd and Tam Matthews came a close second. Western finished third after two cold days and ten gruelling races.

York was represented by Gary Poyntz and Paul Gary as A team who finished ninth in their division. Andre Sobolewski and Blair Ruelens as B team finished fifth in their division despite two capsize and a collision Saturday in winds gusting up to thirty miles an hour and three foot waves.

Queen's Pat Rolston won all four races in the Intercollegiate Sloop Championship also held last weekend in Kingston.

Queen's will be representing Canada in the North American Intercollegiate Dinghy Championships held in the second week in June. The American competition is extremely stiff with world class competitors representing Yale and Harvard and Tufts.

Ian Brown, Coordinator for the Canadian Intercollegiate Sailing Association (CISA) who officiated and organized the regatta nicely summed up the calibre of competition. He said "It took a lot of ability to win".

For Jamie Kidd a silver medalist in the 1975 Pan American Games, it was his first intercollegiate regatta. He said "It's a different kind of racing. There is less pressure and more fun. It's more tactical rather than having the right boat and the right sails."

Sports Briefs

You probably all figured we had completely forgotten about squash this year, didn't you. Well courtesy of Dr. Labib there will be an exhibition squash game between the illustrious Doctor and his old pal Ahmad Allouba.

Allouba hails from Egypt where he was the Junior national champ in '59 and '60. He graduated from the University of Cairo in 1963 and one year later played his first match against the famous Sharif Kahn.

"I remember the scores and even the play that beat me," he said, "It was a tie game with the third match proving the tightest. Kahn made this one shot that..." but why not ask Mr. Allouba yourself The match starts at noon to-day in Tait McKenzie.

York's women's tennis team captured third place in the OWIAA doubles finals at Cedar Springs last weekend, losing only to U of T and Western.

Joanne Healy and Joanne Stone reached the finals of their flight as did team mates Lily Durzo and Vicki Mattice. Jane Mitchell and Margot Greenberg won the consolation round of the upper flight.

Coach Benita Senn was pleased with her team's performance, especially considering the short season. However, the team will have to start from scratch next year as most of the girls will have no opportunity to compete together until next fall. The team returns to Cedar Springs next weekend for the singles final.

At the Brock Invitational Volleyball Tournament last weekend, coach Wally Dyba and his band of rookies made a respectable showing, splitting their matches with Queens and Brock before bowing out to the defending champs from the University of Western of Ontario.

"Well it was a good match and it wasn't", said Dyba, "the guys are trying very hard, we've had blood on the courts in practice. All we need is more experience."

The outstanding player for the Yeomen was first year man Janis Ozolins, a member of the Junior national team.

According to Dyba, Ozolins was far and away the best man on the court leading the Yeomen in serving, spiking and serve receiving.



Ahmad Allouba