

Men's and women's sports are well balanced

According to Nobby Wirkowski, co-ordinator of athletics at York, a balance between men's and women's varsity sports and inter-college sports has been maintained in York's athletic program.

At a meeting last Thursday between Tait McKenzie officials and Excalibur staff such questions were asked as: Is there a discrepancy between women's and men's sports priorities? Why is there a discrepancy between varsity and inter-college budgets? What is the philosophy of sports at York? And how does York's sports program relate to the professional world?

The first question was answered by Wirkowski and Bryce Taylor,

director of physical education and athletics. Both denied that there is a discrepancy between men's and women's sports.

"We sit down and work out a program that suits both men's and women's sports," said Taylor. "As a matter of fact, York is the only university that has an integrated program where if the women's department finds that it needs some money to cover an unexpected expense, it can take it from the men's budget if it's available — say if a men's team doesn't make the playoffs."

When asked to explain why the men's hockey team had new sweaters this year while the

women's team is using old ones, they explained that the men's team needed them more than the women's.

They also explained that the puck-women had to sell buttons to finance a trip to Montreal for a tournament because Mary Lyons (co-ordinator of women's sports) didn't allow for it in the budget.

Lyons didn't attend the meeting. On the subject of inter-college sports, Arvo Tiidus, co-ordinator, explained its function; "to contribute primarily to the health and fitness of the participants in casual recreation manner as well as relaxation from academic pressure."

"It is geared for the maximum participation of the students within the various colleges."

The inter-college budget is \$17,000 as opposed to \$58,800 for men's varsity sports. The added money for varsity was attributed to uniforms and transportation costs.

Varsity sports was described by Tiidus as a means to control inter-

university sporting events. "After all, our varsity athletes represent us at other universities," he explained. "We couldn't have them running around in ragged uniforms."

York's training facilities were also discussed. It was pointed out that head trainer Ed Nowalkoski's training room is open to everyone. "Anyone can come to the training room and be treated. He doesn't have to be a phys. ed. student or varsity athlete," said Taylor.

When asked why there aren't more women trainers, Wirkowski said he didn't know of any in North

America. "We would be happy to have them," added Taylor.

Looking towards the future, Taylor and Wirkowski cited facilities as York's biggest priority. The Tait complex is insufficient to handle York's athletic needs and its facilities are heavily over taxed, they explained.

The Tait officials further explained how York serves the community by offering several seminars and training courses for athletes and coaches. York's swimming pool and ice arena are also available for community use.

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