

Briefs: Hockey Yeowomen to host finals

Five members of the York track team took advantage of the opportunity to compete in a brief all comers meet at the CNE last Friday night, and as a result, yet another varsity record fell.



Andy Buckstein continued his assault on the record books by notching his fourth indoor record in five weeks; this time in the 200 metres where he clocked 22.8 seconds to further reduce his own varsity record by three-tenths of a second. Buckstein placed second to Peter Harper of the Power Track Club, the 1978 Ontario champion, who won the event in 22.2 seconds.

In the 1500 metres, Derrick Jones and Farooq Shabbar, York's top two middle distance runners, after just deciding in the afternoon to run the event, placed fifth and sixth respectively in times of 3:59.7 and 4:01.5. Former Osgoode student Mike Housley won the event.

Both Dave Johnson and Fern Brotherton competed in the long jump and continued their steady improvement as they aim for the OUAA/OWIAA finals on March 3.

Last Saturday, Steve Caws competed in the Ontario pentathlon championships in London and performed well enough to place sixth in the five-event competition. He picked up two new varsity records in the process. His 3030 point score and a 1.93m high jump both established new records.

This Saturday, a number of York's track and field athletes will be competing in the open Ontario

Championships, and next weekend the National Championships are being held in Edmonton. At this time it appears that only Nancy Rooks and Buckstein will be making the trek west. For these two it will mean three big championship meets in a row, with the University Championships the following week.

The York Yeowomen hockey team will host the OWIAA championships this Friday and Saturday, Feb. 16 and 17. It is the first time in three years that the York team will be involved in post season competition. Yeowomen are confident they can defeat U of T on Friday and then challenge either Queens or Guelph for the championship. On Friday at 2:00 p.m., first place Queens will play fourth place Guelph. At 4:00 p.m., the second and third placed teams, U of T and York will face each other. The two winners from Friday, will meet at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, in the championship game.

Under the guidance of first year coach, Norm Dodgson, York has had a very successful season. In twelve league games they have lost only five. Three of the losses were to the powerful Queens. They also lost one contest to U of T, their opponents this Friday. York's other loss was a default to McMaster because of officials failing to show.

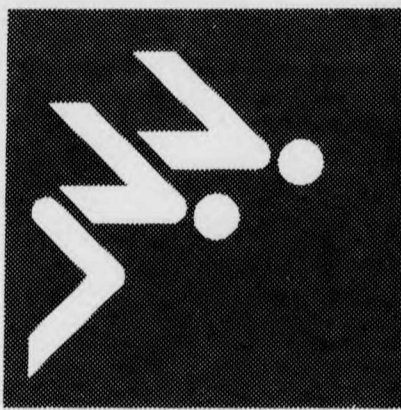
York is optimistic that Queens can be beaten, but first they must eliminate U of T. Yeowomen are confident they can do this, and then challenge the winner of the Queens and Guelph match, for the OWIAA championship.

Game times are: Friday 2 p.m. Queens vs Guelph; Friday 4 p.m. York vs. U of T; Saturday 1 p.m. CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Title: OWIAA Championships at York This Weekend.

On Friday February 9, McMaster university hosted the OWIAA figure skating championships. University of Toronto took first place followed respectively by Western, Queens, York and McMaster. The York team fared exceptionally well considering the small number of competitors.

A full team requiring 18 people was put forward by all universities except York and McMaster. Representing York were only eight participants. The team entered the competition unable to fill all the skating categories which had an undermining effect on the maximum point score total York was able to produce.



In the interpretive division, York skated to first place. The junior event was won by Liz Harsheggi and the senior event by Lindsey Histrop, a third year law student. Histrop also secured second place in the senior singles and senior solo dance divisions. "Everyone skated very well," says team coach Judy Dick, but adds that if York is going to be a contender for over all-placings, more people are definitely required.

Competitors are needed for all levels of skating and age is no deterrent. The only requirements are that skaters be of amateur

status and full time York students. Males are especially needed for the team. Major categories of competition are: singles, dance, similar pairs, mixed pairs and interpretive. For show and fun in the championships a fourteen step formation and synchronized group event was included as a non-pressure part of the competition.

The aim of the York team was to surpass the 46 points acquired at the Queen's competition. The final results of the OWIAA championships showed York with 53 points.

Skaters work out four times per week at 7:30 in the mornings. York has the potential for being a strong contender in varsity figure skating if a greater number of people would come out for the team. Anyone interested in participating is urged to contact the Tait McKenzie building.

Mary Desrochers

The coach of the men's swim team, Gary MacDonald, says that the University of Toronto and the University of Waterloo will battle for first place at the O.U.A.A. swimming championships taking place at York's Tait McKenzie Centre pool on February 16 and 17.

Top contenders for York are defending Ontario 50-metre champ Mark Erwin, breaststroker Martin

Tiidus, and freestyle Yeomen John Bevan.

Competition starts at 1:00 and 7:00 p.m. both days at York's pool.

On the 23rd and 24th of February York will host the women's volleyball championships. Competition begins Friday morning at 10:00 a.m. with a match between Waterloo and Guelph. At 6:00 p.m. York and Western play, and at 7:15 p.m., York and Guelph.

Play resumes Saturday with York playing Waterloo at 1:00 a.m. Western and Guelph play at noon and the finals will be held at 7:00 p.m.

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