

# S P O R T S

## York bounces back from defeat to beat the U of T Blues—again

By EDO VAN BELKOM

In the battle for university hockey supremacy in the city of Toronto, the York Yeomen have so far come out on top.

York defeated the U of T Blues earlier in the year in an exhibition game at Varsity Arena 4-3, and last Wednesday night the Yeomen put down their cross-town rivals by a 4-2 margin.

In sharp contrast to the lifeless game York played against the Wilfrid Laurier Golden Hawks, the Yeomen were up for the game from the first drop of the puck. According to head coach Dave Chambers it was an important game for his team because a loss would have put the Yeomen farther behind the pack. There are only a few points separating the first five teams in the OUAA.

But games against the University of Toronto always seem to be more important than games against other teams, as a matter of pride. No matter what the two teams' positions are in the standings there is always a spirited contest when the teams meet.

Although York played a well rounded game, their victory was lessened by numerous infractions involving the use of sticks. Slashing and high sticking incidents took their toll in terms of penalties, delay of game and on the players as well.

"We played disciplined hockey as far as positional play goes," Chambers said. "But we didn't play smart. The players have to learn that if we want to go anywhere this year we have to cut down on that (stick infractions)."

U of T coach Paul Titanic attributed the use of the stick to the fact that many of the players have Major A experience. "Sometimes when a player comes out of Major A where those types of things are allowed they think they can get away with it in the OUAA," Titanic said. "But it's still early in the season and those attitudes will change."

Chambers agreed with this assessment adding, "Our junior players have to adjust to the new rules. We've got to hit, we've got to be tough, but not stupid."

York got on the board first at the seven minute mark of the first period when defencemen George Spezza scored from the point on a power play. York went up by two later in the period when Brad Ramsden stuffed a rebound behind U of T goalie Kevin Hamlin. With a face off in U of T zone and only three seconds remaining in the first period, Chambers pulled Scott Mosey in favor of the extra attacker but the move failed to produce a scoring opportunity.

York pulled even further ahead in the second on a good individual effort by Doug Archie who moved himself into scoring position before sliding the puck into the net. The Blues' Dave McCarthy replied for U of T before the end of the second, the period ended with York ahead 3-1.

Last Friday night the Yeomen travelled to St. Catharines to take on the perennial also ran Brock Badgers. Despite the double digit 10-4 score, there is still no one player emerging as the number one shooter, as eight Yeomen were in on the goal scoring. Joe Pocobene led the way netting two goals and two assists while linemates Lawrence Smith and Gary Corbiere each had a single goal and assist each.

Tomorrow night the Yeomen host the undefeated University of Windsor Lancers.

Notes: CJRY's three stars for the Blues' game were Scott Mosey, Brian Small and Lawrence Smith. Blues coach Titanic described Mosey's performance as tremendous, adding, "when it comes right down to it, his goaltending was the difference... Last night York played the Western Mustangs, but the results were not available at press time.



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**STICKING IT TO U OF T:** The York Yeomen beat the Blues 4-2 but the game was marred by numerous stick infractions. Here Marty Williamson drops a U of T player while partner Dave Andrioli looks on.

## Six Yeomen to play in All-Star game

By EDO VAN BELKOM

Professional all-star games are usually nothing more than gala events where overpaid athletes get all kinds of money and exposure. But not so in the OUAA.

This year's edition of the OUAA all-star hockey game will be the final selection tool of the National Student Team. Six of the players competing in the game will be selected for the student team and will go on to compete against international competition before the new year. Once the team is selected, they will train here at York under the guidance of Yeomen head coach Dave Chambers beginning on December 21. The National Team will then travel to Battlecreek Michigan to compete against the Czechoslovakian 'B' team and the United States

Olympic team.

This year's all-star game will be held at Varsity Arena Monday December 2 at 8:00 p.m., and the format will be an east-west affair. Last year's all-star game consisted of a different format where the all-star played against the defending OUAA champion U of T Blues.

York will be represented as part of the eastern delegation.

Goaltender Scott Mosey, defenceman Bill McGuire, Mike James, and George Spezza, and forwards Brian Gray, Joe Pocobene, Rick Morrocco, and Greg Rolston are the Yeomen involved. U of T will be sending an equal number of players while Laurentian will send four, Ryerson will send two and both Queen's and RMC will have single player representation.

## Yeowomen win 3 of 4 games in busy weekend of volleyball

By DEBORAH KIRKWOOD

The Yeowomen volleyball team should find themselves comfortably lodged in the top three of their division after an impressive series of performances last weekend here at York.

The Yeowomen recorded three wins in four outings during inter-divisional play which included matches on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

However, the tough schedule didn't seem to bother them as the Yeowomen, for the most part totally dominated their opposition, with their only setback encountered on Friday night.

In their opening match, the Yeowomen squared off against the Ottawa Gee Gee's, and

as it turned out, this was the stiffest competition that York faced all weekend. The end result was that the Yeowomen were no match for the team from our nation's capital, as they eventually dropped a 3-1 decision. York simply lost to a much better squad.

The effect of this loss might have proven to be a bad omen for the rest of the weekend, but the Yeowomen collected themselves and in their second match, handed the Carleton University Robins a 3-0 beating.

Less than three hours later, they were right back on the court, this time to face the Queen's Golden Gaels. Buoyed by their decisive victory earlier in the day the Yeowomen proceeded to hand their opposition yet another defeat, tak-

ing the match once again by a 3-0 margin.

Finally, in their last match of the weekend series, the Yeowomen totally outclassed the visiting squad from RMC. In fact, at times the Yeowomen looked like they had to pinch themselves to stay awake. In the end the Yeowomen recorded a 15-3, 15-4, 15-5 victory, a result that

could have been all the more devastating if their serving percentages had been a little higher.

The Yeowomen's next home match is not until February 1, when they will host arch rival U of T, who are looking to take (by their own admission) the provincial title this year.

## Cup beyond wrestlers' grasp

By JONATHAN LISUS

Over the weekend Rexdale's Humber College hosted the 1985 Canada Cup Wrestling Tournament.

The tournament has been an annual event since its inception in 1980, when it was established as an alternative to the boycotted Moscow Olympics. The Canada Cup is an international event and was attended by teams from Cuba, Korea, Japan, the US and Canada.

York's contribution to the 39 man Canadian delegation was provided by three wrestlers: Stan Tzogas, Steve Sammons and Paul Hughes. The three Yeomen, under the guidance of coach John Park, put forth a valiant effort but failed to advance to the final round.

Eighteen year old Steve Sammons who wrestles in the 48kg division was denied a place in the final by Rick Salamone, the five time US national champion. Tzogas (51kg) was put out of medal contention by losses to Korean and American wrestlers, and Hughes (62kg) was eliminated by two losses to members of the Cuban national team.

Despite the absence of any Yeomen from the medal round, Coach Park was not too discouraged. Park said that Canada's disappointing performance can easily be explained by a comparison of the various teams' training patterns. The Cubans, Americans and Koreans who

dominated the competition are presently at the peak of their training cycle. Canada's team, according to Park, is currently at a relatively low point in their conditioning cycle, having just come off a mid-summer peak which was in preparation for the National Team selections.

"As a result of this training lag, many of our top wrestlers were injured or not available for the meet," Park said. "And for those that were present, there was not enough pressure on the wrestlers to elicit an inspiring performance. The tournament was viewed by the majority of our wrestlers as some useful combat experience before the CIAU season and National selections get into full swing."

Taking this timing factor into consideration, Park, one of the organizers of the event, has scheduled next year's Canada Cup for June. In doing so Park hopes to offer his athletes the opportunity to compete with the university season recently finished and the selections for the national team coming up, providing the wrestlers with an extra training edge.

With the Canada Cup behind them, Park and the Yeomen will begin to devote all of their time to prepare for OUAA competition. Despite last year's fifth place Ontario finish and a disappointing national ranking of ninth, this year's wrestling team is looking to finish as high as third in the CIAU tournament.



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**SPIKE:** Ana Kirkham puts the hammer down on the Ottawa Gee Gees. Unfortunately, Ottawa proved to be the Yeowomen's toughest competition of the weekend.

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