

## Athelete of the week



Kim Holden reached great heights last weekend as she was chosen as Excal's Athlete of the Week. The 4 year basketball veteran, and team captain for the last two years, Holden scored 20 points in an 81-68 victory over Queen's and followed up with 12 points against Ottawa in a 64-53 win.

## Sportlite

Chris Dodd and Diana Williamson

The York Outdoor Club held its inaugural meeting last Wednesday, and judging from the enthusiasm in the room, the club shows a lot of promise for its first year. The club was established to enable people to experience the outdoors.

About thirty people attended the first meeting. Suggestions for group excursions included skiing, backpacking canoeing and rock climbing, and there was even a wistful mention of a trek to the Peruvian mountains.

The club's founder Ronnie Ng ensures that beginners will be informed as to what to buy, and what to bring. The club can also provide information on summer jobs in the outdoors. "It's not what we can do for club," says Ng, "It's what the club can do for you."

The highlight of the first meeting was a movie of a climbing expedition. The film showed the fun and excitement of scaling the Peruvians, and portrayed the struggles individuals must deal with, if they are to accomplish what they have set out to do.

The Outdoor Club meets Wednesdays at 4 p.m., in the Founders Senior Common Room.

## SPORTORIAL

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For sportswriter November is a new season. It's in with the new sports, hockey, volleyball, basketball and out with the old. This year November's passing has brought new headlines that represent the best intersports New Year's resolution one can make: that of winning!

Try "Yeomen sweep U of T", or "Yeowomen squash opposition" on for size.

Of course, a winning tradition doesn't begin with the headlines. There are the die-hard red and white fans, those cauldrons of fiery emotion disguised as a plainly clad denizens of the pubs. They have been holding their breath until the final whistle, only to read those games pieces that find a thousand different ways to say "wait till next year". They have been waiting patiently, and often, waiting alone. Like those solemn promises of "wait until next year," the fact that fans are so far and few between seems to be as recursive as the common place promised land (or playoff berth).

Meanwhile, the volleyball Yeomen have continued their tradition of compiling victory after victory. First

year hockey coach Bob Hedley has seen his squad perform more than just "admirably" another common place statement surrounding a York team effort that seems to just hang there as the Yeomen appear playoff bound after turning number one ranked Guelph on their ear with an 8-7 win.

"I don't know what happened to the fans. We had a good showing at the U of T game, but since then its been rather slow," Hedley commented.

"Fan turn-outs have been just awful, it's worse than last year," men's athletic council rep Randy Smith said.

I really didn't have an answer for them. If you walk around the Tait centre and just happen to notice the rows of OUAA championship banners hanging on the walls, you

can't help but feel the excitement and fervor of those yesteryear triumphs. Then again, if you watched those "beautiful losers" that almost weren't this past weekend, you'll know that fan support is every bit as important to the sense of a winning tradition as winning itself.

The teams are here--the fans aren't.

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## Red and white stay at top

Chris Dodd

This year's edition of the Yeoman Badminton team continues to roll over the competition. Their latest triumph was a victory at the Queens East Section Tournament held last Saturday.

"We had a good tournament," said an impressed Coach Russ Evans, "We lost only one game."

The victors at the tournament included Ian Garland and Tiek Lowy who won both their matches. The duo of Bibiary Taig and Chris Yong were doubles winners.

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