## New coach's philosophy:

## Peer pressure will be the motivating force

By ALAN RISEN

"If you have a class team off as well as on the court then you'll have a winning team," said Bob Bains, York's new basketball coach; and in one short sentence he defined his coaching philosophy.

Himself an ex-varsity ballplayer



coach Bob Bains

at Waterloo Lutheran and Alberta, Bains feels that player participation is the way to develop a "classy"

"The players will participate in our decision-making policy," he said, "including overall concepts of team play, what they want (from their basketball experience), what route we (the Yeomen) should take, how we should deal with problem areas.'

"Peer pressure will be most important," explained the coach. "Responsibility should arise from within the players themselves."

This, Bains feels, will develop poise and responsibility in the players, and most importantly -'class'

"Basketball is an educational experience," said Bains. "Giving the players responsibility is something we'll have to face sooner

Club rules, such as curfew times, will also be a matter of player adjudication.

Another avenue Bains will cover in his attempt involve his players in the actual running of the team concerns the type of practises he plans to run. "We won't just make the players do things but will make them understand why they have to do them," said Bains. "This will give them a deeper understanding of the sport."

Bains' intellectual 'humanistic', as he likes to call it) approach to coaching may find opponents among the more traditionalists of the Vince Lombardi school. But Bains feels that the modern, sophisticated, educated athlete will reject the more authoritarian methods.

"We don't own the athletes," Bains said. "These boys are going to be out there (practising) 3 to 31/2 hours every night, and if they're going to do that we've got to get some fun, some understanding for them. The sport's for the players."

Bains' experience adds credence to his philosophy. In his short but impressive coaching career Bains brought the Alberta Golden Bears to the national finals after a 16-4 season in 1972-73. The previous year his junior varsity Bearcats were second in the nation only to Manitoba.

At 6 feet 1 inch, and only 25 years old Bains looks like he could easily be one of his own players. Indeed, he played 5 years of varsity ball at Waterloo Lutheran and Alberta and gained experience in the national championships. Unlike many coaches, he appears to be able to practise on the courts what he preaches in the locker room.

Bains' position at York will be as a faculty member as well as

basketball coach. He teaches two coaching courses plus a seminar on the sociology of sport. He also assumes the basketball training portion of the phys.ed. program formerly taught by athletic co-ordinator Nobby Wirkowski.

## Yeomen to play at CNE

By ALAN RISEN
When York's football Yeomen open their home season Saturday against their cross-town rivals from University of Toronto, they'll be playing in the awesome expanses of CNE's 33,000-seat stadium.

York's athletic department chose to return to the lakefront arena this year on the basis of a popular poll conducted last spring by Excalibur which showed a slight preference among the students for the CNE stadium as opposed to the on-campus football field.

The benefits of the CNE as outlined by athletic co-ordinator and football coach Nobby Wirkowski are: better fan and press accommodation, and superior field condition.

The availability of covered stands, concession booths and tartan turf at the CNE as opposed to exposed bleachers and a muddy field at York overrides the annoyance of playing the games off campus, in the view of the athletic department.

An admission charge of 50 cents will be levied on students, while adults will have to pay one dollar to watch the Red and White in action.

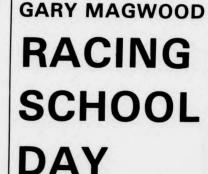
These charges will help defray the stadium rental cost of \$300 per game plus police charges (another \$120). So York needs a gate of approximately \$450 or 900 students per game to break even.

Based on last year's average attendance of just over 1000 people per game York should make a profit on the season which will be put into a special fund for student services.

Although there will be no reserved seats for the games a special dignitaries list for the first game, including the presidents of the two universities, the Metro chairman, the mayors of North York and Toronto, the president of CNE, the Minister of University Affairs, and others, is being composed.

Kick-off time is 2 p.m. and there will be buses leaving direct for the CNE from the York campus, if there is a large enough demand.

Tickets and information regarding games and buses can be obtained at the phys. ed. offices in Tait McKenzie or by calling 667-3734.



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