

York Volleyball teams sweep weekend

By BARRY STURGE

The key to success in any volleyball game is to dominate the net. Both the Yeomen and Yeowomen displayed great performances at the net and all over the courts as they effectively shut down their opponents in last Sunday's play at Tait McKenzie.

The Yeomen got off to a slow start, however, and RMC took an early 3-0 lead. The Yeomen refused to quit and mounted a comeback. They finally tied RMC at 8-8 and went on to win the first game 15-11. RMC took the lead in the second game once again but York came right back and took control. RMC was no match for the York Yeomen and they eliminated RMC 15-12.

RMC took an early lead in the third game, but York tied it up and went ahead of RMC. The tension on the RMC club became apparent when a highball came over their side and five of the RMC players just stood around watching the ball drop in between them. One player started

yelling at his teammates to wake up. York eventually won the game 15-6.

Three outstanding players Sunday afternoon were Mark Cossarin, who had 10 kills and nine digs, Adrian Adore, a rookie with the Yeomen and playing with a 73% average and Steve Kirkham who had eight kills and nine service aces. The Yeomen are 6-0 so far this year and they are tied in first place with U of T who have a 4-0 record.

York were winners over Queen's on Friday night as they swept the home defenders 3-0. York coach Wally Dyba thinks that his team's main strength is "synergism," but his team tends to play towards the other team's level. "We have to eliminate, it is the key to our success," said Dyba.

The Yeowomen were just as impressive as the Yeomen in their matches. York built up an 11-0 lead before Queen's managed to score their first point. Queen's was only able to get three points as the York players shut them down at 15-3.

The Yeowomen won the second game 15-8 as they held the lead throughout the game. At one point in the third game, Queen's almost came back to tie the game at 12-11. The Yeowomen were too much for Queen's and won the third game 15-11 and the series 3-0.

The women's volleyball team received outstanding performances

from Megan Hurst, Cheryl Piper, who had 12 kills and three stuff blocks, and Chris Pollitt, who had 10 kills and three service aces. Merv Mosher, coach of the Yeowomen, said that the team plays well because "they go to battle on the court."

The Yeowomen were also victors at Ottawa and Carlton. They won the Ottawa series 3-2 with scores 11-

15, 15-8, 15-12, 10-15 and 15-12. They swept the Carlton series 3-0. York had outstanding scores of 15-11, 15-4, and 15-0.

On Sunday against RMC, the Yeowomen delivered a total blowout to the RMC women's team. After 26 minutes the York women swept the series with the scores 15-1, 15-3 and 15-1.

Yeowomen squeak by Queen's

By PAUL CONROY

The chilly confines of York University's own charming little Ice Palace were the scene of some very exciting hockey action last Saturday. The York Yeowomen, fresh from a hard-fought 1-1 tie two nights earlier against McMaster, hosted their rivals from Queen's.

Both teams came out flying at the drop of the puck and the action was end to end with plenty of scoring opportunities. The only problem was that neither squad could manage to count the opening marker and the first period ended scoreless, with the Yeowomen outshooting the opposition 9-3.

goal behind Yeowomen netminder Connie Wrightsell to turn the tide, and the pressure was suddenly on the York side to turn on the offence.

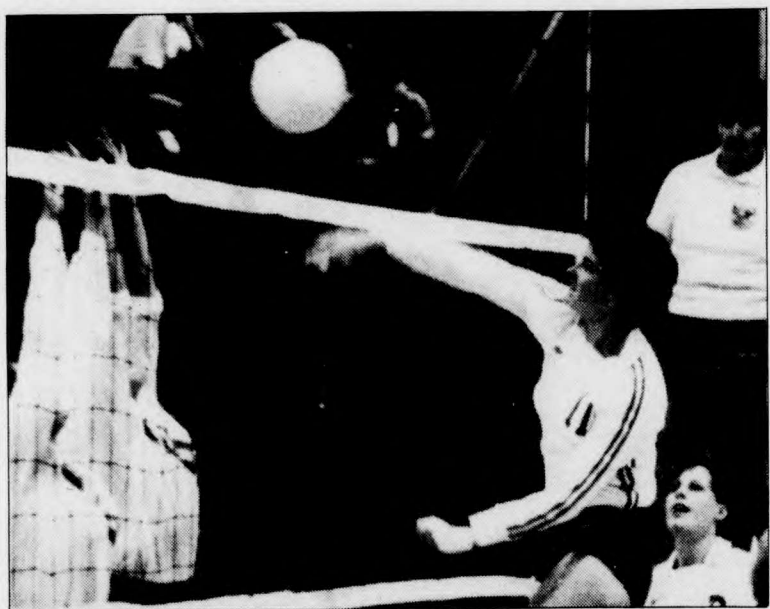
Sandra Downard was the first to respond to the challenge. Picking up the loose puck inside the York blue-line she raced down the ice on an end to end solo effort. Cutting to the left of the net Downard rifled a shot low to the corner to tie the score at low.

The stage was now set for some last minute heroics by Kelly Vandenthillart. With just over a minute remaining in the match York's Tracy Smith made a fine defensive play to keep the puck trapped inside the opposition blue-line. Picking up

Smith's pass Vandenthillart fired a slapshot from point blank range which found the mark, giving the Yeowomen the lead with only 1:08

on the clock. The visitors continued to press but it was not enough; final score York 3, Queen's 2 in dramatic fashion.

After the game Yeowomen coach Sue Gaston said that she had been a little worried when Queen's jumped ahead 2-1, especially since they did it so quickly. "We had been leading most of the game and for that to happen, I was a little worried," said Gaston, "but they didn't get down, they really impressed me."



TAKE THAT: Queen's tries to block a Yeowoman kill in a match they lost 3-0. The Yeowomen had a big weekend picking up four wins at the expense of Ottawa, RMC, Carleton and Queen's.

York 3, Queen's 2

York finally connected in the second period, as Wendy Derjugin converted a pass from Kelly Vandenthillart to put the home side in front. The score stood 1-0 as both teams filed off to their respective dressing rooms at the end of two periods of play.

The temporary cessation of hostilities gave both teams a chance to regroup and find the sniping touch that had been missing in the first two-thirds of the contest.

In the third, the visitors from Kingston came out shooting and before you could say "she shoots, she scores," they had jumped out in front. Queen's players Elaine Worley and Sherry Gibson each put a



BREAKING AWAY: A York Yeowoman tries to evade the grasp of a Queen's player. The Yeowomen picked up three points this past weekend in two hard-fought games at the Ice Palace.

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