

sports and recreation

The Godfather, aikido and other recreations

For these teams, you don't have to be a star

By Kim Llewellyn

There is something for everyone in athletics at York. "The program that we operate will satisfy almost everybody's needs on campus," says Frank Consentino, director of physical education.

The various sports programs available are geared toward both the recreational and competitive athlete. There are four recreational phases for athletics open to students: casual, instructional, sports clubs and inter-college.

CASUAL RECREATION

The Tait McKenzie building is open Monday to Friday, 9 am to 11 pm, Saturdays, 9 am to 10 pm and Sundays 1 pm to 6 pm.

Hours for casual recreation have been specifically scheduled for badminton, pick-up hockey, and tennis. To reserve a squash court you must call 667-2243 for reservation.

The pool is open for free swim from noon to 2 pm and 9 to 11 pm on weekdays and 2-5 pm on weekends. There is pleasure skating in the ice arena from 2-3 pm weekdays, 9-11 pm Saturdays and 3-5 pm Sundays.

The weight room is open when Tait is open. It includes a universal gym, chin-up bars, free weights, wall racks, mirrors, and a power rack.

The upper and main gyms are available to students when they are not in use. Weekly schedules of the



Bonnie Bowerman and Gary Poyntz of the York Sailing Club compete for York. The club is holding a general meeting September 19 from 4 to 6 pm in S122 Ross. Anyone interested in skippering or crewing in inter-collegiate racing is welcome.

gyms are posted on the bulletin board in the main hall of Tait.

Squash racket rentals are available for \$1, badminton racquets and tennis racquets for 50c in the men's control room. Students can sign out basketballs, footballs, or soccerballs here also.

Any of York's six playing fields (two field hockey pitches, one football field, one rugby field and two soccer fields) can be booked through Arvo Tiidus at 667-2351.

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS
Programs of instruction are provided in a variety of sports and

are open to all students, staff and faculty. Many of these programs are oriented toward the beginner.

Programs beginning in September are:

Aikido M-W 1-4 pm
Archery W 7-9 pm
Conditioning M-W-F 12:15-12:45 pm

Fencing T 8-10 pm

Gymnastics M-W 5:30-7 pm

Judo (section A) M 7:30-9 pm

Judo (section B) R 7:30-9 pm

Karate (section A) W 8-9:30 pm

Karate (section B) S 10:30-12 am

Modern Dance T-R 5-6 pm

Skin and Scuba F 7:15-9 pm

Beginning Swimming (1) T-R 7-7:40

(2) T-R 7:40-8:20

Swimming Stroke Improvement

T-R 8:20-9 pm

Tennis M-T-W-R 3-4 pm

Volleyball M-W-F 12:45 am - 2 pm

For fees, starting dates and locations contact Sharon Antonucci at 667-2351 or obtain a *Recreation at York* pamphlet.

SPORTS CLUBS

There is a natural level of skill progression from the instructional

program to the sports clubs.

One of the most active clubs on campus has been for several years the **rugby club** consisting of past and present York members.

The club is divided into three teams: Team 1 is in first place in the Ontario Senior B division, Team 2 is in first place in the Toronto and District Intermediate B division and Team 3 is in third place in the Toronto and District Intermediate C division.

"Our aim this year is to win the Carling Club title," says Mike Dinning, coordinator of the rugby club. "That's the Ontario championships in which all senior teams compete."

The club practices Tuesday and Thursdays in summer, Wednesday nights in the gym in winter.

The **Outdoor Club** is another organization which may interest members of the York community.

The club specializes in outdoor trips, such as skiing, backpacking, canoeing, and cave spelunking.

This year the club will sponsor two ski trips, one to Blue Mountain and one probably to somewhere in Quebec. A winter camping trip in the Dorset area is also being considered.

Mainly the club facilitates trips the members initiate themselves. In the past members have taken trips to various areas of the United States and Mexico.

"I'd like to emphasize that this club is open to everybody," says Roger Seaman, the club's faculty resource person. "This includes, all members of the students, staff and faculty."

The first meeting is at the end of September. Membership fee is \$2.

Other clubs include archery, badminton, cricket, fencing, field hockey, softball, squash, track, and water polo.

INTER-COLLEGE

Inter-college athletics promotes friendly competition between colleges. The emphasis is on participation.

"In many instances this is a highly competitive aspect of recreation at York," says Arvo Tiidus, 'Godfather' of inter-college sports. "College rivalry is involved!"

"Participation in the program has been growing year by year," he adds. "This year's start is very promising. It looks like a very good year."

The inter-college athletics council, operated the program on a point system. At the year's end the York Torch is presented to the college with the most points accumulated. This is usually a combination of placing well in competition, and strong participation.

For the past seven years the York Torch has resided in Stong College. The goal of the 12 other competing units this year is to take it away from Stong.

Undergraduate students participate for the college in which they are registered. All other students are divided into one of the following units: Atkinson, MBA (Master of Business Administration), Osgoode, or Grads (graduate students not in a previous category).

Starting very shortly are baseball, flag football, tennis, water polo, soccer, golf, cross country, and basketball. Organizer's meetings are this week and next.

Invaluable to any York jock is the *Recreation at York* pamphlet put out by the physical education department and available at Tait McKenzie or Information York. Also refer to the sports section in *Manus* (available at the CYSF office) for more information.

BUT IF YOU ARE A STAR...

For information concerning varsity teams contact Nobby Wirkowski for men at 667-3734 and Mary Lyons for women at 667-2289.

New complex has \$\$\$ problems

By Norman Faria

York students may not get the full benefit of the long awaited indoor-outdoor track and field facilities to be built at York.

The big question mark centres over the cost of the project. Estimated cost will be \$4 million, with \$2½ million already committed from Metro Toronto.

The provincial government has said it plans to raise the remainder by appealing to private enterprise for contributions.

But Dave Smith, coordinator of administrative services in the physical education department and a member of the design advisory committee, says the Conservatives' general cutback in educational spending has already hurt the expansion of the physical education department.

"We are all bursting at the seams here," says Smith. "Because of the cutbacks we haven't even been able to carry on with the second phase of what we have now."

With a tentative opening of spring 1979, the new track and field complex was designed to be the most extensive of any Ontario university.

"We are at the drawing stage right now. By November it should be going to tender," Smith said. He added that if the rest of the money cannot be raised the plans will be cut down in size and the department will go ahead with what funds are available. For York students this will mean reduced facilities.

With actual construction scheduled to start in March 1978 the complex is to be situated near the Tait McKenzie building in the north western section of the campus.

The design calls for a large field house containing track and field facilities, changing rooms, spectator seating and first aid stations.

Adjacent will be an uncovered eight lane track, a pole vaulting area and other areas for outdoor games. Surfaces will be of a synthetic material.

York students should have access to the facilities, in whatever form

they will eventually take, between the hours of 9 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday. The rest of the time it will be used by the Ontario Track and Field Association.

The track complex became possible when York agreed to cooperate with Metro Toronto for its construction.

In another instance York obtained a competitive tennis arena by cooperating with an outside organization. The tennis centre is York's most recent addition. It was erected by the Canadian Lawn Tennis Association and is available

to students during May and September.

York has not been so fortunate concerning the ice arena. With one of the most competitive college teams in Canada York has very poor ice facilities.

"The rink has been a problem," says Smith. "We have had complaints from the spectators about the cold seats."

"However the department will continue to cooperate with outside sports organizations and community groups."

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Another long season?



Despite poor start coaches optimistic

The York Yeomen lost the first home game of the season to Wilfred Laurier 17-1 last Saturday. This Saturday it travels to London to play Western, the defending national champions. "We're hoping for a much improved season," says Dave Pickett, offensive coach for the Yeomen. "We have a team we can build on and are looking to be more competitive in the future." On Friday September 2 the Yeomen participated in Football Preview '77 at Ivor Wynne Stadium in Hamilton. The day consisted of four half hour scrimmages in which the Yeomen won one, tied one and lost two.

Football schedule for regular season games is: York at Windsor, Saturday September 24, 2 pm; Guelph at York, Saturday October 1, 2 pm; McMaster at York, Saturday October 8, 2 pm; York at Toronto, Saturday October 15, 2 pm; York at Waterloo, Saturday October 22, 2 pm.

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