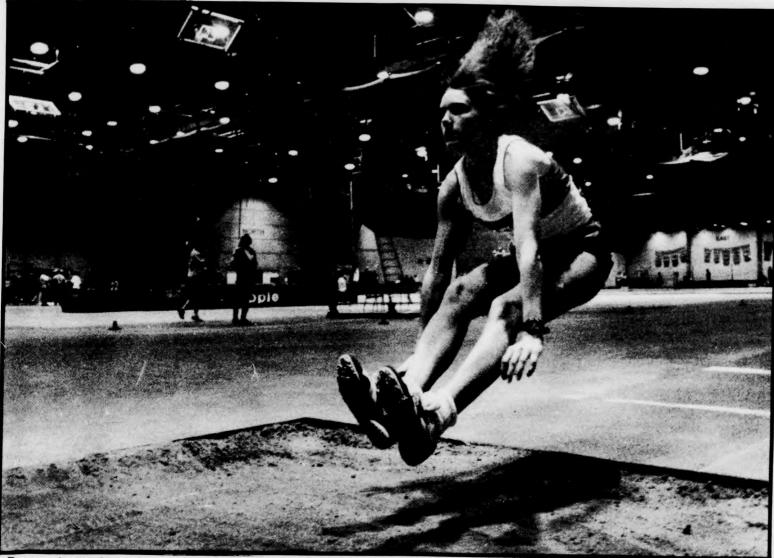
Sports



Bronze it: York triple jumper Sandra Relouw took third with her performance at UofT.

York on track for OUAAs

by Riccardo Sala

The York track and field teams saw action at four venues this weekend as they prepared themselves for the all-important Ontario championships in the beginning of March.

Most of the York squad took a trip south to the UofT Invitational Tournament. York runner Lisa Bennett clocked eight seconds flat to post third place in the race.

The 60-metre hurdles saw Lesley Taschlin do a 9.19 to end up third and qualify for the CIAU final. Teammate Pam O'Donnell also qualified for the national championship with a 1.68 meter high-jump in that competition

In the triple jump, Yeowoman

Andrea Hastick landed gold in with an 11.32 metre leap.

On the men's side, York pole vaulter Vaughn Martin hit first spot with a jump of five metres.

At the same time, another sizable contingent of Yeomen were doing battle in the Windsor Challenge. In the 60-metre race, Dwaynne Roker landed third spot with his run of 6.8 seconds.

In the 600-metre event, Darren Gardner posted third with a time of 1:22.79. Kevin Lake took gold with a 5-metre pole vault, a performance that lands him a spot at the CIAU's.

Also at the Hamilton Spectator games, Yeowoman Nicole Sinn clocked a 2:52.82 in the 1,000metre to also qualify for the national champions.

At the Ontario Pentathion Championships, Yeowoman Lesa Mayes took home the gold.

These four tournaments over the weekend are merely preludes to the raison d'etre of the season, winning the provincial and national titles. On the Ontario level last year, both the Yeomen and Yeowomen came second, behind UofT. Speaking after the weekend's competition, York track and field coach Sue Summers said, "Everyone's on schedule to perform well at the OU's (Ontario provincials)."

Summers sees the Yeowomen as standing a good chance to

take the Ontario title this year, while the Yeomen will have to stand up to competition from a good University of Windsor squad. UofT, as usual, will be an obstacle to York's aspirations.

Some members of the York squad are also seeing action at the Commonwealth Games: Yeomen Paul Just and Doug Wood who are on the Canadian pole vaulting team, and Yeowoman France Gareau, who is competing on the Canadian 100 and 200-metre teams, as well as the 4x100-metre relay team.

The York track and field teams next see action on their home field at the York Invitational this Saturday starting at 11 am.

They're back

by Josh Rubin

The Yeomen are back

After losing 7-4 to the visiting Ottawa G.G.'s on Friday night, the hockey Yeomen were given a lengthy closed-door lecture by head coach Graham Wise. Whatever Wise said worked, as on the following afternoon, his team responded with a 6-3 victory over the Concordia Stingers.

The Yeomen wasted little time in their game against the Stingers, jumping ahead 1-0 after a mere 2:37. The Yeomen continued their inspired play throughout the rest of the first period, however, they were hurt by the play of their netminder Willie Popp.

Popp let in two shaky goals during the first period, but the Yeomen still prevailed 3-2.

The second period, though scoreless, saw lots of action. The Yeomen defence, led by heavyweight Guy Girouard, slowed down the strong-skating Stinger forwards with some crushing checks. The Yeomen penalty killers were also put to the test, and they responded well.

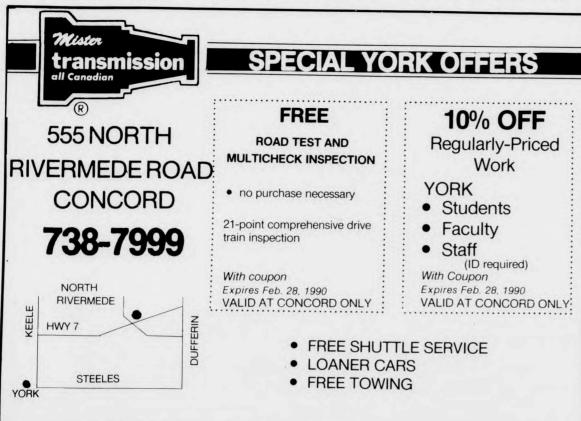
In the third period, the Yeomen kept the pressure on with some aggressive forechecking. Good work in the corners by forward Greg Roberts gave the Yeomen a 4-2 lead. The visiting Stingers often looked sluggish, showing the effects of York's physical play.

After York went up 5-2, Concordia got one goal back from a scramble in front of the net. The Yeomen failed to clear two successive rebounds, and the Stingers sported on the third the stingers.

gers scored on the third shot.

The Yeomen rounded out the scoring with seven seconds to go. After the game, Concordia coach Paul Arsenault said his team made some mistakes typical of a young team. "York was fired up," said Arsenault, "and our defencemen made some critical mistakes under the pressure."

The Yeomen return to action this Thursday at 7:30 p.m. when they host the UofT Varsity Blues.





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