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Regular season ushered in with doubleheader victory

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Saturday night's doubleheader against Carleton at Tait McKenzie Athletic Centre officially ushered in a steady diet of regular season play for both the York Yeomen and Yeowomen basketball teams.

It was the first offical OUAA East matchup for the Yeomen while the Yeowomen were already sporting a 2 and 0 record in OWIAA East play with wins over Ryerson and Ottawa in the fall.

The Yeowomen raised their magic number to "3" in two ways when they defeated the Carleton Robins 66-48. First of all, York upped its record to 3-0 in league play. Secondly, the Yeowomen are now riding on a 3-game winning streak, having beaten McMaster 55-53 in their final exhibition game the Tuesday night before.

On the strength of their inside game, the Yeowomen powered out to a 21-11 lead with balanced scoring between Sue DeRyck, Anne Marie Thuss and Michelle Thuss.

Although the Robins pulled to within 3 at 21-18, Thuss, DeRyck and reserve Heather Reid swung the momentum back into York's favour and the Yeowomen held a 32-22 lead at the half. The final 20 minutes saw the two teams trade baskets.

Coach Frances Flint stated, "Excellent effort. Carleton is a tough team and they pushed us. It was total effort by everyone. Really we played with only 10 players. Wanda (Pighin) is out for 3 weeks with a stress fracture in her foot while Anthea (Hewitt) wasn't feeling well."

Anne Marie Thuss led with 16 points, while Sue DeRyck, who had a game-high 17 against McMaster, added 13 along with 11 by Michelle Sund. For Carleton, Tish Anderson led with 13 while Sue Hindson scored 10.

Like the women's game, the men's match sent the York supporters home satisfied. The York Yeomen, up by 39-30 at the half, totally dominated the Ravens in the final half to post a 99-58 shellacking of the Ottawa-based school.

Carleton, buoyed by a 91-70 win over Ryerson the previous night, hung close to the Yeomen for most of the first half. Both sides were affected by cold shooting early in the game. They had the shots, but they would not fall in.

Reserve players were called on by both coaches in the first half. For Carleton and Paul Armstrong, Rene Romain and Paul LeBreux hit for 7 and 6 points respectively to keep the Ravens close. For Bob Bain, Jeff McDermid hit for 11 points, mostly on some fine perimeter shooting. With just under 10 minutes to go, Mike Sherwood, Doug Kerr and Lou Karkabasis had accompanied McDermid on the court to work with staring guard Ron Hepburn.

However, with about six-and-ahalf minutes to go, Bain went back to his starters. Bain got some valuable minutes from the reserves, and with two minutes to go, the frontliners stretched the margin from 28-26 to 39-30.

The second half was a different story altogether. Like the Ravens did to Ryerson the night before, the Yeomen took complete control and padded their lead after a relatively close first half.

York's relentless full-court pressure with traps threw the Ravens offense out of rhythm. In addition to the pressure defense, York's fast break also took its toll on the visitors. At one point, the Yeomen hit for 8 of 10 consecutive points on the break.

Bain stated, "It was a good second half. We were running in mud in the first. Our break and press got going. We used three different presses: fullcourt man-to-man, 1-2-2 'matchup' and 2-1-2. We took to their young guys because they would have trouble reading it. In the first half we only used a token press. Our bench was exceptional. I like to think that the trip (out West) helped too.'

Tim Rider led the Yeomen with 23 points, while Ron Hepburn and Mark Jones tallied 17 and 16 respectively. Also, as Jeff McDermid hit for 11 first half points, Paul Rosenberg came off the bench in the second half to register 11 of his own points with a strong inside game. For

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NOTES: The Carleton Ravens are now 1-2 in league play, but the

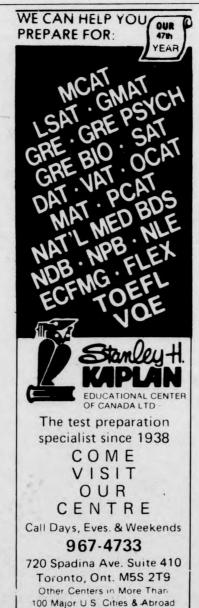
Robins are now 0-6. The first Pizza Patio pizza was given away Saturday night. The successful free-throw shooter was Carleton DeRyck-the father of centre Susan DeRyck.



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BOOGIE MAN: Jeff McDermid boogies down court on the heels of Carleton's Paul Lebreux in the second half of last weekend's doubleheader.





LIFT-OFF: Jene Graham launches the ball for the Yeomen. The Robins fell to defeat 66-48.

Figure skaters hope to improve placing in this Friday's invitational tournament

For those who missed Torvill and Dean this past week, (and for those who saw them but would still like to see more skating) the York Invitation will take place tomorrow at the Ice Palace.

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