

Mac edges York gymnasts



Linda Stella performs on the beam during the York Invitational.

Rose Crawford
After dominating Ontario university women's gymnastics for more than a decade, the York University dynasty seems to have come to an end.

Having lost the OWIAA crown to McMaster last year, the Yeowomen gymnasts relinquished yet another title to the Marauders. They lost their own invitational meet last Saturday, finishing second to the Hamilton squad by a score of 124.80 to 123.24.

Carl VonHolstein, the coach of the McMaster team was pleased with the win, but unhappy with his team's individual performances.

"Individually, we had expected to do a lot better. We won because of our depth...we get good consistency from the girls which always helps."

The only bright spot for the York squad was the performance of Linda Stella who captured two gold medals on her way to a second place finish over-all.

One of the gold medals came on the floor exercise for which she

drew the highest mark of the meet, (8.85) for a beautifully performed routine.

First place all-around went to Western's Dianna Bartlett, who also won two gold medals, plus one bronze and one fifth place finish.

McMaster's Connie Abram finished the competition with 31.45 points, enough to give her the bronze medal in the all-around category.

Eatough is enough

BSC connect

Jules 'Sparky' Xavier

York's Yeowomen hockey team lost to the University of Toronto 6-4 in a game marred by poor officiating and sportsmanship last Thursday at Varsity arena.

The losing score was not indicative of York's play according to U of T coach Dave McMaster. "York had outplayed us and deserved to win."

According to rookie Gail Stewart, "The team has a lot of confidence and desire following our close loss. I felt we could have beaten them and this will help our confidence if we meet them in the OWIAA finals."

Stewart played a solid two-way game netting a goal and an assist. Together with linemates Lisa Biglen and Maureen Corrigan, Stewart provided a good forechecking unit, continually choking off the Lady Blues' breakouts.

York's Sue Howard added two goals while teammate Barb Boyes added a single marker.

The Yeowomen were frustrated following the game as official Debbie Cooper, hesitant about many of her calls, let the game get out of control with less than 3 minutes to play.

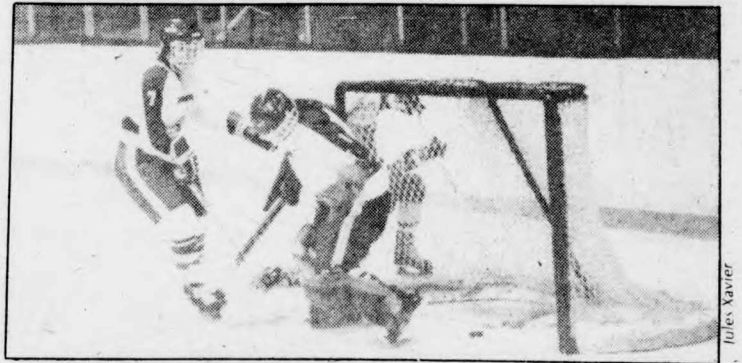
Cooper called back a York goal after a U of T player kicked the

Athletes of the Week

This week's Male Athlete of the Week is York gymnast Dan Gaudet. He led his team to their eleventh consecutive OUAA title with an impressive seven gold medal performance. Dan won every event as well as collecting the overall as his routines provided the spectators with plenty of entertainment. Dan is also a member of the ill-fated 1980 Canadian Olympic team and last year's CIAU all round champion.

This week's Female Athletes of the Week are Yeowomen hockey players, rookie Gail Stewart and veteran Sue Howard. Throughout the season these two players have led their team to a much improved 6-4-1 record which clinched the Yeowomen a spot in the semi-finals of OWIAA hockey.

Gail and Sue lead the club offensively and defensively with their tenacious checking. This has gained them respect from fellow players and coaches.



York's Gail Stewart watches from behind the net as the puck trickles past U of T netminder Karen Ranson while Tracy Eatough watches helplessly.

puck into her own net, believing she had blown the whistle before the puck entered the net. Her position on the ice left little doubt that she didn't see the play occur.

At that time York's assistant captain Stewart approached Cooper about the call as the referee put the face-off outside U of T's zone. Stewart was warned that if she didn't keep quiet that she would be awarded a penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct.

To add insult to injury, York's Howard was given a match penalty for her part in a brutal assault upon her by U of T defender Tracy Eatough.

At the 2:50 mark of the third period Eatough warned York's Howard, then charged her behind the net with a tremendous hit that

was heard at the other end of the arena. With Howard slightly dazed, Eatough then dropped her gloves and stick and began fighting.

At no time did Howard drop her gloves or become an aggressor.

In the fight Howard attempted to break away from Eatough and sustained torn ligaments in her ankle as she was thrown against the U of T net.

Both players were given match penalties as was another U of T player for being third man into the fight. The match penalties also have an additional game suspension but Howard will use the time to rest her ankle, hoping to take part in semi-final action this Saturday at 5:30 p.m. at the Ice Palace.

Play-off hopes still alive

Al Clarkson

The York Yeomen still find themselves very much in the running for a play-off berth, as regular season action concludes this weekend in the OUAA hockey league.

In last weekend's action, the Yeomen split their two games, crushing the Brock Badgers 7-0 on Friday evening and losing 4-3 to the Windsor Lancers on Sunday.

The Badgers, league doormats with just one win in twenty outings, were again frustrated by York goalie Brett Bloxham, who stopped the puck 33 times to earn the shutout.

The very physical nature of the game resulted in 116 minutes in penalties and four Yeomen being

ejected from the game.

John Lovell, who saw plenty of action because of the ejections, led the York rampage with two goals, while Brian Carruthers, John Campbell, Scott Madger, Alf Beasley and Tim Haunn scored single markers.

The Windsor match-up was another physical affair, one which York ended up losing. Scott Densen, Al Sinclair and Haunn were the York marksmen.

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