

V-ball girls win one, lose one

Being "psyched-up" made the difference in play

By DOREEN MAGERMAN

There is a great deal more to sport, and to volleyball in particular, than physical ability and technique. Mental preparation and "the psych-up" are key factors, so much so that games are often won or lost even before the player gets into the gymnasium. Moreover, once on the court the competitor must learn to keep himself "up" under all circumstances. Failure to do so can be disastrous, and contagious for more often than not teammates go "down" together.

A case in point is the Yeowomen's volleyball game against University of Toronto a week Tuesday. U of T won the match 15-8, 9-15, 15-0, 15-10 not so much on the basis of skill but largely because York's mental lows outnumbered their highs. A 15-9 victory over Toronto in the second game followed by an incredible 0-15 defeat in the third game. By the time the team regrouped and settled down in the fourth game it was too late as the Varsity Women were able to take advantage of York's slumps. Some of the volleyball was excellent, particularly in the second and final games — the rallies

were long and exciting and few balls hit the floor on either side.

Following the disappointment against Toronto, York met Queens on Saturday at Tait McKenzie. York had lost their first match against Queens when they faced them in Kingston earlier in the season and needed the victory to guarantee them a spot in the championship round in Waterloo on February 16 and 17. The Yeowomen gave a sound, consistent display of volleyball, taking the match 15-2, 15-12, 15-6 in three games straight. Debbie Smith, Chris Barrick and Judy Trevelyan played a strong match for the Yeowomen who picked up many points on short tips over the net rather than the hard spikes which the Queens squad was expecting.

The victory leaves the team tied for second with Ottawa with one match remaining in league competition, against Laurentian at Tait McKenzie tomorrow evening at 7 p.m. Following the game the squad catches the morning flight to Halifax, Nova Scotia to take part in an six team invitational tournament being held at Acadia University. The team is selling raffle tickets and conducting a bottle drive to help raise the money necessary for the trip.

Winning comes second

By LIONEL LLEWELLYN

"Victory, victory is our cry, V-I-C-T-O-R-Y..." chanted members of the Winters co-ed volleyball team as they psyched up to play Founders at the recent tournament held at the Tait gym.

Just moments before, the happy squad lost to Glendon in their attempt to take the championship, yet no one was upset over the loss. And that attitude typically prevailed for all participants in the latest triumph for co-ed sports.

"Basically," confided McLaughlin resident Dave Steingart, "we just have a good time." Eight teams entered the round robin tourney and well over 90 people represented the various colleges.

For Carol Gluppe, assistant coordinator of inter-college athletics, the two evenings were well spent. "It was a super turnout. The reason for this might be that a one night stand is more advantageous to field a co-ed team. There may be more appeal to participate for a night or two than over a continuing weekly schedule."

The first evening consisted of seven rounds — each team playing 14 nine point games. The top four at evening's end gained berths into last week's final competition. Glendon, with the coolness and precision of a military unit, dominated the courts winning 13 games. They suffered their only loss to McLaughlin who took second with an 11-3 record. Winters, 9-5 and Founders, 7-7 also qualified.

In the semi-finals McLaughlin easily disposed of Founders in three straight games. A spirited gang from Winters gave Glendon fits before the "downtowners" eked out a victory in the fifth game.

In the showdown for the co-ed volleyball championship, the two top teams Glendon and McLaughlin, displayed great skill and determination for a sport that considers only participation points towards the York Torch. The match went the three game limit with Glendon eventually outpointing McLaughlin 15-9, 7-15, 15-8.

Ester Jacobson and Connie Libman, Montrealers on the McLaughlin squad, afterwards praised the concept of co-ed sports. Said Libman, "The best thing about co-ed sports is that we get to meet other interesting people, we stay physically fit in our social activities, and we participate in a constructive way for the college."

Though the co-ed leagues are less restricted in enforcing rules, a change was instituted for last week's playoffs. Gluppe explained that the calibre of play the week before so impressed the referees that they agreed to call the games much closer.

For those still interested in meeting new faces and exercising the occasional muscle there are still several co-ed sports yet to be held. A broomball league will start shortly and tournaments for squash, curling, badminton, archery and table tennis are planned. Information on these or other co-ed sports can be obtained from respective college athletic chairman or Carol Gluppe.



York's volleyball Yeowomen struggle around the net in league action against the Queen's Golden Gaels Saturday at Tait McKenzie. York took all three matches 15-2, 15-12 and 15-6 but lost in competition earlier in the week to the University of Toronto.

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Fencers in championships

The newly formed York Women's Fencing Team competed in the O.W.I.A.A. Fencing Championships hosted by the University of Toronto last weekend. The team, which came into existence last September consists of four foil fencers and was coached by Mrs. Marion Julier.

The top two teams and top three individual fencers from each section had a chance to compete. Western and McMaster represented the western division, York and U of T the central division, and U of Ottawa and McGill the eastern division. Friday, the teams competed in a gruelling nine and a half hour competition that saw York finish fifth in the a field of six, as the University of Ottawa finished first. Saturday, nine fencers competed for the individual championship. In a battle for first place, Judy Krupansky of Queens left June Mallin of Ottawa in second place. Robyn Sargent and Linda Wintonyk, both of McMaster and Scarlet Page of York each had five victories in their favor but a ratio of hits given to hits received left Sargent third, Wintonyk fourth and Page fifth.

First campus boatrace on

York may not have its artificial lake yet, but the York University Rugby Club, in an effort to raise funds, and Tap 'n Keg are sponsoring the first boatrace here Friday evening. For the uninitiated, a boatrace involves, in this case, 5 drinkers who each in turn chug a mug of beer in competition with other teams. In a series of eliminations, the best team times emerge until the final run off which features an "up and down" race. Each team member chugs twice with an "anchor-man" chugging twice in succession, making for an exciting finale. Draft mugs will be provided for the teams and also to all spectators upon entry at Bethune Dining Hall. The draft goes on sale at 7:30 p.m. and the first races are at 8:30 p.m. There will also be dancing between races featuring the music from the fifties. Prizes will be awarded to the fastest teams.

Women gymnasts take fifth

OTTAWA — York's women gymnasts won its fifth consecutive OWIAA championship here Saturday at the University of Ottawa. York headed the six team meet with 281.63 points, followed by Western with 269.65 and Queen's with 203.73. The York gymnasts placed first in the senior and intermediate divisions and second at the junior level. Varsity's Jennifer Diachun had a first place finish in the individual senior division with 36.45 points, followed by two York representatives, Theresa McDonald with 35.85 and Sharon Tsukamoto with 35.10. In the Intermediate division, York's Patty Bain and Debra Scott took first and second place with 35.02 and 33.09 points respectively. Cindy Browne ranked third in the junior class with 30.75 points.

Ticktin takes top laurels

KINGSTON — For the second straight week, York's Saul Ticktin won top laurels in intercollegiate squash, this time taking the A division of the Queen's invitational. Ticktin defeated Doug Maclean of Waterloo by a score of 3-1 by combining a relentless pace with determined retrieving. In the semi-finals, Paul Frost was upset 3-2 by Maclean. Frost will be competing in the finals of the Toronto City B tournament this week. In team competition, York came second with 28.5 points, with Queen's taking top honours with 33.5 points and Waterloo coming third with 20.

Cagers still threat

By RON KAUFMAN

Friday night at Tait, playing before a sparse crowd, the basketball Yeomen staved off elimination from a possible playoff berth with an impressive 65-52 victory over the Carleton Ravens. The win also avenged an earlier 70-65 defeat at the hands of the Ravens in Ottawa.

Playing with assistant coach Greg Poole at the helm (head-man Bob McKinney was in New York on a business trip), the team made their victory seem easy as they controlled the play throughout the match. Taking only a 30-26 advantage into the locker room at the half, the team reeled off twelve straight points after the break to break it open. Playing for the good shot (on most occasions) they stretched their lead to twenty points before slowing down in the final few minutes.

Bob Weppler led the attack with 18 points despite missing numerous

attempts from in close. Bob Pike hooped 16 points followed by Jeff Simbrow with 12 and Vince Santoro with 10. Lorne Bowles and Graham Haig led Carleton with 18 and 9 points respectively. KAUF — DROPS.... Earlier in the week York defeated the winless Ryerson Rams by a ten-point margin. . . The Varsity game last week marked the final appearance of Butch Feldman, Yeomen co-captain who has decided to retire for personal reasons. In his three years with the squad he became noted for his all-out hustle and determination (and his games against the Blues). We wish him good luck in his future endeavours. . . Going into the Feb. 16 match against the Blues at Tait both squads should be 5-6 so a playoff berth is definitely at stake. With an improvement in their boardwork at both ends of the court, the Yeomen should prevail by about seven points.

Canadians set records

By MARILYN SHOOM

At the Toronto Star Maple Leaf Indoor Games Friday Canadian athletes broke one world record and closed in on several others.

Ottawa's 17-year old Glenda Reiser, came home in 2:29.4, in the 1000 metre race almost three seconds faster than the previous indoor mark of 2:32.2.

"I knew someone was behind me but from the roar of the crowd I thought the girl was gaining ground on me so I tried to go as hard as I could."

On a night when all five competitors in the high jump cleared the bar at 7 ft. 20 year old Canadian Claude Ferragne, placed fifth with a jump of 7 ft. 1 in, after spending six hours cramped in a taxi and arriving a 30 minutes before his event.

Who won the three mile run, Grant McLaren or Kip Keino will remain in doubt forever, for coming into the bell lap with Keino on his heels, McLaren leaned into his final thrust only to collide with Sports Illustrated photographer John Hanlon instead. Keino surged home in 13:23.8, McLaren in 13:25 flat.

McLaren said, "It's unfortunate but it happened. The way Kip was running and I was feeling, I'm not sure I would have won in any case."

In inter-university events earlier in the day, University of Western Ontario took the team title with 29 points, three more than favoured U. of T. Queen's and Waterloo tied for third with 21 points while McMaster stood fifth with 12. York managed 4 points with Ken Buckley taking second place in the 1 mile run.