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York women

by Judy Galbraith
and Judy Thompson

meet Windsor

In volleyball and basketball last Friday night the York women's teams won and lost to Windsor.

The volleyball team, minus one of its steady players, Linda Hallett, pulled together for a decisive win over the Windsor Lancettes. They were the league champions last year.

The first game of the match was extremely close for the first 11 points; then York went ahead with 4 points to win 15-11. The second game was a real psychological blow to the Windsor team who went down 15-3.

In the third and final game of the match the Windsor team showed signs of coming to life but were unable to come up with the good timing necessary on spikes or the accurate placement of volleys and lost to York 15-9.

It was obvious in last Friday's game that Windsor had a superior basketball team, for they dominated play from the first quarter on. They displayed excellent play-making ability, and

this, coupled with an effective press and good fast break accounted for the 66-24 win over York.

York's main problem was inaccurate shooting. Both teams had the same number of shots on the basket, and yet Windsor managed to come out with a 42 point lead.

York also tended to give the ball away, especially on down-court passes. Their play-making was broken up by an extremely effective Windsor defence and an inability to apply their own defensive press tightly enough.

The York team members played hard and determinedly and the result was an exciting and extremely fast paced game. Harriet Handler and Jean Landa were high scorers.

The next home game is against McMaster on Thursday February 6 at 7:00 pm. Support for the previous games has been practically nil.

Come out and watch a good team play.

In defence of women's ice hockey

by Ruth Ann Whipp

Something new happened at York this year. It was finally agreed that there could be a women's university ice hockey team if they played exhibition games only.

For many girls, particularly Shirley Gasparet, this is what they had been trying to push for 2 or 3 years. And so, the women's hockey team came into existence.

Friday night the girls lost 11-0 to Guelph University and since then I've heard many remarks, including criticisms about the York squad. It's really easy to criticize when someone loses and that's what York people seem to be best at.

The girls hockey team played an exhibition game against Ryerson before Christmas winning 3-0. Although the score should have been higher, the team was still pleased to win considering the fact that the prime ice time of 8-10 am Wednesday mornings had been allotted to them. This is really great especially when 3/4 of the team has nine o'clock classes.

Nonetheless, the will to play hockey was so great that the team had more than 20 players showing up for early morning practices. When the junior mens varsity team is not playing, the women are lucky enough to get

the odd Tuesday night booked for them, only to go over to the arena and find it full of pleasure skaters.

On Friday, Guelph University came to play at York. The York women were psyched out before they ever got on the ice. Just to see the Guelph girls each with their own bag of equipment come through the door did wonders.

Out they went to face a Guelph team fully equipped from head to toe including men's tube skates. The York players looked half the size but at least this time they had sweaters (although they all didn't match) that were not 10 sizes too small.

The York team was obviously frightened at first, but the girls have never complained and after their initial reaction they started

The game in detail

The Toronto Maple Leafs aren't the only team in hockey history to lose by eleven goals. The York women accomplished this feat with much aplomb Friday night.

In fairness to the team, it was against a far superior team, the University of Guelph. This team has for the last two seasons won the WIAU league championship.

The York team appeared nervous in the first period. As a result they played poor positional hockey. By the end of the period the score was 5-0 for Guelph.

In the second period the York squad managed to skate with the Guelph women. In the period York got its first shots on goal. But at the sound of the buzzer they were trailing 7-0.

In the 3rd period York took to the ice full of zest. But they petered out and Guelph came on strong to bag 4 more before the period ended.

The game was cleanly played with not a penalty called. They tried and put up a good show for the spectators who came to watch.

It's skate, skate, skate in the next few practices as the team gets ready to meet Trent University in a home series. The next game is here at York on Friday January 31.

Women's sports briefs

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York hosts Laurentian on Friday January 24.

BASKETBALL

The next game takes place at Guelph University on Thursday January 30. It is an exhibition game and not part of the league standings.

VOLLEYBALL

The volleyball team hosts Laurentian in Tait McKenzie on Friday January 24. Laurentian is one of the only teams that has beaten the winning York V-Ball team and so it should be an exciting game.

to get their nerve.

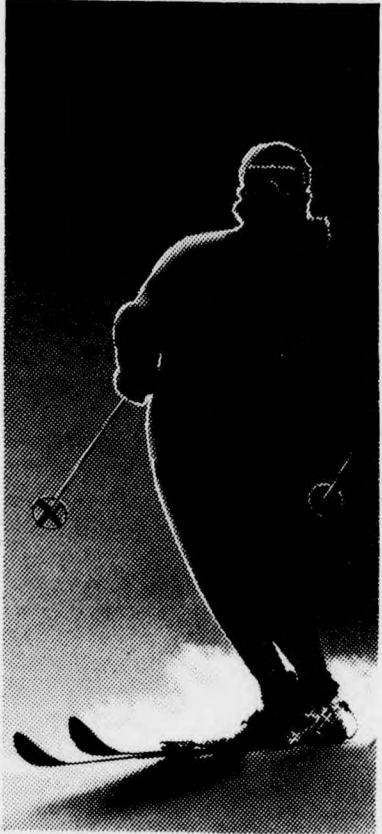
So what you say, they still lost. Well, sure they lost. Guelph University had been in a league with U of T, Queens, Western, McMaster and McGill for the last 8 years. They have been league champions for the last 2 years and have won their last 8 games in a row.

On experience alone, how could anyone expect York to win. But everyone in that arena knew they gave it all they had. Sure they lost 11-0 but Queens lost 20-0 to the same team.

Give credit where credit is due, and the York's womens ice hockey team deserves some.

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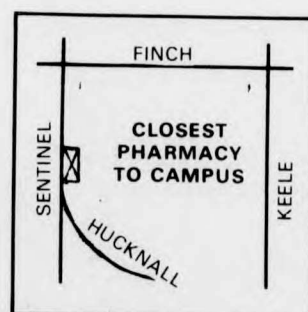
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