

Wise decision?

by Josh Rubin

Will he or won't he? That's the question being asked by Yeomen hockey fans after it was reported that head coach Graham Wise applied for the vacant coaching position at Michigan Technical University.

Officials at the U.S. school wouldn't confirm Wise's application, saying only that there had been 25 to 30 applicants.

According to Tech's athletic director, Ted Kearly, the results of his school's search should be known March 28. Kearly would not say if he knew what Wise's chances were in terms of landing the Michigan position.

Wise confirmed that he has applied, saying that he was contacted by several alumni of Tech (located in Houghton, Michigan), which is also his alma mater.

Wise also said he would prefer to stay at York, and that his contract only runs out in September.

Wally Dyba, co-ordinator of men's athletics at York, said the phys. ed. department has not yet made any contingency plans in the event that Wise and wife Sue Summers, in charge of York's track and field programme, leave the university.

Dyba added that Wise's departure is by no means a sure thing, as he has not yet been notified whether Wise or Summers will be returning in the fall.

Dyba believes Wise's situation is simply one of someone "wanting to move up in the world. . . . I would not hold it against him if he got a better offer somewhere else."



CIAU gold for track and field Yeowomen

by Riccardo Sala

With apologies to Julius Caesar, the York track and field teams came, saw and conquered at the CIAU championships held at Winnipeg last weekend.

The Yeowomen struck CIAU gold, followed by the University of Manitoba and the University of Saskatchewan.

The Yeomen, on the other hand, tied for third with the University of Windsor. The men's standings were a logjam with Manitoba and UofT deadlocked in first.

The Yeomen were anchored by strong performances in the relay events: in the 4x200m run, York's team of Dwayne Roker, Vogner Castilho, Colin Inglis and Kevin Benner took gold, running a 1:28.53 second race. The same team, with Corey Burnett and Darren Gardner filling in for Inglis and Roker, set a CIAU record of 3:16.86 in the 4x400m relay.

The Yeomen 4x800m team

took fifth, shaving 10 seconds off their previous best time.

Yeoman Dwayne Roker won silver in the 60m sprint, while teammate Dexter John came in fourth.

Vogner Castilho took gold for York in the men's 300m with a 34 second run. Combined with his performances on the relay teams, Castilho's results earned him a nomination as male athlete of the CIAUs.

The Yeowomen were led by the double-gold performance of Nicole Sinn, who copped first place in both the 600m and 1000m races while also running with the 4 x 400m relay team.

Sinn's strong weekend led to her selection as the outstanding female athlete of the nationals.

In the 600m, Sinn won the gold with a 1:30.69 run, followed by teammate Lara Leitch in second. The 1000m race ended with Sinn and Leitch first and second. In the 4x400 m relay, Sinn and Leitch teamed up with Lesa Mayes and France Gareau to win the silver.

The women's 4 x200m relay saw Yeowomen Karyn Humber

and Andrea Hastick, along with Mayes and Gareau, win with a time of 1:40.85 seconds.

Gareau was second in both the 60m and 300m races. In the latter, she recorded a personal best time of 38.39 seconds.

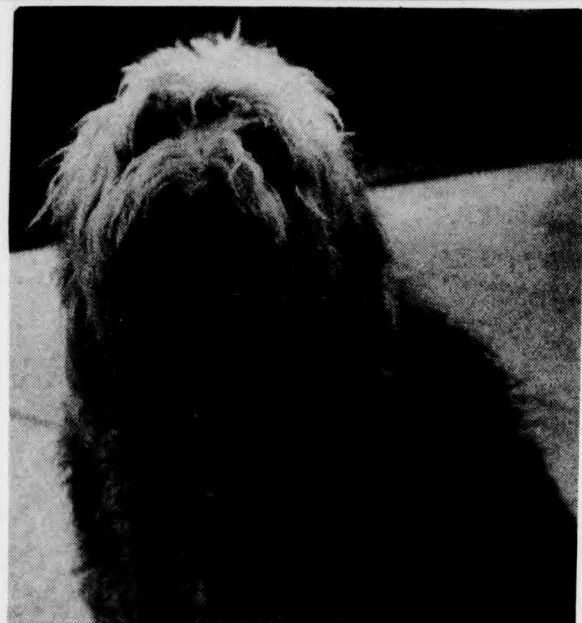
Yeowomen Leslie Tashlin and Lesa Mayes came in fourth and fifth respectively in the 60m hurdles.

Mayes took part in the shot put, winning the bronze with a 12.98m lob. Andrea Hastick finished fourth in the long-jump, with a personal best of 5.77 m. She finished fifth in the triple jump.

Kevin Lake took gold for the Yeomen in the pole vault, clearing five meters. In the long jump, York's Tim Moller was sixth, while teammate Vaughn Martin finished sixth in the triple jump.

York assistant coach Vickie Croley feels the two teams will have strong seasons next year despite the departure of some strong veterans.

With runners such as Commonwealth Games veteran France Gareau and Nicole Sinn, Croley feels that the women's team will be especially strong.



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