

Basketball team fares well at UofT tourney

Yeomen capture bronze

by Darryl Weisblott

Last weekend, the York Yeomen continued their pre-season as they participated in the Men's Basketball Metro Classic held at the University of Toronto. Friday night the Concordia Stingers defeated the Yeomen in the opening game 92-79. In the bronze



medal match on Saturday afternoon, the Yeomen defeated the UofT Blues 106-87. Heading into last night's game in Laurier, the Yeomen's exhibition record was 2-7.

The Yeomen started off strongly against the Stingers applying early defensive pressure. Effective outside shooting, led by two Mark Bellai three pointers gave York an early 13-4 lead.

After the Stingers began to find their mark hitting important jump shots to take a 18-15 lead, York coach Bob Bain called a time-out midway through the first half. The time-out did York good as they continued to shoot well and went into the locker room at half-time with a three point lead.

In the second half Concordia showed why they are one of the top ranked teams in the country. They used their quick speed and size advantage to retake the lead and defeat the



Count it! Mark Bellai scores 2 of his game high 38 pts against UofT on Saturday. photo by Michele Boesener

Yeomen. The Stingers were led by guard Robert Ferguson who had twenty-one points.

"They outsized us, they got

some big guys down low," said Bellai who finished the game with nineteen points.

On Saturday the Yeomen

came out strongly against the Blues. They played a fast paced game on offense. They were also aggressive on defense. Throughout the game, the Yeoman swatted away a number of Blues passes. Mark Bellai shot eight three pointers in the game and finished with 38 points. Wilton Hall had thirteen points for the Yeomen.

"I think we played with a little bit more confidence today too," said Bain. "Obviously these guys are in our league and we wanted to kind of establish the fact that we can either play with them or beat them big time."

Led by Bellai, the Yeomen have strength on their outside game. The teams weakness is inside.

"We try to get the ball inside a little bit," said Bellai, "but we don't really have a 6'9" great scorer inside so we try and put the ball in and then play off the post."

The Yeomen have been relying on Vic Fantin, a first year player and Jason Kimens to provide them with power under the basket.

"If he (Fantin) has an opportunity to score he's welcome to score," said Bellai, "but he's sometimes looking to cross-court, trying to get another shooter. He's working his ass off but it's tough to be a six foot five first year."

Bain said the team has to design their plays with what they have available.

"We're going to have to live and die by that outside game because that's all we got. We don't have big post-up players so what we've elected to do is go to the more fairly mobile centers."

Inconsistent play hurts hockey Yeomen

by Josh Rubin

MONTREAL—Will the real York Yeomen please stand up?

At times this season, the hockey Yeomen have skated well, put the puck in the net with ease, and dominated even their strongest opponents.

But at other times, like a pair of losses to Concordia and McGill this past weekend they've had slow starts, played sloppy defence and lacked any semblance of discipline.

Friday, they took on the struggling Concordia Stingers and lost 6-4, despite outshooting their hosts 47-38.

Saturday, they dropped a 6-3 decision to McGill after entering the third period deadlocked at three.

What was perhaps most frustrating for York coach Graham Wise and his charges was that both games were well within the Yeomen's reach.

"We worked really hard both games, but we went from getting a few bounces against Concordia to none at all with McGill," Wise said.

As the score would indicate, it was Friday's game which saw the York squad's stronger effort — despite losing, they came back from one goal deficits to tie the game up four times.

The contest with McGill, however, was another matter entirely.

Against a Redmen squad not known for its offensive prowess, the Yeomen gave up two goals before the game was four minutes old.

Still, defenceman Rob Radobenko's shorthanded goal late in the second period allowed the Yeomen right back into the game.

The Redmen, however, had other ideas, and started out the final frame with a quick two-goal outburst that left the York side reeling.

Unlike their comebacks against Concordia, however, the

Yeomen didn't respond too well to the Redmen taking yet another lead.

Bolstered by the haphazard work of referee Guy Joubert, the frustrations of the young York squad boiled over, and they ended up in the penalty box so frequently, there was no hope of a credible comeback.

Wise attributed much of the letdown to the squad's inexperience at the university level — the Yeomen have just two players past third year.

"It's normal... We've got some good players who just haven't made the transition yet from major junior to university hockey," Wise said.

One area of transition which seems to be a bit of a rough spot for some of the Yeomen's former OHL players is in the fighting department.

"In junior they drop their gloves and go at it in a second. Guys have got to learn you just can't do that in this league," referring to the automatic game misconduct and one game suspension handed out for fisticuffs by the Ontario University league.

Yet some of the more rambunctious Yeomen on Saturday were players who, one assumes, should know better by now.

Alan Laforge, for example, who finished second in the Yeomen scoring race last year, earned himself a roughing minor late in the game.

Even the usually solid Rob Radobenko was tossed out for amassing three stick penalties (which also, incidentally, earned him a one-game suspension) against the Redmen.

McGill coach Jean Pronovost wasn't too impressed by the Yeomen's chipiness.

"It's good to show strength of character, but I think you do it better by turning the other cheek," Pronovost said.

The Yeomen will try to get some momentum back this evening when they host the Ryerson Rams in a 7:30 start at the Ice Palace.

SPORT SHORTS

WOMEN'S ATHLETICS

basketball

The Yeowomen were defeated by the Brock Badgers 66-44

hockey

The Yeowomen lost to UofT 8-0. They also lost to Guelph 5-2.

volleyball

The Yeowomen had a successful first day of the tournament defeating Regina 2-0, Dalhousie 2-1, and Calgary 2-0. They were less successful in the semi-final against Winnipeg losing 3-0 and losing 3-1 to Calgary in the Bronze medal match.

badminton

The Yeowomen posted their best result of the season, 12 and 12, to finish third at Ryerson. Roselin Yuen and Cindy Kallo both won three of four single, while Laurie Oakley and Shannon Weir each added a win. The doubles teams — Yuen and Oakley and Weir and Caroline Biribauer — each split four matches.

In mixed doubles, Maurita Wong and Yacov Solomon were a perfect 4-0, and remain undefeated (7-0). Overall, York is 8 and 3.

MEN'S ATHLETIC

fencing

The York fencing club sent a record number of fencers to the annual Brock University participation circuit in St. Catharines, Ontario.

On Saturday, 81 fencers competed in the men's foil division. David Donovan placed 12th and Stanley "Ren" Yee.

In the Men's Épée division Mark "Guinness" Woloschuk, in his first competition, reached the quarter finals and ranked 7th out of 43 fencers.

Veteran Épée fencer Jamie Stirling was knocked out in the third elimination round due to the technicality of malfunctioning weapons.

Total team results.

Men's foil out of 81 fencers

Dave Donovan 12, Stanley Yee 18, Simon Trillwood 44, Keith Hay 53, Riccardo Zamel 54, Mark Woloschuk 57, Mark Rupke 59, Kipp Cannon 80.

Men's Saber out of 48 fencers

Alexandre Sévigny 31, Ken Duck 33

Women's foil out of 28 fencers

Beth Boyce 11

Men's Épée out of 43 fencers

Mark Woloschuk 7, Jamie Stirling 11, Mark Rupke 28

UPCOMING EVENTS

basketball

The Yeowomen are hosting the 13th annual Brooks Tait McKenzie Basketball Classic this weekend November 20-22.

hockey

The Yeomen play at home tonight at 7:30 pm at the Ice Palace. The game will also be broadcast on CHRY 105.5 FM.

The Yeomen play in the Mankato tournament on the weekend.

The Yeowomen play at Queen's this weekend

volleyball

The Yeowomen are at Carleton on Friday, Ottawa on Saturday, and Queen's on Sunday.

The Yeomen are at the Guelph Invitational Friday and Saturday.

tennis

Arthur Ashe is to address the Community AIDS Conference at York University Saturday, November 29, 1992. The conference is jointly sponsored by the Queensway General Hospital and the city of Etobicoke Health Department.

The event will take place in Burton Auditorium from 8:30 am to 1:15 pm. Ashe will be joined by a panel of Toronto experts on AIDS.

For more information or to register, please call Educational Services, Queensway General Hospital, at (416) 253-2985. The fee for the conference is \$50.