

# Lady lacrossers put Division I title on line today



The women's lacrosse team, undefeated in regular season play and seeded No. 1, will seek its second consecutive national title in this year's national lacrosse



tournament. Theresa Arena (left) goes into today's action with a sore knee but will play at her regular center position. First home Lynn Thompson (right)

goes into the tournament ranking third on the squad in scoring. The Lady Lions are the host team when the competition begins today.

Editor's note: the following is the last of a three-part series previewing this weekend's Division I women's lacrosse championship.

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The time has come for the Lady Lion lacrosse team to put everything on the line.

A No. 1 seed, an undefeated season and a national championship all are at stake for Penn State when it takes to the field today, tomorrow and Sunday in the U.S. Women's Lacrosse Association Division I national championship at Lady Lion Field. Admission is free.

"There's no resting on our laurels now," Penn State coach Gillian Rattray said. "We're starting all over."

Penn State, by virtue of a No. 1 seed, will not be starting in the first round. The Lady Lions, along with Princeton, William and Mary, and Maryland, have a first round bye and won't play until 1 this afternoon (Field 1), when they meet the winner of the Towson-Brown contest

(9 a.m.).

In the other morning contests, sixth-seeded Yale meets Rutgers at 9:30 (Field 2), fifth-seeded Massachusetts meets James Madison at 11 (Field 1), and seventh-seeded New Hampshire takes on Virginia at 11:30 (Field 2).

For Penn State, only three of these 11 other teams are familiar. The Lady Lions played Maryland, Rutgers and Towson during their regular season and know little about the other teams.

"Only three of these teams are known quantities to us," Rattray said. "In some ways it's an advantage to play a team that we've played before because we know something about them, but they know about us, too."

This year, anyone with a slight knowledge of women's lacrosse knows about Penn State. The Lady Lions outscored their opponents 118-46 as they rolled to a perfect 10-0 record while extending their unbeaten streak to 27 games. With these credentials, the Lady Lions can expect a tough game from every team they face, no matter what

the seed.

"We can't worry about any one team," Rattray said. "We'll just have to take a look and see who we play in the next round."

But what about Maryland, last year's runner-up to the Lady Lions?

"They'll definitely be ready for us if we play them," Rattray said. "Sure, there's a rivalry between us."

"I don't know if Maryland's going to be the team to beat again this year," Penn State attack wing Karen Schnellbach said. "Whoever we face, I think we'll rise to the occasion."

The Lady Lions rose to the occasion last Saturday when they swept four games in the Central Penn Tournament at Bucknell. The catalyst in the attack was senior co-captain Charlene Morett.

"On Saturday our offense looked really good; probably the best all year," Rattray said. "We worked well with Char back in there."

Whether the Lady Lions will be at full strength today is still a question mark. Third home Sharon Scott is still bothered

by a pulled leg muscle and an old ankle injury.

"Sharon is questionable right now," Rattray said. "The state of the field has a lot to do with a pulled muscle."

If Scott is unable to play, Penn State might go to a position switch. Rattray said that regular first home Lynn Thompson, who broke her nose last Friday, might be switched outside to third home. If Thompson is switched, Colleen Shannon might be inserted at first home.

Other slight injuries include a sore knee for center Theresa Arena, a bad leg for defense wing Karen Pesto, and a fractured thumb for goalkeeper Jody Field. However, none of these casualties will prevent them from playing in the national championship tournament.

"During the (Central Penn) tournament I was cautious, but in the national I'll go all out," Field said. "I'm hoping for 100 percent health and 100 percent from the team; we have tremendous talent."



Karen Schnellbach



Candy Finn

## Lion nine, Owls: Big grudge match

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Tomorrow, after the Penn State-Temple baseball game, the two teams will probably meet at home plate and shake hands. They're supposed to do that—it shows good sportsmanship.

But if that scene takes place at all tomorrow afternoon in Beaver Field, sportsmanship will be the only reason. You see, when it comes to baseball, Penn State and Temple simply can not stand each other.

"Temple has a bunch of cocky ballplayers, and a lot of our guys know it," Lion centerfielder Dave Simononis said. "It really gets you motivated when you see guys out there acting cocky and showing off."

Needless to say, Simononis is not on the party list of too many Temple players, nor are they on his. But the

attitude of the Temple players is not the only reason for the teams' mutual dislike.

Many Lion players are from the Philadelphia area and a few had to decide whether they wanted to become a Lion or an Owl. Simononis was one of them.

"I had an opportunity to go to Temple," he said. "They're a good team though, and it's always been a big rivalry for me."

But there are many more reasons why both squads will be out for blood tomorrow. With the regular season nearing its end and the playoff picture becoming clearer with every game, the Lions, with only four games left, know pretty well where they stand.

"We're in good shape no matter what," Simononis said of the Lions' playoff situation. "If we win (against

Temple) it'll be the icing on the cake for us."

Meanwhile, the Owls, who are perennial Eastern powers, find themselves in a tough situation to get into the playoffs.

The (21-5) Owls were quickly eliminated from the East Coast Conference Tournament which they were favored to win. Now, Temple is not sure if it will even make the regional tournament.

Yet another factor figuring in tomorrow's game is that Temple has beaten the Lions the last two years and Pete Filson, the ace of the Owls' pitching staff, will be on the mound tomorrow.

Filson pitched a three-hit shutout against the Lions last season and comes into the game with a 6-2 record. But this year the game is being played at Beaver Field and marks the final home ap-

pearance for the Lions this season. The Lions wind up their season with a Sunday double-header at Howard and a single game at Gettysburg on Tuesday.

"We've got to take them one at a time just like we've been doing," Simononis said. "I feel we're a hot team right now and if we make the playoffs, I feel we have a good shot."

**EXTRA BASES:** Mark Lambert will be on the mound for the Lions. . . . He'll face a Temple team that boasts seven starters with averages more than .300. . . . The top hitter for Temple is first baseman Mike Henderson with a .410 average. . . . The Owls have only one left-handed batter in their lineup as is the case with the Lions (Jeff Rumberger). . . . Tomorrow's game marks the 54th time the two teams have met with the Lions holding a 31-21-1 edge.

## Louisiana lighting Guidry to get extended contract

NEW YORK (AP) — Sometime within the next few weeks, or days, the New York Yankees will call in Ron Guidry and extend his contract, thus rectifying one of the most flagrant salary imbalances in baseball.

In effect, Guidry, whose current paycheck looks like coolie wages when measured by contemporaries of lesser stature, will have his pay structure brought into line with other top-salaried players on the club — Reggie Jackson (\$2.9 million, five years), Catfish Hunter (\$3.5 million, five years) and Rich Gossage (\$2.7 million, five years).

Technically, last year, when the 28-

year-old left-hander from Lafayette, La., carved the best record in baseball and won the Cy Young Award with a 25-3 mark, he was working on an old contract calling for \$38,000 a year.

This contract, a two-year pact signed in December of 1977, was given a three-year extension through 1981 calling for a total of \$600,000.

Even then, Guidry was grossly underpaid, drawing perhaps \$145,000 for the year.

Guidry, because of his age and potential, is believed in most valuable circles to be the most valuable commodity in the game — Parker, Rose and Rice notwithstanding.

## Canadiens overcome Bruins in OT



Doug Jarvis of the Montreal Canadiens take out Stan Jonathon during first period action in yesterday's semifinal showdown game. The Canadiens staked the Bruins to a two goal lead before roaring back to win the game in overtime.

MONTREAL (AP) — Yvon Lambert steered in a pass from Mario Tremblay for a goal at 9:33 of overtime Thursday night, boosting the Montreal Canadiens to a 5-4 comeback victory over the Boston Bruins and a shot at a fourth consecutive Stanley Cup championship.

In capturing the seventh and deciding game of the National Hockey League semifinal series with Boston, the mighty Canadiens moved into the championship round opening here Saturday night against the surprising New York Rangers.

The Canadiens dominated the action most of the way, outshooting Boston 52-30 but were frustrated repeatedly by goalie Gilles Gilbert, particularly in the overtime.

The Canadiens struck suddenly for the winning goal which extended their winning streak at home against Boston to 15 games.

Taking a pass from Rejean Houle, Tremblay burst down the right wing and passed across after moving through the face-off circle. Lambert, skating in from the left wing, merely took the puck past Gilbert for only his third playoff goal in 11 games this year.

Guy Lafleur was the big gun in a three-goal third period which forced the game into sudden death.

His goal, with less than two minutes, remaining pulled the Canadiens into a 4-4 tie.

## Trackwomen face uphill battle in N.Y.; retain their outdoor crown

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Defending a championship is often harder than winning it.

This weekend the women's track team travels to Hartwick College in New York to defend its outdoor Eastern Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women title.

The Lady Lion team has had its share of trouble. In the three meets and invitationals this season, the team has taken only two first place finishes, both by Jenny Stuebing, a javelin thrower. Plus, Kathy Mills, the Lady Lions' world class distance runner and last year's Eastern champion in the 1,000, 3,000 and 5,000-meter races, was red-shirted with a foot injury during the indoor track season.

Despite these adversities, the Lady Lions have steadily improved their times and have qualified 17 runners for Easterns. Some, like Patty Murnane, have consistently placed high and could very well win their events.

"Murnane won the mile indoor so she could do well and we're expecting our 4x800-meter relay team to do well," Penn State assistant coach Carolyn Courtsaid.

Penn State is defending titles in three events — the 800-meters, the 1,600-meter relay and the 4x800-meter relay.

"We had a time trial Saturday and

everybody's times are down," Tina Leatherman, who's running the 400-meters and the 4x400-meter relay said.

"I feel we're well prepared. We've had an extra week to train through without a meet and that's helped us."

Lea Ventura will join Leatherman in the 400-meters and the 4x400-meter relay.

"In the relay, we'll be out to beat Temple," Leatherman said. "They beat us indoors and they beat us at the Penn Relays."

Penny Fales and Sandy Miller will compete in the 800-meters and the 4x400 and 4x800-meter relays. Murnane and Mary Rawe will team up with Fales and Miller in the 4x800-meter relay.

Fales, who is the defending champion in the 800-meters, said there's more pressure from finals than there is from defending a title.

"You don't feel the pressure," Fales said. "I'm just going to run the best I can. We've done speedwork now. I feel I'm much better prepared than I have been in the last couple of weeks."

The competition at the EAIAW is basically the same as at the Penn Relays. Most of the major Eastern teams such as Maryland, Temple and Villanova will probably be present. Of these, Maryland is the most likely to dethrone the Lady Lions.

"Maryland is really strong," Courtsaid. "They beat us indoors."

Janet Norem, Carolyn Ihrig, Sue Hollick, Liz Berry, Peggy Cleary, Donna Gardner, Sandy Alexander, Murnane and Rawe will compete in the distance events. Penn State has traditionally dominated the long events, from the 1,500 to the 10,000-meters.

In the pentathlon, Ann McKillop, Kathie Hart and Mary Ann Wojcicki, who took first, second and third, respectively, at the EAIAW indoor championships, will compete.

Other competitors are Barb Hess in the discus, Stuebing and Rhonda-Dakelman in the javelin.

"Every person is going for their best performance of the season," Courtsaid. "If we're lucky we'll walk away with the championship."

**FLEET FEET:** This is the fourth running of the EAIAW outdoor championships. The Lady Lions won the first title and have successfully defended it for the past two years. . . . Morgan State, one of the best teams in the East may miss Easterns this year. It has been invited to the Martin Luther King Freedom Games in Philadelphia this weekend and may pass up the championship to attend. . . . This is Chris Brooks' last season as coach of the women's track team. No successor has been named yet.