Women's Tennis Claims Victory Over Mt. Holyoke

By Carol Matsazaki

The women's tennis team traveled to Mt. Holyoke College in South Hadley, MA last Saturday, and claimed a solid, dominating victory with a 7-2 score. The Engineers showed that they have what it takes to close out a match with conviction.

MIT continues to be the team to beat in the New England Women's Eight Conference, with a 3-0 conference record. In doubles play, the first doubles team of Carol Matsazaki '95 and Miranda Fan '95 started out a little rough, falling into a 3-7 deficit. They regrouped and came back to tie it at 6-6. They were edged out and denied in the tiebreaker, 6-7.

At second doubles, the team of Seetha Ramnath '96 and Sarah Kringer '97 played beautiful, exciting doubles as they took an 8-4 victory. Third doubles team Bobby Kommineni '97 and Lily Koo '99 had no problem in disposing of their opponents, 8-1.

Fourth doubles team Sejal Shah '96 and Nora Humphreys '96 completely eighty-sixed their opponents in an 8-2 win. At first singles, Matsazaki ran into a little tentativeness in the beginning, barely winning the first set 7-4 (7-3), but managed to overcome it in the second with a 6-1 win.

At second singles, Ramnath played a close first set but lost the match, 7-5, 6-1. At third singles, Fan played with confidence and tenacity, and stomped on her opponent, 6-4, 6-1. Fourth singles player Koo won, 6-0, 6-2. Kommineni, at fifth singles, ran into a little trouble in the second set, losing 6-1, after winning the first set 6-2. She fought back to clinch the third set, 6-1. Sixth singles player Kringer had no trouble, winning, 6-2, 6-1.

At seventh and eighth singles, Humphreys and Shah each won easy victories, 8-1 and 8-0.

The team plays its next home match on Thursday against NEW-Babson College.

Field Hockey Continues Its Successful Season

By Catherine Mangion

The field hockey team continued its winning season with victories over Wellesley College and Mount Holyoke last week.

Both teams were very evenly matched, but Wellesley gained the edge in the first half as they took 15 shots to MIT's 6. Wellesley almost scored at one point during the first half when the ball slipped behind MIT goalie Laura Walker '97. However, the ball was saved by co-captain Catherine Mangion '98. In the second half MIT took the offensive, taking 10 shots to Wellesley's 7. With 5 minutes, 4 seconds left in the period, Stephanie Maier '98 scored the winning goal.

The team did not let up and had several opportunities to score in the last few minutes. Walker made several clutch saves in the remaining minutes of the game, allowing MIT to hold onto the lead.

Easy win over Mt. Holyoke

MIT easily defeated Mount Holyoke on Saturday by a score of 3-0. Throughout the game MIT dominated play, taking 31 shots in the first period and 31 in the second. The Engineers were unable to convert any of their first half scoring opportunities until co-captain Veena Sani '95 scored with 5:21 left in the period.

In the second half, Maier scored her second goal of the game, assisted by Veena Sani '95. Maier scored another goal late in the period. Strong play by the MIT defense kept Mount Holyoke away from the goal. At one point late in the game several Mount Holyoke players broke away with the ball. A defensive save by Kim Levis '98 prevented them from scoring. "We had a terrific game Thursday against Wellesley," said co-captain Christine St. John '98.

"We were the better team. We were more aggressive. I think we played a lot differently than we did in the first game against Mount Holyoke. We were more relaxed and confident. We just wanted to come out and play our best game."

The Engineers added three insurance goals late in the game, including a 1-0 goal by Veena Sani '95, a 2-0 goal by Maier, and a 3-0 goal by Veena Sani '95.

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By Farhan Zaidi

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