SPORTS

Do or die tonight in Friendship

By Michael Phillips

THINGS will go one of two ways at the end of tonight's major clash when two-time defending champions, National Sports Council Women's Football team come up against the University of the West Indies in the Barbados Football Association's Women's Premier League.

Fresh off a win on Sunday night, victory in tonight's fixture will see UWI keeping the door open for themselves, Mavericks or Genesis to take the title, while a win for NSC will see them securing a three-peat in the competition with only one loss along the way. Set for 7:00 p.m., the match-up will prove to be one of the most closely-watched games for some time as the two teams will be fighting tooth and nail.

Both teams have played the games thus far and the defending champions lead the league with 25 points. UWI are still within striking range and a win in tonight's game will see them up to the same 25 points. Genesis are in second place with 22 as well but have played 11 of their games already, while Mavericks have 21 off seven wins in ten games.

UWI's last-minute win on Sunday night did not account for all the points

dished out on the day. Mavericks were the latest to pound the embattled Empire and came away with three goals and three points. Shae Carrington scored first in the 26th minute, followed by Tiffany White in the 51st. Felicia Jarvis added her ninth goal of the season in the 76th to close out the win. In the evening's other game, Genesis were awarded three goals and three points from a no-show Technique.



Milton Lynch's Shaquar Shepherd send this shot down the line in his semi-final against Hilda Skeene's Ivory Steele.



Local road tennis player Julian 'Michael Jackson' White as he officiated during yesterday's proceedings.

George Lamming and Hilda Skeene in primary school final

IT is going to be George Lamming versus Hilda Skeene when the final of the Berger Paints National School Awards Road Tennis Tournament serves off this coming Monday at Blackman and Gollop Primary. The two teams secured their spots after clean wins over their opponents in yesterday's semi-finals at the South District/St. David's amalgamation.

In the morning's first semi-final, George Lamming took three straight wins over Milton Lynch. Tre Byer was first, and he beat Zarico Ramsey 22-20 while Tierry Toppin had an identical score over Shaquan Applewhite in the second match. Ajani Roach finished up by making short work of Shaquar Shepherd with a 21-9 result.

To secure their berth, Hilda Skeene took out the hosts and beat them by three games in the team competition. Tyreque Nurse beat Kemari Griffith 21-16 in the first game, while Ivory Steele was forced to work for his 23-21 win over Jadon Lucas. Lajay Hurdle brought it home for Hilda Skeene when he defeated Jarad Brewster in the last match of the semis (21-17).

In the individual competition, Roach will be facing Shepherd again as they both won their semi-finals today as well. Roach took another big win when he handed a 'sow' down to Brewster (21-7), while Shepherd defeated Steele, 21-19.

The finals are slated for 10:00 a.m. this coming Monday at Blackman and Gollop Primary. (MP)



Team George Lamming will be looking to put their foot down in Monday's final. (Left to right) Ajani Roach, Tierry Toppin and Tre Byer.