

Soccer Yeomen still in the hunt for a playoff spot

York Yeomen ready for big weekend

By GARRY MARR

The York soccer Yeomen captured three points this past week to keep them in the hunt for a playoff spot. The York battled the University of Toronto Blues to a 0-0 tie on Wednesday, and continued their strong play with a 3-1 beating of Trent, before losing 1-0 to Queen's on Sunday.

The game against Toronto was a typically tough match between two crosstown rivals. Neither side was willing to budge and open it up. As Toronto coach Jim Lefkos said before the game: "The team that controls the midfield will win." Neither team could gain that mid-field advantage, and the result was the tie.

After the game, Lefkos said his team was "shooting for first place." The Blues got off to a poor start, but now are one of five contenders for four playoff spots in the tough Eastern division. In addition to York and Toronto, Queens, Carleton and Laurentian all have a chance of making the playoffs or winning the division.

After the tie, Lefkos said that "This is one of the best York squads in the last few years." He acknowledged York's strength and com-

mented that the schedule should be the determining factor in who makes the playoffs. The Blues have three home games left and Lefkos sees his team's schedule as the easiest.

The Yeomen took advantage of any easy opponent on Saturday when they defeated Trent 3-1. Trent was never in this game and York coach Eric Willis used the opportunity to rest many of his key players. Forward Hunter Madeley did not start because of a minor injury. "I'm being rested for Queens," said Madeley. Willis also took out forwards Anthony Daley and Tony Oliver after the game was under control.

The Yeomen opened the scoring with a head in by Mike Mazza from a Tony Oliver corner kick. Mazza had a great weekend and was all over the field in both York home games. Coach Willis indicated that he thought Mazza was finally playing "up to his capabilities. He dominated as he can dominate."

The second goal was awarded to Tony Oliver, after his corner kick deflected off the Trent Goalie's hands into the net. Trent's talent was well below York's, and their goalie highlighted their ineptitude. The Yeomen could have easily scored more than three goals.



THE HEAT IS ON: York Yeomen Mike Mazza and Kevin Boyle (no. 8) do some close checking on a U of T player. The Yeomen success fully shut down the powerful U of T offence playing shutout ball.

York's cockiness almost backfired when Trent managed to close the gap to 2-1. Eric Heine scored from a

corner kick that York goalie Dave Ashfield should have had. Ashfield made a lunge at the ball, but it flo-

ated by him. Otherwise, Ashfield delivered a typically strong, aggressive performance in both home games.

After Trent scored, York woke up and had no trouble getting an insurance goal. Rob Berardi kept the ball deep in the Trent zone on a goal that seemed to typify Trent's play. A Trent defender bounced a shot off his goalie's face into his own net.

In Kingston the Yeomen suffered a disappointing 1-0 loss to first place Queens, as York spent a large part of the second half short one man because of a penalty. Queens was able to convert their one opportunity—off a free kick—into a goal. Coach Willis said that it was a "tough loss" because York outplayed Queens. The Yeomen meet Queens again this Sunday.

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By PAUL CONROY

The Yeomen water polo team traveled to London last weekend to compete in the Western University tournament. Trying to rebound from the previous week's defeats the squad had only mixed success in their two matches.

Game one saw the York side tangle with McMaster, the team which is rated tops in the league. Playing with a depleted lineup once again, only seven swimmers and no spares, the Yeomen were dunked 17-6.

Captain John Lissu accounted for half of the team's scoring output with Ross MacDonald, Stephane Collin, and Tim Burke popping in one each.

With only an hour to rest the team took to the pool once more, this time against Waterloo. By the half, with the Warriors out in front 5-1, the water was starting to get hot for the Yeomen.

Amazingly the team managed to regroup, outscoring the opposition 7 to 2 in the final period, and pulling off a great come from behind victory. Collin with three, MacDonald with three, Burke got one, and first year player John Bonin scored the other, final outcome 8-7.

Goaltender John Dawson received accolades for his outstanding play in game two from coach Kevin Jones, who also emphasized how much the win was needed and how it should really help the team come together.

Upcoming for the team this Saturday is the York tournament at the Tait McKenzie pool, with games against McMaster at 11:00 and then Western at 2:00.

Other out-of-town results were not available at press time.