

**Coach has cause to smile****Puckmen bolster roster with proven talent**

By ALAN RISEN

"It'll be hard to improve on a 16-2-1 (won-lost-tied) record but I feel we should have a better team this year," was coach Dave Chambers' optimistic appraisal of the 1974-75 hockey Yeomen.

And after a look at the new additions it was evident why Chambers was smiling.

Most prominent among these is Bob Wasson, a high scoring centre from the Peterborough Petes of the

OHA Jr. A, who is also a solid checker.

Also expected to add scoring punch to the attacking crew is Dennis Howard, second highest scorer for Laurentian last year and formerly of the OHA's Oshawa Generals.

New faces on defence include Steve Dmytruk, who played three years at St. Mary's and before that for the Toronto Marlboroughs. The 5'9" 175-pound Dmytruk moves the puck well and can also take out the man.

Also new on the blueline is Dave Clements, former captain of Peterborough Jr. B's, Gord Cullen who comes to York from Michigan U., and Chris Kostka who is big, strong and shows potential, but may need some time to polish up his game.

And in goal Rick Quance, who at 6'3" bears a physical resemblance to Ken Dryden, comes with top credentials. The first year law student at Osgoode Hall was the first string goalie for three years at top-ranked Michigan Tech. He is a standup netminder who plays the angles in a mechanically sound, if not flashy, fashion.

Also vying for the position between the pipes is Peter Kostek, who played last year for Laurentian.

This impressive array of newcomers joins a large nucleus of returnees including last year's captain Gerri Greenham, John Titus and Robyn Ayres on defence. And up front three of the league's top four scoring leaders return: Tim Ampleford, the league leading goal scorer and scoring champion, Al Avery, the heady centreman, and the hard hitting Doug Dunsmuir.

Missing from last year's team, which was ranked at one part of the season fourth in Canada, are Don West and John Marshall on defence, and Barry Jenkins, Rick Ball, and Paul Cerre from the forward lines. Goalies Art Willer and Wayne Weatherbee are doubtful starters.

Goalie Greg Harrison and forward Ronnie Maek, both returning from last year are the first Yeomen to go on the injury list.

After three weeks of practices, the preliminary appraisal of this year's puckmen indicates they should be improved, particularly on defence.



The look of disgust on the face of York's star centre, Al Avery, came last year on one of the few occasions he failed to capitalize in front of the net.

Avery and company return Tuesday evening against the Canadian champion Waterloo Warriors at the Ice Palace.

**Season to start with stars back**

The toughest schedule ever faced by a York hockey team was unveiled this week by Yeoman coach Dave Chambers.

Included in it are non-conference games (euphemism for "exhibition matches") against such top-ranked American teams as Ohio State, Cornell, Clarkson College, Lake Superior State and Bowling Green.

Also included among the non-conference games are matches with top Canadian squads like Loyola, Sir George Williams, and Waterloo.

The puckmen begin their new season tomorrow night at the Ice Palace with their annual alumni game. Familiar faces from former years like Brent Imlach, Murray Stroud, Bill Holden, John Hirst, Dave Kosoy and Roger Galipeau will return to the Ice Palace to give the Yeoman their first taste of competitive action.

Tuesday night the defending Canadian champions from Waterloo are in town for a match which should indicate exactly how much can be expected this year by York fans.

**Pucknotes:** Face-Off time for all York evening games this year is 8:15 p.m. ...The regular season starts Nov. 10 for York with a home game against Ottawa... The 31-game Yeomen schedule includes 12 home matches. Among the 17 non-conference games are contests with the top university teams in the United States and Canada. This is something that has been lacking in past York schedules and is essential in the grooming of a championship team.

**Women's track team sets host of York records**

By ALISON OLDS

The women's track and field team placed second in the OWIAA championships last weekend at McMaster University.

Marilyn Stevens established a new York record in winning the 100 m. race (12.6 seconds). She came fourth in the 200 m. race (26.5 seconds).

Karen Hladki placed second in the high jump (5'4") first in the 100 m. hurdles (15.6 seconds) and third in the 200 m. hurdles (31.8 seconds). Anne Cameron placed fourth in the 100 m. hurdles and seventh in the 200 m. hurdles.

Margot Wallace was fourth in the 400 m. race (59.7 seconds). Another York record was established by Rita McMinn in the 800 m. race (2:19.0 minutes) and also in the 1500 m. race (4:47.2 minutes). She was fourth and fifth respectively.

In the field events, Jane Haist established a York record with her first place win in the discus (48.74 feet) and shot put (14.85 feet).

The women's 4x100 m. relay team of Hladki, Wallace, Olds and Stevens was second (51.6 seconds). The 4x400 m. relay team of McMinn, Olds,

Stevens and Wallace came third (4:25.4 minutes), establishing a new York record.

The men's team finished fourth in the OUAA championships.

Wayne Daniels placed first in the long jump (6.42 m.) and was third in the triple jump (13.14 m.) Doug Pursiainen was third in the pole vault (12'8").

Robin Pond was fourth in the 1500 m. race (4:1.3 min), and Neil Hendry was third in the 5,000 m. race (14:24.8 minutes).

The championships marked the end of the outdoor track and field season; the team is currently training for the upcoming indoor season, which begins in January.

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Quance could prove to be a key acquisition in goal — the position that could make or break a team's championship aspirations.

Up front the Yeomen are closer to

icing three balanced lines than they have been in years, especially with the additions of Wasson and Howard.

The weaknesses of the club appear

to be the lack of size along the blueline along with the fact that the numerous newcomers, especially on defence, will take time to learn to work together.

**Yeomen may clinch soccer title**

By JULIAN BELTRAME

The York Yeomen soccer team, fresh from their 12-2 rout of Trent last week, overcame superb goaltending by Queens' Pete Dickie to record a 2-0 win in OUAA East Division competition Saturday.

The win, identical to the last York-Queens match, all but eliminated Queens from the division race for first place and a chance to knock off the West Division champs. York is a single point away from clinching their third straight division title, and stands an excellent chance of a third straight undefeated record.

With but two games remaining, Queens finds itself four points behind the York squad and unable to influence the final outcome. Queens hopes must rest with RMC, who have back to back home encounters with the Yeomen. RMC, who have suffered 4-1 and 4-2 defeats at the hands of Queens must win both games to prevent the strong Yeomen from automatically winning their division.

If the impossible happens, the division title will be settled on a goals for and against basis, and last

week's twelve goals all but insure the spot for the home side.

Pete Dickie gave the kind of goaltending that makes lesser weights into champions, but couldn't stop York's top goalscorer Mac Musabay from making good his second clear shot on goal, midway through the first half.

Elio Scopa, the second leading York scorer and a rookie to boot, continued to impress, especially in the second half when he seemed to be wearing down the Queens defenders by keeping them active trying to defend against the speedy winger rush after rush.

He finally succeeded in beating Dickie from close in, although he had beaten the defence twice before only to find that the Queens goalie was another matter.

Dickie had earlier frustrated Scopa on a diving stop from a blast no more than fifteen feet away, and two minutes later repeated the feat by diving to Scopa's feet before the striker could look up and pick a spot out of the gaping goal.

Scopa was not the only one frustrated during the afternoon.

Tempers overheated despite the freezing temperatures, and a Queen's attacker showed a different style of attack. It was called a right cross and it proved affective, especially when it connected with York's Nick Sztaphen's teeth.

Sztaphen was not seen on the field for half an hour after, and was later heard to remark, "I was a victim of circumstances", obviously trying to explain away the fact that he had come to the aid of a team mate unaware that fate had plotted his demise.

As the game dragged on into its final moments it became evident that Ian McConvey, York's goalie, who had not played a major role in the contest, was beginning to feel the northern winds which swept down the field.

To aid his frozen body, he tossed the ball right back to a Queen's attacker after having made one of his first saves. McConvey admitted as much, saying, "I wanted to get my fingers warm".

But the true story of the game was told by York's attackers and halfbacks, who controlled the game from the five minute mark of the first half to the end, constantly forcing Queens in the defensive and preventing them from mounting any sort of sustained attack.

The 2-0 victory was more impressive than last week's 12-2 rout, because both goals were marked by good planned passes to set up the goalscorer and good execution by the scorer to beat Queens' goalie.

This is the sign of a good team, that can win against a tough opposition which makes you earn your goals, as well as against a team like Trent that gives away half a dozen goals a game.

The next challenge for York is to maintain the momentum they have been able to build up in the last three weeks for the upcoming Ontario finals. A lackadaisical approach to the remaining games could prove to be a greater stumbling block than the West Division champions.



Ibrahm Bobert (8) watches as Pete Dickie, Queen's goalie, prepares to intercept a York shot on the goal. York won the game, and may clinch the title.