

Do-or-die for Yeomen b-ballers at Sudbury

by Mike Raycraft

Following months of preparation, practice and a countless number of games, the 1991-92 Yeoman basketball season hinges on the Ontario University Athletic Association Central division semifinal matchup versus the Laurentian Voyageurs this Saturday.

A loss to Laurentian in Sudbury would bring an undesired end to this year.

On the other hand, a Yeoman victory guarantees York a date in the OUAA Central division finals.

Quite simply, then, it's do or die. Staying alive will require that York shooters Clive Anderson and Mark Bellai carry, as usual, a large offensive load. Big games from centre Chris Pollman and guards Wilton Hall and Marc Gardner will also be a key factor in any post-season York success.

A must-do for the Yeomen is keeping a focused defensive effort, a task which has been blurred over the past couple of weeks.

"Though we are not always a technically sound team, our intensity has been able to carry us far," said York head coach Bob Bain.

"Of late, that intensity has been sadly lacking on defence," Bain added.

Clearly, Bain has a point. After charging out of the gate with a 6-0 record early in the regular season, York stumbled to the wire, dropping four of their final five games. In three of those losses opponents tallied victory margins of 20 points or more against the Yeomen.

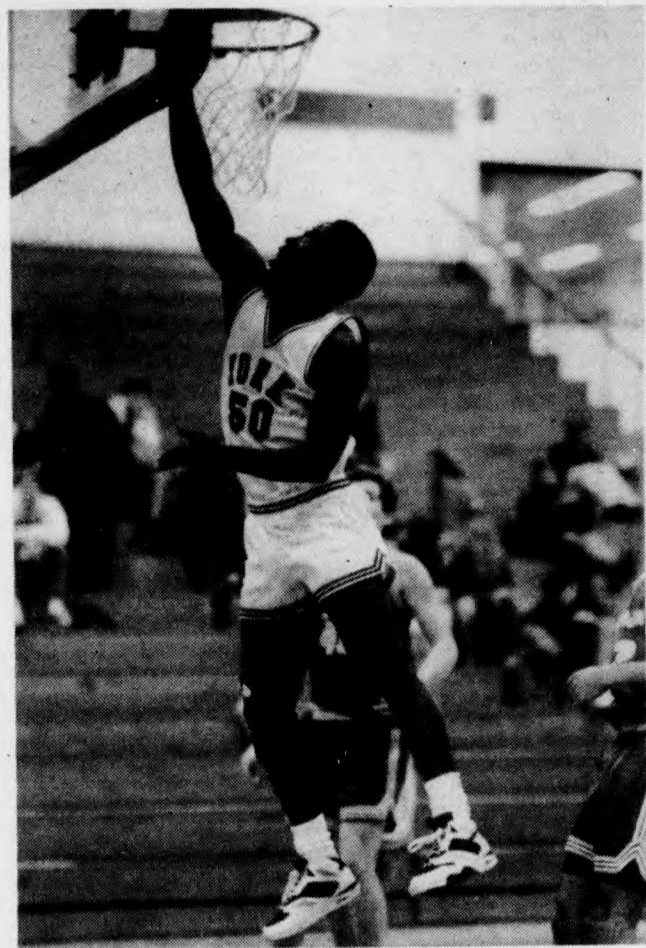
Even a recent win over lowly Ryerson was too close for comfort, York winning only 73-70.

Considering the recent slump, York will be in tough against high-scoring Laurentian. Still, the Yeomen feel up to the challenge, two regular season wins over the Voyageurs proving just that.

"No question we are very capable of beating Laurentian. As how we fare will be determined by how well our defensive game holds up," Bain said.

Perhaps more important for Saturday's outcome than any gameplan, set-play, or last second shot, may be a sign in the York locker room which reads "GOAL FOR 1991-92 SEASON — WIN OUR DIVISION."

"That was and still is our goal," Anderson said.



HERE'S CLIVE Anderson on our pages for the umpteenth time. York, though, must count on more than Anderson's customarily excellent performance and produce as a team if the Yeomen want to get past Laurentian this Saturday in their quest for the OUAA Central division title photo by Anthony Cohen



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York three points short...

by Riccardo Sala

York's 49-42 victory over Ryerson last week fell three points short of the ten point win differential the basketball Yeowomen needed to advance to post-season play.

York's elimination capped a lukewarm season for the Yeowomen. On one hand, it had seen the recognition of individual stars such as Cathy Amara, chosen York athlete of the month for November.

On the other, the Yeowomen were plagued by a lack of consistency that reflected itself in good showings against strong teams such as Laurentian, and disappointments against squads such as Queen's and Ryerson.

That inconsistency was seen in last week's Ryerson matchup at Tait McKenzie.

"Our offence let us down," York coach Bill Pangos said.

"We got scoring out of our guards, but not out of our forward line," he added.

Jennifer Cushing and Cathy Amara led York with 12 points each. In a game move, Amara played on despite suffering a broken nose during the match.

Forward Joann Jakovcevic had a disappointing game, contributing only six points for the Yeowomen.

Because of their record, York needed to win by ten points or more against Ryerson in order to advance in post-season play. The Yeowomen attempted a three-point shot at the buzzer, which would have done the trick if it had been successful. It wasn't, and it was left for York to mull over a game that was both a win and a loss at the same time.

One small consolation was the selection of Cushing and Amara to the Ontario Women's Interuniversity Athletic Association All-Star team.

Tenth place finish for York swimmers at OUAA finals

by Riccardo Sala

For the second year in a row, swimmer Lori Boreen will be a one-person show for York at the CIAU championships, held this year in Montreal the first weekend in March.

The Yeowoman swimmer, set to compete in the 100 and 200m backstroke, remained the only York swimmer to qualify after the Ontario men's championships two weekends ago at Brock saw no Yeomen achieve the CIAU standard.

Yeoman Trevor Erwin came close in the 50m freestyle, missing by 3/10ths of a second the time needed for

a spot in Montreal.

The Yeomen finished tenth (out of fifteen) at the OUAA championships, one place better than last year.

UofT, McMaster and Western rounded out the medal positions.

"There was no real surprise there. We beat out Ottawa to get into tenth place," York coach Cheryl Stickley said.

"I'm glad we moved up a place, at least it showed some improvement. We had some pretty good swims. Bryan Gaudet took off well over one-and-a-half seconds in his 100m backstroke time, which is incredible for 100m.

Fadi Alfar also took off over a second in his event, the 100m fly. These two had personal bests and just improved incredibly (at Brock)," Stickley said.

As it had at the women's provincial championships one week earlier, size played an important role in York's lack of results at the OUAA championships.

"Our team (ten swimmers) was half the size of the winning teams. All those which finished ahead of us had

bigger teams and I just can't stress it enough, we need more swimmers," Stickley said.

While her Yeomen and Yeowomen teammates have finished their season, Boreen will have one more shot at competition when she travels to Montreal for the Canadian university championships.

"Boreen's chances for a medal aren't that good. All we're looking for is personal bests and hopefully moving up a couple of places from last year," Stickley said.

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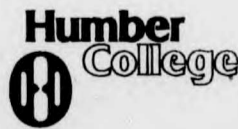
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