SPORTS

Marauders' rushing game grinds down Yeomen

By DAVID BUNDAS

The football Yeomen opened their regular season at North York's Civic Stadium on a sour note, being defeated handily by the McMaster Marauders, 24-6. The game marked the inauguration of York's team mascot, Yeoy the Beefeater, who arrived at half-time riding in on the back of an enormous Indian elephant. But much to his chagrin, on this day, he would have very little to cheer about.

The weather played a big factor in this game, and it seemed to benefit McMaster, whose sustained running attack kept York off guard for most of the day. The Marauders rushed the ball 52 times for 173 yards to counter the effects of a strong wind blowing across the field and took advantage of York turnovers to control the pace of the game.

McMaster opened the scoring on the strength of kicker Andre Shadrack, who booted a 38 yard single and a 31 yard field goal on the Marauder's first two possessions. Safety Paul Clatney then picked off an Adam Karlsson pass and returned it to the York three yard line. Fullback John Sutton then charged over on the very next play to give McMaster an early 11-0 lead. Another Shadrack field goal from 12 yards out made the score 16-0 at the half.

Coach Frank Cosentino handed the reins to third year QB Glenn Humenik to begin the second half, after a shaky start by rookie Adam Karisson. But on this day he wouldn't fare much better, completing only two of nine passes for 43 yards and two interceptions, before Karlsson returned in the fourth quarter.

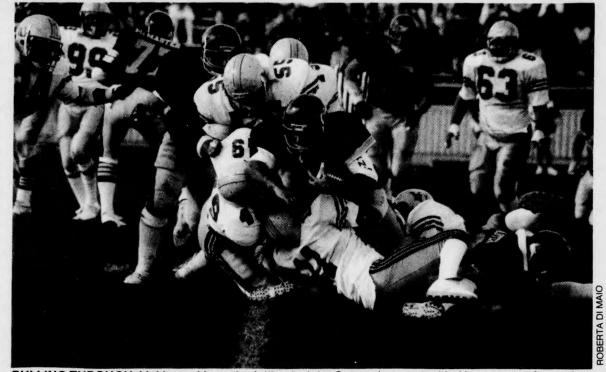
Karlsson, who finished the day on a brighter note, completed 11 of 29 for 111 yards, with one TD and two interceptions. The touchdown came with just 1:32 left on the clock and broke the Marauders' hopes for a shut-out. Karlsson teamed up with receiver Steve DelZotto on perhaps the prettiest play of the game, lofting a pass into the corner of the end zone where DelZotto dove to beat his defender to the ball.

York managed only 198 yards total offence and a mere 44 yards on the ground, as opposed to the Marauders who collected 262 yards total offence. York was also hurt by questionable play selections (two interceptions deep in their own zone on second down and short yardage) and six turnovers. They also came into the game with a new offensive scheme, going with two slotbacks and no tight end. "You've got to go with what you've got, and our per-sonnel dictates what we will do," commented Cosentino. The York quarterbacks put the ball in the air 38 times, more than any game last season.

Cosentino put part of the blame of his team's loss on his own shoulders after having chosen to receive the ball at the game's start. He felt that it might have been a better idea to plav with the wind, after watching McMaster roll up an early lead in the first quarter. "They seemed to gain confidence as the game went on," Cosentino added.

But for the most part Cosentino felt that time would solve most of the problems on offence, adding, "Consistency is what we're after, and I think it will come." Hopefully it will arrive before Saturday.

Bundas Odds: The starting quarterback spot for York remains up for grabs for whomever holds the hot hand. This Saturday York takes on the Windsor Lancers at North York Civic Stadium. York is favoured by a converted touchdown and should cover the spread. Bet the house as two losses in a row is out of the question.



BULLING THROUGH: McMaster Marauder fullback, John Sutton, is gang tackled by a posse of pursuing Yeomen. Sutton along with runningback Sam Loucks helped McMaster rack up 173 yards on 52 carries en route to a 24-6 drubbing of the Yeomen. The Yeomen will spend the week gearing up for their next game that takes place this Saturday at North York Civic Stadium (Bathurst and Finch) against the Windsor Lancers.

Basketball Yeomen hard-pressed to duplicate previous years' success

By JOEL SCOLER

Although Ontario University Athletic Association (OUAA) play does not begin until January, the basketball season has already begun for the York Yeomen. Coach Bob Bain will be hard-pressed to guide the 1986-87 edition of the Yeomen to another undefeated year.

Gone from last season's OUAA East division championship team are six players, including four starters'. Graduation stole the backbone of last year's squad. Departed are OUAA East all-stars guard Mark Jones and Wayne Shaw, as well as all-Canadian Tim Rider.

The loss of these players comes as no surprise to Coach Bain. The surprise is that three players who were expected to return will not. The absence of Ron Hepburn at the team's first meeting last Friday could not be explained by Bain. No one, including Hepburn's teammates, seems to be quite sure of his whereabouts. If Hepburn does not play this year it will be a great setback to a young Yeomen team.

To add to Bain's woes, Doug Kerr, forward, will also not play this year due to academic ineligibility. This could have been Kerr's year to crack a much depleted starting lineup, but one can only speculate now. Fortunately, Kerr should rejoin the Yeomen next season.

Yet another player lost to the cont'd on page 18

Soccer squad's shaky start leads to loss in season opener against Carleton

By JAMES HOGGETT

The York Yeomen soccer team began shakily but went on to play a solid game despite losing their opener 5-3 to the Carleton Ravens.

The Yeomen dominated play except for the first 20 minutes when Carleton took the Yeomen by surprise. Both teams exchanged goals early in the first half but Carleton took advantage of York's flatfootedness and scored four more break through the Carleton defence late in the game when Katsuros scored his second goal of the game on a penalty kick, with zero seconds showing on the clock.

Despite the 5-3 loss, coach Norm Crandles was pleased with the players' performance, "We lost the game in the first 10 minutes," Crandles said. "We had some mental lapses and allowed four poor goals. The important thing is that we managed



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York closed out the first half with a goal on a pass from midfield by Mauro Ongaro. This set up George Katsuros in front of the Carleton goal and allowed him to deflect the ball past the Carleton goalkeeper.

Even though York controlled play in the second half they were unable to mount a strong attack. This was due to the fact that Carleton was on the defensive, trying to protect their three-goal lead. York did manage to to score three goals."

The fact that York scored three goals was very important as it proves that the Yeomen still have some offensive scoring punch. York is playing without four of their top players this year. Three are no longer academically eligible, and the fourth, Tony Salmon, is out with torn knee ligaments.

York is also hurting in the goaltending position. Netminder Paul cont'd on page 17

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