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PUTTING IT IN: York's Brian MacDonald and Nick Kiriakou are all over Toronto goalie Paul Hunter. York's top line of MacDonald, Kiriakou and Greg Rolston continued to dominate this past week.

## Yeomen win streak ends at 12

#### By JAMES HOGGETT

One has to look quite a few years back to see when the hockey Yeomen were off to such an impressive start as this years' 87/88 campaign.

Over the weekend the Yeomen racked up win number 11 and 12 at the expense of Laurier and Toronto, but the winning streak came to a halt on Sunday when York faced off against Waterloo. This brings their record to 12-0-1.

Last Thursday the Yeomen dumped Laurier 7-5, but not without some close moments.

Going into the third period the Yeomen were on top 5-1, but in the third Laurier battled back. With one minute to go in the final period and trailing 6-5, Laurier pulled their goalie. Taking advantage of the undefended goal, York's Brian MacDonald scored to make the final 7-5

Leading the way in scoring for the Yeomen with four goals was Greg Rolston who was also selected player of the game. Other goal scorers for York were Brian MacDonald, Nick Kiriakou and Neven Kardum, each adding singles.

"This year we have to work a lot harder because we're hurting a little injury wise," Rolston said. "We can't afford to let up on the pressure if we want to win games."

In their game against Toronto on

#### Friday, a similar fate occurred as the Yeomen were up 4-2 with less than four minutes to go.

Taking advantage of a York penalty, Toronto's Eric Orschel scored on the powerplay to bring them within one.

Toronto, continuing to apply pressure pulled their goalie in the last minute to give them an extra attacker. With only 14 seconds left in the period, York won a face off deep in their own end. Kent Brimmer then fed a perfect pass to an open Brian Small to put the nail in Toronto's coffin and send the Toronto fans home, mourning a 5-3 loss.

"What happened in both the Laurier game and in this one was we fell into a lapse," said head coach Graham Wise. "As a team we have to learn to go a full 60 minutes, especially against teams like Laurier and Toronto.'

Goal scorers for York were Brian MacDonald, Dave Andreoli, Rob Crocock, Brian Small and Nick Kiriakou.

"I thought we played a good game and came on really strong in the third," said Varsity Blues head coach Paul Titanic.

Titanic was replaced behind the Toronto bench by assistent coach Mark Teskey. Titanic had to watch the game from the stands after being suspended one game for verbally

abusing a referee in a previous game. "York may be having some injury

trouble," Titanic said, "but they have the best depth of any team in the OUAA.

In Sunday's game against Waterloo, York's luck finally ran out. York had built up a 4-2 lead on goals from MacDonald (2), Greg Rolston, and Dave Andreoli, but that was not enough against the tough Warrior squad.

"I thought the guys played excellent hockey," Wise said, "especially since it was our third game in five nights, which is a tough haul for any team.'

Penalties played a big factor, leading to the Yeomen's demise as Waterloo scored three powerplay goals.

"We had to play shorthanded for the last 20 minutes of the game," Wise said. "You can only play shorthanded for so long, then something has to give."

The Yeomen's next game is tonight at 7:30 against the visiting Brock Badgers.

Over the holidays the Yeomen will be off to Calgary to compete in the Calgary Tournament and then it's back home to play in the North York Tournament in the new year before resuming regular season play against Guelph in January.

# Yeomen and Maple Leafs switch

#### By LESS NESMAN

It is a cold winter evening, just one week prior to the December break. As you enter the Ice Palace, you see the sign across the rink which reads "Maple Leafs vs McGill Redmen." Your mind is in disbelief, you pick up a roster sheet, and sure enough it lists the Redmen on one side and the Leafs on the other side. The standings are posted on the door: The Maple Leafs occupy the basement of the OUAA Central, the Redmen are in the basement of the OUAA East, neither team having won a game to date. As you take your seat at one end of the ice rink, you see coach Brophy lead his troops out of the locker room, in the so-called "Press Box." Old Ballard sports a Havana cigar and waves to his troops in the blue and white as they skate onto the ice for the pre-game warm up. Quickly the stands begin to overflow, the Press Box is crowded with media personnel. Mel Broitman, play-byplay man for CHRY FM scratches his head in disbelief as Phil "the Organist" warms up his keyboard. In a dramatic turn of events, Pal Hal negotiated a deal with the York adminstration that brought the sinking Maple Leafs to the Ice Palace and sent Graham Wise and the Yeomen to the Gardens. "We wanted to put the Leafs in a winning building,"

explained Ballard. "The Yeomen had been winning for so long, we thought maybe the magic of the Ice Palace would work for us. So far it hasn't, but give the kids some time to adjust," Ballard added. In order to complete the deal, Peter Barnsley and the OUAA made it clear that Hal and the Leafs would have to compete in the OUAA for at least one season. The entire play, like every other plan of Ballard's, has backfired. The Leafs have not won a game and have yet to score a goal, yet the fans continue to pack the Ice Palace." Meanwhile, downtown at the Gardens, the Yeomen have just completed a three-game road trip that saw them annihilate the Oilers, Canadiens, and Flames of the big leagues. The Yeomen are tops in the Norris, undefeated through 30 games. Greg Rolston and Nick Kiriakou lead the league in scoring and only a handful gather to watch the Yeomen entertain the Red Wings. "I can't understand why the Leafs had such a hard time in this league or in this building," said coach Graham Wise. In the stands: there are a few Yeomen banners, Batman and Robin work the P.A. and Rudy won-who has been at every Yeomen game since he was borncontemplates for a seat. The Ice Palace is now filled to capacity as lafrate and Salming

skate around the ice surface. CHRY's' Mel Broitman remains in a state of confusion. "Where are the Yeomen? I can't believe this! You mean the Yeomen are playing in the Gardens! Forget this, I'm going to see some real hockey!" Broitman exclaimed when told of the deal

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After 60 minutes of hockey, the Leafs were treated to a good old fashioned whipping at the hands of the Redmen, the final score read Redmen 7 Leafs 0. At the Gardens, York dumped the Red Wings 4-0. Rudy Won files out shaking hands with Graham Wise, and Broitman has just finished yet another game, this time from the Gardens-a first for the 30 year old English Lit. Student (Broitman is obtaining his second degree just to cover the Yeomen).

Four hundred plus fans file out of the Ice Palace whispering: "What a game."

"Iafrate's great, wait until we get Wendel back." There may not be a winner on the ice, but the fans have finally turned up at the Ice Palace. As for the Yeomen, they'll probably spend another year in anonymity, this time at the Gardens. Graham Wise comments: "It doesn't matter to us so long as we keep winning." And win they do, maybe someday the fans will want to see a winner.