

Looking for an opening-Toronto guard Theresa Burns (4) blocks out Yeowoman Kim Holden (8) as Holden attempts to locate a teammate. Toronto upset York in a close game 57-56.

A surprise finish for

SPORTS Toronto's Pat Melville is hot in 57-56 upset victory over York

Jules Xavier

Toronto—York's Yeowomen basketball team suffered their second consecutive league loss last Wednesday as the University of Toronto Lady Blues, paced by Pat Melville's 30 points, edged York 57-56.

It was Toronto's second victory over York in eight previous meetings.

Regained control

With 30 seconds remaining York's Nancy Harrison and Barb Whibbs each had a chance to put York ahead. Melville, with her eighteenth rebound regained control with 17 seconds left to play, ending York's last-second comeback bid. Behind 32-28 at the half, York rebounded to take a short-lived 52-47 lead with five minutes left on the clock, but then York went cold.

Toronto, inspired after receiving a controversial two points (York felt that the 30 second clock had sounded before the shot was taken), pressed York, finally regaining the lead.

With 2:29 left, Lady Blues guard Greta Delonghi scored the clinching basket off a foul shot which at the time gave Toronto a 57-54 lead.

Not discouraged

Coach Frances Flint, though not discouraged, put the loss in perspective. "We didn't shoot well (37%). They shot 42% and deserved to win. "Toronto were up for it. We shouldn't have let the game be that close."

Looking good

Flint feels her team is gaining momentum. "We're fighting our way back up. We're looking good.

"We can't be up all season. Look at Bishops last year. They won all year, but lost in the Canadian finals."

Whibbs led York with 18 points followed by Kim Holden with 16. Theresa Burns of Toronto followed Melville with 7 points.

X-rated: Following their loss to Toronto, York defeated the Ryerson Ewes 84-24. Whibbs, with 28 points, was the top scorer.

Coulthard at his best

Brenda Columbus

David Coulthard, leading all scorers with 38 points, sparked the York Yeomen basketball team to an 87-66 victory over the Laurentian Voyageurs Saturday night at the Tait McKenzie gym.

Coulthard, by far the most impressive player on the court, displayed his skillful ball handling and shooting accuracy throughout the game. He amassed 25 points by halftime—more than the whole Voyageur team—as York led 48-24 at the intermission.

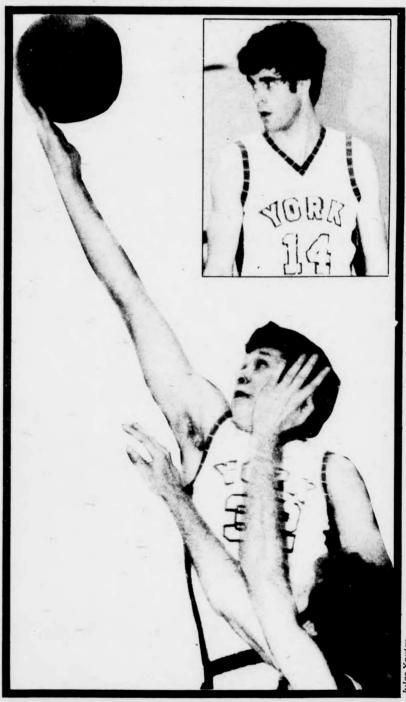
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While York's top shoooter went on an unmolested rampage, Yeomen John Christensen and rookie Tim Rider contained the Voyageur's all-star centre Brian Skeoch throughout the game allowing him only 15 points.

With the loss, Laurentian slipped into third place with a 5-3 win-loss record while the Yeomen remain undefeated after five league games.

Sparkled on defence

Christensen, who not only sparkled on defence, collected 17 points while teammate Grant Parobec added 12. Parobec had a strong game including a 'crowd pleasing' slam dunk in the first half.



York's synchro team

The Yeowomen synchronized swim team finished a surprising second at the five-team OWIAA regional meet at the University of Toronto this past weekend.

Queen's, with an insurmountable 93 points, dominated the meet, placing in all but the intermediate division.

The University of Toronto finished third, one point behind York, 38-37.

For York coach Pat Murray, it was gratifying to see her team finish ahead of Toronto.

"They swam very well. We've been trying to beat Toronto for a long time. We finally did it," said Murray. "Their hard work has payed off.

"We have three or four swimmers graduating this year so it is important to them to do well. Everybody has improved over the last two meets."

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Murray feels her team has peaked at an opportune time as the Ontario finals are only a week away.

Realistically, Murray sees Queen's capturing the Ontario title with second and third up for grabs.

Real battle

York, fifth last year, could finish as high as third according to Murray.

"It will be a real battle for those two spots," she said.

York's top swimmers were Connie Foell (novice), Linda Feesey (intermediate), and Andrea Whiteacre (senior) who all finished third in their respective divisions.

Queen's Carolyn Ellis won the over-all title, finishing first in all her events.

-Xavier To

High scorer for the Voyageurs was Dave Burden with 16 points.

Co-captain Lester Smith was another Yeomen standout as his aggressive play thwarted many Voyageur drives.

The previous night, York defeated the Ottawa Gee-Gees, blasting them 82-59 with Coulthard leading the way once again with 20 points. Ottawa's Paul Manning scored 13 points in a losing cause.

Note: The Yeomen improved their league record to six wins against no losses, defeating the Ryerson Rams in convincing fashion, 95-46, Tuesday night. Coulthard, who else, led the Yeomen offence with 30 points. Ram guard Darrel Outschoorn paced his team with 15. Upcoming, the Yeomen have three important road games versus Ottawa, Queen's and Toronto.

Going up- Yeoman guard Grant Parobec (32) drives to the basket in action against Laurentian. Inset: David Coulthard.