

Sports

Editor: Frank Giorno

Lose to Queen's Rugby Yeomen win at Brock

The York Rugby squad won and lost in two OUAA games last week.

Last Wednesday they travelled to St. Catharines and crushed the hapless Brock XV by a score of 24-0. Bill Currie and Paul Madonia scored tries, with Mario Raponi adding two converts and four field goals.

On Saturday it was a different story, however, as York faced the Queen's University Golden Gaels in Kingston.

York elected to play against the wind in the first half and fared well for 20 minutes before a penalty kick gave Queen's a 3-0 lead. Then, on two sloppy plays near their own goal line, the Yeoman threw the ball wildly and the Gaels capitalized on these mistakes to score two tries and jump ahead 15-0 at the half.

In the second half York surged back to make the score 15-9. Raponi scored all the points with a try, a convert and a penalty kick. Despite coming within two yards of equalizing the score on three different occasions, the Yeoman were unable to punch the ball over the goal-line and were forced to take their first defeat.

Coach Larry Nancekivell said, "We simply did not get enough possession of the ball in the second half to score the points we needed. Queen's forwards were more mobile than ours, but this is something conditioning can correct."

"Also, Queen's were really up for this game, as we had to be con-

sidered the team to beat. The shoe will be on the other foot in the Championship game.

"The one thing I fear is that we will be thinking too much of the final and drop a game that we shouldn't. Toronto, R.M.C., Guelph, Waterloo and Western are all capable teams whom we must defeat first. If we do that, we can take Queen's in the final."

The Yeomen face Toronto on October 9, and then have a 10 day lay-off before meeting RMC and Guelph back to back on October 19 and 20 in

their first home contests of the season.

OUAA Rugby Standings

	GP	W	L	F	A	Pts
Queens	3	3	0	56	23	6
R.M.C.	4	3	1	97	22	6
Waterloo	4	3	1	36	32	6
York	3	2	1	51	18	4
Western	3	2	1	48	13	4
Guelph	4	2	2	43	57	4
McMaster	5	2	3	46	43	4
Toronto	3	1	2	36	24	2
Brock	3	0	3	3	62	0
Trent	4	0	4	6	128	0

Football Yeomen lose, but defence improving

By FRANK GIORNO

The York Yeomen kept their losing streak intact last Saturday as they lost their fourth straight game of the OUAA football season 30-7 to the Queen's Golden Gaels.

The score was not indicative of the play, however, said coach Wirkowski.

The Yeomen outrushed Queen's 213 yards to 84 and led in total yards 293 to 274.

The Yeomen were guilty of untimely errors and shoddy coverage by the specialty teams. These two factors, according to York coach Nobby Wirkowski, were responsible for the loss.

The much maligned York defensive line played extremely well as they limited the Queen's ground attack to 84 yards. However mistakes in the secondary led to Queen's score. "Mistakes are killing us," Wirkowski emphasized. "These mistakes will only be corrected as the team gels as a unit. Most of the mistakes committed Saturday were caused by lack of concentration," said Wirkowski.

The Yeoman football team, despite its 0-4 record, does carry some fine talent. The defensive secondary has shown itself to be a tough unit to crack. The backfield sports two fine rushers in Bob Palmer, with over 100 yards rushing against Queen's, and Keven Beagle, who scored York's only TD.

The team is still green. Ten players have never played football on the college level before, 14 are in their second year and 10 are in their third year. Only 4 players have played four or more years.

With more experience the Yeoman should change their losing ways: in the mean time, the team is preparing to meet their downtown rivals the U of T Blues.



C.T. Squassero photo

Today is the departure date for four of York's top gymnasts on their trip to Varna, Bulgaria to compete in the 1974 World Games.

Lisa Arsenault, Sharon Tsukamoto, Theresa MacDonell and Nancy MacDonell will spend several days in an international training camp in Hvar, Yugoslavia until October 15, at which time they move on to the World Games in Varna.

On Oct. 21 each will complete in four compulsory events - vaulting, uneven bars, balance beam and free exercise. Providing that they place within the top 24 countries, they will stay over until Oct. 28 to compete in the finals.

Their air fare, accommodation and meals will be sponsored by the Canadian Gymnastics Federation and Gameplan '76.

ANNA VAITIEKUNAS

York field hockey team splits Early Bird tourney

By MARG POSTE

Bruised shins and sore feet marked the end of the York field hockey team's first really competitive test when they returned Saturday from the OWIAA Early Bird Field Hockey Tournament held in Guelph October 5 and 6.

As an old saying goes, "win a few, lose a few", and this was the case as York met senior teams from Guelph, Toronto, McMaster, McGill, Waterloo, Western and Queens.

In the seven games played over the two days, York broke even in the scoring department - scoring ten and giving up ten. The duet of centre forward Chris Barrick and left inner Cathy Brown accounted for nine of the goals while right inner Dawn Gardham tallied one.

Going into part I of the OWIAA tournament in Waterloo on the week-end of October 25, it appears that Toronto, McMaster and McGill will provide the strongest opposition in York's bid for the honour of representing Ontario at the National Tournament in British Columbia.

Despite losing to these teams in this early tourney, York was not without many fine scoring opportunities and it appears that with a more concentrated effort during the next few weeks, the difficulties encountered should be ironed out.

On Sunday, 13 York players took part in a six a side TWFHA tournament held at Sunnybrook park. Two York teams of five field players plus a goalie each played three 14 minute games on the regulation field.

Normally a team consists of 10 field players plus goalie. This type of a tournament, therefore, necessitated a great deal of running and passing, hence the shortened games.

While not emerging victorious, both teams played well despite a general tiredness from the previous two days of competition.

UPCOMING

This Thanksgiving weekend, three York players will be travelling out-of-province to represent Ontario in two important tournaments. Journeying to Vancouver will be Dawn Gardham who will aid the Ontario Senior team in their bid to come out on top at the national tournament. Teams from each province will meet in competition while national selectors choose the players who will represent Canada in 1975.

Cathy Brown and Norma Schmitt will join the Intermediate Ontario team taking part in the JFK Tournament in Washington.

Sports calendar

Friday

- Track and field at the University of Waterloo.

Saturday

- Cross country at York, 9:30 a.m.
- Football, York vs. U of T at the CNE Stadium, 2 p.m.
- Soccer, York vs. Trent at York, 2 p.m.
- Tennis, OUAA finals at York, 10 a.m.
- Water polo, York vs. Queen's, at RMC.

Monday

- Rugby, the Boyd Invitational.

Cross country

York will be hosting the invitational varsity and high school cross country meet this Saturday, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Come out and support York!

Unique sport

Women's hockey

By MARG POSTE

The Yeomen Ice Hockey squad, despite the addition of a veteran women's hockey coach, faces extinction due to a lack of players.

Ice hockey at the varsity level is unique at York in that players are not expected to have had previous training in order to play.

As very few high schools in the province have teams, unlike basketball, volleyball, etc., all that is required is the ability to skate and willingness to learn; York supplies the rest!

Ice hockey for women is coming of age. There are now six organized leagues in the province offering hockey at various age and ability levels from peewee to "A". There are numerous other teams throughout the province that have not yet entered.

A Canadian association for ice hockey has been formed this year to bring representatives from all provinces together. A national trophy has been donated and will be competed for by teams from all across Canada.

There are plans to eventually have the winner of the hockey tournament take part in the national playdowns, as would winners of other provincial university leagues, in order to make the playing of hockey truly national. However, due to the apparent lack of interest, the future looks dim for the Yeomen; unless more players come to try out a team cannot be formed.

Neither superstar status, nor even star status is needed. Just show up at the arena on Mondays and Wednesdays at 6:15 and meet the rest of the gang.

Sports Editorial

Canadian crybabies

Cold War intrigues emerged during Saturday's Canada-Russia game.

At least, our patriotic sportswriters made it seem that way.

Not only were we robbed of a sure goal, but it seems that the Russians conspired with the time-keeper to rob Team Canada of those important four seconds. At least, that was Globe columnist Dick Beddoes' observation.

How fickle we Canucks are. When Tom Brown refused to count an obvious Russian goal in the second game of the series, did any of our own self-righteous press people show any signs of concern? Alas, no — matter of fact, Star sports editor Jim Proudfoot was all but eager to show his delight that the Russians were robbed for a change.

The officiating in the series was poor, and the press did the right thing to criticize it. What turned this writer's stomach was the sickening display of public crybabbling.

Don Chevrier, for example, muttering at the conclusion of Sunday's game that the Russians must have paid dearly for their win — implying, of course, that Josef Kom-pola was bought for 30 rubles.

Sports writers for varsity and inter-college athletics needed. meeting Thursday 2 p.m.

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