

Puck Yeomen shoot, but don't score, in second tie in a row

by Josh Rubin

These guys better hope this trend doesn't continue.

For the second straight game, the Yeoman hockey squad managed just a tie, despite outshooting their opponents.

This time, the Yeomen outshot arch-rivals University of Toronto 57-26 en route to a 2-2 tie at the Ice Palace this past Thursday.

Toronto netminder Paul Henriques was outstanding, stopping all but two of the shots the Yeomen sent his way.

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Not that York goalie Willie Popp wasn't forced to make some good glove-hand saves himself, mind you.

But it was the Yeomen who drew first blood in this one.

Second-year defenceman Dave Noseworthy sent the near-capacity crowd into a frenzy when he blasted a shot over Henriques' shoulder to give the Yeomen a 1-0 edge less than five minutes into the game.

After the Blues' Jeff Columbus tied it up late in the first, the two teams went at it tooth and nail while referee Ralph Sparks appeared to drift in and out of the game.

Sparks also played a big role in sending the game into overtime.

With the game deadlocked at two late in the third, the Blues looked as though they'd scored a third goal from a scramble in front, but Sparks waved it off.

The extra frame saw both teams with a handful of chances, but once



JAMMIN': Yeomen Kevin Bonello (15) and Mike Futa (27) go for the puck in last Thursday's game at the Ice Palace against UofT. A large crowd was on hand to watch the Yeomen come away with a 2-2 tie, despite outshooting the Blues 57-26. This is the second tie in as many games for the Yeomen, who have had a hard

time translating their shots on goal into points on the scoreboard. The game also witnessed another lacklustre effort from referee Ralph Sparks, whose dubious call in the third period helped send the game into overtime. photo by Rob Cabral

again, the goaltenders came up big at both ends of the rink.

Veteran York forward Todd Dungey, who tied the game up at two with eight minutes left in the third,

said afterwards it was disappointing to be tied again, despite the wide shot margin.

"Sure it's frustrating," said Dungey, adding "but this is about our

fifth game in a row we've played really well, so we've got to be happy with that."

Dungey's sentiments were echoed by York coach Graham Wise, who

credited the large crowd for much of his team's play.

"With fan support like that, the guys really get into the game," Wise said.

Two too tough games

by Mike Raycraft

"This was a game we should have had."

Words of truth uttered by Yeoman basketball coach Bob Bain following a disheartening York loss Saturday night at Tait McKenzie.

York and Ottawa, two of the better teams in the OUAA, took centre stage and put on a show for those at hand. Yet, when the final buzzer sounded not once but twice to mark overtime, the scoreboard read Ottawa 101-York 99.

An Ottawa bucket at the end of regulation time forced the game into the extra frame.

An emotionally charged affair, neither team was willing to give up the rights to the floor — particularly the Yeomen.

After having starters Mark Bellai, Lyndon Phillip and Marc Gardner each go down with injuries in the third quarter, York was forced to use its bench.

The bench rose to the challenge as did the remaining starters, refusing to

let the Gee-Gees get the better of them.

York's Alex Piperski scored all of his 13 points in the second half, while teammate Wilton Hall, though he only netted 10 points, was exceptional on both ends of the court.

"Wilton played a great game for us. He really took charge in some key situations when we needed it most," Bain said.

Roderick Lee led the scoring for Ottawa with 36 points. Clive Anderson countered with 35 for the Yeomen, and is currently leading the OUAA in scoring.

The Ottawa loss came on the heels of a close 79-78 win against Laurentian the night before at Tait-McKenzie. The Saturday defeat was also York's first loss of the regular season, their record now standing at 6-1.

Both weekend games were close and chippy affairs that took a physical toll on the Yeomen, Bain said. As a result the York coach was not sure how his team would perform last night (Tuesday) at Ryerson.

York vaulter Doug Wood set a new Canadian indoor record this past Saturday at the Can-Am Invitational in Windsor. Wood's vault of 5.55 metres beat out the old record of 5.50 m. The York athlete also holds the Canadian outdoor record of 5.61 m. The 25 year old Wood is a math and science major in his second year at York, and is a native of Wingham, Ont.

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