SPORTS

Take that final spot York's backdoor to playoffs

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Despite losses in their final two games of the season, the Yeomen hockey team has nonetheless qualified for the final weekend of regular season play with York narrowly ousting Guelph for the sixth and final playoff position in the standings. The Guelph Gryphons were eliminated form post-season play by virtue of a loss to U of T on Friday.

But Friday night was an evening for losses of sorts, as the Yeomen were also defeated by the McMaster Marlins 6-5, before a wildly enthusiastic crowd at the Wentworth rink in Hamilton.

Stewart back in form

The silver lining for the Yeomen was the acrobatic play of goaltender Dave Stewart who constantly frustrated the Marlins despite failing in his single-handed attempt to hold off the surging Mac team.

For the rest of the team it was a night of "ups" and "downs". York jumped to leads of 2-0 and 4-2 before a third period four-goal barrage by McMaster which iced the game.

The Yeomen, however, started in high gear with Bob Webb opening the scoring early in the contest, and with Martin Perry turning a backhander past Mac goalie Tony Harris at 5:55.

The 2-0 advantage lasted until the final minutes of the opening period when the Marlins solved the Dave Stewart puzzle with two quick goals by Mike Taylor and captain Rick Mastroluisi to tie the score.

Mac comes back

York registered all the second period scoring to take a 4-2 lead on Bob Webb's second goal of the game at 0:45, and Mike McCaulley's solo effort at 8:30.

But after showing occasional signs of life in the two previous periods, the Marlins made their move, quickly knotting the score on a fluke goal at 2:12, while adding another at 6:09.

Before York could recover, Mac had scored the go-ahead goal on a breakaway a minute later as defenseman Greg Bullen fired a slap-shot past a bewildered Stewart.

John Lovell completed the scoring for York with less than six minutes to play, but the Yeomen were unable to score the equalizer.

Personal bests at OUAA's rap it up

NEIL HARVEY

Last weekend at Brock University, the Yeomen varsity swim team finished their season at the 65th OUAA swimming and diving champ-

ionships. In placing seventh out of the 16 competing schools, York maintained their standing in the conference. All swimmers attained personal bests in almost every event.

The "highlight" swimmer for the Yeomen was rookie Bruce Kaufman from Trinidad. Kaufman finaled in the 50m freestyle--very tough to qualify for with less than threetenths of a second separating the top six qualifiers.

Consoled finalists

Other finalists included the breaststroke duo of Romulo Berendson, a second-year political science student from Peru, and Peter Kilty, in his second year of the MBA programme. Both swimmers finished the consolation final of the 100m and 200m event.

Joe Skelly, in his third year at York, has mainly been a waterpolo player, but has performed strongly as a sprint freestyler and relay swimmer. He finished ninth in the 100m butterfly and fifteenth in the

Captain, Victor Verblac, in addition to pacing the 4x100m relay team to a sixth-place finish, posted

personal bests in the 50m and 100m freestyles. Chris Guy concluded a fine rookie season, lowering his times in the breaststroke event every time he swam, including a nine second drop in the 200m.

NOTES: Chris Kozachenko dipped below his 30-second barrier in the 50m freestyle. . . Glen Mateer and rookie Greg Kuti both swam well in their respective events... and finally, Lee McFayden, who seems to run mainly on maple-glazed donuts, turned in a fine effort in the sprints.

Hopkins makes his mark

MARK ZWOL

Mark Hopkins, the Yeomen's all-star linebacker, was the first player chosen in the second round of last week's CFL amateur draft.

A second round position in the draft is not as significant as a first round selection, but for the 22-yearold product of Kipling Collegiate, it was nonetheless a major accomplishment.

Hopkins became the first player ever drafted by the newly-formed Montreal Concordes and the highest selection from York, eclipsing Bill Hatanaka's second round selection (24th position) by the Ottawa Rough Riders in 1975.

Time to move in

Concorde's Head Coach, Joe Galat, expects Hopkins--at 6-foot, 2 inches and 230 pounds--to crack the starting line-up in his rookie season. In fact, Hopkins' chances of starting should improve when Concorde regular John Palazeti, who has played out his option, moves to the Ph Saskatchewan Rough Riders, as York's Angela Taylor busts out of the expected. blocks at the Laurier track meet. **ION JACK ATTACK #3. The Bear Bite.** Squeeze the juice of a guartered lime over ice. Throw in 11/2 ounces of Yukon Jack, top it up with cola and you'll have trapped the Bear Bite. Inspired in the wild, midst the damnably cold, this, the black sheep of Canadian Jiquors, is Yukon Jack. Yukor The Black Sheep of Canadian Liquors Concocted with fine Canadian Whisky. For more Yukon Jack recipes write: MORE YUKON JACK RECIPES, Box 2710, Postal Station "U," Toronto, Ontario M82 5P1.

Gymnasts in fine form

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Yeomen gymnastics coach Tom Zivic brought his team to the OUAA championships at Queens University with the finesse and drive that has characterized their number one ranking throughout the season.

And, to no one's surprise, York emerged from the meet with the overall team title, compiling a total of 164.3 points. It marked the fourth consecutive year the Yeomen have walked away with the award.

The University of Toronto took the silver medal, placing second with a socre of 153.4 points, while McMaster rolled to the bronze after tallying 127.5 points.

Dan Gaudet paced the Yeomen with his precision performances to capture the all-round individual champion laurels. Gaudet, who is also the nation's number one ranked gymnast, topped his list of awards by taking the Werry Trophy as the meet's outstanding gymnast. He collected 55.3 out of a possible 60 points on the day.

Allan Reddon of York placed second in the individual competition with 54.65 points, and Rob Wild, also of York, came third with 53.5.

The Yeomen gymnastics team will be looking to cap their season off with a national title when they host the CIAU championships this March 11-12, at the Tait Gym.

Yeowomen getting ready for CIAU's

This last weekend the Yeowomen Gymnastics Team participated in the OWIAA Championships held at The University of Western Ontario. The Yeowomen gymnasts had their best meet of the season, but were only able to capture 124.3 points that put them into third place. McMaster's team again, for the second year in a row, captured first place with a total of 134.4 points. The University of Western Ontario was second with a score of 125.5 points.

The overall individual winner was McMaster's Debbie Kirby. York gymnasts Beth Johns and Linda Kunashko finished fourth and fifth respectively. Mireille Gour, also of York, placed seventh. Johns dominated the Yeowomen with strong performances on all apparatus. She placed sixth on the vault and beam. Her total all-round score was 31.52 which will give her a sure spot on York's team for the CIAU National Championships to be held at York, March 11 and 12. Kunashko had a second-place finish on vault to add to her accomplishments. Mireille Gour, who had an excellent bar routine, took second place in that event. Cinday Janssen also qualified for York at this meet and will join the rest of the York team at the National Championships.

In the Tier 2 competition, York's gymnasts dominated the competition with Janice Eaton placing first all round and Kim Myers third all round. Jamie Horie had a first place finish on vault and Liz Langdon had a first place finish on bars.



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50m freestyle. Personal bests

