

SPORTS and RECREATION

Fans still unimpressed

Yeomen end two-year drought with victory

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The suds of merriment flowed freely from the basement of Founders College last Saturday as the York Yeomen celebrated their first victory in almost two years.

The scene at the Cock and Bull was one of pure joy and relief — the Yeomen were no longer the worst team in the league, their two year famine was a thing of the past. Ironically the team they beat on Saturday, the McMaster Marauders, were the same team York beat in 1973 before beginning their long losing streak.

Saturday's score was 17-8 in York's favour.

The game cannot be called a classic as both teams displayed glaring weaknesses in offensive execution. Offsides and illegal procedure penalties were called nearly as frequently as the ball was put into play.

Frank Subat started his first game as quarterback for the Yeomen, and although he was impressive and showed a lot of poise under pressure, he failed to direct a scoring drive. Subat completed six of 10 passes attempted before giving way to veteran Doug Kitts in the second half.

The only major of the game was scored by linebacker Tony Jordanis when he picked off an attempted pitchout by McMaster quarterback Rick Currie to one of his backs. Jordanis rambled 45 yards for the touchdown. Sergio

DiLuca who handled the kicking chores, replacing the injured Kevin Beagle, was good on the convert.

DiLuca also added a single on a wide field goal attempt to round out the first half scoring.

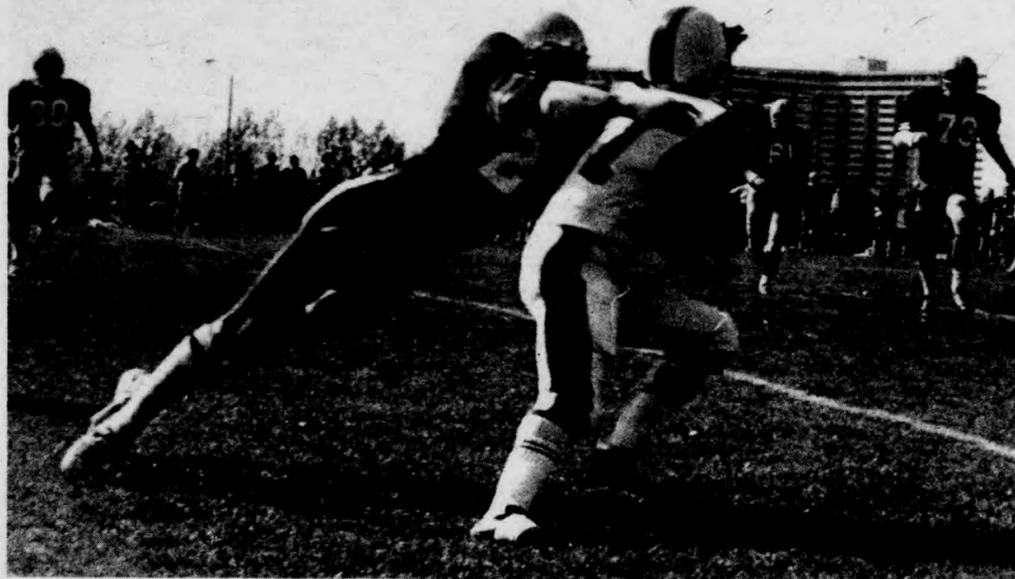
MacMaster never got untracked in the first half. Poor punting by Peter Gabriel kept the Marauders deep in their own end. Gabriel who was the leading punter last year was suffering from bruised ribs.

In the second half McMaster had possession of the ball most of the time but poor field position and a stubborn York defence kept the Marauders in check. McMaster punter Gabriel gave up three safety touches in attempts to give the Marauders better field position, but instead they dug themselves deeper and deeper into a hole. The six points put York in command with a big 14-0 score.

Marauder coach Ray Johnson justified giving up the six points by saying, "Our kicking wasn't good enough; we didn't want York to gain the kind of field position which might eventually have led to a touchdown."

The only offensive points of the second half was a 16 yard field goal by DiLuca late in the third quarter.

McMaster scored its only touchdown on a two yard run by fullback Art Shaw with less than a minute to play. The successful two point conversion made the final



McMaster Marauder defender makes a neat open-field tackle of Yeomen receiver on this play. The Marauders didn't make enough good plays like this one to even come close to threatening in the Satur-

day afternoon game played in front of several hundred York fans who witnessed the end of two years of frustration by Yeomen football teams. After the game, the suds flowed freely in the Founders pub.

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"They finally stopped doing donkey things and were able to cut down on turnovers and penalties," beamed a pleased Nobby Wirkowski after the game. "We really needed that win for psychological reasons. After the first three games the guys were beginning to doubt themselves."

MacMaster outgained the Yeomen in total yards 216 to 151, and the team's lacklustre offensive display led many of the fans to vocalize their disapproval by chanting "What's this game — boring", from the sidelines.

Not many of the jubilant Yeomen took the fans derisive chants into consideration. It was a

sweet feeling to be able to guzzle the beer in victory.

Sports in Brief



Dr. Labib squash tips

The serve

Because it begins every point, the serve is a crucial shot in squash.

Too often a player is only concerned with getting the ball into play and not with the kind of serve he intends to hit. The object in any shot, including the serve, is to get your opponent out of position and to leave him a difficult shot to execute.

Your serve must land in such a position so that he will find it difficult to return the shot and take control of the "T" — the area in the back-court where the service lines meet forming a T-shape.

Basically there are two types of serves — the lob and the drive serve.

The lob-serve is executed by facing the front wall and hitting the ball with the face of the racquet open and with the ball at about shoulder height. Bend your knees and push up with your body as you are hitting the ball.

The object in this serve is to have the ball land beyond your opponent's service circle and as close to the side wall as possible. This will make the ball bounce near the corner and leave your opponent with a low back-hand shot off the end and/or side walls.

If the ball hits the end wall

before touching the ground, it will shoot back and allow your opponent to hit an offensive shot.

The drive serve is quite different from the lob in that instead of facing the front wall, you should be facing the side wall at the point of impact with the ball, and the racquet head should remain closed so that the ball will assume a low trajectory. Of course this serve is only effective when the ball is hit very hard.

As with the lob, you are trying to make the ball land before the back wall and as close to the side wall as possible.

Serving from the left wall gives the server the chance to surprise the receiver by hitting the ball so that it comes off the wall right into the body of the opponent or to his left, leaving him with a backhand shot when he was expecting a forehand.

This shot, however, should be employed as a surprise tactic only, because it allows the receiver the chance for an offensive return, if he is expecting the serve.

Once you've mastered these serves, vary them on your opponent, so that he will be unable to become set for any particular serve.

Rugby team serves notice

The York rugby team is quickly gaining the respect of the rest of the league and establishing themselves as potential champions following their humbling of the McMaster Marauders 58-3 in a Saturday afternoon game played at York.

York completely dominated the game from beginning to end. From the set scrums to the line-outs York was constantly on top of the Marauders, enabling York's backs to run at will against the weak McMaster defenders.

Leading the York charge was inside centre Paul Madonia with

three tries. Wings Ed Etherington and Wally Urbanski each added two more, while John Spanton, Doug Aushone and Tucker Feller scored singles each.

The win, however, may have cost the Yeomen dearly as Ontario select outside-half Ev Spence suffered a broken arm during the game and wing-forward Tony DiThomasis was forced to leave the field with a badly bruised thigh.

The rugby Yeomen next clash with U. of T. on Wednesday and Queens on Saturday.

York's annual cross-country meet attracts record 1,300 high-schoolers

The brother and sister act of Ian and Cathy Clark led Georgetown Collegiate Institute to the team championship in York University's eighth annual cross-country invitational race, Saturday.

In all, some 1,300 high-school students from all over Ontario took part in the race. The invitational also featured a university cross-country competition which was won by Ryerson's Bob Marcotte.

York's Ken Buckley placed third in the race, finishing just seven seconds behind Claus Rinne of Queens.

The Clark family performance was a dominant factor in Georgetown's successful attempt to dethrone Michael Power of the championship. Michael Power had won the championship the previous two years.

Ian Clark won the three-mile event in the bantam boys class with a time of 16 minutes and 10 seconds and Cathy Clark beat out

255 other girls to win her one and a half-mile race by a comfortable 13 seconds.

Other winners included Dave Peckham of Brighton, who eeked out a close win over Paul Roberts of Forest Heights in the senior boys event, and Paul Steeds of

Kipling who easily won his junior boys event by a full half-minute.

This year's meet proved to be the most successful to date, attracting 1,300 high school and 100 university competitors to York, compared to last year's 700 high-school participants.



Mike Dixon and Donna Metcalfe, coaches of the winning Georgetown cross-country team accept congratulations and trophy from York president H. Ian Macdonald (in funny hat).