

Yeomen score 34 goals in four games

# Hockey Yeomen win Pair

by Josh Rubin

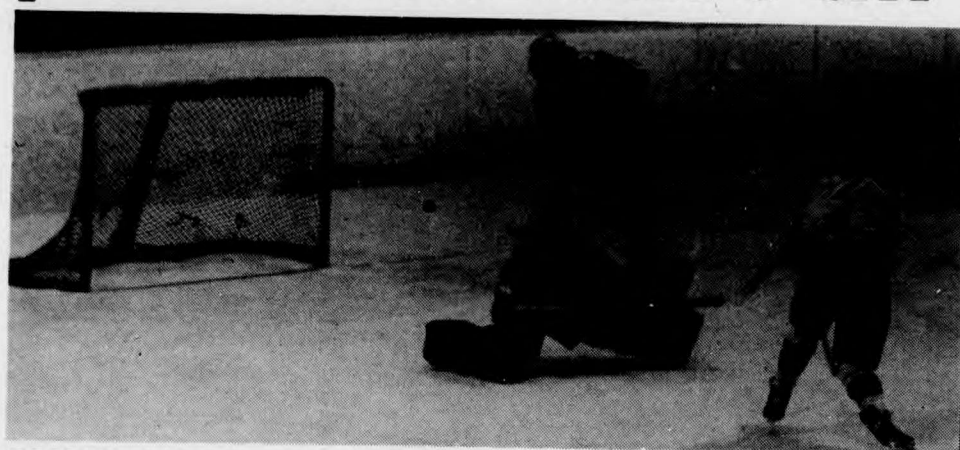
The York Yeomen hockey offensive juggernaut continues to roll along.

Unfortunately, as shown in a pair of victories over Laurier



and Ryerson last week, so do some more disturbing trends.

Thursday, the Yeomen spotted the Laurier Golden Hawks a 5-1 lead after one period, then dominated the last two periods to take an impres-



**GOAL!** York Yeomen Shawn Betts beats Laurier goalie in OUA action last Friday. The Yeomen defeated Laurier 7-6. • photo by Michele Boesener

sive 7-6 win.

Saturday, York solved its habit of slow starts, but still had a midgame lapse. Against an outclassed Ryerson squad, however, the lapse hardly mattered, and the Yeomen came

up on the right end of an 8-4 score.

Despite the cruise-control lapses, however, the Yeomen's offensive output this weekend brings their season total to 34 goals in just 4 games.

Much of the reason for the strength of the York attack has been the play of third year veteran Jimmy Dean and newcomer Bill Wright, who last year played for the OHL's North Bay Centennials.

Through Saturday's game, Dean has nine points (including two goals and an assist Saturday) while Wright has ten (with one goal Saturday).

Dean says lapses by the Yeomen are only normal at this point in the season.

"It's still early. Once we start playing more games, you'll see guys start to come together more," Dean said.

Wright's strong play this early in the season also bodes well for the Yeomen adjusting well from junior to university hockey.

"The pace is a lot higher than I expected when I came in, and there's much less hitting than in the OHL," said Dean, who himself played two seasons with the OHL's

Belleville Bulls before joining the Yeomen in the 1990-91 season.

Wright agreed, and added that he's been enjoying himself with the Yeomen

"In North Bay, I was a third or fourth line, defensive centre. Here I'm in a more offensive role," said Wright, who nonetheless managed to notch 26 goals for the Centennials last year.

York coach Graham Wise has been happy with his club's goal-scoring prowess as of late, but it was their comeback against Laurier which impressed him the most.

"To come into the second period down the way we were and then come back the way we did is great. I have to give full credit to the guys for that," Wise said.

This weekend, the opposition gets a little tougher than Ryerson. Friday they visit the Concordia Stingers and Saturday they take on another Montreal squad, the McGill Redmen.

Their next home game is Thursday, December 3, when they host the West division-leading Waterloo Warriors in a 7:30 start at the Ice Palace.



**York Yeomen Pino Chiappetta skates past a Laurier defender.** • photo by Michele Boesener

## Guelph beats Western in Yates Cup 45-10

by Rob Seaman

It wasn't supposed to be like this.

Saturday November 7 at Skydome.

The battle for the Yates Cup The number five Western Mustangs with the number one offense in the country against the number six Guelph Gryphons, the team with the nation's best defence.

Expecting a low scoring, defensive, keep the kickers busy type of game? Not even close.

While the Gryphon defense lived up to it's reputation, few if any, expected the Guelph offense to explode the way it did.

Final score: Guelph 45, Western 10.

Lead by the pinpoint passing of game MVP Wally Gabler Jr and aided by 9 Mustang turnovers, the game was basically over by the end of the first half.

Gabler's performance reminded many of the type his father used to turn in as a star

quarterback for Toronto and Hamilton of the Canadian Football League.

This day belonged to Gabler Jr., however, he completed 15 of 23 passes and registered career highs with 384 yards and 5 touchdowns.

The game actually started out as a defensive struggle until Guelph broke it open with three touchdowns in the final 3:25 of the first half.

With the score 7-3, Guelph drove the ball 75 yards on 7 plays, the touchdown coming on a four yard pass from Gabler to tailback Rob Popkey.

On the ensuing kick off Western's Nigel Levy made a great return only to fumble the ball into the arms of Guelph kicker Dan Walker.

On the first play from scrimmage, Guelph ran a "flea flicker", catching the Mustangs totally off guard. The result was a 58 yard bomb to Shane Dougherty down to the Western 6 yard line. On the next play Popkey dove into the end zone for his second touchdown in less than a minute.

The Gryphons added one more touchdown before the half was over, keyed by the second interception of Western's All-Star quarterback John LeClair, and lead 28-3 at halftime.

Western scored on their first possession of the second half, but that was it for the vaunted Mustang offense, as turnovers and an inspired gryphon defense quickly halted any drives Western initiated.

Guelph added insult to injury late in the fourth quarter.

## Ex-teammates face each other in OUA

by Josh Rubin

The last time they were on the ice together, John Spoltore and Bill Wright were teammates on the North Bay Centennials.

Last Thursday, Spoltore suited up for the Laurier Golden Hawks against Bill Wright and the York Yeomen

With just 4:40 left in the game, Gabler hooked up with Dave Irwin for a 61 yard touchdown pass to make the final score 45-10.

The Gryphons must now play Queen's this Saturday at Skydome in the Churchill Bowl. The Golden Gaels defeated second-ranked Bishop's Gaiters 32-6 to win the Ontario-Quebec championship.

The winner of the Churchill Bowl advances to the Vanier cup on Saturday November 21 at Skydome.

in an Ontario University matchup.

For Spoltore, playing university hockey might not have been his first choice, but after a failed tryout with the Boston Bruins, there was little doubt the Cents all-time leading

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# SPORTSHORTS

## WOMEN ATHLETICS

### figure hockey

The Yeowomen had to withdraw from three events due to illness of one of the team members and finished in eighth place. Dawn Williams had a fourth place finish in open singles.

### hockey

The Yeowomen convincingly defeated the Western Mustangs 5-2

### basketball

On Thursday November 5 the Yeowomen lost to the Guelph Gryphons 56-48. Susan Verschuer led York with 13 pts.

On Friday, in exhibition play, they defeated the McMaster Marauders 62-54. Leigh Anne Isaac led York with 25 pts.

### field hockey

At the CIAU finals the Yeowomen tied the University of New Brunswick 1-1, before losing to Victoria and UBC 1-0 and 2-0 respectively.

Joel Brough was named a first team all-star and a tournament eleven all-star. Sherri Field was also named a first team also. Kathy Bester was named to the second team, as well as being named CIAU rookie of the year.



### soccer

The Yeowomen tied western in regulation time 1-1 at the OWIAA championships, but lost in a kick-off 3-1. Sabrina Iseppi and Samantha Hellens were named OWIAA East all-stars.

### swimming

The Yeowomen finished in sixth place out of ten teams with a total of 23 points at the OWIAA relays over the weekend.

### Susan Craig to Kendra Irwin • Michele Boesener

### volleyball

The Yeowomen defeated the Ryerson Rams 3-0 (15-5, 15-1, 15-2) in OWIAA action last week.

### squash

In Women's squash action this weekend. Lise Grant won the Ladies "A" division while Anne Marie Vandrie won the women's "C" division. The tournament was held at Tait over the weekend. For information about the York Squash club please call Lise Grant at 449-3604.

## MEN ATHLETICS

### basketball

The Yeomen lost to Concordia 74-89. Mark Bellai had the most York points scored with 29. The Yeomen also narrowly lost to Dalhousie 69-78. Bellai led the York scoring with 24 point.

### waterpolo

The Yeomen lost to the Varsity Blues 21-1 in OUA action.

The Yeomen also were defeated in all three games at the Crossover Round Robin Tournament. They lost 18-3 to Queen's, 18-1 to Carleton, and 10-6 to Ottawa.

### volleyball

The Yeomen defeated the Rams 3-0 (15-5, 15-4, 15-11). In two games against Queen's the Yeomen came out



**Mark Bellai** • photo by Michele Boesener

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