

SPORTS

Hockey Yeomen grab first in Central Division

By "HOWIE" MARR

Three consecutive wins in four nights have the hockey Yeomen back on top in the OUAA Central Division.

The Yeomen returned to the Ice Palace for three games last week, hoping to make amends for a 12-4 humiliation suffered at the hands of the Trois Rivieres Patriotes.

York didn't disappoint as they opened the homestead with a 9-6 victory over the Ryerson Rams Thursday night. The Yeomen were the beneficiaries of a five-goal second period outburst that carried them to victory.

The previously undefeated Rams jumped out to a 3-1 first period lead, after Brian MacDonald opened the scoring early in the game. But Paul Kosianic tied the score with two Yeomen in the penalty box. Greg Roberts had been penalized five minutes for holding, and teammate Bill Maguire joined him one minute later he assessed a double minor.

The Rams added two more goals by Jamie Hidi and Jim Luciuk before the period was over.

But York began its comeback 11 seconds into the second period. Kent Brimmer netted his first of three on the night to open the barrage. Brimmer scored his second, Mike Futa added two, and Randy Walker contributed a single as the Yeomen took a 6-3 lead.

Early in the third, York continued to dominate Ryerson. Brimmer beat goalie Mark Murray to collect his

third. A weak shot by Curtis Coyne made it 8-3 York and that was all for Murray, who was replaced by Nelson Durante. A Bill Maguire shot from the point completed York's scoring.

"We were fortunate to have the 3-1 lead," said Rams coach Jim Cairns. "We didn't execute well in any period."

The game was not without incidents as both teams were heavily penalized throughout. With 21 seconds left in the game, a fight broke out between York's Ian Ferguson and Ryerson's Darren Natus. Referee Jim Houston handed a five-minute fight penalty to each player, which carries an automatic one-game suspension.

Saturday night's game against Windsor was tame by comparison. Both teams played like they had better things to do. The result was a 4-2 yawner in York's favour.

The Lancers opened the scoring in the first period to take the 1-0 lead, but York charged back with two in the second. Mike Faglioli and Mike Futa scored for York, but Ken Minello tallied for Windsor to notch the game at two. In the third, York took the lead on a Curtis Coyne goal. Brian MacDonald sealed the victory with an empty-net goal.

York's second game in 24 hours produced an 11-2 beating of the Laurentian Voyageurs Sunday afternoon.

York grabbed a 4-1 first period lead against an overmatched Voyageur squad. Curtis Coyne opened the

scoring two minutes into the game and goals by Rob Crocock, Mike Futa, and Brian MacDonald followed before the period was over.

In the second period the Voyageurs neutralized the York attack. Neven Kardum made it 5-1 halfway through the period, but Laurentian's Jasmin Breton cut the lead to three.

In the third, York scored six more against Laurentian goalie Peter Gibson. Ken Brimmer opened, and Futa and Kardum each added their second of the night before the period was five minutes old.

The Yeomen showed no signs of mercy for the Voyageurs and added three more goals in the last five minutes of the game. Curtis Coyne and Kent Brimmer both scored their second goals of the night and Mike Faglioli added another to close out the scoring.

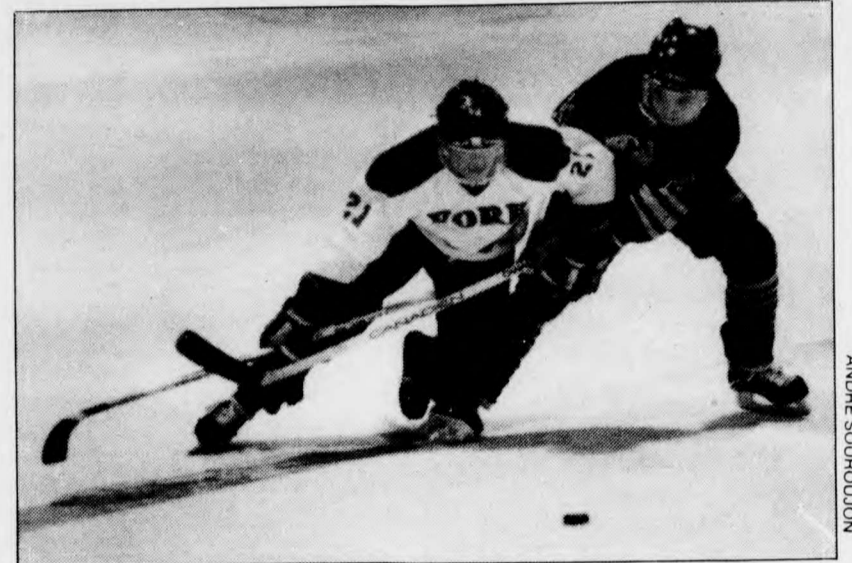
York coach Graham Wise is pleased not only with the team's offensive prowess, but also with improved defensive play.

"My main concern [this season] has been our defensive play," said Wise. "We've made a step in the right direction."

The three victories leave the Yeomen with a record of 8-2-1. However, undefeated Western has played two fewer games than the Yeomen.

Wise says his team is taking the season one game at a time and that his main concern is to get a sold effort from his players every night.

The Yeomen resume action at the Ice Palace tonight when they host the Laurier Golden Hawks at 7:30.



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HOCKEY YEOMEN back on top

Goaltending woes hurt hockey women

By PAMELA JARVIS

With both regular goaltenders injured, the hockey Yeowomen found themselves on the wrong end of a 10-0 score in their season opener last Thursday night against the Toronto Varsity Blues.

Prior to game time, Yeowomen coach Deb Mayberry called forward Angie McCollum to fill in between the pipes for York.

"Angie did a good job. She faced a lot of shots," said Mayberry.

The Blues opened the scoring late in the first period and added another on a three-on-nothing breakaway with 20 seconds left in the period.

In the second period U of T added three more goals. A couple of Chris Clayton slapshots were the only sustained attack the Yeowomen could muster.

In the third period the floor-gates opened as the Lady Blues tucked away five more goals, which included a power-play marker and two goals in the last

minute of play. The goaltending efforts of McCollum were hindered by a spotty York defense.

Toronto coach Dave McMaster felt the result was not indicative of York's play.

"We're not 10 goals better," he said. "They had tremendous difficulty. With a regular goalie, it should be very even."

In exhibition play the Blues had only edged the Yeowomen by a 3-1 score.

McMaster was impressed with York captain Kim Downard. "Kim is playing the best I've seen," he said. "She demonstrates leadership on and off the ice."

Mayberry praised Clayton's shooting ability. She said it was the team's positional play that cost them the game. Mayberry feels that Queen's will be one of the league's stronger teams, but declined to speculate how York will fare this year.

"We're a better team," she said. "A lot of little mistakes hurt us." York's next game is in Guelph against the Gryphons on Thursday.

Waterpolo team's hopes sunk

By RANDY UGOLINI

"It was a pretty good finish to a not so wonderful season," explained Yeomen waterpolo coach Kevin Jones.

The Yeomen won three of four games in last weekend's final round-robin crossover tournament of the '88 season. However, it was a case of too little too late as the Yeomen were edged out of the final OUAA playoff spot by the fifth place Waterloo Warriors. York finished the season with a six and 10 record, just one point behind the 6-9-1 Warriors.

There are two crossover tournaments in OUAA waterpolo action. In each, the five West division teams face the four teams from the East in order to determine the overall standings.

In their first game, the Yeomen downed the Queen's Golden Gaels 7-5. York Captain John Lissus led the team with two goals. Also scoring for York were Mike Hickstein and Roger Williams with two apiece while Stefan Collin rounded out the York scoring.

In their second and probably best

game of the tournament, the Yeomen handed the Carleton Ravens a 7-1 drubbing. Once again Lissus led the Yeomen, netting three goals. Hickstein, Collins, John Bonin and alternate captain Ross Macdonald each tallied singles for the York side.

Rookie Yeomen keeper Oliver Flaser was a standout in the York net. Turning back numerous scoring opportunities, Flaser had the Raven forwards eating crow.

In Sunday's contests, the Yeomen met Ottawa and RMC, the best and

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