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Yeomen dump Gee-Gees in weekend action

By C.T. SQUASSERO

The Gee-Gees couldn't even win the brawls as the Yeomen swamped them 10-2 in Ottawa last Saturday in what some call the best game the Yeomen have played all season.

Three minutes into the opening period York's Dave Wright scored the first goal of the game, after the Yeomen put on a tremendous show of force.

Ottawa evened the score half way through the period when Bernard Gouin put the puck past York goalie Wayne Weatherbee on a breakaway. The Gee-Gees took the lead for the only time in the game after a goal by defenceman Chris Cahill, but York came back to end Ottawa's lead as Bob Wasson scored his first of two goals, ending a fast and exciting first period in a two-all tie.

Both teams came out fighting in the second period and it seemed the Gee-Gees were determined not to let

York jeopardize their first place standing. They swarmed around the York net for the better part of the second period, almost drowning Weatherbee with shots, but Ottawa just couldn't seem to hit the mark.

However, the Yeomen offensive lines were anything but idle, and as the Gee-Gees were playing around

with Weatherbee in the York zone, Dave Clements and Al Avery popped another two goals past goalie Bruce Reid, once again giving the lead to the Yeomen.

Weatherbee was the real hero in the second period, having to block 19 shots, while his counterpart on the other side of the rink had to face

only nine — and he (Reid) didn't do a very good job at that.

By this time the game was really all over. The third period was simply an exercise in scoring for the Yeomen. Only seconds into the final period York's Pete Titanic scored, assisted by Bob Wasson and followed only a few minutes later by Wasson's

second goal.

The Yeomen really showed off their play-making abilities with accurate passing and precise timing. The Ottawa team fell apart.

BAD DAY

The Gee-Gees were really having a bad day. They weren't even able to beat the Yeomen in the brawls which broke out in the third period. The referee was quick to restore order, however, as he gave out five game misconducts, one each to York's Dave Wright and Gord Cullen, and three to Ottawa players.

In other York scoring, Titanic and Avery had two goals each while singles went to Tim Ampleford and Doug Donsmuir.

Coach Dave Chambers, looking ahead at future games, said after the game, that it was going to be very tight getting into a playoff position because of the number of competitive teams in the division.

Pucknotes. York has two important games coming up. They'll be playing Queen's this Friday in the Ice Palace at 8:15 p.m. and the University of Western in London this coming Monday with the opening faceoff at 8 p.m.

• This was Ottawa's second loss, as they were downed earlier in the season by the U of T Blues.



C. Squassero photos

Top, an anonymous Yeoman watched by Tim Ampleford and another nameless team-mate, defies sullen Gee-Gee supporters, shoving his stick skyward to celebrate a York goal. Bottom,

Gee-Gee goalie Bruce Reid fails to stop York's Peter Titanic from contributing to the 10-2 pasting Ottawa received from York. Next Yeoman game is tomorrow against Queen's, here at the Ice Palace.

Badminton briefs

Batting birdies at Ryerson on Sunday, York participated in a mixed invitational badminton tournament. The second men's doubles team won four out of six matches, the third split their six, while the mixed doubles team won two and lost four. This Saturday there is an invitational meet at RMC in Kingston, and one on Sunday at Guelph.

Gymnastics team takes top spot

Leaving Laval prostrate on the mat — along with the five other competing universities — the York men's gymnastic team captured first place at the Queen's University Invitational meet last Saturday.

York gathered a total of 178.9 points, followed by Laval (169.9), the provincial junior team from Nova Scotia (158.8), Queen's (153.9), U of T (141.9), Western (127.9), and Royal Military College (114.0).

The team was especially pleased with this victory since Laval placed first in the Quebec University Championships during the 1973/74 season, and were feared to be a threat to the York men. As the Queen's meet progressed, this fear gradually evaporated.

The best individual Yeoman effort came from Paul Maddock with 45.8 points followed by Dave Goertz (45.0), Dan Boland (42.2), Frank Circelli (42.2), and Neil Gelman (41.7).

Coach Masaaki Naosaki was pleased with the outcome. Attributing the team's success to hard-work and dedication, he is looking forward to further triumphs this season. The Yeomen's next chance for glory comes this Saturday at the Ottawa Invitational in the capital.

Volleyballers shine before exhausted defeat

By DOROTHY MARGESON

After getting off to a slow start in the eighth Annual Invitational Volleyball Tournament held in Waterloo, the York Yeowomen came through with an extremely impressive display of volleyball that took them right to the finals where, sore and fatigued, they lost in an anti-climactic match to the defen-

ding champions from the University of Western Ontario.

A match consists of two games, total points determining who will enter the play-offs. Things looked dismal for the Yeowomen on Friday when they lost both games of their first match to the University of Toronto. York was unable to settle down after a hurried lunch and rushed warm-up. Their play was very lackadaisical, coverage was poor and balls were repeatedly spiked out of the court or into the net.

In the matches to follow, however, York seemed to regain their composure and played excellent volleyball, winning all games against Ottawa, Laurentian, Windsor, McGill, Michigan State and Waterloo. The match against Waterloo was extremely exciting; the teams were closely matched and Waterloo had the extra incentive of playing before a home team crowd. The match was characterized by long hard rallies and the Yeowomen illustrated fine blocking and coverage against the tall, hard-hitting Waterloo squad.

Following the Waterloo match, the Yeowomen split with Lakehead University, and immediately prepared to meet Waterloo again in the semi-finals. Western met U of T in their semi-final, defeated them quite handily, and then sat it out to see who would be the contender in the final.

So while Western rested, the Yeowomen slugged it out with

Waterloo in a match that took well over an hour to complete. York won the contest by scores of 15-13, 6-15, 15-5; then, tired and emotionally drained, prepared to meet Western with no more than a 10-minute break in between. The name of the game was "conditioning", as York dropped two straight games to Western in what proved to be

something less than an anti-climactic display.

As far as the Yeowomen are concerned, however, the weekend was successful despite the loss, and the team may now concentrate on preparing for the second Challenge Cup to be held at Wilfrid Laurier, January 31, as part of their bid for the OWIAA Championships.

Sluggish York falls prey to Varsity team pressure

By MARG POSTE

York's win streak was stopped at one when the hockey Yeowomen were dropped 5-3 last Thursday night at Varsity arena, this just after beating Seneca College 5-2 in an exhibition game the night before.

Coach Dave McMaster, noticeably upset after the Toronto game, indicated that a tougher attitude towards fitness and basic skating drills was in order as the Yeowomen were conspicuous in their almost complete lack of "get up and go".

Toronto very early on showed they were going to try to skate the Yeowomen into the ice, and succeeded in scoring within the first minute of play. York was forced to scramble continually for the puck, as Toronto put two forecheckers in to keep up the pressure.

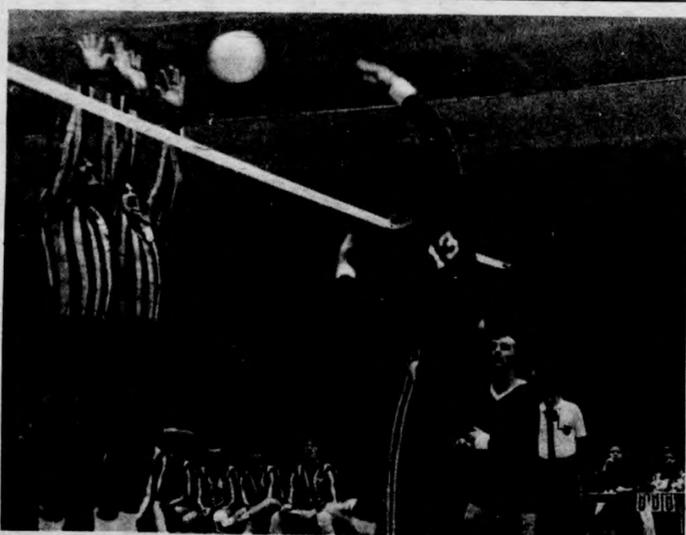
York's Cathy Brown and Jan Baxter had a number of good oppor-

tunities but continually hit goal posts. It was not until the midpoint of the second period that Norma Schmitt, on a pass from Judy Goodhead, struck pay dirt to put the Yeowomen on the scoreboard, trailing Toronto 4-1.

The third period was a complete reversal of the first two, as York took the play to Toronto, constantly pressuring the Blues into costly mistakes in their own end. Schmitt tapped a loose puck home from a scramble in front of the net to put York in contention with 10 minutes left, but the gap was widened when Toronto went ahead again, 5-2.

With 15 seconds remaining in the game, Brown broke away and, with some superb moves, pulled the goalie and tucked the puck away in the corner.

Next home game on tap is Saturday, January 25 at 1:30 p.m. as York hosts league leading Queen's.



Paul Hayden photo

The Yeowomen were not the only York volleyball team to see action last week. On Saturday, in a round-robin tournament held here at York, the Yeomen took on teams from Laurentian, University of Toronto, and Ryerson. The York attempt at scoring pictured above was one of many blocked by the ungrateful guests. After four hours of tournament action, the final results saw the surprising Laurentian team in first place, U of T second, Ryerson third, and a disappointed Yeomen squad in fourth.