

Puckmen lose initial lead**Blues surge in third period to take Yeomen**

By BOB LIVINGSTON

In a crucial game last Tuesday night, the York Yeomen hockey team lost a heartbreaking game to the University of Toronto Blues 4-2.

The Yeomen had taken a 2-1 lead in the second period on goals by Tim Ampleford and Bob Wasson, but could not hold onto the lead as the Blues scored three unanswered goals in the third period.

The game could have gone either way as the Yeomen had numerous

scoring opportunities, especially late in the third period. They bounced back well from the week-end defeat against Queen's, who also suffered a defeat last Tuesday night.

The University of Ottawa Gee-Gees edged the Queen's Golden Gales 2-1; this surprising defeat prevented the Gaels from moving into second place in the OUAA east, and enabled the University of Ottawa Gee-Gees to move into first place.

The Yeomen now enjoy a break in league action until after Christmas, as the game against the Laurentian Voyageurs on December 15 has been postponed until the new year. The rest could prove of great benefit to the Yeomen, who have suffered several key injuries to team personnel.

Bill Brooks, with a leg injury, is expected to return after Christmas, while the status of goalie Rick Quance is still uncertain. Both these players are expected to play an im-

portant role in the team's fortunes.

SLIGHT REST

While the team has a rest in its regular league schedule until January 14, when they host the Guelph Gryphons, they will be busy playing some exhibition games against some top-notch teams. Clarkson College of New York will be here on January 6, while the team will be on the road to play defending CIAU champion University of Waterloo, as well as taking a weekend trip to Lake Superior State.

With the team almost at the halfway point in its schedule with a record of 4-2-1, the next half of the schedule will be no easier — the Yeomen have important return matches with Toronto, Ottawa, Queen's and Laurentian. While many observers are picking Toronto and York to finish one-two in the standings, this writer feels that the end result will be somewhat different.

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Dave Wright "The Rider" tries to escape the grasp of Blues forward Kent Ruhnke.

OUAA standings**Eastern Division**

	G	W	L	T	P
Ottawa	7	6	1	1	13
Toronto	6	5	0	1	11
York	7	4	2	1	9
Queen's	6	4	2	0	8
Laurentian	6	3	2	1	7
RMC	6	1	4	1	3

Volleyball team undefeated in east section tournament

By DOROTHY MARGESON

This weekend, the University of Ottawa played host to the OWIAA East Section One Volleyball Tournament.

The Yeowomen came through with a very impressive five win, no loss record to capture first place in the standings. Continually throughout the meet they demonstrated excellent defensive play, blocking and block coverage which proved to be a deciding factor in their success.

Friday evening York defeated Carleton 15-7, 15-2. On Saturday morning the Yeowomen were victorious over their cross-town rivals, University of Toronto, 11-15, 15-6, 15-2, followed by wins over Ottawa by scores of 15-12, 15-7, Laurentian University 15-4, 15-2, and over Queen's 15-9, 15-4.

The Yeowomen expected Ottawa and Queen's to produce the biggest threat to their bid for the first place. However, neither team was able to generate any kind of dangerous attack against York. Ottawa, a short but generally a hustling team, failed to show their usual spark. The team from Queen's, which prior to the weekend competition was the league leader, was constantly frustrated on their attack by a strong York defense, aided by good blocking from Jane Stewart and Shaughn

Renehan. Offensively, using a variety of hits, off-speeds, dinks and tips over the block, they continually capitalized on poor Queen's positioning.

The productive weekend leaves York in first place followed by Queen's, Ottawa, U of T, Carleton and Laurentian.

League play resumes following the Christmas break at the Waterloo Invitational in mid-January.

Winless week slows hockey Yeowomen

Despite a loss and a tie this past week, the women's hockey team is still in there trying.

Against Guelph on Tuesday, York lost 3-2 on a Guelph goal with 1:08 left in the final period.

Guelph opened the scoring in the first period on a goal by Westall with assists going to Durham and Handy. It took York until 2:16 of the second period to get on the score sheet, when a second effort by Dawn

Gardham resulted in a deflection past the Guelph goalie.

At 11:16 Guelph came back to take the lead on a goal by Lovett, assisted by Westall and Law, but two minutes later Marg Poste pounced on the puck — which had ricocheted into the air — and put it between the goaltender's legs before the Guelph defence could act, making it 2-2.

York continued to take the play to Guelph in an attempt to get the go-

ahead goal, but a defensive miscue and a bouncing puck enabled Lovett to break away and put the game on ice for Guelph.

Saturday's game against Western was the epitome of dull hockey.

York, with overall superior skating and stick skill, came out flat-against this bottom placed team and succeeded in making Western look good. One can only hope this was the 'clinker' of the season, as the game ended in a scoreless tie.

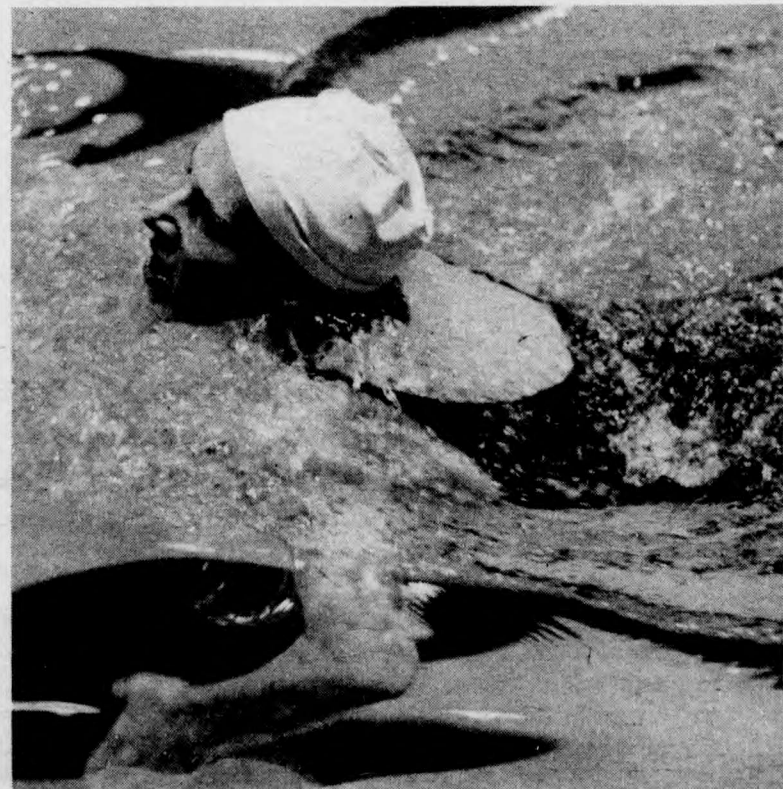
York speed swim teams win practice meet

The York Yeomen and Yeowomen speed swim teams hosted a co-ed exhibition swim meet on Tuesday night against Weston Collegiate. York won the meet with 66 points.

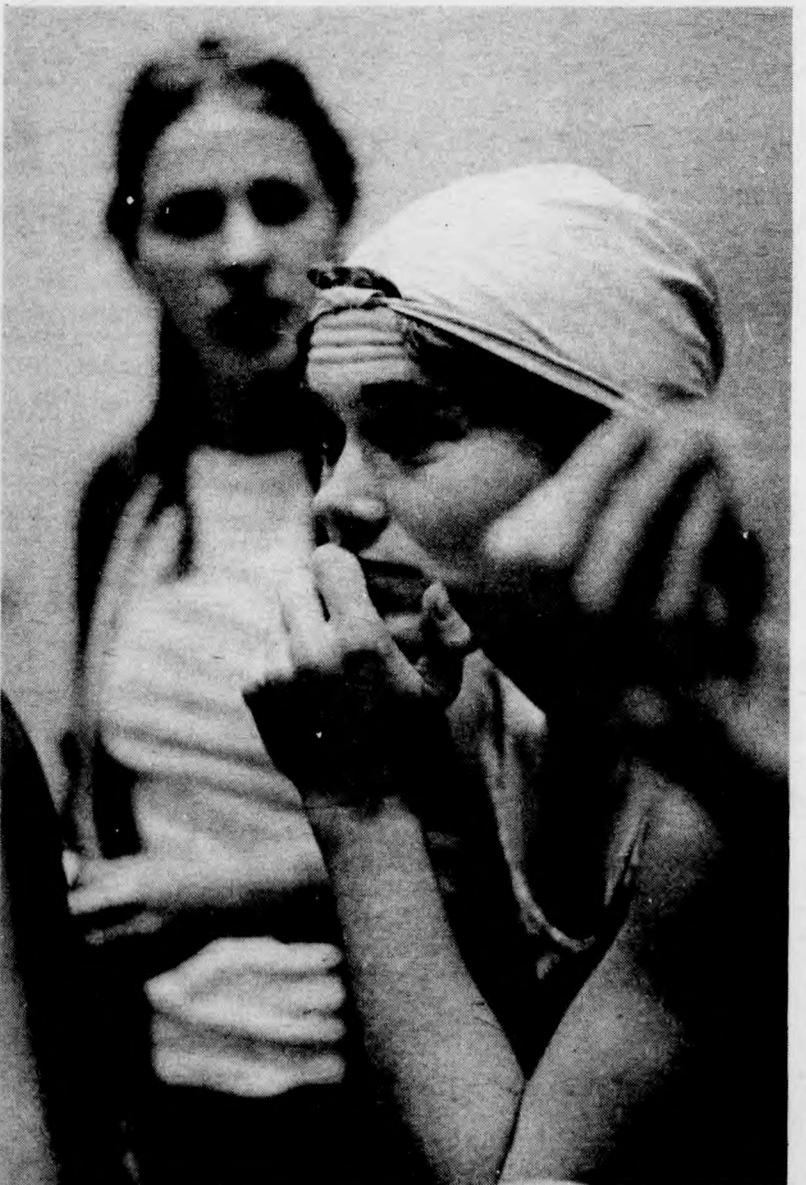
The purpose of the meet was to test the development of the York swimmers through a series of short competitive sprints. Weston Collegiate, with one of the top high school swim teams, was called on to provide the competition.

Outstanding performances for the Yeowomen were turned in by Gail Aamott (36.2) in the 50 meter backstroke, Sue Alderson (31.1) in the 50 meter freestyle, Candy Millar (35.2) in the 50 metre butterfly and Jan Bewly (1:21.4) in the 100 metre individual medley. All four girls finished first.

In the 200 metre medley relay the Yeowomen placed first (2:26.7), and repeated this feat in the 200 metre freestyle relay.



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