

Sports

Gridiron men pull off upset

Mike George

In what has to be considered a major upset so far this season, the York Yeomen defeated the Western Mustangs 30-23 here last Saturday, September 20.

After establishing a 27-7 lead by half-time, York had to hang on to win as the perennially powerful Mustangs cut away at the Yeomen lead.

The first half of the game belonged to the home team. York opened the scoring with a single, but Western quickly replied with a touchdown on two big running plays. That was the last time the Mustangs held the lead. York exploded with 26 points in the second quarter and shut off the Mustang offense.

After the half, Western showed why they have been at the top of the national rankings for the past three years. Striking for a touchdown early, Western's offense came alive. Quarterback Paul Gleeson started hitting his receivers and they built up their points. Pushing hard in the fourth quarter, Western saw the potential winning touchdown called back on a penalty. York then managed a 2 point safety, then ran out the clock to win.

The York defense played magnificently in the first half,

causing numerous Western turnovers. Defensive back Greg Timmons played a great game running punts almost at will. He ran one in for a touchdown and also recovered a Western fumble.

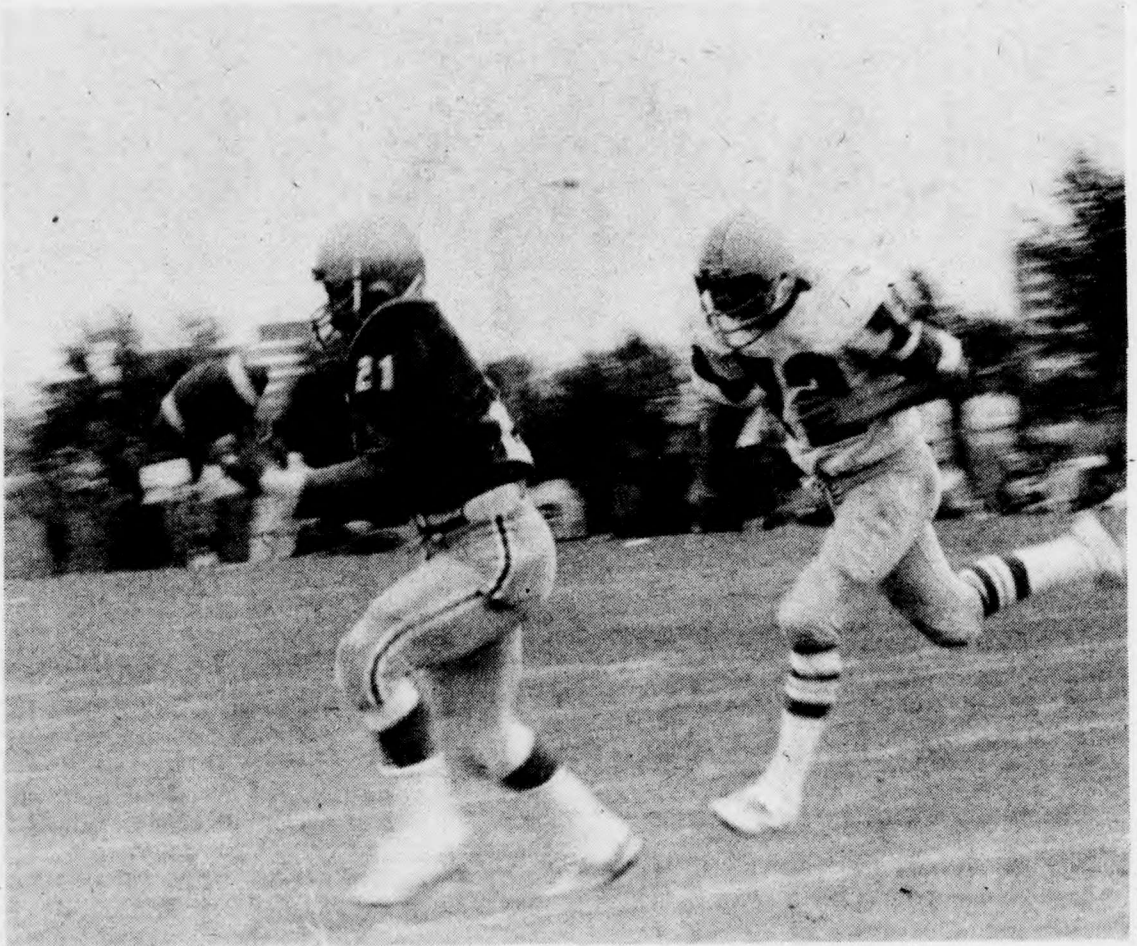
Dan Koenig and Mark Hopkins each had an interception and made some key hits to stop Western drivers. Angelo Koussis led the whole team in a very physical game; and it looked like he was in on just about every tackle.

Quarterback Mike Foster, playing behind a solid offensive line, scored two touchdowns on short yardage plays. Keith Vassallo and Frank Raponi in the York backfield accounted for a great deal of the Yeomen offense, especially in the first half.

Late in the game, Foster went to the air to keep drivers alive, and both Brian Gifford and Jeff Honey made key receptions in heavy traffic.

Beating Western solidifies York's position as serious contenders, but they still need some work according to Koussis. "I thought we were very lucky," he said. "We still have some work to do on the defence."

Greg Timmons had a similar



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opinion. "I was apprehensive coming into the second half," he stated. "They've got a good team." Timmons noted that the specialty teams had improved considerably since last week's meeting with Guelph.

As a final note, Koussis had this to say, "Now that we finally hung

on to win, maybe we'll start getting fans out to the game."

Notes: For the first time in its history, the York Yeomen football team has been ranked nationally. According to the CIAU rankings released on Monday, September 22, 1980 York is the number 7 team in the country.

The turnout to Saturday's game was good. About 2,000 fans cheered the Yeomen to victory. There are some good frisbee players at York. The York frisbee demonstration team put on a good show at half time. Thanks to the Mustangs cheerleaders for some great stunts.

Jocks, jocks, jocks

Diane Wilson

At this time of year, York's Tait McKenzie Building is literally swarming with "jocks". Decker out in baggy grey sweatsuits, they give the impression that they are nothing less than Olympic superstars! Such an impression can be somewhat intimidating to those of us who are, at best, mediocre athletes.

As a result, many mediocre athletes shy away from Tait. In doing so, these students ignore a potentially exciting area if their university education - recreational sports.

Perhaps you may scoff at the idea of recreational sports being exciting, or even, at times, challenging. Some people even say that recreational sports are downright boring. This misconception is unfortunate, for York's recreational programs are far from boring.

This year, Recreation York offers a variety of interesting instructional programs. Judo, conditioning, karate, skin and scuba diving, swimming and tennis are already in progress with others soon to start (fencing, ballroom dancing, folk dancing, modern dance, skating, squash).

A new addition this year are their day programs which will begin on October 6. Between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. York students will be able to join classes in weight training, squash, swimming, yoga and fitness. These daytime classes are particularly beneficial to the many students who find it difficult to commute at night to York, but would still enjoy physical activity. Most of the

recreational programs have a minimal fee and any questions should be directed to Lois O'Grady at 667-2351.

Overcome that initial compulsion to avoid the Tait McKenzie Building and join an interesting and fun program.



Field Hockey Yeowomen shut out opposition

Laurie Lambert

Has the York Yeowomen Field Hockey Team improved? Well, its record this weekend in Sauk Valley, Michigan says it all!

York hopped off the bus Friday afternoon and beat the Ann Arbor Field Hockey Club 5-0. The success continued Saturday morning with another 5-0 score over Kent University and an even better 7-0 win against Western Michigan. After some lunch York really got going and crushed

Pittsburgh 12-0. The exhausted Yeowomen still managed a 6-0 win over Ohio University in their fourth game of the day! Before the long trip home on Sunday, York pulled off another two digit score by beating Ohio Wesleyan University 10-0.

All the forwards contributed to the scoring with Laurie Lambert and Sheila Forshaw heading the list with 17 and 13 goals respectively.

OWIAA, here we come!

Field Hockey Yeowomen Host Early Bird Tourney

This Friday and Saturday, September 26 and 27, the York Yeowomen will play host to eight teams from across Ontario, including defending league champion University of Toronto, in the season's Early Bird tournament. The purpose of the tourney, which runs noon to 5 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, is to bring together all Ontario teams for two days of competition, an opportunity for playing experience before the season culminates with the playoffs.

Shortstops

International Sport Comes to York

Direct from Calgary where they won the Canada Cup of Volleyball, Canada's national men's team will take on the U.S. national team in a special exhibition match at York University's Tai McKenzie gymnasium, on Sunday, September 28 at 2:45 p.m.

Sponsored by York's Department of Physical Education and Athletics, the match is open to the public with an admission charge of \$2.50 per person.

Last week, Canada defeated Japan's powerful national team, in the best-of-five gold medal match for the Canada Cup of Volleyball. It was Canada's second victory over Japan in the tournament, marking the first time Canada had ever beaten Japan.

York Hosts Ontario Semi-Final Gold Action

From a field of 15 gold teams, only the top five Ontario universities will advance to the provincial championships following the results of the OUAA semi-final tournament being hosted at York on Thursday and Friday, September 25 and 26. Tee off time is 12 noon on Thursday and 9:30 on Friday at the Westview Gold Club (Gormley). Host coach Nobby Wirkowski and the Yeomen, defending Ontario champions, will have to battle to remain with the qualifying five as they placed fifth overall at their own York Invitational this past weekend. Queen's and the U of Toronto, finishing first and second at the York event, are favoured for the top spots. York will also host the Ontario Championships, coming up October 6 at the Glen Abbey Club.

On the Road

The Yeomen tennis team head to McMaster for the Ontario Women's Intercollegiate Athletic Association singles ranking tournament on Friday and Saturday...**Rugby Yeomen** visit Queen's for a Saturday afternoon league game, returning to the city to meet U of T at Toronto on Wednesday, October 1...Also, in Kingston on Saturday, the **York tracks teams** participate in the Queen's Invitational meet...**The football Yeomen**, fresh from their upset over Western, travel to Windsor to meet the 1-1 Lancers Saturday, September 27, kick-off is at 2 p.m., followed by a road trip to meet the Waterloo Warriors for a 7 p.m. game on Friday, October 3.