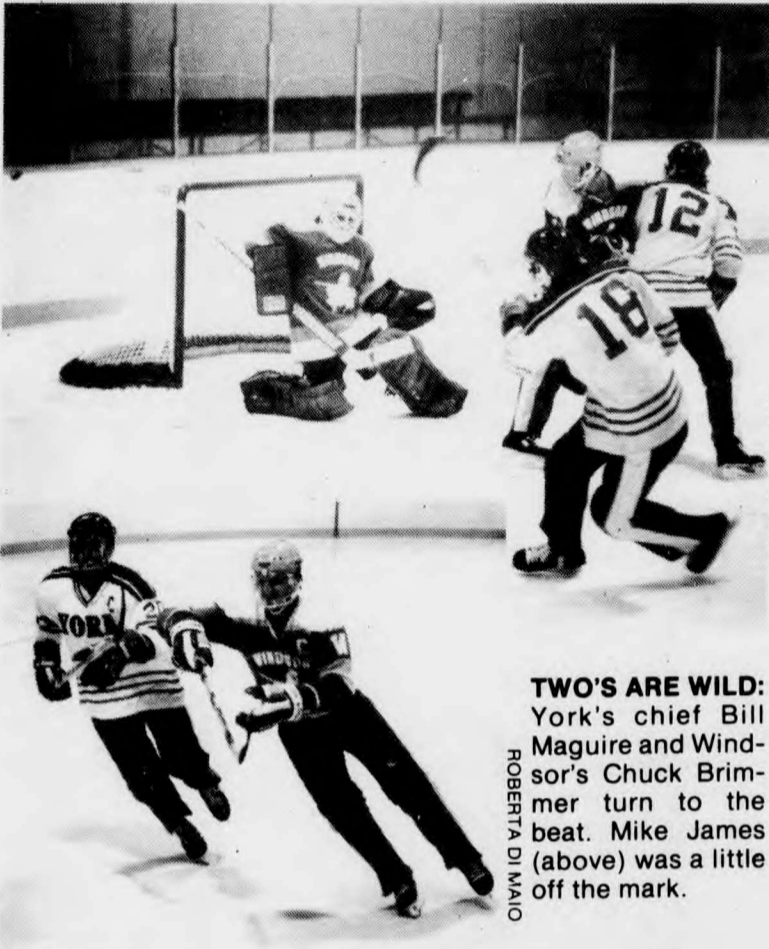


Consistency is the aim for York hockey squad



By EDO VAN BELKOM

After a number of impressive wins, the Yeomen hockey team were brought back to earth with a 2-2 tie at home against Windsor last Saturday night.

The game confirmed Yeomen coach Dave Chambers' earlier assessment of the league; there are few soft touches in the 13 team Ontario University Athletic Association (OUAA) hockey loop and just about every single team has improved during the off-season.

"Windsor has a good team this year," Chambers said, assessing the Lancers after their tie with York. "They've added five or six Major A players so they're going to be a lot tougher than they were last year."

Windsor is currently first in the OUAA standings with five points in four games, while York is seventh after just two games with three points. Western and Queen's have yet to play regular season games.

The Lancers were first to get on the scoreboard just seven minutes into the game as they were able to capitalize on a defensive error in the York zone.

The Yeomen evened the score in the second period on a goal by Gary Corbiere, but Windsor jumped out in front once again while Mike James was sitting out two consecu-

tive minor penalties and York was forced to play a man short for four minutes.

York tried the game late in the second period as Brian MacDonald brought the score even at two apiece. A scoreless third period kept the final score York 2-Windsor 2.

Although Chambers was happy to gain a tie and the third point in the still young OUAA season, he said the team could have played a better game.

"I know we are capable of playing better and I hope the team can improve as the year goes on in terms of both team play as well as individual play."

Chambers admits that his team has been performing inconsistently in the early going and with a regular season schedule of only 24 games there is little room for poor showings. "Of course you're going to have good games and bad games," Chambers said, "but we can't afford to have a bad game."

One problem in last week's game he hopes to correct is one of scoring goals and "not being sharp around the net." Indeed it is one thing to be able to pump 12 goals into the net against the Ryerson Rams, it's another matter entirely against teams like U of T, Laurier or Western.

The Yeomen embark on their longest stretch away from home this season as they travel to Guelph tomorrow night. They will also visit Windsor, Queen's and RMC before playing their next home game against U of T, Tuesday, November 14.

"The tough schedule ahead of us should be a real challenge," Chambers said. "Hopefully it will bring out the best in our players."

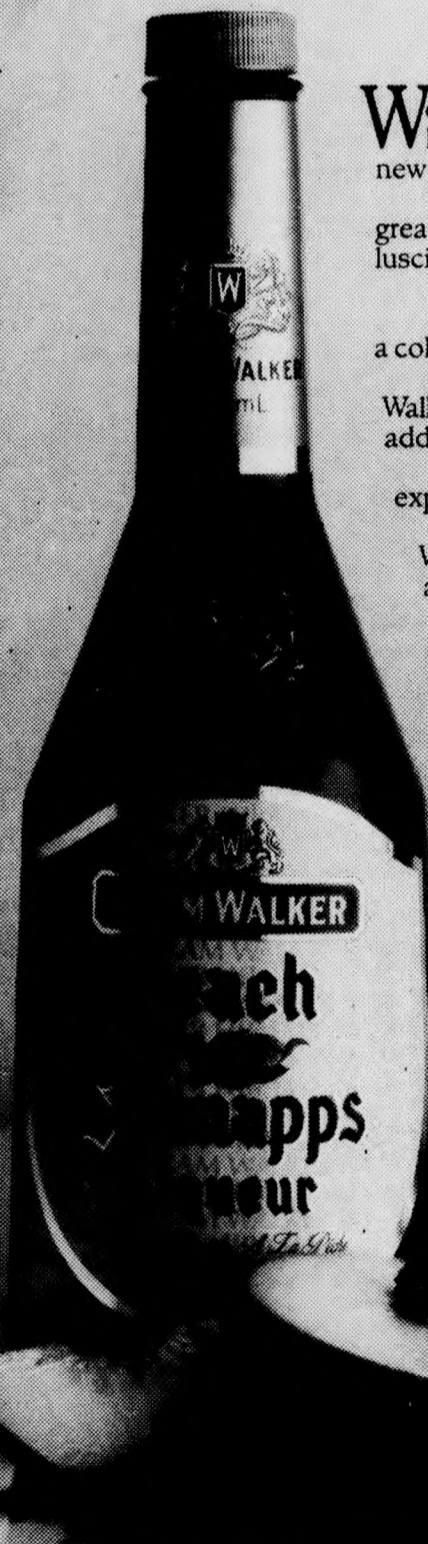
From the Goal Mouth: There's no fooling around on this year's team. Both Laurence Smith and Carl Devine were indefinitely suspended from the team after missing curfew on the trip to Manitoba. It was the second missed curfew in as many years for the third year players. Their positions up front have been taken by Ben Panniccia and Duane Smith . . . Brian MacDonald's four goals in the game against Ryerson and two more in the Lobster Pot Tournament earned the rookie OUAA Performer of the week honours in the October 31 edition of the Hockey News . . . Speaking of THN, a recent article previewing the OUAA in that publication chose York to finish second overall behind Laurier. The Ryersonian chose York to finish first in a similar article. A first place finish for the Yeomen might seem like an easy prediction for the two time defending champions, but remember, York has finished fifth and third in the last two seasons. "We've been doing it the hard way," Chambers said regarding the winning of the Queen's Cup after finishing behind the league leaders in the standings . . . injured players still not ready to rejoin the line-up are, Mark Applewhite—groin, day to day, Dirk Rueter—broken bone in wrist, mid-November, and Kent Brimmer—knee, mid December . . . Bill Maguire is now wearing number 20 on his jersey. He's not superstitious, it's just that the number 19 he had worn was lost on the trip to Halifax.

TWO'S ARE WILD: York's chief Bill Maguire and Windsor's Chuck Brimmer turn to the beat. Mike James (above) was a little off the mark.

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Sports Briefs

Torch Football

While Frank Cosentino and Nobby Wirkowski are trying to build the York football program into a perennial contender, a veritable football dynasty has already established itself on campus. Last Friday, the Vanier College Vikings claimed their third straight York Torch Intramurals Flag Football Championship. Vanier downed Glendon College by a 43-22 score in the final. In the past three years, the Vikings have amassed an impressive 22-1-1 record. Their last loss was in September of 1984 by a single point to MacLaughlin College.

Water Polo

York Yeomen water polo team faced the Waterloo Warriors last Wednesday night and easily defeated them 10-6. York goals were scored by Derrick Weyrauch with four, Richard Wells with two, and Mike Hickstein, Jon Smith, Peter Darvas and Stephane Collin all with one each.

York hosted a tournament Saturday at the Tait pool and faced the unbeaten Toronto Blues. The Yeomen played their best game to date but came up a bit short losing 9-6 to the Blues. York's goal scorers were Derrick Weyrauch with three, Jon Liss, Richard Wells and Jon Smith had one each.

In their second game the Yeomen met Waterloo and once again defeated the Warriors 9-6 in a very physical game. Captain Derrick Weyrauch was again a force to be reckoned with as he scored two goals, while Richard Wells and Jon Liss each had three and Jon Smith chipped in with a single.

York takes their 4-3 record on the road this weekend at a tournament at McMaster.