

# Sports and Recreation

## Hockey team looks good

By ROBERT EASTO

The hockey Yeomen made their 1976-77 exhibition debut a successful one last week at the Ice Palace, by swamping the Yeomen Alumni 10-4.

Within two minutes of the opening face-off, Dave Clements and Roger Dorey combined to send Gary Gill on a break-away for the first of his three goals and from that point the Yeomen never looked back.

The rivalry between the two teams was a friendly one and for many players the game provided an opportunity to renew old acquaintances and revive skills that had lain dormant for months, even years. More importantly, for the first time this season, coach Dave Chambers was able to observe this year's edition of the Yeomen in a game situation. The team shapes up as a national contender once again.

In goal, 2nd-team OUA East all-star Peter Kostek returns. Sharing duties with Kostek will be first-year man Steve Bosco with three years of Toronto Marlboro experience behind him. Both Kostek and Bosco played 30 minutes in last week's game and both looked impressive while allowing two goals each.

Playing the third period in the Alumni net, Bosco made the game's best saves to keep the Yeomen off the scoreboard in that period. Also available is rookie Glenn Weirs from Aurora of the Provincial Tier II Junior A League. Weirs played the second period for the Alumni and under almost constant pressure performed admirably.

All-star Gord Cullen is back to anchor the Yeomen defence. Cullen was easily the blueline standout of last week's game. On more than one occasion he overtook an Alumni skater to prevent an apparent breakaway and, in a generally free-skating game, his heavy checking was particularly conspicuous. He made a great individual effort to set up Dennis Howard from behind the

Alumni net for a shorthanded goal in the first period.

Returning players, Dave Clements and Roger Dorey form a dependable defensive duo and Chris Kostka is also a solid performer.

Newcomers to the defence include Dave Chalk who was kept out of last week's game by minor injuries. Chalk is a transfer student from Laurentian University where he toiled for two years with the Voyageurs and was their third leading scorer last season.

Possibly the most valuable addition to the Yeomen is Chris Meloff whose three professional seasons included a stint with the ill-fated Ottawa Nationals of the WHA. Meloff brings to the defence, not only a wealth of experience, but a professional's aggressiveness and meanness as well.

Meloff registered as a full-time York student last January and because the OUA requires former professionals to sit out a year following registration, Meloff will be available only for exhibition and tournament games until the new year.

Up front, one of Chambers' primary tasks will be to find a replacement for Al Avery to play between Ron Hawkshaw and Peter Ascherl.

Hawkshaw was an all-star last year and Ascherl was the leading playoff scorer and with Avery they formed one of the country's premier attacking units. Last week, returnee Brian Burtch and rookie Jim Masin both enjoyed success playing on this line.

Masin played Tier II Junior A with Newmarket last season and was the third leading scorer in the league and the most valuable player on his team.

Also gone from last year's squad is right winger Peter Titanic who played with National all-star Bob

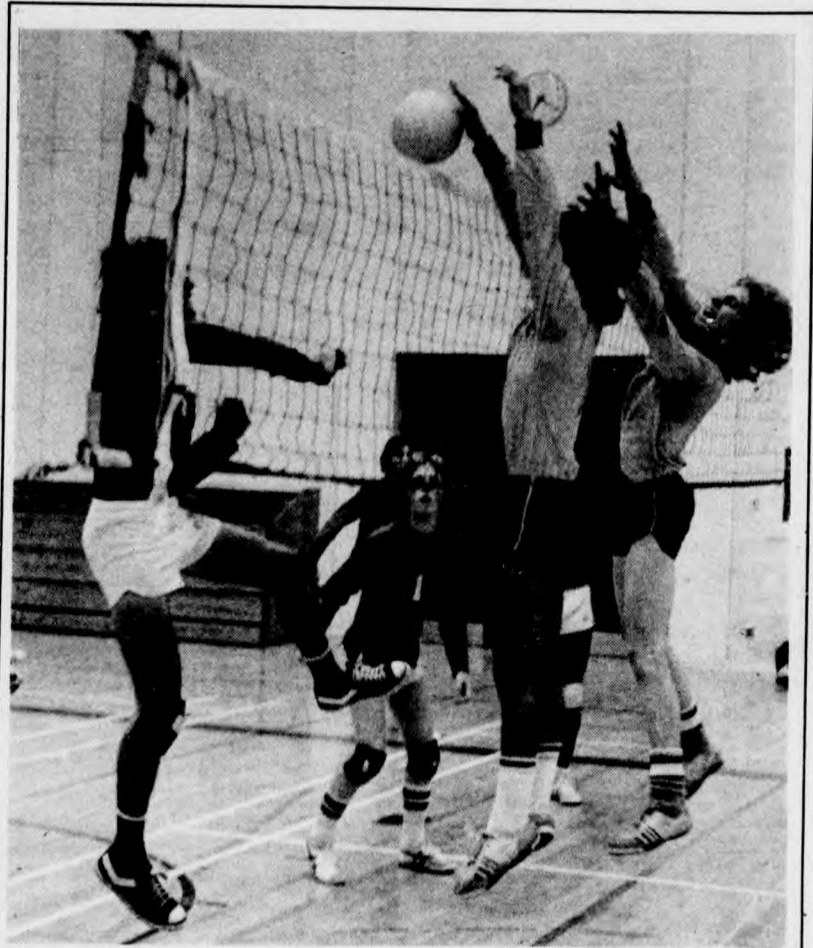
Wasson and Gary Gill.

Wasson led the OUA East's scoring parade and Gill was fifth. If last week's performance is an accurate indication, these two can be counted on for similar production this season. The most likely candidate to fill Titanic's skates is newcomer John Goodish from the Windsor Junior A team.

Chambers has ample talent with which to mold a third forward line. Bob Fukomoto, Dennis Howard, Aidan Flatley, John Fielding and Doug Sellars are all able returnees, many of whom would be stars on other teams. Impressive first-year man Romano Carlucci should capture a regular spot. He captained Sault Ste. Marie of the OHA last year and was a second round draft choice of the WHA San Diego Mariners.

Other newcomers are Bob Gridale who spent a year playing in Germany, where he was the leading scorer in his league, after four seasons at Guelph and Algis Vaitonis, who divided last season between the Hamilton Junior A and Junior B teams.

The Yeomen exhibition schedule continues tomorrow and next Tuesday with home games against Guelph and Laurier at 8:15 pm. in the Ice Palace.



York hosted a High School Volleyball tournament in Tait McKenzie Gym last weekend, the first in a series of exhibition games organized by York coach Wally Dyba. Teams from all over Ontario were present to compete in the one day event, one which Dyba hopes will "encourage a good relationship with high school students involved in the sport". By the end of the day Burnhamthorpe Collegiate had emerged victorious over Kapuskasing District High School winning the best of three final 15-11 and 15-9.

## High jumper places first at finals

By G. HUGHEMPEY

Despite cold weather and the odd snowflake the York Track and Field team travelled to McMaster for the OUA—OWIAA outdoor championship, where team members turned in some good performances.

The women's team received an outstanding performance from Evelyn Brenhouse with a win in the high jump that set a new OWIAA record at 1.73 metres. Evelyn also turned in a third place finish in the 100 metres hurdles and sixth in the long jump.

Karren Merrick placed fourth in the 400 metres and eighth in the 800 metre run, while Margot Wallace finished fifth in the 800 metre event. Candy Millar came up with a sixth in the 3000 metre race and Liz Rynkun was fifth in the javelin, with a throw of 29.95 metres. The 4x400 metre relay team consisting of K. Merrick, E. Brenhouse, M. Wallace and P. Medland finished third behind U of T and McMaster.

Overall the women's team finished fifth, a creditable effort considering the team consists of only eight members.

The men's team, though not as successful as the women did manage to place several competitors in the top ten. Gre Binkley placed sixth in the 400 metre hurdles, Phil Steel was sixth in the 5000 metre, and Steve Karpik was seventh over 10,000 metres.

In the 1500 metre Derek Jones placed sixth and Mark Canata ran to an eleventh place finish. The 4x400 metre relay team of Devlin, Binkley, Foster and Jones turned in a sixth place finish.

The only field result turned in was a sixth place finish by Steve Karpik in the triple jump.

The fact that the teams did not finish first or second, should not detract from the effort or personal

sacrifice made by the team members. As distance coach Dave Smith pointed out, "we have to practice off campus, locally it is half an hour's drive but when we train at the CNE your talking about two hours of travel time. Considering that some members must commute on top of that, it makes for a great deal of lost time."

York's track and field situation can be summed up in one word, bodies. The team effort could be greatly enhanced with more competitors on the roster. This situation should be alleviated when York gets its new facilities. It is difficult to attract people to a team that does not even have a track to run on.



Yeowoman Lily Durzo and Women's Athletics Co-ordinator Mary Lyons show off the new Yeowomen crest which will adorn team paraphernalia. The symbol was unveiled to varsity teams over the past few weeks.

## Yeomen inept, lose to McMaster

By WALTER RIGOBON

McMASTER — York Yeomen extended their losing streak to six games last Saturday as they fell to the McMaster Marauders 26-11 in university football action.

This was a game that McMaster seemed intent on losing. They consistently gave the Yeomen field position and scoring opportunities all afternoon long. This, in large measure, was due to a sparkling effort from a determined Yeomen front four and line backing corps.

Only an absolutely inept performance from the York offence could have denied them a victory that day. Unfortunately, that is what the offence came up with.

In the second half when the Yeomen were threatening for their first victory of the season they

managed to come up with a miserable total of less than 25 yards in total offence.

The first half of the game saw the Yeomen play their finest football of the season. They were able to head into the locker room riding the crest of an 8-7 lead. It was in the second quarter that York may have lost the game.

Time and time again they scrimmaged inside the McMaster 35 yard line and far too many times they came up empty-handed. Their lone touchdown was a 19 yard pass from quarter-back Mike Foster to Bill Saundercok with 15 seconds left in the half.

Coach Dick Aldridge was visibly disappointed in the outcome. "We deserved to win today. We didn't get a good game from our quarter-back and from our offensive

line. The defensive line played well and I was pleased with Kleiner and Pyle who played their first games of the season." The aforementioned pair played a prominent part in the defensive effort.

The play that eventually did the Yeomen in was an 85 yard pass and run play from McMaster quarterback Mark Stubbart to speedster Ossie Wilson. This gave the Marauders a 14-9 lead, and against the unimaginative York offence, this was enough to assure McMaster the victory.

Said Coach Aldridge, "Foster's play selection was bad and we dropped too many passes." Once again inexperience was the key.

The Yeomen close out the schedule this Saturday against Waterloo. Game time is 2:00 pm at York.

## Sports Briefs

This week's briefs are even briefer due to a space problem, there just wasn't enough. Be that as it may...

York's soccer Yeomen preserved their unbeaten streak yet again on Saturday defeating Brock 3-0. John De Benedictus replaced an injured Luigi di Martelli in goal, di Martelli is out for the season with an injured achilles tendon... the Yeomen play their season closer this Saturday against Waterloo, game time 2:00 pm.

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The racquet Yeowomen were at Waterloo last Saturday for the Ontario Doubles ranking tournament, according to organizer John Pezzack, York finished third or fourth, official results were not available at press time... coach Benita Senn was looking for York to finish second, but the team was apparently beaten out by both McMaster and Western, U of T was well out in front winning the A flight handily... the girls travel to McMaster this Saturday for the Doubles finals, and the following week they will return to Mac for the Singles finals...

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At the York Invitational Water Polo tournament last Saturday the Yeomen put up a good fight and were able to defeat RMC, but went on to lose to U of T and Queen's.

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For the first time in more than a year the York Yeomen Rugby team was defeated, losing to Waterloo by a score of 10-3 last Saturday at Waterloo.

While they managed to preserve their tie for first place with U of T the Wednesday before, the Rugby rookies were just not up to the powerful, well disciplined Warriors.

"The game was the best we played all year and if we are to win this year we'll have to make less mistakes", said coach Mike Dinning. In last Wednesday's game the Yeomen tied U of T 1-1, prolonging the tie between the two teams. Next Saturday the team will travel to Queen's and try to maintain their position in the standings.