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Guelph's big plays crush Mount A. in Vanier Cup

By PETER BECKER

The Guelph Gryphons are the new Canadian University football champs after they defeated the stubborn Mount Allison Mounties 22-13 in a defensive battle in the Vanier Cup on Saturday at Varsity Stadium.

As the two defensive minded teams went head-to-head, it was, ironically, the big play that made the difference. A bomb and a circus catch by Guelph's Pari Ceci gave Guelph the edge.

With Guelph on their own 21 yard line, in the first quarter, quarterback Randy Walters went back to pass and found Pari Ceci on a fly pattery who split the two defenders. The toss was on the mark, Ceci never broke strike as he went 89 yards for Guelph's first touchdown.

The big play man for the Mounties was defensive back Scott Cameron. With Guelph in a punting situation, Gryphon Mark Hurst bobbled the ball and Cameron scooped it up and scampered 20 yards for the major.

Mounties Terry Baker added an 11 yard field goal to make the score 10-7 at the half in favor of Mount Allison.

A three-point deficit wasn't insurmountable, Guelph coach John Mussleman told his players. They have been a comeback team all season and today would be no exception.

Mount Allison got on the board first in the second half. Baker booted a 24-yard field goal to run the Mountie advantage to six points. Baker on the day had seven field goal attempts

hitting on two, while missing three. Another two were blocked and he also converted their only touchdown,

The fourth quarter, where championships are won and lost, belonged to the Gryphons, who scored 15 unanswered points.

Ceci stole the show with a 38-yard circus catch by coming back to the ball and striping it from a Mountie defender. Quirke added another field goal from 24 yards to make the score 17-13 for Guelph.

The icing on the Gryphon cake came when running back Jed Tommy scored on a line plunge with no time remaining on the clock. Final score 22-13.

NOTES: Offensive player of the game award went to Guelph's Pari Ceci while defensive player of the game honors went to Mount A's & Scott Cameron who, along with his Touchdown romp he intercepted two of Randy Walter's errant passes . . . The crowd of just under 20,000 is second in record attendance to the U of T vs. Western game 10 years ago. They attracted 25,000 . . . The CIAU All-Canadian All-Stars were announced last week. The lone York representative is nose guard Dirk Leers ... OUAA representatives include quarterback Phil Scarfone, wide receiver Pari Ceci, linebacker Alex Troop from Wilfrid Laurier, and Mark Horvath, a defensive back from McMaster . . . By the way, York defeated Guelph 11-7 in their season opener 12 weeks ago.



WAIT TILL NEXT YEAR: Mount Allison will have a tough time returning to the Vanier Cup, they'll lose many players to graduation.

Yeoman Dirk Leers misses out on Metra's lineman award

By PETER BECKER

For everything there is a time, and for the gridiron stars of the CIAU, Thursday evening was a time to receive some well-earned plaudits from their colleagues and take their bows.

The Schenley Awards were given out at the Westin Hotel in Toronto. Both the Mounties and the Vanier Cup champion Gryphons were in attendance as well as coaches and players

from around the CIAU.

The Peter Gorman Trophy for rookie of the year went to Jeff Funtasz, an 18-year-old running back from the University of Alberta. This season he led the nation in rushing with 915 yards on 159 carries, and captured the WIFL's (western league) scoring titles with 12 touchdowns—second in the nation. "I'm not a rookie anymore," Funtasz after receiving the award.

York nose guard Dirk Leers was nominated for the J.P. Metras Trophy for lineman of the year but lost out to Boyd Young, who was nominated for three awards. Young, a 25-year-old defensive lineman from the University of Ottawa, attended the Toronto Argonaut training camp last year where he earned the nickname 'Tazmanian Devil.'

The defensive player (non-lineman) award, The President's Trophy, went to Larry Oglesby, a defensive back for Mount Allison. During 1984, Oglesby racked up five QB sacks, intercepted four passes, and forced eight fumbles with his tackling ability.

Phil Scarfone, runner up last year to Greg Vavra for the player of the year award, took the number one spot this year. Scarfone walked away with the Hec Crighton Trophy.

The 24-year-old pivot for the McMaster Marauders played four games with a broken jaw and led his squad to an undefeated season in the OUAA. Scarfone, who completed his final year of eligibility, led the CIAU by connecting on 129 of 203 attempts for a total 1,993 yards and 16 touchdowns.

"Anybody who came near me could have the ball, I didn't care," Scarfone joked when asked how it felt to play with a broken jaw.

The prospects of playing pro ball could be in his future although no team selected him in his draft year. "If they want me they know where to reach me," Scarfone said.

NOTES: The Frank Tindal Trophy for coach of the year went to Steve Bruno (no relation to Ti-Cat coach Al Bruno) of the Mount Allison Mounties... Guelph defensive back Dan Welton was named the MVP in the Central Bowl; he receives the Maury Van Vliet Trophy... Yeomen receiver coach Mike Eben, the first ever recipient of the Hec Crighton Trophy, was on hand to present it to this year's winner.

Hockey Yeomen outskate Blues to capture annual Sesqui trophy

By EDO BAN BELKOM

"BACK THE BLUES! FORK YORK!" read the program handed out at last week's hockey game between the University of Toronto Blues and the York Yeomen. The Blues, not York, forked over two points to a team in desperate need of a win by losing to the Yeomen decisively 6-2. The Blues also forked over the Sesqui trophy and a whole bunch of Sesqui medals for our guys. The Sesqui trophy was initiated last year, and is awarded to the victorious team in the annual York-U of T game played at Varsity Arena.

U of T may have forked over the two points but that doesn't mean the Yeomen didn't earn it.

"We played a well disciplined game," Yeomen coach Dave Chambers said. "We got good goaltending which was just what we needed, and we played as a unit."

Good goaltending was provided by York's backstop Mark Appelwaite who played his best game between the pipes for the Yeomen this year, collecting player of the game honors. Appelwaite, who emigrated from Guyana at age four and began playing hockey at age nine, was pleased with his performance.

Appelwaite made some incredible stops from close in and was also helped on a number of occasions by the goalposts.

"I was lucky on a few shots," Appelwaite said. "Goalposts are a goalie's best friend."

"When you're hot things tend to go your way," Chambers said of Appelwaite's stellar performance.

Another standout for the Yeomen was left winger Rick Morocco, who scored two goals for the Yeomen and now has four goals and



Back-up goaltender Mark Applewaite made his presence known in a big way last Wednesday, turning in a stellar performance in the 2nd annual Sesqui Cup held at Varsity Arean. York won the contest 6-2.

two assists in only three games. Other York goals were scored by Adam Parsons, Les Smith, Kevin Van Sickle and Scott Magder. Scott Morrison also played a strong game contributing three assists. Ironically, York was outshot by the Blues 38-36.

"In our last few games, our goalies have struggled," Chambers said, "defensively we've struggled but tonight we worked together as a team. This game puts us back on track and will give a lot of confidence to the team."

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