

Sports

Yeowomen near title

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It's clearly visible of the 1980 university sports world that York has stormed to national prominence. If last weekend's victory of the women's Early Bird field hockey tournament is an indication, sports buffs will be forecasting breakthrough from Yeomen and Yeowomen teams all year.

Early signs, (among many) came with the likes of world-ranked Angella Taylor joining women's track and continued with the football Yeomen rising to national ranking for the first time since York's inception.

Now another landmark, in a slowly developing premiere season, has been reached. Field hockey Yeowomen not only have an unblemished no-loss (10-0) record, but also managed to weather attacks on Friday's round-robin against defending Canadian Universities Champions, U of T Blues.

The strong Yeowomen offence, called "undoubtedly the finest in the conference" by Queen's coach Joan Stevenson, tackled University of Toronto in a rematch of the CIAU finals last year. It resulted in the climax of the tournament.

The game began with neither team showing much in the way of offensive threats. Finally, Yeowoman Kim Taylor broke the ice literally with a close-in shot on a goal mouth scramble which handcuffed the Varsity goalie. In a span of five minutes during the first half York's Laurie Lambert made it 2-0 and Laura Branchaud put the icing on the cake with another goal which ended the scoring. York's well deserved 3-0 victory marked a twenty year first—it was the first time U of T had been beaten before CIAU play. (York also defeated U of T in a match during last year's CIAU Championships).

The pre-season tournament got under way with York and

McMaster facing off in a climatic setting fit for an ice arena. The Yeowomen ran away with the match with a decisive 8-0 romp over McMaster.

Pat Gryoff-Chamska got the Yeowomen on the scoreboard early with Sheila Forshaw netting a hat trick and Laura Branchaud with two. Kim Taylor and Laurie Lambert were the other marksmen. Yeowomen dominated the game from the start as they controlled the mid-field keeping McMaster at bay.

"We found maneuvering the ball difficult with the poor field conditions," said York coach Marina van der Merwe. This might have accounted for York's slow start the next day as they managed careless and sloppy play.

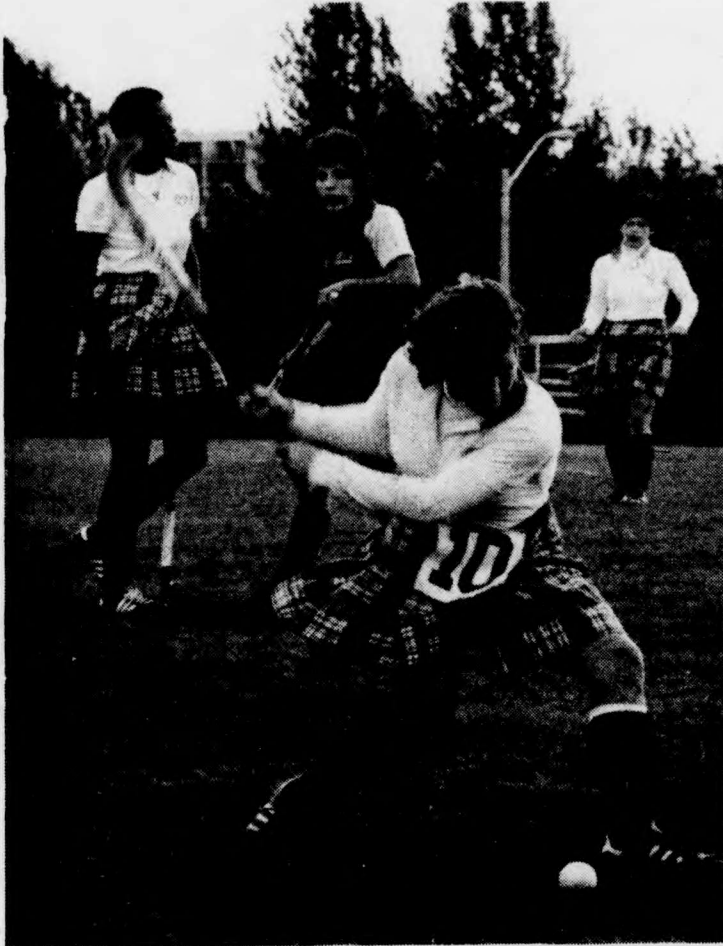
Guelph kept York off balance with their determined hustling until Yeowomen finally broke through the Guelph defense.

Laurie Lambert collected four goals, Sheila Forshaw two and Kim Taylor and Pat Gryoff-Chamska added the others. When Guelph finally scored, it was the first and only time any team scored against York in the tournament.

First-year goalie Debbie Lamb played well between the pipes for York and came up big with a number of saves from a frustrated Guelph forward line.

"It could be an undefeated season for York this year," commented Queen's coach Stevenson Saturday while explaining the closeness of teams in the conference. Her team trailed York by a goal and she continued, "it could also be 1-1 right now because Queen's is a team that will never be walked over."

As if in reply, Yeowomen Forshaw and Lambert promptly scored two unanswered goals and moments later Cathie Major found the mark for a 4-0 win. But



Laurie Lambert (No. 10) was one of the strong forces behind York's 4 victories, netting 7 goals.

the first half certainly wasn't a walk-over.

Queen's dominated the opening minutes in front of the Yeowomen net. When a timely kick save by Lamb spared a tired and failing defence, York centre Foreshaw scored the first half's only goal.

"It takes York a long time to get going," was a comment overheard on the sideline, "but once that first goal is away they just start popping them in." It described the second half.

Coach van der Merwe stated after the tournament, "I think our stick handling was superior."

But superior stick handling is only one quality coach van der Merwe and assistant coach Kathie Broakerick must enforce if York is to remain a dark horse for the CIAU's.

Experienced players are one of the Yeowomen's fortes.

Three of the tournaments top four scorers were from York. In the lead was Laurie Lambert and Sheila Forshaw with seven goals, followed by U. of T. player Terry Wheatly with six, and Laura Branchaud had three. Yeowomen Lambert, Forshaw and Branchaud are also national squad members.

Soccer

The York Yeomen found themselves on the losing end of a 6-1 score in an injury-ridden game against Laurier last weekend.

From the opening kick-off it was evident that York's strategy was to play an aggressive game. This plan backfired however, as the Yeomen gave up controlled and disciplined play for aggressive play. Laurier's game, in contrast, was very controlled with crisp, precise passing, enabling the Golden Hawks to move the ball easily.



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Basketball Yeowomen Gear Up For The New Season

The basketball Yeowomen had their most successful season to date in 1979-80 with a 10-2 league record and if early season predictions are on target, the women should move into national prominence this year. The Yeowomen start out the new season with an exhibition game against the Yeowomen alumni team on Wednesday, October 8 at 7:00 p.m., in the Tait McKenzie gymnasium. Third year coach Francis Flint will have seven returning veterans in 1980-81 including Ontario all-stars Barb Whibbs and Kim Holden with respective league game averages of 19.6 and 13.4 last season. Two top newcomers are 6' centre Monica Wensing from Cardinal Newman and from the powerhouse team Kipling Collegiate team, Sharon MacFarlane.

Shortstops

Among the injured Yeomen was goalie Glen McNamara who was pulled from the game with what was suspected to be a separated shoulder injury. With the score 2-1 for Laurier, coach Eric Willis was forced to substitute in one of his defenders to take over the goaltending as McNamara is presently the only goalie on the York squad. This may have been the reason for the rather lopsided score in Laurier's favour.

Track and Field

York's Varsity Track and Field team was well represented in the Queen's Invitational last weekend. Yeowoman Barb Dabrowski placed first in the javelin with a throw of 45.12 meters: a new varsity record. She also placed third in the discus event.

The Yeomen made a strong showing in the shot put event with York's Frank Moniz placing 1st and Jeff Sherrington placing 2nd. Moniz also placed 6th in the javelin while Sherrington placed 6th in the discus and 12th in the long jump.

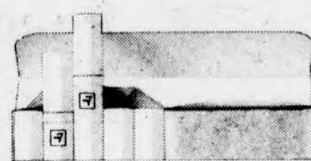
Volleyball

The Canadian National Men's volleyball team made an impressive debut at York University last Sunday defeating the U.S. National team 15-10, 15-6 and 15-1, evening their eleven match series at 3 all. The previous day, the American team defeated Canada in three straight games played in Hamilton.

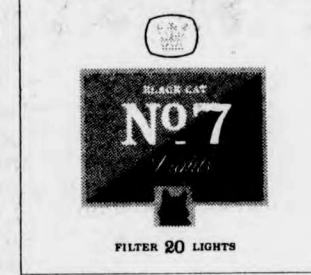
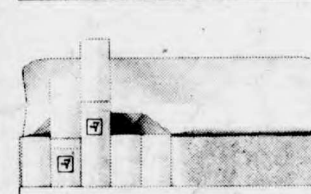
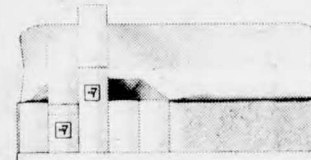
Football

The York Yeomen football team continues to build a reputation as a serious contender in the OUAA West. Last Saturday in Windsor, the Yeomen registered a 26-23 victory over the Lancers thanks to a last minute field goal scored by Sergio Capobianco with only fifteen seconds left in the game.

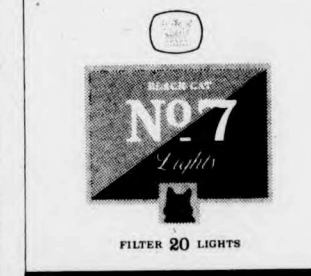
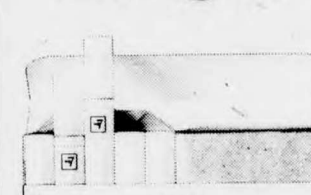
Major scoring plays came on touchdowns scored by Brian Gifford and Dave Strauss. Capobianco converted on both TD'S. He also scored 3 additional field goals during the game to account for 14 of the 26 points scored by the Yeomen.



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