

## York varsity teams take a beating over the weekend

By PAUL CONROY

It was a week in which York teams played a lot of games against their cross-town rivals, U of T. It was also a week in which the York fans came away from those games "singing the Blues."

**Men's soccer action** saw the Yeomen go to Varsity Stadium and end up on the short end of a 3-0 score. The York squad entered the contest confident of victory. Although they did not play badly, the Yeomen were unable to display the skills which were evident in more successful matches earlier this year against strong opposition.

The U of T team managed to dominate the mid-field for much of the game, but the play in the contest was actually much closer than the score might indicate.

Faced with a return match this week at home and a visit from Trent on Saturday (2:00), team coaches Eric Willis and Norm Crandles plan to try a new offensive system in an attempt to get the Yeomen back on track.

**The McMaster water polo tournament** took place last Saturday and in the opinion of York coach Kevin Jones it was a bit of a disaster.

Playing with only two spares instead of the normal complement of six, the Yeomen were trounced in both of their games.

First, against York nemesis U of T Blues they went down by a score of 16-3, with Terry Stevens and Stephane Collin, with two, as York's only goalscorers. In the second match, the understaffed Yeomen were beaten 11-4 by Western. Collin counted two more, captain John Lisus got one,

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and Mike Hickstein—whom coach Jones accorded an honourable mention—rounded out the scoring.

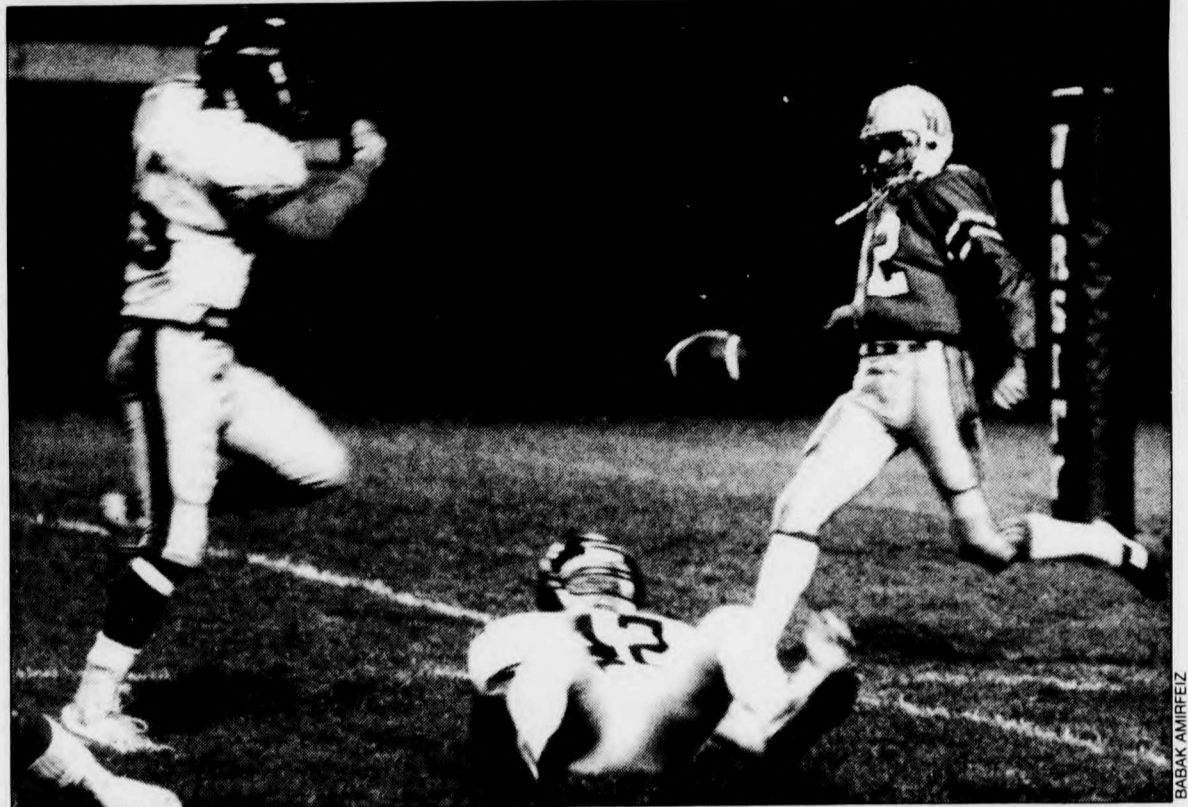
This Saturday the team competes in a tournament at Western against teams from Waterloo and McMaster. Hopefully they can turn the tide.

Good news and bad news from the Yeowoman **field hockey** team. The good news is that the Yeowomen totally dominated and beat a strong Guelph team 5-0. The Gryphon team, featuring some good runners and strong players, came out flying but were no match for the York side, which did some flying of its own. The goalscorers, as usual, were Sharon Creelman (2), Sandra Levy (2), and Allison Kirk.

The bad news came two days later as York faced their arch-enemies from U of T. In a very rough game, and playing without the injured Sharon Creelman, the Yeowomen battled the Blues evenly and the score was 1-1 at the half, Cathy Timmins counting for York.

But shortly into the second half Jackie Degoeij suffered an eye injury which forced the York squad to finish the contest short-handed. In this reduced manpower situation the Yeowomen eventually succumbed to the powerful Blues, final score 4-1.

Next games for the team are against McMaster and Waterloo at Lamport Stadium, Friday, October 16 at 2:00 and 3:45.



**MAYBE I CAN KICK IT THROUGH HIM:** York punter Steve Platis tries to punt the ball in the midst of an oncoming rush. Once again turnovers cost the Yeomen victory as the offence turned the ball over an incredible 13 times.

## Yeomen are singing the Blues

By RUSSELL HOFFMAN

This year's version of the annual Blue Bowl last Thursday night was a must win situation for both teams, as York and the University of Toronto entered the game with identical 1-3 records. But by the end of the game, the Yeomen's play-off hopes were virtually destroyed as they were defeated by the Blues 36-7 at Varsity Stadium.

In the first quarter, one of the few bright spots for York was Tom Kapantrias who returned a missed field goal for a 118-yard touchdown. However, by the end of the first half the Blues had built an 8-7 lead which they never relinquished.

The second half featured the University of Toronto quarterback Rod Moors picking apart the York defence as he led his team to four second-half touchdowns.

Although the Yeomen switched punters this week, the punting team again experienced the same problems, which turned every third-down punt into an adventure. The punting team cannot take all of the blame for the loss; the defence gave up a season high 36 points, while the offence was unable to score any points at all.

York quarterback Adam Karlsson completed well under 50% of his passes and was intercepted twice. Including third down mishaps, the offence turned the ball over an incredible 13 times.

After the game, the York dressing room resembled a morgue as the loss began to sink in. A highly emotional York coach Frank Cossentino admitted his team's playoff hopes "look very, very dim."

Although the whole team played a poor game, the Yeomen's coach pointed out that it was the mistakes

of the punting team which acted as a catalyst for further errors by the team.

Cossentino summed up his team's performance by saying, "Our punting unit certainly didn't do the job today. You could sense as the punting team made errors that our enthusiasm and emotions were on the wane. You could see the players were responding negatively by getting frustrated."

The Yeomen have two more games to play this season and Cossentino had this remark about the upcoming matches: "That's the value of sport; things don't always work out as you plan, but you have to rebound and regroup because there's always a new challenge coming up. Hopefully, against Waterloo and Laurier we can salvage our self-respect."

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