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Yeomen squeak out a win over Gryphons

By Lawrence Knox

It wasn't the most artistic game ever played, but the York Yeomen managed to squeak out an 11-9 victory over the University of Guelph Gryphons in an Ontario-Quebec Intercollegiate Football Conference game at York Saturday.

The win was York's third consecutive against only one loss, putting them into a second-place tie with the University of Western Mustangs, the College Bowls defending champions.

Critics have been quick to point out that York hasn't been playing the best college teams, but Yeomen coach Frank Cosentino doesn't care.

"We hadn't won a game in 2 and a half years and we hadn't beat those guys before. Now, we beat Guelph twice and McMaster (Marauders) once, and that to me is an improvement. No matter what people say, we're 3-1 lead on a 24 yard field goal by place-kicker



Gryphons' Jeff Crampton moves in for the crunch on Yeomen Dan Tocchet

Ron Lively, but York rebounded in the 2nd quarter when quarterback Mike Foster combined with wide

receiver Les Huggins on a 50-yard pass and run play, to set up a 2 yard run by Steve Karrys. Craig

Clydesdale's convert made it 7-3.

In the second half, Clydesdale added another field goal and a

single and it didn't look as though the Gryphons would be able to come back. But after pinning York in their own end for most of the fourth quarter, Guelph quarterback Dave Sproat led a spirited attack down to York's one-yard line where Mark Brown dived into the end zone for the major. A two point conversion attempt would have given Guelph a tie with less than a minute to play, but Sproat's pass went over tight end Andy Balson's head.

Guelph head coach, Dick Brown, was pleased with his offence. "Our starting quarterback, Dale Cowan, injured his shoulder against York last week (Sept. 23) and we were forced to use Sproat, a defensive back. When Dave did get something going offensively, stupid penalties by our players ruined it for us. Defensively, we played pretty well."

Foster called a steady game, completing six of 17 passes for 133. York totalled 289 yards on offence.

Yeowomen eye nationals

By Greg Saville

The Yeowomen field hockey team emerged with three wins and prospects of making the national playoffs after competing in the Earlybird varsity field hockey tournament in Guelph this past weekend.

The York contingent defeated McGill 1-0, Waterloo 3-0, and Queen's 1-0.

Carol Trewin led the Yeowomen in scoring with three goals and the single goal scorers were Sheila Forshaw and Sheila Smith.

Yeowomen coach Marina van der Merwe says the Queen's team will

be serious contenders in the Ontario Women's Intercollegiate Athletic Association final playoff, (part two) at York on October 28 and 29.

Van der Merwe says probably the strongest contender in OWIAA will be the U of T to whom the Yeowomen lost 4-0.

"We took 20 players to the tournament," said van der Merwe, "and we did surprisingly well." But she said U of T are operating with an entire compliment from the Ontario provincial team and were too strong.

The only other loss suffered by the

Yeowomen in the two day tournament was to Guelph 1-0. According to van der Merwe their loss was caused by constant rotations. She said the Yeowomen kept rotating players to appraise each individuals potential.

The top two teams from the OWIAA move onto the national finals and van der Merwe says with a "concerted effort" the Yeowomen should be in one of the top two positions.

Women's field hockey will continue during part one of the final playoff at U of T on October 21 and 22.



Yeomen and Gryphons scrounge for ball.

Rugby squad drops decision

The York rugby squad played below par in dropping a 34-7 decision to the Guelph Gryphons last Saturday. Tied 7-7 at the half the Yeomen came apart at the seams in the second half and were literally wiped off the field by the Gryphons.

John Spen scored a try for the Yeomen while Larry Spriet kicked a penalty. That was all the offense the Yeomen could muster. "We didn't play well," was the only comment coach Mike Dinning offered. The team still has a shot at a play-off spot but the picture is growing dimmer as each weekend passes.

The York second team didn't fare much better against Guelph's second team in losing 14-12. The first team Yeomen faced Toronto on Wednesday and travel to Hamilton this Saturday to play McMaster.

Sailing club is afloat

By Greg Saville

Sailing in the RMC Intercollegiate Invitational Regatta the York University sailing club pulled off an overall second place over RMC, Waterloo, Western and U of T Sunday in Kingston. Queen's placed first in the "A" class.

Club members Mike Hart and Susan Corbett earned 3 seconds and a third in their 4-20 sailing craft which allowed them to place second overall.

The Canadian National Intercollegiate sailing championships will be held in Kingston this coming weekend and according to Hart the York club will pit themselves against 15 other clubs.

Hart said the club would like to expand and it would offer instruction, films and various other sailing events. Prospective members should call the York University sailing club at 449-0836.

Soccer stats

The York soccer team split their games this past weekend with a convincing 4-0 drubbing of Brock and a narrow 1-0 loss to Laurentian. On Saturday the team travelled to Brock where they played cohesively behind pacesetter Mike Burke who tallied twice. Nick Plessas and Paul Berkhuysen added single markers each while netminder John Debenedictis recorded the shutout.

Back on home turf for Sunday's encounter with Laurentian, the Yeomen dominated the entire game only to lose on an errant backpass, which Laurentian converted into the only score of the game, with less than five minutes remaining.

Laurentian came out playing very defensively, obviously hoping for a tie on the road. The Yeomen played well but had the misfortune of hitting goalposts and crossbars at inopportune times. Coach Eric Willis commented that "the team came together and showed their potential".

As to Willis' thoughts towards a playoff position he cautioned "we'll be there in the end when it counts." To get there though the team has to face stiff opposition in Waterloo, Toronto, and Western. The team is off to Concordia this weekend to play in an exhibition tournament. Willis hopes this will give the team the chance to really come together before the stretch drive towards the playoffs.

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Who said York's dance program was poor?

1,500 runners swarm York

By Symon Beckwith

The 12th Annual Ontario High School Cross-Country Meet was held at York University's main campus last Saturday. It was a perfect day for running, not at all like last year's meet when competitors had to wade through mud to get to the finish line.

The more than 1500 contestants from high schools across Southern Ontario were really up for this meet as new course records were established in every age group. York president H. Ian McDonald, looking somewhat dishevelled, was on hand to give out trophies to the winners of each event as well as the overall winner.

Georgetown District High School won the combined team trophy

with 446 points (lower point totals are better) well ahead of second place Thornlea Secondary School who amassed 1110 points. Two local schools, Henry Carr Secondary and North Toronto Collegiate Institute, placed third and fourth respectively.

Georgetown District has now won the combined team trophy three years consecutively. Considering they won with such relative ease one might wonder how one school can be so superior to the rest. Ian Clark, one of Georgetown's gifted runners and winner of the Junior Boys (under 17) race, understated the reason when asked for an explanation; "cross-country is the big thing at our school," he commented.