



2007 Guelph Gryphon Women's Rugby Team

Back row: Coach Jocelyn Cooke, Charlene Wong, Emily Young, Kirstie Puskas, Lizma Wiese, Jessica MacPherson, Andrea Basen, Mimi Rahneva, Hayley Mullen, Jacey Murphy, Natasa Popovic, Taylor Parks, Jasmine Cairns, Katelyn McCreary, Michelle Joslin (captain), Aleksandra Lauks, Maggie Phillips, Catharine Wilson, Lindsay Peebles, Coach Colette McAuley, Season Wong

Middle (kneeling row): Marcie Ninness, Emily Opperman, Jen Peebles, Jen Cerullo, Kristen Lee, Lisa Shellington, Jenna Livingston, Brittany Sammut, Anne Cunningham, Larissa Chomyc, Leila Hughes

Front row: Jane Kirby, Marielle Lehoux, Liane Inglis



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Gryphons Head Coach



Colette McAuley

Colette started at the helm of the Gryphons women's rugby team in 2007 after serving as the assistant coach for 10 years. Colette is a Gryphons rugby alumna and a long serving member of the Ontario Provincial Team and the National side. Colette has represented Canada 21 times for the National Women's 15's team including the World Cup in 2002. She is a current member of the National Women's 7's team who won the tournament cup in San Diego and competed in Hong Kong. Colette has a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science Degree from the University of Guelph and a Master of Business Administration Degree from Wilfrid Laurier University.

2007 RECORD:

Home: 2-1
 Away: 1-1
 Regular Season: 3-2
 Playoffs: 2-1

2007 SCHEDULE:

Date	Opponent	W/L	Score	Type of Game	Location
September 12	Trent	L	12-10		Trent
September 16	Toronto	W	22-5		Guelph
September 23	Western	L	50-0		Guelph
September 29	Queens	W	50-0		Queens
October 5	York	W	7-39		Guelph
October 13	Queens	W	36-0	OUA ¼ final	Guelph
October 20	Guelph	L	43-12	OUA Semi-final	Western
October 26	Trent	W	20-0	OUA Bronze	Trent

2007 TEAM STATS:

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	PTS
League Record	5	3	2	0	121	174	6
Playoff Record	3	2	1	0	68	43	
Overall Record	8	5	3	0	189	217	



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2007 Team Roster

#	First Name	Last Name	Pos	Ht	Elig	Program	Yr	Hometown
0	Emma	Beatty	L	5'09"	1	B.Sc. - Biochemistry	1	Brampton
0	Jessica	MacPherson	W	5'05"	1	B.Sc. - Human Kinetics	2	Trenton
1	Andrea	Basen	W	5'06"	1	B.Sc. - Biological Science	2	Toronto
2	Jasmine	Cairns	F	5'04"	1	B.A. - Philosophy	3	Edmonton
3	Larissa	Chomyc	C	5'10"	2	B.A. - English	2	Barrie
3	Katelyn	McCreary	P	5'06"	1	B.A. - Psychology	1	Waterloo
3	Lisa	Shellington	L	5'06"	1	B.Sc. - Applied Human Nutrition	2	Brandtford
4	Maggie	Phillips	L	6'00"	1	B.Sc. - Biology	2	Elora
5	Alexandra	Collins	L	5'07"	1	B.Sc. - Biomedical Science	1	London
5	Hayley	Mullen	L	5'08"	1	B.A. - Theatre Studies	2	Toronto
6	Anne`	Cunningham	SH	5'02"	1	B.A. - Sociology	2	Cambridge
7	Shannon	Dickie	W	5'08"	1	B.A. - Studio Art	3	Ottawa
7	Mimi	Rahneva	F	5'04"	1	B.Comm. - Tourism Management	2	Ruce,
8	Christine	Desrochers	L	5'08"	3	B.Sc. - Environmental Engineerin	4	Deep River
9	Kendra	Heil	FH	5'06"	1	B.A. - Studio Arts	2	Simcoe
9	Marielle	Lehoux	SH	5'04"	1	B.Sc. - Biological Science	1	Guelph
9	Charlene	Wong	SH	5'02"	1	B.Sc. - Human Kinetics	3	Brampton
10	Liane	Inglis	C	5'10"	4	B.A. - Political Science	5	Burlington
10	Avril	Lusty	FH	5'07"	1	B.Sc. - Biomedical	2	Erin
11	Jen	Cerullo	W	5'04"	2	B.Sc. - Human Kinetics	5	Toronto
11	Leila	Hughes	W	5'04"	5	B.A. - Sociology	5	Guelph
12	Michelle	Joslin	H	5'07"	3	B.Sc. - Human Kinetics	3	Waterloo
12	Jacey	Murphy	#8	5'08"	1	B.Sc. - Human Kinetics	1	Alliston
13	Jane	Kirby	P	5'07"	1	B.A. - Geography	1	Barmpton
14	Katerina	Kolarczyk	L	5'09"	1	B.Sc. - Human Nutrition	1	Kingston
14	Brittany	Sammut	W	5'07"	1	B.A. - Criminology	1	Belleville
15	Aleksandra	Lauks	L	6'00"	4	B.Sc. - Biological Sc	4	Ottawa
15	Kirstie	Puskas	W	5'02"	1	B.Sc. - Biomedical Science	3	Waterloo
16	Kristen	Lee	F	5'04"	1	B.Sc. - Human Kinetics	1	Mississauga
18	Jenna	Livingston	F	5'11"	2	B.Sc. - Geography	2	Caledon
20	Marcie	Ninness	C	5'01"	3	D.V.M. - Veterinary Medicine	2	Brampton
21	Emily	Opperman	W	5'08"	1	B.A.Sc. - Nutrition	3	Belleville
22	Taylor	Parks	L	5'08"	1	B.Sc. - Biomedical Science	1	Sunderland
23	Jennifer	Peebles	FH	5'04"	1	B.A. - History	3	Guelph
23	Lizma	Wiese	C	5'09"	2	B.Sc. - Human Kinetics	2	Manotick
24	Lindsay	Peebles	C	5'08"	2	B.A. - Sociology	2	Oakville
25	Natasa	Popovic	P	5'02"	1	B.A. - undeclared	1	Stoney Creek
26	Catherine	Wilson	P	5'07"	2	B.Sc. - Animal Biology	4	Metcalfe
28	Season	Wong	W	5'02"	1	B.Sc. - Animal Biology	2	Hong Kong
29	Anna	Yazdan	W	5'00"	1	B.A. - Sociology	1	Mississauga
30	Emily	Young	FB	5'02"	1	B.Sc. - Chemistry	2	Bolton

Head Coach: Colette McAuley

Assistant Coaches: Ian Duncan, Dave Neill, Jocelyn Cooke

Gryphon All-Stars



Name: Michelle Joslin
University: University of Guelph
Hometown: Waterloo, ON

Position: Flanker
Year of Eligibility: 3
Faculty and Program: BSc. Human Kinetics
Year in Program: 3

Michelle Joslin is an outstanding player in contact, creating turn-over ball and having a 90% ball retention rate. Her ball handling skills and evasive running makes her a huge threat on offence. She is a leader by example on and off the field. She was voted as captain by her team mates through her exemplary work ethic and intensity. "Michelle Joslin has excelled at her new position of flanker for the Gryphons. She is one of the fastest players on the field and has excellent agility allowing her to find gaps and create opportunities for her fellow team mates. Michelle leads the Gryphons in tackles and provides solid leadership for her team"



Name: Jacey Murphy
University: University of Guelph
Hometown: Alliston, ON

Position: 8-Man
Year of Eligibility: 1
Faculty and Program: BSc. Human Kinetics
Year in Program: 1

Jacey Murphy is a dynamic back row player that is a crucial link between the forwards and the backs. Her ball handling skills, kicking skills and powerful running has allowed her to exploit many defences in the OUA league. Jacey has an excellent ability to find gaps with exceptional pace. Her affinity for understanding game plans and defensive strategies allows her to adapt well under pressure. Her calmness and stability at the back of the scrum, taking pressure off of our scrum-half is first-rate. "Jacey Murphy has been excellent addition to the Gryphon squad. Her rugby skills and dynamic play has been instrumental in our wins this year and she shows great determination for the try-line."



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2007 GAME SUMMARIES:

October 26 - Gryphons Win OUA Bronze & Advance to Nationals, Win 20-0 Over Trent

The Guelph Gryphon women's rugby team won the OUA Bronze Medal after blanking the Trent Excalibur 20-0 on Friday night in Peterborough. Four Gryphons got on the scoreboard for Guelph. Jacey Murphy, Jen Cerullo, Liane Inglis and Lizma Wiese (Manitick, Ont) all scored one try for the Gryphons. As the first half was about to wind down, Inglis from Guelph put home a try but missed the conversion, sending Guelph into halftime up 10-0. Wiese continued Guelph's strong play by nailing a try 10 minutes into the second half, and the game seemed to be slipping away from the Excalibur. Jen Cerullo made it 20-0, and with only 18 minutes at this point, the game was out of reach for the Trent women.

October 20 – Gryphons Fall to Mustangs in Semi-Final, 43-12

The Mustangs claimed redemption over the Gryphons in the win after Guelph defeated Western last year in the OUA final 7-5 on Western soil. Guelph fought hard, but Western's deep bench and hard play won out. The Mustangs defense proved too strong holding Guelph to only two tries. The Gryphons were lead by a cast of rookies including Jacey Murphy (Allison, Ont), Jane Kirby (Brampton, Ont) and Brittany Sammut (Belleville, Ont). Sammut led the Gryphons scoring two tries for 10 points in the losing effort.

October 13 – Gryphons Win 36-0 over Queens to Advance to Semi-Finals

The Guelph Gryphon women's rugby team defeated the Queens Golden Gaels on Sunday afternoon and will advance to the OUA Semi-Finals. The Gryphons faced several distractions today having the kick-off two and a half hours late and several injury time-outs throughout the game. They showed their focus and determination throughout the day dominating the Golden Gaels in line-outs, scrums and open-play.

The Gaels held fast in the second half only allowing in one try, but the damage was done in the first half with tries from Jacey Murphy (2), Jenna Livingston (2) and Jane Kirby (1). Jacey was able to touch down in the second half from a penalty for the last try. Liane Inglis converted 3 of the 6 tries making the final score 36-0.

October 5 – Gryphons Defeat York 39-7

The Guelph Gryphons had another strong showing beating York at home by a score of 39-7. Rookie Jacey Murphy once again led the Gryphon's in scoring with three tries using her speed and power to break through the York defense. York's scrappy scrum half and strong forwards kept the pressure on, with the scrum-half scoring an excellent try in the second half. However, second year Lizma Wiese dictated an excellent sequence of offensive attacks that found gaps in the back line allowing the score to open up. Gryphon tries came from Leila Hughes (2), Lizma Wiese (1) and captain Michelle Joslin (1).

September 29 – Gryphons Cruise Past Golden Gaels, 50-0

The Guelph Gryphons came off of a disappointing loss from last weekend with gritty determination and defeated the Queens Golden Gaels 50-0 on Saturday afternoon in Kingston, ON. The Gryphons put pressure on the Gaels at opening kick-off and didn't let up for the full 80 minutes. The calming effect of veteran Liane Inglis in the back-line allowed the team to execute a variety of offensive strategies. The continuity between the backs and forwards finally came together for the Gryphons, which allowed rookie Jacey Murphy to score three excellent tries. Other tries came from captain Michelle Joslin (2), Jen Cerullo, Larissa Chomyk and rookie Jane Kirby who implemented the pick and go game to near perfection. Honourable mention goes to rookie scrum-half Marielle Lehoux, who played an outstanding game. Liane Inglis converted 5 of the 8 tries for 10 points.

2007 GAME SUMMARIES...continued

September 23 – Gryphons Get Blanked by Mustangs, 50-0

It was a game between last year's top two rugby teams and it began as a very exciting match. The Gryphons showed great discipline and organization in defense as the Mustangs attacked. Excellent support running and kicking to space in the first half had the Gryphons inside the Mustang's 22 several times, but the Mustang's defense held strong and denied points for the Gryphons. The Mustangs scored two individual tries in the first half coming away with a 10-0 lead. In the second half, the Mustangs gained great field position with the pick and drive strategy and were able to compress the gryphon's defense and score out wide several times in the second half. The Gryphons were unable to stop the Mustang's drive and they scored 40 unanswered points in the second half.

September 16 – Gryphons Win Home Opener over U of T, 22-5

The defending national champion, Gryphon women's rugby team looks to be in great shape this season to make a run at the Championship title again after defeating U of T on Sunday in their home opener 22-5. University of Toronto put Guelph under great pressure at the opening kick-off and continued that aggression around the breakdowns. It was difficult for Guelph to get clean ball to their backs, however when they did they looked dangerous with their pace and agility. U of T however played very disciplined rugby and cross covered well, denying several points from the Gryphon side. Eventually the dominant scrummaging, line-outs and great running from the forwards wore down the U of T defense. Guelph scored 4 excellent team tries through several phases of rugby finally touching down by Leila Hughes (2), Jen Cerullo and Mimi Rahneva. U of T's strong forwards scored their lone try from Rosie Lang.

