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about our cover . . .

Local artist, Leroy Jensen provided our cover picture this year, of which we are very proud. Leroy, born and raised in Japan, studied extensively in Europe, has exhibited in many important exhibitions across Canada, also in New York and Seattle. He had had numerous one-man shows in B.C. and Washington. A Member, Contemporary Okanagan Artists, his work can be seen at the studio of Frank Paul on Lumby Highway, one mile from Vernon.



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By Jack Boutilier

"We of the City of Vernon Parks and Recreation department wish to express our hopes that the Vernon Essos junior hockey club will come through with flying colors again this season. They are one of the many clubs that provide entertainment to the citizens of this city and are part of the general recreation program."

The Vernon Department of Parks and Recreation is a department responsible to Council as are other city departments such as engineering, finance, assessing, etc.

The department was formally commenced on January 1st, 1970 and has jurisdiction over all parks, playgrounds, beaches, boulevards, cemeteries, recreational programmes and facilities such as the arena and the Community Centre.

The Department offers programmes for all ages operating on a year round basis. During the winter months, programmes such as Tiny Tot Hockey, Skating, Recreation are offered for pre-schoolers, activities ranging from Arts and Crafts to Athletic endeavors are offered to both school age and students while for adults they similarly have a wide range of activities.

The Department has been instrumental in helping commence the Senior Citizens Friendship Centre operated at the Community Centre Monday through Friday from 1 - 4 p.m. The Centre has been opened to all senior citizens and offers a wide range of activities.

During the summer months, an addition to the operation of the Parks and Beaches, the department offers all children an excellent opportunity to participate in the playground programme which includes physical endeavors, games, arts and crafts, story telling and special event days.

In its second year of operation this past summer, over 5,000 children took part in the activities offered. The programme is normally held in the communities where the children reside whether it be on a City Park or School Ground.

The department assists a vast number of community groups involved in recreational endeavors. Amongst the services offered are guestner work, acquisition of films and books, assistance with clinics and acquiring resource people to conduct them and also providing meeting places.

During the year, well over one quarter of a million people either used the facilities as participants or spectators and enjoyed a wide variety of activities and events offered for them.

The department is continually striving to offer activities which are of benefit and can provide information to the people in the community and will welcome suggestions or information from anybody who may wish to see new programmes added.

The department also keeps on file a list of all recreational groups in the community and can provide information to those seeking information or assistance on any of these clubs.



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We look forward to one of the best seasons ever for the team in the Jr. A league and by all indications could be the B.C. winner once more.

However, one cannot stress too strongly the need for support from the fans in this area to keep the operation of the Essos on an even keel financially.

This is not the only reason for local support. As everyone knows, all teams play better when they have a large following rooting for them and the Essos being a young team are, and can be impressed with good support in the stands.

This season we are attempting to combine several older players and veterans from last years to work with nearly a dozen rookies that are on the roster and so far this arrangement is having an excellent effect.

We are getting a well rounded offensive system started and at the same time, but admittedly not as strong as we would prefer, a solid defensive unit beginning to show results.

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A very charming 17 year old Vernon high school student, Patricia Rose Lee, will carry the banner of Miss Junior Hockey this season.

Pat was selected to represent the Vernon Junior A Essos hockey club in the Queen Silver Star pageantry for the 12th annual Winter Carnival this February.

Miss Lee was chosen from a bevy of five girls who competed for the Miss Junior hockey title with the Essos team members and directors voting their choice at a special social evening held for the occasion at the National Hotel.

Miss Lee takes over from retiring Miss Junior hockey, Heather Holmes who was the second representative with Miss Kim Greig the first girl to represent the club two years ago.

Pat is in Grade 12 at Vernon senior high school and plans to attend UBC, majoring in Physical Education.

She stands 5'5", has brown hair and eyes and was born in Kamloops June 17, 1954 but has made her home in Vernon for the past 14 years. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lee.

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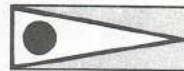
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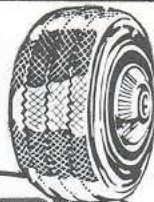
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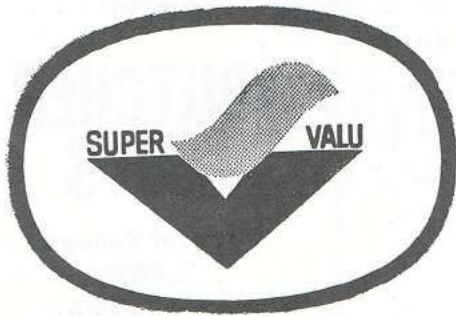
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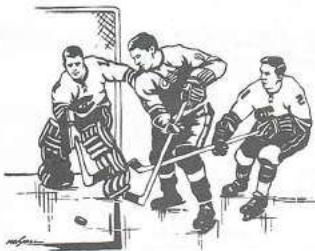
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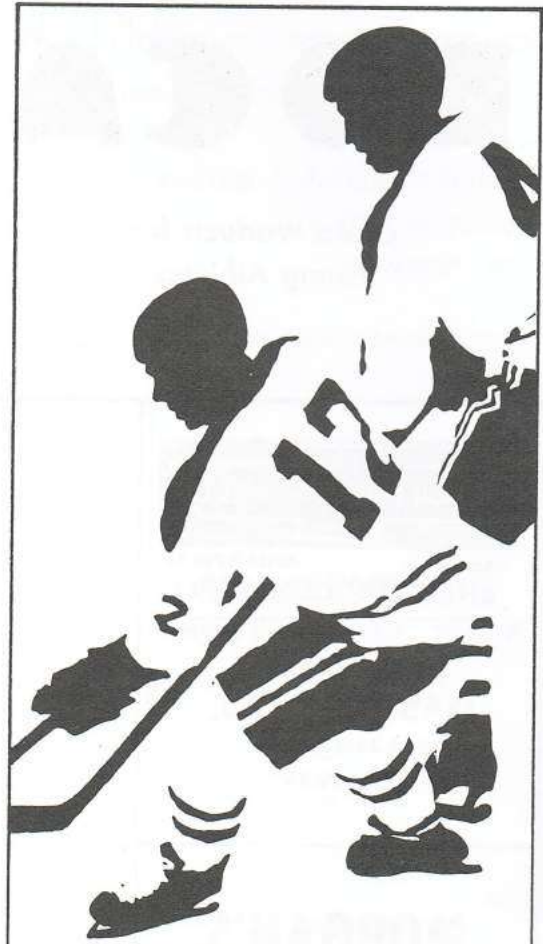
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One big difference, of course, is in the field of sports, from the school level through to senior sports of every type . . . which brings us to our subject of the moment, junior A hockey on the B.C. level.

The Vernon Essos and Kelowna Buckaroos have long been arch rivals and, while there has been moments of over zealous contact between individual players on the ice and fans in the stands, both towns have been gracious

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Mgr. Vern Dye

NEXT HOME GAME—Tuesday,

enough . . . if that is the best word to use . . . to give credit to the other where credit for a good job or play warrants.

This season, while it is common knowledge that each team would like nothing better than win over the other, the over-all picture of the hockey games these teams have played each other is of the highest quality, mind, it must be considered some would remark this is easy to say when the Essos have won three of the four games played (this does not count last Friday's game because of program deadline submissions), but let's face it, Vernon-Kelowna games are most always exciting to watch and tonight should be no exception.

This would be a good time to single out one Kelowna player for a pat on the back or two, because while he is a fiery little devil with his temper, he certainly deserves a mention. Goalie Ron Bourcier has been a standout. Do you know he has played in 21 games as of last Sunday, for a total of 1,296 minutes, saved 663 goals, allowed 100 for a 4.95 goals against average . . . not bad when you study the figures.

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KELOWNA BUCKAROOS

- 1 Ron Bourcier G
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- 3 Wally Allinson
- 4 Daryl Jorgenson
- 5 Greg Fox
- 6 Bruce Gerlach
- 7 Wayne Turner
- 8 Dale Turner
- 9 Dave O'Kranic
- 10 Archie McKinnon
- 11 Murry Hanson
- 12 Ken Weninger
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"It is with great pleasure on my part and on behalf of all the directors and members of the Essos hockey club to bring you, the general public, greetings and the sincere hope for a pleasant and entertaining season ahead.

This year as most of you are now aware, the Essos hockey club is being operated by a group of local businessmen, but the point I would like to stress more than ever . . . This operation is for the good of the community and in the main, everyone benefits from some aspect of having such a highly rated team operate in this area and playing on a province wide basis.

Hockey is a national sport and throughout the winter months, millions of fans follow faithfully their favorite team, no matter what level from the pros in the NHL down through to organized minor hockey and the side street rinks where everything goes. The rooters are everywhere and hockey is to them a fine form of entertainment.

From myself and all of the Essos operation, I would like to again mention we truly appreciate your support and we in turn hope that you the fan are in turn getting a great entertainment value from watching the Essos and the rest of the B.C. junior league vie for honors and the foundation for a great future . . . Thank you."

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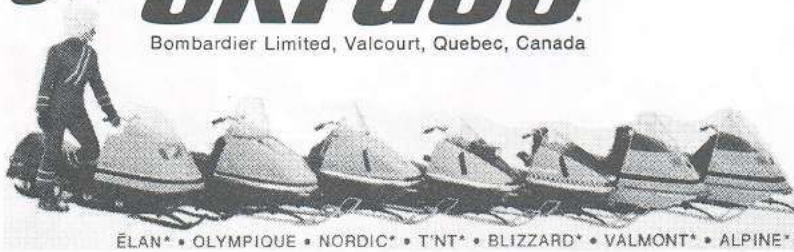


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JOHN PRICE

'Wire' to his teammates and friends, John Price is another of the Essos Veterans who has been doing an outstanding job for the Essos up front as the second line pivot man.

Last season, John was fourth in the team standings with 23 goals, 45 assist record for 68 points and is considered the 'pep' man in the dressing room as it is usually his voice heard above the others shouting encouragement to ready the team for the games.

He stands 5'8" and weighs 150 lbs. and is a top grade student at Vernon high school in grade 12.



**JIM LAWRENCE
... Captain**

Selected as team captain this year, 19 year old Jim Lawrence is now a two year veteran with the Essos and is first string centreman.

Last year Jim won the league scoring title on the basis of a fantastic 86 assist total coupled with 41 goals for a grand total of 125 points, 35 more than his nearest rival Ted Plow of Victoria.

Married with a small daughter, Jim works part time while attending college here in Vernon.

He stands 5'10" and weighs 172 lbs. His home town is Vancouver.

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BOB POWELL

One of the more rugged and huskier defencemen with the Essos this season, Bob Powell is no stranger to junior hockey having played last season with the Essos.

Weighing 180 lbs., and standing 6'1", Bob is no slouch when it comes to using his strength in a policemen's role while patrolling the blueline.

Now hard at work as a storeman with Woolworth department stores, he graduated from high school last year, Bob likes to play hockey having worked his way through the Vernon minor hockey program.



CLIFF LANE

People would do well to remember this face and name, because he already is earmarked for great things in hockey.

Only 15 years old, having graduated from the bantam age division of hockey in his home town of Burnaby last year, Cliff jumps four levels of hockey to play in the B.C. junior A league this year.

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He has already had a taste of baseball and he is getting steady requests to play for several of the Western Canada Junior teams.

A husky 185 lbs., Wayne stands 5'11" and is well known for his hard shooting ability that has beaten the quick hands of many goalies over the years. His scoring record last year was 38 goals and 45 assists for 83 points.

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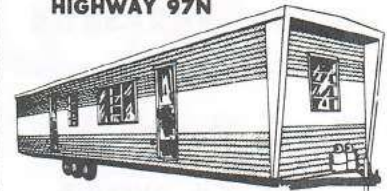
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ERNIE GARE

This two year veteran with the Essos hails from Nelson and is an all-round forward, playing at either left wing or at centre.

Last year Ernie scored 33 goals and assisted on 31 others for a total of 64 points and was fifth in the Essos scoring list.

He is 19 and attending College here in Vernon. He stands 5'8" and tips the scales at 165 lbs.



DENNIS BERGERON

Dennis Bergeron hails from Kamloops and comes to the Vernon Essos and the B.C. Junior A league as rookie right out of midget ranks.

A hustling defenceman, Dennis played last year with the North Kamloops midget reps and is no stranger to the Vernon arena.

Just 16 years old, as of last September 14th, Dennis has at least four more years of junior hockey ahead of him.

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LES SALO

A new man to the Essos roster this season, Les Salo 19, hails from the lower mainland where he played and starred for the Nor-West Caps, junior B team in North Vancouver.

An excellent skater, Les prefers the right wing slot or at centre and already has proved his ability in the early stages of the league by scoring eight goals in the first games adding six assists.

Les has completed his high schooling and admits he would like to make hockey his career. He stands 5'10" and weighs in at 150 lbs.



JEFF SHIRLEY

Jeff Shirley is another graduate of Vernon minor hockey and comes to the Essos this season with a fine background of athletic ability.

Jeff stands 5'10" and tips the scales at 155 lbs. and with the combined skill of a highly rated skater, fills the bill quite well at either right wing or at the centre spot of the third line.

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BILL VERNON

Bill Vernon hails from Powell River B.C. and so far his presence on the defensive line for the Essos has been well appreciated with his heads up style of play.

Having completed grade 12, and now 19 years old, this will be Bill's last year of junior A hockey.

He weighs in at 175 lbs. and stands 5'9" with a good back ground of junior B, playing with Coquitlam Comets last season.



ED JOHNSTONE

Ed Johnstone almost reached the century mark last season in the points list of the league with his stellar 45 goal, 49 assist record for 94 points as a rookie of the league.

Ed moved into junior A hockey last year from Vernon midget ranks and took his place amongst the best of the league almost immediately.

From the very beginning Ed made his presence known as a first string right winger, where he is always prominent with his big number 14 sweater.

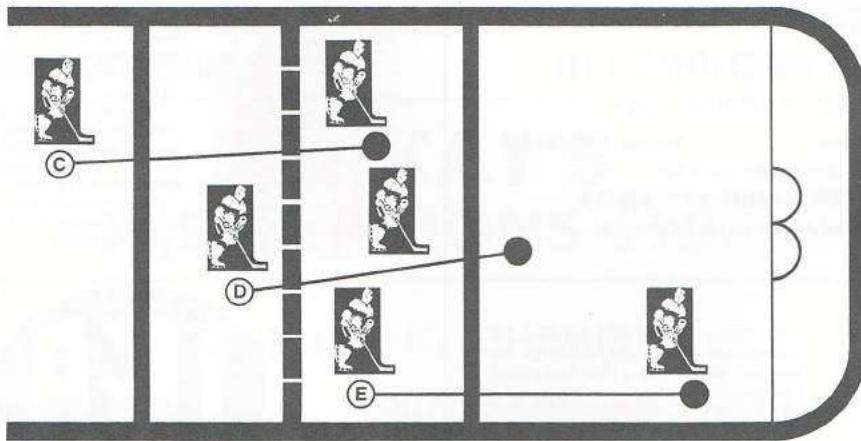
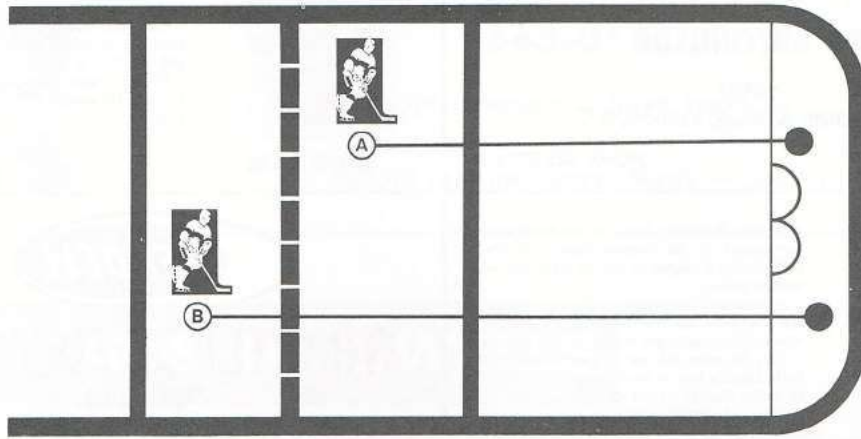
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Dave Niel	57	12	20	32	28
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Ted Plowe, Victoria	60	60	56	116	85
Vic Mercredi, Penticton	51	50	56	106	38
Chris Riddell, Victoria	56	36	61	97	20
Ed Johnstone, Vernon	50	45	49	94	79
Gary Donaldson, Penticton	60	37	53	90	61
Jim Dalzell, New Westminster	56	34	52	86	75
Fred Parent, Penticton	60	38	47	85	70
Wayne Dye, Vernon	39	38	45	83	143
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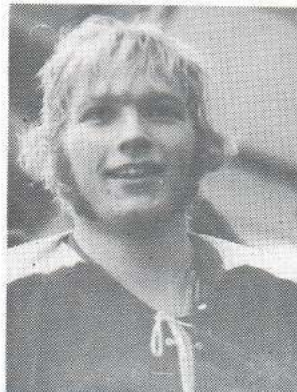
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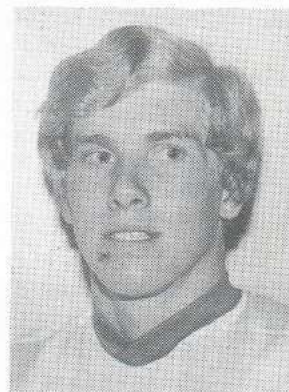
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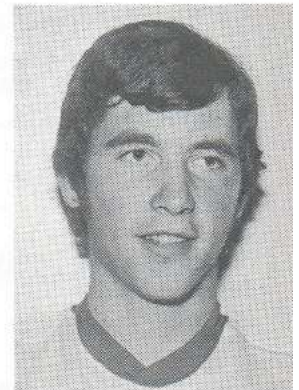
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HOME GAMES

OCTOBER

Saturday, Oct. 9 Kelowna at Vernon
 Monday, Oct. 11 Penticton at Vernon
 Saturday, Oct. 23 Chilliwack at Vernon

NOVEMBER

Tuesday, Nov. 2 Kamloops at Vernon
 Saturday, Nov. 6 Penticton at Vernon
 Friday, Nov. 12 Chilliwack at Vernon
 Sunday, Nov. 14 Vancouver at Vernon
 Sunday, Nov. 21 Kelowna at Vernon

DECEMBER

Saturday, Dec. 4 Vancouver at Vernon
 Sunday, Dec. 12 Kelowna at Vernon
 Tuesday, Dec. 14 Kamloops at Vernon
 Friday, Dec. 17 Kamloops at Vernon
 Sunday, Dec. 19 Vancouver at Vernon
 Tuesday, Dec. 21 Penticton at Vernon
 Tuesday, Dec. 28 Chilliwack at Vernon
 Thursday, Dec. 20 Kelowna at Vernon

JANUARY

Saturday, Jan. 8 Penticton at Vernon
 Friday, January 14 Vancouver at Vernon
 Sunday, January 16 Chilliwack at Vernon
 Tuesday, January 18 Kelowna at Vernon
 Saturday, Jan. 22 Kamloops at Vernon
 Sunday, Jan. 30 Penticton at Vernon

FEBRUARY

Saturday, Feb. 5 Vancouver at Vernon
 Wednesday, Feb. 9 Penticton at Vernon
 Friday, Feb. 18 Vancouver at Vernon
 Sunday, Feb. 20 Chilliwack at Vernon
 Tuesday, Feb. 22 Kamloops at Vernon

MARCH

Saturday, March 11 Chilliwack at Vernon
 Tuesday, March 14 Kelowna at Vernon
 Friday, March 17 Kamloops at Vernon

AWAY GAMES

OCTOBER

Friday, Oct. 15 Vernon at Vancouver
 Saturday, Oct. 16 Vernon at Chilliwack
 Monday, Oct. 18 Vernon at Vancouver
 Tuesday, Oct. 19 Vernon at Kelowna
 Friday, Oct. 22 Vernon at Penticton

NOVEMBER

Friday, Nov. 5 Vernon at Penticton
 Wednesday, Nov. 10 Vernon at Kamloops
 Tuesday, Nov. 16 Vernon at Kelowna
 Thursday, Nov. 25 Vernon at Chilliwack
 Friday, Nov. 26 Vernon at Vancouver
 Saturday, Nov. 27 Vernon at Chilliwack
 Tuesday, Nov. 30 Vernon at Penticton

DECEMBER

Friday, Dec. 10 Vernon at Kelowna
 Saturday, Dec. 11 Vernon at Kamloops
 Sunday, Dec. 26 Vernon at Kamloops (2 p.m.)

JANUARY

Saturday, Jan. 1 Vernon at Chilliwack
 Sunday, Jan. 2 Vernon at Chilliwack
 Friday, Jan. 7 Vernon at Penticton
 Friday, Jan. 21 Vernon at Kelowna
 Friday, Jan. 28 Vernon at Kamloops

FEBRUARY

Friday, Feb. 4 Vernon at Penticton
 Friday, Feb. 25 Vernon at Penticton
 Saturday, Feb. 26 Vernon at Kamloops

MARCH

Friday, March 3 Vernon at Vancouver
 Saturday, March 4 Vernon at Chilliwack
 Sunday, March 5 Vernon at Vancouver
 Tuesday, March 7 Vernon at Kelowna
 Saturday, March 18 Vernon at Kamloops

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