

Santa Nice To Juniors

Old Saint Nick proved extremely good to three of the four teams in the Okanagan Mainline Junior Hockey League over the long weekend, which is about the most anyone can expect.

Kamloops Rockets maintained their healthy seven point lead in the standings with an 11-3 victory over Odie Lowe's lowly Vernon Canadians here Saturday night in a contest played before more than 400 spectators. But all was not dark for the Vernon crew. Showing a complete reversal of form they chalked up their second victory of the season Tuesday by downing Penticton Vees 4-1 at home.

Kelowna Buckaroos, the only other OMJHL team to see action over the weekend, made second and third period goal splurges pay off for an 11-4 Exhibition victory Tuesday over New Westminster Royals, leaders of the Mainland Junior Hockey League.

JAMES LEADS WAY

Versatile Jackie James, the OMJHL's leading scorer led the way for Rockets Saturday with three goals, while Glen Richards and Bill Cochran each pumped a brace. Bill Steinke, Buck Crawford, Ron Recchi, and Vic Minamide picked up the others.

Gordie Kineshenko and Bob Stein scored the Vernon goals.

Kineshenko also scored once yesterday as the Camucks upset third place Penticton Buck Shark. Alex McBride and Seiko Ouchi potted singles. Shelley At-

twell tallied the lone Penticton goal.

The last-place Canadians led all the way, taking a 1-0 edge in the first period and scoring two more in the second without a reply. Both teams picked up singles in the final frame.

Vernon forced Vees goalie Dale Harder to make 31 stops, while Bob Jones kicked out 38.

BUCKS DOMINATE PLAY

At Kelowna Tuesday, The Bucks took a 2-1 first period lead over New Westminster and never looked back. They added five goals in the second period and four in the third.

Leading the attack for the Kelowna club was their captain Bob Gruber who scored twice and assisted on three others. Ian Angus scored twice for Kelowna and singles went to Martin Schaefer, Perry Roman, Philip Larden, Sonny Herbst, Terry Kasubuchi, Russ Evans and Ken Hamanishi.

Ed Grenda, the top point gatherer in the Pacific Coast League, scored twice and Norm Connolly and Larry Wick added one each for New Westminster.

Rockets are at Penticton Friday and play host to the Vees here Saturday to round out this week's OMJHL action. Vernon is also at Kelowna Saturday.

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