

Vernon Visits Kelowna For Jr. Hockey Opener

Two Goalies Big Problem For Surkan



Roy Surkan

... which one?

Roy Surkan, coach of the NOHL Grandview Warriors, has a big problem on his hands albeit a pleasant one.

Surkan says he has two of what he considers the best goaltenders in the league, Bob Jones and George Beck, and he must choose which one to use this season.

Beck had the goalie's spot wrapped up but last Sunday Jones unexpectedly appeared for the Warrior's practice in the Civic Arena. Jones, a former Vernon junior and Grandview's ace goalie last year, brings the team roster to 22.

If Surkan can make a good trade for either one he says he won't hesitate. Otherwise he will keep Jones in goal and move Beck up to the forward line.

The Warriors are continuing practices every Sunday in preparation for their season opener against the Grindrod Elks here in the arena November 4.

Besides being coach of Grandview, Surkan is again the league statistician.

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Wall Street, New York financial hub, was so named for the stockade built by Dutch Governor Stuyvesant in 1653 to protect the settle-

Return Match Here Saturday, Brown Hopes For Good Crowd

This year's edition of the Vernon hockey juniors will be travelling to Kelowna this Friday seeking some opening night revenge.

Last year the Kelowna Buckaroos edged the Junior Canadians 5-4 in overtime to win the season opener here at the Civic Arena.

Coach Bill Brown and his juniors, now rechristened the Blades, will be out to make the Buccos walk the losing plank before their hometown audience.

If they don't make it stick the Blades have another chance Saturday night here in Vernon.

In other opening play in the Okanagan Junior Amateur Hockey League Kamloops visits Penticton Friday and then hosts the Junior Vees the following night.

This is the second year of operation for the OJAH since the Senior "A" hockey loop expired.

There will be a few new faces in the Vernon lineup Friday, coach Brown reports.

Eric Stein is scheduled to see his first action as a junior on defence. New up front are Howie McNeil, an ex-Jr. Vee; Corky Agar, who hails from Los Angeles; and Dave Groenhauson, a local product.

Helping Stein patrol the blue lines will be Dave MacKay, Gordie Nuyens and Gary Rolands, all back from last season. In the crease for another year is Larry Pirnak.

Regulars Dale Sorochnik, Jim Stephen, Bobby Stein, Buck Sherk, Ike Coulter, Gordie Kineshanko and Ralph Litzenberger will complete the forward line.

Brown plans to shuffle the forwards around in the opening clash to see which combinations click together best. As yet Kelowna is an unknown quantity and Brown doesn't know what to expect, either offensively or defensively.

With the first home game here Saturday night at 8:30 p.m., coach Brown hopes fans will get season tickets ahead of time so a good crowd will be on hand to cheer the juniors.

The tickets sell at \$8.00 and mean a saving of \$5.50 over the 18-game (home) season. Anyone wishing to buy

tickets can get them at the following places: Allison Hotel, Dye's Billiards, Ernie's Esso and Henri's Shop-Easy. They can also be purchased from any member of the junior hockey club.

Fans can pay for half the tickets now and half by December 1 if they wish.

Registration Closes Oct. 26 For Curling

Any ladies wishing to join the Vernon Business Girls' Curling Club must register by October 26, the club executive reports.

Registration forms may be obtained from Margaret Sigalek at Bloom and Sigalek or Kay Grant at Eaton's department store.

No schedule for the curling season has been drawn up as yet pending the completion of registration.

A new club vice-president, Ruth Wilson, has succeeded Kay Hunter, who retired.

Pheasant, Deer Competitions Next Month

Pheasant and mule deer competitions, sponsored by the Vernon Fish and Game Club, will take place next month.

Trophies for these two competitions are presently on display at Viel and Field's. Contestants for the pheasant competition must bring their birds there for measurement. Competition closes November 15.

Contestants for the deer competition must register before November 15 and bring their trophies to Earl's Taxidermists at the north end of Swan Lake.

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