

# Juniors Bombed 15-0 By Smooth Buffaloes

Vernon Junior Blades took to the ice against Calgary Buffaloes last Friday night in what was billed as a hockey game.

It turned into somewhat of a hockey massacre as the Calgary squad poured 15 goals behind Vernon goalies and threw enough rubber at the goal in between scoring to make one

wonder that the score didn't mount higher.

The Blades can't be knocked. They tried their best — which turned out not good enough.

The visitors were in superb condition and Vernon was not. Calgary skated circles around the Blades as a result.

Calgary mounted a hard-rock defence while the Blades blue line squad look-

ed a trifle porous on occasion. Vernon managed eight shots on goal during the three periods.

In the two listed differences is bundled the whole dismal story for the game.

However, Vernon officials weren't too dismayed with the showing. "We knew that Calgary was a better team than any team in the Okanagan," one club official stated. "They just were a lot stronger than even we imagined."

Vernon coach, Hap Schaffer, said the team would be in that much better condition, physically and men-

tally when they open the Okanagan Junior "A" Hockey League at home to Kamloops in the Civic Arena Saturday night.

"We're raring to go," he stated. "We should do all right in our home league despite the loss to Calgary."

Past President of the Vernon Minor Hockey Association, John Bruce, was on hand to present last year's B.C. Juvenile champs, Vernon Juveniles with windbreakers and crests between the second and third periods of the Blades game.

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