

# Moose Jaw Reputation Drops After Fiasco

## Penalty Studded Match 'Disgusting' Fans Say

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Moose Jaw Canucks' ability to play hockey will be remembered for quite a while in Vernon, but the sour reputation they left behind is a sure bet to last a lot longer.

A solid performance Tuesday night as they edged the Vernon Intermediates 3-2, couldn't erase the door of the fiasco when they met the Junior Blades Monday night.

Moose Jaw put on an exhibition of dirty, uncontrolled tactics that were so far removed from the expected show of skating and passing that Vernon fans were infuriated and didn't mind making their feelings known.

Lack of control was the crux of the whole matter as Moose Jaw coach Brian Shaw patiently ignored the first rule of coaching in any sport, he lost control of his team.

The out and out brawl that forced calling of the game before full time was both unnecessary and a blot on the name of hockey in Vernon according to many of those watching.

When Moose Jaw players took to the stands to go after some foul mouthed Vernon youths who had been ribbing them continuously throughout the game exhibited a fine set of "rabbit ears" for players supposedly destined for the major leagues of hockey.

Moose Jaw won the scoring parade, the penalty parade and they also won most of the fights to make a clean sweep of the evening's activities.

Admittedly the visitors excelled in skating and passing and for 11 minutes of the first period they were

content to put on a display that netted them three goals in the first four minutes of play.

Then the parade to the sin bin started. Moose Jaw proved far more adept at handing out elbows and butt ends without getting caught by the officials who had little warning of the explosion just around the corner.

When the less experienced Vernon team finally retaliated they were nailed for their infractions. However, finally the visitors didn't bother catering to the officials as they came out in the open with their rough house tactics.

Harrassed officials Art Davison and Odie Lowe assessed 43 penalties during the exhibition, 17 of them majors. Vernon took 19 and Moose Jaw 24.

From the latter first period Vernon counted 19 minutes of playing three man hockey and were one man short for much of the rest of the time.

While the Vernon fans who were engaged in activity razing the Moose Jaw players both behind their bench and behind the penalty box were undoubtedly no asset to Vernon if their actions Monday are any indication of their normal habits, still one should expect the quasi-professional Canucks to be able to take the guff from any crowd.

Also the Blades were

nothing loath to join battle with the visitors as soon as they saw which way the game was heading. However much of their efforts could be called protection and retaliation will never be decided.

An infuriated Larry Buchan, the B.C. Area representative of the Hockey Association laid down the law for the Tuesday game after

watching the debacle Monday.

At one time Buchan was reportedly thinking of recommending disciplinary action against Moose Jaw.

Whatever the causes the whole horrible schmozzle happened. The only sure thing is that Vernon fans wouldn't care for a repetition.

## Canucks Make About Face To Edge Intermediates

With the letter of the law spelled out in black and white by local and provincial officials, the Tuesday game between Luckies and Moose Jaw was a real hockey game.

Moose Jaw outskated the pressing Vernon squad to a 3-2 clip and fans came away satisfied, both with the performance of the fast improving locals and the Moose Jaw squad.

The visitors had beaten Boris Kabatoff in the Vernon nets three times by the end of the first period and looked in great shape to extend their margin.

But Vernon came untracked in the second period with Jack Howard finally beating Kamminga in the Moose Jaw

goal on an unassisted sprint up the middle.

Then at 13:36 of the second frame, Ernie Poggemiller took a relay from Kashabuchi and drilled it home to make it three to two.

From then on both Kabatoff and Kamminga made great saves as they barred the door on any further scoring.

Moose Jaw marred their attempt to live down their Monday performance when again they listened too closely to the ribbing of the younger set of the crowd and following the game went over the boards after some of the Vernon youths responsible. Mounties were quick to break up the ruckus.

## 1965-66 NOHL Schedule Sees Five Teams In Action

The popular North Okanagan Hockey League will swing into action October 24 with two games in the Vernon Civic Arena.

Five teams will contest the loop this season. Teams from Lumby, Grindrod, Head of the Lake and Grandview will be out to grab an early lead in league standings.

A complete schedule fol-

Cougars; Warriors vs. Frenchmen.

January 2 Elks vs. Warriors; Stampeders vs. Frenchmen.

January 9 Stampeders vs. Elks; Cougars vs. Warriors.

January 16 Cougars vs. Stampeders; Frenchmen vs. Elks.

January 23 Frenchmen vs. Cougars; Warriors vs.