

Juniors Edge Juveniles 5-3

Vernon Juveniles faced their biggest test of the season last week and blew it. Well, not really. They tried their hand at Junior Blades and came out holding the lower card of a 5-3 cut.

But Juveniles, who have been ringing up fabulous scores against every other team they met in their league competition, almost beat Blades before bowing out.

Despite the fact that the game was played on a non-stop basis and the younger players attempted to exert their manliness on the elder Blades, the score was the best indication of the way the play went.

Goals by Wernicke, Maier and Rielly for Blades and one for Williamson of Juveniles in the first period spelt a 3-1 led for Blades after the opening period.

Ivan Malinoski made it

4-1 with the only counter in the sandwich session and Juveniles outscored Blades in the final frame, 2-1.

Juvenile's last goals came from Stevenson and Williamson while Maier notched his second of the night for Juniors.

Juveniles won the penalty parade, 4-3, with King Cam suffering the only casualty, the gate at the halfway point of the initial period.

Grindrod News Items

Mr. and Mrs. Donny Baron of Castlegar and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Baron of Kamloops were home with their mother Mrs. S. Baron.

Miss Olive Kohut of Vancouver arrived home to spend the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. Kohut and brother Richard.

Blades' Boat Rocked

Kelowna 17, Vernon 1
Penticton 7, Vernon 3

The ways of the Kelowna Buckaroos and the Vernon Blades were enough to help Penticton-Summerland El Rancho Broncs vault into second place in Okanagan Junior "A" hockey play over the weekend.

Kelowna won and Vernon lost. Neither came as a surprise.

Broncs, who took a brace on the weekend, shot down Kamloops Friday and then turned on the hapless Blues Saturday night. Buckaroos waxed Blades, who are a threat to no team's position in the loop standings, in Kelowna and belted Kraft Kings in the Hub City.

In Kelowna Friday night Blades were without the services of a regular defenceman as they were socked by the bigger Buckaroos club.

OMJAHA STANDINGS

	G	W	L	T	P
Kel.	24	19	5	0	38
Pen.	25	14	10	1	29
Kam.	25	14	10	1	26
Ver.	24	2	12	0	5

Goalie Norm Schiman was the game fall guy. He did turn aside 46 shots, however, and was forced to stop most of them while his team was shorthanded. Of the 16 penalties issued in the game, Blades had the whistle blown on them 12 times.

Missing from Friday's lineup were the Prince George contingent of Blackburn, Bilodeau and Frey.

Broncs 7, Blades 3. If Blades were to depend upon their power play this season they would have won fewer games than the two that they did.

Against El Rancho Broncs juniors played equally as good hockey as visitors in the first and last periods. The sandwich session was exactly that with Broncs the bread and Blades the butter.

Penticton rearguard Ray Picco commenced proceedings with three minutes gone in the first game shovelling a pass home from Larry Palanio and it was not until five and a half minutes later that Neil Bilodeau countered for Blades converting a Maier-Stein pass pattern into paydirt.

El Rancho Broncs broke the tie late in the opening period but Blades rushed back to knot the score for

the second and last time at the 54 second mark of the second stanza. Russ Chernoff claimed the go-ahead goal and Gil Morrow Blue's second. Morrow also acquired the assistance of Maier and Stein.

The five unanswered goals to follow were too much for Blades to overcome in the final 20 minutes of the hockey game. Visitors got insurance markers from Chernoff, his second and third tallies of the night, and one each from Ray Picco, his second and Palanio and Biagioni.

Blade's third goal came in the third period via Alan Southward who recorded the toils of speedy Ivan Melinoski.

Gerry Allen in local nets was forced to stop 36 shots while Bob Belbin turned back 33 from his crease.

Summary:

First period—1. Pen. Picco (Palanio) 3:07; 2. Bilodeau (Stein, Maier) 8:37; 3. Pen. Chernoff (Brent) 18:36. Penalties—McCarthy, Southward, McCarthy, Smith.

Second period—4. Ver. Morrow (Stein, Maier) 00:54; 5. Pen. Picco (McInnes) 1:31; 6. Pen. Palanio (Picco) 2:11; 7. Pen. Biagioni (McInnes, Hays) 3:15; 8. Pen. Chernoff (Luxton) 12:25; 9. Chernoff (Luxton, Hays) 18:35. Penalties—Stein, Hays, Gregg, Gregg, Reilly, Hays.

Third period—10. Ver. Southward (Melinoski) 7:14. Penalties—Stein, Biagioni (roughing, highsticking, 10-minute misconduct and game misconduct) McCarthy, Palanio.

Additional SPORT

Banff, Quebec

World's Top Skiers Will Enter Contest

When the world's top skiers meet in the du Maurier International at Banff and Mont Ste. Anne in February, finishing times will be reckoned in hundredths of a second.

Officials of the Canadian Amateur Ski Association organizing committee for the event said timing used would be the Longines system as used at the Squaw Valley Olympics of 1960 and the 1964 games at Innsbruck.

The first instance of the use of this type of automatic timing device in an international ski competition was at the F.I.S. world championships in Colorado in 1950.

The timing mechanism is activated when the skier breaks through a slender gate at the start of the run and is stopped when he passes through a photoelectric beam at the finish line. Competitors times are recorded, together with their starting numbers, on a printer housed near the finish line. The photoelectric beam is not affected by rain or snow.

Honor Student Receives Augie Ciancone Award

WINFIELD—A grade 11 Honor student of George Elliot Secondary School, Wayne Taiji, was recently given the Augie Ciancone Memorial Award. He was chosen on the basis of his athletic achievements, community participation and academic standing.

The presentation was made between periods of a junior hockey game at

Skiers from the 10 countries participating in the du Maurier International, the largest international ski competition ever held in Canada, are all familiar with the system.

The double event will bring together the top skiers of Austria, France, Italy, Norway, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland and the United States in competition with Canada's best in slalom events at Mount Norquay, Banff, on Feb. 12 and 13 and at Mont Ste. Anne, Quebec, the following weekend, Feb. 19 and 20.

Having the crowd behind you makes a big difference to a skier's confidence, according to Nancy Greene, recently given top rating for women in the slalom and giant slalom by the Federation Internationale de Ski. In the special slalom she shared the number one spot with the Goitschel sisters of France, Jean Saubert of the U.S. and Heidi Schmid-Biehl of Germany. Nancy, Marielle Goitschel and the Swiss Therese Obrecht shared top rank in the giant slalom.

Nancy said the Canadian skiers were looking forward to the du Maurier International "We're eager to have people cheering for us for a change. European skiers get a big lift from their crowds. We hope for the same thing. You feel more confident with the crowd behind you." Nancy will be one of Canada's aces when the du Maurier International is held at Banff and Mont Ste-Anne, in Quebec, on consecutive weekends next February.

With this excellent classification which places her on the same rung of the ladder as the renowned