

# Southerners held answer

## Blades dumped twice in weekend puck play

The Okanagan Junior Hockey League, which less than two weeks ago threatened the closest four-way race in its short history, swung back to a haven of haves and have nots at the weekend.

The Penticton Broncs, current league leaders with 13 wins in 15 starts and unbeaten in their last 10 outings, and the Kelowna Buckaroos, who with 23 points are just three shy of the front runners, are the "haves".

The "have nots" are the Vernon Blades, with four wins and a tie in 15 matches and the Kamloops Kraft Kings, who are exactly eleven full games back of the pace setters.

Friday and Saturday night the Broncs moved four more points towards a league title. They dumped the Kraft Kings 7-3 at home and then blasted the Blades 10-5 in Vernon.

Kelowna remained within striking distance by beating Vernon 7-4 in overtime Friday and rocking Kamloops 9-4 Saturday.

### OJHL STANDINGS

	W	L	T	F	A	P
Broncs	13	2	0	90	61	26
Bucks	11	6	1	107	58	23
Blades	4	9	1	69	77	9
Kings	2	13	0	41	88	4

In their match at the Central City, the Blades stayed within reach of their hosts until the fourth session, which was all Buckaroo. At home, against the finely drilled Penticton Purple Gang, they couldn't get untracked until the final period and then, were still forced into playing a defensive game.

Two Vernon players shone through the dark clouds of despair which seemed to get worse Saturday after the turn-about in the fourth period Friday night. Juvenile defenseman Barry Mori, restricted somewhat in size, dished out two vicious checks, one in each game, blocked a number of shots triggered for the net, and was without a doubt, the best Blade over the two-game weekend. Tom Serviss, in his first two games for Blades, showed signs of being the Blueshirts ticket offensively.

### Broncs 10 Blades 5

Locals were never in the contest Saturday night. The game report states that they outshot Penticton 41-37, but the report is no indication of the play. The Broncs swarmed goalies Gerry Allen and Dave In-

gram all through the game, particularly in the second period when Blades seldom got a chance to get the puck into the Penticton end unless they iced it.

Broncs led 3-1 after the first period, 8-3 after the sandwich session and settled for a four goal split in the finale.

Twelve penalties were called in the contest, seven to Vernon, including a five minute major to Tom Williamson when he checked Broncs Wayne McInnes into the boards and 10-minute and game misconducts to King Cam in the second period when he digressed with referee Art Davison over an elbowing call.

Terry Luxton, Gene Peacosh and Brian Evans notched two goals each for Broncs while singles came from Jim O'Neil, Bob Mowat, Ray Picco and Wayne Schaab.

Vernon replies were authored by Tom Serviss, Ivan Malinosky, Williamson, Alan Southward and Juvenile-cum-Junior Jeff Wilson.

## PIN POINTS

Wednesday Mixed, Nov. 23.

### TEAM STANDINGS

Geniers.....	222
Lane Lions.....	218
NOCA.....	217
Strangers.....	206
Crushers.....	204
No Names.....	196
McLag.....	181
Curly Q's.....	173
No Betters.....	168
Rozwels.....	160
V. Men's Wear... 159	
CFACS.....	157
Question Marks... 147	
By Liners.....	116

High Averages: Mens, Val Andretta - 228; Ladies, Minie Sykes - 218.

Team High Three: Mc Lag - 3,887.

Team High Single: Geniers - 1,389.

Men's High Three: Val Andretta - 787.

Men's High Single: Ben Aaldevink - 320.

Ladies' High Three: Lil Kaneda - 770.

Ladies High Single: Helen Henley - 293.

## In senior circuit

# North Kamloops leads everything

According to first point totals released by Okanagan Mainline Hockey League statistician Tom Endean Thursday, the North Kamloops Totems lead everybody and almost everything.

The North Kamloops team leads the rest of the league after nine games with seven wins and two losses, dominate the loop in goal scoring and are second only to Kelowna in goaltending.

### OMHL STANDINGS

	W	L	T	F	A	P
N. Kam..	7	2	0	81	27	14
Kelowna.	6	2	0	56	22	12
Vernon..	5	3	1	46	37	11
Rvlstke..	1	6	0	22	81	2
Sal Arm.	0	6	1	19	53	1

Up to date statistics are as follows:

Okanagan Mainline Hockey League (Scoring) —

	G	A	P
Fred Gaber(NK)..	13	13	26
Bob Gannon (NK)	11	13	24
Wayne North(Kel)	12	8	20
Dale Sandyke(NK)	12	7	19
Eric Shishido(NK)	9	9	18
Ev Miller (NK)..	8	10	18
Jim Moro (Ver)..	8	9	17
Ralph Litzen'er..	7	7	14
Terry Kasabuchi	7	6	13
Bill Donaldson...	5	7	12
Al Rogan (Ver)..	8	4	12
Jim Shussell.....	4	8	12
Dick Bulloch(Kel)	2	10	12
Goal Tenders Averages:			
Boris Kabatoff (Kel)..	2.75		
John Panagrot (NK)...	3.00		
D. Boch Philips (Ver)	4.11		
Brian Woodward (SA)..	7.57		
Geo Beck (Rev).....	11.57		



**BARRY MORI**  
... the best Blade.

### Bucks 7 Blades 4

KELOWNA — A goal by Tom Serviss after just 10 seconds in the game appeared all Blades needed to get them rolling Friday night. But the Buckaroos, playing one of their best skating matches of the season, fought back, and threatened to runaway with the game on the strength of their 4-2 lead after two periods, before Blades could pull them up short with a 4-4 draw in the first 60 minutes of play.

Serviss, teamed with Lawrence Quechuck and Ivan Malinosky, when Quechuck wasn't sitting out a fighting major for mixing it with Buckaroos Mike Meechan in the second period, and Malinosky wasn't benched with a misconduct after disputing Kelowna's fourth goal, provided Blues with their best one-two punch of the season. Keith Rolston, playing perhaps his best game as a Blade, and Alan Southward, split by centreman Tom Williamson, spread the scoring around.

Serviss scored his opener on Blades first skate up the ice and the Buckaroos trailed until Bob Muir, one of three new youngsters from Kimberley to bolster the Central City line-up, found the mark at 6:17, just after King Cam returned to the ice following an elbowing penalty.

Brian Fisher, the Okanagan Junior Hockey League's top point-getter, fired Bucks second marker at 7:12, when he persisted in shoving the puck under the body of Blades goalie Gerry Allen after a third try.

Allen again had to be called upon to stop over 50 shots while Buckaroos Rex Rideout handled the rubber 27 times.

Many of Blades shots missed the net. Rolston, who with Williamson and Quechuck, got the biggest portion of bad luck around the Kelowna cage, finally got on target less than a minute later to re-tie the game. Taking a pass from Southward, the rugged winger slammed it behind Rideout from 10 feet in front of the net.

Fisher got his second goal of the night at 13:14 digging at Allen until the puck trickled free and into the Vernon net.

The fourth Kelowna goal, scored when Butch Deadmarsh gobbled up a rebound and stuck it into the net, earned Malinosky his 10 minute sentence after he chased referee Mike Durban and all it did was slow down the Vernon attack, which had its hands full containing the Bucks for the rest of the period.

The third session was all Blades. After trading near misses with Bucks in the early part of the frame, Blades finally found the mark. At 13:09 Malinosky redeemed himself by knifing through two Kelowna defenders in a move he has patented. And at 18:24, with time almost up for Blades, Williamson scored his line's second counter waltzing in untouched from a face-off in the Kelowna end.

The overtime period of 10 minutes belonged, once more, to the Buckaroos.

At the 23 second mark, with Bucks Dave Couves in the sin bin and Malinosky and Serviss playing the point on Blades power play, Mike Darnbrough speared the puck from Malinosky at the red line and raced in alone to beat Allen with the winner.

Two more goals, scored by Cousins and Drew Kitsch, were only icing on the cake, which Bucks had, and ate too.

## Bucks stop locals in overtime

Summary  
Bucks 7 Blades 4

First period — 1. Ver, Serviss (Reilly, Malinosky) 00:10; 2. Kel, Muir (Couves, Coldwell) 6:12; 3. Kel, Fisher (J. Strong, Deadmarsh) 7:12; 4. Ver, Rolston (Southward) 7:26; 5. Kel, Fisher (J. Strong, Deadmarsh) 13:14. Penalties — Cam, Quechuck, T. Strong.

Second period — 6. Kel, Deadmarsh (J. Strong, Fisher) 12:09. Penalties — B. Allen, Williamson and Kitsch (major), Malinosky (misconduct), Quechuck, (major) and Meehan (major), Deadmarsh.

Third period — 7. Ver, Malinosky (Quechuck) 13:09; 8. Ver, Williamson (unassisted) 18:24. Penalties — Halev, Couves.

Overtime — 9. Kel, Darnbrough (unassisted) 00:23; 10. Kel, Cousins (Meehan) 5:36; 11. Kel, Kitsch (unassisted) 8:49. Penalties — Allen.

Summary  
Broncs 10 Blades 5

First period — 1. Pen, Schaab (Picco) 1:22; 2. Pen, Luxton (Palanio, O'Neil) 13:43; 3. Ver, Serviss (Baron) 18:04; 4. Pen, Picco (Luxton, Madden) 19:23. Penalties — Mowat, Thompson, Southward, Cam.

Second period — 5. Pen, Luxton (Picco, Schaab) 00:13; 6. Pen, Evans (Picco, Connors) 7:32; 7. Ver, Malinosky (Serviss) 8:48; 8. Pen, Evans, (Picco, Connors) 14:30; 9. Ver, Williamson (Serviss, Malinosky) 14:49; 10. Pen, Peacosh (Luxton, Palanio) 16:41; 11. Pen, Mowat (Picco) 19:51. Penalties — Cam, Cam (misconduct), Cam (game misconduct), Elliott, Williamson (major).

Third period — 12. Ver, Wilson (Mori) 3:34; 13. Pen, Peacosh (Madden) 9:18; 14. Pen, O'Neil (Peacosh) 13:18; 15. Ver, Southward (Wilson, Quechuck) 14:01. Penalties — Thompson, Peacosh, Peacosh.

The following player transactions have been completed at the major league meetings.

Pittsburgh Pirates purchased pitcher Juan Pizaro from Chicago White Sox.

Los Angeles Dodgers traded outfielder Tommy Davis and infielder-outfielder Derrell Griffith to New York Mets for second baseman Ron Hunt and infielder-outfielder Jim Hickman.

New York Yankees traded third baseman Clete Boyer to Atlanta for outfielder Bill Robinson and pitcher Federico Chi Chi Olivo.

Los Angeles Dodgers traded shortstop Maury Wills to Pittsburgh for infielder-outfielder Bob Bailey and shortstop Gene Michael.

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# the dull edge

... by Denis Feser, Sports Editor

So Tom Serviss took just ten seconds to make his presence known in the Okanagan Junior Hockey League. Despite his efforts, which proved more of a puck sense than an overpowering skating ability, asking him to lead the Blades to victory in his initial appearance is like saying, "Hey, Moses baby, do that bit with the sea again, will you?"

The fact is, the task the solid winger has to fulfill is almost as staggering. And he won't have as much going for him as Moses did either.

Friday night he scored the Blades opening goal against Kelowna, which seemed to get them uncracked. But it was only momentary. A fellow by the name of Terry Strong, one of the league's best defensemen, on a club which doesn't think defensively, kept Serviss bottled up for the rest of the night.

Saturday, although he contributed to the Blue-shirts cause with a goal and two assists, a personal duel with Broncs Gene Peacosh, left him second best.

He had to share what limelight Blades had too. Young Barry Mori, Blades defenseman who was called up from the Juvenile ranks for the third time this season, performed admirably and was easily the classiest Blade on the ice, not excluding Serviss.

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Blades, as a whole, could take a few lessons from the fearless checker and puck carrier. Mori, and another Juvenile age player, Jeff Wilson, used again by coach Odie Lowe after an opening satisfied showing, played heads-up hockey and did not lose same heads (as some regulars are prone to) under the circumstances.

Mori nailed centre Bruce Cousins in mid-ice Friday evening at Kelowna and Saturday he dinged Terry Luxton in a similar situation. Wilson scored Blades fourth goal of the Saturday game with Broncs, well after the outcome was decided.

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One Blade put it best when Ashton Creek elementary school children invaded Vernon Civic Arena en masse (most of them for the first time) Saturday night, to take in the game. They sought autographs in the Blades dressing room when it was over. "You kids should be down at the other end getting THEIR autographs," somebody piped up.

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Salmon Arm Aces earned new life in the Okanagan Mainline Hockey League Saturday night when they turned back the Vernon Luckies 6-2. Aces, who two weeks ago called an emergency meeting to determine the future of senior hockey in that city, were on the verge of collapse, but managed to play a game with North Kamloops Totems. They lost the game by a ridiculously high score, but had two weeks until their next fixture, which was the recent game with Luckies. They had been promised additional help in the form of interested players from Kootenays but the players never showed. They played without them and beat Luckies anyway.

Perhaps the league will turn into something after all.

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team to keep pace with the Frenchmen by handing Grindrod Elks their second straight loss, 10-5.

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Mel Rook, who injured his wrist almost a month ago and was out of action since, is expected to return to the Luckies lineup when the Luckies host Kelowna Molsons tomorrow night.

## Building speeds up

FALKLAND — Progress was made on the Curling Club building at the weekend. Working members of the club completed the closing in of the sides and the building is now reasonably weatherproof. Wiring has progressed very well although there is still much to be done.

The floor is levelled off and awaits the attaching of the header pipes. Several thousand feet of one inch plastic pipe must be laid on this floor, attached to the two header pipes and securely anchored at the north end so they will lie flat on the floor about four inches apart, across the whole width of the two sheets twenty four feet. Sand will be spread to fill in the spaces between the pipes.

A large tank in the pump room will hold a mixture of water and a ton of calcium chloride. a pump there, will circulate the brine through the refrigerating unit and through the plastic pipes in the rink. Another pump will bring water from the well to supply the rink for the brine mixture, ice, washrooms and kitchen.

Washrooms and kitchen must still be built in but the main structure is now enclosed. It is a credit to the community and especially to the half dozen or so men who have done most of the organizing and much of the labor thus far.

Many have helped a little when it suited convenience. To the ones who have really put themselves out a "Thank you" is extended.

Curling should start sometime in December and all those planning to curl should leave their names at Falkland Hotel, Big Star Service or McClounie's Store.

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