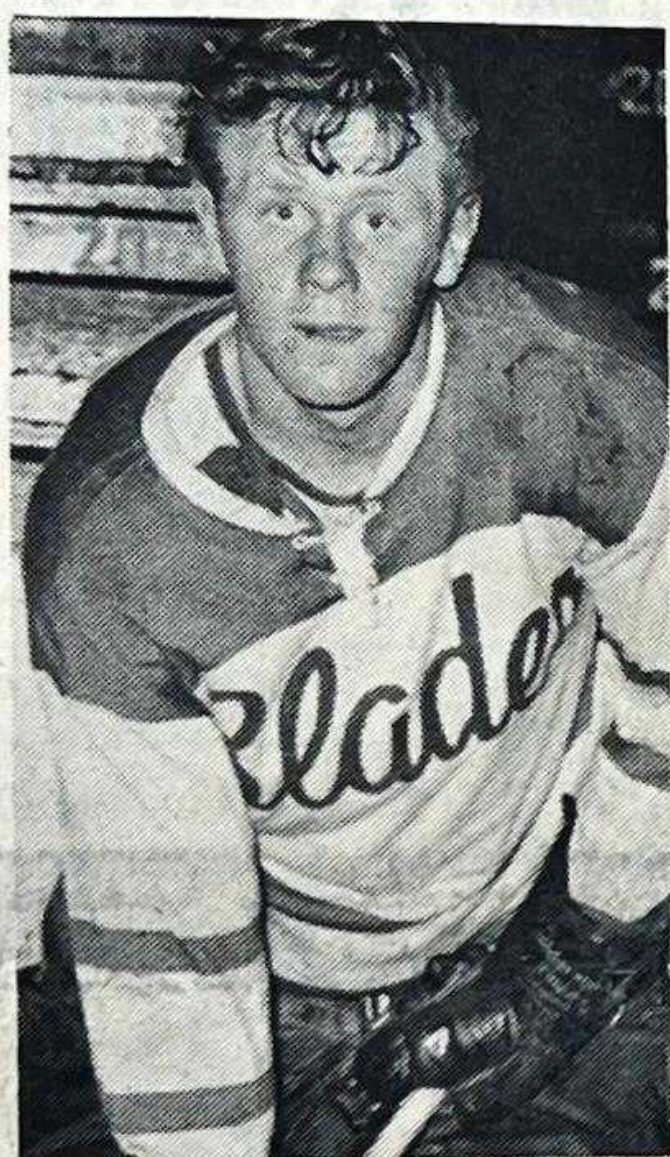


At weekend

Blades tangle with league's toughest

The Vernon Blades have not won a game in their last five and they have a chance tomorrow night and Saturday to either extend the current losing splurge or bring it to a sudden, screeching halt.

Friday evening the Blades invade Kelowna's second place Buckaroos and Saturday night they entertain the Penticton Broncos in Civic Arena. It's a toss-up as to which task will be the toughest.



Keith Rolston
... back in groove

Buckaroos, although in second place, have the advantage of home ice, while the Broncos, who are unbeaten in their last four outings, appear to make themselves at home regardless of where they play.

Broncos opened up a five-point gap between them and the second place Bucks by winning three times while the Kelownas were turning back the last place Kamloops Kraft Kings.

A determining factor in this weekend's action will be how healthy the Blades are and, on top of that, whether a number of their un-injured players can rebound to their old form.

Keith Rolston, with a four goal performance Saturday night in Blades 7-6 double-overtime loss to Kraft

Kings, appears to be back in the groove.

Another player to impress with his hustle despite Blades showing in recent games has been Lawrence Quechuck. Tom Serviss, although held off of the goal sheet, earned five assists at the weekend in doing much of the work on Rolston's tallies.

On the injured list is Tom Williamson, who has missed Blades last three starts, and his return to the line-up should add some degree of scoring punch; and Ivan Malinosky, hindered by a leg injury.

Malinosky and Williamson jointly share the Blades individual scoring leadership with 40 points each in a tie for sixth place in the league standings and a 100 per cent recovery by the two of them before the weekend could be the ticket for locals.

Game time here Saturday night has been set for 8:30 p.m.

Blades Scoring Leaders

	G	A	Pim	P
Malinosky...	21	19	26	40
Williamson..	24	16	50	40
Quechuck....	12	20	39	32
Rolston.....	17	3	12	20
Southward....	6	10	41	16
Serviss.....	7	9	23	16
Reilly.....	4	7	18	11
Pollen.....	3	7	11	10
Cam.....	5	4	121	9
B. Allen.....	2	3	33	5
Elliott.....	1	6	44	7
Clarke.....	0	3	10	3

OJHL Top Scorers to Jan. 4, 1967

	G	A	P
Fisher, Kel.....	30	36	66
J. Strong, Kel.....	21	35	56
Picco, Pen.....	28	26	54
E. Peacosh, Pen..	26	22	48
T. Luxton, Pen..	17	26	43
M. Meehan, Kel..	18	22	40
Malinosky, Vern.	21	19	40
B. Mowat, Pen...	14	26	40
Williamson, Vern	24	16	40
Cousins, Kel.....	20	18	33
Palanio, Pen.....	10	27	37

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**CHILDREN
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