

Penticton blank Essos 7-0

Hardly a contest by Vernon club

Penticton Broncos left no doubt in anyone's mind as to why they are so far out in front of the rest of the B.C. junior "A" league following Wednesday night's shellacking of the hapless Vernon Essos, 7-0.

Playing before more than 900 Vernon fans, the Broncos outclassed the Essos at every turn, with tenacious forechecking that kept Vernon squad bottled up in their own zone virtually throughout the 60 minute encounter. Essos never did get a sustained attack going.

Second string centreman Pat Loughton, paced the Broncos win with three goals, while team mate Bob Mowat scored two and assisted on two others to add to his league leading individual scoring. Single markers came off the sticks of Eddy Hays and Wayne Schaab.

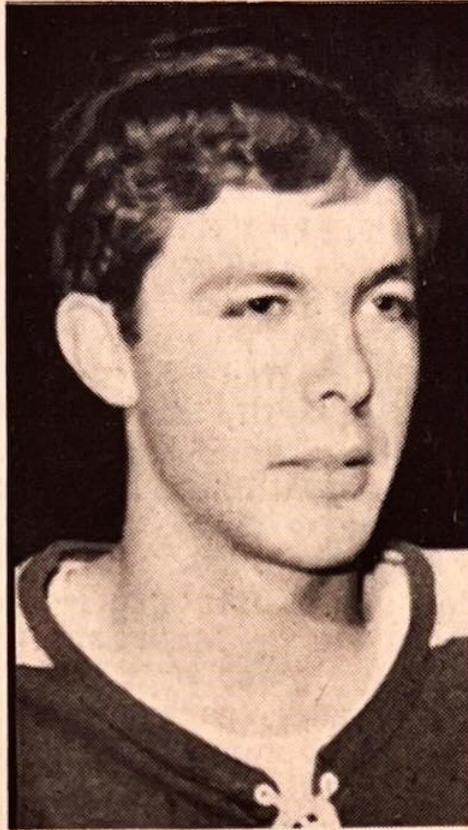
Many local fans expressed disappointment in the Essos play, because it was felt by many, the local club had the best chance to down the front running Broncos.

Neither team played top grade hockey in the first period, but it did look as if the Essos were going to hold their own with the period ending in a scoreless tie. The Broncos held a slight edge in play, outshooting Essos 16-6.

The first eight minutes of the second saw much the same brand of hockey with the Essos showing traces of going ahead with a couple plays by Jeff Wilson and his line moving in on Bronco goalie Doug Thompson,

However, Penticton took advantage of a defensive lapse by the Essos to open their scoring at 8:48 of the middle stanza with Pat Loughton slipping a backhand shot past the short side of Jack Gilroy.

A little better than two minutes later, the Broncos had moved ahead on two more goals, one of them a break-away by Eddy Hays.



RICK REILLY
injury received

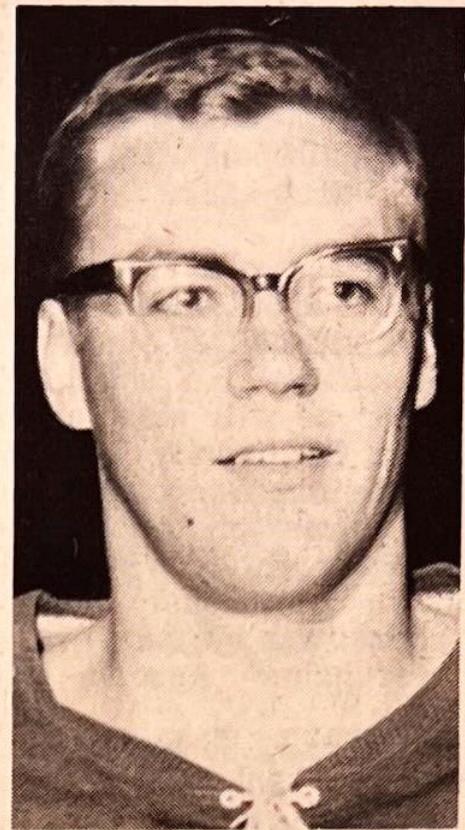
From then on it was strictly all Bronco hockey.

By the end of the second period, the score stood 4-0 with Broncos adding three more in the final period to whitewash the Essos completely.

Vernon has played much better hockey, particularly on their road trips. Injuries have been a deciding factor in some of their games but the poor showing displayed Wednesday was no excuse, particularly in the eyes of coach Odie Lowe.

Ken Pollon was dressed for the game, but didn't see any ice time as his knee just wasn't quite ready yet. Rick Reilly wasn't in the game either. He has had trouble with an infected elbow for several weeks, but was sidelined following a swollen knee suffered in the Kamloops game last Sunday.

Bob Mayer played, but even his knee wasn't up to par and kept bothering him during the game. Dick Marsh, another blue line patroller had his right shoulder knocked out of joint in the last Kelowna match and suffered the same injury Wednesday, but was able to continue playing when trainer Jim Smith taped it back in place.



KEN POLLON
torn knee tendons

Vernon travel to Penticton tonight.

PIN POINT

MONDAY MIXED

Ladies high single— Diane Dinbar 261; men's high single Al McKay 315.

Ladies high triple— Terry White 663; men's high triple Al McKay 731.

Team high single— Twisters 1,289; team high triple Twisters 3,715.

Ladies high average — Terry White 209; men's high average Gerald Wiley 224.

"300" Club—Al McKay 315.

TEAM STANDINGS

Aristocrats	169
Twisters	155
B.C.G.E.A.S.	132
Lucky Strikes	123
Capital Cabs	121
88's	119
Silver Stars	111
Bill's Cleaning	107
Short Circuits	81

