



### At Winterside, it's fun night or day

A five-minute drive from downtown Vernon brings the skier to one of the best little winter recreation areas in B.C. Under the ownership and management of Sandy and Molly Boyd, Winterside is unique in that it is so handy and any type of skier, particularly the beginner can enjoy himself night or day. Situated on the west slopes of Vernon Mountain, three miles due east of the city the well-groomed slope is presently enjoying one of the best winters in three years of operation. The hill fea-

tures a 900 foot rope tow with a canteen and large enclosed warming hut. And there is also plenty of room for tobogganing and sleigh riding. Jerry Goudge, senior ski instructor is conducting Monday, Wednesday and Friday night ski lessons for adults and on Saturdays has two morning and two afternoon classes for children. Ski and equipment rentals are available at the hill and ski lesson rates are reasonable.

## NORTH SPORTS OKANAGAN

### Essos standings per team to Jan. 1/68

	P	W	L	T	PF	PA
Vernon Essos	25	12	10	3	27	23
Vernon vs Penticton	5	1	4	0	2	8
Vernon vs Kamloops	7	4	3	0	8	6
Vernon vs New West	5	3	1	1	7	3
Vernon vs Victoria	5	3	1	1	7	3
Vernon vs Kelowna	3	1	1	1	3	3

### Team scoring to Jan. 1/68

	G	A	Pts
Serviss	17	39	56
Wilson	28	21	49
Rolston	17	27	44
Quechuk	16	18	34
Williamson	13	15	28
Vachon	8	14	22
Mayer	10	6	16
Dye	7	9	16
Hackman	5	10	15
Perepolkin	3	10	13
Marsh	2	5	7
Blanchette	3	3	6
Malinoski	2	3	5
Pollon	2	2	4
Nelson	1	0	1
Reilly	0	1	1

### Ski Tips

by Gerry Goudge, C.S.I.A.

We are now ready to learn traversing. This manoeuvre is to descend a slope diagonally. Stand with skis across the hill and advance the uphill ski slightly. Now turn the body so that it is positioned at an angle approximately 45 degrees to the skis. By doing this, the hips will be slightly back and into the hill. Place more weight on the downhill ski by bending at the waist (angulating). Your hands and poles should be held in natural relation to the body position. Practise traversing across the slope in both directions until you can hold this position and carve across the hill without losing or releasing the edges.

### Women curlers vye for Myrtle LeBlond trophy

The second round of the Afternoon Women curling group will commence at Vernon curling club tomorrow at 2 p.m.

The afternoon division will be vying for the Myrtle LeBlond memorial trophy with 12 rinks registered.

Curling takes place each Tuesday and Friday afternoons with the second round of play expected to be completed towards the end of Feb.

The following is the first day of play with the remaining schedule to be announced later.

Rink 1 — Smith vs Maynard  
Rink 2 — Pierce vs Little  
Rink 3 — French vs S. Henschke  
Rink 4 — Lekopy vs Wells  
Rink 5 — Fee vs T. Henschke

The Ryan and Balcombe rinks will get the bye for the opener.

The early residents of Boys Town, Neb., staged a roving vaudeville show to earn money for the famed home for boys.

### Back to third place

## Juniors drop two of three games

Saturday — Essos 6, New West 7  
Sunday — Essos 3, Victoria 0  
Monday — Essos 5, Kamloops 8

Vernon Essos are hurting in more ways than just one. Their two losses in three games over the weekend and Tom Williamson out for the rest of the season with a broken arm along with Ken Pollen once more on the disabled list, gives them a somewhat shaky position for their two game series with Kelowna this weekend.

The problem could be worsened by the sudden awakening of the here-to-for dormant Buckaroos who of late have come to life with startling victories over Penticton and New Westminster and a tie with Victoria, for four straight games without a loss.

Essos loss to Kamloops on New Year's day was the final thrust to the sagging punch the local squad has been displaying of late. Their image as the team to beat in the eyes of the remaining five teams has slipped and now, unless they can show some of their old fire, they just might be in trouble.

A three goal effort by Al Knight paced the Royals to their 7-6 win over the Essos Saturday, as the Essos lost a first period 2-1 edge, letting the Royals score four times in the second stanza and add two more in the final period for the victory.

On Sunday, it took the Essos nearly 32 minutes to break a scoreless deadlock with fifth place Victoria Cougars.

Lawrence Quechuk put Essos on the scoreboard with a hard drive at 1:57 of the third period with Larry Hackman and Bob Mayer setting him up.

Quechuk's goal seemed to give Essos their much needed drive, because two minutes later Jeff Wilson swooped in on Cougar's minder Murray Finlay for the second tally. It was Quechuk and Tom Serviss that set this play up. Then with only a minute and 19 seconds left in the game, a tremendous hard drive from the blueline by Bob Mayer put the game away for the Essos.

Essos, Jerry Vachon and Tom Serviss were the play makers on Mayers goal.

The shutout was the first for the Essos and goalie Jack Gilroy. But it came almost the hard way for the Vernon squad as they were hard pressed all the way by the desperate Cougars.

Travelling to Kamloops on New Year's Day wasn't the best thing the team could do to start the 1968 portion of the schedule.

Kamloops have always been the tough team to beat on their own ice and on this particular occasion there was no exception.

Rockets' two quick goals 26 seconds apart early in the opening period should never have been as the defensive tactics of the Essos failed them completely.

Both Larry Hackman and Chris Nelson were the culprits on these goals as they each took turns passing the puck to Rockett attackers in the Vernon zone for the easy goals.

Bob Mayer got the Essos back into the game a short time later when he knotted a goal on a screen play with help from Rockets Greg Scrivner who failed in turn to clear the puck safely.

It was a 2-2 game at the two minute mark of the second frame, with Wayne Dye and Hackman teaming on a nice bit of maneuvering.

However, Rockets' two goal effort late in the second period, put a dark cloud back over the head of the Essos who were faced with a three-goal deficit in the last period.



### A buss to recovery

Injured hockey player Tom Williamson, receives kisses for a quick recovery from special friends Jean Primrose left and Shirley Watts. Williamson suffered a painful broken left arm during last Saturday night's junior hockey game between Vernon Essos and New Westminster Royals. He fell off balance into the boards late in the game, breaking the arm both above and below the elbow. He is not expected to play again this year and because of his age will not return to junior ranks next season. Doctor's report is that he will be in a cast for at least 10 weeks.

Again, the Essos showed a brief spark as they once again tied the game on three quick goals within the first five minutes of the final frame.

A nice effort came from Keith Rolston who literally flew in on the Rockets' goal and banged in a back-hand shot that made Goalie Wally Denault look bad as he never made a move. Quechuk and Wilson started this play.

Wilson took the honors on the next marker with Quechuk and Rolston also in on the drive.

An excellent effort by Mike Perepolkin, who worked down the centre ice and drove a hard shot that deflected off the pants of Tom Serviss into the Rocket goal mouth to tie the game 5-5. However, that was to be the end of the Essos playmaking as Rockets came back with three more of their own to wrap the game up and move one point ahead of Essos for sole possession of second place.

Schedule-wise, this was the last game of the year between Essos and Rockets, however, the protested game of Nov. 1 has yet to be decided upon and at the moment, no word has been received from league president Clem Bird of Penticton as to what decision he will make.

Most officials around the league feel he should have made a decision at the time of the protest. As one official put it, "the league president is showing a very weak link in an otherwise well organized and smooth running organization."

The injury to Tom Williamson will have its effect on the scoring punch of the Essos, Williamson broke his left arm late in the third period of the New Westminster game. He lost his balance as he was working the puck around the corner in the Royals zone and fell headlong into the boards, taking all his weight on his left elbow and arm. Reports say he will be lost for the remainder of the season and will be in a cast for at least 10 weeks.

Ken Pollon, who was lost to the Essos for several

games early in the season due to a knee injury is also reported to be having problems again with the same knee.

One bright spot on the Essos cloudy horizon is the return of Ivan Malinosky and Alan Southward.



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Ver.	12	9	3	133	129	27
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## Sports narrator coming here

Keith McColl, TV personality of the popular sportsmen's "Outdoors Unlimited" show will be on hand Saturday to help officially open the Okanagan Lake fish derby that begins Jan. 6 and runs through to April.

Mr. McColl, who produces the sports type series will be on hand to

shoot film for trophy trout caught on the first day for his TV series.

Start point for the derby is off the Vernon yacht club and local co-ordinator Smokey Tremblay will be like as many as possible to be on hand with their boats for the opening ceremonies.

For more details on the opening program, those interested are asked to contact Mr. Tremblay at 542-2895.

It is also understood, the chamber of commerce will hold a "meet Keith McColl" night, Saturday evening in the National Hotel. For more information on this, contact Stuart Hellis at the chamber office.

While in the Vernon area, Mr. McColl will be given a tour of Silver Star ski areas and also will be taken by snowmobile to the snowmobile recreational area on the West side of Silver Star.

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Vernon Essos play host to Kelowna Buckaroos in junior "A" hockey action Saturday night. This is a return match as Vernon will be in Kelowna Friday night. Saturday game time is set for 8:30 p.m.

