



### 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 reasonable at the hill and ski lesson rates are reasonable.

### Sports narrator coming here

Keith McColl, TV personality of the popular sportsman'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 would like as many as possible to be on hand with their boats for the opening ceremony.

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.

### Bantam league standings

Bantam House League standings to Dec. 30, 1967 are as follows:

	W	L	T	P
Rocky's Husky	11	1	3	25
Ernie's Esso	10	1	4	24
Rennick Lbr.	7	6	3	17
Vernon News	6	6	3	18
Blue Bears	5	7	3	13
Vernon S. & M.	5	8	3	13
Credit Union	4	11	1	9
Noca	3	10	2	8

## NORTH SPORTS OKANAGAN

**Esso's standings per team to Jan. 1/68**

	P	W	L	T	PF	PA
Vernon Esso	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
Wilson	28	21
Rolston	17	27
Quechuk	16	18
Williamson	13	15
Vachon	8	14
Mayer	10	6
Dye	7	9
Hackman	5	10
Perepolkin	3	10
Marsh	2	5
Blanchette	3	3
Malinowski	2	3
Pollon	2	2
Nelson	1	4
Reilly	0	1

### Women curlers eye for Myrtle LeBlond trophy

The second round of the Afternoon Women curling group will recommence 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 - Lekopoy 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 the disabled.

### Back to third place

## Juniors drop two of three games

Saturday - Esso 6, New West 7

Sunday - Esso 3, Victoria 0

Monday - Esso 5, Kamloops 8

Vernon Esso 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 heretofore 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.

Esso's 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 Esso Saturday, as the Esso 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 Esso nearly 52 minutes to break a scoreless deadlock with fifth place Victoria Cougars.

Lawrence Quechuk put Esso's on the scoreboard with a hard drive at 11:57 of the third period with Larry Hackman and Bob Mayer sealing him up.

Quechuk's goal seemed to give Esso's their much-needed drive, because two minutes later Jeff Wilson swooped in on Clem Bird and Murray Finlay for the second goal for the Royals. 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 bluehline by Bob Mayer put the game away for the Esso, Jerry Vachon and Tom Serviss were the play makers on Mayer's goal.

The shutout was the first for the Esso and goalie Jack Gilroy. But it came just about 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 Esso 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 to be no exception.

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

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

Bob Mayer got the Esso back into the game a short time later when he knocked a goal on a screen play with help from Rocket Greg Scrivener who failed in turn to clear the puck safely.

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Pen.	19	5	0	138	75	38
Kam.	14	12	0	149	140	28
Ver.	12	9	3	133	129	27
N. W.	11	10	2	115	132	24
Kel.	6	15	3	95	111	15
Vic.	5	16	4	80	123	14

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### 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 Esso 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 Esso showed a brief spark as they once again tied the game at three black 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 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's goal mouth to tie the game 5-5. However, that was to be the end of the Esso playmaking as Rockets came back with three more of their own to wrap the game up and move one point ahead of Esso for sole possession of second place.

Schedule-wise, this was the last game of the year between Esso and Rockets, however, the protest 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 Esso. 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 of 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.

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