

Win 9-1 over Royals

Vernon pockets big game at the Coast

Brilliant goal tending by Jack Gilroy and stand-out performances by all of the Vernon Essos enabled the local boys to pick-up a big 9-1 win over New Westminster Royals in junior "A" hockey action at the Royal city Sunday afternoon.

Vernon's win kept them in pace with Kamloops Rockets who also won their Victoria Cougar encounter by the same score at Kamloops Sunday.

The pair of wins kept both teams deadlocked with 34 points each to hold down second place in league standings.

Keith Rolston paced the Vernon goal scorers with three, but lost some of the limelight to Larry Hackman who scored two and added three assists for one of his best efforts of the

year.

Other Essos marksmen with single efforts were Ivan Malinoski, Jeff Wilson, Lawrence Quechuk and Bob Blanchette.

Tom Serviss kept his scoring total and leadership in the league point race intact with two assists. Others getting assists were Keith Rolston, Jeff Wilson, Rick Reilly, Ken Pollon and Alan Southward.

Essos coach, Odie Lowe, was especially pleased with the showing put forth by Gilroy. "He played his best game of the year, he just couldn't be beaten, except for Denis Houser's goal in the second period."

Vernon led 3-0 in the first period, matched single goals with Royals in the second and then went on to blank the host club with five more in the final

period.

Gilroy was one of the main reasons for the Essos one-sided victory as he came through with 40 saves.

Next game on the line for Vernon will be this Wednesday when they play host to the powerful Penticton

NORTH SPORTS OKANAGAN

Broncos with game time set for 8:30 p.m.

An added attraction for spectators will be a fun broomball game between a B.C. Hydro squad and the radio station crew.

This preliminary funfest starts at 7:30 p.m. Rumor has it that everything will go on a straight time basis,

with no rules and no stoppages of play.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

| | GP | W | L | T | P |
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| Penticton | 32 | 24 | 6 | 2 | 50 |
| Vernon | 34 | 15 | 15 | 4 | 34 |
| Kamloops | 34 | 17 | 17 | 0 | 34 |
| New West | 33 | 14 | 17 | 2 | 30 |
| Kelowna | 33 | 12 | 16 | 5 | 29 |
| Victoria | 34 | 9 | 20 | 5 | 23 |

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