



Honors and awards given to players and coach

Players and officials sat down to a banquet Thursday night in the form of an appreciation supper for a job well done by the Vernon Legionnaires, Junior "B" hockey players this past season. Players, parents and friends enjoyed a multi-selection Chinese supper in the Allison Hotel put on by the club executive to show the boys their appreciation of their hockey efforts this season. There were also awards given to four of the players and a plaque to coach Lew Turcott from all his boys, expressing their gratitude for his services. Pictured above from the left is goalie Allan Alexander voted the Most Valuable Player and recipient of the Courtesy Motors trophy; Doug Wiffen

was cited the most sportsmanlike player, winning the Standard Oil Trophy; Coach Lew Turcott was given an inscribed wall shield from the team members; Curtis McCallum was given the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 25 trophy for the best defenseman on the team and David Jones received the Vernon Minor Hockey Association cup for the most improved player on the team. The picture shows Alexander with his trophy while the remainder of the boys had keeper trophies given them, with the main trophies arriving later. All of the trophies were presented for the first time this year by local firms and clubs.

In basketball

Senior girls team loses

Vernon senior girls wound up their season's play in senior A basketball action last weekend when they travelled to Penticton for the valley championship tourney.

The tournament was an eight team, double knock-out final, with the three top finishers moving on to the B.C. championship round in Salmon Arm, March 13-16.

Friday night, Tartans lost to the host club, Penticton Lakettes by a score of 53-24.

Vernon led early in the game but were unable to keep pace with the powerful Peach City girls.

Sharon Mackie led the Vernon scoring parade with 11 points, followed by Nancy Miller with seven, Marilyn Swales and Linda Gane with 15 and 10 points respectively led the Lakettes to victory.

Saturday, Tartans met with the Kamloops Saints

and lost their second encounter 61-32. Previously Kamloops had dropped a close game to Merritt.

Kamloops took a wide margin of scoring in the early stages of the game but Vernon managed to narrow the gap to 29-23 by half-time, then failed to maintain the pace in the final two quarters for the loss.

Sharon Mackie again paced the Tartans, this time she scored 10 points, followed by Nancy Miller with six and Mary Hamilton with five points. Susan Wyse was high point getter for Saints as she picked up 22 points.

Curling rounds continue

Vernon curling club schedule through to Wed. March 6 for extra round draws in the men's league.

Monday, March 4
9 p.m., Square 1

1. Nolan vs Sutherland
2. Kinnard vs Briggs
3. Henesche vs French
4. Pouchard vs Atchison
5. Farynuk vs Bradley

Tuesday, March 5
7 p.m., Square 2

1. Anderson vs White
2. G. Green vs Kashaiba

NORTH SPORTS OKANAGAN

Vernon Golf Pro to attend clinic

The care and maintenance of turfgrass in the interior of B.C. will be the topic of a two-day Turfgrass Management program Monday and Tuesday, March 4 and 5 at the Penticton Golf and Country Club.

The program is sponsored by the University of B.C. extension department and the B.C. Interior Golf Course Superintendents' Association.

Vernon Golf and Country Club pro, Don Metzler, expects to sit in on the two-day program.

Topics will be of interest to all who are concerned with the development and maintenance of large turf areas, including school grounds, parks, golf courses bowling greens, etc.

Soil testing procedures, herbicide and fertilizer selection and application, weed control equipment and calibration, pesticide safe-

ty, water requirements and application, and economics and engineering of water systems will be discussed. Speakers will include members of industry, government and the university.

Seaton girls lose to Salmon Arm

W. L. Seaton Junior Girls Basketball squadlost a grand total of three games during the 1967-1968 basketball season. All three losses were suffered to the more experienced B.C. defending Bantam champions of Salmon Arm last weekend.

After dumping the Salmon Arm "B" squad from the championship flight with a 34-25 victory, the stage was set for the rematch against the Jackson squad.

Team captain Sandra Bennie led the Seaton attack in the first game with 13 points. Shae Elliott, assistant captain, tossed in

Playoffs start Friday

Vernon take third, will meet Broncos

Vernon Essos ended their 40 game B.C. Jr. "A" regular hockey schedule on a losing note as they went down to a 6-4 defeat at the hands of cellar dwelling Victoria Cougars at Victoria Saturday night.

Playing before nearly 2,000 partisan Cougar followers, Vernon took a 3-1 lead in the first period, managed to hang onto a 3-2 margin at the end of the second, then were out scored in the final period 4-1 for their loss.

Vernon in third

Vernon's failure to gain the important two points in the game left them tied for second place with the Kamloops Rockets in the final standings of the six team league. Kamloops, however, officially will be considered as second place winners because of their better win, loss, tie record throughout the schedule. They won 21 games, lost 19 and had no ties, while the best Vernon could do was 19 wins, 17 losses and 4 ties.

Kelowna also in

In the Penticton-New Westminster game played on Sunday, Penticton came through with win number 30 of the year when they downed the New Westminster Royals 6-2, thereby eliminating the Royals from a fourth place tie

with the Kelowna Buckaroos. If the Royals could have pulled this game off they would have equalled Kelowna in points and would have won the right for the fourth and final play-off spot by virtue of the better win, loss record. However, Kelowna were officially declared fourth place winners with 34 points, two better than the Royal city squad.

Semi's start

Vernon will now meet Penticton in the "A" semi-final series and Kamloops take on Kelowna in the "B" semi's. Vernon travel to Penticton next Friday for an 8:30 p.m. game and Kamloops play host to Kelowna on the same evening.

As far as can be determined this time, the semi-finals will be a best of five series while the finals will be a best of seven. One of the main factors involved in an early finish for the B.C. championships with the eventual winner meeting the Alberta Champions early in April.

Victoria win

In the Vernon-Victoria game, Larry Hackman opened the scoring at 1:34 showing on the clock with Tom Serviss assisting, but Victoria Cougars came back four minutes later on a power play goal with Wayne Dye sitting out a tripping penalty.

Essos went ahead once more on a goal by Lawrence Quechuck with Dye and Ivan Malinovsky picking up the assists. This goal came near the three-quarter mark of the period. Then three minutes later Malinovsky scored from his own rebound with Dick Marsh and Serviss assisting to go two goals up.

In the second period Victoria again took advantage of the power play situation to score. This time it was Marsh who was sitting out a minute unnecessary roughing penalty and was the only goal of the period, although Vernon, as in the first period, missed several excellent opportunities to move well up in front on the scoring.

Going into the third period, Vernon again showed fired-up spark as they put pressure on with Wayne Dye scoring from a Malinovsky pass. This came just over the two minute mark in the final frame.

Dye's goal proved to be Vernon's last as Victoria seemingly found their second wind to come from behind to score four unanswered goals.

Greg Wedderburn proved to be the hero for the

Cougars as he came up with a three goal hat trick. Dave Williams also had one of his better nights in a winning cause as he scored a pair of markers. The first of his goals proved to be the winner, coming at 14:32 of the third period. Seventeen seconds later he added the insurance marker.

Lowie disappointed

Vernon's coach Odie Lowe expressed disappointment immediately after the game but could find not too much fault with his charges. Several members of the team were suffering the effects of the current flu bug.

Flu bug hits

The much needed defensive tactics of K-n Pollon were denied the club as he sat out most of the game suffering from stomach cramps and dizzy spells.

Another first line defenseman, Bob Mayer, who was ill all week didn't travel with the club.

Team captain, Tom Serviss although he played the game, was obviously suffering from the effects of the flu. He had been bedridden the previous night and almost up until game time.

Jack Gilroy also was suffering from flu and it was



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