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Estevan-Broncos meet Wednesday

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Shades of the 50s and the senior hockey days . . . It certainly didn't take long for hockey fever to return to this city and surrounding area.

The announcement last week that Vernon would host at least part of the semi-final Western Canada Junior Memorial hockey playoffs has brought forth enthusiasm that nearly surpasses the excitement felt when Vernon Canadians were vying for the Allan cup, emblematic of senior hockey in this country back in the mid-fifties.

It doesn't matter that a Vernon team is not playing. All that counts is that Vernonites will have the opportunity to see some high grade playoff hockey.

B.C. champion Penticton Broncos lost their own ice because of arena renovations so had to look elsewhere to host visiting

Commercial fish production in Lake Huron decreased 11 per cent in weight and six per cent in value in 1967.

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in attendance for the competition, plans are under way for dances, beach parties and other events. Officials predict that accommodation will be at a premium and advise those attending to make arrangements early.

teams in their drive for the Canadian Junior "A" championship.

The Broncos moved into the western semi-finals by first winning the B.C. title against Kamloops Rockets, then went on to win the quarter final playoffs against Alberta champs, the Edmonton Movers four games to one.

Wednesday night at Vernon civic arena, the B.C. champs take on the Estevan Bruins, prairie winners of the Memorial cup playoffs in the first game of the best of seven series and then Friday night play their second game here before moving back to the Saskatchewan city for the next three games (if necessary).

Highly rated Estevan are favored to take the series in quick order, but there are some who feel Penticton will not be pushovers

because of their excellent balance both defensively and offensively.

The Estevan roster boasts some of the brightest stars of the future and their type of play will be most interesting to watch.

Players like Jim Harrison (formerly of Kamloops), Kenny Brown, a goalie picked up from Moose Jaw and several other key players such as Greg Sheppard, Danny Schock and Herbie Howdle will be the ones to look for.

Harrison is Western Canada Junior Hockey League's most valuable player and has a bright future to look forward to in the NHL, having signed, according to word received here, with the Boston Bruins organization.

Tickets for the Wednesday game are still available in a limited quantity at the

VERNON & DISTRICT
MINOR HOCKEY ASSOC.

ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, April 25th — 7:30 p.m.

IN THE HOTEL ALLISON

ELECTION OF OFFICERS
REPORTS WILL BE READ

Everybody Urged to Attend!!