

What say Victoria . . .

Vernon out for sweet revenge

It may be early in the season, but Vernon Essos have spent the past week gearing themselves for what could be the most important junior A fixture of the first half of the new schedule of the B.C. Junior Hockey League.

The locals take on defending champions, Victoria Cougars here in Vernon Saturday night and everyone, from the management down have vowed there will be no repeat of the last time the two clubs met last spring when Cougars trounced the Essos 6-1.

"There is no doubt the

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boys are up for the game from the way they have been going at it in practise sessions. The taste of victory last Friday over New Westminster by a wide 10-4 margin also has helped," said manager Vern Dye.

Indication of the Cougars icing a strong team Saturday lies in the fact they have eight of last seasons better players back in the

fold and with the addition of new strength such as Ted Plowe from Williams Lake who scored four of Cougars seven goals against Penticton in the league opener at Victoria last weekend, the game here should be quite a match.

Heading the returning roster for Victoria is Vernon's own Ed Forslund who is the Cougars first string goalie. Others from last season are: defencemen Larry Moore and Gerry Bond, forwards Shawn Webster, Scott Munro, Bruce Cowick, Lon Myles and Bob Murlock.

Game time has been set for 8:30 p.m. and indications already show it could be a sell-out crowd.



From the Tee



Ceremony marks league opener

Minister-without-portfolio and MLA for the North Okanagan, Mrs. Pat Jordan officially opened the 1969-70 B.C. Junior A hockey season Friday night at Vernon by dropping the first puck at the face-off between team captains of the Vernon Essos and visiting New Westminster Royals. Mrs. Jordan addressed the crowd on hand and gave

praise to the efforts of team and league officials in the program they were doing for hockey players in the province and wished all teams a successful season. From the left, Essos captain, Bob Mayer, Mrs. Jordan, Essos team president Dave MacKay and Royals captain, Bruce McGill.

Know your hockey

As a matter of interest and by popular request, there will be excerpts of the 1969-70 CAHA rules published in the sports pages of The Vernon News over the next few weeks.

These rules are new this year and for those most concerned, such as minor, junior and senior players, referees and most of all the fans, to know these changes will be of great benefit to everyone.

These rules will be printed in order of the rule number starting at number two.

Rule 2—RINK DIMENSIONS

(a) As nearly as possible, the dimensions of the rink shall be 200 feet long and 85 feet wide. The corners shall be rounded in the arc of a circle with a radius of 28 feet. (This applies to new rinks only).

(b—NEW) The rink shall be enclosed by a wall/or fence, known as the boards, which may be constructed of wood or plastic or any other material approved by the Rules Committee. Measured from the surface of the ice, the boards shall not be more than four feet nor less than three feet four inches in height. The surface of the boards facing the ice shall be uniform in color, preferably white, and free from any obstruction or object that may cause injury to players.

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Rule 5—GOAL CREASE

(a) In front of each goal, a "Goal Crease" area shall be marked by a red line two inches wide.

(b—NEW) This line shall be drawn as the arc of a circle. Using the central or equidistant point between the two goal posts as a reference point, and with a radius of six (6) feet draw a semi-circle. This arc is to intersect the goal line three feet outside the respective goal posts.

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Rule 15—COMPOSITION OF TEAM

(b—NEW) A team shall consist of not less than 12 registered players, one of whom must be a goalkeeper (CAHA Handbook G-6).

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Rule 16—PLAYERS IN UNIFORM

(a) Each team may have 16 players in uniform which includes the regular goalkeeper and one spare goalkeeper, all of whom shall be duly registered in accordance with CAHA regulations. The players registered as goalkeepers shall be eligible to play as goalkeepers only.

(NEW) Teams in Inter-Branch competition may dress and play 17 players, which includes a goalkeeper and one (1) spare goalkeeper.

B.C. Jr. A Schedule

1969-70 SEASON

OCTOBER

- 3—New West at Vernon
Penticton at Vancouver
- 4—New West at Kelowna
Penticton at Victoria
- 5—New West at Kamloops
- 8—Vancouver at New West
- 10—Victoria at Penticton
Kelowna at Vancouver
- 11—Victoria at Vernon
Penticton at Kamloops
- 12—Victoria at Kamloops
Kelowna at New West
- 17—Vancouver at Penticton
- 18—Vancouver at Kelowna
Kamloops at Victoria
- 19—Vancouver at Vernon
Kamloops at New West
- 21—Vancouver at Victoria
- 24—New West at Penticton
Vernon at Vancouver
- 25—New West at Kamloops
Vernon at Victoria
Penticton at Kelowna
- 26—New West at Kelowna
Kamloops at Penticton
- 28—Kelowna at Vernon
- 29—Vancouver at New West
- 31—Victoria at Vernon
Kelowna at Penticton
New West at Vancouver

NOVEMBER

- 1—Penticton at Vancouver
Victoria at Kelowna
- 2—Penticton at New West
Victoria at Kamloops
- 4—Kamloops at Vernon
- 5—Kelowna at Kamloops
- 7—Vancouver at Penticton
Vernon at Kelowna
- 8—Vancouver at Kamloops
Kelowna at Victoria
- 9—Vancouver at Vernon
Kelowna at New West
- 11—ALL STAR GAME AT VICTORIA
- 14—New West at Penticton
Kamloops at Kelowna
Victoria at Vancouver
- 15—New West at Vernon
Kamloops at Victoria
- 16—New West at Kelowna
Kamloops at Vancouver
- 18—New West at Victoria
Vernon at Penticton
- 19—Victoria at Vancouver
- 21—Victoria at Penticton
Vernon at Kelowna
New West at Vancouver
- 22—Victoria at Vernon
Penticton at Vancouver
Kelowna at Kamloops
- 23—Victoria at Kamloops
Penticton at New West
- 25—Kamloops at Vernon
- 26—Victoria at New West
- 28—Vancouver at Penticton
- 29—Vernon at Victoria
Vancouver at Kamloops
- 30—Vernon at New West
Vancouver at Kelowna

DECEMBER

- 2—Vancouver at Victoria
- 3—New West at Vancouver
- 5—New West at Penticton
Kelowna at Vancouver
- 6—New West at Vernon
Penticton at Kamloops
Kelowna at Victoria
- 7—New West at Kamloops
Kelowna at Vancouver
- 10—Victoria at New West
- 12—Victoria at Penticton
Vernon at Vancouver
- 13—Victoria at Kelowna
- 14—Victoria at Kamloops
Vernon at New West
- 17—Vancouver at New West

STARTING GAME TIMES

New Westminster — Week days 8 p.m.; Sundays 3:15 p.m.

Kamloops, Kelowna, Penticton, Vancouver and Victoria — Week days 8:30 p.m.; Sundays 2 p.m.

Vernon — Week days 9 p.m.; Saturdays 8:30 p.m.; Sundays 2 p.m.

- 19—Vancouver at Kelowna
Vernon at Penticton

- 20—Vancouver at Vernon
Kelowna at Victoria
- 21—Vancouver at Kamloops
Kelowna at New West
Victoria at Vernon
- 26—Kelowna at Penticton
2:00 p.m.
Kamloops at Vancouver
8:30 p.m.
- 27—Penticton at Vernon
Kamloops at Victoria
- 28—Kamloops at New West
Penticton at Kelowna
- 30—Kelowna at Vernon

JANUARY

- 1—Penticton at Kamloops
Vancouver at Victoria
- 2—Kamloops at Kelowna
New West at Vernon
Penticton at Vancouver
- 3—Penticton at Victoria
New West at Kamloops
- 4—New West at Kelowna
- 7—New West at Victoria
Vernon at Kamloops
- 9—Penticton at Vernon
Victoria at Kelowna
Kamloops at Vancouver
- 10—Victoria at Penticton
- 11—Victoria at Kelowna
Kamloops at New West
Vernon at Penticton
- 14—Kelowna at Vernon
Victoria at Vancouver
- 16—Vernon at Vancouver
Kamloops at Penticton
- 17—Vernon at Victoria
Penticton at Kelowna
- 18—Vernon at New West
Kelowna at Kamloops
- 23—Vancouver at Penticton
- 24—Vancouver at Kelowna
Kamloops at Vernon
Penticton at Victoria
- 25—Vancouver at Kamloops
Penticton at New West
- 27—New West at Victoria
- 28—Penticton at Vernon
Victoria at New West
- 30—Kelowna at Vancouver
Vernon at Penticton
- 31—Kelowna at Victoria
Vernon at Kamloops

FEBRUARY

- 1—Kelowna at New West
Vancouver at Vernon
- 4—Vernon at Kamloops
- 6—Kamloops at Kelowna
Victoria at Vancouver
- 7—New West at Penticton
- 8—Penticton at Kamloops
Vancouver at New West
- 10—New West at Victoria
- 11—Kamloops at Vernon
- 13—New West at Vancouver
Kamloops at Penticton
- 14—Penticton at Victoria
Vernon at Kelowna
- 15—Penticton at New West
Kelowna at Vernon
- 18—Kelowna at Kamloops
- 19—Kamloops at Victoria
- 20—Kamloops at Vancouver
Kelowna at Penticton
- 21—Kamloops at New West
Penticton at Kelowna
- 24—Penticton at Vernon
Vancouver at Victoria
- 25—Victoria at New West
Vernon at Kamloops
- 27—Vernon at Vancouver
Kelowna at Penticton
- 28—Vernon at Victoria
Kamloops at Kelowna

MARCH

- 1—Vernon at New West
Kamloops at Penticton