



Essos ready for big weekend

Vernon Essos are looking forward to this weekend as they again take to the competition trail in defence of their B.C. Junior A hockey title they won last year. Essos have been plagued by injuries for most of the early stages of the league and in a pair of games this weekend will be again without the services of speedy utility man, Bob Craig. Craig was taken to hospital at New Westminster following

the Essos third game at the coast last weekend with ruptured appendix. His condition today is reported good but the club will not have him back in the line for at least a month. In the photo, winger Dave Neil (centre foreground) beats a path for puck carrier Jim Marsh (extreme right) during game played at Haneey against New Westminster Royals on Sunday afternoon.

Kokanee swimmers having active year

Vernon Kokanee swim club members took to the local pool with plenty of zest last Saturday in one of their many planned inter-club meets during the current season.

The membership were divided into Blue and Pink teams with the final standings showing Blues edging their opponents by a slim 254 to 234 points.

In other club news, 25 members of the local group will head for Burnaby this weekend to take part in a development meet, the second of the year staged at lower mainland pools.

The following is the inter-club meet results by categories:

Girls 8 and under

A CATEGORY
Kelly Pacholzuk 1st, 25 m, 50m and 100m freestyle; Kim Dantzee 2nd, 50m, freestyle, 3rd, 25m and 100m freestyle; Tracy Baird 2nd 25m and 100m, 3rd, 50m freestyle.

B CATEGORY
Myrna Peschuk 1st, 25m freestyle; Donna Knebel 2nd, 25m freestyle; Denise Murdoch 3rd, 25m freestyle.

Boys 8 and under

freestyle, 3rd. 50m, 100m freestyle; Andrea Rolston 1st, 200m freestyle; 2nd 50m, 100m freestyle.

B CATEGORY
Ruth Danzta 1st, 50m, 100m freestyle; Dawn Bansen 2nd, 100m freestyle, 3rd, 50m freestyle; Cheryl Peschuk 2nd, 50m freestyle, 3rd, 100m freestyle.

Boys 11-12
Mike Hrditschka 50m, 100m, 200m freestyle; Paul Berger 50m, 100m, 200m freestyle; Dale Grant 50m, 100, 200m freestyle.

Big boom in men's rec. classes

The mens keep fit course which is offered by the Vernon Dept. of Parks & Recreation which is held Wednesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. is beginning to boom.

When the course first commenced, only a few men took advantage of the course, but, now there is in excess of 12 registered.

B.C. league standings

	INTERIOR DIV.					Pts
	GP	W	L	T	GF	
Kamloops	10	5	4	1	41	33
Penticton	10	5	5	0	43	32
Vernon	10	4	5	1	39	49
Kelowna	10	3	7	0	34	67
COAST DIV.						
Victoria	11	8	2	1	68	24
Vancouver	11	7	2	2	62	35
Chilliwack	12	3	8	1	39	87
New Westminster	12	4	6	2	38	88

Essos scoring statistics

10 Games played to Nov. 1, 1970.

	GP					Pts
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Jim Lawrence	10	7	14	12	21	
Dave Neil	9	6	6	6	12	
Ed Johnstone	8	4	6	6	10	
Jim Marsh	10	2	6	11	8	
Jack Fleming	10	4	3	11	7	
Ernie Gare	9	2	4	6	6	
Doug Wiffen	7	2	3	2	2	
Gord Merritt	9	2	2	11	4	
Rod Cox	10	2	2	5	4	
John Price	3	0	4	2	4	
Dave Gurniak	6	3	0	4	3	
Bob Craig	5	2	1	47	3	
Rob Taylor	5	1	2	0	3	
Bob Gassoff	9	0	2	40	2	
Merv See	7	0	2	0	2	
Glen Walton	5	1	0	0	1	
Wayne Dye	1	1	0	0	1	
Bob Powell	9	0	1	6	1	
Mike Roach	1	0	1	2	1	
Dave Williams	4	0	0	15	0	

Essos are mad

Juniors promise big things on weekend

Vernon Essos have gone on record they will be chewing the verbal spikes and nails this weekend as they face first the Kamloops Rockets then Penticton Broncos in B.C. Junior A hockey action.

Currently holding a four game losing streak and down to fifth place in the eight team league, Essos are really mad and are prepared to do something about it. To a man, the Vernon club has vowed they will be out for vengeance and will use both the Rockets and Broncos as stepping stones to get back on winning trail.

Already they are beginning to get the reputation as being the patsies of the league as recent games will attest, as they literally let Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster bully and intimidate them during last weekends coast trip.

It may have been the much older members on each of the three teams that affected Essos play as they allowed each team to bully and push them around with little retaliation on the part of the Essos, a much different team in this respect as what played out of Vernon last season.

Even coach Odie Lowe, well known for his calm and quiet manners, is getting fed up with the way his team are allowing themselves to be pushed around, and has issued instructions to his blueline patrolers to start hitting.

Saturday night the Essos travel to Kamloops to meet the Rockets and will be out to maintain their domination over the hub city crew. In their first meeting this year, Essos came through with a thriller, edging

the Kamloops squad by a narrow 4-3 win on Vernon ice.

Sunday night, Essos return home to play host to the upstart Penticton Broncos who are still snickering over the way they manhandled the Essos for Vernons' first loss of the year on home ice by a lopsided 6-1 score. That night, Vernon fans held their noses in disgust as the Essos literally smelled the place up with a terrible exhibition of hockey.

However, if one were to ask any member of the Essos what they will do to the Broncos this time, the quick answer is to crush the peach city boys into the boards at every chance.

As one player remarked recently, "that smart ace Penticton bunch are really going to get this time, and if the Vernon fans think we are a bunch of sissys now, wait until they see us in action this Sunday, we will bruise them out of the rink for sure."

Vernon must take both games if they hope to remain in contention. Kamloops hold the Interior lead on a 5-4 record for 11 points with Penticton in second spot with a 5-5 record for 10 points. Essos could easily overtake both teams if they can win as they are only two points back of Kamloops and a single mark back of Penticton.

The Sunday night game here in Vernon by the way, starts at 7:30 and fans are urged to be on hand early for good seats.

Meanwhile, Vernon Essos management have reiterated

their concern for lack of fan support in six home games so far.

An executive meeting held Wednesday, dealt closely with the problem of finances and have gone on record that the club will have to consider closing down in December unless they can come up with a better financial outlook on the clubs operation.

Already steps have been taken to trim spending and at the moment are operating on a fine line, but unless more fan support is forth coming, there could be no hockey in Vernon by the end of the year.

"We don't have any sugar daddys helping us like other teams in the league have and it will be up to local fans to support us," said Essos general manager Vern Dye.

"So far the crowds have been disappointing although we realize it is still early in the season, we need people out now. Last year it was mainly fan support and their tremendous

encouragement at the games that gave the Essos the desire to win the B.C. championship, and this year, with a much improved team already in the lineup, we again need fans out to cheer the boys on", concluded the concerned manager.

WRESTLING

Vernon Community Centre
Wed., Nov. 11
8:00 p.m.

Battle of the Giants

Don Leo Jonathan vs. Gene Kimisk
30 Maroon Giant 275 Former World's Champion

Steven Little Bear vs. Bulldog Brown
250 Heavy Indian 245 Pac. Coast Champion

Girls - Man & Girl - Girls

vs. Man & Girl - Girls

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Fear Nieto & Bill Cody

Scouting Handbook Latic Spittore
& Bearded Rowdy & Speedy Cowboy

O'Brien vs. Nieto

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