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Chilliwack Bruins goalie Dave Maynard is still probably rubbing his neck today as it seemed all he did Saturday night was look over his shoulder as the Essos literally bombed him with a total of 65 shots with nine of them going past him into the net. Final score in the game was 9-4 for the Essos. Big thorn in the sides of the Bruins was right winger Ed Johnstone who is caught by the camera in the above photos scoring in one instance and just barely missing the net in the other try. Johnstone came through with four big goals to lead in the goal

scoring spree. In the photo at the right it is interesting to note that while the puck is about to enter the goal mouth, Johnstone is being hooked by a Bruins defender who has his stick jammed between the legs of the 16 year old Vernon rookie. In the photo at the left, Johnstone was thwarted on a breakaway and in his rush missed the net. Both photos were taken by Doug Bulwer jr. the 13 year old son of Vernon News sports editor Doug Bulwer who was busy at the time doing the official score keeping in the game.

Over Vernon

Salmon Arm takes Enderby tourney

ENDERBY — Salmon Arm Senior Pups emerged winners of the first annual senior pups tournament held in the Enderby Arena Sunday, defeating Vernon by a narrow 5-4 score.

Play in the double knockout tourney got underway at 9 a.m. with Enderby facing Salmon Arm in the four team tourney which also attracted senior pup teams from Lumby and Vernon.

In a close-fought contest Enderby held a 3-2 lead for most of the game, but a flurry by the powerful Salmon Arm squad in the last period netted two more goals for Salmon Arm to take their first game, 4-3.

Lumby pups never got off the mark against the quick passing Vernon boys who hammered in five unanswered goals.

This win brought Vernon to the first of two back-to-back games, both against the well-coordinated Salmon Arm representatives.

Vernon went down 3-0, in this one.

The next encounter brought Enderby and Lumby together, and defeat for either meant the first team to be eliminated from the contest.

Both teams fought hard, but

Enderby took the narrow 3-2 win, which brought them together with Vernon.

Vernon were held at bay for two periods of play, and then quick goals put them ahead by a big 6-2 score and the right to meet Salmon Arm in the finals. To win the trophy, however, Vernon would have to beat the Shuswapians twice in back-to-back games.

As it turned out it was almost necessary.

With only 50 seconds remaining on the clock Salmon Arm had a 4-3 lead when Vernon hit hard for the tying goal. But even as the crowd's excitement was still audible, Salmon Arm forwards grabbed the puck and swooped on the Vernon goal and ended the game 5-4 with just 20 seconds left to give Salmon Arm the trophy.

All teams which participated received centennial medallions from Enderby Centennial Committee chairman Pete Gilowski, while silver dollars went to the victorious Salmon Arm team.

Enderby Minor Hockey Association president Sam Peebles presented the trophy.



SPORTS



Tennant protests Essos-Rocket game

Coach Joe Tennant of the Kamloops Rockets may be pulling imaginary strings out of his bag of tricks but one thing can be said for him, he will try anything once.

Friday night he didn't wait for the Rocket-Essos game to be completed before he was yelling foul.

With his team down two goals after two periods of hockey (5-3 for Vernon at the time) Tennant was calling protest because Vernon was not using the referee they named at the last league meeting held in Vancouver two weeks ago.

Another point he was questioning was the one game suspension Essos' Bob Craig was sitting out.

Tennant again referred to the Vancouver meeting where he claimed it was put in the minutes that when a player received a suspension, the name of the said player was to be given in writing to the op-

posing coach prior to the start of the next game that players team took part in. His claim was he did not receive such a note.

At the conclusion of the game Mr. Tennant tried to have the protest lodged on the game score sheet by the referee, when that failed he went directly to a telephone and in the presence of this reporter, phoned the League president, Dr. Arnold Lowden and informed the doctor that he wanted the game forfeited because of the above two points listed.

By the way the conversation went, it sounded like Dr. Lowden would accept the protest in writing along with a sum of money that normally accompanies a protest. Mr. Tennant promised he would have a cheque and a letter on the way by the next morning. (Saturday).

At press time today, no official word on whether the protest would be recognized nor whether Dr. Lowden would rule on the matter is known.

One thing Joe Tennant did ask for in his telephone conversation was to have the game played over and in the Kamloops arena.

General feeling around Vernon when news of Tennant's move was first heard, was that it will believe it when Dr. Lowden is heard from.

At anyrate, the Essos did beat the Rockets on the ice surface and not even Mr. Tennant can deny it was one of the better games of the year.

Anderson scores four in Pup play



Looking for first place

Essos nearing the top

Vernon 6, Kamloops 5
Vernon 9, Chilliwack 4

Vernon Essos drive toward the B.C. championships is really rolling in high gear these days as the club jells itself into fighting form for the playoffs.

Over the weekend, big victories over Kamloops Rockets and Chilliwack Bruins at Vernon civic arena brought the Essos point total to 65 in 55 games played and coupled with three straight weekend losses by Penticon, gives Vernon a real chance at taking over first place in the Interior loop of the B.C. Junior A hockey picture.

Penticon still lead by four points for a 69 total and they do have one game in hand but when the Essos meet them here Wednesday night, Vernon will be looking to narrow that gap and at the same time move out of reach of Kamloops who are now lagging in third place with 63 points in 56 games played.

Along with the tremendous showing currently being put on by Vernon as a zam individual players are really beginning to shine in the goal scoring action and point assist totals.

A fantastic six goals and seven assists put up by centreman Jim Lawrence in the last three games has almost assuredly given him first place in the leagues top scorers.

By unofficial guess, Lawrence now has 39 goals, and a whopping 73 assists for 112 points and with the great four goals effort he put on against Kamloops Friday night should have little trouble in main-

taining the lead over Ted Plow of Victoria.

Ed Johnstone and Wayne Dye are also another pair of local boys who are more than holding their own, and taking nothing away from other Essos members such as Ernie Gare and John Price but to name a few.

Johnstone came up with a fantastic four goal effort himself Saturday night and with his two goals and two assists of the night before has done well in the point tally to stand about fifth.

Wayne Dye came through with five big assists Friday night and followed by a single goal and three more assists Saturday and should now be easily within the top 10 scoring leaders of the eight team league.

Friday night, Essos struck early in the game, 19 seconds to be exact, with Lawrence scooping in his first of four goals, then, before the initial period was over, Johnstone scored two more to lead the period 3-2.

Second period action saw the Essos jump into a 5-3 lead with Lawrence's pair of markers with Kamloops coming back with two goals to one by the Essos in the third to round out the game scoring.

With only 800 fans on hand for the game, many more missed one of the best hockey games ever displayed by the Essos, for that matter by either team.

Only marred point of the game was the protest lodged by Tennant as early as the second

period of the game. (see story elsewhere on this page).

Saturday night, Essos really didn't have too much trouble in handing the visiting Chilliwack Bruins as they took a 1-0 first period lead, outscored the Bruins 4-1 in the mid period and then added four more to three by the visitors in the final period of action.

Ed Johnstone opened the game scoring on a single tally in the first period, then added three more along with Ernie Gare single in the second period.

In the final period, it was Wayne Dye, Jim Lawrence, Stan Hunt and Ernie Gare again to end the Essos onslaught.

The big goal by Stan Hunt marked his very first ever Junior A league goal and if his ability continues to improve, will be a big force with the Essos in future years.

Difference in the game was visibly shown by the shots on goal tally with Vernon's Wayne Price being called upon to stop 13 that came his way while allowing four with Dave Maynard of the Bruins having it really rough as he had 65 shots come his way allowing 9 to get past him.

Vernon are h/w looking for a big game here Wednesday against the Penticon Broncos

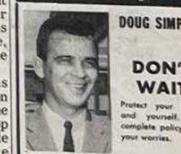
and will hope for a big win and revenge over the 9-4 drubbing the Broncos handed them last week in the Peach City.

Game time is set for 8:30 p.m. Wednesday and fans can expect a big rush for seats as the playoff battle looms ever larger in favour of Vernon retaining their B.C. championship crown.

Interior standings

GP	W	L	T	Pts	
Penticon	54	32	17	5	69
Vernon	55	30	20	5	65
Kamloops	56	29	22	5	63
Kelowna	55	8	45	2	18

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