

## Essos prepare

# Six teams, 60 game schedule for A's

The world of hockey is beginning to stir into action for the upcoming 1971-72 season from all levels of the game from the NHL right down to minor hockey's tiny tots.

Here in Vernon it is no exception as already information of the Vernon Minor Hockey registration dates and times have been released and now word out of Junior A, B.C. league indicates six teams will be playing a 60 game schedule starting on Oct. 7.

Junior team representative Vern Dye told The Vernon News Wednesday the four original

18 during the same hours. Place to sign up will be the Community Centre where forms will be available. This includes all groups from Pups through to Juveniles.

The following is the first month schedule of the Junior A league;

- 7—Vancouver at Chilliwack
- 8—Kamloops at Vancouver
- Penticton at Kelowna
- 9—Kamloops at Chilliwack
- Kelowna at Vernon
- 11—Penticton at Vernon 7:30 p.m.
- Kamloops at Vancouver
- 14—Vancouver at Chilliwack
- 15—Vernon at Vancouver
- Kelowna at Penticton
- 16—Vernon at Chilliwack
- Penticton at Kamloops
- 18—Vernon at Vancouver
- 19—Kamloops at Penticton
- Vernon at Kelowna
- 22—Vancouver at Kelowna
- Chilliwack at Kamloops
- Vernon at Penticton
- 23—Vancouver at Penticton
- Chilliwack at Vernon
- 24—Vancouver at Kamloops
- Chilliwack at Kelowna
- 28—Vancouver at Chilliwack
- 29—Penticton at Vancouver
- Kamloops at Kelowna
- 30—Penticton at Chilliwack
- Kelowna at Kamloops

**GAME TIMES**  
Vancouver — Richmond arena: Monday, 7:30; Friday

and Sunday 8 p.m.  
Chilliwack: Thursday and Saturday 8:30; Sunday 7 p.m.  
Kamloops: Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 8:30 p.m.; Sunday 7 p.m.  
Vernon: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 8 p.m.; Friday 9

p.m.; Sunday, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.  
Kelowna: Tuesday, Friday and Saturday 8:30 p.m.; Sunday, 7:30 p.m.  
Penticton: Tuesday and Saturday 8 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 p.m.; Sunday, 7:30 p.m.

## Additional SPORT

teams in the B.C. league, Vernon, Kelowna, Penticton and Kamloops will be joined by Chilliwack Bruins, last season's sophomore squad and a Vancouver representative team playing out of Richmond.

As was the case last season, each team will play 30 games at home and make like amount of trips away.

While the league pennant flag will be raised as of Oct. 7 when Vancouver travels to Chilliwack for the opener, Vernon fans won't see their team on the ice until the following Saturday, Oct. 9, when Kelowna comes into the Civic Arena, followed two days later with a visit from the Penticton Broncos for a 7:30 Monday night game.

This season Vernon will have few changes in their game nights with most encounters going on the ice either Tuesday or Saturday. Some exceptions of course will have a few Sunday afternoon games and the odd Thursday, Friday and Monday nights.

Windup of the regular schedule has March 18, a Saturday, see Vernon end their season with a trip to Kamloops.

Another factor noted in the schedule will see the interior clubs, Vernon for example, make four trips to the coast for three game stints each time, playing either Vancouver or Chilliwack twice per trip.

Mr. Dye reported the local training camp will officially get under way on or about Sept. 11 with workouts for local hopefuls only on the ice for several days.

"We are going to give all local boys every chance to make the Vernon team this season and will encourage these boys in every way to try and make the permanent squad.

Meanwhile we expect to try and place some of last year's roster in the Medicine Hat training camp to give them some advance shaping up before they take to the ice here and at the same time it is hoped that our last season, but now over-age boys will make the Medicine Hat Tigers squad as regulars. It depends of course on how hungry they are to make hockey their career," he concluded.

Meanwhile, Vernon recreation director Jack Boutillier confirmed that he hoped to have the arena ice plant turned on by Sept. 4 with ice making to begin on the following Tuesday and ready by the following weekend.

Minor hockey registration has been set for two dates, Sept. 11 from 1-5 p.m. and again on Sept.

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