



### Miss Junior hockey opens season

Miss Vernon Junior Hockey, Heather Holmes, drops the puck to officially start the 1971-72 B.C. Junior A hockey season in the Civic Arena last Saturday night. Miss Holmes retires from her role as the hockey club representative on Oct. 17 when a new candidate will be named to vie for honors in the Queen Silver Star pageant

for the approaching Winter Carnival. Facing off for the occasion is Vernon Esso team captain Jim Lawrence (left) and Kelowna Buckaroo assistant captain Greg Fox. Vernon went on to win the game handily by a score of 11-2 then won their second game Monday night when they defeated Penticton Broncos 4-2. —Doug Bulwer photo

Take first two games

# Vernon romps over junior A opposition

By DOUG BULWER

Vernon 11-Kelowna 2  
Vernon 4-Penticton 2

The old adage of slowly inserting new blood into the already strong stream of experience seems to be paying off for the Vernon Essos of the B.C. junior A hockey league.

Essos opened their 60 game schedule Saturday night with a whopping 11-2 win over hapless Kelowna Buckaroo squad then picked up victory number two Monday night with a convincing 4-2 win over visiting Penticton Broncos.

While it may be too early in the season to give a good assessment, already six returnees from last years roster have come through with a major portion of the Vernon goals and assist point totals.

Of the 15 goals Vernon have scored in their first two outings, 10 of them have come off the sticks of the veterans, similarly, 17 of the 24 assists have come from this same group.

So far coach Odie Lowe has gone with seven and six veterans respectively in each game that had 16 players in the line-up both times out.

This shows that he is carrying up to 10 newcomers per game indicating a strong flow of graduate players from lower divisions.

It seems the best part of all this stems from the fact experience blended with a strong determination of "making good" by the rookies will give the Essos the strongest club in the six team loop this season.

Professional sport is usually carried out in this manner with the veterans carrying the load while at the same time giving the better of the newcomers their share of glory as they earn it.

Saturday night, Essos jumped into a 3-1 first period lead with veteran Ernie Gare scoring the first Esso goal of the season at the 7:54 mark only to have this margin wiped out when Ted Campbell put Kelowna on the scoreboard a minute and seven seconds later on a power-play with Bob Powell sitting out a holding penalty.

However, newcomers Gordon Neilson and Les Salo came back with go ahead goals at 14:11 and 19:55 respectively for the two goal lead going into the middle period.

Kelowna came within a single marker of the Vernon lead when Jeff Robson (a Revelstoke native) scored at 3:16, but this proved to be all for the visitors as the Essos added five more goals to round out the period scoring.

Wayne Dye was the big gun for the Essos as he scored the first two of his four goals in the game followed by singles by John Price (on a power play), Les Salo again and Jeff Shirley of Vernon midget fame.

With the tale already told, Essos seemed to slack off in the final period and only added three more to the already one-sided score.

As mentioned, it was the veterans who provided the big punch with Ernie Gare heading the list with a six point night on one goal and five assists, followed by Wayne Dye's four goal performance, John Price's goal, and three assists and team captain Jim Lawrence's three assists.

Monday night, Vernon almost teasingly allowed Penticton to get on the scoreboard first as they let the visitors slip through their defence at the 6:00 mark of the opening period to score off the stick of Ron Poole.

Penticton held the slim lead for the next four minutes when Vernon came to life and proceeded to pump four markers of their own into the goal mouth.

This proved to be all the Vernon scoring in the game as they changed their pattern from a sleek, and smooth play-making squad to the raggedy style being shown by the visitors.

As a result, neither team found the net in the second frame and repeated this problem right up to the fading minutes of the game when Penticton took advantage of a power-play at 18:42 of the third period when Cliff Lane was sent

off for an interference call a minute and a half earlier.

Like in their opening game, it was the veterans showing the way as Ed Johnstone, Ernie Gare, John Price and Jim Lawrence did the Vernon scoring with Wayne Dye assisting twice Jim Lawrence, Bob Powell and Ed Johnstone helping in the single assist column along with rookies Dennis Bergeron and Les Salo, also picking up points for their single assists.

Defensively, Vernon's goal tending was above average as Earl Bowie did the honors in the opening game, stopping 18 shots that came at him while Mike Smithson withstood a total of 32 drives that came his way in the second game of the young season.

The over-all penalty total for the Essos showed them taking five of the eight handed out in the first game with another nine picked up of 16 called in the second game.

Essos now take to the road over the next two weeks as first they play three games at the coast next weekend, meet Kelowna a week today, then travel to Penticton on the following Friday before coming back into familiar territory Saturday, Oct. 23, when they meet Chilliwack Bruins at home.

They then sit back and rest until Nov. 2 (a Tuesday) when they play host to Kamloops for the first time.

Looking closely at the schedule, the Essos play 31 of their 60 games before Jan. 1, eight in October, 12 in November, and 11 in December.

### HOCKEY SUMMARY

Vernon 11-Kelowna 2

First Period:  
1-Vern. Gare (Salo, Price) 7:54;  
2-Kel. power play, Campbell (Tyler, Fox) 9:01; 3-Vern. Neilson (Brewer, Gare) 14:11; 4-Vern. Salo (Price, Gare) 19:55. Penalties: Powell (Ver.) 8:24.

Second Period:  
5-Kel. J. Robson (Maltock) 3:16;  
6-Vern. Dye (Lawrence) 4:21;  
7-Vern. Dye (Lawrence, Johnstone) 7:35; 8-Vern. power play Price (Gare, Lawrence) 9:18; 9-Vern. Salo (Price, Gare) 15:29; 10-Vern. Shirley (Reid, Neilson) 17:56. Penalties: Fox (Kel.) 7:40; Shirley (Ver.) 10:14; Shirley (Ver.) 18:51.

Third Period:  
11-Vern. Dye (unas) 1:33;  
12-Vern. Vernon (Price, Gare) 2:54;  
13-Vern. Dye (unas) 8:35. Penalties: Gare (Ver.) and McKinnon (Kel.) majors 3:21; Austin (Ver.) 15:24; J. Robson (Kel.) 15:24.

Shots on goal—Vernon 12, 17, 11 for 41; Penticton 5, 10, 5 for 20. Attendance: 500.



JIM LAWRENCE  
... 5 points



WAYNE DYE  
... scores four



JOHN PRICE  
... has 2 and 3



ED JOHNSTONE  
... speedy checker



### Swift-sure hockey action

Fast action on the ice is caught by the camera during Vernon Essos home opener last Saturday night when they went on to trounce the Kelowna Buckaroos by an outlandish score of 11-2. Vernon officials are beginning to worry their team may be just too strong for teams such as Kelowna who seemingly started where they finished last year, on the bottom of the league. However, the season is young and Kelowna officials say they will have a real contender soon.

### B.C. junior A standings

To Oct. 12, 1971

Team	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Vernon	2	2	0	0	15	4	4
Chilliwack	2	2	0	0	12	5	4
Vancouver	3	1	1	1	11	12	3
Penticton	2	1	1	0	7	5	2
Kamloops	3	0	2	1	13	19	1
Kelowna	2	0	2	0	3	16	0

### WEEKEND SCOREBOARD

Thursday, Oct. 7—Chilliwack 3-1 over Vancouver at home  
Friday, Oct. 8—Vancouver 6-5 over Kamloops at home  
Friday, Oct. 8—Penticton 5-1 over Kelowna at Kelowna  
Saturday, Oct. 9—Vernon 11-2 over Kelowna at home  
Saturday, Oct. 9—Chilliwack 9-4 over Kamloops at home  
Monday, Oct. 11—Vernon 4-2 over Penticton at home  
Monday, Oct. 11—Vancouver 4-4 tie with Kamloops at Vancouver

Vernon 4-Penticton 2  
First Period:  
1-Pen. Poole (Wilkinson) 6:08;  
2-Vern. Johnstone (Dye, Lawrence) 10:00; 3-Vern. Gare (Bergeron, Salo) 16:47; 4-Vern. Price (Powell) 17:11; 5-Vern. Lawrence (Johnstone, Dye) 19:19. Penalties: Price (Ver.) 7:08; Nicholson (Pen) 7:24; Campbell (Pen) 11:35.  
Second period:  
No scoring. Penalties: Affleck (Pen) 2:51; Price (Ver.) 2:51.  
Lawrence (Ver.) 3:05; Puska (Pen) 5:05; Wilkinson (Pen) 9:35; Powell (Ver.) minor and major, 15:24.  
Third period:  
6-Pen. power play, Mulvey (Kasack, Poole) 18:42. Penalties: Smithson (Ver.) 3:35; Gerk (Pen) 8:00; Brewer (Ver.) 12:15; Lane (Ver.) 17:14; Toppert (Pen) 18:42; Brewer (Ver.) 18:49.  
Shots on goal by Vernon—13, 6, 7 for 26; by Penticton—9, 12, 13 for 34. Attendance: 500.



ERNIE GARE  
... has good start



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