



BACK IN FAMILIAR TERRITORY

Former Vernon junior A players, Cliff Lane and Ed Johnstone pose with Ed's mom and dad following their appearance with the Medicine Hat Tigers in an exhibition match with the Vernon Vikings Wednesday

night at Vernon civic arena. Both players made good account of themselves in the game although the Tigers did lose by a narrow 3-2 difference. Ed Johnstone is now playing his second year with the Tiger's while Cliff moved

into the Tiger camp this season after a good year here in Vernon a season ago.



TOM SERVISS ... in good form

Most popular player

Who said Tommy Serviss was eaten by the Sharks

Vernon hockey fans will be interested to learn one of their favorite junior hockey players of a few seasons ago, Tommy Serviss, is still holding his own as a member of the Los Angeles Sharks of the World Hockey Association, the Daily Racing Form and the National Turf Writers' Association.

A report through the associated press a few weeks ago erroneously indicated Serviss and another player had been dropped from the team, however, this information proved to be wrong.

Tommy has been the "people's choice" in three cities where he played, Calgary, the Vernon Jr.s of the BCHL and Dallas where he played for the Black Hawks.

Serviss had 64 points for the Flint Generals in 1971-1972, many of them against Slater's Des Moines team. His brother is the coach at Toledo in the IHL.

A write up in one of the hockey magazines giving players profiles, the following article was printed and written by sports writer Hank Ives.

Serviss had 11 goals and 26 assists last year, his 37 points ranking sixth best on the team.

"The people's choice, the 25 year old center excels on the penalty-killing team along with Ted McCaskill. Terry Slater calls the pair the best in the WHA, and well they should be since the sharks led the league in penalty minutes last year and are again in the lead.

Tommy and his father Ken, are avid tennis players. Tommy won the city net championship at 16 at LaCrosse, B.C. He also held the high school football rushing records in Vernon, B.C. as a hard-hitting running back.

Tommy was named the outstanding Shark rookie last season and was runner-up to Gerry Odrowski in the most popular player balloting. He led the team in short-handed goals with three.

Tommy's favorite pastime is driving the Canadian mountains in his four-wheel drive truck accompanied by his pet dog "Lady." Nope, he's not married but I think my 12-year-old daughter Linda has designs on him."

Sports

DOUG BULWER, Sports Editor

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Viking head office is kept quite busy

In August of 1971 the Vernon Junior hockey club front office made a move to upgrade itself to what it is known today.

Alexander, Jim Gardner, Nick Schuck and Dave McKay joined forces to buy the franchise and continued to work together until early this spring when Mr. Fish sold out his interest to one two new owner-directors, Les York while Les Schier took over from Mr. McKay.

The news at that time came with an announcement the Vernon Junior Essos had been sold by the Vernon Minor Hockey Association.

Only other change came this year when Odie Lowe was replaced as coach a post which he had held for five years, giving way to Vern Dye who moved from the managerial job to coach.

While the Vernon club had progressed and done well under the wing of the local minor group it was felt by many that a team of this magnitude which included a large operating budget of better than \$50,000 a season would be better run by a group of private citizens, hence he decision to sell the franchise outright.

Acting as manager this season is Les Schier with Roly Sammartino the head trainer a job he has had for the past three seasons with Doug Bulwer Jr. his head stick boy, a job young Bulwer has also held for three years.

Local Businessmen; Vern Dye, Brian Willows, Ernie Kowal, Russ Fish, Terry

Finns take bucks before 2,298 fans

KELOWNA, B.C. (CP)—The Finnish National junior team, demonstrating superb passing and skating techniques, finessed its way to an 8-4 exhibition hockey victory over the stubborn Kelowna Buckaroos before 2,298 fans here Tuesday night.

The teams traded two goals apiece in the second period and the Buckaroos made it 5-3 going into the final 10 minutes of the third period, when the Finns scored three goals within two minutes and 35 seconds to put the game out of reach.

It was the fifth game of an eight-game tour for the Finns who have won three, lost one and tied the other. They play in Winnipeg Thursday.

Berry scored on a breakaway with just 15 seconds left to round out the scoring.

Hannu Niemi scored three times for the Finns and Auvo Vaaenaenen scored twice. Jouni Rinne, Jarmo Haellfors and Matti Hagman added single goals.

"We were so damned tight in the first period," said Kelowna coach Don Culley. "Penalties killed us too."

For the Buckaroos, Les Strachan, Archie McKinnon and Brad Owens all scored single goals as did Fred Berry, picked up from the Merritt Centennials for the game.

The Finns scored three of their goals with the Buckaroos short-handed.

"Yes, they're in good condition, but no better than we are. They're a fine hockey club," said Culley.

Buckaroo players picked out passing as the main difference between the Finns and their opposition in the BCJHL.

Goalie Jerry Mekrafoff noted: "They didn't waste any shots. They were all on goal."

Local fans take note

EDMONTON (CP) — Jim Bennett paid \$234 for a season ticket for Edmonton Oilers games but he'll never see a game played by the World Hockey Association team.

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Vernon Pups whallop Brocklehurst

Vernon senior pup reps were on the road Saturday as they travelled to the Brocklehurst suburb of Kamloops and came away with a big 18-1 win over their hosts.

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NHL standings

National	East Division				
	W	L	T	F	A P
Boston	21	4	3	134	73 45
Montreal	18	7	3	100	75 40
Rangers	13	9	9	115	96 35
Toronto	14	11	6	104	85 34
Buffalo	14	13	2	99	95 30
Detroit	12	16	3	99	132 27
Islanders	5	16	9	70	97 19
Vancouver	6	16	6	68	99 18

West Division	W L T F A P				
	Phila	17	7	4	81
Chicago	14	5	9	95	52 37
Atlanta	13	11	6	74	80 32
St. Louis	12	10	6	79	72 30
Los Angeles	9	16	5	82	101 23
Minnesota	8	14	7	83	99 23
Pittsburgh	9	16	4	75	104 22
California	7	21	3	71	121 17

NHL scoring leaders

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Chicago Lemaire picked up his 21st assist in Montreal Canadiens' 4-1 win Tuesday night over California Golden Seals to move into a two-way tie for eighth place in the National Hockey League scoring race.

Player	G	A	P
Esposito, B	34	32	66
Orr, B	17	34	51
Hodge, B	21	23	44
Goldsw'thy, Min	19	16	37
Martin, Buf	19	18	37
Ullman, T	14	21	35
Hextall, Min	7	28	35
Lemaire, M	12	21	33
Cashman, B	8	25	33
Gilbert, R	14	18	32
Park, R	8	24	32
Boudrias, V	6	26	32

Hockey scoreboard

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
National
Montreal 4 California 1
Detroit 4 Los Angeles 4
Vancouver 2 NY Islanders 2
World
Vancouver 5 Los Angeles 2
Winnipeg 3 Chicago 3
Quebec 4 Edmonton 2
Toronto 4 New Jersey 1
American
Nova Scotia 3 Virginia 3
Jacksonville 5 Boston 3
North Shore
Dalhousie 4 Bathurst 3
Maritime Senior
Truro 2 Windsor 2
Quebec Major Junior
Montreal 8 Hull 2
Sorel 14 Trois-Rivieres 1
Quebec Junior
St. Jerome 7 Waterloo 4
Cap-de-la-Madeleine 7 Grand-Mere 6
Site. Foy 6 Beauport 3
Central Junior
Rockland 7 Pembroke 3
Ontario Major Junior
Oshawa 4 Toronto 2
Sudbury 7 Ottawa 1
London 4 Kitchener 1
Kingston 7 St. Catharines 5
Southern Ontario Junior
Niagara Falls 4 Buffalo 2
Provincial Junior
Vaughan 7 Richmond Hill 3
Wexford 6 Seneca 1
Western Canada
Winnipeg 3 Victoria 2
Flin Flon 7 Brandon 3
Calgary at Saskatoon, p.p.d.
Manitoba
St. James 3 St. Boniface 2
Saskatchewan Junior
Yorkton 3 Weyburn 1
Regina Pats 7 Humboldt 6
Alberta Senior
Red Deer 8 Calgary 3
U.S. College
Lake Superior 6 Bemidji, Minn. 1
Exhibition
Edmonton (WCHL) 8 Moscow 6
Finland 8 Kelowna (BCJHL) 4

Secretariat wins again

NEW YORK (AP) — Secretariat, who captured the hearts of millions while winning the first Triple Crown in 25 years, once again easily outdistanced all opposition Wednesday, winning Horse of the Year honors.

The Meadow Stable three-year-old was a unanimous choice for the Eclipse Award in balloting sponsored by the Thoroughbred Racing Association, the Daily Racing Form and the National Turf Writers' Association.

Secretariat also was unanimous choice as champion three-year-old colt and champion turf horse, giving him a total of five Eclipse awards. He won 1972 honors as horse of the year and champion two-year-old colt.

It was Secretariat's victories in the Kentucky Derby, Preakness and Belmont that made him the most celebrated horse of the year, but it was his impressive victories in the Man o' War Stakes at Belmont and in the Canadian International Championship at Woodbine race track in Toronto that earned him the Turf title.

Over-all, Secretariat won nine of 12 starts, was second twice and third once. He earned \$960,404 in 1973, raising his lifetime earnings to \$1,316,808. He was retired to stud last month under terms of an earlier agreement.

ADDS TO LAURELS

Meadow Stable had another Eclipse winner in Riva Ridge, who was awarded top honors among colts, horses and geldings four years old and over. An Eclipse winner as a two-year-old in 1971, Riva Ridge won five of his nine starts.

WHA standings

World	East Division				
	W	L	T	F	A P
New Eng.	18	11	1	114	96 37
Quebec	16	15	3	125	110 35
Toronto	15	17	3	123	115 33
Cleveland	14	12	4	96	97 32
Chicago	13	12	2	94	95 28
New Jersey	11	19	2	77	116 24

WHA scoring leaders

World	West Division				
	W	L	T	F	A P
Edmonton	18	12	0	104	92 36
Houston	15	10	4	107	89 34
Minnesota	16	13	1	112	101 33
Winnipeg	14	15	4	113	109 32
Los Ang.	13	20	0	99	125 26
Vancouver	12	18	0	100	119 24

Results Tuesday
Toronto 4 New Jersey 1
Quebec 4 Edmonton 2
Chicago 3 Winnipeg 3
Vancouver 5 Los Angeles 2
Games Tonight
Minnesota at Vancouver
Edmonton at New England
Winnipeg at Houston

Carleton has 18 goals and 30 assists for 48 points, three more than Harrison.

Player	G	A	P
Carleton, T	18	30	48
Harrison, E	16	29	45
M. Walton, M	16	24	40
Hughes, H	22	15	38
Lawson, V	20	18	38
Bernier, Q	14	23	37
Morrison, M	13	22	35
Connelly, M	18	16	34
Lacroix, NJ	13	21	34
Lund, H	9	25	34

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