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Vikings win and lose in B.C. Junior action

Kelowna Buckaroos strengthened their first-place position in British Columbia Junior Hockey League Interior Division standings Sunday night with a 10-1 victory over Langley Lords in Kelowna, while Chilliwack Bruins moved into second place in the Coast Division with an 8-5 win over Merritt Centennials in Chilliwack Sunday.

The Buckaroos have 86 points, while Chilliwack has 47, one ahead of third-place Bellingham Blazers. Langley is first in the Coast Division with 71 points, while Merritt is at the bottom of the Interior Division with 37.

In other BCJHL games Sunday, Nanaimo Clippers, last place in the Coast Division with 38 points, defeated Bellingham 5-4 in Bellingham. Meanwhile, Penticton Broncos continued a bid to move into second place in the Interior Division with a 7-1 victory over the Vernon Vikings in Penticton.

The Broncos now have 68 points, while the Vikings have 71.

On Saturday, Vernon crushed Langley 10-4 in Vernon, Bellingham defeated Merritt 7-4 in Merritt, and Chilliwack mauled Nanaimo 9-3 in Chilliwack.

Marcel Van Der Graf led the Chilliwack attack, scoring five goals. Tom O'Neill, Wayne Barnard, Darrell Rambold and Brian Didier scored the others.

For Nanaimo it was Steve Buckley, Grant Currie and Morley Anderson.

In Saturday's game at Merritt, Dean Arnett and Brad Maxwell gave the visitors a 2-0

first-period lead. In the second, Doug Davis and Wayne Jeske each scored two for the Blazers and Harold Phillipoff added another.

In a fight-filled Saturday game that included 27 penalties for 112 penalty minutes, Vernon's Tad Campbell scored three goals while Greg Howe and Ken Price each got two. Singles came from Bob Burgoyne, Dave Caldow and Martin Stein.

Langley goal scorers were Ryan Walter, who got a pair, and Peter Poeschek and Brian Henderson, each with singles.

Playing in Chilliwack Sunday, Tom Zelke led the Bruins with two goals. Singles came from Butch DuPont, Rick Durstan, Vern Quaroni, Gary Huth, Jim Slater, and Ken Widmeyer.

Jim Cotton, Greg Agar, Gord Adomeit, Don Festerling, and Paul Mulvey scored for the Centennials.

Archie McKinnon led Kelowna to victory Sunday night with three goals, while linemate Murray Hanson scored twice. Singles came from Dale Turner, John Stone, Curt Fraser, Brad Owens, and Mark Lofthouse.

Ryan Walter was the lone Langley marksman.

Playing in Penticton Sunday, Wade Jowett scored twice for the Broncos, while singles came from Marc Severyn, Greg Milliard, Doug Lawton, Mark Patterson and Mike Holmes. Rod Dyck had the lone goal for Vernon.