

Viking camp to wait for additional players

Vernon Vikings junior A hockey club has delayed the opening of its training camp until Saturday.

Coach Joe Tennant decided to wait until 11 more players arrive from Medicine Hat, where Vernon's parent club, the Tigers, is holding its training camp.

Tennant said, "We have 11 boys there playing in an intra-squad game, who will arrive back in Vernon late Friday."

Tennant arrived in Vernon, from Medicine Hat, with about 35 players Wednesday. In

preparation for Vernon's camp, he released several players including holdover John Kokotilo.

Tennant said, "We have a great crop of young players and all the guys who were with the team last year are going to have to work very hard to make this year's club."

It appears ex-Vikings Don Murdoch and Jeff Boychuk will stick with the Tigers this season. Goalie Ken Holland has also been impressive, and depending on his performance in the intra-squad game, he could stay in Medicine Hat.

450 delegates expected for hockey convention

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About 450 delegates, from throughout the province, will converge on Vernon Friday for the B.C. Amateur Hockey Association's annual convention.

The convention, which starts late Friday afternoon, will wrap-up Sunday.

The Vernon delegation, attending the convention, will be George Green, Mev Wells, Alex Kashuba, Gordie Nuyens and Alf Grahame.

A total of 28 resolutions have been listed on the agenda, with possibly the most important concerning the drafting of players by the Western Canada Hockey League.

It states, "Be it resolved that the major junior A league be required to pay \$500 for each junior age player and \$1,000 for each under junior age player signed, for each year the player has been in bantam, midget and juvenile. The money to be paid to the branch for distribution to the minor hockey associations according to registration on CAHA certificates."

STOPS RAIDING

That motion, submitted by C. Hockey, the BCAHA's senior division director, will certainly cut down on raiding by the WCHL, but it could hurt B.C. players in the long run.

If a WCHL team has to pay \$3000 for a B.C. boy and can get a player of similar calibre from a prairie province, the B.C. boy could possibly be overlooked.

A resolution, submitted by L. J. Buchan, intermediate division director, calls for a minimum suspension of one year be instituted for players verbally or physically abusing an official.

Reportedly, the Vernon delegation is 100 per cent opposed to that motion.

If another resolution is passed, any application to the BCAHA for a junior team, must ensure enough financial backing is available for the team to last a minimum of one season.

A resolution, which could greatly help small associations, was introduced by A. T. Fisher, Okanagan-

Mainline director.

It states, "Be it resolved that for a three year trial basis we set up a B division for any association of a registration of 300 and less to playoff for a B championship, on a district basis only.

"If after a trial of three years, these associations are satisfied that this is a step in the right direction, then we will find a method and solution to set up a provincial championship."

Mr. Fisher said this resolution would help smaller areas because 90 per cent of small associations are eliminated from hockey by early February.

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Etter impressive in Ti-Cat victory

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When Hamilton Tiger-Cats acquired Don Jonas from Winnipeg Blue Bombers last week in a quarterback swap, it was assumed Jonas would become the Ticats' No. 1 passer

