



FORWARD Marty Stein of Vernon Vikings has been suspended for an indefinite period by president Bryan Couling of the British Columbia Junior Hockey League as a result of a match penalty for spearing picked up by Stein Saturday night in a game at Nanaimo. Couling said today the suspension will remain in effect until the case has been dealt with by the B.C. Amateur Hockey Association.

Vikings return home from tough road swing

As the saying goes, there's no place like home. Vernon Vikings were glad to be home at 7:30 a.m. today after a gruelling four-game road trip to the coast.

In the four games, played on four consecutive nights, Vikings won one and lost three.

They opened the trip last Thursday with a 3-2 loss to Chilliwack Bruins but bounced back Friday to defeat Langley.

Saturday, Nanaimo Clippers trounced the Vikings 12-3 and Sunday in Bellingham, the Blazers dumped Vernon 7-3.

Vikings' coach Joe Tennant was not disappointed with his club's showing but felt with a little luck, they could have come home with two or three wins.

Tennant said, "It is bad enough playing a schedule like that with a full team, but we ran into all kinds of trouble."

SEVERAL INJURIES

Tennant found himself with only two centres for the final two games when Rod Dyck was injured against Chilliwack, and Ron Areshnekoff hurt his hip in the Langley game.

Kickers hold on to first

Kelowna Kickers held on to first place in the Okanagan Senior Soccer League by defeating Vernon Nationals 5-2 Sunday at MacDonald Park.

Vernon Lodge Blues, who trail Kickers by one point, dumped the Vernon Spartans 5-2. However, Kelowna also had one game in hand on the Blues.

Kelowna built up a 2-0 lead but Vernon battled back to tie the score 2-2. Before half-time, Kickers were back in the lead 4-2.

Doug Pearson and Glen MacDonald scored for the Nats, who had several good scoring opportunities, including a penalty kick, missed by Bob Scott.

Vernon pups dumped 13-7

Winger Greg Walmsley missed the first two games of the trip, Marty Stein picked up a match misconduct against Nanaimo, so is suspended indefinitely, and Dave Caldow, was also thrown out of the Nanaimo game.

In Nanaimo, Clippers led 3-0 at the end of the first, out-scored Vernon 7-3 in the middle period, and added two unanswered markers in the final 20 minutes.

Dale Ewasiuk led Nanaimo with three goals while Brent Kristof added a pair. Singles went to Al Dreger, Howie Beamish, Dale Beckman, John Gordon, Clint Eccles, Morley Anderson, and Kirk Fyffe.

CAME BACK

Darrell Booth, Dwight Bailey, and Peter Poeschek scored for Vernon.

In Bellingham, Blazers

opened up a 3-0 lead but Vikings pulled to within one goal, 4-3 early in the third period. However, Vernon, feeling the effects of the trip, were scored on three times in the final 10 minutes.

Kevin Crook, Ken Pendleton, Stan Smyl, Brian Pearce, Roy Wheaton, Paul Enquist, and Alex Bellcourt, tallied for Bellingham. Brian Griese, Walmsley, and Booth, scored for Vernon.

Despite the high scores, Tennant said his goalies played well. In Nanaimo, Keith Ferner made 56 saves, while Jim Scammel, in the nets in Bellingham, turned away 54 shots.

Tennant also had praise for Bailey, Booth, Poeschek, and Grant Sidnick, who he said, all played hard.

Vernon's next game is Wednesday in Merritt.

HOCKEY ROUND-UP

SATURDAY

Exhibition

Minnesota NHL 6 Hershey AHL 4

Philadelphia NHL 5 Pittsburgh NHL 2

Washington NHL 3 Kansas City NHL 2

NY Rangers NHL 4 NY Islanders NHL 3

New England WHA 6 Quebec WHA 3

Michigan WHA 5 Indianapolis WHA 1

Chicago NHL 7 Boston NHL 3

Buffalo NHL 2 St. Louis NHL 1

San Diego WHA 1 California NHL 3

Toronto NHL 4 Detroit NHL 4

Vancouver WHA 5 Phoenix WHA 2

Western International Nelson 12 Spokane 1

Ontario Major Junior Sault Ste. Marie 8 Toronto 6

Western Canada Edmonton 4 Victoria 2

Medicine Hat 7 Regina 1

B.C. Junior Chilliwack 5 Langley 3

Nanaimo 12 Vernon 3

SUNDAY

Exhibition Minnesota NHL 5 Toronto WHA 3

Vancouver NHL 4 Edmonton WHA 1

Montreal NHL 7 NY Rangers NHL 2

Buffalo NHL 4 Detroit NHL 2

Vancouver WHA 2 San Diego WHA 1

Washington NHL 2 Kansas City NHL 0

California NHL 5 Los Angeles NHL 2

Pittsburgh NHL 5 Cleveland WHA 3

Quebec WHA 4 Chicago WHA 2

Ontario Major Junior Kitchener 4 Kingston 3

St. Catharines 5 Peterborough 3

Ottawa 5 Hamilton 1

Toronto 4 Sudbury 3

Oshawa 5 London 2

Western Canada New Westminster 4 Edmonton 2

Lethbridge 5 Regina 1

Medicine Hat 7 Saskatoon 3

Calgary 5 Brandon 5

Winnipeg 3 Flin Flon 3

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Denver 17 Kansas City 14

Atlanta 14 NY Giants 7

New England 42 Baltimore 3

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Oakland 40 Cleveland 24

Minnesota 23 Dallas 21

Philadelphia 13 San Diego 7

Los Angeles 16 Detroit 13

St. Louis 34 San Francisco 8