

# Beefeaters recruiting



Lacrosse season is still five months away but already the recruiting drive is on for the defending Okanagan champions, Vernon Beefeaters.

Beefeater team officials don't expect to lose many players from last year's club, but they want to be sure any holes will be filled.

One team the Beefeaters have a major interest in right now is the Vernon Vikings hockey club.

Marty Stein played with Beefeaters the last two seasons and is one of the veteran members of the Vikings. Big Gary Gilchrist, played a few games with the Beefeaters last season but is expected to see regular duty with the lacrosse club in 1975.

Beefeaters would also love to get their hands on two players Vikings imported from Ontario this year.

## GOOD PAIR

The players, Greg Walmsley and Gord Lyons, both toiled with Bramalea, of the Ontario Junior A Lacrosse League in 1974.

Walmsley, a 190 pound winger and captain of the Vikings, scored 22 goals last lacrosse season. Lyons, a student at Okanagan College, came to Vernon to play hockey, but elected to quit the Vikings and concentrate on school.

However, school will be over when lacrosse season starts and he hasn't yet decided if he is going to return to the east next summer.

Walmsley calls his Ontario sidekick, "The best point man I have ever seen in lacrosse."

They would like to stay here and enjoy a beautiful Vernon summer but the chance of again playing in the highly competitive Ontario league, may take the pair back to Bramalea.

Peterborough PCOs, defending Minto Cup champions, knocked Bramalea out of the playoffs in the league finals last year and Walmsley feels with the PCOs losing several key players, Bramalea has a good chance to win the east.

No one has definitely indicated they won't be back with the Beefeaters next season, but the team expects to lose at least a couple players.

League commissioner Roly Sammartino plans on having the Interior League play an interlocking schedule with the Prince George League next summer, which will mean the clubs here will need all the help they can get against the tough Cariboo clubs.