



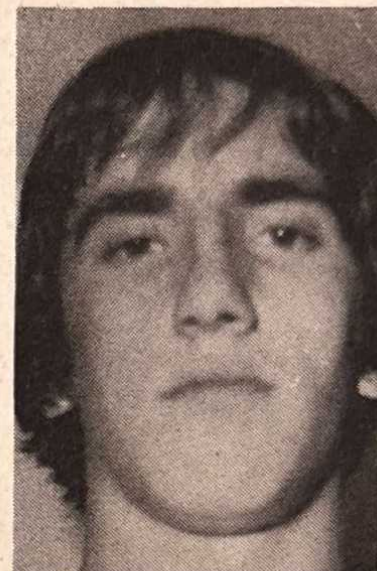
GREG HAYES
... in goal



DOUG BERRY
... centres top line



DEL IANNONE
... from Broncos



DWIGHT BAILEY
... Vikings' big gun

ALL-STAR GAME TONIGHT

Interior team strong

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If you are a longshot bettor, your money tonight has to be on the coast division, when they tangle with the interior division, in the annual B.C. Junior Hockey League All-star Game in Kelowna.

On paper, the game looks like it could be as much of a mismatch as the NHL all-star game Tuesday when the Prince of Wales Division trounced the Clarence Campbell Division 7-1.

But, luckily for coach Gil Lundhim, and his coast division team, hockey isn't played on paper.

The interior has dominated interlocking games this season, and to date, has nine of the league's top 12 scorers.

STRONG IN GOAL

The interior club, coached by Don Culley of Kelowna, appears to be stronger in the nets with Buckaroos' Jerry Nekrasoff and Merritt Centennial's Greg Hayes.

Defence could be the in-

terior's weak spot but, it should be adequate, and almost as good as the coast's blue line corps.

Two experienced defensive pairings will anchor the interior's defence with Vernon Vikings' Brian Griese teaming up with Terry Anaka, and Merritt's Dale Weatherell playing with Joe Radvak.

Anaka and Radvak are two of the league's highest scoring defencemen, and Weatherell is considered to be perhaps the BCJHL's top all-round defender.

"But," as the saying goes, "It's up front that counts."

The interior club has five forwards from Kelowna, three from Penticton, and two from Vernon and Merritt.

DEADLY UNIT

Buckaroos' big line of Doug Berry between Perry and Mark Schnaarr, will be tough to stop. The unit has already collected 288 points this season.

Penticton's deadly one-two punch of Kirk Aulin and Del Iannone, have connected for

63 goals in just 45 games.

From Vernon, the club's top scorer, Dwight Bailey, with 34 goals, will give the interior added strength down the middle. Vikings' other contribution to the club is hustling winger Grant Sidnick. Although Sidnick hasn't scored in four weeks, he has 19 goals.

Merritt's leader, Darrell Zelinski, who finished second in the BCJHL in scoring last year and currently is ninth in the league, will give the coast's defence nightmares.

In coast division games Wednesday, Langley Lords defeated the Bellingham Blazers 7-5 and Chilliwack Bruins edged the Nanaimo Clippers 8-7 in overtime.

Meanwhile, in Merritt, the Centennials lost to their parent club, Calgary Centennials of the Western Canada Hockey League 8-5 in an exhibition game.

Merritt was within one goal of Calgary until the final 30 seconds, when the team banged in two quick goals.



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