

# Vikings host Merritt tonight

There will be a new face in goal tonight when Vernon Vikings host Merritt Centennials in a re-scheduled B.C. Junior Hockey League game at the Vernon Civic Arena.

Mario Debella, 18, was called up Sunday by the Vikings, from their farm club in Grand Forks.

Vikings' Coach Joe Tennant told the Daily News today that Debella will start in the nets tonight as he feels his club needs more consistent goaltending.

Tennant said, "We lost to Penticton 7-6 Saturday, but the Broncos got four bad goals on us."

In the process of losing Saturday, Vikings established a league record for the two fastest goals. Dwight Bailey and Bred Schultz scored goals within six seconds in the third period when Vernon was trailing 7-4.

Schultz finished the night with two goals while Jack Lefley, Ron Areshnekoff, Jef



**GRANT SIDNICK**  
... injured knee

Boychuk, and Bailey added singles.

Gord McKay and Bob Irvine scored two goals each for the winners and Jim Grant, Kirk Aulin, and Pat Severyn had one each.

The loss dropped Vikings three points back of second-place Penticton.

Although Merritt occupies the cellar in the interior division, Vernon has had more trouble with the Cents this year than any other team in the league.

## **TWO INJURED**

To make matters worse, Vikings' captain Greg Walmsley and winger Grand Sidnick are both doubtful starters tonight. Walmsley has an injured tailbone and Sidneck hurt his knee in Saturday's game.

Meanwhile, Kelowna Buckaroos are not enjoying their coast road swing. After getting blasted 5-0 in Bellingham Saturday, the first-place Bucks suffered a 7-5 loss to the coast division's last-place club, Nanaimo Clippers, Sunday.

In other weekend games, Bellingham defeated Langley 6-4 and Nanaimo edged Chilliwack 2-1.

# Fargher's late goal gives Kal narrow win

A goal by George Fargher with less than three minutes remaining in the third period, proved to be the winner as Kal Hotel edged Vernon Screaming Eagles 5-4 in North Okanagan Hockey League action Sunday at the Vernon Civic Arena.

In Sunday's other game, Winfield Raiders thumped the Armstrong Cougars 7-3.

Fargher's goal, at 17:23 put first-place Kal ahead 5-3, but a goal by Barry Dye at 19:47, his third of the night, moved the Screaming Eagles back to within one goal.

Clay Anderson led the Kal attack with two goals while Jack Howard, Percy Wilson and Fargher added singles.

## EACH PERIOD

Dye scored a goal in each period for the Eagles while Larry Louis added a solo in the first period.



**BARRY DYE**

... three for losers

Vernon led 2-0 after the first period and 3-2 after the second.

Kal goalie Ed Forslund made 23 stops while Mike Herrling in the Eagles' net, blocked 15 shots.

In the other game, Dan Flasch scored twice for Winfield with singles from Mel Mitchell, Fred Parent, Clint Eccles, Randy Niro, and Ron Armstrong.

## SCORED TWO

Willy Bevan got a pair for the Cougars while Roger Maschaluk added a single.

Armstrong goalie Barry Dinwoody stopped 23 shots while Jack Murphy turned away 17 shots for the Raiders.

Winfield led 2-1 after the first period and 3-1 after the second.

# PIN POINTS

**SUNDAY MIXED**

Women's high single

Men's high single, Scott Fochler