

Port Alberni wins tournament



VERNON'S ROD KASH-UBA lets a wicked shot go at Port Alberni goalie Brad Ohs during the 'A' division

final in the Pee-wee Hockey Tournament. However, Ohs was waiting for this shot, and turned in a stalwart

performance before being relieved by Ray Levasseur. Port Alberni outshot Vernon 47-28 en route to winning the

tournament championship. (Daily News Photo by Don Kendall)

Vernon thumped 13-4 in final game Sunday

Port Alberni won the 'A' event of the fourth annual Winter Carnival Hockey Tournament in convincing fashion Sunday with a 13-4 victory over Vernon before 1,850 fans at the Vernon Civic Arena.

Coquitlam captured the 'B' championship with an easy 13-5 win over defending champion Fort St. John.

In three games, during the three-day tourney, Port Alberni scored 36 goals and allowed only 11.

Kim Collins scored four goals for the Island club in the championship game while John Newberry added three. Paul Cyr, with two, Martin Nelson, Darren Freeman, Richard Chernomaz, and Kevin Berard scored the other Port Alberni goals.

Kevin Keckalo scored two for Vernon with singles from Kevin Romanic and Brad Moore.

NEVER CLOSE

The game was never close as Alberni led 7-0 after the first period and 12-2 after the second.

Vernon goalies Brian Fester and Daryl Miles faced a total of 47 shots, while Brad Ohs and Ray Levasseur blocked 24 shots for the winners.

In the 'B' final, Steve Charboneau was Coquitlam's big gun with five goals while

team-mate Scott Payne added three.

Kent Billey scored three times for Fort St. John.

BIG GAME

Vernon made it to the championship game by defeating North Vancouver 8-5 in the semi-final game Saturday. In that game, Bob Wensley scored four times for the locals and Keckalo added a pair. Singles went to Wayne Bodnaruk and Kevin Poirier.

Dave Kristen picked up a hat trick for North Vancouver with singles from Grant McKinn and Brian Muellere.

Port Alberni trounced Spokane, Wash., 14-4 in the semi-finals.

Coquitlam was knocked into 'B' competition when they lost their first game, Friday, 9-3 to Port Alberni.

Unfortunately for Coquitlam, they had played Thursday night, on the coast, and had to travel all night to make it here in time for the first game. Some hard-hitting by Alberni early in the game, combined with some erratic shooting by Coquitlam, accounted for the lop-sided score.

Vernon's Keckalo was the winner of a special draw which will give him two free weeks at the Team Canada Hockey College, in Victoria, next summer.

VIKINGS LOSE TWO

Buckaroos clinch first

Kelowna Buckaroos and Langley Lords, for the second straight season, have clinched first place in their respective divisions in the B.C. Junior Hockey League.

Buckaroos recorded a pair of victories over the weekend, 7-5 and 10-7, over Vernon Vikings to sew up first place in the Interior Division.

Lords defeated Chilliwack Bruins 6-4 Saturday, and Nanaimo Clippers 7-6 Sunday, to take top spot in the Coast Division.

CLOSE GAME

Saturday in Vernon, the Bucks and Vikings were tied 2-2 after the first period and 4-4 after the second. At one point midway through the second period, Vernon led 4-2.

But, Kelowna bounced back to outscore the locals 3-1 in the final 20 minutes.

Gord Dumont and Rick Benningshof each got two goals for Kelowna with singles from Duane Monteith, Dale Turner, and Mark Schnarr.

Ron Areshneoff had two goals for the Vikings, with one each from Greg Walmsley, Dwight Bailey, and Darrell Billsten.

Bucks outshot the Vikings 40-29.

Sunday in Kelowna, the Regatta City crew led 4-1 at

the end of the first period and 8-4 after the second.

Archie McKinnon and Perry Schnarr scored a pair each for the Bucks with singles going to Wayne Krebs, Mark Schnarr, Bill Haynes, Benningshof, and Dumont.

Gary Gilchrist led the Vernon attack with three goals while Bailey scored two. Darrell Booth and Brad Schultz rounded out the Vikings' scoring.

GOALIE HURT

Vernon netminder Darrell Furmanek stopped a slap shot on his mask at 10:41 of the final period, but after a brief

rest, was able to complete the game.

Furmanek stopped 23 shots while Kelowna goalie Bill Stankoven turned away 38 drives.

With less than three weeks remaining in the schedule, it is doubtful any positions in the Interior will change. Kelowna has 82 points followed by Penticton Broncos with 64, Vernon has 52, and last-place Merritt has 42.

Vikings' Coach Joe Tennant said he plans on working a great deal on defensive work and skating in the next couple weeks.

He said, "At this time of the season, there is no reason for our defence to go sour like it has. We also aren't skating well enough."

In other weekend BCJHL games, Penticton defeated Bellingham 9-5, and lost 7-2 to Nanaimo Clippers.

Firefighters 'spiel opens

Mayor Stuart Fleming, Vernon Fire Chief Ken Little, and RCMP S.Sgt. Nick Shaigec took part in the opening ceremonies of the B.C. Firefighters' Bonspiel this morning at the Vernon Curling Club.

A total of 69 rinks, from throughout the province, are entered in the five-day 'spiel, scheduled to end Friday.

Winning rink will represent B.C. in the Canadian championships.

Sports

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Panthers dump Rebels 68-59

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Vernon Panthers came up with one of their finest games of the season and defeated visiting Maple Ridge Rebels 68-59 in high school basketball action at VSSS.

The Panthers were flying right from the start as they racked up an 18-9 first quarter lead, led 30-19 at half-time and were in command 49-38 after three quarters.

Doug Lemiski and Jon Rosman once again sparked the Vernon attack with

Lemiski getting 16 points and Rosman 13.

Dave Smith and Bob Corbett each added 12 points for the winners.

Doug Snitchuk led the Rebels offense as he hit for 17 points and B. Covington notched 13.

Vernon shot a fair 33 per cent from the field. Randy Forsyth and Lemiski were top rebounders with five each.

The victory gave the Panthers a split in weekend games as they had lost 75-66 to Agassiz Friday night.

High-flying Kal clobbers Raiders

First-place Kal Hotel recorded one of the most lop-sided victories of the season Sunday when they smashed Winfield Raiders 14-4 in North Okanagan Hockey League action at the Vernon Civic Arena.

In Sunday's other game, Vernon Screaming Eagles moved into a second-place tie, with Winfield, with a 6-5 victory over Armstrong Cougars.

Winger Dave Caldwell scored five goals for Kal while Rick Reilly added four. Singles went to Jim Moro, Garney Howard, Gerry Zaichowsky, Clay Anderson, and Ed Nield.

Howard, George Fargher, and Andy Vedan, each had four assists.

For Winfield, Fred Parent, Emery Lacroix, Glenn Swanson, and Elmer Williams scored one apiece.

In the other game, Rod Irwin scored the winner, for the Screaming Eagles, at 9:01

Old country soccer scores

LONDON (CP) — Old Country rugby results Sunday:

LEAGUE CUP
First Round

Barrow 5 Workington 5
Bramley 5 St. Helens 30
Featherstone Rovers 7 Salford 17

Huddersfield 18 Rochdale 21



DAVE CALDWELL ... big night

of the final period.

Irwin and Terry Lowe had two goals each for the winners while Tony Kopp and Mike Grywachski notched one each.

For the Cougars, Gord Lyons, Guy Davidson, King Cam, Merle Ransom, and Larry Plante each scored one.

Kal, who has already clinched the league title, has 29 points, followed by Winfield and Vernon with 12. Cougars are in the basement with seven points.

Everton remains on top despite narrow defeat

LONDON (AP) — Manchester City used all its skills to beat league leaders Everton 2-1 Saturday, but Everton remained atop the closest-ever race for the English soccer league championship.

Only four points separated the top 10 teams in the First Division, the tightest situation at this stage in more than 100 years.

A crowd of 44,718 fans at Manchester saw striker Joe Royle, a \$480,000 acquisition from Everton, set up both the home team's goals. In the 17th minute, he centered to Mike Summerbee, leading to a rebound shot by Bell. Eight minutes later, Tueart hammered home a 25-year-old following a header by Royle.

Salmon Arm wins two