

BRONCOS LEAD ON MISSES

Vernon downs Penticton 5-3

Vernon Vikings and Kelowna Buckaroos both took 2-1 leads in their British Columbia Junior Hockey League best-of-seven quarter-final playoff series Friday while Nanaimo Clippers moved to within a game of sweeping their series.

Vernon downed Penticton Broncos 5-3 at Penticton, Kelowna beat Merritt Centennials 7-5 in Kelowna while Nanaimo dumped Langley Lords 10-4 at Langley.

Vernon had a 2-1 lead after the first period and a 4-1 edge after the second.

Terry Anaka, Greg Walmsley, Brian Griese, Ron Areshnekoff and Dwight Bailey scored for Vernon while Gord McKay, Wade Jowett and Dell Iannone replied for Penticton.

Vernon took eight of 13 minor penalties and had one major. Penticton received two majors.

Penticton outshot Vernon 41-36.

Archie McKinnon and Perry Schnarr led Kelowna with two goals each and Marcel Van de Graaf, Brad Owens and Duane Monteith rounded out the scoring with singles.

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Greg Agar led Merritt with two goals and Alstad, Scott Kolewaski and Pat Dupuis scored one each.

Kelowna led 1-0 after one period and 6-4 after two.

Kelowna goalie Jerry Nekrasoff kicked away 17 shots and Merritt goalie Grey Hayes stopped 45. Merritt took eight of 14 minor penalties and two 10-minute misconducts.

League president Bryan Couling was in the stands and was seen taking notes throughout a lengthy second period in which Merritt coach Fred Schweitzer threw sticks on the ice, players from both teams were involved in fights

and some fans near the penalty box got into a scuffle with Merritt forward Stan Alstad.

Greg Norbratten led the Nanaimo attack with two goals. Rod Guimont, Tom Onno, Gord Genreux and Wayne Larsen scored in the first period for a 4-2 lead. Norbratten gave his team a 5-3 advantage going into the third period. Jim Slater, Kim Hillkewich, Bob Burgoyne, Bob Jeffrey and Norbratten rounded out the scoring.

Terry Tarnow scored two goals for Langley while Ryan Walter and Randy Larsen got one each.

Nanaimo goalie Dan Rogers stopped 41 shots and Langley goalie Ken Bain and Austin Howe combined to kick away 31.

In playoff action tonight Bellingham is at Chilliwack, Penticton at Vernon and Langley at Nanaimo.

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Alberta ranked schoolboy curling champ favorites

EDMONTON (CP) — A Calgary rink skipped by Paul Gowsell carries the banner for defending champion Alberta and ranks as one of the favorites in the 1975 Canadian schoolboy curling championship which opens here

Northwest Territories champion competed with Alberta. This year, the territorial champions played for one vacancy.

The 1975 entry list shows a wealth of experience on most teams.

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