

## VERNON BOWLERS CAPTURE TITLES

Vernon will have two teams participating in the Canadian Youth Bowling championships April 20 to 22 in Calgary.

The Vernon senior boys' team, coached by Tom Koenig, and bantam girls' team, coached by Carol Skidmore, both placed first in the provincial playoffs Saturday.

The senior boys, bowling in Delta, posted a three-game total of 3628.

Doug Wright was the big gun with scores of 391, 272, and 296 for a 961 triple.

Gord Wiffen had scores of 160, 208, 227; Tim Dooling 280, 184, 220; Wes Pawliuk 246, 200, 243; and Jim Dooling 265, 204, 220.

Second-place went to Richmond with 3431.

Defending B.C. champions, Vernon Senior Girls, had a bad first game and never recovered. They placed fifth, 496 pins back of first-place Richmond.

Debbie Woodroff, representing the Okanagan in the senior girls' singles event, placed fourth with a 722 triple.

The bantam girls, bowling at their home alley, Lincoln Lanes, rolled a 2479 triple.

Team members are Lori Clapp, June Turek, Karen Keckalo, Lynn Hoekstra, and Lynn Jamieson.

The bantam boys' team, also representing the Okanagan in the provincial finals, tied for fifth place.

## Cougars bomb first-place Kal

Someone better tell Armstrong Cougars they finished in last-place in the North Okanagan Hockey League.

Saturday, Cougars blasted second-place Winfield Raiders 9-1 to win their best-of-three semi-final series 2-1 Sunday, Armstrong hammered first-place Kal Hotel 8-2 in the opening game of the best-of-three final series.

Kal had made it to the finals by posting a 5-1 win over Vernon Screaming Eagles on Saturday, to win that series, 2-1.

King Cam, Merle Ransom, and Malcolm Ransom led the Cougars attack with two goals while Willie Bevan and Ken Haller added singles.

Jack Howard and Clay Anderson replied for Kal.

**BIG RALLY**

Armstrong led 1-0 at the end

of the first period but trailed 2-1 after the second. Between 3:11 and 19:38 of the final period, Cougars scored seven unanswered goals.

Kal goalie Mike Smithson made 40 saves, including 25 in the second period, while Charlie Briskam blocked 26 shots for Armstrong.

Saturday in the win over Winfield, Bevan scored two with singles from Steve White, Cam, Gord Lyons, Pat Balfour, Merle Ransom, Guy Davidson, and Jeff Davis.

Ross MacKenzie got the lone Raiders' goal.

Dave Caldwell scored two for Kal in Saturday's game with singles from George Fargher, Jim Moro, and Andy Vadan. Terry Lowe countered for the Eagles.

Second game of the finals is scheduled for next Sunday.

# Sports

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## MINOR HOCKEY

### Vernon midgets win first game

Vernon captured the first game of the best-of-three Okanagan-Mainline Midget Hockey finals with a 6-4 victory over South Kamloops Sunday in Vernon.

One line did the damage for Vernon as they counted all six goals and added six assists.

Willy Madden scored three goals and added two assists. Dave Thorlakson had two goals and one assist, and Terry Lowe counted one goal and three assists.

Tim Walters, Buck Buchanan, Lance Lestander, and Anthony Thomas countered for Kamloops.

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

Vernon Coach Odie Lowe felt his club played a good, all-around game.

Lowe said, "I'd like to see us wrap up the series in two games so we can prepare for the provincial finals."

Second game in the series is scheduled next Saturday in Kamloops.



TERRY LOWE  
... four points

over previously undefeated Rendell Tractor.

Major was sent into the clear on a pass from Steven Smith. Smith and Geoff Porter scored the other Red Top goals while Dale Hackewich and Gordon Olsen countered for Rendell.

In other games, Athens blanked Bruins 3-0 and Bear Alignment topped Village Green 4-1.

Vince Greensill, David Munk, and John Peters scored for Athens while Mike Rourke picked up the shutout.

Sean Wenger scored twice for Bear with singles from Dale Armstrong and Gordon Kashuba. Mike Kubilous countered for Village Green.

### Honda wins Braker Rally

The team of Dave Rodell and Mark Edwards, in their Honda, placed first in the Vernon Autosport Club's Spring Braker Rally last Friday.

Second place went to Don Matovich and Pat Cochrane in a Volvo. Mort Hoyte and Dave Hoyte, in an Austin Marina, finished third.

### Lacrosse club practice set

The Vernon Senior B Lacrosse Club will be holding a gym workout tonight at 9 p.m. at the Vernon Recreation Centre.

Anyone interested in trying out for the team is invited to attend.

# Buckaroos take one game lead



## Vikings lose close one in BCJHL semi-finals

Kelowna 2, Vernon 1

Kelowna Buckaroos took a 1-0 lead in the best-of-seven B.C. Junior Hockey League semi-finals with a 2-1 victory over Vernon Vikings Sunday in Kelowna.

Bucks' defenceman Marcel van de Graaf scored the winner on a rink-length rush with just 3:19 remaining in the third period.

Doug Berry gave the Buckaroos a 1-0 lead but Marty Stein tied the score midway through the third period.

### GOOD CHANCES

Just prior to the winning goal, Vikings' forwards Dwight Bailey and Grant Sidnick missed glorious scoring opportunities. On the winning goal, van de Graaf picked the puck up in his own end, catching the Vernon forwards in too deep, and he beat the last man back, Terry Anaka.

Kelowna outshot Vernon 35-29. Vikings picked up five eight minor penalties and Jeff Bouchuk was assessed a 10 minute misconduct.

Vikings' Coach Joe Tennant said, "We would have liked to win that one but, it's a long series."

"I don't think we were outplayed, and I do feel we outplayed them," said Tennant.

"Vikings' defence turned in a strong game as did the Vernon penalty killers, Peter Poeschek and Jack Leffey. Vikings' penalty killing unit did not allow the usual potent Bucks' powerplay a game.

Tennant said, "I think one of our problems was we didn't shoot enough. We'll still get them."

Bucks were able to blank Vernon's WAG line, Greg Walmsley, Ron Areshneko, and Gary Gilchrist. It was the WAG line that did most of the scoring in the semi-finals against Penticton Broncos, and although they had several good scoring chances Sunday, they did not enjoy a great game.



MARTY STEIN  
... scored for Vikings

Second game in the series is in Vernon Tuesday, with the third game scheduled in Kelowna on Wednesday.

In the other BCJHL semi-final series, Nanaimo Clippers defeated Bellingham Blazers 7-5 to even that series at 1-1.

Rod Guimont scored two for the Clippers with singles from Mickey Willgrass, Gord Generaux, Kim Hilkewich, John Gordon, and Brian Day.

Alex Belcourt scored twice for Bellingham while Bruce Rolin, Dennis Mackie, and Don Hobbs added one apiece.

## Vernon racer places first

Janice Harvey of the Silver Star Ski Club placed first overall in the women's event of the Silver Star Slalom Derby held over the weekend.

Harvey recorded a time of 1:52.2 Saturday and followed up with 1:18.6 on Sunday.

Lee Vogel of the Tod Mountain Ski Club placed first overall in the men's event.

Vogel also placed first on both days, with a time of 1:09.3 Saturday and 1:11.7 on Sunday.

## WINNING RINK

The Dave Weale Rink of Kamloops captured the 'A' event in the second annual Elks Club Provincial Bospital over the weekend at the Vernon Curling Club. From the left is third Matt Yanchuk, lead Doug

McLeod, second Lou Wolfe, the Exalted Ruler of Vernon John Hilsendeger, and skip Dave Weale. The Bentley rink of Quesnel won the 'B' event, the Harvey rink of Kelowna took the 'C' event, and 'D' event winner was

the Arnold foursome of Cloverdale. The Wasyluk rink of North Kamloops captured the 'A' event in the ladies' division. Order of the Royal Purple.

(Daily News photo)

## Packers capture playoffs

By Kevin Mitchell

Kelowna Packers captured the Okanagan Mainline juvenile hockey championship for the third consecutive year by downing Vernon 8-2 Sunday in the Regatta City.

The game was the final one in the best-of-three series. Vernon forced the deciding game by dumping Kelowna 9-3 Friday in Vernon.

As had happened in the first two games, the team which scored the first goal, came out the winners. Ken Schisler opened the scoring for Packers Sunday.

Kelowna held a 3-1 first period lead as Bruce Naka and Brian Koehler added to Schisler's marker, while Daryl Slizak replied for Vernon.

Packers extended their lead to 5-2 at the end of the second, on goals by Dan Leboe and Wayne Nelson, while Gene Anderson tallied for the local squad.

It appeared Vernon might make a comeback, until midway through the final session, when Leboe wrapped the game up with his second goal.

Tom Conalty and Nelson, with his second, rounded out the Kelowna scoring with both goals coming in the final 30 seconds of the contest.

Kelowna netminder, Gerry Dyck, blocked 23 shots while Vernon's Leon Nowek and Lyle Finch combined to turn away 18 Packer drives.

The defending B.C. Packers will now meet the winner of a series between Whitehorse and 100 Mile House, for the right to represent the north in the B.C. finals.

## Presentations highlight Fish and game banquet

Area hunters and fishermen underlined their mastery of the animal kingdom Saturday by devouring 870 pounds of game dishes during the Vernon Fish and Game Club's annual dinner and dance.

A major feature of the event, the meal was served smorgasbord style and offered such delicacies as bear and cougar steak and meatballs, moose, wild turkey, and goose, and much more, including — for only the brave — smoked "wild beast." What manner of beast was left to the imagination.

Draws were made during the evening for more than 100 prizes donated by area businesses, but the highlight for many of the sportsmen was the presentation of awards for trophy game taken during the year by members.

Those entering the club competition had to be members of the club on or before the opening of the hunting season. Rules called for the trophies to have been taken in the same year as the competition and they must have been taken in B.C. and presented to a club measuring station within three days after the closing of the season.

Boone and Crockett scoring system was used on big game and pheasants were measured from the tip of the beak to the end of the tail.

Those receiving trophy awards were Ewald Kitzman, for mule deer (typical), and Earl Carlson, for mule deer (non-typical); Kelly Fisher, for the longest pheasant; Doug Campbell, for the largest rainbow trout, 11 pounds 10 ounces. Maggie derby competition was won by a team comprised of Keith Monsees, John Frisby, Bob

Postill, and Bill Postill. The club's trophy for the most active member during the year went to Stephen Vaness, and a life membership was awarded to John Ricketts, 44 years with the club.

Honored was a shooting team, with members Mike French, Bill Kuhnlein, Ken Nickel and Dave Atkins, which scored second in the B.C. Rifle Association Handgun Championship, following the winning of the interior

zone championships. Atkins and French received the CIL Expert Silver Shield.

Several presentations were made to people associated with the club and one was to the new conservation officer Bill Karipita. Among his gifts was a pair of water wings given by tall men who claimed that Karipita when working on a dam in the Monashee walked into water that was only inches deep and it came up to his shoulders.

## Kamloops and Shuswap win All-Indian tourney

Kamloops won the men's title while Shuswap Thunderettes took first place in women's competition in the All-Indian Zone Basketball Playdowns held over the weekend at Clarence Fulton School.

Shuswap trounced Kelowna 94-7 in the championship women's game. Kelowna placed second, and North Okanagan Fireweeds, of Vernon, finished third.

In men's play, Kamloops dumped Pavilion 98-75 in the final game. Nicola Lakers placed third.

Top two teams now advance to the All-Indian provincial finals.

Rickie Alec of Pavilion, Robert Edwards of Similkameen, and Eugene Oppenheim of Nicola were the all-star men.

Kelowna was the most sportsmanlike women's team and Pavilion won that award in the men's division.

## Ball meeting on Tuesday

Vernon Commercial Men's Football League will hold a meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Kal Hotel.

First part of the meeting will deal with new applications, from teams, to join the league.

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## Remember when

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

The United States rink from Superior, Wis., won the Scotch and the world curling championship, 10 years ago today—in 1965—defeating a Canadian rink skipped by Terry Brauns in the final playoff. It was the final playoff since the Scotch Cup was inaugurated in 1959 that a Canadian rink had failed to win the event.