

Car 'spiel shaping up



The second annual Vernon Carling O'Keefe Car 'Spiel is not far away and it is shaping up to have a list of entrants just as impressive as in its inaugural year.

Spokesman for the 'spiel, Blake Kimura, said 11 out-of-town rinks have confirmed their entry already, leaving just 10 openings for invited teams.

Eleven of the 32 rinks competing will be from the Okanagan, including six from Vernon.

Five provinces and one state are represented by the rinks which have confirmed so far.

Among the confirmations are defending Canadian champion Bill Tetely from Thunder Bay, Ont., and defending United States champion Ed Risling of Seattle, Wash.

Other top names who will be here include Brent Giles of North Vancouver, Peewee Pickering of Milestone, Sask., Matt Baldwin of Edmonton, Jim Armstrong of Vancouver, Ron Northcott of Calgary, and Terry Braunstein of Winnipeg.

Kimura said there are still several rinks that the car 'spiel committee are hoping will confirm their entries.

They include Kevin Smale, Hec Gervais, and defending car 'spiel champion, Dr. Bill Mitchell of Edmonton.

PRINCE GEORGE THIRD

Prince George Canada Hotel, who eliminated Vernon Lodge Tigers in the provincial semi-finals, placed third in the Canadian Senior B Lacrosse finals last weekend in Quebec.

The Prince George club won three games, including the consolation final, and lost one.

They beat Nova Scotia 12-7, and Magog, Quebec 12-7, before losing 7-4 to Edmonton Fullers.

Fullers went on to defeat Nova Scotia 12-8 in the championship game.

Prince George again beat Magog, 19-13, in the consolation final. Canada Hotel's Brian Campbell was named the outstanding player in the tournament, which apparently surprised a lot of people.

Most officials on hand from B.C. felt that Prince George's Vern Norbraten was the best player in the tourney.

In the last three years, Prince George teams have now finished second, first, and third in the national finals.

BILLETS NEEDED

Vernon Vikings Junior Hockey Club is asking for help from the citizens of Vernon, during mid-September.

Billets are needed for players, aged 15 to 19, attending the Vikings' rookie camp.

Between 40 and 50 boys are expected to be on hand for the camp, and billets will be paid on a player-per-day basis.

If you can help the club, please phone 542-6117.

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