

Two quick goals give Lords win

Vernon Vikings started off their 1975-76 B.C. Junior Hockey League season on a losing note Friday when they were edged 5-4 by Langley Lords before 800 fans in the coast city.

In another opener at Penticton, Nanaimo Clippers scored four goals in the second period to defeat the Vees 5-3 in front of 1,600 fans.

Ron Kolman scored two goals for the Lords, within 34 seconds, late in the second period, to erase a Viking lead.

Vernon led 4-3 when Kolman, and his centre Mark Taylor went to work. Taylor, grandson of NHL Hall-of-Famer Cyclone Taylor, set up Kolman for the tying goal at 17:59 and also assisted on the winner at 18:33.

Taylor, Ed Lebler, and Randy Larson scored the other Langley goals.

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Calvin Halasz, with two, Steve Danshin, and Gary Huth replied for the Vikings.

Halasz was one of three late cuts from Medicine Hat Tigers who joined Vernon just in time for the game.

Langley led 3-2 after the first period and Viking outshot the Lords 36-34.

Vikings' Coach Joe Tennant said his club played well but four lapses, by the defence, proved costly.

Tennant scheduled a practice, this morning in Langley, with the purpose of strengthening the defence for tonight's game.

On the positive side, Vikings had six more minor penalties than Langley, but allowed no powerplay goals.

Tennant said, "Jack Lefley and Peter Poeschek did a



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fantastic job killing penalties. It was like we had the man advantage. If we tighten the

defence, we should win the next two down here."

At Penticton, Vees took a 2-1 first period lead, but Nanaimo swamped the home team by outshooting the Vees 19-10 in the second. Penticton scored the only goal of the third period.

Bob Burgoyne, Brian Day, Brent Kristof, Wayne Larsen, and Brad Horman scored for the Clippers.

Shawn Dineen, 16-year-old son of Houston Aeros' Coach Bill Dineen, Lory Cail, and Ted Cotter scored for Penticton.

In tonight's games, Vernon is in Chilliwack, the Clippers travel to Merritt, and the Lords visit Maple Ridge. On Sunday, Nanaimo plays Kelowna at Penticton. Vernon visits Maple Ridge

WHA will reject Roberts' contract

TORONTO (CP) — The World Hockey Association will reject a contract signed by 17-year-old Gord Roberts with New England Whalers, Bud Poile, director of hockey administration for the WHA, predicted Friday.

"There's no way Gord Roberts will be allowed to play," he said. "Mind you, this decision will have to be made by the trustees, but it's safe to say his signing will be overruled."

"This situation is much different from the (Mark) Napier and (John) Tonelli situations. We have now established bylaws to forbid the signing of under-age players and this totally opposes them."

Napier signed with Toronto Toros and Tonelli with Houston Aeros. Their contracts were approved when it was realized they had acted legally.

WHA trustees are to meet here Monday.

Roberts and his brother,

Doug, signed contracts with New England Whalers. Gord played last season for Victoria Cougars of the Western Canada Hockey League. Doug is a veteran professional.

The Whalers argue that because Roberts is a United States citizen, he is not under the jurisdiction of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association.

WCHL president Ed Chynoweth announced earlier Friday his league has agreed unanimously to take immediate legal action against the Whalers. He said he was sure the major junior leagues in Ontario and Quebec will join the legal fight.

"If we don't fight this thing, we may as well fold ... because it would mean that any time a super junior player came along, the pros could just walk in and sign him," Chynoweth said.

The Cougars launched a lawsuit of their own Thursday, claiming damages for the loss of Roberts.

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