

# Pittsburgh scores six against ex-team-mate



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## Wilkie to join Vikings

Vernon Vikings General Manager Vern Dye had some encouraging news this morning.

Dye said centre Darcy Wilkinson will join the team in time for tonight's B.C. Junior Hockey League game in Langley.

Wilkinson, cut recently by Medicine Hat Tigers, picked up 65 points with Vernon last season and was considered one of the top stickhandlers on the team.

Further help may be on the way. Dye spoke with Steve Danshin on Thursday and the 19-year old centre says he is 90 per cent sure he will report, perhaps in time for tonight's game.

Danshin was second highest scorer on the club during 1975-76 season with 82 points.

The Vernon general manager said he expects to hear from another veteran, Gary Huth, on Monday. Huth reported to Penticton Vees this season, but in an interview with the Daily News Wednesday, said he would like to return to Vikings.

Dye contacted Huth, who is still Vernon's property, and a move is expected Monday.

Jim Moxey's third-period goal gave the Barons their tie with the Kings at Salt Lake City. Lorne Stamler and Gary Sargent scored for Los Angeles while Wayne Merrick scored the other Cleveland goal.

Steve Shutt scored two powerplay goals to help the Canadiens beat Philadelphia at the Spectrum. Montreal now has a record of 6-2 in the exhibition season.

Gregg Sheppard and Rick Middleton scored for Boston in the second period to give the Bruins their tie with the Rangers. Don Murdoch and Ron Greschner scored for the Rangers.

### GRATTON PLAYS

Gerry Cheevers played in the Boston goal while Gilles Gratton, formerly with Toronto Toros of the WHA and St. Louis of the NHL, was in the nets for the Rangers.

Jim Roberts scored an empty net goal to clinch Minnesota's win over the Blues. Roland Eriksson, Pierre Jarry and Dwight Bialowas scored the other North Stars goals while Jamie Masters and defenceman Rod Selling scored for St. Louis.

The Flames scored four times in the final period to beat the Aeros behind Vall's three-goal night. Tim Ecclestone, Bill Flett, Curt Bennett, Bill Clement and Tom Lysiak scored the other Atlanta goals and Mark Howe replied twice and Rich Preston and John Tonelli each once for Houston.

Left winger Veli Pekka Ketola scored two goals for the Jets at Brandon.

Bob Guindon, Ulf Nilsson, Lyle Moffat, Willy Lindstrom and Bill Lesuk scored single Winnipeg goals. Ron Chipperfield scored the only Calgary goal in the first period.

In other exhibition games Thursday night involving NHL teams, Los Angeles Kings and Cleveland Crusaders played to a 2-2 tie, Montreal Canadiens beat Philadelphia Flyers 8-2, New York Rangers and Boston Bruins played to a 2-2 tie, Minnesota North Stars downed St. Louis Blues 4-2 and Eric Vail scored three goals as Atlanta Flames beat Houston Aeros of the World Hockey Association 8-4.

In a game involving WHA teams, Winnipeg Jets beat Calgary Cowboys 7-1 at Brandon, Man.

Ron Schock scored three goals to lead the Penguins past Indianapolis, the fifth win in six tries for Pittsburgh over WHA opponents.

Dennis Owchar added two goals for Pittsburgh and Ron Stackhouse scored the other. Mark Lomenda, Darryl Maggs, Al McDonald and Brian Campbell scored for Indianapolis.

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There were many unfamiliar faces at Market Square Arena in Indianapolis on Thursday night, but Pittsburgh Penguins recognized at least three.

Albert Savill, Nick Frenzel and Wren Blair, executives with the National Hockey League team, attended the exhibition game between the Penguins and Indianapolis Racers of the World Hockey Association.

Savill, the chairman of the board, and Frenzel, the club's secretary-treasurer, are part owners and live in Indianapolis. Blair, team president, flew in from Pittsburgh.

The Penguins didn't let their bosses down, posting a 6-4 victory over the Racers. They waited until the third period to do it, however, as they outshot the Racers 20-8 to overcome a 4-1 deficit.

All six Pittsburgh goals were against former Penguins goalie Andy Brown.

## Heavyweight champion announces retirement

ISTANBUL (AP) — World heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali said today he is quitting fighting to devote himself to spreading the Moslem faith throughout the world.

"As of now, I am quitting boxing and will devote all my energy to the propagation of the Moslem faith," Ali told a crowd of reporters and photographers.

He said the decision came from Wallace Muhammad, leader of the Black Moslem

community in the United States, who is also in Turkey at the invitation of the pro-Moslem National Salvation party.

Ali, who successfully defended his title Tuesday night in New York City against Ken Norton, made his comments at a news conference in the Istanbul governor's office.

"Mark my words and play what I say right now fully," Ali said. "At the urging of my leader Wallace, I declare that I am quitting fighting as of now and from now on I will

join in the struggle for the Islamic cause."

Wallace said Ali has contributed greatly to the Moslem community in the United States and expressed the desire that he will devote more attention to his religious faith after he retires.

After the conference Ali and the entourage attended noon prayers at the early 18th-century Blue Mosque under the guidance of a muezzin and the preaching of Religious Affairs Minister Suleyman Ates.

This is not the first time Ali has said he would retire. In June 1975 he said his fight with Joe Bugner of Britain would be his last.

But following that fight in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Ali has fought and defeated Joe Frazier, Jean-Pierre Coopman, Jimmy Young, Richard Dunn and Ken Norton. After defeating Norton earlier this week in New York's Yankee Stadium to retain his title, Ali spoke of possibly defending his championship a last time against the winner of a Norton-George Foreman fight.

## Monarchs trounce Bombers

WINNIPEG (CP) — Dave Sketler scored three goals and defenceman Kevin McCarthy picked up four assists to pace Winnipeg Monarchs to an 8-3 victory over Flin Flon Bombers in the only Western Canada Hockey League game played Thursday.

The Monarchs held period leads of 2-0 and 8-2 as they

ice time rental and assigned supervisors for the twice-a-week program. Games are played with modified goals minus the goalies and no equipment is required, but helmets and shin pads are suggested.

Only limited number of participants will be accepted and they may register on a first-come, first-serve basis between 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. or 1:30 and 8:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday, and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 12 Noon to 8 p.m. at the Vernon Recreation Complex.

For additional information phone 545-6035.

## Nooner League for recreation

Vernon Parks and Recreation District is bringing an exciting new program to the Vernon area in the form of the N.H.L.

The N.H.L., or Nooner Hockey League, is strictly a recreational program for fitness and enjoyment at noon time at the Civic Arena. Time is available to players from 12 noon to 1 p.m., with game time slated for 12:15 to 1:45 p.m.

Players may register on an individual basis and will be assigned to one of four teams that will participate in the 10-week program commencing the week of Oct. 12.

The entry fee of \$25 covers

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### FLAG FOOTBALL

Anyone wishing to join an existing team in the Men's

Packers and is expected to handle kickoff duties. Sunter, after learning that the Ticats