

# Marathon on Sunday

No matter what your favorite sport is — there is something for you to do on March 1, this weekend as Winter Carnival gets under way.

Over the past three years, one of the highlights of carnival has become the annual marathon. The marathon was dreamed up in 1975 by Fred Beckwith. Since that time he has spent countless hours on the race. It is his devotion to the marathon that has made it a success. A tremendous field of runners will be on hand for the third annual run, through the streets of Vernon, on Sunday.

The list of competitors is headed by Tom Howard of Surrey. Howard is recognized as one of the country's premiere distance runners.

Howard won the first Vernon Marathon in February, 1976 and holds the race record. Since that time he has placed fourth in the huge Boston Marathon, won a bronze medal in the Pan American Games marathon in Mexico, won the 17.5 mile Prince George marathon, and completed in the Montreal Olympics.

Howard was unable to compete here last year, but said he is looking forward to the upcoming race. He appears to want to win too. He has asked for a list of competitors so "I can get myself mentally prepared and determine the race strategy."

Howard's stiffest competition could come from Calgary's Brian Spielman. Spielman won last year's race, just 46 seconds over Howard's time in 1975.

## LADIES RUNNING

The ladies are getting into the act this year. Howard's wife, Cheryl, will also be making the run.

Cheryl won the B.C. High School mile championship in 1971, but a knee injury forced her to give up running and start rowing. As a member of the Canadian team, she placed sixth in women's double sculls rowing at the Montreal Olympics.

She is back running now and won the women's nine-mile marathon in Prince George last year.

Cheryl will get lots of competition from twin sisters Pauline and Pat Moleisky, of Calgary.

Pauline is one of Canada's top female runners. She has raced in both the U.S. and Europe. Last year she won the ladies' event of the Calgary Herald road race. Pat, too, is an excellent competitor.

The race begins at 1 p.m. at the Ice Palace.

The course goes up 38th Avenue to 27th Street, along 27th to Seaton School and up 48th to Kin Race Track. The runners will then proceed along Old Kamloops Road to 30th Avenue.

At 31st Street, they turn left and then right at 27th Avenue. When 27th ends, the runners turn up 26th Avenue and head back to town. The finish line is also at the Ice Palace.

If you're not interested in the Pee Wee Hockey Tournament and Snoglet isn't your bag — take in the marathon.



## TWO EIGHT-ENDERS

Vernon Curling Club was recently the scene of two eight-enders. Maureen Weir's rink scored an eight-end in the evening ladies' league. Team members are, from left, second Veda Arlt, third Carol Prentice, lead Nellie VanCrottel, and Weir in eight-end in the evening ladies' league. Team members are, from left, second Hal Thompson, lead Jack Sheetter, Dargentfield, and third Joe Mullen.



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# Portland edges up to Cougars

PORTLAND, Ore. (CP) — Wings Wayne Bitt and Dave Hatheway scored two goals apiece Thursday night to lead Portland Western Canada Hockey League victory over Lehighridge Broncos.

The victory moved Portland to within two points of third-place Victoria Cougars and three of second-place Kamloops Chiefs in the league's Western Division. Lehighridge, meanwhile, dropped its 10th straight game.

Babych gave Portland a 1-0 lead in the first period and the Winter Hawks scored four unanswered goals in the second period.

## Powell River schoolboys undefeated

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C. (CP) — Paul Coulos of Powell River was the only undefeated rink after opening-day play in the British Columbia schoolboy curling finals Thursday.

Coulos whipped previously unbeaten Tom Armitage of South Delta 12-3 in the third round to earn a 1-0 record in the eight-team round-robin tournament.

Earlier, Coulos turned aside Peter Dziuba of Kitimat 11-8 and Greg Heywood of North Vancouver 8-3.

In their third-round action, Blair Patterson of Oliver whipped Dziuba 14-5. Joe Hea of Prince George beat Castinger's Bill Van Zeyl 11-5, and Moray McLean of Vancouver doubled Heywood 8-4.

Armitage, Patterson, McLean and Hea all have 2-1 records, while Heywood is 1-2 and Van Zeyl has two records but is winless in three starts.

## PIN POINTS

JAN 26	
West Events	35
Women's high single: Sandra Hauff 270	High triple: Sandra Hauff 742
High average: Linda Peterson 196	Team high single: Woodcockers 224
High triple: Woodcockers 826	700 Club: Sandra Hauff 742
TELESTANDINGS	
Woodcockers	82
Angels	78
Wax	74
Zebras	74
Feb. 1	
Women's high single: Ruth Christiansen 224	High triple: Ruth Christiansen 677
High average: Ruth Christiansen 192	Team high single: The Legends 192
High triple: The Legends 788	700 Club: Ruth Christiansen 677
TELESTANDINGS	
Westside	123
Sugar Pops	120
Harvest Crunch	106

# Islanders continue domination of Rangers

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

New York Islanders continued to dominate their cross-town rivals Thursday night, beating the Rangers 6-3 with defenceman Denis Potvin providing a goal and three assists.

In other NHL games Thursday, Philadelphia Flyers blanked Chicago Black Hawks 6-0. Montreal Canadiens beat Vancouver Canucks 6-4. Buffalo Sabres defeated Colorado Rockies 6-4. Boston Bruins edged St. Louis Blues 5-4 and Pittsburgh Penguins and Cleveland Barons played to a scoreless tie.

In the only World Hockey Association match, Phoenix Roadrunners defeated Vancouver 5-3.

Potvin set up three of the Islanders' first four goals and assisted his 16th goal of the season midway in the third period.

The Islanders, playing before a home crowd of 15,377, were never behind in the contest, despite being outshot 33-31.

At Philadelphia, Rick MacLean scored twice and Greg Young of Toronto and goalie Bernie Parent recorded his fifth shutout of the season. The Flyers and Chicago's five-game unbeaten string.

# Toronto dance team extends lead in Calgary

CALGARY (CP) — Favorites Susan Carcallen and Eric Gillies of Toronto extended their three-game lead in the Canadian figure skating championships in Tokyo next month.

The attractive pair, who finished second in the world championships in Tokyo next month, are already preparing for the world championships in Tokyo next month.

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# Dog races next week in Vernon

Interior B.C. S&D Dog Club will be hosting the second annual Western Can-Am Championship Dog Sled Race Feb. 7 and 8 at the Fish and Game Clubhouse on Commercial Road.

Teams are expected from Southern Oregon, Montana, Idaho, Northern B.C. and Alberta. There will be 3-dog, 5-dog, 7-dog and unlimited races, plus a pee-wee race for children.

Spectators are welcome and the rolling course makes for easy viewing of the race. The mushers will be pleased to answer any questions. Pet dogs must be left at home.

The pee-wee race is open to any child with a dog in harness and a sled, or toboggan, of any description.

## Blazers humbled

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Visiting teams were the victors in two of the three humber Junior Hockey League games played Thursday night.

Langley Eagles rallied in the third period to defeat the Blazers 10-5 in Bellingham and Maple Ridge Bruins edged the Flyers 4-3 in Abbotsford. The home-ice winner, Kamloops Braves scored twice in the third period to beat Merritt Centennials 3-1.

Kamloops remains fourth in the Interior Division, with 38 points, 14 behind Vernon Vikings. Merritt is last with 22. Langley is second in the Coastal Division with 59 points, 18 behind Nanaimo Clippers. Maple Ridge has 56 and Bellingham has 47, three more than last-place Abbotsford.

In Abbotsford, the teams were tied 2-2 at the end of the first period and Abbotsford led 3-2 at the end of the second.

Gerald Mykkitt, Rob McLaren, Frank Nagy and Terry Kirkham scored for Maple Ridge while Bill Hobbin, Don Stewart and Dan Kratz scored for Abbotsford.

# Dye returning to bench duty

General Manager Vern Dye will make his return to the bench tonight when Vernon Vikings travel to Kelowna to take on the Buccaneers in B.C. Junior Hockey League action.

Dye fired Coach Gary Swanson on Thursday and the Vernon GM announced he will take over the coaching reins for the remainder of the season. He will be assisted by Captain Gary Glasoff and veteran Jack LeFebre.

The move had been rumored for several weeks. The club played 500 hockey over Christmas time, but since then has hit the skids.

## Royals to host Jewels

Basketball fans are assured of some action tonight at Vernon Senior Secondary School.

The best girls' high school team in B.C., Salmon Arm Jewels, will be tangling with highly-ranked Vernon Royals at 7 p.m.

Jewels, the defending provincial champion, is undefeated this season and leads the Okanagan League with a 7-0 record. Royals are right behind the Salmon Arm machine with a 6-1 record.

Vernon Panthers will be hosting Salmon Arm in the boys' hoop action.

Panthers lead the Okanagan's north zone with a 5-2 record, and can pull six points ahead of second-place Salmon Arm with a victory tonight.

Vernon Coach Rick Inrig said, "This is a crucial game for us. We want to put some points between us and the Panthers in the quarter-finals."

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