

Hot-shot Herbert to face Panthers



MIKE KORMOS
... tough job
Pentiction Lakettes Game time for the girls will be 6:45 p.m.

Vernon Panthers will be hosting one of the top teams, and players, in high school basketball action tonight at 8:30 p.m.

Pentiction Lakettes, ranked number three in B.C., and their star player Gord Herbert, will be invading VSSS. Herbert, who stands 6'5", is averaging 24 points per game in league play and boasts a 32 point average over the season. However, Herbert isn't all the Lakettes have going for them.

TALL TEAM
Pentiction has two excellent rebounders, Kelly Cohen and Peter Van Ostrum. Both players are 6'5" and average 12-14 points

per game.
Vernon Coach Rick Inrig concen-Pentiction has a big advantage in height, but feels his club can keep in the game with speed.

Inrig said: "The key for us will be keeping Lakettes off the boards. They have an excellent rebounding team."
The job of stopping Herbert is being given to 11' forward Mike Kormos. Despite his height, Kormos is a superb rebounder because of an amazing vertical jumping ability.

Although the game means nothing in league standings because Panthers have already won the north zone.

Inrig plans to play to win and expects to use his presses.

WILL PRESS
The Vernon coach said: "I was going to save the presses for the playoffs, but I would like to see how Lakettes react when bothered. Herbert will probably carry the ball up floor and we'd like to get him tired."

Pentiction generally uses a two-two-one, full-court press. The boys' game will be preceded by a girls' match between Vernon Royals and



GRAEME WILSON ... snowmills make it easier.

Ski patrol is always ready to get injured off mountain

By DON KENDALL
Daily News Sports Editor
The unsung heroes of the mountain are the ski patrol. It doesn't matter what the snow conditions are, what the visibility is, or how good the skiers are, there are always accidents. And the ski patrol is on hand to do its job.
Silver Star Manager Woody Woodman told the Daily News he likes to think the Star has one of the finest ski patrols in Western Canada.
Woodman said: "They do a super job of getting the people off the hill. They're a calm bunch of guys who have a knack of settling down the patients."
19 PATROLLERS
The Star employs three full-time and 16 part-time

patrollers, under the direction of Stan Guest.
The minimum number of men on duty is two, which occurs rarely on quiet days. On weekends and peak periods, about 12 patrollers are on duty.
Minimum requirement to get on the patrol is a St. John's Ambulance ticket, however, about 50 per cent of the patrol members hold Industrial First Aid tickets.
Guest has also passed courses in avalanche control.
Woodman said: "It isn't an easy job. First they have to find the injured party, get them off the hill as quickly as possible, and keep the patient calm."
Graeme Wilson, one of the full-time members, said it is the aim of the

patrol to get people off the hill within 15 minutes.
15 MINUTES
Wilson said: "No matter where the person is injured on the mountain, we like to have them down to the ski patrol shack in 15 minutes. We seldom miss the target, but sometimes there are complications."
The complications include people skiing in areas not serviced by lifts, and injuries at require extra care and attention.
Wilson said: "We can now reach most mishaps by snowmobile. That has not only cut down on time, but also made the trip more comfortable for the patient."
To date, there have been 143 minor injuries reported, and 63 major mishaps.

A minor is described as a cut, scratch, or bruise, while a major is an injury requiring further medical attention. Most common among the serious hurts are fractures and dislocations.
Woodman said: "I guess the most serious injury we've had was a broken femur (the bone between the knee and hip) last year. The skier went off the cat-track and hit a tree."
Despite sub-par conditions for much of this season, the injury ratio is down on the Star.
It isn't an easy job, and often is thankless. So, next time there is a line-up and you see the ski patrol but in at the start of the line - don't curse them - remember they are there for your protection.

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Brawling game, win for Kelowna

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Kelowna Buckaroos outlasted Merritt Centennials 4-3 in a brawling British Columbia Junior Hockey League game Thursday night while Abbotsford Flyers spotted Maple Ridge Bruins an early lead before taking a 10-1 romp.
Kelowna now has 93 points, 10 more than second-place Merritt. Bruins in the Interior Division. Merritt is last with 38. Abbotsford is still last in the Coastal Division, now with 51 points, four behind Bellingham Blazers. Langley is third with 59.
In Merritt, 206 minutes in penalties were assessed, 215 of them for a bench-clearing donnybrook in the second period.
The melee began after Rod Dancheck, scored at eight minutes of the period to give Kelowna a 2-2 lead. Kelowna had a 2-1 lead at the end of the first period.
Dancheck was jostled after the goal, then Merritt's Art Bilodeau and Rod Neid of Kelowna squared off at centre ice. The benches emptied and it took 15 minutes before order was restored.

Merritt took 17 of 29 minor penalties, four of sevenighting majors, six of 11 misconducts and five of nine game misconducts.
PENALTIES COSTLY
In Abbotsford, John Ogrudnick opened the scoring for the Bruins at 48 seconds of the first period but his club ran into penalty trouble and surrendered four power-play markers.
Jim Dobson and Tom Chisholm scored two goals each to pace the Flyers while Pat McGill, Larry Melnyk, Darrell Schermerud, Don Stewart, Bill Hobbes and Brian Inkster added the others.

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Indian tourney at Fulton

The All-Indian zone three senior ladies' basketball playoffs will be held Feb. 19 and 20 at Clarence Fulton Junior Secondary School gymnasium.
Eight teams, throughout the Interior, will be trying for two spots in the provincial tourney. The B.C. finals will be held Feb. 28 and 27 in Nanaimo.
For the first time, the host team, Falconettes, will have a senior club participating.
Other teams entered are Lytton Panjolokets, Merritt Blues, Kamloops Friendship Centre, Bonaparte, Vernon Fireweeds, and Kermeos Star-Birds.
Defending champion Shuswap is not competing this year.
Play gets under way Saturday, at 8 a.m., with Merritt taking on Fireweeds. Play continues all weekend, with the finals slated for Sunday at 2:15 p.m.

Minor hockey playoffs start

Okanagan-Mainline Minor Hockey League playoffs get under way this weekend.
On Saturday, Kamloops peewees visit Vernon at 1:45 p.m., followed by a juvenile game between Pentiction and Vernon at 4:15 p.m.
Meanwhile, Vernon bantams travel to Kamloops for a 6 p.m. game.
On Sunday, Vernon midjet reps play in Kamloops at 11 a.m., and at 5:45 p.m., the juveniles are back in action in Pentiction.

Centennials down Cougars

CALGARY (CP) - Calgary Centennials picked up their second win over Victoria Cougars this week as they downed the Cougars 5-2 in the only Western Canada Hockey League game scheduled Thursday.
Doug Lecuyer, Gary Russling, Grant Morin, Roy Sommer and Kevin McCloskey scored for Calgary, while Curt Fraser and Paul Enquist replied for Victoria.
Centennials held period leads of 2-0 and 3-1 before outscoring Victoria 2-1 in the final period of the game, played before 1,360 fans.



TIM RYAN ... a deadly shot

Some great shooting during archery night

There was some near-perfect sharpshooting this week during archery night at the Vernon Fish and Game Club.
Highlight of the night was a sparkling 280 shot by Tim Ryan.
Dana Toth earned his Junior Bowman badge, while Troy Toth won his Bowman badge. Jeff Stinson gained Junior Archer standing.
Bill Arkeil and Jeff Ryan are working for their Expert Archer while Tammy McDowell is trying for her Olympian.
Brian Reid, shooting for his Bowman, came close this week. Reid shot 156 and the required score to become a Bowman is 160.
Tim Field has one score towards his Archer, while

Laurie Johnston is working on her Master Archer.
Next week the juniors will be taking part in a tournament. They will be competing in a mail match, against Prince Rupert and Powell River.

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