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KENDALL'S KORNER

Ticket blitz in September

Vernon Vikings' President Vern Dye has been mysteriously quiet all summer — until this week.

Dye, who has been spending a lot of time soaking up the sun on Okanagan Lake, is getting down to the serious business of running a junior A hockey team.

In an attempt to halt four years of disaster at the box office, Dye is planning a restructured executive and lower ticket prices for the 1977-78 season.

Dye, who owns the team along with Ernie Kowal, Roly Sammartino, and Les York, hopes to get several new people involved in club operations this year.

He said, "We would like to sell up to 50 per cent of our shares. We are looking for five-to-10 people interested in becoming a part of our organization. It will divide the work and give us greater community involvement."

Whether there is four or 40 men on the executive, the club's biggest problem remains lack of fans. Dye and his partners hope they have a solution for that problem.

They are launching a massive season ticket drive, beginning Sept. 6, with a target of 500. The reduced prices will give fans an opportunity to purchase season tickets cheaper than in the last four years.

Dye said, "We're pulling out all the stops. We've got to put some fans in the building and we're doing everything we possibly can to encourage people. If Vernon wants a hockey team, and I'm a... the people here do, then they're going to have to help us."

Last year the budget was trimmed drastically from $96,000 to $57,000. A further shaving this season will see it decrease by about another $10,000.

Dye said, "We're cutting our training camp costs, reducing player room and board costs, and trimming travel expenses. We don't want to make money — we just want to break even."

Full ticket price details will be announced shortly, and for the money, you won't find better entertainment.

PROUD GRANDPARENTS

There is no doubt who the proudest grandparents are in Vernon this week.

Louis and Clara Alain were able to watch, on television, their 18-year-old grandson Robert Reindl, of Saskatoon, win a gold medal in the 800 metre race at the Canada Summer Games in Newfoundland.

Earlier in the Games he had captured a bronze metal in the 1500 metres.

Mrs. Alain said, "We're just so happy — I can't remember the last time I was so excited.

. . . Vernon medal hopeful Tim Ryan placed a disappointing ninth in archery at the Games.

Tim had never shot in wind before and the 40-50 m.p.h. gusts played havoc with him.

. . . A release from the North B.C. Guides Association tells us there will be 4000 out-of-province hunters who visit B.C. this year. And, they will spend an average of $3,000 per man. Quite a boost to the economy!

. . . Organizers of this weekend's senior B championship lacrosse tournament advise fans to get to the Civic Arena well before game times. Large crowds are expected all three days from Friday to Sunday

Remainder of results from riding club show

Vernon and District Riding Club held its 32nd annual Horse Show and Gymkhana Sunday. Following is the remainder of results, which were not published Monday.

JUNIOR WORKING HUNTER — Tobruk, Bruce Mandeville, Sum. Shaman's-Wah-Keena, Jane Reid, OK Falls. Tamarac Caprice, Erin Freeman M. Freeman, Arm.

OPEN JUMPER — Mr. Bradel, Janet Hadland, Ver. Stockbroker, R. J. Bennett, West. Carrie, Lyn Bulwer, Ver.

GREEN WORKING HUNTER — Tamarac Caprice, Erin Freeman M. Freeman, Arm. Lady Killpatrick, Maureen Parkinson, Ver.

GAMBLERS CHOICE — Stockbroker, R. J. Bennett, West. Magical, Pip Jordan, Ver. Carrie, Lynn Bulwer, Ver.

TRAIL HORSE Open to Horses and Ponies — Kidd, Marvin Wertz, Sum. Winnie Three Bar, Lloyd Auck, Kel. Tansy Dawn, Brock Potter, Sum.

HANDY HORSE — English Equipment — Gambler, Jackie Gies Jody Gies, Kel. Candy Bar, Linda Chapman, OK Falls. Stockbroker, R. J. Bennett, West.

MUSICAL MUGS Junior B & C — Lucki Hoo, Colin Gawne, Ver. Misty Stroller, Jill Osborn June Osborn, Ver. Golden Camino Lady, Jim Davis, Sum.

POLE BENDING Junior A and Senior — Tansy Dawn, Brock Potter, Sum. Turishill Stormistic, Allison Langley J. Osborn, Ver.

STAKE RACE Junior A and Senior — Tansy Dawn, Brock Potter, Sum. Kidd, Marvin Wertz, Sum.

NOVELTY RACE Junior B & C — Tar Jan Miss, Kathy Jeffrey, Kel. Kitten, Jeff Dais-Norm Dais, Kel. Cindy, Jarret Dais, Kel.

NOVELTY RACE Junior A and Senior — Kidd, Marvin Wertz, Sum. Tansy Dawn, Brock Potter, Sum.

KEYHOLE RACE Junior A and Senior — Kidd, Marvin Wertz, Sum. Tansy Dawn, Brock Potter, Sum.

EGG & SPOON RACE Junior B & C — Dusty, Cindy Davis, Sum. Sheena, Kim Dyck-Abe Dyck, Oliver. Alibi's Penny, Murray Bennett-D. Davidson, West.

BARREL RACE Junior B & C — Copper, Leah Biggs, Ver. Sheena, Kim Dyck-Abe Dyck, Oliver. Cindy, Jarret Dais-Norm Dais, Kel.

BARREL RACE Junior A and Senior — Tansy Dawn, Brock Potter, Sum. Kidd, Marvin Wertz, Sum.

INDIVIDUAL TENT PEGGING — The Red Baron, Sandy Boyd, Ver. Tansy Dawn, Brock Potter, Sum. Kidd, Marvin Wertz, Sum.

TOURNEY WINNERS

Ray Kimoto of Vernon, right, and Roland Schwarz of Penticton captured the men's double title in the first annual Junior Vets Tennis Tournament held last weekend at the Spallumcheen Golf and Tennis Club. Women's doubles champs were Chloe Schwarz and Noreen Lee of Penticton. A total of 12 men's and seven ladies' teams took part in the event. Co-ordinators Pete Kubilius and John Weibe said the event will be held in the second week of August each year.

Burnaby gains berth in finals

The final berth in this weekend's B.C. Senior 'B' lacrosse championships has been decided.

Burnaby Klippers, who won the West Coast Senior Lacrosse League title on Sunday night, join Prince George Canada Hotel and Vernon Lodge Tigers in the three-team, round-robin tourney.

Play gets under way Friday night at the Vernon Civic Arena.

As expected, the powerful Klippers had no trouble disposing of North Shore Indians in the WCSLL final series. Burnaby swept the best-of-five series with scores of 17-9, 22-6, and 24-6.

In the final game, play was so lopsided the final two periods were played with no clock stoppages. Bill Longman led the Klippers' attack with six goals.

On Friday night, Canada Hotel will tangle with Tigers at 8:30 p.m. Klippers meet Canada Hotel on Saturday at 8:30 p.m., while Vernon will battle Burnaby on Sunday at 2 p.m.

Winner advances to the Canadian championships, at the Edmonton Coliseum, on the Labor Day weekend.

MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS

Vernon Alderman Frank Williamson, chairman of the Parks and Recreation Committee, presents Most Valuable Player trophies to the top performers in the city's summer basketball leagues. The ladies' MVP was Anita Sobon, while Morris Vardabasso was selected MVP in the men's loop. (Daily News Photo)

LOCAL LADIES LEADING

Coldstream Motor Hotel can wrap-up the Okanagan Senior 'C' Ladies' Softball League title Wednesday night when they host Kelowna A and W Platters, at 7 p.m., at Alexis Park.

Coldstream won the opening game in the best-of-three series, 11-8, last week.

Coach of Vernon squad, Gary Corner, told the Daily News the key to beating Platters is to not make any mistakes.

Corner said, "If you make a mistake against A & W, they always seem to take advantage of it."

Elaine Desmarais is slated to start on the mound for Coldstream.

SPORTS BRIEFS

BLUE IRVINE RETIRES

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Left winger Ted Irvine of St. Louis Blues is retiring after more than 10 years in the National Hockey League, the Blues announced Monday. He played for Boston Bruins, Los Angeles Kings, New York Rangers and the Blues. His career totals are 154 goals and 177 assists for 331 points in 724 NHL games.

TED IRVINE
. . . retires

LIONS JUGGLE PUNTERS

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — The National Football League's Detroit Lions picked up first-year punter Bob Bialik and placed punter Chuck Ramsey and running back Wayne Moseley on waivers Monday. Bialik, was released earlier by the Cincinnati Bengals. Moseley, formerly with Hamilton Tiger-Cats and British Columbia Lions of the Canadian Football League, and Ramsey were free-agent acquisitions.

WASPS WIN

MONTREAL (CP) — The touring Wasps Rugby Club of London defeated Montreal Selects 28-6 Monday night in the first of a series of exhibitions against Canadian clubs.

REJECTS PROTEST

NEW YORK (AP) — Commissioner Phil Woosnam of the North American Soccer League has rejected a protest filed by Toronto Metros-Croatia following the Metros 1-0 loss to Rochester in an playoff game Saturday. Woosnam said the game officials were wrong in allowing Rochester's Francisco Escos to continue playing after he twice was cautioned by the referee for fouls, however, a referee's decision cannot be protested.

WADKINS MOVES UP

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lanny Wadkins' playoff victory in the Professional Golfers' Association championship moved him to fifth place from 19th in earnings this year, it was announced Monday. Wadkins won $45,000, raising his income for the year to $138,919, the PGA said. Tom Watson continues to lead the list with $281,478, followed by Jack Nicklaus's $265,812. Bruce Lietzke is third in the standings with $185,296, followed by Ray Floyd's $149,444.

GETS COURT ORDER

MILTON, Ont. (CP) — Olympic equestrian James Day was ordered Monday in provincial court to appear for trial Aug. 29 on a charge of unlawfully causing unnecessary injury to a horse. The Ontario Humane Society laid the charge after investigating a complaint at SamSon Farms Ltd. of Hornby, Ont., where Day is general manager.

Several vets returning to Vikings for 1977-78

Vernon Vikings' President Vern Dye announced today he expects several of his key veterans to return for another season with the B.C. Junior Hockey League team.

Sixteen of last year's players are eligible for junior this season and Dye expects about 12 of them to attend Vikings' training camp.

Dye said, "I expect three or four will make tier one clubs. The remaining players will come to our camp. I'm not saying all of them will make our team, but certainly some will."

Among the players committed to return are Captain Gary Gassoff and defensive stalwart Brian Maser.

Dye said, "We're naturally very happy Gary and Brian are returning. They will be two of our leaders. Several others including Byron Smith, Cam Torgeson, and Rick Mallott have indicated they will definitely return here."

MAY RETURN

A former Viking, who took off last season to attend college in Edmonton, may return to Vernon for the 1977-78 season. Centre Darrell Billsten has indicated he will attend camp.

VERN DYE
. . . up to 12

BRIAN MASER
. . . a leader

Vernon's training camp will open Sept. 17 with 25 to 30 out-of-town players and 10 to 15 local kids. Vikings are expecting player help from Medicine Hat Tigers, New Westminster Bruins, and Seattle, all of the Western Canada Hockey League.

Dye said, "With our holdovers and a good crop of local kids, we're not going to need a lot of help. But, a couple goal scorers would be nice."

LOCAL HOPEFULS

The local hopefuls include Dave Harding, Tom Ouchi, Paul Guidi, Glen Fester, and Glen Edwards. Two members of last year's Vernon juvenile team who would help Vikings this season, Kelly Kaneda and Rich Creelman, are undecided about playing due to work commitments.

To date, Vernon has no coach, but Dye said he expects to name one within a couple days.

Vikings' first game will be Sept. 30 in Kamloops, with the home opener scheduled on Oct. 1 against defending BCJHL champion Nanaimo Clippers.

Minor football leagues start play in September

Vernon and District Minor Football Association has released its flag and junior bantam schedules for the 1977 season.

An interlocking bantam schedule, with three teams from Vernon and Kelowna, will be announced with a week.

Flag games will be played on Sundays, at 11 a.m., at Vernon Senior Secondary School. Junior bantam games will follow at 12:30 p.m.

Prior to the start of the season, there will be an Okanagan-Mainline football rules clinic at the United Church Camp, at Magna Bay on Shuswap Lake.

The camp, which will run Aug. 27 and 28, is designed for coaches and officials. Anyone interested in attending is asked to contact Bill Morris-Reade.

The schedules are:

FLAG DIVISION

Sept. 11, Kal Tire vs Baron Insurance; Starvista Agencies vs Dairy Queen.

Sept. 18 Starvista Agencies vs Kal Tire; Dairy Queen vs Baron Insurance.

Sept. 25 Kal Tire vs Dairy Queen; Starvista Agencies vs Baron Insurance.

Oct. 2 Dairy Queen vs Starvista Agencies; Kal Tire vs Starvista Agencies.

Oct. 9 Baron Insurance vs Dairy Queen; Kal Tire vs Starvista Agencies.

Oct. 16 Dairy Queen vs Kal Tire; Baron Insurance vs Starvista Agencies.

Oct. 23 Kal Tire vs Baron Insurance; Starvista Agencies vs Dairy Queen.

Oct. 30 Team 1 vs Team 4; Team 2 vs Team 3.

Nov. 6 Winners of October 30 game play for Championship.

JUNIOR BANTAM

Sept. 11, Star Auto, Vernon Frame vs CAE-Morse; Johanson Contr. vs Vernon Toyota.

Sept. 18, Johanson Contr. vs Star Auto, Vernon Frame; Vernon Toyota vs CAE-Morse.

Sept. 25, Star Auto, Vernon Frame vs Vernon Toyota; Johanson Contr. vs CAE-Morse.

Oct. 2, Vernon Toyota vs Johanson Contracting; CAE-Morse vs Star Auto, Vernon Frame.

Oct. 9, CAE-Morse vs Vernon Toyota; Star Auto, Vernon Frame vs Vernon Toyota.

Oct. 16, Vernon Toyota vs Star Auto, Vernon Frame; CAE-Morse vs Johanson Contracting.

Oct. 23, Star Auto, Vernon Frame, vs CAE-Morse; Johanson Contracting vs Vernon Toyota.

Oct. 30, Teams 1 vs Teams 4; Teams 2 vs Team 3.

Nov. 6, Winners of Oct. 30 games play for the Championship.

Spallumcheen ladies' draw

AUGUST 17
1st TEE

7 a.m. — I. Fee, E. Thompson, D. Simms.
7:06 a.m. — E. Zamis, P. Phare, C. Schier.
7:12 a.m. — L. Owen, R. Guidi, G. Myhill.
7:18 a.m. — K. Coleman, D. Baker, M. Sheare.
7:24 a.m. — J. Jensen, M. Day, J. Peters.

10th TEE

7 a.m. — E. Beaulieu, K. Wise, B. Dunn.
7:06 a.m. — P. O'Keefe, F. Kaulback, M. Hamilton.
7:12 a.m. — M. Howard, R. Von Pentz, M. Good.
7:18 a.m. — F. DeWilde, L. Stevenson, P. Davis.
7:24 a.m. — P. DeWolf, R. Banner, F. Leng.

Competition: Low net front 9, least putts back 9.

Last weeks winners: E. Beaulieu, B. Griffin, P. Phare.

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

AUGUST 1972

The Spallumcheen Open Golf Tournament held last Sunday may become an annual event say club officials after receiving a surprisingly big entry for their first effort.

Five Vernon youngsters attend volleyball camp

Five Vernon-area youngsters are attending the B.C. Volleyball Association summer camp in Williams Lake.

Cory Meausette, Linda Baum, Pat Gabor, Nina Langton, and Brian Buggey are among 350 students and 82 coaches taking part in the mammoth program.

The camp, which runs for three, four-day sessions, is regarded as the best of its kind in North America.

The coaching staff includes four top Japanese national officials and the former coach of the Bulgarian national team.

Skills taught include spiking, serving, setting, blocking, and positional play.

Ladies' golf tourney should be wide-open

BOISBRIAND, Que. (CP) — The Canadian women's amateur golf championship starting Wednesday on the par-73, 6-015-yard Hillsdale Golf and Country Club course promises to be a wide-open affair.

The 64th championship, which will incorporate the provincial team championship in the first two rounds of the 72-hole event, has a field of 96 golfers with handicaps of 15 or better.

The title is up for grabs as defending champion Debbie Massey of Bethlehem, Pa., has joined the professional ranks, along with Dale Shaw of Vancouver.

But the field includes 25 golfers with handicaps of scratch to three.

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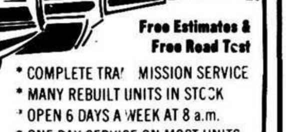
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