KENDALL'S KORNER

Two golds in one year

Few people get to play for a national champion and even less are members of two national champions. How many people have you met who have played on two national champions in the same sport, in the same year?

One of that rare group is Greg Walmsley. Walmsley was a member of Vernon Lodge Tigers lacrosse club which won the Canadian Senior 'B' lacrosse championships over the Labor Day weekend in Edmonton.

He didn't get his bags unpacked before he received a phone call from Vancouver Burrards. He went to Vancouver and helped Burrards sweep the final four games of the Mann Cup series, emblematic of Senior A supremacy.

What makes the story even more incredible is he was badly injured in Edmonton. His heels and knees were so sore he needed physio treatment before the championship game. But, somehow he limped along and is the proud owner of two 1977 national gold medals.

Speaking of lacrosse, Terry McDonald, who was hit in the eye with a ball in Edmonton, is recovering from the injury.

The ball fractured a bone under the eye and caused a quarter-inch chip. Luckily the chip did not enter the eye and the injury will not slow down his pro hockey career.

TOUGH SCHEDULE AHEAD

No one in their right mind predicted B.C. Lions would be in first-place on Sept. 13.

It just didn't figure — they lost Wayne Smith, Bill Baker, Ray Nettles, and Barry Ardern — the nucleus of their defence.

But, nobody knew about Jerry Tagge. Tagge is the man who has made B.C. fans almost forget about 12 years of losing. If he continues his present heroics, he could be a shoo-in for the Schenley Award as outstanding player in the country.

But, the Lecs have a tough schedule ahead. After a home-and-home series against Edmonton, B.C. is up against Winnipeg (2), Montreal, Hamilton, and Saskatchewan. They'll have to win at least four of those games to hang on to top spot.

We might get a chance to see Tagge and the Lions live, on Oct. 15, against Montreal Alouettes. The Daily News is putting together a special package trip to Vancouver for the game. Watch this spot for details within the next week. It should be a dandy!

NOHL DOWN TO SIX

The recently-expanded North Okanagan Hockey League had a slight contraction last week.

Lumby Flying Frenchmen dropped out of the league, leaving the loop with six clubs. Lumby felt it couldn't ice a competitive team.

League spokesman Chris Nelson said, "Naturally we were sorry to lose Lumby, but it is better for them to take a year off than get beat 10-1 every game. I hope they'll be back next year."

No sooner had Lumby pulled out and Salmon Arm applied again to get in. But, Nelson said it was too late to make another move.

He said, "We feel it is important for the league to run properly this season and we didn't want to make a lot of last-minute changes."

The season will start about Oct. 15 and each club will play a 20-game schedule. Games will be played on Sunday nights and we should see some entertaining hockey.

ABOUT 50 YOUNG VERNON VIKING hopefuls are going through daily workouts at the Enderby Arena. Above, Coach Sheldon Bloomer has his troops in some strenuous skating. Below, one of the camp's most impressive goalies, Paul Patterson, and the rest of the players get a bit of a rest. Vikings' training camp moves to the Vernon Civic Arena on Saturday. (Daily News Photos)

VERNON VIKINGS

First cuts made at training camp

Vernon Vikings' Coach Sheldon Bloomer made the first cuts at the club's pre-season camp on Monday in Enderby.

Bloomer trimmed about a dozen boys from the camp, however, with the arrival of five-to-10 new players today, the roster will remain at about 50.

Only a handful of veterans have arrived, but already some battles for positions are shaping up — particularly in goal.

Two goalies were released Monday, leaving Bloomer with seven to choose from. Neither incumbent netminders, Keith Forner or Rick Mallott, are expected back this season. Best in scrimmage was probably Rick Ostrass, who is from Courtenay but now resides in Lumby.

FROM L.A.

Paul Patterson, a native of Los Angeles, who played with Vikings' farm team in Grand Forks last year, has also been impressive. He stands over 6' and takes up a lot of net.

On the blue line, Craig Demetrick, a graduate of the Vernon midgets, showed promise. Veteran Ron Rogers was handling the puck with poise.

Up front, two members of last year's B.C. champion Kelowna juvenile team looked good. Left wing Chad Bodnar could earn a spot if he continues his hustle and Brent Petat looked good with the puck.

Byron Smith, who joined Vikings for playoffs last season after being sent down to the Vernon juveniles, might be the best skater in camp.

MEMORIAL GAME

Most veterans and another 10-15 rookie hopefuls are expected to arrive before the camp shifts to Vernon on Saturday. Last year's captain, Gary Gassoff, will not join the club until early-October. The entire Gassoff family is travelling to St. Louis for a memorial game Oct. 1, in memory of older brother Bob, who was killed in a motorcycle accident this summer.

Vikings' exhibition schedule is tentatively set to get under way on Sept. 21, in Logan Lake, against Merritt Centennials. Five further pre-season games are scheduled with the league opener slated for Sept. 28.

Billets are still needed for players attending camp. Anyone interested is asked to phone 542-9931 or 542-2881.

GARY GASSOFF
... to St. Louis

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Vernon police take third

Vernon placed third in the 16-team Police Softball Tournament held over the weekend in Kamloops.

Edmonton won the event, with Delta City Police in the runner-up position.

After dropping its first game 3-2 to Delta, Vernon bounced back to down Victoria 3-2, North Vancouver 16-0, Nelson 8-3, and Vancouver RCMP 3-0.

In the semi-finals Delta whipped the locals 8-1.

Vernon left fielder Nick Shaigec was named outstanding fielder in the tourney.

Tony Nelson clubbed Vernon's only home run against Nelson.

Burnaby ties Minto Cup final

WHITBY, Ont. (CP) — Dan Wilson's power-play goal with 1:51 left in the third period lifted Burnaby, B.C. to a 12-11 victory over Whitby Builders and evened the best-of-seven Canadian junior lacrosse final at two games apiece.

The fifth game of the final for the Minto Cup is tonight in Whitby.

Dan Perreault led Burnaby's scoring with four goals. Wilson and Terry Bingley each scored two goals with single goals from Derek Dickson, Paul Dalmonte, John Purdon and Brad Parker. Mat Aitken contributed five assists.

Bryce Jordan, Ron McCoy and Ken Colley each scored two goals for Whitby. Adding single goals were Cam Devine, Larry Graham, Jim Branton, John Jordan and Al MacDonald.

Whitby built a 5-1 first-period lead, with three of the goals coming within a 13-second span. Burnaby rebounded in the second period outscoring Builders 7-1 to hold an 8-6 second-period lead.

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

SEPTEMBER, 1972

With the opening of hunting season this weekend in this area, local residents are reminded of the Vernon Fish and Game Club's annual trophy awards contest.

Brett gets even by kissing bandit

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Third baseman George Brett, exposed as a bashful bachelor by baseball's kissing bandit and stripper extraordinaire, has settled the score.

Three weeks ago, the Kansas City Royals star was the target of a playful attack by Morganna Cottrell, a busty exotic dancer with a reputation for charging onto baseball fields and kissing players.

"Now we're even," Brett grinned Monday night after showing up at the theatre where Morganna was performing, marching onto the stage and, to the cheers of a sparse crowd, giving the buxom stripper a kiss of his own.

Brett, 24, had vowed revenge since Morganna kissed him Aug. 22 as he prepared to bat against Baltimore Orioles.

"It was just something to do in fun, that's all," said Brett. "She's a super lady."

Morganna, who bills herself as the Kissing Bandit, was forewarned when Brett called the theatre after the Royals' game with Oakland A's was rained out.

"People ask my husband if he's jealous," said the 29-yearold blonde dancer from Columbus, Ohio. "Heck, he's one of George's biggest fans."

Morganna, who boasts the impressive measurements of 45-23-39 and has been stripping since she was 13 years old, began her baseball exploits in 1969 when someone dared her to kiss Pete Rose.

Since then, eight other players have fallen prey to her antics, which have helped make her the country's highest paid exotic at $2,500 to $3,000 a week.

TRIAL DATE DELAYED

National Hockey League player Don Murdoch, charged with possession of a narcotic, was granted a postponement of his trial in provincial court Monday in Brampton, Ont. The case was remanded to April 6, 1978.

Murdoch was named Most Valuable Player in the B.C. Junior Hockey League as a member of Vernon Vikings during the 1973-74 season.

The 20-year-old player from Cranbrook, who starred with New York Rangers as a rookie last year, was arrested at Toronto International Airport on Aug. 12.

He faces charges of possession of 8.6 grams (one-fifth of an ounce) of cocaine and possession for the purpose of trafficking in cocaine.

SPORTS BRIEFS

HOCKEY SIGN-UP

Vernon Minor Hockey Association will hold its first registration session Wednesday, from 7-9 p.m., at the Recreation Complex. All boys six to 18 are eligible to play. Each registrant must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and birth certificate.

BADMINTON STARTS

Okanagan Landing Badminton Club starts its season tonight at OK Landing School. New members are welcome. The club will play ever Tuesday and Thursday. For further information phone 542-6684.

TURKEY SHOOT

Armstrong Fish and Game Club will be holding a turkey shoot on Sunday at the club's outdoor range.

PASS COURSE

Eight Armstrong-area men recently completed their CORE programs and were presented with certificates and crests. The graduates are John Higgins, Kenneth Henley, Doug Kistner, Jay Connolly, Frank Henley, Lorne Harrison, Dwayne Henley, and Andrew Pearson.

NORDIQUES SIGN PICARD

QUEBEC (CP) — Defenceman Robert Picard, previously reported as having agreed to terms with Washington Capitals of the National Hockey League, has signed a five-year contract with Quebec Nordiques, the World Hockey Association club announced Monday. Guy Bertrand, a Quebec City lawyer acting as agent for Picard, who played last season with Montreal Juniors of the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League, told a news conference that Picard had not signed a contract with the Capitals but only a document dealing with proposed salary.

TO DEFEND TITLE

TORONTO (CP) — George Chuvalo, celebrating his 40th birthday, announced Monday he will again defend the Canadian heavyweight boxing championship he has held through most of his 21 years of professional boxing. At a news conference complete with birthday cake, Chuvalo said his next opponent will be Earl McLeay of Calgary, 11 years his junior and ranked No. 1 for the title by the Canadian Professional Boxing Federation.

HIT BY PUCK

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (AP) — A man hit in the forehead by a hockey puck during a National Hockey League game has sued Atlanta Flames and an unidentified player for $25,000. The suit, filed by Kelton L. Hubbard of Minneapolis, says the incident occurred after the game between the Flames and Minnesota North Stars had been stopped and a penalty assessed against the player.

HORSE STOLEN

PARIS, Ky. (AP) — A man charged with stealing a thoroughbred mare in foal to Triple Crown winner Secretariat pleaded not guilty Monday and faces a pre-trial conference Oct. 13 in Bourbon circuit court.

FILLIES DON'T WIN

Only two fillies have won the Belmont Stakes, Ruthless taking the first running in 1867 and Tanya scoring in 1905.

Spallumcheen ladies' draw

SEPT. 14

1st TEE

8:30 a.m. — H. Fogtmann, P. O'Keefe, S. Embleu
8:36 a.m. — E. Zamis, M. Howard, P. Kaulback
8:42 a.m. — L. Owen, R. Guidi, K. Coleman
8:48 a.m. — P. Burgess, M. Sheare, D. Baker
8:54 a.m. — P. DeWolf, S. McDonald, F. Leng

10th TEE

8:30 a.m. — E. Beaulieu, I. Fee, G. Maundrell
8:36 a.m. — J. August, P. Phare, R. Banner
8:42 a.m. — K. Wise, M. Burgess, J. Jensen
8:48 a.m. — C. Schier, V. Nelson, F. DeWilde
8:54 a.m. — M. Good, I. Bannerman, G. Myhill

Competition: Pin Round No. 10 Low Net Least Putts Overall

A HELPING HAND

Bowling is not usually considered a strenuous sport but Aime LaFrance tried so hard to get a strike she ended up on her [illegible] as a result. John Cowie proves that chauvinism is not dead and comes to Aime's rescue. Both bowlers are part of the senior citizens all-star league that bowls regularly at Lincoln Lanes.

(Daily News Photo)

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