



TOP OUTFIELDER
Colleen Corner of Vernon's Coldstream Motor Hotel, was recently named top outfielder in the Okanagan Senior 'C' Ladies Softball League. Another Vernon player, Sue Johnson, was runner-up for the league batting crown. At the league banquet, held in Kelowna, the Coldstream girls were presented with the playoff championship trophy. (Daily News Photo)

VSSS volleyball teams start season Saturday

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Vernon Senior Secondary School boys and girls volleyball teams open their respective seasons by hosting a play day Saturday.

The tournament will be a round-robin affair with teams from Kelowna, Peniticon, Oliver, and Rutland competing. All games are scheduled to start at 10 a.m. and will be open to the public with no admission charge.

The VSSS girls team has five returnees from last year. They are Sandra McKay, June Nagel, Dee Hutt, Sue Foley and this year's captain, Sue Zelazny.

New to the team are Pam MacLeod, in Grade 12, and Grade 11's Donna Lee, Laurie

Simms, Linda Biven and Tammy Low.

Currently out of action with knee injuries are Lauren Lychuk, who will serve as a playing manager when she returns, and Cathy Danter. Being the only returnee from last year, Tilton is expected to provide leadership and experience to this year's boys team. Tilton is one

of three Grade 12's along with Brett Barker and Richard Marshall who will offer direction to the young VSSS squad.

Boys' Coach Barrie Reid is not at all worried about the young team. Reid said "This is a rebuilding year, and although we have quite a ways to go in fundamentals, we should be a competitive team."

Reid is quite impressed with several of his rookies including Dave Harding, Jim Garlick, Rick Beaton and Joe Labermeyer.

Reid and VSSS girls' coach Ann Sikes both agree that the play-day will help them to find and iron out any problems before the annual VSSS Fall Invitational Volleyball Tournament next weekend.

Both Vernon teams are scheduled to square off against Kelowna in the opening game of the Play-day Saturday at 9 a.m.

BID GATHERS SUPPORT

Vernon has an excellent chance of hosting the 1978 Canadian Senior 'B' Lacrosse championships.

Vernon Lodge Tigers' President Art Horley told the Daily News the B.C. Lacrosse Association has indicated it will look favorably upon a bid from Vernon.

Horley said, "I have been told we would be bidding on behalf of B.C. and that the Canadian Lacrosse Association would probably support B.C.'s application."

The tournament, which usually runs four or five days, is held on the Labor Day weekend. Five or six provinces are represented.

Horley said, "I have been told Quebec is also bidding, but I am confident if our bid is satisfactory, we will get the go-ahead."

Vernon Mayor Stuart Fleming has said the city will support the team's bid against Kelowna in the opening game of the Play-day Saturday at 9 a.m.

Second leg of camp shifts to Vernon Arena

Second leg of the Vernon Vikings training camp gets under way Saturday morning at the Civic Arena.

First part of the camp was held this week in Enderby. Vikings' President Vern Dye told the Daily News he expects 35-40 players on the ice Saturday.

Dye said, "We've trimmed our roster quite a bit and there are a few players we don't expect to arrive until Monday or Tuesday."

There are 12 locals among those vying for positions on the club. One of the top prospects, Tom Ouch, attended one practice and did not return.

Winger Dave Schneider and defenceman Glen Foster have been the most impressive of the Vernon players to date.

Dye said, "It is impossible to say who has a good chance of making the team at this point. There are a lot of outstanding boys arriving today that we haven't seen yet."

Coach Sheldon Bloomer was finally able to reduce his goaltending corps to a workable number Thursday. He will have only four or five on the ice this weekend.

A total of 13 netminders attended camp in Enderby. Vikings' exhibition schedule will open Sept. 22 when they host the B.C. Junior Hockey League's new entry, Revelstoke Bruins.

The following day, Vernon takes on Kelowna Buckaroos in Rutland. On Sept. 24, Vikings are in Sumnerland to battle Peniticon Ties and the final game of the pre-season schedule, Sept. 25, has Vernon hosting Kelowna at 7:30 p.m.

FIRST GAME
The regular season gets under way Sept. 30 when Vikings journey to Kamloops. Vernon's home opener will be Oct. 1 against the defending BCJHL champion Nanaimo Clippers.

In an exhibition game Thursday night, Ross Fitzpatrick scored two goals to lead Peniticon to an upset 5-3 victory over New Westminster Bruins of the Western Canada Hockey League.

The loss for the defending Memorial Cup champions was the third in three starts.

EXPERIENCE COUNTS

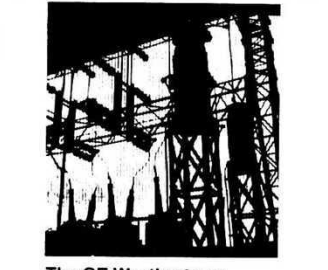
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Sport group would help

Several sports organizations in the Vernon area have experienced drops in registrations over the past two years.

Some blame the decline on poor facilities, lack of publicity, and lack of parent interest. However, the truth probably is that there are many more sports offered now and kids are having a tough time deciding what to play.

The majority of youngsters play two organized sports a year - outside of school - usually one in the winter and one in the spring. The most popular used to be hockey and baseball.

However, the tremendous growth of juvenile soccer in recent years has hurt all other sports. Boys and girls have found soccer to be a fun sport - not something you have to excel at to enjoy. And parents have found soccer to be much more economical than many other activities.

Hockey was hard hit during the last two years. Vernon's minor football program has been a success story since it first started four years ago. It is something different for boys, and they don't have to get up at 5 a.m. to head for the arena.

Baseball registration dropped so drastically last year that, for a short time, it appeared the association could collapse. Again, soccer hurt, but the latest craze, lacrosse, almost dealt the dying blow. In its first year of operation, Vernon Minor Lacrosse attracted 180 boys.

Next year that figure is expected to grow to more than 200.

NUMEROUS ACTIVITIES
With the increase in leisure time, there has been a large increase in recreation activities, for both kids and adults.

DAILY NEWS SPORTS ALERT

- MINOR SOCCER TONIGHT**
- 5:30 p.m., McDonald Park, Kinmen vs. Elks (Div. 8)
 - 5:30 p.m., McDonald Park, Columbus vs. Vernon Sport (Div. 8)
 - 5:30 p.m., McDonald Park, OK Builders vs. Terry Dyck (Div. 9)
 - 5:30 p.m., McDonald Park, 1 and 2 Electric vs. Lumby No. 1 (Div. 9)
- MINOR FOOTBALL**
- 7:30 p.m., Elks Stadium in Kelowna, H and L Glass vs. Kelowna (banlam)
- SATURDAY**
- MINOR HOCKEY**
9:00 a.m. to 12 noon, Vernon minor hockey registration at the Recreation Centre. Proof of age required.
- GOLFING**
Vernon Golf Club, A-1 Janitors Cup for senior ladies.

SPORTS BRIEFS

ROAD HOCKEY
In Men's Road Hockey League action Thursday night at the Centennial Outdoor rink, Vernon Lodge Tigers blanked Lumbrermen 3-0 and Raiders dumped sixty-niners 4-1.

ICE TIMING
Evening ice time rentals are now available at the Vernon Civic Arena. Anyone interested, or those wanting to book a time, are asked to phone 545-9035.

PUBLIC SKATING
Public skating at the Civic Arena gets under way this weekend. Sessions will be held Saturday from 12:30 to 2 p.m. and Sunday from 1:30 to 3 p.m. For further information, phone 545-9088.

OFFICIALS NEEDED
Officials are needed for men's and women's volleyball leagues. All officials must have a good understanding of the rules. Referees earn \$8 per game and referees a minimum of two games per night. To sign up, phone 545-6035.

DIRTY RCMP
At the regular Thursday night go-cart races held at Pungy Fox Games the RCMP team was ousted from first place because of a number of points docked due to their unsportsmanlike driving conduct. "And the efforts of the fireball team to pass other drivers by brutally knocking them off the track were to no avail as they placed a mere seventh well behind the Vernon Daily News Top Gunners." - Law Society 43, RCMP 41, Courthouse 36, Hospital 31 and Daily News 30.

YANKEES ACQUIRE NEW YORK (AP) - New York Yankees acquired baseball slugger Dave Kingman from waivers from California

Sabres look at ex-Vikings

Two ex-Vernon Vikings are attending Buffalo Sabres' power skating camp this week in St. Catharines, Ont.

Goalie Ken Holland and centre Ron Arsenchoff are among about 50 players at the camp.

Holland, a Vernon native, was an all-star last season with Binghamton Dusters of the North American Hockey League. Binghamton has guaranteed him the number one spot this season, but he naturally wants to take a crack at the big time.

Zozelle orders violence control

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Post says Pete Zozelle, commissioner of the National Football League, has issued a statement to club presidents deploring unnecessary violence in the league and threatening serious discipline for such actions.

The post also could include multi-game suspensions as well as fines.

"Flagrant personal fouls are clearly outside the rules and are calculated either to disable opposing players or to intimidate them into less effective performance."

Zozelle's statement said Thursday.

"They often entail an entirely unreasonable risk of unnecessary injury to opposing players and potentially unfortunate consequences to the victim's teammates and coaches as well. They do not belong in professional football and will not be tolerated by this office."

"If there is to be limitation on the playing field, it must result from superior performance within the rules, not from calculated or unbridled violence."

"Accordingly, all players, coaches and clubs are reminded that unnecessary violence outside the rules of the game will be cause of serious league discipline up to and including game suspensions, whether or not it is detected by game officials."

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