

# Coach furious after fourth loss

"The guys on this hockey team aren't in shape, but you can bet they're going to be," those were the harsh words Vernon Vikings Coach Sheldon Bloomer after his club was shellied 8-0 by Merritt Centenials in their final B.C. Junior Hockey League pre-season game Tuesday in Merritt.

For Vikings, it was their fourth loss in five exhibition games.

Bloomer said, "They're not skating — particularly the veterans. Guys like (Cam) Turgeon, (Rob) Jacobson, and (Ron) Rogers aren't doing anything out there."

**BAD ATTITUDE**  
 "They better change their attitude in a hurry — they're making fools of themselves and they're embarrassing me," Joe Tennant and his swift-skating Cents took leads of 2-0 and 5-0. It was the third consecutive exhibition victory for Merritt.

The Vernon coach had words of praise for the Centenials. He said, "They all worked hard. Merritt has a lot of good skaters and that is the name of the game."

**SIX MISSING**  
 In fairness to Vikings, six key players were missing. However, the ones who were on hand didn't appear to want to play junior A hockey.

In another exhibition game Tuesday, Kelowna Buckaroos edged Penticton Vees 6-5 in Summerland.

Vikings open their regular season on Friday night, in Kamloops, against the Chiefs. Brian Maier, Greg Sept, and Darcy Wilkinson will be back for that game, however, up to three regulars will be missing. Darren Halaas is out with a fractured wrist, Gary Gasoff

isn't available for another 10 days, and Stacy Simander is a doubtful starter because of a knee injury.



**TOP ORIENTEERS**  
 The B.C. Orienteering championships were held recently in Vernon. Age group winners were from

## Horse Talk

Training & Handling with Don Fraser

This column is presented as aid for non-professional horsemen who share common training problems. It serves as the medium for novice and experienced riders that have worked for the author. If you have a problem with your horse, drop a short note to The Vernon Daily News and Don Fraser will try to answer it.

**GAMES HORSE NEEDS WORK**  
 Armstrong girl writes: "Could you suggest a method of exercising a horse daily that takes the least amount of time and does the most good? I own a game mare that is highly nervous. She won't walk, quivers violently when made to stand still, constantly yawns on the bit, and breaks into a sweat when I mount."

During the winter months I have enough time to correct all these irritants, but during the show season I must put up with them. My problem is that I must exercise her daily, but the longer I ride her, the more nervous she becomes, and the more unpleasant she is to ride. No method of sweating her down before riding works, so I need a method of exercising her the most in the least amount of time.

I'd turn the mare out for awhile, and just ride her in open fields. I wouldn't ride her in the ring for a time. If she's running barrels and stuff, once you have her fit, you could jog her or lope her 15 to 20 minutes a day to keep her hard. It sounds like you're running the game patterns too much already. I wouldn't run them any more for a while. Just turn your mare out for a couple of months and let her get her mind off games. Then start riding her in open spaces 15 to 20 minutes a day to keep her in shape. She should lose too much weight. I think it's hard to keep any horse fresh once they've been shown a lot. I really like to turn a horse out for rest. Nature does as much to get a horse's mind off the show ring as anything.

**HORSE IS TRAILER-SHY**  
 Falkland girl writes: "I have an 11-year-old gelding that I have owned for two years. The problem is that he is scared of a trailer. We have a trailer with a ramp and sometimes he does great and other times he's a pain. Can you help?"

You don't say how big your horse is, so I don't know that. He may be a big horse, needs a higher and wider trailer. He may feel uncomfortable getting in or out. I would back the trailer up to the barn everyday at feeding time. Put some feed in the trailer and leave him to eat it. Pretty soon he'll get in the trailer to eat. When he's through eating, take him out. Do this day after day until he'll just walk into the trailer. The horse is 11 years old and had a lot of experiences. Perhaps someone else gave him a rough ride and scared him. Generally, after a horse gets in the trailer and finds out it's not going to hurt him, he'll go on in.

**HORSE HAPPENINGS**  
 Falkland girl writes: "I have an 11-year-old gelding that I have owned for two years. The problem is that he is scared of a trailer. We have a trailer with a ramp and sometimes he does great and other times he's a pain. Can you help?"

## VSSS dumps Kamloops

Vernon Senior Secondary School 'AA' soccer team coasted to a 4-1 victory over Kamloops in soccer action Tuesday.

Vernon went ahead early in the game on a goal by Pete Strother. Kamloops got the tying goal a few seconds later, but just before the half, Sam Saiko put the Vernon team ahead to stay.

In the final half, a Kamloops player put the ball in his own net, and in the latter stages of the game, Byron Toroff added the clincher.

Vernon Coach Keith Brookes said, "I am very pleased for a season opener. All players put in an honest effort. The play was a little ragged at times, but eventually they settled down and played like a team. They show good promise."

One fault that Brookes pointed out was, "There is too much individual effort. All our goals were by individual effort. We need more cohesion and then I will be happy."

The boys are back in action Thursday when they host Salmon Arm.

## Holland slated to play in AHL

It appears Vernon native Ken Holland will be playing goal in the American Hockey League this season.

Holland was released this week by Buffalo Sabres, of the National Hockey League, and is returning to Binghamton Dusters, the club he was an all-star with last season. However, with the demise of the North American League, Dusters have moved up to the AHL.

Holland said he had no chance of making the Sabres. The 22-year-old goal tender said, "Buffalo has three goals in capacity crowds of about 5,000 at all of their home games during the 1976-77 season. Hershey of the AHL. They wanted to send me to Milwaukee of the United States League, but I much rather go back to Binghamton."

The eight-team NAHL folded this week, the second league to suffer such a fate within a year. The Southern League folded last season.

To gain admittance to the AHL, Dusters owner James Matthews purchased the Rhode Island Reds franchise, and is moving the club to Binghamton.

Dusters played before near-capacity crowds of about 5,000 at all of their home games during the 1976-77 season.



## Prentice elected president

Bob Prentice has been elected president of the Vernon Fish and Game Club.

Prentice was proclaimed at the club's annual meeting on Tuesday night.

Serving as vice-president will be George Carter while Dave Atkins was named secretary and Irene McDowell chosen as treasurer.

Club directors are: serving the last year on a two-year term — Mike French, Ann Roseberry, Frank Whitecotton, and Red Ryan; commencing two-year terms — Wolf Roemer, Ray McMullen, Steve Venness, and Dave Maasey; other directors — Erik Wille, Ed Makohoniuk, Dave Venness, Monika Gobeil, Joan French, Will Cowan, Bob Cusson, Frank Biro, Stan Allen, Lorne Ridley, Shirley Gaucher, Bob Swanson, Bob Hampton, and Bob Advent.

**RMP CHAMPION**  
 Shawn Walton of Chase captured the provincial RMP golf championship Tuesday at Vernon Golf Club. Walton carded rounds of 82 and 79 for a 36-hole total of 157. First-round leader, Roger Ecklund of Vancouver, stumbled from a 71 to an 88 for a 159 total. Vancouver won the team event with Kamloops in second spot. Sixty-six golfers took part in the two-day event. Defending champion, Ed Hill of Vernon was seven strokes off the pace with a 164. (Daily News Photo)

**CATCHER DIES**  
 SANTA CRUZ, Calif. (AP) — Former catcher Ernie Lombardi, who twice won National League batting crowns, has died here.

## DAILY NEWS SPORTS ALERT

- CURLING**  
 7 p.m., curling club, Ladies' Evening Curling League registration at 1 meeting.
- BASEBALL**  
 8 p.m., Senior Citizens' room at Recreation Complex, Vernon Minor Baseball Association annual meeting. All parents are urged to attend.
- SWIMMING**  
 7 p.m., Rec. Complex pool, Vernon Kokanee Swim Club registration.
- LACROSSE**  
 9 p.m., Vernon Cable TV, telecast of final game of the Canadian Senior 'B' Lacrosse championships between Vernon and Ontario.
- MINOR HOCKEY**  
 9:15 p.m., Civic Arena, juvenile rep practice.  
 8 a.m., (Thursday), bantam rep practice.  
 MINOR SOCCER (Games at 5:30 p.m.)  
 McDonald Park, Vernon Totals vs. Credit Union (Div. 2)  
 Army Camp, Eagles vs. Smittys (Div. 6)  
 Army Camp, D and H Auto vs. Tastee Freez (Div. 6)

## LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

SEPTEMBER, 1972  
 The Vernon Department of Parks and Recreation will be holding skating school for beginners to the game of hockey. The school will be conducted by Odie Lowe, Jim Moro, Walt Trent and Will Tansley. It will run Sept. 25 to 29, and registrations are being accepted at the Vernon Community Centre.

## FOREIGN CAR PARTS & SERVICE

"We speak your foreign car's language"

**Kal West Auto Ltd.**  
 4508 - 27th St. 545-7204

## WORLD'S LARGEST TRANSMISSION SPECIALISTS

OVER 500 DEALERS READY TO SERVE YOU COAST TO COAST

**AAMCO TRANSMISSIONS**

**AAMCO FEATURES**

- FREE TOWING TO OUR PREMISES
- FREE ROAD TEST
- ONE DAY SERVICE (BEST CASE)
- FINANCING ARRANGED (By Approved Credit)

19 POINT V TEST (CHECKS FLUID, DRIVING AND OPERATING CONDITIONS)

AAMCO Automatic Transmissions Car ownership guarantee available. Guarantees your transmission for as long as you own the car, and have it serviced annually at any AAMCO Centre in Canada or the U.S.A. at a modest fee.

**545-7201**  
 4701 - 31 St. VERNON

**QUAKER STATE Motor Oil**  
 10w/30 K mart Price **24<sup>97</sup>**  
 1 qt. **99**

**Test and Tune-up Set**  
 5 piece, K mart Price **63<sup>99</sup>**

**Battery Charger**  
 10 amp, K mart Price **24<sup>97</sup>**

**CAR Vacuum Cleaner**  
 K mart Price **19<sup>97</sup>**

**PRESTONE COOLANT**  
 Preston II Winter/Summer coolant, K mart Price **4<sup>99</sup>**

**FLUSH & FILL KITS**  
 Flush & fill kit for radiators, K mart Price **1<sup>59</sup>**

**Amart Automotive**

**BRAKES**  
 Our qualified mechanics will install new disc and drum pads, respec front and rear bearings, inspect: front rotors, front calipers, front grease seals, master cylinders, brake hardware, brake hose. For most popular cars.

**FRONT DISC & REAR DRUM**  
 K mart Price **41<sup>95</sup>**

**28<sup>95</sup>** PARTS & LABOUR INCLUDED

Our qualified mechanics will install new linings, inspect front and rear wheel bearings, inspect: wheel cylinders, front grease seals, brake hardware, brake hose, For most popular cars.

**41<sup>95</sup>** PARTS & LABOUR INCLUDED

**28<sup>95</sup>** PARTS & LABOUR INCLUDED

**DELUXE EIGHT MATRIX PLAYER**  
 Features pushbutton fast forward, eject & repeat. Matrix button for 2 or 4 channel sound. Built-in burglar alarm. Automatic head cleaning.

**62<sup>99</sup>**

**DELUXE SPEAKERS**  
 Six 5" flush mount speakers, K mart Price **133<sup>33</sup>**

**HEAVY DUTY BRAKE FLUID**  
 K mart Price **1<sup>89</sup>**

**LUCAS CONVERSION KITS**  
 High/low beam conversion kits for cars with 4 light or 2 light systems. Your Choice **30<sup>99</sup>**

**BARAGE GREPPER**  
 K mart Price **9<sup>88</sup>**

## SPORTS BRIEFS

**HONORS RUTH**  
 NEW YORK (AP) — Another New York Yankee Friday, Sept. 30, has been declared Babe Ruth Day in an official proclamation by Mayor Abe Beame. The ceremony was conducted Tuesday in the Blue Room at city hall, commemorating the 50th anniversary of Babe Ruth's 60th home running the season record until topped by another New York Yankee, Roger Maris, over a longer season in 1961.

**STINGER'S WIN 8-2**  
 PORI, Finland (AP) — Cincinnati Stingers of the World Hockey Association beat Seattle of Port 2 in an exhibition hockey game played Tuesday night.

**DO YOU KNOW?**  
 that SILVER STAR MOTORS changed their name to **K & V Motors**  
 421B - 25th AVE., VERNON  
 See us for all your automotive needs