

SKI TIPS

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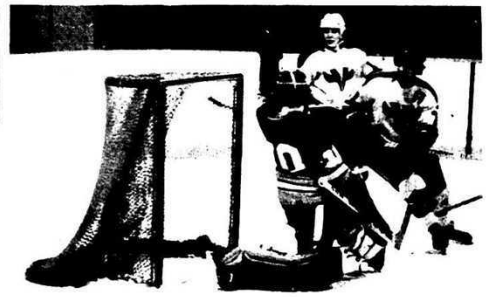
ENCOURAGING YOUR CHILD

Everyone has their own ideas about teaching from Dr. Pat's "Sure Cure" to the "Let it all happen" approach. They all have their merits. But be wary of imposing your ideas on your child's first skiing experience.

Skiing is fun. It is its own reward no matter how you go about it.

However, small children do not have the muscles or body proportions which allow them to ski the same way that adults do, their skis are not long enough or flexible enough to do what your skis do.

The kids like to go straight because it's easy and practical. As they grow, they can learn a small wedge type of snow plow. It teaches them steering and it's great fun. Children's ski programs are designed for group fun, lessons of the follow-me, do-as-I-do type. But until they are ready for that, all they need is equipment, snow and your smiling attention. C'mon Daddy, let's Boogie!



VIKING'S Scott Cozins and Darren Halasz watch puck slide by Revelstoke Bruins' goaltender Blair Shettler during Vikings' 8-3 defeat of the Bruins at the Civic Arena Friday night.

Winthers shines in Vikings win

Vernon's Vikings, sparked by the four goal output of newcomer Mike Winthers, sailed to an 8-3 victory over the hapless Revelstoke Bruins in BCJHL action on Friday. Winthers and his line of Scott Cozins and Darren Halasz accounted for a total of five goals and eight assists in the contest.

The Vikings managed to hold the Bruins scoreless in the first period while scoring two on drives by Winthers and Dale Sious. Second period action saw the Vikings further their score by two more by Winthers and Halasz before the Bruins got their first, on a play by Geoff Fisher. The Vikings managed two more goals in the second, coming from Sious and Garry Gassoff while the Bruins only notched one, scored by Garry Hillworth to bring the two period total 6-2 in the Vikings favor.

Winther's third and fourth goals of the game put it away for the Vikings but Terry Parr of the Bruins got a third for his team to finalize the game at 8-3 for the locals. Team officials said that Winthers was "outstanding and certainly the star of the game, although most of the other players performed well in the match."

"We felt our goaltending was up to par as well, so we think it was a good all around game."

In other BCJHL action Friday Penticton Vees scored two goals in the last 19 seconds of the second period and two more in the first 18 seconds of the final period to overcome a 4-2 deficit and defeat Kamloops Chiefs 6-4.

The home-ice win moved the Vees into sole position of first place in the BCJHL's Interior Division, two points ahead of idle Merritt Centennials.

In other games, Bellingham Blazers moved into a first-place tie with Nanaimo in the Coastal Division by edging the Clippers 4-3 in Bellingham. Langley Lords defeated Kelowna Buckaroos 6-4 at Langley.

In Penticton, both teams scored twice in the first period. The Chiefs moved ahead 4-2 in the second on goals by Clint Fehr and Randy Will, before Terry Olson and Dave Smith tied the score late in the period.

The Vees opened the third with goals by Ross Fitzpatrick at nine seconds and Ron Vincent at 18 seconds to wrap up the win, their 16th in 21 games.

Vincent and Chuck Buker scored in the first period for Penticton, while Pete Gerlinger and Ward Sparrow were the other marksmen for Kamloops which outshot Penticton 39-35.

FINISH STRONG

In Bellingham, Al Anderson scored two goals, including the winner in the final period, as the Blazers scored three third-period goals to defeat Nanaimo.

The Clippers led 3-1 after two periods on two goals by Aaron Rucks and one by Jack McDonald. Anderson scored in the first period for Bellingham.

Randy Hall and Bobby Hull Jr. scored for Bellingham in the final period setting the stage for Anderson's winner at 12:56.

Kevin Eastman was outstanding in the Nanaimo goal, blocking 38 shots, while Gary Scott and Blair McKee combined for 14 saves for Bellingham.

In Langley, the Lords broke a 2-2 first-period tie with three unanswered goals in the second period.

Chris Tucker led the Langley attack with two goals, while singles went to Gerry Vogle, Bob Taylor, George Walter and Ed Lebler. Bill Audycki, Ken Calder, Shawn Clerke and Darell Becker replied for Kelowna.

Kevin Quinn made 19 saves in the Langley goal, while Mike Desjardins and Randy Struch turned aside 30 shots.

Tonight, Kelowna is at Nanaimo, Penticton travels to Merritt, Revelstoke hosts Kamloops and Langley is at Abbotsford to face the Flyers.

DAILY NEWS SPORTS ALERT

Saturday November 26

JUVENILE HOCKEY
Vernon Reps vs. Kamloops 7:45 p.m. Civic Arena

REFEREE CLINIC
Level 1 and 2 for hockey. 8 p.m. at Armstrong High School

OUTDOOR RINK
The Centennial rink will open and operate today starting with public skating at 1 p.m. Admission is 25 cents per person.

Sunday November 27

JUNIOR HOCKEY
At Civic Arena — Vernon Vikings vs. Merritt 2 p.m.

PLEASANT VALLEY HOCKEY
Vernon Canucks vs. Vernon Firefighters 10:45 p.m. at Civic Arena

NOHL
Kelowna Molson at Vernon Price and Markle Canadians 8 p.m. Civic Arena

SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION
Open house at Silver Star Chalet. Dealership reps present to give advice on tuning and maintenance.

BOWLING
Three Ball twosome by Lumby Bowling Association. "A" shift 2 p.m., "B" shift 7 p.m.

Jets may go with QB nursing a bum knee

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

One team has nothing to lose, the other team everything. The situations almost are mirror images. But the words from the coaches couldn't be more similar.

New York Jets are 2-8 and going nowhere this National Football League season. And they are thinking of starting Richard Todd, their quarterback with the bum knee, against powerful Pittsburgh Steelers on Sunday.

Oakland Raiders are 8-2 and trying to get back to the Super Bowl they won a year ago. And they are thinking of starting Ken Stabler, their quarterback with the bum knee, against bumbling Buffalo on Monday night.

"If Richard is ready, "he'll go," coach Walt Michaels said as the Jets prepared to face the Steelers. And Todd said of his right knee: "It feels better and better every day. It depends how it feels Sunday. It depends on Walt."

Todd was injured three weeks ago in a game against Miami. Stabler was hurt last Sunday against San Diego. "If he's okay and can play, then he'll play," coach John Madden reported. "There's no in between."

Also Sunday, it will be Baltimore at Denver and Los Angeles at Cleveland in a pair of games matching divisional leaders, plus Dallas at Washington, Minnesota at Green Bay, Atlanta at Tampa Bay, New York Giants at Cincinnati, Philadelphia at New England, Kansas City at Houston, San Diego at Seattle and New Orleans at San Francisco.

AFTER TODD

Joe Greene, Pittsburgh's fierce defensive tackle, is the guy who will be going after Todd—or his replacement, rookie Matt Robinson. And he can't figure out why the Jets, building their hopes of the next decade on Todd, would want to use Joe Namath's heir against the Steelers.

"If Todd is the Jets' whole future, as they say, and he is under par, then they shouldn't play him. They're 2-8. the game can't possibly mean much to them in that position."

It means a lot to the Steelers, 8-4 and tied for first with Cleveland in the tight American Football Conference Central Division.

The Raiders are one game behind front-running Denver in the AFC West. If Stabler can't make it, Mike Rae, formerly of Toronto Argonauts of the Canadian Football League, will be the signal-caller. He completed just one of six passes against San Diego for 16 yards in last Sunday's loss to the Chargers.

Baltimore's lead over Miami is 1½ games in the AFC East, so it appears the teams' critical game will be Monday night, Dec. 5, when the Colts and Dolphins meet at Miami. The Rams, whose National Football Conference West lead over Atlanta is two games, have won their last four games against Cleveland.

Dallas will be trying to widen its lead over St. Louis to two games in the NFC East and virtually keep the Redskins from the playoffs, while Minnesota hopes to regain its one-game edge over Chicago in the NFC Central.

As it has every week since it became a member of the league 24 games ago, Tampa Bay is trying to get its inaugural victory.

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SPORTS Page

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SPORTS BRIEFS

JETS SIGN DAVIS

WINNIPEG (CP) — The Winnipeg Jets of the World Hockey Association announced Friday they have signed up defenceman Bill Davis of the American Hockey League's Philadelphia Firebirds. The club said Davis will play in Sunday's game against Birmingham Bulls. The Jets said Davis will be used to bolster the team's injury-riddled defence.

MAY MOVE TO DENVER

CHICAGO (AP) — Charlie Finley, owner of Oakland A's, said Friday he has been in negotiations with a group interested in purchasing the American League baseball team to move it to Denver. Finley said the negotiations were held Wednesday with Red Patterson of California Angels and "an individual who would be the primary owner of the team, whose name I am not at liberty to divulge."

ALOU SIGNS AGAIN

HOUSTON (AP) — Former Houston Astros outfielder Jesus Alou, inactive in the major leagues the last two seasons, has signed a contract with the Astros, Tal Smith, president of the National League baseball team, announced Friday. Alou, 34, an outfielder for the Astros from 1969 to 1973, currently is playing in the Dominican Winter League, where he was signed by Astros assistant general manager John Mullen.

WIN BIG PAYOFF

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Two lucky ticket holders collected a record $26,398.20 payoff on a $3 trifecta wager when the winning combination of 5-12-1 came home at Beulah Park race track Friday. The payoff topped the previous record of $20,888.80 on Nov. 3, 1976.

BRINGS RECORD PRICE

NEWMARKET, England (Reuter) — A record price for a foal bought at auction in the British Isles was set Friday when a nine-month-old half-brother to Queen Elizabeth's Oaks and St. Leger winner, Dunfermline, fetched $72,618. The brown colt, by Town Crier out of the former Royal mare Strathcona, was purchased by Kentucky-based agent Michael Motion for export to Australia.

Super-Valu Flames outscore Cougars

In Pleasant Valley "B" Division hockey on Thursday, the Super-Valu Flames beat the Tri-Lake Cougars 5-1 in a game played at the Civic Arena.

The Flames came out early in first period to notch the initial goal of the game, scored at 1:06 by Mike Peropolkin. Ben Jakelashek of the Cougars replied around the midway mark of the period to round out the scoring in the 20 minutes. This was to be the only goal for the Cougars as the Flames went on to a 4-1 lead after two with Peropolkin's second of the night and two by Brent Colley. Terry Kopp added the fifth in the third period to end the game at 5-1 for the Flames.

Although outmanned two to one by the Cougars, the Flames managed more than twice as many shots on the Tri-Lakers' net. Penalties were kept to a minimum in the contest, with only seven minor penalties being assessed to both sides. The Pleasant Valley "B" division will not be in action again until next Wednesday, although the "A" division plays again Sunday night at 10:45 p.m. at the Civic Arena. The game will feature the Vernon Canucks against the Toros.

SPORTS BRIEF

GOES TO FARM TEAM

DETROIT (AP) — Detroit Red Wings defenceman Jean Hamel has been assigned to the National Hockey League's Central League farm team in Kansas City. Hamel played in just four games this season, but he was praised Friday by coach Bobby Kromm, who said Hamel "always gave us a super effort." He was a five-year veteran of the NHL.

Snowmobilers plan a busy weekend

Vernon's Snowmobile Association is getting into high gear this weekend with plans laid for a Silver Star excursion. The club is sponsoring an open house at its Silver Star chalet, with local snowmobile mechanics present at the parking lot to give free advice on the fine tuning of snowmobiles, although no major work can be performed.

Early reports on snow conditions indicate a good snow base for the early season and with the trail maintenance and improvement plan performed this summer, the trails should be in top condition. With signs and direction pointers added, the area will be suitable for novice and expert alike.

Besides the dealership representatives, there will also be the recently completed mobile cafeteria at the parking lot, offering refreshments for anyone feeling the chill. Club officials also announce that the Silver Star chalet and Gamefield chalets are well stocked with provisions, making brief stopovers more comfortable.

Later in the season, when the club becomes more active, plans have been laid for family days, trail safaris, weekend trips to other areas and a charity fund raising endurance ride. Last year there were about 100 families involved in the club.

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

NOVEMBER, 1972

Mayor Stuart Fleming along with representatives of Vernon service clubs were on hand at the outdoor skating rink to officially announce the ice is now ready for the general public.

MEET THE COACH

Tri-Lakers' coach sets team on road to provincial level

Geoff White has a task ahead of him. He, along with 10 or 12 present members of the Vernon Tri-Lakers major women's basketball team, are trying to build a club that is highly competitive on the provincial level. With several key players, he doesn't think this task is too far out of line.

The girls on the team come from all walks of life; housewives, high school students, college students and working girls. They compete in an inter-city league with Penticton, Salmon Arm and Kelowna and come up against some stiff opposition in those centres. The team is looking for about six more experienced players to round out their roster to give that little extra to push them past their opposition.

FIRST YEAR

This is the first year that White has been with the girls' basketball team, but has been teaching basketball to women on various levels since 1970. His credentials include playing guard for the British national team while at college in England, becoming a qualified coach of the English basketball association as well as a qualified physical education teacher. He also is full time ski patrol at Silver Star.

White practises his team twice weekly and says that it would be hard to demand more. "A lot of these girls have other commitments, like children at home or school work to do, so we can't push them too often." He does say, though, that his workouts are "rigorous and designed to help the girls to their fullest potential." He feels that the girls are attaining a high calibre of play and improvement will be evident in the future.

This is the second year of existence for the Tri-Lakers in their present format, staffed by many of last year's players. The average age of the players is the early 20's although the range is about from 16-28. White feels that this is a good way for younger women to stay in shape and be competitive beyond that of a recreational league. He also added that it does wonders for a woman's figure.

In season play this year, the Lakers have performed well, including a game in which they lost to B.C. champion Salmon Arm by only three basketb. The team will meet Salmon Arm as well as all the other teams of the league in a tournament to be held in Salmon Arm Dec. 16 and 17. Teams as far as Washington state will be there and coach White feels that his club has a good chance of performing well there and using it as a tool instruction and learning. White places his faith in the fact that they will soon have a strong contender and with the current high school program he should also have a strong base to continue any momentum.



LINDA LOCKERBY and Pat Haworth try new manoeuvres under the direction of Tri-Lakers coach Geoff White. Watching the procedure are (left to right) Mary Mielnichuk, Glenys Ferryman, Berry Shark, Brenda James and Laurie Ogasawara. (Daily News Photo)

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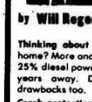
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by Will Rogers
YOUR CAR

Thinking about a diesel pickup or trailer tower or a motor home? More and more of them are coming out. Even cars will be 25% diesel powered by 1985 one auto expert says. That's only 8 years away. Diesels offer some advantages, but some drawbacks too.

Crash protection built in? It is on one car now on sale in this area. It has automatic restraint systems in place. With it the automatic seat belt restraint goes into position whenever the cars doors are closed. Survey results show the death rate for such cars is one-third that for the other cars of the same make and model without the auto-restraint. It could be fitted to almost any camper-pickup, van or motor home.

Oil Quiz: You need to put special break-in oil in your new pickup. True or false? False. Run-in oil that comes in any new truck or car is proper for the first few thousand miles or until the first regular oil change is called for. Then put in the right weight and type of oil for your area, climate and type of driving.

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