



Vernon skier tops gals

Vernon's Margo Wallenstein, 22, was the first woman to finish the 50-kilometre Cariboo Cross-Country Ski Marathon held over the weekend at 190 Mile House. Wallenstein finished 39th overall, out of 625 skiers.

Uno Moutka, 45, of Vancouver, took top honors in a time of three hours, 46 minutes and 30 seconds.

Frank Barik of Burnaby, a Finlandia Club team-mate of Moutka, was second in 3:57.

Oldest finisher was Jim Mack, 66, of Enderby, who was 12th to cross the finish line. Youngest finisher was Danny Locker, 10, of Prince George, who was 65th of 270 who completed the course.

First junior to finish was Dan Fisher, 14, of Alta Lake, who was 18th overall.

COMPETITORS from throughout B.C. and the Western United States took part in the Can-Am Sled Dog Races held over the weekend on L and A Ranch. Upper left, Jim Bright of Lumby finished second in the five-team event on Saturday, but failed to place overall.



and Ogomaw. Upper right, Eddie Streep and his team from Port Nelson won three events and took home most of the prize money (Daily News Photos).

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Chilton captures zone curling title

Doug Chilton rink of Vernon captured the Zone Four Consols playoff over the weekend at the Enderby Curling Club.

Chilton, along with third Dave Simpson, second Jim Taporowski, and lead Doug Weir, will represent the zone in the upcoming BCCA playoffs in Prince George.

Eight teams from Enderby, Salmon Arm, Sicamous, and Vernon took part in the playoffs.

Gord Rowland, Wayne Laface, Randy Brown, and Chilton, all of Vernon, won their first game and advance to the 'A' semifinals.

VERNON FINAL

In 'em's, Chilton beat Laface and Brown downed Rowland, for an all-Vernon final. Before a packed house, Chilton defeated Rowland.

On the 'B' side, Humphries of Enderby downed Vesty of Armstrong and Wynne of Salmon Arm dumped Norm Mockett of Sicamous.

Humphries then lost to Rowland and

Laface executed a delicate raise to down Rowland.

On Sunday morning, Laface and Chilton advanced to the split final by beating Brown and Rowland respectively.

The Chilton-Rowland game was a dandy. Chilton led 4-1 until Rowland stole two in the eighth. Then Rowland crossed to Chilton's rock in the ninth and tied the score.

With two rocks to come, Chilton was counting two in the 10th and Rowland on the edge of the four-foot circle.

Chilton had two shots, a draw to the button or a false double-takeout on the side Rowland had played. He chose the latter, made a fine shot, and won the game. In the championship, Chilton downed Laface in an abbreviated game.

Curling Club Manager Dave Clearwater and Norm Hellyer, in charge of ice, did a tremendous job with the facilities.

Next weekend, in Salmon Arm, the district mixed playoffs are scheduled.

Daily News SPORTS Page

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Vernon teams back in battle

Just when it appeared they were down and out, Vernon's two teams have bounced back and are right in the thick of the North Okanagan Hockey League playoff race.

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
Grindrod	10	7	1	21
Cougars	8	8	0	16
Canadians	8	9	2	15
Kelowna	7	7	1	15
Westside	7	7	2	14
Westfield	7	9	0	14

Vernon Sport Cougars came from behind to edge Grindrod Elks 5-4 in overtime, and move into second place in the NHL.

Vernon Canadians vaulted from last-place, into a tie for second spot, with two weekend wins. Canadians won a protested game played Friday in Westside, and then hammered first-place Elks 9-2 on Sunday night.

PROTEST UPHELD

League President Chris Nelson upheld Canadians' protest, ruling Packers used an ineligible player. Westside won the game 8-6.

Willy Bevan was the hero for the short-handed Cougars. Cougars were missing four regulars because of suspensions, however, Bevan's goal

Juveniles clinch top spot

Vernon Coca-Cola Juveniles Bps dumped Pentiction 8-6, on Sunday to clinch first-place in the Okanagan-Mainline playoffs.

Vernon stretched its winning streak to 21 games and improved its league record to 12-0.

The clubs battled to a 1-1 first period tie and Vernon led 5-3 after the second.

Wayne Brown had two goals and two assists for the winners while Tom Ouchi scored twice. Singles went to Glen Feter, Darryl Hora, Gary Rodman, Gary Edwards, and Dirk Drieger.

Andy Doyle made several great saves in the Vernon net. Pentiction took 14 of 24 minor penalties.

Next Sunday, at 3 p.m., the juveniles will take on Vernon Outfitters in an exhibition game, at the Civic Arena.

Former Boston Bruins' player Frank Jerwa will handle the opening faceoff.

George Faragher replied with both goals for Elks.

Grindrod goalie Leon Nowak made 35 saves while Vernon netminder Charlie Briksman turned aside 27 shots.

With between two and six games remaining for all teams, no club has clinched a playoff berth. Only two points separate second and sixth place in the standings.

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MAJOR MEN'S BASKETBALL
At Kal School: 8:30 p.m., Priest Valley Saints vs. Silver Star Mounties; 9 p.m., Cherry Creek Trappers vs. Husky Service Flyers; 9:30 p.m., Kal Lake Voyagers vs. Coena Bay Hatlers.

COMMERCIAL MEN'S VOLLEYBALL
At Fulton: 9 p.m., Hammers vs. Stingers and Pacesetters vs. B.C. Hydro.

MAJOR MEN'S VOLLEYBALL
At Seaton: 7 p.m., Village Green Spikers vs. Wallbangers and Ads plus 3 vs. 57 Selects; 8:30 p.m., Spikers vs. Ads and Vercom vs. Selects; 9:15 p.m., Wallbangers vs. Ads and Vercom vs. Spikers.

HONEYMOONERS
At VSSS: 7:30 p.m., Suntimers vs. Coasters and Jam Tart vs. Lightning; 8:30 p.m., Marvels vs. Tempests and Rockets vs. Storms; 9:30 p.m., Super Six vs. Desperados.

WHITE VALLEY LEAGUE
8 p.m., Lumby Arena, Sabres vs. Village Green.

PLEASANT VALLEY LEAGUE
11:30 p.m., Civic Arena, Vernon Canucks vs. Kinsemen.

Fort Nelson team dominates races

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Fog and drizzle hampered racers and kept spectators to a minimum on Saturday. However, more than 1,500 people were on hand Sunday, under sunny skies.

Race Chairman Alan Comley told the Daily News the meet couldn't have run better.

Comley said, "I'm exceptionally pleased. I'm sure the racers and spectators were more than satisfied with the meet."

Comley had special praise for Streep. He said, "Streep covered 76 miles over the two days. Not too many racers can do that—and win."

White Valley race tightens

With seven weeks to go, several teams are still within striking distance of first-place in the White Valley Hockey League.

Statistics released today show Coldstream has a two-point edge over second place Lumby. Just one point back, in third spot, is Letus Gardens.

In the individual scoring race, Tom Williamson has opened up an eight-point lead over team-mate Bruce Hatcher.

The stats are:

TEAM	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts	PIM
Coldstream	10	2	0	24	12	20	241
Lumby	8	3	2	25	47	18	138
Letus Gardens	7	5	2	14	57	17	185
Village Green	4	7	2	49	64	10	244
Letus Blades	3	7	2	20	40	10	110
Burger Barons	2	9	2	40	82	6	214

TOP SCORERS

PLAYERS	TEAM	G	A	Pts
Tom Williamson	Lumby	20	12	32
Bruce Hatcher	Letus	12	16	28
Norman Sabres	Letus	11	12	23
Pete Vlasveld	Lumby	9	14	23
Ray Hodgson	Letus	8	10	18
Rick Hawkins	Barons	10	10	20
Bill Vlasveld	Lumby	6	8	14
Mike Timm	Lumby	6	8	14
Terry Sammartino	Blades	4	11	17

Vees hammer hapless Vikings

Pentiction Vees pushed Vernon Vikings deeper into the B.C. Junior Hockey League cellar Saturday night by thumping the Vikings 9-1 before 500 fans at the Civic Arena.

The loss extended Vernon's losing streak to nine games. Vikings' Coach Hank Wensley told the Daily News everything was wrong.

Wensley said, "Vees have a great hockey club. They have three solid lines and I'm afraid we just can't compete with that."

Kevin Maxwell scored four goals for the winners while Ross Fitzpatrick added three.

Terry Olson scored twice.

Darren Halaaz got the lone goal for Vikings.

Wensley used three juveniles Saturday. Paul Guidi, Tom Ouchi, and Dirk Drieger. And in the future, Vikings will be relying on the Vernon minors and juveniles to fill the line-up.

Winger Byron Smith quit the club last week, dropping the club's roster to 15. Wensley said, "Byron wasn't playing well, so we weren't getting the ice time, and elected to part it in."

"It is going to be tough to finish the year with 16 players — super-tough. But, with the help of the minors and juveniles, we will have to do it."

One player Wensley had special praise for was local product Dave Schneider. Schneider was engaged in hand-to-hand combat Saturday and in last Friday's game against Revelstoke.

Wensley said, "Schneider is establishing himself as one of the toughest guys around the league. And he isn't a goon. He is giving the guys some spirit on the ice."

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SPORTS BRIEFS

TORONTO WIN
Toronto dumped Firefighters 3-1 in Pleasant Valley Hockey League action Sunday night at the Civic Arena. Mike and Lisa Clark, Inglis and W. Murray scored for the winners.

HOOP LEAD
In Commercial Men's Basketball League play Friday night, first place Vernon Lodge Tigers dumped Okanagan College 46-23. Fulton hammered Marvies 87-63 and 'hookers edged Enderby Marvies 87-65.

HOCKEY HIGHLIGHTS
In Home Openers Volleyball League play Sunday night, at the Recreation Complex Old Stylers trounced Bankers Friday 15-12, and 15-10. Vipers bombed Goodtimers Friday 15-12 and 15-7. Faults stepped on Reddown Bakers 15-15 and 15-14. Six pack hammered Hot Legs 15-10, 15-2, and 15-4 and Friends edged Sundowners 15-7, 15-14, and 14-10.

HAIN DON'T WAIT
CINCINNATI (AP)—A Cincinnati Reds pitcher is waiting. They've got pitcher Vida Blue in uniform already in their 1975 media guide. That is the picture of the Oakland A's pitcher. Blue, 20 game winner, appeared in the Reds' media guide published last week along with a biographical

sketch that states Blue has been issued uniform No. 40. His status, however, remains clouded by baseball commissioner Bowie Kuhn, who has held up the controversial deal that would be used to send Blue to Cincinnati.

DRYDALE WINS
BALTIMORE (AP)—Fifteen-year-old Cliff Drydale, a steady performer who is at his best from the baseline, defeated seventh-seeded Tom Gorman 7-6, 8-3 to win the \$100,000 Baltimore International indoor tennis championships Sunday.

TEXAN SIGN'S JOERGENSEN
APLINGTON, TEX. (AP)—Outfielder first baseman Mike Joergensen, who played with the option with Oakland A's last season, has signed with Texas Rangers, an official of the American League baseball team said Saturday.

Joergensen, a near veteran with a .246 lifetime average, broke in with New York Mets and played with Montreal Expos from 1972-76. Last year, he hit .246 with eight home runs and 32 runs batted in in 66 games with the A's.

ALABAMA WINS
TOKYO (AP)—Kim Warwick and Alan Stone won matches Sunday to give Australia a 3-0 sweep of the Eastern Zone Davis Cup semi-final against Japan.

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

FEBRUARY, 1973
Prince George's George Barrada, Swim Team, defeated the host Vernon Koksueken and the New Westminster Y Kings in the British Columbia Festival of Sports feature at the Vernon Community Centre Feb. 11.

REMEMBER WHEN
MEANIE, an empty net goal by Kevin Chaben was the winner Sunday as Pentiction crept to within three points to league-leading Merritt Centennials by downing the Cent 7-6.

Chaben scored his second goal of the game after Merritt trailing 6-5, pulled goalie Bob Polman into an attempt to tie the game. After that move he suffered Blake Stephen scored for the Cent with 31

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PREMIUM BEER B.C. STYLE

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BY THE CANADIAN PRESS
Detroit Red Wings scored one of the most lopsided victories in National Hockey League history by defeating New York Rangers 10-0 at Detroit 24 years ago today. In 1944, Ken McAuley in the kessers' net made 47 saves but Connie Johnson in the Detroit cage had only nine shots to handle.

A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE