



QUITE A RIDE

In only three days of operation, more than 2,000 people have ridden British Columbia's first Alpine Slide, at Tillikum Valley. Left, Michael McGraw is obviously enjoying the speed and excitement of the slide. Above, the chairlift which carries customers to the top of the slide, gives a fantastic view of Tillikum Valley and the surrounding area. (Daily News Photos)

KENDALL'S KORNER

New-look for Canucks

If nothing else, the Vancouver Canucks will have a new-look in the 1978-79 season. Canucks have a new logo, new colors, and new uniforms, all designed to give the National Hockey League club a more exciting, aggressive image. You can see the Canucks first hand on Nov. 1 when the Daily News, and yours truly, will be taking a group to Vancouver to see the Canucks battle Toronto Maple Leafs.

To make the weekend a little more exciting, the net right — a Saturday, we'll take in the game between B.C. Lions and Edmonton Eskimos. It is the final regular season game for both teams — and could determine if Lions make the playoffs.

Full details of the trip will be announced within a week, but if you can't wait, phone 545-0671 and ask for sports.

CAMP OPENS

Getting back to the Canucks, their training camp opened Monday, in Courtenay, with 38 players in attendance. Coach Harry Neale will have 18 new bodies in camp and plenty of places to put them as a result of blood-letting and retirements during the summer.

Among those who won't be back with the Canucks are Mike Walton, Gary Monahan, Claire Alexander, Cesare Maniago, and Gerry O'Flaherty.

Five goalies will be vying for the two positions on the club — Curt Ridley, Glen Hanlon, Richard Armstrong, and World Hockey Association refugees Gary Brienley and Ron Lapadine.

Neale has six new faces in camp who could add a little life to the sleepy Canucks.

From the Swedish national team are defencemen Lars Lindgren and Lars Zetterstrom. And another Swede, Roland Eriksson, was acquired when he played out his option with Minnesota North Stars.

THREE TOP CHOICES

To complement the Swedish Canucks have their three top choices from the June draft. All from the Western Canada Hockey League.

Centre Bill Derlago is almost certain to make the team while wingers Curt Fraser and Stan Smyl will make things interesting for the veterans.

Most notable of the other newcomers at camp is hard-rock defenceman Randy Holt. Holt, who was claimed from the now-defunct Cleveland Barons in the inter-league draft, is known more for his fistfights than his talent. If the defencemen make the club, Holt and a couple incumbents, will be looking for work.

With the new faces, uniforms, and logo, the Canucks management hopes to change the team image from lacklustre and uninspiring to exciting and aggressive.

If the new players, and the bright red, black, and yellow uniforms don't do the trick, Canucks will be looking for a lot of new fans next season to fill the 15,370 seats.

SPORTS BRIEFS

GOLDEN AGERS
Commencing Wednesday, Lincoln Lines will offer a third Golden Age Bowling League, at 3 p.m. Monday and Friday leagues are filled to capacity, necessitating the formation of the Wednesday loop. For further information phone the lanes or Johnny Cowie at 547-8783.

ALMOST READY
Vernon Parks and Recreation Director Jim Aiveberg said today he expects the Civic Arena to be ready for on-ice activities by Friday. He said, "We've just got a couple more things to do, so the figure skaters and minor hockey should be able to get in Friday."

HALWARD JOINS KINGS
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Los Angeles Kings said Monday they have acquired defenceman Doug Halward from Boston Bruins for future considerations. Halward split duty with the National Hockey League Bruins and Rochester Americans and Minnesota of the American Hockey North Stars.

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Lots of talent to choose from

Vernon Sport Cougars, of the North Okanagan Hockey League, have more than 30 players trying for spots on the team.

Cougars' Coach Gary Swanson told the Daily News there were 27 players on the ice for practice Monday in Enderby and another six or seven men were missing because of work.

"We've got a lot of talent to choose from. The toughest place to cut from is going to be on defence," Swanson said.

Despite the loss of Bruce Green, who is trying out with Prince George Mohawks, Gary Cougars have loads of defencemen.

Ex-junior star Lyle Brewer, Wilf Leifke, and Jim Inglis have looked good in practice. Swanson said, "We're still hoping Bob Powell decides to play and I'm really impressed with that new guy from the prairies."

The guy from the prairies is Bob Powell, who played junior 'A' hockey in Manitoba.

Charlie Briskham and Jack Gilroy appear to have a lock on the goaltending positions, but most of the forward berths are up for grabs.

Swanson said, "I'm not going to cut anybody until we start practicing in Vernon later this week. I want to give everybody a good look. It is too early to tell how much talent a guy has."

Forwards who have been impressive include Gary Gilchrist, Clay Anderson, Dave Caldwell, and Les Saine.

The NOHL season starts Oct. 7, however, Cougars aren't in action until Oct. 14 when they host Westside Packers.

Tigers earn tie with Sixty-niners

Charlie Briskham scored with less than two minutes remaining in the third period to give Vernon Tigers a 3-2 tie with Sixty-niners in Men's Road Hockey League action Monday night at the Centennial Rink.

The tie leaves the two clubs deadlocked for first-place with three points.

Greg Leilman, Scott Wenger, and Tim Lilburn had given Sixty-niners a 3-1 lead. Dave Caldwell scored the first two goals for Tigers.

In other games, Camels doubled Leduc Cats 4-2 and Screaming Eagles drilled Gordie's Mini-Motors 8-1.

TWO EACH
Graydon Brown and Warren Rodowski scored two goals each for Camels while Jack Prokopis replied with a pair for the Cats.

Eagles led their game 2-0 at the end of the first period and 5-0 after the second.

Tony Kopp and Ray Miller scored twice for Eagles while Al Schuck and Don Jones added goals.

Tom Rosebush spotted

Spallumcheen ladies' draw

Registration for the FIRST TEE 9:00 a.m. Team No. 1: Anneke Dehn, Mary Burgess, Diane Sims.

9:08 a.m. Team No. 2: Helen Fogtman, Rae Banner, Mary Edgerton, Betty Griffin, Marion Shear.

9:12 a.m. Team No. 3: Shirley Bossons, Betty Griffin, Marion Shear.

9:26 a.m. Team No. 4: Pat Bossons, Petie Kauback, Ethel Thompson.

9:24 a.m. Team No. 5: Eleanor Beaulieu, Verna Nelson, Colleen Schier.

9:30 a.m. Team No. 6: Shelley Strother, Betty Griffin, Marion Shear.

9:36 a.m. Team No. 7: Evelyn Zamis, Joyce Jensen, Diane Dewilde.

9:42 a.m. Team No. 8: Diane Baker, Rita Guidi, Jean Thomas.

9:48 a.m. Team No. 9: Iva Feen, Ginny Costler, Rosemarie von Pentz.

VERNON CURLING CLUB

League Registration Schedule

TUES./THURS. AFT. LEAGUE
Sept. 20, 7:00 p.m. \$75 per curler

WEDNESDAY A.M. LEAGUE
Sept. 27, 10:00 a.m. \$40 per curler

SENIOR MEN'S LEAGUE
Oct. 2, 2:00 p.m. \$63 per curler

JUNIOR BOYS & GIRLS LEAGUE
Oct. 5, 3:30 p.m. \$17 per curler

SUNDAY MEN'S COMM. LEAGUE
Oct. 2, 7:00 p.m. \$58 per curler

FRI. & SUNDAY MIXED LEAGUE
Sept. 26, 7:00 p.m., \$55 per curler

NOTE: Mixed league has two team openings for Fri. at 9:00 p.m. and six openings for Sunday aft. at 2:00 p.m. First come, first served.

Gardom warns BCJHL about hockey violence

Attorney-General Garde Gardom has told organized hockey in British Columbia to reduce violence in its games or his ministry will be forced to take action.

Gardom, in a letter to B.C. Junior Hockey Chairman Ernie McLean, says he regrets the fact that the criminal justice system may have to "shepherd an activity that is regarded as being a sport."

"Throw people who fight off the ice."

"Throw people who counsel fighting and intimidation off the team, and establish monetary sanctions within the system to take care of both of these aspects as well."

GM AGREES
Vernon Canadians' General Manager Sheldon Bloomer



GARDE GARDOM ... gets tough
SHELDON BLOOMER ... agrees

Vernon meets Kelowna tonight

Vernon Canadians travel to Kelowna tonight to meet the Buckaroos in B.C. Junior Hockey League pre-season action.

The same two teams met last Saturday in Enderby, with the Bucks winning a 6-2 decision.

Canadians' Coach Greg Kviste told the Daily News he is pleased with the way his team is progressing.

LATE START
Kviste said, "We got a late start at training camp and it has been a real problem practicing in Enderby every day. I think you'll see an improvement in our club tonight — and a big improvement before our first league game Sept. 28."

Trent Smith and Gary Barons will split the goaltending duties tonight, with Mike Desjardins on the sidelines. Smith replaced Desjardins for the final 25 minutes of Saturday's game and was not beaten.

Two youngsters who have impressed Kviste with their hustle are forwards Lance Vachon and Dean Macaul.

Vachon, a local product, still has one year of midget eligibility. And Macaul, from Nakusp, is a great skater.

Canadians will have one new defenceman in the line-up tonight and expect another rearguard to arrive Wednesday. Murray Blum, who played junior 'A' with Regina Blues last season, will dress tonight.

Twenty-year-old David Dowton, who split the 1977-78 season between Regina Blues and Pats, is expected on Wednesday.

Kviste said, "I think Blum, and Dowton will really help us. We're weak on defence and they have the experience. We've got a well-balanced club and anything we pick up from now on is a bonus."

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