

A look at NOHL

The 1978-79 North Okanagan Hockey League season gets under way next weekend.

The six-team league took great strides forward in the 1977-78 season, and the future of the league looks bright. League President Chris Nelson said, "I think hockey fans are going to see some great NOHL games this season. The NOHL has never been this strong."

A look into the crystal ball will tell us what is going to happen in the next few months.

1. VERNON SPORT COUGARS should be the team to beat this season.

Cougars have excellent goaltending with the duo of Charlie Briskman and Jack Gilroy.

The defence, led by ex-Viking captain Lyle Brewer, should be the best in the league.

And the Cougars appear to have two excellent forward lines led by last year's Most Valuable Player Dave Caldwell, ex-Nelson Maple Leaf captain Gary Gilchrist, and hard-shooting Les Salo.

If Cougars have a weak spot, it could be the third line, that is that line can carry its load. In the words of Coach Gary Swanson, "It will take a great hockey team to beat us."

2. WESTSIDE PACKERS are the defending league champions and appear stronger this season.

Packers have their top scorers back, Tom Connarty and Doug Oishi. And they have added three refugees from Rutland Molsons, Brian Tepp, Grainger Evans, and goalie Jerry Dyck.

Westside has also added forward Ron Bigler, who played pro in Australia last year. In his first appearance with Packers, last Saturday against Rutland, Bigler scored four goals.

If Westside has a weak spot, it is the defence.

3. GRINDROD ELKS have basically the same team as in the 1977-78 season — with a couple exceptions.

Elks were weak on defence last season and may have adjusted that problem. All-star Bob Mayer will get plenty of help from Bernie Reed and Willy Bevan.

Reed started with Cranbrook Royals, of the WHL, last season. And Bevan was drafted from the Vernon Cougars.

Up front, Rick Harris, George Foyal, and Guy Davidson will lead the attack.

Grindrod's strong point is still goaltending with the duo of Ed Forlund and Steve Gaudin.

Biggest problem for Elks could be lack of balance on the forward lines.

4. RUTLAND MOLSONS have only seven returns from last year's club. But, the team management has filled some holes — and hopes to do some more filling in the near future.

Ex-pros Gene Peacock and goalie Brian St. Louis have signed with the Molsons. And word from Rutland is that another couple ex-pros, Butch Deadmarsh and Curt Brackenberg are expected to join the club within two weeks.

If Molsons get Deadmarsh and Brackenberg, they'll be tough. If not, they could be in trouble.

5. REVELSTOCK SELKIRKS is the only new team in the league and is somewhat unbalanced.

Selkirk has several members of the Selkirk team that played in the Memorial Cup, including Steve Gaudin. And at least three junior graduates, from the Revelstoke Bruins, have signed up.

Randy Merritt, Mike Henry, and Wade Rota have graduated from the junior 'A' ranks.

The biggest thing Revelstoke will have going for it is the hometown crowd — the Selkirk fans.

6. WINFIELD RAIDERS are going with basically the same club as in 77-78. Unfortunately, the rest of the league has improved.

With the addition of Mike Smithson, from Cougars, the goaltending should be better.

All-star Claude Gaudin still anchors the defence and Ron Doig and Fred Parent can still put the puck in the net. But, depth is lacking.

Unless Raiders show a big improvement, in a hurry, they'll miss the playoffs.

Gammie first in three events

Wendy Gammie placed first in three events at the recent Armstrong-Enderby Riding Club gymkhana.

Gammie won the keynote race, senior stakes, and senior flag picking.

The results were: First Keyhole Race: Wendy Gammie, Sheila Wagner, Rose Hey.

Second Keyhole Race: L. Sheila Wagner, Dave Smith, Shawn Smith.

Vernon girls settle for tie

Vernon battled to a 1-1 tie with Salmon Arm. Javelots to high school girls' field hockey action Monday in Salmon Arm.

Steve Boyd, on a pass from Carolyn Mason, gave Vernon a 1-0 lead late in the first half. However, Salmon Arm evened the score with less than three minutes remaining in the game.

Vernon Coach Zee Wakelin called it her team's best effort of the season. She said, "Everyone played well but, we have to single out Cindy Ashworth and Janice Irons, who were just great."

Junior Barrets: Darlene Tranter 28, Rose Hey 28, Sheila Wagner 27, Teresa Cloutier 26.

Senior Barrets: Donna Wagner 27, Cheryl Fraser 27, Colleen Hucak 26.

Senior Stakes: Rose Hey 40.5, Sheila Wagner 43.2, Bonnie Kasek 42.2, Cheryl Fraser 40.5.

Senior Stakes: Wendy Gammie 40.2, Cheryl Fraser 37.4, Howie Stevenson 41.0, Dave Smith 40.0.

Senior Pole Bending: Rose Hey 36.5, Sheila Wagner 36.3, Senior Pole Bending: Howie Stevenson 37.0, Dave Smith 36.1, Shawn Smith 36.0, Wendy Gammie 36.4.

Senior Flag Picking: Karen Ellis 113.8, Sheila Wagner 113.1, Arlene Nelson 113.0.

Senior Flag Picking: Wendy Gammie 77.0, Dave Smith 77.4, Howie Stevenson 81.2.

Junior Flag Race: Arlene Rurak and Sheila Wagner, Bonnie Kasek and Cheryl Smith, Teresa Cloutier and Rose Hey.

Senior Flag Race: Shawn Smith and Wayne Smith, Joan Cloutier and Wendy Gammie.



WINDOW DONATED

The underwater viewing window, recently installed at the Vernon Recreation Complex pool, through a donation by the City, enables swim coaches to

study swimmer's style and movements from a different vantage point. Mayor Bob Nell, top right, was on hand Friday for the official opening of the

window. Also present were: top left, Jim Alveberg, recreation director; top centre, Brian Willows, president of the Vernon Kokanee swim

club; and swimmers, from left, Mike Potyrala, Jill Strachan and Jim Morden. (Daily News Photo)

Canadians host Cents, final visit for Tennant?

Joe Tennant brings his Merritt Centennials to town tonight, for possibly the last time.

Cents will take on Vernon Canadians at 8 p.m., in B.C. Junior Hockey League action at the Civic Arena.

Tennant told the Daily News today he is trying to get out of coaching. He said, "I'm just not healthy enough to run the club anymore. I'm trying to get out, but I haven't found

anybody to take my place yet."

Tennant, who guided Centennials to the Western Canada tier two final in 1977-78, has been in and out of hospital for the past two years with various ailments.

FOUR WINS Merritt has four wins, in as many starts, this season. However, Tennant calls his team so-so. He said, "They have a lot of work to do before

they'll be a good hockey club."

Mainstays of the Merritt team are four returnees, Gary Sirkis, Eddie Beers, Bob Deschamps, and Dale Ames, who handle the bulk of the scoring.

Two Vernon minor hockey products, Glen Feater and Earl Smith, are patrolling the Centennials' blue line. Tennant said, "Feater and Smith are still learning, but they're playing well."

On the local front, Vernon Coach Greg Kovale said he plans to start Trent Smith between the pipes for the second straight game. Smith allowed six goals against Kelowna Buckaroos, but made 39 saves.

His backup man will probably be local product Rex Siltak. Siltak has been working "with the team for a week."

Evisie said, "We'll be making a lot of changes tonight. We're after more forechecking and constant hustle."



JOE TENNANT

... plan to quit

Vernon still has only four defencemen on the roster — it is likely centre John Neel will see some duty on the blue line.

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Reich earns squash trophy

Vernon's Otto Reich won the men's C-D Division at the recent Inter Regional Squash Tournament, at the Vernon Racquet and Squash Club.

Reich defeated Bruce Murray, of Kamloops, in the C-D final.

Tom Fletcher, of Vernon, beat clubmate Sunny Zimmerman to capture the consolation event.

In the A-B Division, Zac Ezekowitz of Penticton defeated Doug Smith of Kamloops in the championship match. Ezekowitz is ranked among the top 10 players in Canada.

In the A-B consolation, Colin Caffrey of Kamloops damped Vernon's Bob Walker.

Meanwhile, 13 local players will be representing the Vernon club at the B.C. Open Racquetball Championships, Oct. 6-8, in Vancouver.

The players competing are Riker Twyford, Greg Caulfield, Tom Monahan, Bill Roth, Rick Monahan, Martin

Johna, Dave and Sue Abbott, Janice Monahan, Deb Sigaloff, Pitman, Tracy Matthews, Jane Brown, and Ronnie deLanger.

Doubles teams entered include Twyford and Caulfield, Roth and Tom Monahan, and Sigaloff-Pitman and Janice Monahan.

Next Monday, also in Vancouver, five locals will compete for berths on the B.C. team that will go to the Canada Winter Games, in Brandon, in February.

The competitors are Twyford, Caulfield, Sigaloff, Pitman, Janice Monahan, and Jill Zimmerman.

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

Sixteen-year-old Cdt. Cpl. Chris Tuttle of Vernon has been chosen to represent Canada, on the B.C. rifle cadet team.

Get in Shape For Skiing!

FOR BEGINNERS: OCT. 5th SCHOOL Starts Tuesday, Oct. 3 at 7:30 p.m.

FOR STUDENTS: SKI CONDITIONING Starts Tuesday, Oct. 3 at 8:30 p.m.

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Register at **Bill's Sport Shop** 30th Avenue, Vernon

Minis record first victory

Gordie's Mini-Motors Marked Leduc Cats 5-0 in Men's Road Hockey League action, Monday night at the Centennial rink.

It was the first win, in six outings, for the last-place Minis.

Danny Marcoux scored twice for the winners while Harry Weiss added a single.

In other action, first-place Juny-niners Blankets Cannals 4-0 and Vernon Tigers hammered Screaming Eagles 9-1.

LEAD With two games remaining, Sixty-niners led second-place Tigers by two points.

Randy Brown, Brian Hunt, Jim Wilson, and Dave Dagnelino scored for the Niners. Camels trailed 1-0 at the end of the first period and 4-0 after the second.

Tigers exploded for their biggest offensive outburst of the season against Eagles.

Dave Caldwell led the barrage with three goals while Dan Holte, Don Kendall, Jamie McKenzie, Charlie Briskman, Bill Kozlanski, and Terry Modell added singles.

Mike Grywachewski replied with the lone goal for Eagles.

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