

VSSS THIRD IN VOLLEYBALL

For the first time in five years, Vernon Senior Secondary School will not be representing the Okanagan in the boys' provincial volleyball championships.

VSSS placed third in the six-team valley final, on Saturday, in Kelowna. Only the top two teams advance to the provincial meet.

In round-robin play, Vernon lost to KLO of Kelowna 15-7 and 15-8, but bounced back to dump Kamloops 15-3 and 15-5.

Kelowna Senior Secondary eliminated Vernon 10-15, 15-9, and 16-14 in the semi-final, over North Kamloops.

In the consolation game, Vernon defeated NorKam 15-13 and 15-11.

VSSS Coach Harris Reid said, "There was some great volleyball in the tournament. I'm sure the two Kelowna teams will do a terrific job of representing the valley."

Reid praised the play of hitter Mike Kakoske and setter Dave Harding, who he said, "Played great throughout the tournament."

VSSS lost 6-9 Jim Arkel in the second match, with a broken ankle.

The B.C. meet will be held next month in Mission.



DALE SLOUS (14) slips a shot wide during Saturday's BCJHL game at the Civic Arena. Slous scored once but it wasn't enough as the Canadians dropped a 3-2 decision. Waiting for a possible rebound is Terry Lowe (10). (Daily News Photo)

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Vernon Centennials' Terry Smith finished the game with 34 saves while Rod Poluninski blocked 20 shots for the Canucks.

IN OVERTIME

On Sunday, Ed Beers scored twice for Merritt, including the tying goal at 1:35 of the third period. Danuchuk got the winner at 2:21 of the overtime period.

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Canadians play one of their best Thursday home games this week against Penitence Vees. Game time is 8 p.m.

In other weekend action, Bellingham Blazers beat Delta Suns 7-3, Nanaimo Clippers dumped Langley Canadians 7-5, Revelstoke blanked Kelowna Buckaroos 5-0, Abbotsford Flyers downed the Suns 11-5, Kamloops Rockets doubled the Vees 8-3, and Chilliwack Colts upset Bellingham 4-2.

Chilliwack registered its first win in five meetings with the Blazers this season in the home-ice victory Saturday as Darryl Leashy scored twice, Alf McVey and Howard Schlamb scored the other Chilliwack goals.

Portland vaults into first-place

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Portland Winter Hawks moved four points into the lead of the Western Hockey League's Western Division with two weekend road victories.

Portland stopped Victoria 5-3 Saturday, then edged New Westminster Bruins 6-5 Sunday.

In other games Sunday, Edmonton Oil Kings beat Brandon Wheat Kings 4-1, Kelowna Blades 11-2 and Regina Pats 11-2 and Regina Pats 11-2.

On Saturday, Calgary Wranglers beat Medicine Hat Tigers 6-4 and Seattle doubled New Westminster 6-3.

Bruins hand Atlanta sixth loss of season

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Atlanta Flames, who breeched through the 11-12 games of the current National Hockey League campaign with a pair of losses and two successive victories, have been the talk of the town in many hockey centres.

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Whalers fill net with goals

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New England Whalers, with the most prolific scoring machine in the World Hockey Association so far this season, were in top form during the weekend, scoring a total of 14 goals and equalling a club record in the process.

Birmingham Bulls were the unfortunate victims of the Whalers' offensive output, dropping a 9-3 decision to the Whalers on Sunday night, losing 5-2 Saturday.

The two victories, both on home ice, vaulted the Whalers into a first-place tie with Cincinnati Stingers.

Whalers' coach, John Ferguson, said the team is "looking forward to the hapless Indianapolis Racers. The only other weekend encounter saw Winnipeg Jets and Quebec Nordiques battle to a 2-2 draw Sunday night.

The nine goals tied a New England record for most goals scored at home, previously accomplished on two occasions.

Warren Miller's second goal of the game at 54 of the third period was the record-tying marker.

The Whalers, with an 11-4 record, now have scored 85 times this season for a 4.5 goals-per-game average.

Gordie and Mark Howe each scored two goals in the game, which was delayed 15 minutes by a third-period power play that sent the Springfield Civic Centre into darkness during the game.

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Phil	8	0	0	100.0
Dal	5	0	0	100.0
Kan	0	0	0	0.0

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Wash	8	0	0	100.0
NY Giants	5	0	0	100.0
San Fran	0	0	0	0.0

Beck leads Lumby

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Bill Beck scored four goals to lead Lumby Flyers Frenchmen to a victory over first-place Coldstream Hotel in White Valley Hockey League action Sunday night at the Lumby Arena.

Glen Waddell, John Reusch, and Andy Gilbert also scored for the Frenchmen.

Clyde Powell and Bob Kurbitz countered for Coldstream.

Lumby led 2-1 at the end of the first period and 6-2 after 40 minutes.

Coldstream took 16 of 26 penalty minutes.

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