

Americans dominate

American skiers dominated the North American qualifying event for the World Cup Freestyle Tour, over the weekend at Silver Star Mountain.

More than 80 skiers, including 78 from the United States, took part in the three-day competition. U.S. skiers captured the top nine berths in combined standings, with only Paul Hiltbrand of Vancouver, breaking the monopoly by finishing 10th.

Canadian Freestyle Association General Manager Bruce Aldin, of Vernon, told the Daily News he was happy with the performance of the Canadian skiers.

Aldin said, "You have to remember that the majority of the top Canadian freestylers are seeded and did not have to qualify. I was encouraged by our performance this weekend. With the seeded competitors, and the good newcomers, I'm confident Canada will retain the world championship."

TOP CANADIAN
Aldin said the top Canadian in aerials, on Sunday, finishing sixth. Only other Canadian to crack the top 10 was Scott Fulmer, of

Calgary, who placed ninth. In Saturday's ballet event, Robert Turgeon, a Canadian who now lives in Salt Lake City, Utah, took third place. Vancouver's Randy Bartsch captured ninth spot.

Alain said, "I was extremely happy with the meet. There was tremendous cooperation between the skiers, the mountain personnel, and our staff."

"First meet on the World Cup

tour gets under way Jan. 12 in Austria.

The results were:
COMBINED: Bruce Boleaky, Frank Beddor, Bob Salerno, Mark Whittaker, Jack Johnston, Paul Armon, Dan Kurdy, Bryce Vetter, Tracey Kasel, and Gadicko.

AERIALS: Jack Johnston, Jeff Chuma, Dave Sebastian, Frank Beddor, Wayne Hiltbrand, Gadicko, Bob Salerno, Mark Whittaker.

Fulmer, and Floyd Conrad. **BALLET:** Ian Edmondson, Bruce Boleaky, Turgeon, Lance Lutz, Mark Whittaker, Steve Rechschaffner, Frank Beddor, Bob Salerno, Bartsch, and Tracey Kasel.

COMBINED WOMEN: Katy Murphy, Les Hillgren, Liza Sweeney, Linda Lazsli, and Mary Beddor.

AERIAL WOMEN: Beddor, Hillgren, Lazsli, Sweeney, Murphy.



YETTA RUSHFORD, of New York, gets a different view of Silver Star Mountain during the World Cup aerial trial on Sunday. Below, Wayne Hiltbrand, of Colorado, demonstrates the form that gave him fifth place in the aerial competition. More than 80 skiers took part in the three-day event. (Daily News Photos)

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Juveniles hammer Winfield

Vernon Coca Cola Juvenile Reps hammered Kelowna-Winfield 13-1 in Okanagan-Mainline League play Saturday.

Vernon came out flying and took period leads of 6-1 and 7-0.

Wayne Bodnaruk, a pick-up from the reds, scored four goals and added two assists.

David Fish scored twice and set up four others while Rick Cheba scored a pair and added three assists. Single goals went to Tim Peterman, Dwayne Stratton, and Al Belton.

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Revelstoke	35	13	21	1	28
Penticton	37	13	20	4	26
COAST DIVISION					
Bellingham	36	27	8	1	55
Nanaimo	34	22	12	0	44
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15 PLAYERS
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STREAK STREAK
In other Sunday games, Merritt Centennials stretched their winning streak to 15 games by blasting Revelstoke Bruins 7-0. Penticton Vees edged Kelowna Bunkaroos 6-5. Bellingham Blazers trounced Nanaimo Clippers 8-2, and Langley Canadians beat Delta Stars 11-5.

On Saturday, Abbotsford Flyers rolled over Leda 15-4. Kamloops Rockets dumped Chilliwack 4-1. Merritt hammered Revelstoke 7-3, and Nanaimo fought to a 3-3 tie with Bellingham.

GOALPOSTS: Canadians are selling Christmas trees all week at Ernie's Self Serve Gas Station, on 27th Street.

Darcy Anderson, who was brought up from the Vernon juvenile rags for Sunday's game, got on shift on the ice.

Scott Cozens, who played in Vernon last year, will be visiting here this week. He has been playing in Calgary, but would like to join the Canadians if he can find a job.

Canadians are back in action next Friday when they host Kamloops.

Five Vernon bowlers have qualified for Kootenay Okanagan teams that will compete in the Pepsi High School Provincial Championships, on Jan. 27, in Vancouver.

More than 120 bowlers, from 10 centres, competed in the regional playdowns over the weekend.

The top eight boys and seven girls will form the boys, girls, and mixed teams at the provincial tourney.

Allen Penner and Lori Clapp are on the girls' squad. Barry and Rod Koenig qualified for the boys' team and Ramona Krause is on the mixed fivevome.

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

DECEMBER, 1973
Christmas festivities didn't dull Larry Gare's scorching touch. Gare scored two goals Wednesday to lead Calgary Centennials to a 6-1 victory over Medicine Hat Tigers, the third straight Western Canada Hockey League game in which he had two goals.

Gene Cecorich, Mike Darnrough, and Mike Malone replied for the Mosbros.

Grindrod broke open the 4-3 game with three unanswered goals in the third period.

Ed Forslund made 34 saves for Elks while Ian Snow made 31 stops at the other end.

NONSTANDINGS
TEAM GP W L T Pts
Genere 15 13 1 1 27
Vernon 16 9 6 1 19
Ruston 15 9 6 0 18
Westside 15 7 6 2 16
Warfield 16 5 11 0 10
Revelstoke

SETS LIFT RECORD
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Cougars in second spot after weekend victories

Vernon Sport Cougars took over second place in the North Okanagan Hockey League with a pair of weekend victories.

Cougars doubled Revelstoke Selkirk's 8-1 on Saturday night.

Then Sunday, dumped Winfield Hawks 4-2.

In the only other weekend game, league-leading Grindrod Elks stopped Hulsland's winning streak at six games, ending by blasting the Mosbros 7-3.

In Winfield, Dave Caldwell and Lyle Brewer scored short-handed goals in the third period to give Cougars the win. Gary Gilchrist and Wayne Dye scored the other Vernon goals.

Fred Parent and Gary Moore replied for the Halders.

Cougars held period leads of 2-0 and 2-1.

Vernon netminder Charlie Hruschak made 32 saves while Mike Smithson blocked 30 shots for Winfield.

Cougars took six of eight minor penalties.

FOUR GOALS
On Saturday at home, Gilchrist scored four goals, including two while killing penalties, to lead the Vernon attack.

Caldow, the NHL's leading scorer, scored twice and set up three others while Dye and Brian Hunt blanked the red light once.

Larry Black, with two goals, foot chasers, and Tim Lollar countered for the lowly Selkirk.

Local bowlers on zone teams

The teams and their four-game totals are:

GIRLS: Penner (Vernon) 87, Bonnet (Castlegar) 80, Clapp (Vernon) 87, Wood (Castlegar) 87, and Ceroline (Revelstoke) 84.

BOYS: Germaine (Nelson) 1066, B. Koenig (Vernon) 1084, R. Koenig (Vernon) 898, N. Germaine (Nelson) 894, and Haraszchuk (Nelson) 887.

MIXED: Kirkwood (Castlegar) 951, Milne (Nelson) 893, S. Germaine (Nelson) 928, Krause (Vernon) 810, and Heppner (Merritt) 807.

SPORTS BRIEFS

LEAGUE CHAMPS
Six Pack Plus defeated Lavington Hill Mob 15-8, and 15-8 to win the Honeymooners Volleyball League championship Sunday night at the Recreation Complex. Friends took third place by dumping MCC Vipers 15-12 and 15-11.

FLAMES WIN
Super Vale Flames dumped Turus 7-2 in Pleasant Valley Hockey League action Sunday night at the Civic Arena. Last Thursday, Turus dropped a 2-1 decision to Tri Lake Cougars.

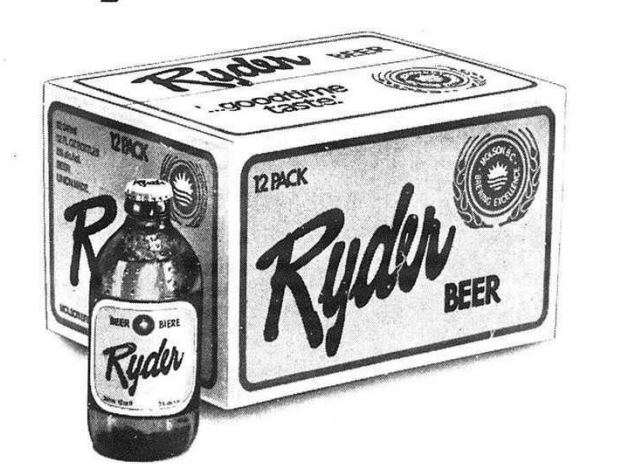
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
Registrations are now being accepted at the Vernon Recreation Complex, for the Major and Intermediate Women's Volleyball Leagues. The Major League will play Thursday nights at VSSN, starting Jan. 15. Entry fee is \$12 per player or \$26 per team. The Intermediate

League will play Wednesdays at Okanagan Landing School, commencing Jan. 10. Entry fee is \$100 per team. For further information phone 545-0671.

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