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CURLING CLUB NEWS

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LADIES ZONE FINALS:

Abbey Bridgeman with her team of Joan Morrison, Betty Pierce, Gladys Leek swept through zone play at the North Kamloops club with a perfect 5 and 0 record. Play commenced Friday and wound up last Sunday afternoon. The finals were an all Vernon affair as Abbey came up against Bert Morgan's team in the B finals. The Bridgeman team becomes Senior Ladies Zone winners and they continue to Queen in two weeks for District playdowns.

In the Ladies competition, Maureen Bird and Carol Prentice both skipped teams. Both teams failed to reach the finals although the Bird team lost two extra end games so with a break one way it could have been a different story. Sandra Guenther skipped her team of Lauree Rowland, Linda Fleming and Brenda Wiedel to a 3 and 2 record.

Sandra lost in the A finals of Junior Ladies competition and dropped into the B semis, they won their first game and then lost in the B-finals.

MP'S OPEN SPIEL

Annualspiel started Thursday night with three opening draws, first draw today is 1 p.m. Curling continues all weekend with the finals scheduled for Sunday at 5:30 p.m. Dancing takes place tonight and Saturday and Banquet on Saturday from 6 to 8 p.m.



Veinon's Abbey Bridgeman rink recently captured the zone senior ladies' curling title. Next stop for the Bridgeman foursome will be the district playdowns, in Queston on Jan. 30 and 31. Members of the team are from left, rear, third Joan Morrison and Bridgeman. Front, lead Gladys Leek and second Betty Pierce. (Daily News Photo)

SPORTS BRIEFS

TALBOT TRANSFERS LONDON (Reuter) — Mid-field soccer star Brian Talbot of Ipswich signed with Arsenal on Thursday for a fee believed to be about \$400,000 (\$600,000). Talbot, 26, has played almost 200 First Division English League matches with Ipswich, his hometown club and has played five times for England.

COACH DEB

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Othol (Abe) Martin, who won three Southwest Conference college football championships in a 14-year career as head coach at Texas Christian University, died early Thursday. He was 70. Martin was head coach from 1963 to 1966 and athletic director from 1966 to 1975, when he retired.

HORSE DIEN

EDMONTON, Okla. (AP) — My Easy Credit, a horse

ZONE CHAMPS

Morrison and Bridgeman. Front, lead Gladys Leek and second Betty Pierce. (Daily News Photo)

PIN POINTS

DEC 18 Men's Mixed 227 Women's high single, Angie Erickson 222, high triple, Wilma Gatta 222, high average, May Turner 217, high average, May Turner 217. Men's high single, Wayne Price 302, high triple, Len Chanley 755, high average, Len Chanley 230. Team high single, West Eagles 1327, high triple, Eligen Eagles 373. Club, Mayne Price 302. TEAM STANDINGS 371 East 497 372 West Eagles 488 373 Wild Eagles 488 374 Anticosti 511 700 Club, Wilma Wiedel 717.

DEC 18 Monday Mixed 9-9 Women's high single, Lynda Ray 248, high triple, Liane Webster 665, high average, Lori Jamieson 274. Men's high single, Ed Meyer 283, Glen Fry 263, high triple, Marcel Gallon 249, high average, Marcel Gallon 249. Pin Ups 1345, Team high single, Pin Ups 386. TEAM STANDINGS 490 Shooting Stars 440 491 Captains Choice 402 492 Red-Headed 402. DEC 19 Tuesday Night 11-11 Women's high single, Linda Forscutt 279, high triple, Sylvia Forscutt 271, high average, Frances Stamp 211, high average, Frances Stamp 211, high triple, Try, Ward 169, high triple, Pin Up Cats 218. Club, Sylvia French 271, Jan Arsen 207. TEAM STANDINGS 504 Alley Cats 476 476 Dots Series 476 476 Pivhans 411 476 Pin Up Cats 402 476 Try Hards 402.

DEC 19 Wednesday Night 11-11 Women's high single, Linda Hollins 291, high triple, Linda Hollins 276, high average, Ruth Potts 211. Men's high single, Jim Furr 295, high triple, Gary Monk 760, high average, Jim Furr 295, high triple, Team high single, Compensators 1319, high triple, Pin Ups 374, high average, Pin Ups 374. Club, Linda Hollins 276, Linda Natshara 719. TEAM STANDINGS 550 Four Roses & A Prickie 480 480 Gomer's TV 464 464 Mory's VI 446.

DEC 19 Tuesday Coffee Ladies high triple, Ann Sred 559, high single, Ann Sred 314, high average, Ann Sred 314.

KAMLOOPS SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION Presents

B.C.S.R.A. Sanctioned Snowmobile Race January 13th and 14th, 1979. Racers pre-register at K.X.A. Grounds Friday, Jan. 12/79 from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. For information contact Roy Bartsch 376-8028 or Rod Wheatley 579-5882.

TOP BOWLER

WILMA WINS LA CLUSAZ, France (AP) — Italy's Wilma Gatta won the special slalom in women's European Cup skiing Thursday, finishing in one minute, 50.57 seconds. Another Italian, Wander Bieler, came in third in :00.73 behind France's Patricia Simonet, runner-up at 1:01.00. SCHEDULE SET MONTREAL (CP) — Chicago Cubs will be the visitors April 14, when Montreal Expos open their 11th home season. The National League baseball club announced Wednesday. The Expos have at home games scheduled on 75 dates, including six doubleheaders. The home season ends Sept. 30 against Philadelphia Phillies. ARRANGE EXHIBITION TORONTO (CP) — John McMahon, manager of Canada's national soccer teams, said Wednesday plans are being made for Canadian Olympic team to meet the United States Olympic squad in an exhibition game Feb. 3 in Seattle. McMahon said he talked to organizers in New York on Wednesday and found that plans are not yet completed for a touring team to play the U.S. World Cup team, a match that would make the Seattle event a double-header. BLEIKER INVITED TORONTO (CP) — Running back Rocky Bleiker, a veteran

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

JANUARY, 1974 North Okanagan women's three-day zone curling playdowns got underway early today with 20 rinks from several centres trying for honors here at the Vernon curling rink. TEAM STANDINGS 324 324 Alley Oopps 361 361 Pivhans 328 328 Rejects 328 328. JAN 3 A.M. Coffee Party Women's high single, Barb Wright 283, high triple, Wright 651, high average, Lucy Wright 283, high average, Lucy Wright 283, high triple, Kivis 109, high triple, Kivis 113. TEAM STANDINGS 510 Snowbirds 476 476 Fiches 476 476 Cacklers 476 476 Skalkers 476 476.

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FOR PANTHERS Better balance is the difference

By DON KENDALL
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Vernon Panthers host Salmon Arm Golds in a crucial high school basketball game tonight, at 8:30 p.m., at VSSS. Panthers (2-0) and Golds (1-0) are expected to battle for the north zone title.

Panthers' captain Rick Beaton is one of four players who remembers what it was like playing for a weak team last season. Beaton said, "Last year, it wasn't unusual for us to get beat by 30 or 40 points. This season, we have much better balance and a good mental attitude. There is no fighting within the team and everyone is willing to work."

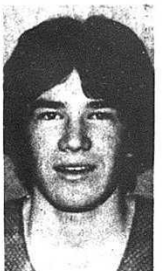
GOOD REBOUNDER Beaton isn't tall as far as forwards go. But at 9'2", he is one of the best rebounders in the north zone.

Vernon Coach Rick Inrig said, "Beaton is in a good position on the boards and is very tough. He isn't afraid to go up and battle for the ball." After a promising training camp, Panthers ran into a slump before Christmas.

However, Beaton thinks those problems are behind the team. He said, "When we went into the slump, everyone wanted to play offence and forgot about defence. Coach Inrig got tough with a couple guys and made it clear there was no room on the team for one-way players."

"Our defence is far from perfect, but it is much better." INEXPERIENCED Beaton feels the only thing that might hurt the Panthers down the stretch is inexperience. He said, "We've got eight Grade 11 players on the team and we tend to panic under pressure. But, the rookies are coming along fast and hopefully by the time we get down to playoffs, they'll be ready for anything."

Although the zone title and a possible berth in the provincial tournament is on the players' minds, Beaton told the Daily News they are taking the games one at a time. He said, "Right now, we're focused on Salmon Arm. I know we can beat them — the key will be defence. UP FOR GRABS "I'm naturally excited to win the zone. And as for the B.C. championships, the two valleys



RICK BEATON ... good balance

berth are up for grabs. Kelowna Owls have to be favored for one berth, but they're not unbeatable." After Salmon Arm, Vernon will have to worry about the Owls because Kelowna provides the opposition next Tuesday, at VSSS.

Bruins upset Blazers

By THE CANADIAN PRESS Goaltie Lawrence Dyck stopped 35 shots for Revelstoke Bruins helping them to a 3-1 upset of Coast Division-leader Bellingham Blazers British Columbia Junior Hockey League action Thursday night. Merritt Centenials, leaders in the Interior Division, fared better in beating Chilliwack Comets as both division leaders over the road. Trying to overcome a 2-0 second-period deficit, the Blazers pulled Dyck with 20 shots in the third period, but only Larsen found the mark.

After a scoreless first period, Clark Podalms, Andrew Ristau and Darryl Stanley counted for the Bruins who are fifth in the Interior Division.

Blazers netminder Steve Abbott made 26 saves.

LEADS MERRITT In Chilliwack, Gary Slinka scored two goals and Earl Smith, Rick Bartlett and Bob Deschamps scored singles to lead the Centenials.

Jim Brassard and Alf McVey scored singles for Chilliwack, which trailed 1-0 after the first period and 3-0 after the second.

Colt Kistander Doug Hodges stopped 43 shots while Rob Polmanium made 41 saves for Centenials.

Tonight, Kamloops Rockets visit the Buckaroos at Kelowna. Bellingham moves to Penticon to play the Vase, Abbotsford Flyers are at Langley. Canadians and Chilliwack meet the Clippers at Nanaimo.

Ryder beer stacks up:

Advertisement for Mr. Big 'n Tall January Clearance Sale. Features a stack of 10 cans of Ryder Beer. Text includes: Mr. Big 'n Tall January Clearance Sale, January 13th - 17th, Suits and Sportcoats 20 to 50% Off, Slacks 1/2 Off, Dress and Sport Shirts 20 to 50% Off, Ties 1/2 Price, Sweaters Broken sizes 1/3 Off, Alterations extra on 1/2 - 1/3 price items, All sales final. Fitting Fashion For The Above Average Man. Mr. Big 'n Tall. CHARGEX and MASTER CHARGE 615 Lawrence Ave. Kelowna 763-6955. Master brewed by Molsons.

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