

Canadians roar back to destroy Rockets

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Daily News Sports
During the first two periods of Friday night's B.C. Junior Hockey League encounter in Vernon, Sheldon Bloomer was probably ashamed he was involved in the Vernon Canadians' organization.

After all they played a yavaville type system of hockey and headed into the dressing room trailing the second place Kamloops Rockets 5-2.

And not many of the 500 fans at the Civic Arena gave the Canadians much chance of coming back against the Hub City crew.

But then who would have thought Mark would meet Mandy?

But, Bloomer, who does everything but drive the Zamboni as general manager of the Canadians, was one happy man when the Canadians triggered six unanswered markers in the

last six minutes in the third period to register a thrilling 8-5 triumph.

SECOND PLACE
The victory moves the Canadians into sole possession of second place in the Interior Division, one point up on the Rockets.

Bloomer was so happy in the press box that he soon forgot his back was giving him immense pain and almost strangled this sports writer twice in jubilation.

"There's no question that the puck didn't start going our way until the third period," said a smiling Bloomer, "we just didn't get any breaks in the first two periods."

And since again league scoring machine Terry Lowe was the big gunner as he exploded for two goals, - and four assists.

Brian Hawk Matthews and Larry Pearson, who both played on and off for the second twice each of the

winners, while Dean Haasari and Tom Ouchl fired the other

Ouchl pumped in the winning marker at the 18:26 mark of the final period.

Dave Kirby gave the Rockets a 1-0 first period lead, while Glen Sorenson, Clint Fehr, Al Graves and Al Radke all blizzed the red light once

Trent Smith recovered from a shabby first two periods to halt the Rocket attack and block 29 shots, while Brian Henderson kicked out 25 shots for the losers.

Kamloops picked up nine minors and fighting major Tom Soroke, while Vernon received six minors and a fighting major to Dean Haasari.

TRADING POST: Craig Demetrick and captain Dave Schneider collected two assists each. Soroke was by far the most impressive

Rocket as he also got two assists, won a decision over Haasari and hit with authority. Norm Meyer of the all blizzed the red light once

of the rink. Meyer held his arm in a sling following the game. Ex-Vernon Juniors Darcy Wilkinson was watching the game as Merritt Centennials had the night off from BCHL action. -

Canadians lost the Delta Suns Sunday night at 8 p.m.

Ficocelli leads Bucks to big win

Former Kelowna Teamster

Midget Rep Ken Ficocelli fired four goals to spark Kelowna Buckaroos in a 7-8 decision over the visiting Nanaimo Clippers before about 800 B.C. Junior Hockey League fans Friday night.

Brad Sweeda and Alan Knutson scored power-play goals for Kelowna and Bruce Clouston added the other goal of the Buckaroos held period. Naylor scored twice for Nanaimo which got its other markers from Mike Johnson, Dave Robinson, Morris Jaeger and Nigel Thomas.

BUCKS KEEP FACE
Goalie Ron Lousted blocked 32 shots and helped fourth-place Kelowna to stay within six points of third-place Vernon.

Penticton took period leads of 4-1 and 6-2 and got two goals from Craig Cooke and others from Scott Bye, Jim Reimer, Gregg Wilson, Dave Smith, Ken Karpul and Greg Egan, Rocky Thomas, Rich Hofstad and Wayne Frenette

replied for the Suns, who lost their 44th game of the season. Their overworked goalie Rick Patoux blocked 43 shots.

Tonight, Nanaimo travels to Revelstoke to meet the Bruins. Delta plays in Kamloops. Bellingham Blazers take on the Colts in Chilliwack and Abbotford Flyers are at home to Langford Canadians.

Sunday night, Penticton is at home to Kelowna, Delta travels to Vernon, Nanaimo faces the Centennials at Merritt and Abbotford plays the Blazers in Bellingham.

SCOREBOARD

NHL		Norris Division		Central		Adams Division		Patrick Division	
W	L	T	P	W	L	T	P	W	L
Montreal	22	7	199	120	71	1	1	1	1
Los Angeles	23	17	177	166	46	1	1	1	1
Pittsburgh	19	8	167	146	46	1	1	1	1
Washington	19	17	165	203	53	1	1	1	1
Calif. Westing	15	25	144	179	32	1	1	1	1
Boston	19	19	159	157	67	1	1	1	1
Toronto	20	20	155	155	49	1	1	1	1
Buffalo	18	17	153	151	47	1	1	1	1
Minnesota	15	23	142	142	39	1	1	1	1
Chicago	18	17	141	141	39	1	1	1	1
Philadelphia	17	18	138	138	39	1	1	1	1
St. Louis	16	19	133	133	27	1	1	1	1
Atlanta	4	20	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
Vancouver	4	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Birmingham	5	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cincinnati	3	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
San Jose	5	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hershey	5	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
New Haven	3	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Novia Scotia	2	22	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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Solheim paces Pats to win

Dean Solheim, a former

Vernon Midget Rep forward, assisted two goals and four assists to pace the Regina Pats to a 12-5 passing of the Saskatoon Blades before 1,200 fans in Regina Friday night.

Solheim, who played for Lehigh Valley of the Western Canada Hockey League last season, recently joined the Pats of the same league after quitting the Prince Albert Raiders of the Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League.

Solheim played one year of midget hockey under coach Gordie Mayens before moving on to the Golden Stars of the Alberta Junior Hockey League where he and another Vernon midget player by the name of Terry Lowe were teammates.

Ironically Lowe also triggered two goals and four

assists in the Vernon Canadians' come from behind 8-6 win over Kamloops Rockets Friday night.

Regina is currently sporting the worst record in the WCHL as they have just 22 points in the Eastern Division, 11 points behind Edmonton and 56 back of league leading Brandon.

Mike Smithson and slick playmaker Fred Parent and the night scored no different.

In the other games scheduled for tonight, the high flying Regina Tigers to a 6-5 decision over Calgary Wranglers.

Winther, 37, also picked up an assist in the game played before 1,600 fans in the West. Medicine Hat is last place in the Central Division of the WCHL with 20 points 14 back of Calgary and 42 back of first place Billings.

World of Sport

Dave Lopes signs
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dave Lopes, Los Angeles Dodgers' second baseman and team captain, has signed a five-year contract, the National League team announced Friday.

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Roadblock to stay
BOZON (AP) — A federal appeals court refused Friday to remove a legal roadblock to the signing of Chuck Fairbanks, coach of New England Patriots, by University of Colorado Judge Levine Campbell and Bailey Adrich Jented a Colorado motion to lift a preliminary injunction ordered Jan. 15 that prohibits Fairbanks from jumping his National Football League pact with the Pats. to take the college coaching job.

Dave Parker returns
PITTSBURGH (AP) — Outfielder Dave Parker, 27, Pittsburgh's most complete baseball player since the late Roberto Clemente, announced Friday he had reached agreement on a new five-year contract that will return him to the Pirates and out of the free agent market. Parker, winner of two straight National League batting titles and the league's most valuable player last season, said he wanted a contract that would rank with the best in the business.

Seiple to coach
CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — Larry Seiple, former punter with Miami Dolphins, joined University of Miami's coaching staff Friday as an assistant for Howard Schnellenberger. Seiple, 35, spent the 1978 National Football League season on injured reserve. He was a punter and receiver for the Dolphins for 12 seasons.

X-C REPORT

The North Okanagan X-C Ski Club reports a good attendance of members and friends at the General Meeting held on Thursday night. Slides, provided by touring groups into the Sunshine and Lake O'Hara areas, were noteworthy for their scenic beauty and exciting pictures.

Also, the recent Marathon was depleted by excellent slides shot by a member of the club who covered a lot of ground in securing his pictures.

The coming Cariboo meet on Feb. 3 and 4 is in most people's minds at this time and the indications are that it will be a big one. It is expected to attract over a thousand skiers and this number will increase by just to look on.

Locally, on Sunday, the club has arranged to go to the Armstrong district, to the Armstrong Plate area. This trail will suit every skier, leave from downtown Super-Valu parking lot at 9 a.m. Further detail from 545-1465.

NOHL top snipers could feast on lowly teams

Dave Caldwell and Gary

Pearson look forward to games where the opposition is below average, the reason being they have a good chance of adding to their point total in the North Okanagan Hockey League.

Caldwell and Pearson are currently one and two atop of the NOHL's top ten list, but official figures are not available since league statisticians Don Kendall is holidaying in Hawaii.

Caldwell, the fiery centerman with the Vernon Sport Cougars will be leading his team in battle tonight at 8 p.m. when the Cougars play the fifth place Winfield Raiders.

Raiders have kept in pace of their games this season by the sparkling retraining of ex-Vernon Enso Mike Smithson and slick playmaker Fred Parent and the night scored no different.

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Revelstoke Selkirk in an 8 p.m. start at the Enderby Sports Centre, while down in Rutland the second place Westside Packers will tangle with the Mohawks.

In a Sunday contest, Revelstoke plays the Raiders at 2:30 p.m. in Winfield. Packers are just one point up on the Cougars and Mohawks in the tight race for second spot in the NOHL.

PREDICTIONS: Cougars—6; Raiders—2, 4; Selkirk—4, 6; Mohawks—4, 6; Packers—4.

NHL TOP TEN

Player	Goals	Assists	Points
Laurie Miller	15	14	29
Trotter, NY	14	15	29
Boyer, LA	10	17	27
MacMillan, All	20	7	27
Boyer, NY	18	9	27
Chouinard, All	21	6	27
Gilles, NY	11	15	26
Federko, StL	11	15	26
Falvey, NY	20	5	25
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Royals triumph

Fay Zwarych fashioned 16

points and Martyrs Dennis added Laurie Ferguson potted 10 pence to spark the Vernon Royals to a 48-32 decision over Centennial of Coquitlam in the opening round of the Widdowson High School Basketball Tournament in Vancouver Friday night.

Royals racked up a 28-15 half-time lead enroute to the victory and will now meet either Windsor or Winnipeg in the semi-finals this afternoon.

Royals' coach Delroy Routley feels his club has "a

good chance of knocking off either of those two teams." Routley was of course pleased with his team's performance and said, "Their passing was extremely sharp. I was very impressed with that and I'm happy that Laurie Ferguson is starting to lead the team in ball control. Fay Zwarych is also beginning to make some good offensive moves to steal the ball and score from the baseline."

Finals are set for 8 p.m. tonight.

DAILY NEWS SPORTS ALERT

NORTH OKANAGAN HOCKEY LEAGUE
At Vernon Civic Arena, Vernon Sport Cougars vs Winfield Raiders at 8 p.m.
At Enderby Sports Centre, Grandind Elks vs Revelstoke Selkirk at 8 p.m.
At Rutland Arena, Rutland Mohawks vs Westside Packers.

VOLLEYBALL TRIALS
At Fulton Junior Secondary School: Trials for Zone Two of the B.C. Winter Games.

BROOMBALL
In Wenatchee, Washington: Vernon Screaming Eagles competing in International Tourney.

PEE WEE REP HOCKEY
At Kelowna Memorial Arena: Vernon vs Kelowna at 5 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL
At Vernon Senior Secondary School: Vernon Panthers vs Notre Dame Jugglers at 8 p.m.

BASKETBALL
At Seaton Junior Secondary School: All-Indian tournament all day.

WHITE VALLEY HOCKEY LEAGUE
At Lumby Arena: Sabres vs Barons at 7 p.m. and Sundax BCHL ACTION

NOHL ACTION
At Winfield Sports Centre: Winfield Raiders vs Revelstoke Selkirk at 2:30 p.m.



TEAM OF THE WEEK

There were good close games throughout the men's hockey tournament held at the recreation area in conjunction with Lumby's Sno Fest, but when it came to the final

game, Clinton had a handy win over the team from 100 Mile House. Here, from Clinton area, front row: coach Mel Klyne, Jerome Thorne, Bruce Rose, Dave Dyck, Lawrence William,

Lawrence Pigeon, Reg Pigeon, Scott Thomson, Keith Monson, Jack Pigeon and Berry Luce.

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