

# Slous sharp in big win

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## SPORTS

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TEAM OF THE WEEK

(M. Hodgson Photo)

Head Top Grocery won the 'B' division in the recent Golden Tee Wee House League Hockey Tournament. Team members

are from left, back row, Lance Corbett, Fred Shaw, Coach Bill Martin, Lyndon Redman, Keith Chase, Jim Moore, Derek

Maroux, Terry Orloff, Coach Gary Shaw, and Lorne Chapelle. Front row, David Hildebrand, Michael Fronteddu, Toosh

McBride, Mike Lion, Ben Sudd, and Danny Martin. Missing are Stewart Graham, Don South, and Ron Hodgson.



### Horse Talk

Training & Handling  
with Don Fraser

This column is presented as an aid for professional horsemen who share common training problems. It serves as a medium for novice and experienced riders to seek advice and for training along with tips that have worked for the author. If you have a problem with your horse, drop a short note to The Vernon Daily News and Don Fraser will try to answer it.

**WHEN TO GELD AND START TRAINING**  
Armstrong rider writes: "I have a colt which will be a year old in April of this year. When should I have him gelded? At what age should I turn him over to a professional trainer as I don't have the experience to break him myself? At the moment, I can lead him and pick up his feet, but is there anything else I should do to prepare him? What are the qualities that I should look for in a trainer? Should I tell the trainer what I want in a finished product, meaning a barrel horse, rope horse, trail horse, etc.?"

If you plan on making a gelding out of him, you're better off having it done in his yearling year, so do it as soon as the weather warms up.

If you can lead your colt and pick up his feet, you don't need to do anything else but keep him growing. Just keep handling him on the ground and keep him gentle.

Most trainers prefer that nobody saddles or handles a colt much before they take him to train, but you could show him at halter if you arrange it.

As for the right time for training a colt, I personally like to ride horses in the late spring or summer when they are two, and then turn them out for a couple of months. Let them think about it and I have found that they are much more responsive after you start again to handle your horse is find out what he has done, and if he has a good reputation for being able to train horses, and good a trainer might be, you're not going to get along with him; if you don't like him. The main thing is find a trainer that is qualified to train the horse for what you want him trained for.

You may tell your trainer what you want in a finished product, but a good and honest trainer will tell you what the horse is best at doing. A good trainer can tell, or should be able to tell, how good your horse will be in an event, if the man knows his business.

### DAILY NEWS SPORTS ALERT

**CURLING**  
7:30 p.m. Vernon Curling Club, reception for the Dave Simpson team vs. Westside.

**HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL**  
7:30 p.m. VSSS, Vernon Panthers vs. Westside Whundas.

**MEN'S INDOOR SOCCER**  
At Rail Jr. Sec. 7 p.m. Kool Kats vs. Barons; 8 p.m. Strikers vs. Wanderers; 8 p.m. Hawks vs. Boardrunners.

**WOMEN'S INTERMEDIATE BASKETBALL**  
At OK Landing 7:30 p.m. Blue Demits vs. Firewoods; 8:30 p.m. Head of the Lake Blues vs. Cathy's Clowns.

**MAJOR WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL**  
At Fulton 7 p.m. Justice vs. Woodstocks and Go Getters vs. V.M.P.; 8:45 p.m. Bumpers vs. Village Green Inn and Coldstream vs. Hotshots.

**INTERMEDIATE WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL**  
At season 7 p.m. Setters vs. Multi Enterprises and Lively Set vs. H.S.; 8 p.m. Jokers vs. FTB and Fatwath vs. M and M; 9 p.m. Kootenay Six vs. Gelsa Girls and Thorne Birds vs. Dirty Diggers.

At Silver Star 7 p.m. Seven-up vs. Moonshiners; 8 p.m. Sneakers vs. PVA; 9 p.m., Wonder Women vs. Scoopers.

At Hearst 7 p.m. Ball Breakers vs. Motley Crew; 8 p.m. Six Pack vs. Freestylers; 9 p.m., Guzzlers vs. Power Packs.

At Rec Complex 7 p.m., Silver Six vs. Honey Bunch; 8 p.m., Shell vs. Spinnets.

## Panthers host Whundas - Royals lose thriller

Vernon Panthers play their final home game of the 1978-79 basketball season tonight, at 7:30 p.m. when they host Westside Whundas at VSSS. Panthers (4-5) need a victory to keep within striking distance of the Okanagan League north zone's top two teams, Salmon Arm (5-2), and Kamloops (5-4).

**WILL START**  
Forward Greg DeLeener is almost fully recovered from a knee injury and is expected to get his first starting assignment in several weeks for the Panthers, with the top sniper for the Whundas, Mike McWhorter, in girls' action.

Tuesday afternoon, Vernon Royals lost a 52-51 heart-breaker to Kamloops Red Angels.

Karen Boyd scored the tying and winning points for Angels, on foul shots, after she had been fouled at the final buzzer. Royals had the ball at centre, with just four seconds to go, when Boyd made the crucial steal.

**21 POINTS**  
Arlene Corness led first-place Kamloops with 21 points.

Fay Zwarzych, with 19 points, was the top sniper for the third-place Royals.

## Bantam Reps move closer to second spot

By DALE MAJOR  
Daily News Sports

Vernon Sun Valley Bantam Hockey Association play Saturday in Kelowna.

The win improved the team's record to 10-5 and coupled with Merritt's loss to Kamloops Jardines, Sun Valley can now finish in second spot with two wins and a tie in its final three games against Rutland, Westside and Revelstoke.

Greg Kowal, Jeff Wejr and Nick Kapicki led a well-balanced attack as Kowal and Wejr each fired three goals while Kapicki added a goal and four assists.

Richard Belec, Rob Scafer and Kevin Aelchele potted a pair of goals each with singles going to Greg Moore, Richard Knellier, Dave "Wenley", Bobby Morden, Ron Sparks and Tom Day.

Days also earned three assists.

Vernon coach George Beck said, "Kelowna's been having their problems lately, but it seems like their boys have lost interest in hockey. They haven't been skating with a full club for a while."

**PUPS FIRST**  
Also on the weekend Vernon Consumers Glass Pup Reps took over first place by beating Kelowna 8-1 Saturday in Vernon.

Vernon holds a narrow one-point lead over Kelowna with Kelowna having a game-in-hand on the Glass squad.

Vernon broke a 1-1 first period tie wide open with four second period goals and three more in the final frame.

Derek Webb triggered a pair of goals and Dennis Holland added two goals and two assists.

Howie Finch, Jason Holweg and Steven Schroeder netted single markers.

Dennis Liel replied for Kelowna.

In the nets, Vernon's Blu Smith and Mike Sutherland combined to turn aside 16 shots, while at the other end, Vase Bjorj kicked out 20.

**MIDGETS LOSE**  
In other action, Vernon Bloom and Sigalot Midgets travelled to the Peach City Sunday and came out on the short end of a football score, dropping a 12-9 decision to Penicton.

In the goalies' night-mare, Penicton held period leads of 5-3 and 10-6.

Brad Moore, Wayne Bodnar and Andrew Poterik scored a pair of goals apiece for Bloom and Sigalot, while Bob Wensley, Ron Herra and Tom DeVries netted singles.

Mark Picketler paced the winners with three goals, while Rob Proudfoot and Ken Casavant each added a pair.

Vernon Manager Ray Willmet said, "I don't actually know where we are in the standings. Our record is 15-1 and there can't be too big a point spread between Kelowna, Penicton and us."

**LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS**  
FEBRUARY, 1974

The Vernon and District Riding Club has elected by acclamation George Beaton of Coldstream as its new president for the ensuing year.

## Two players to miss games

Two North Okanagan Hockey League players have been suspended following incidents last weekend.

Dave Cousins, of Rutland Molsons, was handed a two-game suspension by NHL President Chris Nakum after being assessed a gross misconduct last Saturday.

Westside Packers, who play the Sport Cougars in Vernon next Saturday, will be without the services of captain Brad Owens. Owens was handed a match penalty last weekend after a hair pulling incident. That infraction will be ruled on by the B.C. Amateur Hockey Association and a three-game suspension is expected.

League statistics are:

TEAM	G	A	P	GF	GA	PTS
Grandeur Elks	26	22	3	187	106	45
Deer Packers	27	15	1	187	129	52
Sport Cougars	26	15	10	167	148	31
Rutland Molsons	29	7	20	117	154	14
Westside Packers	26	4	22	0	99	213

**TOP SCORERS**

PLAYER TEAM	G	A	P	PTS
Dave Cousins, Cougars	32	41	77	77
Gary Pearson, Elks	35	30	65	65
Eric Pearson, Raiders	31	19	50	50
John E. Elks	21	26	47	47
George Faragher, Elks	23	24	47	47
Gregory Keating, Molsons	21	23	44	44
Tom Connolly, Packers	21	23	44	44
Doug Dohi, Packers	21	23	44	44
Clayton Pearson, Molsons	21	23	44	44
Ron Hasparat, Elks	16	28	44	44

**PENALTY LEADERS**

PLAYER TEAM	PTS
Gregory Keating, Cougars	124
Dave Lauth, Raiders	103
Eric Brewer, Cougars	97
Clare Cassen, Raiders	91
Bernie Reed, Elks	85

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By KEVIN MITCHELL  
Daily News Writer

Like the prettiest girl at the prom, second place in the Interior Division of the B.C. Senior Heavy League has become the centre of attraction.

BCJHL INTERIOR DIVISION

W	L	T	Pts
Merritt	5	12	0
Kamloops	32	25	64
Revelstoke	28	26	61
Kelowna	28	29	53
Penicton	27	31	54
Revelstoke	22	24	44

That is as far as Kamloops Rockets and Vernon Canadians are concerned.

And the Canadians are staying alive in the battle for the second spot as their thrilling 5-4 hometown victory over the Rockets Tuesday night puts them within three points of Kamloops.

Kelowna Buckaroos trail the Canadians by eight points and their hopes were not helped any when Interior Division leading Merritt Centennials trounced the Bucks 8-1 in the Regatta city.

And the man most responsible for lifting the Canadians closer to the Rockets was sharpshooting forward Dale Slous, who triggered three goals and missed at least two other super chances in close.

Slous discusses the big win. "I thought we forechecked better than usual. I was impressed with our forechecking."

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came off what looked like impossible angles, Slous simply replied, "He just gave me some openings."

Dave Downton and Dean Hascari were the other Vernon marksmen, while Al Radke fired two goals and an assist for the Rockets.

Clint Fehr and Murray Matheson notched the other Rocket markers.

The teams were tied 1-1 after the first period and 2-2 in the last minute of the second when Hascari beat Rocket netminder Ian McEachern at the 19:59 mark to put Vernon into the lead.

McEachern was brilliant in the net as he turned aside 44 shots, including at least three breakaways, while Trent Smith was also sharp for Vernon, kicking out 38 drives.

The game was played in just over two hours, easily the fastest BCJHL game played in Vernon this year.

**ON THE BENCH:** In the other game played Tuesday night Nigel Thomas fashioned five goals to spark the Nainalmo Clippers to an 11-4 thumping of the hapless Dets Sunz. . . A poor crowd, about 400 showed up in Vernon for the first time since the playoffs. . . Hascari drove from Nukup for the game and missed right back after the game as did captain Clayton Fehr. . . Just six minor penalties were assessed during the four going to Vernon. . . Next league action for Vernon is Thursday night when Dave Slous will journey to Revelstoke to battle the Bruins. . . Bruins league with the Canadians Friday night in Vernon.

## Vernon rinks suffer losses in the B.C. finals

Tuesday night was not a good evening for Vernon curling fans.

Not only did Dave Simpson lose the final and deciding game of the B.C. Men's Championships in Cranbrook, but Abbie Bridgeman lost her first game in the B.C. Senior Women's Curling Championships in Prince Rupert.

Glen Pierce of Vancouver won the men's final with an 8-4 win in the third game of the best-of-three series.

Pierce opened the series Monday with a 5-2 win, but Simpson came back with an 8-7 victory in the first game Tuesday.

In the third game, Pierce jumped ahead with two in the first end and stayed there.

He picked up one in the second and third, two in the fifth and one in the seventh and ninth ends.

The second game was tied 7-7 after nine ends.

Meanwhile, Bridgeman suffered an 8-5 decision to Kay Gable of Prince Rupert for her first loss against three victories.

Carol Trueman of Vancouver defeated former B.C. and Canadian champion Flora Martin of Victoria 5-4 to create a three-way tie for first place.

Trueman, Bridgeman and Martin have identical 3-1 records.

The five-day bonspiel continues today.

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