

Cross Country Skiing

Some snow has come to the Star and it doesn't need much more to make a track for cross-country skis.

Hopefully, forecast tracks will bring enough snow to the ground and fill in the hollow areas, but after all the work done during the summer months, there is not much to cover and then the trails will see crowds around the new layouts. In an ideal world, the best snow available is the easy access — the Repetator Road is in one shape and instead of trudging up the hill as in the past, it will take only minutes to arrive at the parking lot and don the skis — ready for a day's enjoyment.

NEW SYSTEM

The design of the new trail system was given much thought and the first part of it is seen in the warm-up space, between the car park and where the skier sets out around the loops. In an ideal world, the skier will be able to try out the gear and make adjustments if required. It is also necessary to get the body limbered up and all this can be done here beforehand.

Another feature of the improved trail is the closeness of the lake where the beginner can practice stride and glide. This always freezes quickly and it is shallow, so there is not much risk of going through the ice during the winter months.

GENERAL MEETING

Next Thursday night, the North Okanagan Cross-Country Ski Club will hold a general meeting in the Clarence Fulton Junior Secondary School cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. All enthusiasts are welcome. A short business session will be followed by discussions on interesting topics and a showing of Nordic films.

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IN THE NHL

Brawling Flyers subdue Vancouver

PHILADELPHIA (CP) — Forget all that nonsense about Philadelphia Flyers being a bunch of thugs. They are. They are the book, slash, high stick and knuckle duster in their respective divisions.

The Flyers resorted to familiar Broad Street Dilly tactics Friday night as they stretched their unbeaten string to 18 games by dominating the Canucks in a 5-1 victory in a delayed National Hockey League game which featured 20 minutes in penalties.

"We would have been much better off to take a stand and get it over with, rather than playing the way we did. It's the first time since some time last season that we've been handed and did nothing about it."

The Canucks should have done something about their power play. Philadelphia effectively killed off seven of the Canucks' opportunities in the second period, considering that Bobby Clarke scored for Philadelphia when the Flyers were shorthanded.

Rookie Brian Propp and Mel Bridgman also scored for the Flyers, who now are 16-9 in this season and have a seven-point lead over Atlanta Flames.

It was the second straight loss for the Canucks, who got goals from Rick Blythe and Thomas Gradin while being outscored 36-21. Vancouver still leads the league with 41 points.

The game was twice delayed for as much as 13 minutes as referee Gregg Madill had difficulty controlling the players and some of the 16,413 fans. The game was delayed in the second period after a fight involving Paul Holmgren and Linseman of the Flyers and Jere Gillis of the Canucks of the Canucks.

NHL STANDINGS

NHL CONFERENCE		W		L		T		P	
Montreal	12	4	8	87	27				
Los Angeles	9	8	48	87	22				
Pittsburgh	7	7	58	55	17				
Hartford	6	7	58	55	17				
Toronto	6	10	52	59	19				
Adams Division									
Boston	1	2	74	48	31				
Rangers	1	2	74	58	25				
Minnesota	1	4	62	61	24				
Buffalo	1	5	66	59	21				
Quebec	7	10	30	68	18				
Patrick Division									
Philadelphia	16	1	57	57	32				
Atlanta	11	3	79	61	25				
Rangers	9	10	62	65	19				
Islanders	6	9	65	65	15				
Washington	5	12	66	64	11				
Wingman Division									
Vancouver	9	5	67	53	23				
Chicago	7	5	50	53	23				
St. Louis	4	11	47	55	15				
Colorado	3	11	46	77	15				
Winnipeg	4	12	53	70	11				
Edmonton	1	12	66	84	11				

Philadelphia had just 48 of the penalty minutes, however, as the Flyers let the Canucks vent their frustration at referee Gregg Madill, who handed out several 10-minute suspensions for misconduct penalties.

First-period goals by Reg Leach and Al Hill gave the Flyers a lead they never relinquished and the Canucks spent much of the night trying to cope with the antagonistic tactics of Flyers center Ken Linseman.

The little pepperpot was eventually taunting the Canucks, mostly with his stick at eye level. He didn't get a point, but he was the most effective Flyer on the ice.

Coch Harry Neale was disappointed that none of his Canucks challenged Linseman.

"One of our guys should have taken the stick out of him with a little medicine of his own," said Neale. "There would have all been over and we could have settled down to playing hockey."

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No second billing for Esks' Germany

MONTREAL (CP) — David Green played the lead role in Montreal Alouettes' run-offensive offence into the Schenley Award as the Canadian Football League's most outstanding player of 1983.

Jim Germany must content himself with fewer yard lines in Edmonton Eskimos' aerial display, but he doesn't seem to think he has to take second billing to Green in the team's Grey Cup showdown Sunday at Olympic Stadium.

"I think we're virtually the same type of runners — I don't notice any difference," Germany said Friday, suggesting it's the play, not the player, that determines star status.

Both are quality bell cowboys, and Germany, who's now a 16-9 in this season and has a seven-point lead over Atlanta Flames.

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JIM GERMANY — no difference

Carl Cronin "who was dealt to the Eskimos.

LOST TO EDMONTON — The Alouettes must know there is no better way to accept, if not ease, the memory of their regular-season loss at Edmonton's hands than to turn the tables in this game.

"I think we should have stayed in the dressing room and beat ourselves rather than let them beat us," said Alouettes offensive tackle Doug Payton.

Can't the ending be different Sunday?

"I don't think the Eskimos are awesome, but they're good, they're big and they're strong," said Payton, himself 5-foot-4, 225 pounds. "It's going to take a 100-percent effort to stop them, but that's why we're here and why we're here."

White Edmonton head coach Hugh Campbell wrestled with whether to dress running back Don Warrington or wide receiver Brian Fryer in his place. Sennella considered the case of offensive tackle Dan Yochum, who suffered an ankle injury in the Eastern final last Saturday. If he doesn't play, his likely replacement is Larry Pihl.

SPORTS BRIEFS

BUFFALO SENT DOWN — Buffalo Sabres have assigned left winger Dave Schultz to their American Hockey League affiliate at Rochester, N.Y., the National Hockey League team said Friday. He saw prior NHL duty with Pittsburgh Penguins, Philadelphia Flyers and Los Angeles Kings. In 13 games this season, the Waldheim, Sask., nat'l. had one goal, no assists and 25 penalty minutes.

MCENROE MOVES UP — BOLOGNA, Italy (AP) — John McEnroe of the United States took less than an hour Friday to dispose of Blomstedt of Czechoslovakia, 6-3, 6-2, and advance to the semifinals of the \$70,000 Italian indoor tennis championship. McEnroe faces fellow countryman Stan Smith.

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Kelowna Bucks bomb Chilliwack

Three goals by Tim Turner helped Kelowna Bucks demolish the visiting Chilliwack Flyers Friday night in British Columbia Junior Hockey League action.

In other games, Penticon Knights defeated Bellingham Blazers 9-5 in a clash of division leaders and Abbotsford Flyers defeated North Vancouver Caps 10-5.

In Kelowna, Lee Beale and Gary Leach added two goals each for the Bucks, while singles came from Rick Valdarch, Eric Sanford, Mitch Wilson, Randy Edno, Bruce Cullen and Renzo Berra.

Colin Eckstrand, Doug Trovati and Doug Mills scored for Chilliwack.

In Penticon, the Knights overcame a 4-3 second-period deficit to defeat the Blazers.

Doug Festerling paced Penticon with two goals while Maury Gale, Scott Eyr, Gregg Wilson, Greg Egan, Rob Froufrou, Ron Beck and Steve Metzger scored.

In North Vancouver, Mark Dicoit scored three goals as Abbotsford handed the Caps their first loss of the season.

Jeff Ruper scored two goals for the Flyers while Jim Cowden, Mark Morberg, Curtis Isel, Russ Sparkman and Doug Fomenko added singles. Doug Barnes tallied twice for the Caps while Rod Slatten, Bryan Black and Duane Potekal completed the scoring.

Tonight's schedule has Chilliwack at Kamloops to face the Rockets, the Caps against the Clippers in Nanaimo, Richmond Hawks at Abbotsford and Bellingham at Merritt to meet the Centennials.

On Sunday, Chilliwack visits Merritt, Bellingham plays host to the Clippers and Kelowna plays in Penticon.

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VILAS IN SEMI-FINALS — BUENOS AIRES (Reuter) — Top seed Guillermo Vilas of Argentina entered the semifinals of the Argentine Open tennis tournament Friday with a 6-1, 6-2 victory over Czechoslovakian Tomas Smid in play each other twice in the regular season, home and away.

The meetings also increased the maximum amount payable in the league's gate equalization plan to \$150,000 from \$75,000 a figure that dates from 1983.

The Grey Cup game, the fifth Edmonton-Montreal final in six years, is to start at 1:30 p.m. EST Sunday and will be shown on the English- and French-language networks of the CBC and on CTV.

BOBO TO MARRY — CUVIN, Belgium (AP) — Swedish tennis star Bjorn Borg said Friday he will marry his fiancee, Romanian tennis player Mariana Simionescu, on July 24.

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