

Panthers outlasted in consolation hoop final

Vernon Panthers gained a lot of self respect despite losing 97-77 to Duchess Park Condors of Prince George in the consolation final of the Kamloops Red Devils High School Basketball Tournament Saturday.

"It was just a super ball game," said Panthers coach Rick Inrig, as the local club lost a closer than it looked game to the top ranked team in the province.

"We are only the second team to hold Duchess Park to under 100 points this season," added Inrig. "We totally destroyed them on the boards and although it was surprising to us, we finished them more than they did us."

Inrig cited the Condors' "unbelievable shooting" as the determining factor in the clash.

"They hit on 70 per cent of their shots in the first half," said Inrig, whose Panthers drilled Kamloops 76-67 to win the consolation match-up.

"Panther centre Kelly Olson, given an honorable mention in the all-star balloting, sparked the Vernon offense against Duchess Park, scoring 26 points and grabbing 16 rebounds.

Greg Deleener put 20 points and collected 14 rebounds for the Panthers.

ROOKIE HOOP

In the win over the Red Devils, rookie Lance Page and Deleener triggered 15th century, while Olson added 14, Jim Arkell pumped in 12 and Glen Collinge chipped in with 10.

"We had our offence exceptional well against Kamloops," said Inrig. "We were really in control of the entire ball game. We rebounded well in that game as well."

North Surrey Spartans won the championship side of the tournament, defeating the More Stars of Vancouver 72-63.

John Deanna, the tourney's most valuable player, dropped 28 points to spark the winners.

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up against such tough competition. We played the number one, five and seven ranked teams and knocked off number seven so I'm happy."

Next action for Vernon is Tuesday when they travel to Summerland for an exhibition encounter.

The Panthers go to Rutland Wednesday for a match with the Woodcocks.

TERRY LOWE BATTLES RUTLAND CAPTAIN DAVE ANGUS FOR PUCK

(Daily News Photo)

Cougar's trio ignite second period eruption

By KEVIN MITCHELL
DAILY NEWS WRITER

Terry Lowe calls it effort. Ron Dale calls it incredible. But whatever words you choose to describe the play of Vernon Cougars dynamic line of Lowe, Wayne Dye and Les Salo, enough cannot be said of the talented trio.

"Everybody on the line tries hard. Everyone puts out a lot of effort," said Lowe, who collected two goals and five assists as the Cougars blasted Rutland Moose 11:3 in North Okanagan Hockey League action Sunday night in Vernon.

"Everyone on our line wants to score our goals," added Lowe, whose line accounted for seven goals, including four in an explosive second period.

The win by the Cougars ended the Moose's winning streak at seven games in the Rutland coach Ron Dale was impressed by the Cougars' performance and in particular the line which broke open what started out as a closely fought hockey game.

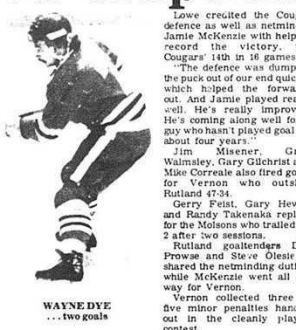
"We were edged 11:3," said Dale. "That one line of Lowe, Salo and Dye was incredibly sharp. They got seven goals on us... But, if you're going to play a crappy game you might as well do it against Vernon and on the road."

Lowe set up three goals by Salo and two by Dye as the threesome passed the puck around with tremendous authority.

"They all of a sudden quit. I don't know what happened to them," said Lowe, if the Moose who trailed 8:1 after one period.

THREE STRAIGHT

What happened was that with the score 4:2 early in the second period, the Lowe trio erupted for three straight goals in 10 over three minutes, leaving the Moose somewhat stunned at the turn of events.



WAYNE DYE ... two goals

IN BCJHL PLAY

Cents rally to tie Penticton Knights

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Two goals with less than a minute to play lifted Merritt Centennials to a 6-6 tie with Penticton Knights in the six British Columbia Junior Hockey League games during the weekend.

In other Sunday games, Kamloops Rockets defeated Kelowna Buckaroos and Bellingham Blazers beat visiting Abbotsford Flyers 6-4 Saturday. The Flyers were humiliated 8-2 by Kelowna Chilliwack Colts defeated Richmond Sockeyes 8-0 and Nanaimo Clippers nipped the Caps 7-6 in North Vancouver.

At Merritt, a gamble paid off for the Interior Division cellar dwellers as Rick Mettler and Dan London, with his second goal, scored while Merritt netminder Dave Inrie was off for an extra attacker.

The 200 fans, largest crowd of the season, also saw Dan LeJager, Greg Coakley and Rich Norberg score for Merritt.

The Interior Division leading Knights got a pair of goals from Greg Wilson and the others from Mike Johnston, Marey Gare, Terry Houle and Greg Egan.

ROCKETS PRODUCE

Playing at home, the Rockets scored six goals in 11 minutes in the third period. The teams were tied 3-3 going into the final frame.

Murray Matheson, Dave Kirby and Eric Samuelson each scored a pair for Kamloops while Jay Kozak, Walter Leski and Bob Wenzey completed the attack.

Kelowna had two goals apiece from Renzo Berra and Les Beal, with Fred Sanford adding one.

At Bellingham, Maurice

Jauger, Iiro Salminen, Perry-Braun, Dave Berry, Dave Anderson and Dave Coburn scored for the Blazers while Jeff Rupert, with three goals, and Doug Fomenko replied for Abbotsford.

On Saturday, Flyers playing coach Tracy Pratt watched from the sidelines after he was handed a suspension for misconduct, a game misconduct and a bench minor for unsportsmanlike conduct during the first period at Kelowna.

Bruce Cullen led Buckaroos to two goals, Jay Corrado, Colin Landrigan and Mark Klosek. Tim Turner, Berra and Ken Ficoelli also scored. Colin Landrigan and Mark Morberg scored for Abbotsford.

At Chilliwack, penalty-killers were busy as Richmond had 58 minutes in penalties plus two game misconducts. Cuts were

handed 37 minutes and a game misconduct.

Tim Kolner, Alf McVey and Shawn Prokopetz scored a pair of goals each for the Colts. George McVittie and Collin Ekstrand also tallied.

Brad Rand, with a pair, Randy Hall, Mark Eddy and Henry Chaisson were the Sockeyes' snipers.

Gerry Bogie's goal, his second of the night, with less than four minutes remaining gave Clippers the win at home.

John Newberry and Mickey Wilgrus also scored twice for the winners and Paul Cury scored the other.

Duane Potekal and Rod Slatten each scored twice for the Caps. Graham Kerr and Geoff Harrington got the other goals.

On Tuesday, Bellingham is at Abbotsford, Chilliwack visits Richmond, Kamloops is at Merritt and Penticton takes on the Buckaroos at Kelowna.

Hurry Kings defeat the Mohawks twice

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hurry Kings might be a bit of a misnomer for "two game entry in the British Columbia Senior Hockey League.

While the Hurry Kings scored a pair of home-ice victories over Prince George Mohawks they took their time settling matters during the weekend.

It wasn't until 19:08 of the third period that Bill Ennos scored the goal of the game and secured a 5-4 win on Sunday and

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Elks upset, but rebound on home ice

Grindrod Elks rebounded from a 6-5 loss to Salmon Arm Aces Saturday night to destroy Winfield Raiders 10-5 in North Okanagan Hockey League action in Enderby Sunday afternoon.

Elks captain Jim Sparrow led the Grindrod attack with two goals, one a power play and one on the power play as the Elks outlasted the Raiders 6-3.

Bob Fitzpatrick chipped in with three goals and an assist for Grindrod, while Ron Haggard, Ross Stotland, Geoff Collins and Gary Oberle added singles.

Stotland also provided four assists, while Harold Fitzpatrick collected three assists for the winners.

Gary Edwards triggered two goals for Winfield, who received singles from Don Carlo, Gary Larsh and Armand Gilbert.

Edwards also added a pair of assists, while Fanie Wapnowski fired two assists for the Raiders, who also dropped a 4-2 decision to Rutland Moose Saturday night in Winfield.

Grindrod held a 4-0 lead after one period and were up 7-1 after two sessions.

The Elks were assessed six minors and a misconduct to Collins, while Winfield received five minors and a misconduct.

Grindrod's Bucky Georgetti blocked 31 shots, while Ken Schofield turned aside 48 drives for the Raiders.

Sunday night in Salmon Arm, Roy Bakstad fired two goals to pace the Aces past Grindrod for the first time this season.

The Aces led 3-0 after one period and 5-1 at the end of two sessions.

Salmon Arm got two goals and an assist from Akali Friday night as they beat the hometown Kelowna packers

NHL TOP TEN

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Player	Team	Points	Goals	Assists
Duane Lajoie	MTL	22	10	12
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SEVENTH STRAIGHT

In Winfield Saturday night, Duane Johnson scored twice and Jim Dickson and Tim O'Leary added singles to lead the Moose to their seventh straight victory.

Fred Parry netted both markers for Winfield who were outshot 48-30.

The teams were scoreless after one period and deadlocked at 2-2 after the second session.

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Lotus Gardens romps

Lotus Gardens received two goal performances from four different players enroute to an 8-1 thumping of Lumby Flying Frenchmen in White Valley Hockey League action in Kelowna Saturday night.

Larry Keating, who just joined the Packers from Rutland set up the winning marker.

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