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SPORTS PAGE

KENDALL'S KORNER

Experience is lacking



After a one-year leave of absence, Vernon returned to the B.C. Junior Hockey League this season with a tough goal.
Lakers' General Manager Hank Aarsen committed himself to building a contender, with a nucleus of local players.

Lakers had counted on John Need to provide some of that leadership. However, Need was traded to New Westminster Bruins just prior to the regular season.

Newton said: "I know we need some help... the problem is finding the right people. We've got to get one or two defencemen and a solid left winger. If we can do that, we'll certainly be competitive."

Looking into the crystal ball, with a hint of optimism, Lakers should finish third in the Interior Division, behind Penitence Knights and Kelowna.



VERNON and Penitence players battle for possession during Okanagan-Mainline Rugby Union action last Sunday at Kaumakua School.

Vernon loses last home game

Vernon jumped to a 12-4 lead at half-time, but fell apart in the second-half. Scott Woodman and Don Claussion scored tries for Vernon while Bruce Townsend booted two converts.

IN FLAG FOOTBALL

Cobras hammer Talismen 34-12

Sight and Sound Cobras scored 28 points in the second-half en route to a 34-12 win over Talismen in Vernon Major Men's Flag Football League action Sunday at VSSS.

Talismen opened the scoring midway through the first-half and Cobras tied the game five plays later.

Next series of downs, Toyota are tied for second spot with six points, two back of Huskies. Toyota and Nalters have two points while Talismen have yet to gain a point.

Next weekend, Russians battle Cobras and Huskies meet Nalters at 11 a.m. At 12:30 p.m., Toyota takes on Talismen. All games are at VSSS.

Local teams place third

Vernon Senior Secondary School's volleyball teams placed third in an exhibition tournament last weekend at Mt. Boucherie School, in Kelowna.

In boys' play, Vernon Panthers were eliminated in the semi-finals by KLO, of Kelowna, KLO, which finished second in the province last year, dumped Panthers 15-13 and 15-3.

In girls' action, Trail edged Vernon Royals 15-12, 9-19 and 15-11 in the semis.

Curlers register this week

There will be curling registrations this week in Lumby and Vernon.

Cost is \$6, or curler, per league. Students, seniors, citizens, and spares will be charged \$30.

The seniors will curl Tuesday and Thursday mornings as well as Wednesday afternoons.

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LUMBY MAN WINS

representative Garry Meyers, Watson, who represented Vernon in South Africa, and his partner defeated Ray Kimoto and Murray Bennett, of Vernon, 6-2 and 6-3 in the final match.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Hockey game is cancelled

An exhibition game scheduled for Wednesday between Vernon Cougars of the North Okanagan Hockey League and Vernon Hawks of the B.C. Junior Hockey League, has been cancelled.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

A local group is hoping to start a women's ice hockey team in Vernon. Cindy Springer, spokesman for the group, said a coach and manager have already been recruited.

REMAINS CRITICAL

The condition of Welsh ban-lamweight boxer Johnny Owens remained critical Monday at the California hospital medical centre.

Fitzsimmons a lonely runner

physical education class. This year he would like to finish in the top 10 in British Columbia.

This past summer, Fitzsimmons competed in a cross-country meet, in Prince George, and finished 17th in a field of 200 competitors.

After competing grade 12, he would like to attend University of Victoria next year.

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

SEPTEMBER, 1975 Vernon Senior Secondary School shut out Revelstoke 2-0 Thursday in girls' field hockey action.

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