

# SPORTS PAGE

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## KENDALL'S KORNER

### Sarge dies in Nelson



A man who local sports fans remember as Sarge, Sergio Sammartino, died this week in Nelson.

Sarge, who died of a heart attack at age 54, joined the Vernon Tigers lacrosse club in 1948. He spent several seasons with the Tigers and helped that club win the B.C. Senior 'B' championship in 1957.

From Vernon, he went to Victoria where he tallied with the Shamrocks, of the Inter-City Senior 'A' League.

He later returned to the Interior and led Kamloops Rockets to the B.C. lacrosse final in 1965.

### PLAYED HOCKEY

Sarge was also an avid hockey player. He spent four years with the Vernon senior 'B' team, prior to the formation of the Okanagan Senior 'A' League.

Upon retirement from active sports, Sarge became a referee in basketball, lacrosse, and hockey. The Soviet national team twice selected Sarge as their referee on tours of Canada, he officiated in the Okanagan Senior 'A' Hockey League for five years, and was referee-in-chief of the Western International Hockey League for 10 years, and refereed several Allan Cup games in Ontario.

### BROTHERS ACTIVE

When Sarge moved to the Kootenays, two of his brothers, Roly and Boonie, remained active on the Vernon sports scene.

Roly and Boonie are best known for their accomplishments in lacrosse, but Roly has also been active in hockey while Boonie is a devoted carter and one of the driving forces behind construction of the Vernon Curling Club in 1972.

### WILL BE MISSED

One of Sarge's former team-mates, Nick Turkik, said his old friend will be missed. "Although Sarge lived in Nelson, he kept strong ties with his family and friends in Vernon," Turkik said. "His greatest enjoyment in the past few years was coming to Vernon for fishing trips and to play in the Vernon Golf and Country Club's Husband and Wife Tournament."

Sarge is survived by his wife Betty (Boker), a Vernon native; his parents in Trail; three sons; two sisters; Roly and Boonie. He was predeceased by brothers Mario and Lloyd.

Anyone wishing to pay their final respects to Sarge, the address is 707 W. Inns Street, Nelson.

### Aces discuss folding team

North Okanagan Hockey League may lose a team.

Salmon Arm Aces have called an emergency meeting tonight to discuss the possible demise of the club.

Aces are winless in 11 outings this season and have not been able to dress a full line in recent games.

Vernon Cougars' General Manager Gary Swanson told the Daily News he is hopeful Aces will finish the 1980-81 season. He said, "It would be tough on the other five clubs if Salmon Arm folds now. We'd have to look at a complete schedule revision."

Meanwhile, both Cougars and Revelstoke Selkirks received bad news this week.

Vernon forward Gary Gilchrist will be sidelined for three to four months with a broken heel. Gilchrist suffered the injury in the Cougars' recent tournament when he crashed into the boards.

Selkirks have lost high-scoring forward Ernie Gane for at least three months. Gane broke his leg in two places while at work.

ON SATURDAY  
NOHL action resumes Saturday with three games: Grindrod Elks host Kelowna Packers, Kelowna Molsons meet the Selkirks in Revelstoke, and Cougars visit Salmon Arm.

At Sunday, Elks host Aces and Molson hit the ice again in Revelstoke.

## VOLLEYBALL SCOREBOARD

**SUNDAY HONEYMOONERS**  
High Hopes 2, Gordons 3; Motors 1, Dirty Diesels 2; Sun Smashers 1; Campton Rogers 3; Okanagan Chimney Sweeps 0; Art Schmit Optical 6; Crazy Eights 1; No Names 3; Counter Action 0; Old Stylers 3; Heads Up 0.

**MONDAY HONEYMOONERS**  
Sensational Spikers 1; Bank of B.C. 0; Spikers 1; Harry's Husky 0; Spikers 1; Inland Kenworth 0; Kenworth 1; Bank of B.C. 0; Bank of B.C. 1; Husky 0; Kenworth 1; Husky 0; Vernon Optical 1; Lakeside Layoffs 0; Duck Soup 1; Lakeside 0; Vernon Radiator 1; Lakeside 0; Vernon Optical 1; Vernon Radiator 0; Duck Soup 0; Duck Soup 1; Vernon Radiator 0.

**MEN'S VOLLEYBALL**  
Dynamas 2, Thunderbirds 0; Thunderbirds 1, Tors 0; Thunderbirds 1, Wasters 1; Sun Slammers 1; Lagers 1; Hook Ups 2; Slammers 0; Slammers 0; Ford Farm 1; Dynamas 2; Tors 0; Dynamas 1; Wasters 1; Tors 1; Wasters 1; Hook Ups 2; Lagers 0; Lagers 2; Ford Farm 0; Lagers 2; Ford Farm 0.

**MAJOR WOMEN**  
OK Gardens 1, Vernon In-terior Printers 1; Coldstream Hotel 2, Peters Tirecraft 0; OK Gardens 1, Coldstream 1;

Tirecraft 1, VIP 1; Kimikos 2, Tirecraft 0; Wasters 2; Diggers 1; VIP 1; Kimikos 2; OK Gardens 0; Coldstream 2; Diggers 0; Diggers 0; Wasters 1; Kimikos 2; Coldstream 0.

**INTERMEDIATE WOMEN**  
At Seater's: Nohak Drugs 4; Sooners 0; Who Us 5; Multi Enterprises 1; Stars 4; Colts 0; Footloose 3; Taylor Service 1; Sneakers 3; Golden Crown 1; Fancy Free 2; Hand L Glass 2.

At Kai Jr. Sec.: Koalas 3; Kaptain Kai's Girls 1; Sunshine Girls 4; Dolphins 0; Little Softies 1; Volleydolls 0.

At Bearlairs: Dogs Ear 3; PVA's 0; Miss Fitz 3; Silver Six 0; NOCA Sharpies 2; Fatswith 1; At Kai Jr. Sec.: Koalas 3; Kaptain Kai's Girls 1; Sunshine Girls 4; Dolphins 0; Little Softies 1; Volleydolls 0.

### REMEMBER WHEN

By The Canadian Press  
Lovel Coleman of Calgary Stampede was chosen Canada's outstanding football player 16 years ago to day — in 1964. Tommy Grant of Hamilton Tiger-Cats was named the best Canadian-born player.

# Stargell coming to carnival



One of baseball's greatest sluggers, Willie Stargell, will attend the 1981 Vernon Winter Carnival.

Carnival Chairman Fern Desroches announced today Stargell will be on hand for several events during the first week of carnival, from Feb. 7-9. He will participate in the coronation, Snowflake Ball, parade, Band-a-rama, and a sportsmen's dinner to honor local athletes.



WILLIE STARGELL... former MVP

NAMED MVP  
Stargell capped his brilliant career by leading Pittsburgh Pirates to the World Series in 1979. In helping Pirates win their first title in 18 years, Stargell was named Most Valuable Player in the National League and the World Series; Player of the Year by Sporting News; Man of the Year by Sporting News; and Sportsman of the Year by Sports Illustrated.

In the series, he tied records for extra base hits and total bases in the seventh, and deciding game, he knocked in the winning run with a two-run homer.

The previous season, 1978, Stargell won the major league Comeback-of-the-Year Award. Since signing with Pirates as a free agent in 1962, the 39-year-old veteran clubbed 471 home runs while accumulating a .282 lifetime batting average.

ALL-STAR  
He was named to the Sporting News all-star team in 1965, 1966, and 1971 as an outfielder, and 1972 as a first baseman.

is a proud man, with a sense of dignity about his special occupation. Further details about the sportsmen's banquet will be released at a later date.

### LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

NOVEMBER, 1975  
Anne Joachim, of Vernon, placed second in the ladies section of the recent four-event valley auto sport championship in Kelowna. She scored 57 points in her Datsun 510, while first place Melodie Joachim, of Oyanza, in a Honda Civic, with 47 points.



(Alleyne Tull Photos)

### Lotus dumps Whalers 5-2

Lotus Gardens took a 3-0 lead in the first period and went on to beat Lakeside Hotel Whalers 5-2 in White Valley Hockey League action Wednesday night at the Lumby Arena.

In another game, Labat's Sabres defeated Lumby Flying Frenchmen 2-1.

Pat Murphy, Joe Clarke, and Rick Hawkins blinked the red light for Sabres.

Bill Cawthorn countered for the Frenchmen.

Sabres, who held period leads of 1-0 and 3-0, were assessed the only three minor penalties in the game.

League play resumes Saturday when Frenchmen host Lotus Gardens.

### SPIEL WINNERS

The Dave Simpson rink (top photo) won the 'A' event in a mixed bonspiel last weekend in Lumby. The Spiel was held in conjunction with the opening of the White Valley Sports Centre. From left are Simpson, third Diane Hockey, second Blaine Carlson, and lead Jane Carlson. Centre, Harold Burgemaster's foursome captured the 'B' event. That team was comprised of Burgemaster, third Gladys Leck, second Barry Amies, and lead Jackie Burgemaster. Bob Kilborn's team earned the 'C' event title. From left are Wayne Currie, Bertha Kilborn, Bob, and Faye Currie.

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### Cents to host Lakers

The much-improved Vernon Lakers travel to Merritt tonight to battle the Centennials, in B.C. Junior Hockey League action at 8 p.m.

Since Gary Criss took over as interim coach Nov. 4, Lakers have won two of six games... and were unlucky to lose two other.

Defenceman Les Creedman, who missed the third period of Tuesday's game in Kelowna with a cut under his right eye, will be back in the line-up tonight.

Lakers have won one of four meetings this season with the Cent.

Vernon's next home game is Saturday, when Kelowna Buckaroos are in town.

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