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CURLING CLUB NEWS

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This Saturday, ten teams from Zone 4 will take to the ice at our club, each desperately fighting for a berth in our coming Car Spiel. The draws will be Saturday at noon, 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. and one draw Sunday at noon. There are four spots for the taking and the curling action will be tense. Teams entered are from Revelstoke, Enderby, Lumby and our own club. We expect a large gallery, Saturday evening, so I urge all interested to show up early.

CARLING O'KEEFE CAR SPIEL

One week from today we will be into the second draw of our major viewing event of the year. This fall we bring you some of the old veterans, some familiar names and some of whom you may not have heard. We have back for his seventh year, three time Brier rep from Calgary, Ron Northcott. Last year Ron had indicated he was hanging up his curling shoes, but being the competitor he is, it wasn't to be, and we are certainly pleased to have him back.

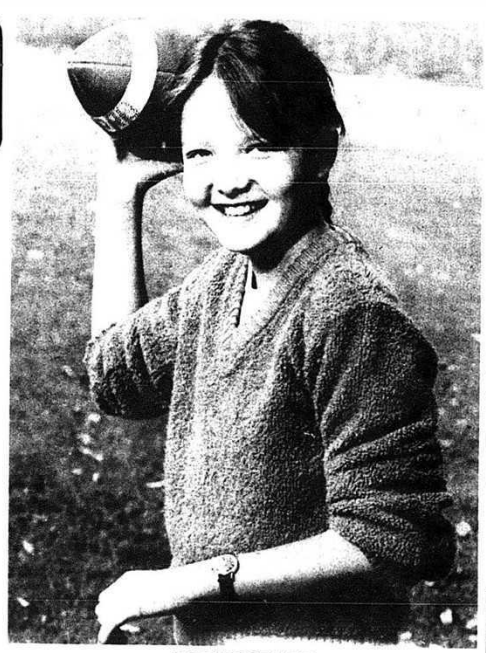
Also we have back some of the names that made the headlines in the Sixties: Matt Baldwin, Bob Pickering, and Garnet Campbell. Another veteran, Bernie Sparkes, is teaming up again with Jim Armstrong, hoping to put together a winning combo and drive home the cars. We are indded pleased to have Mel Wathchorn from Fairview, Alberta who has represented Alberta three times in the Brier — a fine team that has been together for over twenty years.

Of the newer names, we have from Assinaboia, Sask. last year's Brier rep. Bob Elert, who placed third in the Canadian finals and is very pleased to be coming to our spiel. Also from Saskatchewan, we have Pete Schykitka, of Weyburn, who battled down to the finals before losing out to Elert. And, of course, the skip who has enjoyed the most success here is Geo Fink, of Calgary, two time Car Spiel winner. He has teamed up with his left-handed brother, Danny, and is hot after his third win.

CROWD FAVORITES

Out of our province, two of the crowd favorites will be our local invites Jack Hockey and Wayne Laface, who both curled so well last season. Back again for another shot and with mainly a new team is Bert Gretzinger, of Kelowna. Bert has Glen Jackson throwing third rocks in place of Barry Smith. Smith has gone on his own and Jackson has moved from Calgary where he had curled so successfully with Paul Gowsell. Coming over from Kamloops will be this province's Purple Heart winner from last year, Barry McPhee and his fine team of Rob Kuryoma, Brian Eden, and Grant Young. This team showed very strong in last year's Brier and will be tough. And of course two of the very good teams back again will be skipped by Paul Gowsell and Ed Lukowich. Both of these teams are most interesting to watch.

Some new and some old but all after the one goal: four brand new '82 Acadians from Captial Motors!



TOUGH STUFF

Although she does not look the part, 11-year-old Diana Nielsen is certainly qualified to participate in the Greater Vernon Parks and Recreation Department's third annual Pigskin Pete contest, where young football enthusiasts can show their strength in punting, passing and kicking. The contest will be held at Vernon Senior Secondary School between noon and 2 p.m., and there will be a trophy for the winner in each category. Cost, of course, is free.

(Daily News Photo)

Lakers get tough with Centennials

Two goal performances from Jeff Armitage, Troy Taylor and Richie Odiorne helped pace Vernon Lakers to an easy 9-3 win on the road Thursday, over Merritt Centennials.

Vernon's other goals came on singles by Ron Ford, Derrick Waters, and Ron Duval.

Kevin Stuart had two and Dwayne Hunchak and one for the losing Centennials.

Penalties played a big part in the game with Merritt taking seven minors in the second period alone. Two game misconducts were handed to each team in the third period.

SCORE TIED

The score was tied 1-1 at the end of the first period, with Vernon making it 7-2 at the end of two. Shawn Oswald kicked aside 32 shots for Vernon, while Dan Moberg and Mark Taylor combined to make 41 saves for the Centennials.

Team coach Gord McBeth said today his team skated solidly for three periods, and the defense played better with the addition of Paul Cloutier, who played with the New Westminster Bruins last season.

"His presence seemed to shore up the defense, which in turn, helped everyone play better," McBeth said.

"It was a good hockey game; the kids were really coming on. This was one of our better contests of the year, and hopefully, we can maintain this kind of energy."

FOUND MARK

McBeth said that Merritt's goaltender played well in the first period, but his shooters found the mark in the second.

"He is good, having previous junior experience, but he is new to our league and will probably have to adjust," McBeth said that Oswald performed well in the Vernon nets.

The team faces the Penticton Knights here, tonight; a game that McBeth admits will be tough.

"We are hoping to use the same sort of strategy against Penticton that we used against Merritt, but the Knights have a seasoned club. We have mostly rookies. We are both skating clubs, so it will be a hard game."

Travel could also play a factor in the matchup, because the Lakers were on the road until 3 a.m., today.

"We stayed with them for a period and half last game, but fatigue could be a factor. Penticton is a little stronger, and is aggressive, so our players will have to come up with a good effort."

This game will be Vernon Senior Secondary School night, where students of the school who pick up tickets there can get in for free.

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

OCTOBER, 1976

Vernon Vikings stretched their unbeaten streak to five games with a gutsy comeback performance Friday in Penticton. Vikings overcame a 5-1 deficit and battled to a 6-6 overtime tie with Penticton Vees.

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WHITE VALLEY LEAGUE

Lotus Gardens, Mustangs win

Lotus Gardens destroyed Labatts 8-1 and Mountain Meadow Mustang dropped National Hotel 8-5, Wednesday, in White Valley Hockey League action.

The games, first regular season action in the league, were played in Lumby.

Lotus Gardens opened the scoring nearly a minute and a half into the game, with Jeff Vest scoring his first of four. Lotus goals by Wally Bevan, and two more by Vest followed, before Labatts' Dennis Einarson got their lone marker.

Lotus Gardens closed out the first period 5-1, with 54 seconds remaining, on a goal from Ray Horochuk.

Lotus Gardens came back with two more in the final period, as Rick Ryez and Willy Bevan scored.

Labatts had six minors and one major penalty in the contest, while Lotus Gardens had eight minors.

In the other contest, Mountain Meadow Mustangs got on the scoreboard quickly, with a goal from F. Alexis, at the three second mark. National Hotel Raiders tied the score at the 13.29 mark on a drive from G. Beninger.

The Mustangs again scored quickly in the second period; the only goal, from B. Green.

Play in the third period broke wide open, with the Mustangs recording five goals and the Raiders getting four.

Alexis got a hat trick for the Mustangs.

Next action in the league will be Saturday, when Lotus Gardens squares off against the Flying Frenchmen.

Local midgets get good start

Vernon's midget reps are off to a good start this year, recording two wins in exhibition last weekend against Kelowna.

In their first game, played Oct. 10, Vernon doubled their opposition 10-5. Two goal performances came from Darren Haddow, Kevin Thorlackson, Richard Kneller, while singles were notched by Chris Kopp, Mark Holland, Keith Major and Stewart Ringdal.

The following day, the local squad outpaced Kelowna 5-2, with goals coming from Chris Saunders, Darren Haddow, Gord Kashuba, Stewart Ringdal and Lance Marcoux.

The goaltenders during the contest were Hank Aarsen and David Munk.

Coach Dave Marcoux said his team outplayed the opposition both games.

"Our defense was strong and the forwards were promising," he said. "We have some big experienced and fast players.

"We should be in the top two teams in the league."

Regular season play begins Oct. 24, but the team still has two exhibition games, against Penticton. The midgets will play here, against Penticton, at 1:45 p.m., Sunday.

PIN POINTS

OCTOBER 1 THURSDAY 7-9

Women's High Single: Carole Wendel, 304; High Triple: Carole Wendel, 850; High Average: Carole Wendel, 226.

Men's High Single: Marcel Gallon, 348; High Triple: Marcel Gallon, 807; High Average: Art Block, 250.

Team High Single: 1 and 2 electrte, 1395; High Triple: Shoppers Drug Mart, 2924.

300 Club: Marci Koenig, 300; Betty McGee, 301; Carole Wendel, 364; Marcel Gallon, 348; Paul Babineau, 303; Ron France, 324.

700 Club: Willie Wendel, 791; Joan Allen, 726; Marci Koenig, 736; Betty McGee, 704.

800 Club: Carole Wendel, 850; Marcel Gallon, 807.

TEAM STANDINGS

1 and 2 Electric	149
South Paws	137
Noca	131½
Shoppers	120
Mean Machine	113
Sticky Fingers	112½

OCTOBER 3 YBC BANTAMS

Women's High Single: Sheri Velin, 157; High Triple: Sheri Velin, 419; High Average: Sheri Velin, 150.

Men's High Single: Trevor Hulley, 230; High Triple: Trevor Hulley, 470; High Average: Trevor Hulley, 142.

Team High Single: Super Sonics, +113; High Triple: Pin Pals, +87.

TEAM STANDINGS

Pin Pals	33
Super Sonics	26
Fantastic Five	22
Kool Kats	19
Hot Rollers	18

OCTOBER 3 YBC JUNIORS

Women's High Single: Lisa Millar, 202; High Triple: Charmaine Vincent, 530; High Average: Charmaine Vincent, 178.

Men's High Single: David Wendal, 268; High Triple: David Wendel, 639; High Average: David Wendel, 192.

Team High Single: Odd Balls, +161; High Triple: Odd Balls, +285.

OCTOBER 2 FRIDAY IOP

Women's High Single: Pat Hooper, 279; High Triple: Suzanne Vanstaadunen, 656; High Average: Carol Morneau, 197.

Men's High Single: Nashir Kassam, 242; High Triple: Nashir Kassam, 690; High Average: Nashir Kassam, 200.

Team High Single: Quadra, +162; High Triple: Westsiders, +266.

TEAM STANDINGS

Alley Cats	114
Ice Breakers	111
Quadra	78

OCTOBER 4 SENIORS YBC

Women's High Single: Ramona Krause, 279; High Triple: Arla Irving, 622; High Average: Ramona Krause, 196.

Men's High Single: Scott Morrice, 343; High Triple: Scott Morrice, 813; High Average: Gary Fey, 225.

Team High Single: Bowlers Anonymous, +158; High Triple: Butter Balls, +354.

300 Club: Scott Morrice, 343.

800 Club: Scott Morrice, 813.

TEAM STANDINGS

Butter Balls	
Eggles	
Bowlers Anonymous	
Spitfires	

OCTOBER 4 SUNDAY 9-11

Women's High Single: Mary Jo Frank, 266; High Triple: Mary Jo Frank, 693.

Men's High Single: Don Davis, 242; High Triple: Arnim Schulze, 598.

Team High Single: Headpins, +211; High Triple: Wipe Outs, +263.

TEAM STANDINGS

Marauders	97½
Headpins	89½
UFO's	88
Slow Starters	86½
Bullets	84½

OCTOBER 5 MONDAY MIXED 9-11

Women's High Single: June Kuhn, 234; High Triple: Vicky Williams, 640; High Average: Mary Turek, 227.

Men's High Single: Archie Turek, 314; High Triple: Archie Turek, 752; High Average: Archie Turek, 226.

Team High Triple: Foolish 5, 3549.

300 Club: Archie Turek, 314.

TEAM STANDINGS

Foolish 5	100½
Neighbors	100
UNO's	87
Do-Gooders	86

OCTOBER 5 MONDAY 7-9

Women's High Single: Joan Allan, 269; High Triple: Joan Allan, 711; High Average: Verna Hoffman, 215.

Men's High Single: Lionel Hoffman, 313; High Triple: Ed Meyer, 774; High Average: John Wiebe, 252.

Team High Single: Pin Ups, 1488; High Triple: Pin Ups, 3911.

300 Club: Lionel Hoffman, 313.

700 Club: Joan Allan, 711; Iris Meyer, 702.

TEAM STANDINGS

Pin Ups	138
Coasters	131
Kal Cedar	126½
Seymours	125
Windsor Ply	123
Funseekers	120½
J and C Trucking	114

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Greater Vernon Parks and Recreation Department recreation supervisor Paul Quesnel, left, accepts a cheque from Carling O'Keefe sales representative Jack Burgess, for sponsorship of the major mens basketball league. The donation, made annually, helps the league operate.

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