



COLD WEATHER hampered the annual CKAL Fishing derby last weekend. From

left, Daily News outdoors columnist Smokey Trumbley presents the first-place trophy to Dave Harrison, of Armstrong, right; Trumbley with second prize winner



Floyd Terrier: Vern Munk displays the 16 pound, 13 ounce lake trout that earned

him third-place, and Al Macdonald of Lake Country Sports, left, congratulates Munk



weight winner Niles Kelly. A total of 197 derby tickets

were sold. Proceeds go to the enhancement of sport fishery



In Okanagan and Kalamalka Lakes.

With 17 games remaining in the regular season, Lakers trail third-place Revelstoke Rockets by nine points.

HORSE TALK

with Janice Neufeld

With deep snow covering the landscape and temperatures dipping well below freezing, things are quiet on the horse farms and ranches.

Riding rings are unattracted and the trails are blocked. This seemed to me an opportune time to clean and repair all the tack that is in constant use during the warmer months.

My first campaign led to a local saddle shop where I found the proprietor busy doing the same thing. Cliff and machines that equip a modern tack shop with all the inside stitchers occupy floor space while hand tools, bottles of dyes and oils, and racks of leather goods are everywhere.

Out from a complete line of both English and Western tack plus boots, belts and handbags are displayed. Brass and leather fittings glint here and there among the saddles, bridles, halters, reins, girths, and saddlebags. The intriguing smell of leather pervades the shop.

Cliff Albrecht's father was a grain buyer for Quaker Oats back in Wetaskiwin, Alta. Cliff's career with leather started with the McKinley Leather Works in Canmore. This large tanning company moved to Calgary just at the time of the killing of the buffalo in Watnigwain Park; and he was with them during the tanning of these hides by contract for an Edmonton furrier which made them into those great coats for the RCMP. The employees at that time could have purchased one of the buffalo coats for about \$15.

McKinley Leather Works was, at that time, the only firm in the area that made leather goods. They also had a contract for leather for army boots. Most of his leather today is brought in from the world's English leather. He purchased the company and Albrecht decided to move to the west.

Cliff joined the J. Leckie Company in New Westminster where his job was the sorting and grading of leather for worldwide markets.

After the end of his interest, riding and driving started to make a comeback and in 1963, Albrecht opened his own shop in Cloverdale. This was the beginning of Cliff's Saddlery. At that time nearly all of the tack featured for sale was Western, but at that time Cliff left the Lower Mainland in 1968, the stock was more of a mix of English and Western.

Cliff's Saddlery sold to the Western Merchants after it was relocated in Langley and the store is still operated under the same name by a group of retailers comprised of Melina, Emores, Sharpe, Hutchings, Sharp and Sayles.

After Albrecht moved to Vernon 12 years ago and established Cliff's Saddlery Shop on 31st Street, downtown. There is a rebuilding and a large part of his work and sales of tack are fairly steady. Most of his leather today is brought in from Eastern Canada although he says there is no equal anywhere in the world to English leather.

Leather working is not without some hazards and Cliff's damaged finger testifies to that. He once caught his hand in a tanning machine which jerked him forward smashing his face as well as crippling the finger. Still, the enjoyment of meeting the public in his store and of turning out fine leather products is worth any risk to him.

He has a deep sense of pride in his workmanship which he feels is lacking in much of the mass-produced tack. His attitude shows itself in the careful repairs and beautiful finished products that comes from Cliff's Saddlery Shop.

Weather hurts fishing derby

By SMOKEY TRUMBLEY
Outdoors Columnist

Weather conditions made the second annual CKAL Mid-winter Fishing Derby a disappointment.

Sub-zero temperatures closed lake access at boat launches and strong north winds kept fishermen off the lakes because of dangerous ice conditions.

The adverse conditions were reflected in the number of tickets sold. 197, with a good portion of the tickets purchased by non-fishermen.

For the first time in its two years, the derby was held in Kalamalka and Okanagan Lakes from Jan. 1 to 10 with \$4,500 in prizes and cash being handed out.

GRAND PRIZE (draw): Two tickets to the 1982 Gray Cup game in Edmonton with return air fare for two, Kelowna to Edmonton and \$500 for expenses. Winning ticket No. 364 R. Thixen.

LARGEST RAINBOW OR LAKE TROUT: 17 lbs. six ounce lake trout caught by Dave Harrison, Armstrong. Prize - 12 ft. aluminum boat donated by Harbor Manufacturing Ltd., Enderby. Outboard motor donated by Seymour Marina.

SECOND LARGEST RAINBOW OR LAKE TROUT: 17 lbs. six ounce lake trout caught by Floyd Terrier, Falkland. Prize - return air fare for two, Kelowna to Vancouver via Pacific Western Airlines. Hotel accommodations for two days and one day of oceanfishing with Ted Peck, compliments of Mott's Clamato Jule.

THIRD LARGEST RAINBOW OR LAKE TROUT: 15 lb. 13 ounce lake trout caught by Vern Munk, Vernon. Prize - \$500 cash compliments of Vernon Fish and Game Club and R. E. Postill and Sons Ltd.

HIDDEN WEIGHT: (Two prizes) 1. Niles Kelly, Vernon - prize a Scotty Downrigger donated by Lake Country Sports Equipment Co. 2. R. A. J. Greenough, Vernon - prize a fisherman's flannel vest donated by Star Marine and Leisure.

STARRY: Largest rainbow or lake trout compliments of Fisher's Hardware. Dave Harrison, Armstrong. 17 lbs. six ounce.

Ticket sales totalled \$886 and the balance after prize was placed in a trust fund and made available for future enhancement projects of sport fishery in Kalamalka and Okanagan Lakes.

A total of 41 rainbow and lake trout were registered during the 10 day derby.

Experienced defender will help young Lakers

Rick Woods could be just what the doctor ordered to cure elling Vernon Lakers, of the B.C. Junior Hockey League.

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Dale Woods has been a standout between the pipes since coming to Lakers, from Dauphin, two weeks ago.

To make room for the two Woods, Vernon released defenceman Mike Wiebe and goalie goalie Taylor Sebastian. Earlier this week, Lakers cut forwards Brian Heller and Mark Moberg.

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ACES HERE TONIGHT

Cougars to host Taber

By GORD SMILEY
Daily News Sports

Vernon Cougars host Salmon Arm Aces in North Okanagan Hockey League action tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Civic Arena.

First-place Cougars need two wins in their remaining four games to clinch their third consecutive regular season title.

MEANWHILE, Taber will have hands full Jan. 22 and 23 when it hosts the Taber Shiphears, of the Alberta Junior Hockey League, for a pair of exhibition games.

Buccaneers sit in first place in the AHL, and are 15-2 in overall regular season play in the AHL.

In the first week of January, Buccaneers took on two formidable opponents. First they met the University of Calgary Dinosaurs and took a 7-3 loss. However, two days later the Buccaneers met the University of Alberta Golden Bears and won 5-2.

But our boys just play superb." However, against the U of C, Wills said he wasn't too impressed with his troops.

"Our usually dependable defence didn't seem to be there and Charlie (Renner) let in a couple of easy ones."

Missing from the Buccaneers lineup for the Cougars game will be two of their highest scoring forwards, Dale Segeth and Randy Hart. The two made commitments prior to confirmation of the Vernon trip.

Despite the two players' absence Wills said he's not too worried as he can rely on his strong defence. Buccaneers are also healthy just getting back from the injury list. Zednal played with the now-defunct Taber Golden Suns of the Alberta Junior Hockey League, and also with the Lethbridge Broncos, of the Western Hockey League.

Also in the Taber lineup are Don Renner and T. O'Donnell, both former Kelowna Packers. Buccaneers defence corps also features Gord Gejdos, who was drafted by the New York Rangers two years ago and played last year with their farm team, in New Haven.

Gejdos is with Buccaneers after being released by the Rangers because of age problems, but Wills said Gejdos is 100 per cent now.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Lumby hosts sled dog races

More than 30 teams are expected to compete in sled dog races this weekend near Lumby, B.C. The races are open to participants in various classes. There will also be a kids race and fun events. The races are being held at Squaw Valley, about 20 kilometres east of Lumby.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Any women, 16 or over, wishing to play basketball in a league on Thursday nights is asked to phone Meredith Horan at 563-3115. Beginners and experienced players are welcome.

TWO GAMES

Two games are scheduled tonight at 7 p.m. Mountain Meadows Mustangs face the Leagues at the Lumby Arena. At 9 p.m., Labatt's Subes lake on National Hotel Raiders.

ANNOUNCES SERIES

ENGLEWOOD, Colorado (Reuters) - The 1982 Canadian-American race series will comprise 11 events worth total prize money of more than \$1 million, the Sports Car Club of America announced Monday. Again this year, the series will be a track event to host two Can-Am races the same season. The sites of two races have still to be announced. Each race offers 100,000 dollars in prize money.

CALLS ANDERSON BEST

ST. LOUIS (AP) - The Sporting News, a weekly publication, Tuesday named quarterback Ken Anderson its National Football League player of the year and Rogers' top rookie.

Anderson, veteran quarterback of Super-Bowl bound Cincinnati Bengals, added to his laurels Tuesday by receiving the 1981 Most Valuable Player award from the Professional Football Writers of America. Anderson led the Bengals to a 12-4 regular season record with 39.3 quarterback rating, best of 1974 players for a 62.5 percentage, threw 29 to 40 yards and was intercepted 10 times.

TEN GAMES POSTPONED

LONDON (AP) - Continuing cold weather forced the postponement Monday of 10 English Football Association soccer matches.

Only 10 English soccer matches were played Saturday and 17 games have been postponed in the last six weeks.

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Vernon Golf Club names new head pro

Pat Little, 30, has been appointed as the Vernon Golf and Country Club's new professional. He replaces Ron Wood who resigned after the 1981 season.

Little has been assistant pro at Edmonton's Mayfair Golf and Country Club for four years. Prior to that, he spent seven years as an assistant at the Glendale Club, also in Edmonton.

Little told the Daily News he is looking forward to living in the Okanagan. "Vernon enjoys an excellent climate," he said, "and I believe it is a nice place to raise a family."

He was chosen by a four-man pro shop committee, chaired by Ken Kurbis, from a list of 47 applicants.

Club Manager Jim Altmore said, "We were impressed with his enthusiasm and qualifications."

ONE HANDICAP Little, who has a one-handicap, lists racquetball, squash, and fishing as his other interests. His wife, Jackie, is a former Alberta women's golf champion and sports a two-handicap.

Little said, "Within the next couple of years, there will be a lot of changes and expansion in the pro shop facilities. The club is scheduled to be enlarged this spring."

Altmore, who joined the Vernon club in 1979, will remain as assistant pro.

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

JANUARY, 1977 Vernon Panthers evened their record at 1-1 Friday by thumping Salmon Arm 6-4 in high school basketball action before 400 fans in Salmon Arm.