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CURLING
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BUSINESS GIRLS PLAYOFF

Starting Monday, playoffs get under way with the following teams in action. In A square action, Irene Fisher takes on Audrey Peterson and Anita Rowland meets Maureen Bird. In the B square, Maive Poroklab meets Muriel Wynn and Judy Douglas tangles with Dorothy Yurt.

Wednesday League playoffs start March 10. In the aggregate race, on Mondays, Irene Fisher ends up on top with 81 per cent followed closely by Judy Douglas with a 79 per cent winning average.

WEDNESDAY A.M. WOMEN'S RACE

Dorcas MacArthur 22 points; Lynne Severin 21 points; Dot Christensen 20 points; Liz Edwards 20 points; Sheryl Wood 19 points; Sandy LeFebre 17 points.

Next Wednesday has a couple of important games with so many teams bunched near the top.

CURLING TIP

Strategy: Draw to Takeout

A game of curling is basically played in one of two ways: draw or takeout. During the course of a game the type of play (draw or takeout) might change many times. Some of the basic factors influencing change are: 1) How much of the game has passed; 2) the score; 3) Who has the last stone. Playing the draw game might be considered the offensive tactic, while takeout is the defensive approach. Good skips are able to switch from draw to takeout at exactly the right time to ensure success.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Boyd named
to B.C. team

Vernon's Sandra Boyd, 14, has been chosen to represent British Columbia at the Canadian Junior Curling Championships next week in Collingwood, Ontario. Twelve skiers from throughout the province, including eight boys, have been named to the team. They will compete in downhill, slalom and slalom events.

In finals Tim Horton Donuts club hosts Kelowna, Friday at 6:15 p.m. In the opening game of the Okanagan-Mainline Basketball Series, Second game in the best-of-three series will be played Sunday in Kelowna. Vernon defeated Penitents 94 and 53 in the semi-finals. In the second game, one line handled all the scoring for Vernon while Fleming had two goals and three assists while Curtis Petersen had a goal and three assists and Brady Penitence scored twice and set up one goal.

League meeting
Melson Men's Slowpitch League will hold general meeting next Thursday, at 7 p.m. in the Womocote (Coca-Cola) Building on 27th Street. Topics on the agenda include umpiring and league fees. All team representatives are urged to attend.

Indoor soccer
In Men's Indoor Soccer League play this week at Kalamalka Junior Secondary School, Rangers edged Rovers 2-1. Warriors tied Riders 2-2 and Hawks blanked Dirties 8-1. In Women's League play, Trailers outscored Ropers 10-9 and Caps trounced Celts 8-2.

Scored 14
Brand X edged B.C. Tel Pileats 24-22 in Major Women's Basketball League action Thursday, at Vernon Senior Secondary School. Shirley Power was the offensive leader for Brand X with points.

Points for Republic
In play for the Republic in another game, Marks' mothers defeated Yellow Submarine.

Raines signs
WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (CP) — Tim Raines, Montreal Expos fleet left fielder, signed a one-year contract Thursday that will let him earn as much as \$330,000 if he can post a good season by breaking the major league record for stolen bases.

Baseball
Basic pay will be \$200,000, but incentive clauses — including such things as major awards, all-star game appearances, playoff participation and breaking the stolen base record — could boost the total.

Congratulations
OTTAWA (CP) — Prime Minister Mulroney congratulated Wayne Gretzky on his 77th goal Wednesday. The 19-year-old superstar scored on another spectacular record-breaking. Canadians are all very proud of our young national asset. Good luck in upcoming games.

Golfers tied
TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Janet Collins overcame a bad start Thursday to grab a share of the lead with Lynn Stroney and Ayako Okamoto after the first round of a \$125,000 Ladies Professional Golf Association tournament.

Lendl wins
GENOA, Italy (AP) — Top seeded Ivan Lendl of the United States defeated John McEnroe, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3, in the second round of a \$200,000 men's tennis tournament.

Warriors win
Randy Gilen, Dan Sylvestre and Darren Boyko combined their shooting efforts to lift Warriors to a 4-1 win over Brandon Wheat Kings in Western Hockey League action Thursday.

Ankle injured
SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — Stagger Greg Luzinski of the Chicago White Sox may miss up to a week because of a turned left ankle. Team said Wednesday.

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VERNON IN LEAGUE CELLAR

Centennials eliminate Lakers

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Merritt Centennials clinched the fourth, and final, playoff berth in the B.C. Junior Hockey League's Interior Division with a 3-1 victory over Vernon Lakers before a sparse crowd, Thursday, at the Civic Arena.

Lakers now trail Centennials by seven points, with just two games remaining.

Jeff Armature put Lakers in front, midway through the first period, when he fired a slapshot from the slot area.

Guy Lanki tied the game in the second period when he emerged from the

penalty box, took a pass from Frank Bridges, and ripped a rising shot past Vernon netminder Shawn Oswald.

Dwayne Hunchak scored the winning goal for Merritt at 3:08, of the third period. Six minutes later, Bridges hammered another nail into the coffin with a wrist shot from 30 feet out.

With five players injured and no members of the Vernon Juvenile kept available due to their league playoffs, Lakers had only 14 players, including two goalies, dressed.

While many Vernon players appeared tired and ready to accept an

early off-season, netminder Shawn Oswald turned in probably his best effort of the season.

Oswald, who has been hampered by the stomach flu for two weeks, played the first two periods before being replaced by Dale Woods. He blocked 22 shots, including 18 in the second period when Merritt applied sustained pressure.

Vernon Coach Gord MacBeth heaped praise on the rookie goalie. "Shawn wants to play hockey," he said. "He was so sick, I'm amazed he was able to play two periods. He showed a lot of guts."

Woods made 11 saves in the third period. At the other end, Mark Taylor (nicknamed the night with 27 stops.

MacBeth is disappointed his club won't be in playoffs, but admits he is relieved that his month-long nightmare is over. Lakers are winless in their last 21 games, since Dec. 11.

"It's a relief," he said. "The last couple months haven't been enjoyable for me, as a coach."

MacBeth said there is no one reason that his club went into its prolonged tailspin after an encouraging start. "There were a lot of things that con-

tributed to our slump... we lost a lot of one goal games, we didn't have the toughness and desire to do well in the B.C.J.H.L., we didn't get enough help from our own athletes, Klamops Oilers and we didn't have enough practice time."

"We have some kids who want to win, but a lot of them just want to have fun."

Lakers travel to Kelowna, Saturday, to meet the second-place Buckaroos. Final game against Revelstoke Rockets, scheduled next Tuesday, may not be played because it will have no effect on the final standings.

Lotus
whips
Raiders

Ray Horoschuk scored three goals and added two assists to lead Lotus Gardens to a 7-3 victory over Natick Raiders in Valley Hockey League playoff action Wednesday in Lumby.

In another game, Mountain Meadow Mustangs edged Labatt's Sabres 6-5.

Ron Itteman, Rick Rysz, Gary Field, and Jeff Vest scored one goal each for Lotus.

SCORED THREE
Dave Fish replied with three goals and Doug Aitchison collected three assists for Raiders.

Lotus led 5-1 at the end of the first period and 6-1 after 40 minutes.

The teams split six minor penalties.

WINNING GOAL
In the other game, Brad Day's second goal of the night, early in the third period, propelled Mustangs past Sabres.

Tony Kopp also scored twice for Mountain Meadow while Jim Sparrow and Kevin Cooper notched singles.

Guy McConnell, with two goals, Wayne Brown, Dave Popichuk, and Steve White countered for Labatt's.

The teams were deadlocked at the end of the first period and Sabres led 5-4 after the second.

Labatts took five of eight minor penalties.

Double-knockout playoffs resume next Wednesday with Lotus taking on Mustangs and Raiders battling Sabres.

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POINTS

FEBRUARY 17

KIDNEYDAY '79

Women's High Single: Mavis Anderson, 214; High Triple: Mavis Anderson, 224; High Average: Donna Cochrane, 229.

Men's High Single: Val Andretta, 225; High Triple: Val Andretta, 260; High Average: Ed Meyer, 225.

Men's High Single: G. C. Bunch, 221; High Triple: G. C. Bunch, 221.

300 Club: Val Andretta, 315; Ira Johnson, 317; Ed Meyer, 315; Al Allwood, 313; Bob Howell, 307; Mavis Anderson, 313.

700 Club: Don Cochrane, 784; Mavis Anderson, 773.

TEAM STANDINGS

Sandhams 10-1

C. Bunch

Brady Bunch



MERRITT CENTENNIALS' goalie Mark Taylor slides across his crease to stop a deflection by Vernon Lakers' forward Dennis O'Neill during the Civic Arena. Taylor blocked 27 shots to help

Centennials defeat Lakers 3-1. The victory moves Merritt into the Interior Division semi-finals, against first-

place Penitents Knights. Attempting to tie up O'Neill is Barry Smith. Lakers will

play their final league game Saturday, in Kelowna. (Daily News Photo)

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Bighorns edge Cougars
to tie VCNHL series 1-1

A disputed goal, with time running out in the third period, gave Bighorns a 4-3 victory over Vernon Cougars in North Okanagan Hockey League action, Thursday, in Oliver.

The best-of-seven final series is now deadlocked 1-1.

Oliver's Gerry Thygeson let a shot go from the top of the face-off circle that eluded Vernon netminder Ed Forslund.

However, Cougars Coach Gary Swanson insists time had expired before the puck entered the net.

NOTICE
Swanson said, "When I looked at the clock, there were two seconds to play and Thygeson would have the puck yet. You can't tell me he took a pass, wound up for a shot, and fired the puck 45 feet in one second."

Doug Lawton, Gord McKay, and Bob Walden also scored for Bighorns.

Les Sals, Terry Lowe, and Willie Liefke replied for Cougars.

Oliver led 2-1 at the end of the first period and the teams were tied 3-3 after 40 minutes.

NAMED COACH
Also at the meeting, Danny Holte was named as player-coach. Holte, 21, starred with Tigers for four seasons of the 1976-79. He helped the club win three national and four provincial titles.

Prior to joining Tigers, Holte played minor, junior and senior hockey in Coquitlam.

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Cougars took eight of 15 minor penalties.

Forlund kicked out 27 shots while Pat Murphy made 33 saves at the other end.

"I felt sorry for Eddie (Forlund)," Swanson said. "He played well and we still lost."

GAME SUNDAY
If Swanson continues alter-

nating his netminders, Charlie Briskman will be between the pipes Sunday at 7 p.m., when Vernon hosts the third Bighorn game.

Briskman led Cougars to a 6-0 victory in the series opener.

Vernon hopes to have rugged forward Gary Gilchrist in the lineup for Sunday's encounter.

Gilchrist has been sidelined several weeks with a chest injury.

Defenceman Bernie Reed (shoulder) and centre Rod Kashuba (monocleless) may be ready for their fourth game, scheduled March 6, in Oliver.

Winner hosts the playoffs in Coy Cup championship.

Labatts took five of eight minor penalties.

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ART HORLEY
... president

Tigers
name
officers

Art Horley has been named president of Vernon Tigers Senior Lacrosse Club for the 1982 season.

Horley was elected at an organizational meeting this week.

He served as president of Tigers from 1976 to 1978. In 1976, he was named the B.C. Lacrosse Association's Executive of the Year.

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KALAMALKA Junior Secondary will be hosting the Okanagan Valley Basketball Championships this weekend. Kalamalka earned the right to host the finals by winning the Okanagan North Zone championship. The team includes, back row, left: Brent Belanger, Don Balcombe, Ernest Van-Cameron, Ken Zubik, Mark Foster, Lorne Babik, Kevin Carter, Steve Shaw and Stu Graham. Front row: Doug King, Ron Bolt, Roy Cooper, Rob Zimmerman, Rich Johnson, Bruce Baker, and Kerry Palmer (manager). (Daily News Photo)

Eight teams compete
in junior hoop finals

Eight teams are competing in the Okanagan Junior Boys' Basketball Championships which get under way today at Kalamalka Junior Secondary School.

Top two clubs advance to the B.C. Championships, March 11-13, in Richmond.

First game, at 4 p.m., has Penitence meeting Hollywood Road, of Kelowna. At 5:30 p.m. Clarence Fulton Maroons guard Ron Barriere, defending champion OK Mission clashes with Melchior Park, of Penitence, at 7 p.m., and the

Kalamalka Lakers host Brocklehurst, of Kamloops, at 5:30 p.m.

FINAL GAME
Play resumes Saturday, at 10 a.m., with the final game scheduled at 3 p.m.

Kal Coach Dave Jackson told the Daily News the valley title is up for grabs.

Jackson said, "There are four or five teams that are capable of going all the way."

Penitence, which compiled a 34-2 win-loss record, arrives 12-1, and OK Mission (30-4) are considered the teams to beat. However, Lakers (26-11) have

defeated all three of those clubs this season.

LAKERS HOT
"We've won 11 of our last 12 games and the boys are playing very well. There are faster teams in the tournament, but I feel we have the most depth and height."

The Kal coach also expects Fulton to be tough on Maroons placed second in the recent north zone playdowns, behind Lakers.

Jackson said, "Fulton's well-coached and well-disciplined... they have an outside chance."