

Cougars look good at camp

Vernon Cougars' General Manager Gary Swanson said he is encouraged after the first two days of his club's training camp at the Vernon Civic Arena.

The defending North Okanagan Hockey League champions will have three workouts this week in preparation for their season opener next Saturday, at home, against Oliver Bighorns.

"We had about 25 guys on the ice Sunday and there were three or four veterans missing," Swanson said. "It will be a tough team to make. There are some guys who have been with us two or three years who might not get a spot on the roster."

One of the most impressive players at practice was forward Randy Merritt, who formerly played with Salmon Arm Aces and Revelstoke Selkies. "Merritt was probably the best skating forward on the ice."

Other newcomers include: Jeff Vest and Jeff Shirley, who played in the White Valley Hockey League last year; Sheldon Fukas, who spent three years with Salmon Arm; Gary Criss, who played the 1980-81 campaign with Quesnel Kangaroos; and Roy Chase, who spent part of last season with Vernon Lakers.

VERNON LAKERS' forward George Moutsois gets acquainted with Kelowna

Buckaroos' netminder Alan Hrynuk during BCJHL exhibition action, Sunday, at the Civic

Arena. Lakers edged the Buckaroos 5-4.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Super Shoe meets Camels

Vernon City Soccer League playoffs resume tonight, at Polson Park, when Super Shoe Selects take on Camels. Kick-off is at 5:30 p.m. The round-robin playoffs conclude Wednesday, with four games. Super Shoe meets Lumby Kickers at the Army Camp; National Hotel Oldtimers clash with Longhorn Leghorns at Polson Park; and Coldstream faces Camels while Armstrong tackles Toros Bulls at MacDonald

Haas victorious

PINEHURST, N.C. (AP) — Jay Haas scored an unexpected victory in the Hall of Fame tournament, but faces the longest wait in the history of golf to defend his title — 22 years.

Haas, 28, turned back stubborn John Adams with a routine par on the second hole of a sudden-death playoff for the title — the fourth of his career — in the Hall of Fame tournament on Sunday.

Vernon blows six point lead

Vernon Rugby Club didn't do itself any favors Sunday.

Penticton dumped Vernon 20-10 in Okanagan Mainline Rugby Union action in Penticton. The two clubs are battling for the fourth, and final, playoff berth in the league.

Vernon's performance in the second half of Sunday's game prompted

spokesman Stu Marshall to wonder how important the game was to his team.

"We were leading 10-4 at the half, then the guys just thought they could cruise," said Marshall. "After that, Penticton really took the game to us and we just let down."

LAZY SCRUM

Marshall said the team spent the majority of time

on defence and was hampered by a lazy scrum.

"Our scrum didn't get into the game at all, we were just getting blown off the ball," said Marshall. "There were only a couple of guys who worked hard, who would get to the ball first, but then no help."

Out of Vernon's lineup due to injuries were Doug Usher, Mike Martin and Dave Schneider. With those three in the lineup, Marshall said it could have made a difference.

"They (Penticton) won a lot of lineouts because they had the size on us," said Marshall. "But, with Schneider in there it would have been a different story."

Vernon was coming off a 10-4 upset win over Kamloops last weekend and Marshall said the team played as well against Penticton as it did against Kamloops. Vernon

Lakers edge Bucks in pre-season game

By GORD SMILEY

Daily News Sports

With 1:06 remaining on the clock, Nick Kapicki found himself all alone in front of Kelowna goaltender Alan Hrynuk and promptly deposited the puck in the net to give Vernon Lakers a 5-4 win over Buckaroos in B.C. Junior Hockey League exhibition action, Sunday, at the Civic Arena.

Kapicki's goal, his second of the night, resulted from a rebound off the shot of Kevin Thorlakson. Kapicki's heroics came after Buckaroos scored twice in the third to tie the game 4-4.

KILLED PENALTIES

As well as taking a regular shift, Kapicki killed penalties in the kind of style Vernon Lakers haven't done in a long time.

"Kapicki is your all around hockey player," said Lakers Coach Murray Lawrence. "He's just as dangerous short-handed and with that Thorlakson, you'll find these guys will take us a long way."

Marcel Raby and Fred Bowers scored Kelowna's third and fourth goals. Bowers a blast from 15 feet away which beat Lakers' netminder Bob Moll.

Neal Ison opened the scoring when he walked in on Buckaroos' goalie Mike Taylor and put the puck in on his backhand. The teams finished the first period tied 1-1 after a goal by Mike McGrath.

In the second, Shawn Pettyjohn scored for Kelowna while Glen Doucette, Kapicki, and Gord Hahn connected for Lakers.

Starting goaltender Rob Imbeau and Moll played well for Lakers and both appear capable of earning starting honors when the regular season begins.

OUTSIDED

Lakers were outsize by Buckaroos, but not out-muscled or outskated. Gordie Simpson and an assortment of linemen had a field day against Buckaroos, continually buzzing around their opponents' net.

"He just keeps going and never stops," said Lawrence. "I was watching his linemen out of necessity since his left winger, Gavin Shuya, was injured in the first period."

Lakers broke out of their own end with a 3-0 lead and entered Buckaroos'

territory with designed plays rather than the old shoot and chase style.

"Since our 3-2 loss to Revelstoke (Thursday) we've been working on coming out of our end and we looked pretty good tonight," said Lawrence. "Then once we cross their blueline, the guys start getting hungry and they go for the net."

The win over Buckaroos was Lakers' second in as many nights. On Saturday, Vernon handed Revelstoke Rockets an 8-5 beating in the Civic Arena.

HUGE LEAD

Lakers led 3-0 into the third, but with just over

seven minutes remaining in the game, Rockets broke loose for five consecutive goals.

The game also turned into a slugfest in the latter stages of the contest, with 10 players receiving game misconducts and one receiving a match penalty. "It wasn't really that tough a game," said Lawrence. "Actually we were very much superior, we were really quite a bit better than they were."

Kapicki, Tom Roy and Peter Oliphant each scored twice for Lakers while George Moutsois and Glen Doucette replied with singles. Baan Evanoff

scored three for Rockets in the final minutes coming from Vern Cota and Vernon Worne.

"We got up eight goals on them and then things started to get out of hand," said Lawrence. "We've got a philosophy on our team, if someone is hammering on your head, then you stand up for your rights, we don't have to take that kind of hockey."

Lakers' next game is Saturday night when they travel to Salmon Arm to play Shuswap Totems, in the regular season opener. Totems will make a return trip to Vernon, Sunday, for a 7 p.m. start.

Esks not ready to play dead yet

By The Canadian Press

Reports of the imminent demise of Edmonton Eskimos appear to have been grossly exaggerated.

Sure, the Eskimos, Canadian Football League champions the last four years, slumped to last place in the Western Division two weeks ago. But they've bounced back with two convincing victories to make the epitaphs being written about them premature.

They manhandled Ottawa Rough Riders 47-11 eight days ago and their latest win, 32-14 over the Tiger-Cats in Hamilton on Sunday, puts them back into serious contention for a divisional title they've won eight of the last nine years.

Edmonton improved its won-loss record to 5-5 for 10 points and fourth place in the West where three teams qualify for playoffs. They are two games behind B.C. Lions, three behind Calgary Stampeders and four back of first-place Winnipeg Blue Bombers.

Ottawa Rough Riders helped their cause Saturday by upsetting Winnipeg 38-28. B.C. held on to third place with a 35-32 win over last-place Saskatchewan.

Also on Saturday, former CFL stars Ron Lancaster of Ottawa and Saskatchewan, Willie Fleming of the Lions, Bud Tinsley of the Blue Bombers and



ROY DEWALT
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touchdown passes. He added another in the fourth, a 17-yarder to Neil Lumsden. Scott caught a total of nine passes for 131 yards.

Jim Germany rushed for 84 yards on seven carries.

The Tiacs managed a lone touchdown when backup quarterback Dave Marier passed to Rufus Crawford for a 62-yard touchdown with 28 seconds left.

The loss, on the heels of Toronto's win, left Hamilton, 5-5, three points behind the leading Argonauts in the East.

Zenon Andrusyshyn was Edmonton's punter. Andrusyshyn, cut by the Argos last week, was nick-

roared to a 20-point, first-half lead then held on to edge Saskatchewan.

Quarterback Roy Dewalt came within two yards of setting a club record for most yards passing in a single game. He completed 20 of 29 passes for 431 yards for three touchdowns, 76- and 14-yards to wide receiver Mervyn Fernandez and a 55-yarder to John Pankratz.

Running back Larry Key booted nine yards up the middle for the fourth B.C. touchdown.

The Lions amassed 519 net yards and the Roughriders 478.

Rookie quarterback Joe Adams came off the bench in the second half to throw 17 and 42 yards to wide receiver Ronnie Robinson and 44 yards to wide receiver Dwight Edwards for touchdowns.

Starter John Hufnagel hit Joey Walters for a 50-yard touchdown. Robinson led all receivers with 43 yards on seven catches.

The Lions improved to 6-3, while the Roughriders fell to 4-6 in losing their third in a row.

Riders 38 Bombers 28

This was the upset of the weekend and 17,227 victory-starved Ottawa fans enjoyed every minute of it. The Rough Riders trailed 28-21 after three quarters. But a fired-up defence, quarterback Chris Isaac's shotgun pass