

Lakers preparing for a tough weekend

Vernon Lakers continue to prepare for another tough four-game stretch in the Interior division of the B.C. Junior Hockey League.

Lakers will be out to avenge a 4-2 loss to Merritt Centennials, last Sunday in Vernon, when the club takes to the road for a Thursday night encounter with Centennials.

On Friday, Lakers will be home to the Shuswap Totems, from Salmon Arm, then the following night will be back on the road again to take on the Knights from Penticton.

Knights make the return trip to the Civic Arena, Sunday, for a 7 p.m. start.

Lakers record sits at 7-5, two victories away from their total number of wins last season and one away from their total of two years ago.

In Coastal division action Tuesday night, Rick Ellison scored on a rebound with less than three minutes left on the clock to force a game between Langley Eagles and Abbotsford Flyers into overtime.

Despite a heated overtime period, the teams ended the night tied at 4-4.

In other league action, Richmond Sockeyes defeated Burnaby Bluehawks 5-3.

The lead in the fast-paced Langley game switched back and forth with Langley in front 2-1 at the end of the first and Abbotsford coming back to end the second ahead 4-2.

Langley's other goals came from Jerry Shupe, Dave Gillis and Mike Bulka.

Bill Shibicky led Abbotsford with two goals, while Peter McCormack and Dave Moree added singles.

The shots on goal were also closely matched. Scott Bradley turned aside 30 for Abbotsford, while Glen Stone stopped 31 for the Eagles.

In Richmond, Derek Waters scored three goals to lead Richmond to victory.

David Wensley and Rod Wong rounded out the scoring for the Sockeyes who were tied 2-2 after the first period and 5-3 after 40 minutes.

Tirecraft wins three in midget house loop

Peters Tirecraft capped off a busy week by defeating Occidental 8-5, in midget house league action, Monday, in Vernon.

Also Monday, Roy's Tire defeated Royal Bank, 8-1. In other house league action, Kelowna doubled Tirecraft 8-4, Occidental dumped Roy's 6-3, Tirecraft beat Enderby 10-5, and Tirecraft nipped Vernon Bantam Reps (Acutruss) 5-4.

On Monday, Kevin Campbell scored three times to lead Peters to victory. Warren Schneider had two goals for Peters while singles came from Colin Fleming, Geoff

Porter and Carl Vest.

Marc Mondin had two for Occidental while Troy Roland, Danny Nolan and Dean Freayh had singles.

Kelly Cherkowski was between the pipes for Peters while Marke Freayh handled the goaltending chores for Occidental.

In Monday's other game, Roy's got two-goal performances from Ben Sudol and Bart Chase. Scoring single markers were Chris Movold, Gary Schell, Dean Barnard and Duncan Stanley.

Royal Bank's lone goal was scored by Don Kindrachuk.

Dean Rogers was in net for Roy's while Curtis Schubert was between the pipes for Royal Bank.

On Saturday, Peters suffered its only loss of the four games they played, losing to Kelowna 8-4. Leading the scoring attack for the locals was Troy Roland, with two, while singles came from Geoff Porter and Kevin Campbell. Cherkowski handled the goaltending duties for Peters.

On Oct. 28, Occidental doubled Roy's, 6-3 on the strength of two goals by Dean Freayh. Other markers were scored by Curtis Meston, Rob Morris, Danny Nolan and Mon-