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All-stars in Kelowna

Four Lakers, two forwards and two defencemen, will wear the starry jerseys of the Interior Division all-star team, Thursday night, in Kelowna when the annual B.C. Junior Hockey League all-star match-up takes place.

Rod Kossan and Captain Gord Simpson will be in the team's forward line-up while Gavin Shuya and Mike Enemark, considered by most to be the best defensive pair in the league, will suit up for the interior.

Missing from the squad will be Lakers' centre Stacey Wakabayashi, somehow overlooked despite his record of 42 points in 21 games without as much as a single penalty minute.

Following Thursday's all-star game, the Lakers will be in action again, at home to the Richmond Sockeyes of the Coastal Division, currently holding fifth place.

Meanwhile, in BCJHL action Tuesday night Len Evans scored three goals as Esquimalt Buccaneers trounced Cowichan Capitals 9-3 to continue their domination of the Capitals in the BCJHL campaign.

It was the 10th victory for the Buccaneers over Cowichan in as many games this season.

In other games, Abbotsford Flyers got back on the winning track after back-to-back losses over the weekend with a 5-2 win over Langley Eagles and Richmond Sockeyes upset Burnaby Blue Hawks 5-3.

In Nanaimo, where the Esquimalt-Cowichan game was played before more than 700 fans, the teams were tied 2-2 after one period before the Buccaneers took command and assumed a 5-3 lead after 40 minutes.

Garry Matson added two goals for Esquimalt, which outshot Cowichan 40-33, while singles were scored by Randy Horswill, Darrel Pederson, Randy Taylor and Brian Silversen.

Rene Command scored twice for Cowichan and Brian Burley added one goal.

OVERCAME DEFICIT

In Abbotsford, the Flyers overcame a 1-0 first-period deficit by outscoring the Eagles 3-1 in the second on their way to victory.

Bill Shibicky, Kevin Poirier, Paul Lelievre, Tom Weiss and Richard Holfeld scored for Abbotsford while Brian McPhate and Rod Ware replied for Langley.

Goaltender Ken Buker made 34 saves for the league-leading Flyers while Glen Stone stopped 30 shots for the Eagles.

In Richmond, the Sockeyes avenged a 15-4 loss to Burnaby two weeks ago with their triumph over the Blue Hawks. The teams were tied 1-1 after one period but Richmond took a 3-2 lead after 40 minutes.

Richmond goals were scored by Derek Waters, Eric Catchpole, Mike Moree, David Street and Brooke Odenvald. Burnaby markers came from Steve Brnjac, Paul Fifano and Jim Hochstetter.