

JUNIOR HOCKEY TONIGHT

Lakers host Rangers

Vernon Lakers host Revelstoke Rangers in B.C. Junior Hockey League action tonight, at 8 p.m., in the Civic Arena.

Lakers currently trail first place Penticton Knights by four points. Vernon hosts the Knights, Sunday night.

"We need two wins this weekend," said Lakers' General Manager Carl Enemark, "and I'm confident we'll get them. We're playing well right now."

Vernon will have captain Bob Wensley back in the line-up this weekend. Wensley missed the last three games due to the flu and a hand injury.

In BCJHL action Thursday, Tony Savarin scored at 10:29 of the third period to give Penticton a 6-5 win

over Merritt Centennials, in Merritt.

In the only other game, Langley Eagles humbled hometown Burnaby Bluehawks 10-2.

Savarin's goal spoiled the debut of former Vernon Coach Chuck Tapp behind the Merritt bench. Tapp, who was fired by Lakers earlier this season, after only three games, was hired by the Cents, Monday.

Brett Hull scored two goals for Penticton, which led 5-0 after the first period and 5-3 after the second. Ken McGillivray, Mike Durant and Ian Kidd added singles.

Brent Demarais led the Centennials with two goals, while Pat Brian, Mark Bogoslawski and Shane Carlson had singles.

Penticton goaltender Ian Clark

made 30 saves, while Merritt's Ray Palmer stopped 37 shots on goal.

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Harvey Billik and Steve Bull led the Eagles with two goals each. Paul Lelievre, Lorne Gavinchuk, Joe West, Mike Brown, Darren Choquette and Jim Dupuis backed the performance with singles.

Burnaby's goals were scored by Michael O'Brien and Glen Engevik.

Langley led 3-1 at the end of the first period and 4-2 at the end of the second.

Langley's goaltender, Glen Stone, made 28 saves, while his Burnaby counter-part, Paul Anaka stopped 27 shots on goal.

Langley had 14 penalties for a total of 39 minutes, while Burnaby had 16 penalties for 54 minutes.