

Lakers name general manager

Vernon Lakers Junior Hockey Club has announced the signing of Wayne Sorci as general manager for the 1984-85 season.

Sorci, of Vernon, joined Lakers early last season as trkiner and from that position, which he shared with Martin VanDeLeest, went on to become manager.

Sorci replaces team co-owner Carl Enemark, who filled the position of GM last season when Lakers finished second to Penticton Knights in the Interior Division before bowing out of the playoffs in the sixth game of a best-of-seven semi-final match-up with Summerland Buckaroos.

"Wayne and I worked together last season and we decided that he would run the office operations this season," said Lakers' Coach Mike Enemark.

Sorci, who has a wealth of experience as a sports trainer, but who is just getting his feet wet as a manager, will have his work cut out for him.

"I watched Carl (Enemark) in action last year so I know it's going to be a big job," said Corci. "I think it'll be a good challenge, through, Carl started training me for the job last year . . . it's going to be interesting."

Lakers are implementing a new system of management for the 1984-85 season which will see more people involved with the everyday functioning of the team.

"We'll be having people performing smaller tasks, but doing them better," said (Mike) Enemark. "Hopefully it will improve the quality of the team in general."

Sorci will commence his full-time activity as

general manager right away as the ground work must be laid early.

"We've got a league meeting May 23 and then we've got to get invitations out to players for the fall," Sorci offered. "We made a few errors last year and hopefully we'll have a whole better package for the people of Vernon this season."

Lakers, meantime, are searching for someone to fill roles with the club as manager and public relations director.

"We have someone in mind right now for the role of manager and he just has to give us an answer," said Enemark.



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Kal Tire leads league

Kal Tire moved into first place in the Vernon Major Men's Fastball League with a 7-1 win over Lumby Barons, Wednesday, at Alexis Park.

Kal Tire holds a one-half game lead on second place Coldstream Hotel Carlings.

Winning pitcher Darrell Jones tossed a four-hitter while Brendan Altwasser got tagged with the loss.

The teams were tied 1-1 until the bottom of the fourth inning when Jack Smith homered. Tiremen then exploded for five runs in the fifth inning. Cliff Cross sparked the rally with a single that knocked in two runs.

Meanwhile, in Falkland, National Hotel Raiders edged Falkland Merchants 3-1.

National Cornelius Martens and Falkland's Peter Huhn were locked in a pitching duel until the seventh inning.

In the top of the seventh, Raiders scored three times when Brodie Johnson walked, Frank Lewis tripled to knock in Johnson, Stan Hunt tripled to send Lewis across the place, and Hunt scored on an overthrow to third base.

Lewis finished the night with two hits, including a single.

Merchants got two of their three basehits, and their only run, in the bottom of the seventh when Grant Ricard singled and scored on Bob Ricard's double.

League play resumes tonight with two games at 8 p.m. Kal Tire takes on Coldstream in Lumby while Raiders face M and K Accu-Pumpers at Kin Race Track Park.