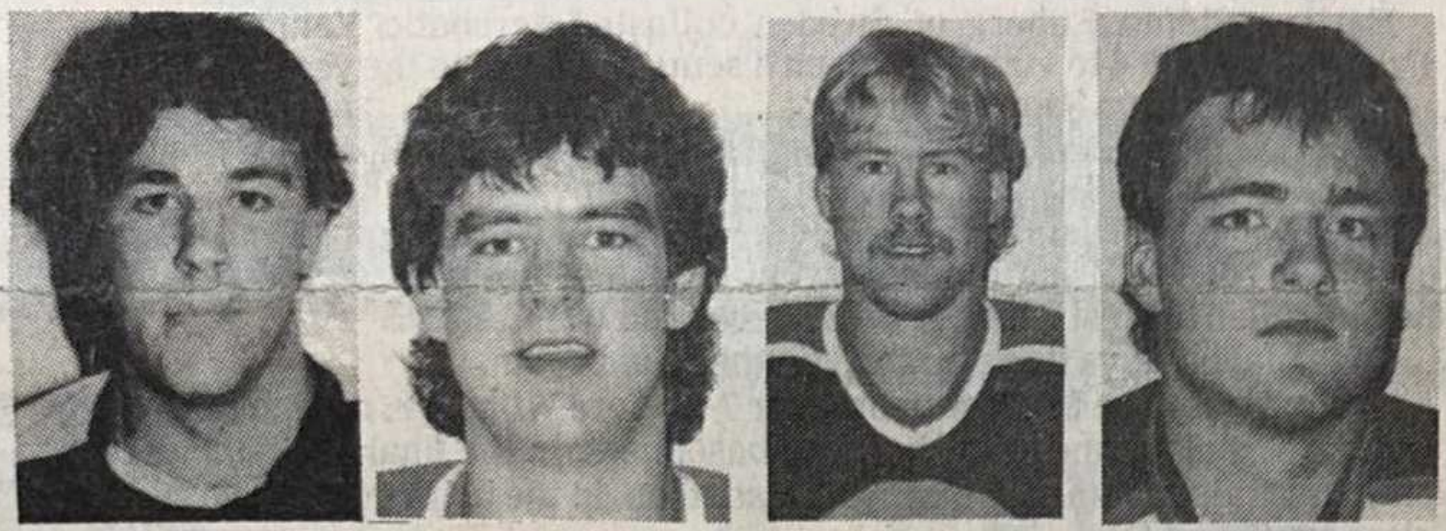
Five Lakers in top 10



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Latest statistics released by the B.C. Junior Hockey League for this week show that Vernon Lakers now have five of the top 10 scoring leaders in the Interior division.

Included among these is defenceman Campbell Blair who climbed to second place overall last week following a 12-point weekend accumulated over a three-game stretch. Blair trails only John DePourcq of Penticton Knights but the Lakers' and their high-scoring rearguard have three games in hand on the second-place Knights.

Blair has scored 23 goals and has a league-leading 40 assists for 63 points—three less than DePourcq (33-33-66).

Meanwhile, wingers Craig Bedard and Ed Tuckwood have moved several rungs up the scoring ladder as well. Bedard holds down fourth place with 28 goals and 32 assists for 60 points. He trails Kelowna Packers' Kevin Taillefer by just two points but Packers have one game in hand on Lakers.

Tuckwood is right on Bedard's heels and is tied with Brent Mowery, also of Kelowna with 57 points based on 25 goals and 32 assists. Also of interest is the fact that Tuckwood leads the league in penalty minutes with 185 minutes in 26 games this season. The fiesty right-winger has established himself as one of the league's top cards in the fisticuff department while also lending a scoring touch.

Al Young, who centres Bedard and Tuckwood, moved into the top 10 for the first time this season. He holds down sixth spot with 13 goals and 37 assists for 50 points and is well on his way to a career high point total. Young leads Kelowna's Kerry Russell by a single point.

Bringing up the rear is centre Kevin Scott is currently tied with Packers' Pat Mangold for the final top 10 position. Scott has 18 goals and 30 assists for 48 points. However, considering the lack of puck-luck Scott has had around the net this season so far, he could just as easily be leading the league in this department.

Packers continue to lead the Interior division as well as the league with their 22-2-1 record. In addition Packers have allowed the fewest goals against with just 84 in 25 games. That puts their one-two goaltending tandem of Dusty Imoo and Lucien Carignan in first and second place, respectively in the Interior division. Imoo's goals against average is a stingy 3.04 while Carignan's is 3.77.

Lakers' Daryl Dickens has an average of 4.66 and a save percentage of 85.40 percent. Imoo leads in this department as well with a 90.36 percent average.