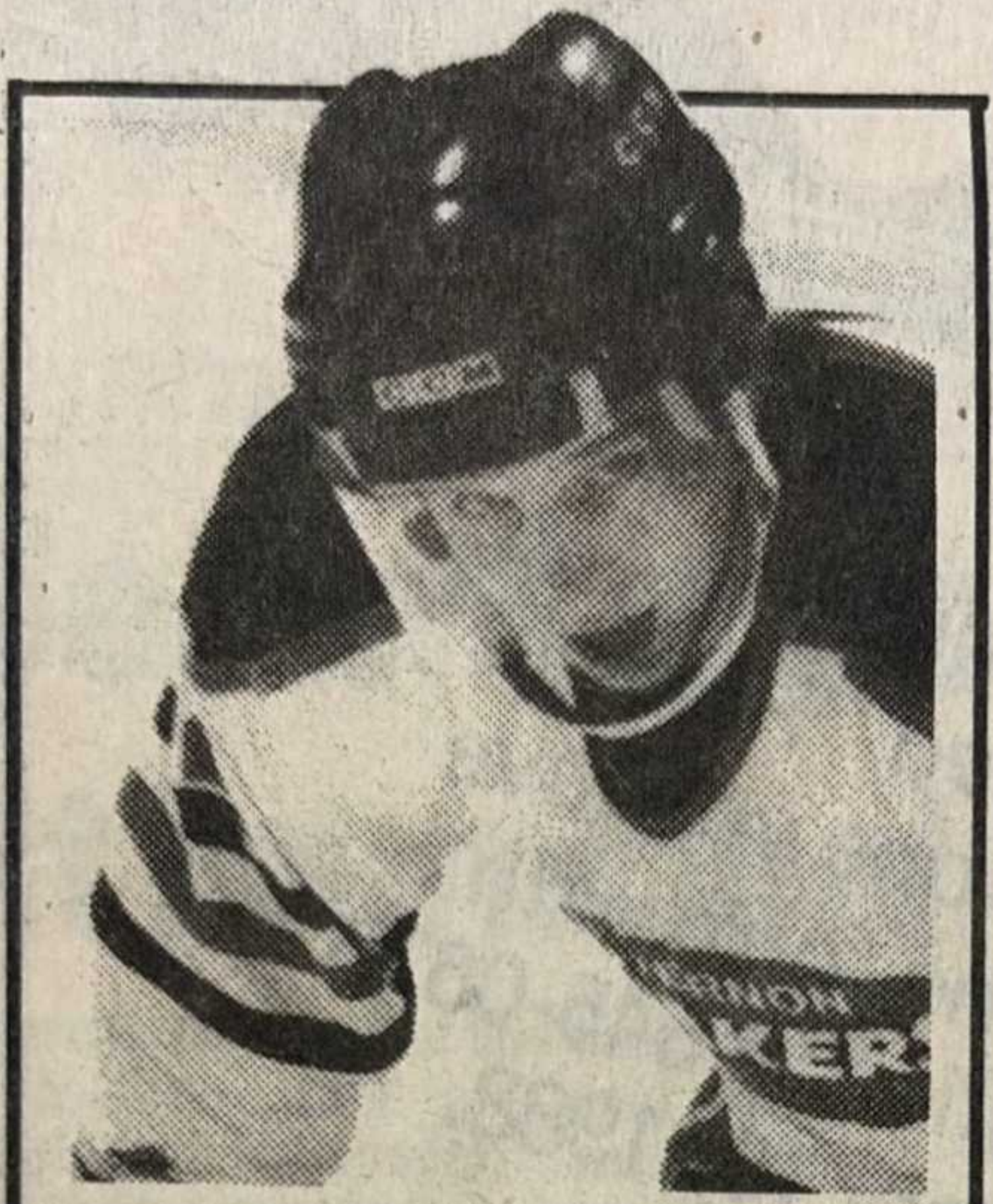

Scoring race

Vernon Lakers' centre Dallas Drake is just four points behind the league scoring leaders in the B.C. Junior Hockey League. One of the leaders is fellow Laker Jamie Steer who has 103 points. For more, see page 8.



VERNON LAKERS' centre Dallas Drake has moved into contention for the BCJHL scoring championship. Despite missing six games due to injuries, Drake trails teammate Jamie Steer and Peter Holmes of Delta by only four points. (Daily News Photo)

Steer shares scoring lead

Four players, including two Vernon Lakers, are in contention for the B.C. Junior Hockey League scoring title.

Statistics released today by the BCJHL show winger Jamie Steer of the Lakers and Peter Holmes of the Delta Flyers share top spot with 103 points.

Just four points behind the co-leaders are centre Dallas Drake of the Lakers and Frank Biller of the Merritt Centennials.

The Lakers have six games remaining, one less than Delta and two fewer than Merritt.

Vernon is the highest scoring team and recently moved past Delta to become the top defensive club in the league.

The Lakers have scored 326 goals, 54 more than their nearest rivals, the Richmond Sockeyes.

In the race for the Wally Forslund Memorial Trophy, for the BCJHL's best goals against average, the Lakers have surrendered 167 goals, seven fewer than the Flyers.

Individually, Vernon netminders Glen Fry and Barry Rysz rank one-two in goals against average with marks of 2.23 and 2.61, respectively.

The Lakers are idle until next weekend when they host the Chilliwack Eagles, Friday, and the Penticton Knights, Saturday.

BCJHL

Coastal Division

	W	L	T	F	A	P
Delta	29	15	1	267	174	59
Richmond	28	14	2	272	185	58
Juan De Fuca	23	18	1	213	181	47
Nanaimo	22	18	3	229	210	47
Chilliwack	18	24	0	198	281	36
Abbotsford	14	32	1	229	300	29

Interior Division

Vernon	37	9	0	326	167	74
Kelowna	25	19	2	239	210	52
Merritt	23	21	0	250	246	46
Penticton	20	24	0	220	220	40
Salmon Arm	15	29	1	212	263	31
Summerland	6	37	1	171	396	13

SCORING

Coastal

	G	A	Pts	Pim
Holmes, D	49	54	103	54
Van Sickle, JDF	52	40	92	93
MacDonald, D	43	49	92	38
Butterworth, C	33	47	80	15
Clarke, R	38	38	76	221
Zulinick, JDF	27	48	75	18
McDonald, A	31	43	74	12
Methorst, A	39	33	72	115
Dutton, C	39	30	69	75
Biagioni, D	17	51	68	243

Interior

Steer, V	46	57	103	14
Biller, M	53	46	99	209
Drake, V	28	71	99	44
Rushton, M	28	51	79	53
Greyeyes, V	29	45	74	87
Barkley, V	40	33	73	78
Bianchini, K	28	41	69	108
McGowan, M	18	50	68	48
Alger, V	30	33	63	179
Hilditch, P	22	39	61	78

GOALTENDING

Coastal

	MP	GA	Avg
Popp, R	1147	59	3.08
Dafoe, JDF	1427	95	3.99
Renton, JDF	1071	77	4.31
Holland, N	846	67	4.75
Jones, N	1448	117	4.84

Interior

Fry, V	2713	119	2.23
Rysz, V	1218	53	2.61
Casey, K	1157	68	3.52
Loewen, P	1712	138	4.83
Belland, M	886	74	5.01

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Soukoroff	14	40	54	73
Jackson	23	25	48	77
Biafore	13	34	47	182
Parnell	22	24	46	32
Elliott	7	31	38	216
Paller	19	18	37	112
Dennis	11	23	34	107
Martini	10	24	34	166
Hendry	9	18	27	203
Markin	6	12	18	23
Pohl	4	7	11	22
Hlarsa	3	5	8	24
Chase	1	4	5	175
Olson	0	2	2	14