# Blades Opening Camp Friday

Vernon Blades junior hockey club opens training this week in preparation for the 1964-65 Okanagan Junior "A" Hockey League season.

Caoaches Hap Schaefer and Jim Moro have called for a general loosening-up session Friday night at Vernon Civic Arena starting at 7 p.m. All junior age players wishing to try out for the Blades this year are urged to attend this first practice so the coaches can get an idea of what they have to work with.

Full scale workouts in strip begin Sunday with two sessions scheduled, one at 2 p.m. and the other at 7 p.m.

Practice times for next week will be announced Monday. The Blades are attempting to get as much ice time as possible as they see their first action of the season on the Thanksgiving holiday weekend when they play New Westminister Royals in a back-to-back exhibition set.

They host the Royals Saturday, Oct. 10 at the Civic Arena and visit New Westminister the following Sunday.

The OJHL season opens Friday, Oct. 16 with four teams competing—Vernon Blades, Kamloops Rockets, Kelowna Buckaroos and a new entry, the Penticton-Summerland El Rancho Broncos.

As yet the Blades are an unknown quantity this season but they could shape up as strong contenders as they have a substantial number of last year's players back.

Coaches Schaerfer and Moro also expect at least five or six outsiders in camp including several players from the prairies.

Both Kamloops and Kelowna are believed to be well stocked with both returnees and imports. Penticton - Summerland, made up largely of ex-juveniles from the two centres, should ice a fair club.

Season ticket sales have begun, offering three separate bargains for the 15 home games the Blades will play. A single ticket sells for $8, an man-and-wife ticket for $12 and a jumbo family ticket for $15.

# Minor Puck Registration Continuing

Another player registration has been scheduled by the Vernon Minor Hockey Assoc. for Saturday morning at the Civic Arena.

Only 136 minor pucksters registered last week-