

Pohl scores winner against Salmon Arm

Captain Shannon Pohl scored at 18:32 of the third period to give Vernon Lakers a 7-6 win over Salmon Arm Blazers in B.C. Junior Hockey League action, Saturday night, at the Civic Arena.

Lakers (5-2) and Kelowna Packers (5-3) share second with 10 points, four behind Penticton Knights (7-1).

Despite the victory, Vernon Coach Don Moores wasn't pleased with his club's performance. "We're very inconsistent," said Moores. "We have a long way to go before we put together three good periods in a game. But, it is early in the season."

Wes Gentles led Lakers with two goals while Trevor Pohl, Jim Scott, Dennis Holland, Steve Humphries, and Shannon Pohl added singles.

Kevin Scott, with two goals, Tonny Bobbitt, Kevin Talafer, Terrence Head, and Jeff Vilne replied for Blazers.

Salmon Arm, which has lost four straight games, held period leads of 2-1 and 5-4.

Gentles scored both his goals in the third period, to tie the game and set the stage for Pohl's winner.

"We showed some character by coming back the way we did in the third period," Moores said. "That was certainly a positive sign."

Another aspect of the game that pleased the Vernon coach was the play of defenceman Chris Saunders. Saunders, making his first start since suffering a broken wrist last October, was a stalwart on the Vernon blue line.

Moores said, "Chris looked good... particularly for a guy who hasn't played for a year. He showed a lot of

poise and moved the puck very well."

After the game, Lakers released three players. Cut were goalie Terry Forsyth, defenceman Pat Findley, and winger Mike Todd. With the return of Saunders and winger Al Young, who will be ready for Vernon's next game Saturday, against Kelowna Packers, Moores is expected to make more cuts within the next week.

On Sunday, Sidney goalies Tim Rention and Dean Cook faced a total of 85 shots in a 13-2 loss to Richmond Sockeyes while Penticton downed Merritt Warriors 5-3.

In other games Saturday, Craig Bedard scored three goals to lead Summerland Buckaroos to a 10-5 win over Abbotsford Falcons, Delta dumped Sidney 8-3, and Penticton thumped Kelowna 5-1.

In Richmond, Mike Scardina, Jeff Crossley and Pat Austin had two goals each for the winners while Andy Wolf, Lance Momotani, Brad Woitas, Brian Silverson, Mike O'Hara, Gord MacInnes and Bruce Kenward added singles.

Kevin Arnold and Rob Coultish scored for Sidney in the second period.

Richmond goalie Ray Woodley made 19 saves.

In Merritt, Penticton had a 46-save performance by Warren Sharples and got goals by Chris Anderson, Bill Thomas, Dave Shields, Aaron Scott and John Depourcq.

Merritt, which trailed 3-0 and 5-3 at the intermissions, got a pair from Kevin Sheveldave in a 23-second span of the second period.

Penticton scored a solid home-ice victory over the Packers, taking revenge for Friday night's 5-3 loss at

Kelowna — their first defeat of the season. The division-leading Knights were in charge all the way, leading 2-0 at the end of the first period and 3-0 after two.

Vernon in UBC

It was a great weekend for two local prestigious UBC Invitational Senior B. Vernon Panthers placed fourth, out finished in 11th spot.

The lofty placings should ensure Pa top five teams in the province, in AA a Vernon won its round-robin pool b 14-16, and 8-6; L.V. Rogers, of Nelson 15-11 and 15-6; and Ashcroft 15-12 and

In quarter-final action, Panthers 15-11. But, in the semi-finals, defending 15-7 and 15-5.

"We didn't show up for that game Yamaoka. "We were never in that one. In the consolation game, to decide 15-8, 11-15, and 8-5.

Yamaoka said, "It was a great week. Vernon's 6'4" power hitter J.D. Jac. Meanwhile, Fulton placed second in Maroons defeated Pleasant Valley Prince George, 15-8 and 15-10, and Se sion downed the local squad 15-13 and

In the 'B' pool playoffs, for second Fulton defeated KLO, of Kelowna, 1 and 15-8.

"We played our best volleyball against. "Only four 'A' teams finished ahead