

## Lakers rally in third period

Vernon Lakers were late getting started Saturday night in Summerland. But as the saying goes, better late than never.

Lakers scored six straight goals in the third period to down Summerland Buckaroos 10-8.

Penticton Knights (10-1) and Kelowna Packers (10-3) share first place in the B.C. Junior Hockey League's Interior Division with 20 points, four more than Lakers (8-3).

"Our work ethic just wasn't there in the first period," said Vernon Head Coach Don Moores. "Summerland came out flying and we lacked intensity."

Buckaroos led 6-1 at the end of the first period and 7-4 after 40 minutes before Lakers got untracked.

Shawn Lofroth, Dennis Holland, and Troy Pohl scored two goals each for Vernon while Al Young, Murray Baron, Darryl Weinberger, and Jim Scott netted singles.

Dave Thomlinson paced the Summerland attack with three goals. Ed Tuckwood tallied twice while Craig Bedard, Rod Trentholm, and Neil Diddcott completed the scoring.

Moores said, "We started to come on in the second period and the third period was no contest. We showed what we can do, when we put our minds to it, in the final 20 minutes."

Rookie Blu Smith started in goal for Lakers, but was replaced by Darryl Dickens, midway through the first period, with the score 3-1. Both Vernon netminders were left unprotected on numerous occasions.

"Holland and Baron played well," Moores said. "They are the only guys who stood out. Baron is really coming along... he's probably been our most consistent defenceman."

Lakers face the acid test Tuesday night when they take on the Knights, in Penticton. Vernon hasn't won in the Peach City since October, 1982.

In other weekend action, Kelowna dumped Merritt Warriors 8-3, Summerland edged Delta Flyers 10-9, Penticton nipped Salmon Arm Blazers 8-6, Penticton doubled Delta 6-3, Merritt downed Sidney 5-3 and Langley Eagles defeated Abbotsford Falcons 7-2.

### Packers 8 Warriors 3

Before the game was over the Warriors were without four defencemen and their starting goaltender. Two got game misconducts after first-period fights. Assistant playing coach John Tent left on a stretcher after a first-period collision. Injured later were defenceman Mike Penner and goalie Lucien Carigan, who took a shot in the arm late in the second period with the score 4-2.

### Buckaroos 10 Flyers 9

In Summerland, the Buckaroos almost blew a 9-6 third-period lead, and needed a goal by Gord Paulson with 1:26 left to win.

Andy Pokupec scored three times for the Buckaroos, who had a 51-37 advantage in shots, going ahead 9-6 in the second period after trailing 4-3 after one. Sean Harder scored three for Delta in the losing cause.

### Knights 8 Blazers 6

Pete Degraaf scored three goals for Penticton, which led 3-2 and 4-3 by periods. Singles came from Rob Oucharek, Greg Cyr, Aaron Scott, David Shields and Lee Davidson.

### Knights 6 Flyers 3

In play Saturday, Penticton centre Cyr scored two goals and assisted on two, and Shields also netted a pair as the Knights led 1-0 and 4-2 by periods and outshot the Flyers 39-30.

### Warriors 5 Capitals 3

Merritt's Kevin Cheveldave scored two goals in the final five minutes, one into an empty net, to settle a 3-3 tie.

Brad Smiley also scored a pair for the Warriors, who took a 2-1 edge into the third period after the first had ended at 1-1. The other Merritt goal came from Troy Mick.

## Juveniles defeat Kelowna

Vernon Coca-Cola Juveniles got off to an excellent start in the 1984-85 Okanagan-Mainline Juvenile Hockey League, even if it was mostly due to a third period flurry of goals that enabled them to post a 7-3 decision over Kelowna, Sunday.

The local squad scored five third-period goals en route to the victory.

Darren Hopp and Curtis Petersen each scored twice for the Vernon team, which trailed Kelowna 1-0 after the first period and was deadlocked 2-2 after 40 minutes.

Jeff Hawkins, Colin Fleming, and Shane Reardon each added a single for the local club.

Bob Koga scored twice for Kelowna and set up another goal by Wayne Bosch.

## Vest leads Club 2929 to puck win

Club 2929 scored four goals in the third period en route to an 9-5 win over Sabres in Winfield Men's Commercial Hockey League action, Saturday night.

Sabres held a 4-3 edge at the end of the first period and the teams were deadlocked 4-4 after 40 minutes.

Jeff Vest led Club 2929 with three goals while Jed Sparrow added a pair. Singles went to Rick Harries, Keith Louis, and Wayne Brown. Kevin Balfour was the leading playmaker with three assists.

John Box, with two goals, Don Baillie, Wayne Hoover, and Ron Sparks replied for Sabres.

Club 2929 took nine of 17 minor penalties and one of two game misconducts.