



Front Row: Darnell Hauca, Kyle McIntosh, Bradley Scabar, Ritchie Lepine
Middle Row: Jarod Reid, Curtis Huber, Conor Webb, Jake Pelletier, Nick Mann, Chase Wirth, Thomas Mackiewich, Reed Cashato, Ryley McLaughlin
Back Row: Rob Seaton, Leslie Landels, Darien Ottesen, Thomas Landels, Eric Reid, Tanner Gilbert, Kyle Cuzzetto, Chris Inscho, Kolten Kirschner, Steele Pelletier, Brett Olsen, Sean Howard, Logan Revell, Mackenzie Moore, Jordy Barr, Tyler Plante, Chris Scabar

2017 Sun Valley Source for Sports VERNON TIGERS JUNIOR LACROSSE CLUB

Roster: 00 Kyle McIntosh (G), 2 Kyle Cuzzetto, 4 Tanner Frange-Gilbert, 5 Conor Webb, 6 Sean Howard, 7 Jordy Barr, 8 Steele Pelletier 'A', 9 Curtis Hubert, 10 Logan Revell, 11 Brett Olsen, 12 Nick Mann, 14 Kolten Kirschner, 15 Eric Reid, 16 Thomas Mackiewich, 22 Jake Pelletier, 34 Teige Doughty, 35 Darnell Hauca (G), 44 Thomas Landels 'A', 55 Jarod Ried, 56 Chris Inscho 'C', 67 Chase Wirth, 68 Mason Salway, 79 Mackenzie Moore, 80 Reed Cashato, Riley Mclaughlin, Drayden Harshenin

Call-ups: Kael Black, Troy Cuzzeto (G), Caden Colmorgen, Zack Gares, Derek Pereboom (G)

Staff: General Manager: Duane Barr, Head Coach: Chris Scabar, Asst. Coaches: Tyler Plante, Ryan Minchenko, Casey Sheriff & Ryan Williamson, Bench: Rob Seaton, Trainers: Leslie Landels, Derek Geldrich & Kayla Comstock, GameNite: Lolly Barr, Marketing: Duane Barr, Treasurer: Belinda Harrish, Govenor: Rob Seaton

Pre-Season 2017 12th Annual Archie Jack IceBreaker Tournament - Nor-Val Sports Centre, Armstrong

April 15, Saturday- 930am - 11:00am : Vernon 5 vs Armstrong 9

April 15, Saturday - 2:00pm - 3:30pm : South Okanagan 8 vs Vernon 2

Regular Season 2017 (All 730pm starts)

April 22, Saturday @ Kamloops Venom (6 - 5) Win, 1-0-0

April 28, Friday @ Armstrong Shamrocks (11 - 9) Loss, 1-1-0

May 4, Thursday @ Kelowna Raiders (13 - 6) Win, 2-1-0
 May 8, Monday @ South Okanagan Flames (11 - 7) Win, 3-1-0
 May 17, Wednesday vs Kelowna Raiders (14 - 0) Win, 5-1-0
 May 24, Wednesday vs Armstrong Shamrocks (12 - 10) Win, 6-1-0
 May 27, Saturday vs South Okanagan Flames (12 - 5) Win, 7-1-0
 June 1, Thursday @ Kelowna Raiders (14 - 1) Win, 8-1-0
 June 2, Friday @ Armstrong Shamrocks (11 - 8) Loss, 8-2-0
 June 7, Wednesday vs Kamloops Venom (11 - 4) Loss, 8-3-0
 June 10, Saturday vs South Okanagan Flames (9 - 6) Win, 9-3-0
 June 12, Monday @ South Okanagan Flames (15 - 6) Win, 10-3-0
 June 17, Saturday vs Armstrong Shamrocks (12 - 6) Win, 11-3-0
 June 24, Saturday vs Kelowna Raiders (7 - 3) Win, 12-3-0
 June 29, Thursday @ Kamloops Venom (12 - 9) Loss, 12-4-0
 May 13, Saturday vs Kamloops Venom (12 - 10) Win, 4-1-0

TOJLL STANDINGS 2017

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	PIM
Armstrong	8*	7	1	17	153	149	321
Kamloops	13*	3*	0	26	196	94	465
Kelowna	0	16*	0	0	52	206	302
South Ok.	6*	9	1	13	155	164	589
Vernon	12	4	0	24	167	110	619

*= Default wins/losses

- Top 4 Make Playoffs: 1 vs 4 & 2 vs 3

PLAYOFFS - SEMI FINALS

Vernon Tigers (2nd) vs (3rd) Armstrong Shamrocks

Game 1 July 4 8-7 Shamrocks, Kal Tire Place
 Game 2 July 6 9-3 Tigers, Nor-Val, Armstrong
 Game 3 July 8 11-7 Tigers, Kal Tire Place
 Game 4 July 10 8-7 Tigers, Nor-Val, Armstrong

PLAYOFFS - TOJLL CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

Vernon Tigers vs Kamloops Venom

Game 1 July 17 Away 11-6 Kamloops, Memorial Arena
 Game 2 July 19 Home 12-2 Vernon, Kal Tire Place
 Game 3 July 21 Away 13-12 Kamloops, Memorial Arena
 Game 4 July 19 Home 7-6 Vernon, Kal Tire Place
 Game 5 July 25 Away 10-9 OT Kamloops, Memorial Arena

Regular Season Statistics

Players	Vernon #	Name	GP	G	A	PTS	PPG	S	PIM
00	Kyle McIntosh	14	0	5	5	0	0	0	0
2	Kyle Cuzzetto	15	9	19	28	0	0	2	
4	Tanner Gilbert	13	5	7	12	0	0	10	
5	Connor Webb	13	9	23	32	0	0	27	
6	Sean Howard	7	3	5	8	0	0	27	
7	Jordy Barr	4	5	3	8	0	0	0	
8	Steele Pelletier	13	24	26	50	0	0	87	

9 Curtis Hubert 7 2 0 2 0 0 4
 10 Logan Revell 14 0 3 3 0 0 4
 11 Brett Olsen 15 28 21 49 0 0 22
 12 Nick Mann 5 0 0 0 0 0 27
 14 Kolten Kirschner 12 14 15 29 0 0 55
 15 Eric Reid 15 4 7 11 0 0 6
 16 Thomas Mackiewich 13 1 3 4 0 0 41
 22 Jake Pelletier 14 34 33 67 0 0 53
 34 Darien Ottesen 1 0 0 0 0 0 0
 35 Darnell Hauca 15 0 1 1 0 0 0
 44 Thomas Landels 14 9 14 23 0 0 4
 55 Jarod Reid 14 3 1 4 0 0 77
 56 Chris Inscho 15 7 4 11 0 0 49
 67 Chase Wirth 13 6 8 14 0 0 20
 68 Mason Salway 14 0 2 2 0 0 18
 79 Mackenzie Moore 15 0 0 0 0 0 25
 80 Reed Cashato 15 0 3 3 0 0 31
 ##Caden Colmorgen 3 2 0 2 0 0 14
 ##Troy Cuzzetto 1 0 0 0 0 0 0
 ##Riley McLaughlin 8 0 1 1 0 0 6
 ##Derek Pereboom 1 0 0 0 0 0 0
 ##Jacob Brewer 4 0 1 1 0 0 0
 ##Teige Doughty 4 1 0 1 0 0 4
 ##Kael Black 3 0 2 2 0 0 6
 ##Zack Gares 3 1 2 3 0 0 0
 Total: - 167 209 376 0 0 619

Goalkeepers # Name GP Min W L T GA GAA SO S SA A
 Troy Cuzzetto 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
 Derek Pereboom 1 29 0 0 0 0 0 0 11 11 0
 00 Kyle McIntosh 14 354 6 0 0 32 5.42 0 148 180 5
 35 Darnell Hauca 15 577 6 4 0 78 8.11 0 334 412 1
 Total: - 960 12 4 0 110 6.88 0 493 603 6

2017 BC Provincial Junior 'B' Lacrosse Championship
August 4-7, Kal Tire Place, Vernon, British Columbia
Hosted by the Vernon Tigers Junior Lacrosse Club

ROUND-ROBIN STANDINGS

Tm W L T Pts GF GA GD
 Tigers 1 2 0 2 35 35 0
 Venom 2 1 0 2 26 26 0
 Bears 0 3 0 0 31 44 -13
 Adanacs 3 0 0 6 39 26 13

MEDAL GAMES

3rd Tigers 11 4th Bears 12 7 Mon Aug 7 9:30 am Bronze
 1st Adanacs 9 2nd Venom 4 8 Mon Aug 7 12:30 pm Silver & Gold

Tigers Awards: MVP – Stelle Pelletier, Top Scorer – Jake Pelletier, Top Rookie – Eric Reid, Coaches Choice – Brett Olsen, Most Improved – Kolten Kirschner, Unsung Hero – Conor Webb, Best Defensive – Chris Inscho

TOJLL Awards: Rookie of the Year – Jake Pelletier, Defensive Player of the Year – Ethan Anderson

Graduating Tigers: #10 Logan Revell · #14 Colton Kirschner · #56 Chris Inscho

VERNON TIGERS NEWS

Aug 7 - Adanacs brush back Venom for title

The Coquitlam Adanacs are back-to-back B.C. Junior B Lacrosse champions. By:Kevin Mitchell/ Mon Aug 7th, 2017 3:48pm/ The Coquitlam Adanacs grounded the Kamloops Venom 9-4 in the B.C. Junior B Lacrosse Championships final before 300 fans Monday afternoon at Kal Tire Place. The Adanacs advance to the national Founders Cup, Aug. 14-20, in Saskatoon. Coquitlam finished fifth at the 2016 Cup, won by the Orangeville Northmen of Ontario. Jake Pelletier of the Vernon Tigers, who lost 12-11 to the Westshore Bears of Victoria in the bronze-medal tilt Monday morning, has been added to the Coquitlam roster for nationals. Pelletier was named to the provincial tournament's first all-star team. Coquitlam, who won the West Coast League title at 15-1, ran the table in the provincials which they also ruled last year. They held 5-1 and 7-1 period leads in the final. Chris Turenne pulled the hat trick to earn game MVP for the Adanacs, while goalie Matt Hans took similar honours for Kamloops. Hans will also join Coquitlam in Saskatoon. Tourney MVP Josh Kemp supplied 2+3 for the Adanacs, who got a deuce from Lucas Shein and singles from Domink Procyk and Chris Bosa. The Venom, who won the Thompson Okanagan League crown at 13-3 before dispatching Vernon in a thrilling five-game final playoff series, outshot Coquitlam 41-40. Anthony Matusiak, captain Riley Peterson, Erik Bunce and Caden Dempsey countered for Kamloops. Peterson, Tylor Seabrooke and Colton Boomer will also play for Coquitlam at the Founders Cup. Each team took just one minor penalty, both coming in the third period. "We jumped out early, we stayed on top of it and we tried to keep a level head on the bench, just worry about the next play and everything," said Kemp, 21, who hopes to get time off from work as a bartender to attend nationals. "Even in the third when they started to score a few, we just focused on next play. Getting only one penalty was big, especially after the round-robin. We really preached to stay out of the box." Hans was sensational, making several clutch saves to keep the Adanacs from reaching double figures. Cam King was just as good going the distance for Coquitlam. "I think they just came out a little hotter right off the bat; we were slow-footed there and they got an early lead," said Hans. "We tried to fight back all night, but their defence was strong and their offence is loaded like always and we just couldn't hold them back. The boys played their hearts out and had a hell of a weekend but we just couldn't pull it off. I'll be happy to go to the nationals with this team. They're a good squad and they proved it tonight." The Adanacs, who have several players who crosstrain through soccer or hockey, have a dozen core players from last year's championship team. They rallied to bounce the Bears 12-11 in a Sunday preliminary tilt, falling behind 6-0. "It was a good win for the boys," said Coquitlam captain John Goble. "We didn't have many good starts earlier in the tournament but today was a good one. "We've have some great guys on O and get lots of goals and we've been pretty solid on dee and some goaltending. Fayaz Baradi is a good coach, O and dee, and a good leader. The boys are all athletes; we all work together, grinded it out and had a good season." Coquitlam opened the four-team tourney with a 13-5 win over the Venom and then iced the Tigers 14-10 in a Sunday matinee. Vernon lost 9-5 to Kamloops in their final round-robin game Sunday. The all-star teams: First: Goalie, Quintin Fisk, Coquitlam. Kemp, Coquitlam. Riley Marsh, Westshore. Peterson, Kamloops. Pelletier, Vernon. Brian Smith, Coquitlam. Second: Goalie, Hans, Kamloops. Jordy Barr, Vernon. Thomas Landels, Vernon. Ryan Mobilio, Coquitlam. Anthony Matusiak, Kamloops. Chris Reid, Westshore.

Aug 5 - Tigers bounce Bears 20-12

Jake Pelletier and Jordy Barr each had four goals as Vernon Tigers bounced the Westshore Bears 20-12 By:Kevin Mitchell/ Fri Aug 4th, 2017 10:48pm/ Kyle McIntosh fully expected to relax while serving as caddy for veteran starting goalie Darnell Hauca Friday night at Kal Tire. Perhaps fill up his water bottle during a break and engage in small talk at the intermissions. Instead, the 17-year-old Castlegar product pulled relief duty and jumpstarted the Tigers in a wild 20-12 win over the Westshore Bears of Victoria before 300 fans. Jake Pelletier and Jordy Barr each pocketed four goals as the Tigers opened the four-team B.C. Junior B Lacrosse Championships. Conor Webb bagged a hat trick for the Tigers, while Steele Pelletier, Thomas Landels and Midget callup Kyle Cuzzetto each supplied deuces. Vernon, who carry sponsorship from Sun Valley Source For Sports, got singles from Kolten Kirschner, Brett Olsen and Logan Revell (shorthanded). Hauca was pulled in favour of Kyle McIntosh with Vernon up 9-8 midway through the second period. McIntosh stopped a bullet by Ethan Hawes right away and shortly after, made a beauty breakaway save on Eric Beggs. "I got the call to go put the pads on and went in there and saw we were down a goal and then we were down one more and then we tied it up and took off from there," said McIntosh. "It was all a big blurr but it was a good feeling. When we were down, we started playing as a team and that's exactly what we need to do. We need to keep the momentum going and hopefully have a good next game." Rylee Marsh, a dynamic forward with a 747 shot, pulled the hat trick for the 13-4-1 Vancouver Island champion Bears. He dove through the crease to baptise McIntosh. Marsh and Jake Pelletier took MVP honours. "We got off to a slow start that's for sure; wasn't the first period we wanted but we stayed with them," said Marsh, 21. "We were all over them in the second period and we were getting our shots. We got into penalty trouble and couldn't get anything going and fell apart in the third." Marsh, who first handled a lacrosse stick at age three, led the Bears with 30 goals and 77 points in their banner season. He was impressed with the Tigers' grit and moxy. "They pressured us early and we kind of got intimidated early and we didn't get the ball out of our zone early. They slowed us down offensively. Then, late, they didn't go away. We thought they might because we were all over them, but no team here is going to shut down. Their conditioning was just better than ours tonight." Noah Holler, Chase Oickle and Chris Reid each rang up two snipes for the Bears, who got singles from Liam Gough, Ryan Kozun (shorthanded) and Hayden Ash. The Tigers (12-4 and second in the Thompson Okanagan League) led 6-4 after 20 minutes and went in front by three just 47 seconds into the middle frame on a Barr goal. Westshore then took over and pumped in five unanswered tallies in seven minutes. "We had some troubles keeping out of the box in the first period but we were all there and we knew we were a better team than them," said Jake Pelletier, 17. "Penalties killed us but in the end we stayed out of the box and put the ball in the net to finish them off." Pelletier has full confidence in both his net detectives. "Kyle's a really good goalie and so is Darnell. He just had an off game and I'm sure he'll come back strong." Westshore outshot Vernon 53-44. The Tigers take on the West Coast champion Coquitlam Adanacs Saturday at 2:30 p.m. Coquitlam parlayed 3+2 from game MVP Josh Kemp into a 13-5 opening victory over the Thompson Okanagan champion Kamloops Venom Friday afternoon. Matt Smigel, with 3+1, Ryan Mobilio, with 2+2, Josh Goble, with 1+2, Andrew Miller, Cosmo Candelora, Lucas Shein and Brian Smith completed the Coquitlam offence. Chris Bosa earned four helpers, while Jeremy Basic counted three for the Adanacs (15-1). Captain Riley Peterson scored twice for Kamloops, while singles went to Anthony Matusiak, Tylor Seabrooke and Nolan

Virgo. Venom goalie Matt Hans was named MVP. Kamloops tangles with Westshore Saturday at 11:30 a.m. The gold-medal game goes Monday at 12:30 p.m. with the winner advancing to the national Founders Cup in Saskatoon. BOXLA BANTER: Landels netted the sickest snipe of the night. He took a feed from Reed Cashato just over centre, spun around Brandon Coulombe and cruised in to beat goalie Logan Senft...Thomas Mackiewich was assessed a major for unnecessary roughness after a scuffle with Hawes midway through the middle stanza, but the Bears took a minor during that penalty and failed to connect on the powerplay...Revell trickled a low shot through Senft's legs for a

breakaway shortie at 17:07 of the second...Steele Pelletier clicked 60 seconds into a Westshore too many men penalty at 1:45 of the third, making it 12-11 Vernon. Webb upped the lead 19 seconds later and Landels converted shorthanded just 43 seconds later...The provincial champion moves on to the national Founders Cup, Aug. 14-20, in Saskatoon. The Orangeville Northmen of Ontario won the 2016 crown.

Aug 3 - Tigers ready for provincials

Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers coaches are demanding excellence from their players
By:Kevin Mitchell/ Thu Aug 3rd, 2017 1:30am/ Coaches with the Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports
Tigers are demanding excellence from their players over the B.C. Day long weekend. The Tigers host the four-team B.C. Junior B Lacrosse Championships with the winner advancing to the national Founders Cup, Aug. 14-20, in Saskatoon. Vernon, who lost a drama-jammed five-game Thompson Okanagan League final series to the Kamloops Venom, open provincials tonight (7:30) against the Vancouver Island champion Westshore Rebels (13-4-1). Kamloops (13-3) faces the West Coast champion Coquitlam Adanacs (15-1) at 4:30. "The coaches say these four games have to be the best of our careers," said Vernon captain Chris Inscho, 21. "Our coach (assistant), Tyler Plante, watched a couple of games down there so we have a little insight on Westshore and Coquitlam. "We'll pretty much just play our game and if we play our best, good things will happen." The Tigers (12-4) practised Thursday night and head coach Chris Scabar named the Midget players he will summon for Game 1. Jacob Brewer, one of four Midgets signed, may be called up for the opener. "We're all healthy," said Inscho. "For me, personally, this is a big one, especially after losing that last game against Kamloops. It's a saving grace being hosts. Everybody's pretty fired up and practice Tuesday was a little more intense than usual. The coaches want us to bring more intensity this weekend." Vernon gets prime-time scoring from brothers Jake and Steele Pelletier, Jordy Barr, Conor Webb and Brett Olsen and win with stingy team defence and clutch goaltending from Darnell Hauca. "Conor's kind of my unsung hero," said Scabar. "If there's a scrum for a loose ball, he usually comes out with it. It's not pretty but he comes up with it." Scabar gives major props to assistants Plante, Ryan Minchenko, Ryan Williamson and Casey Sherriff for getting the Tigers game ready. "I couldn't ask for a better group of coaches. We're there and we could really pull off some upsets. I know the Island will give us a full press so we're going to have to work hard to get out of our zone. We're just as competitive as Kamloops and of course Coquitlam will be favoured. They have the tradition with that name." Rylee Marsh led Westshore with 30 goals and 77 points in the regular season, while Jesse Gough supplied 31 goals and 61 assists. Coquitlam got 30 snipes and 58 points from Matt Smigel and 31 goals and 52 points from Chris Tyrene. Jeremy Basic and Chris Bosa each rang up 43 points. The Adanacs disposed of the New Westminster Salmonbellies in a three-game final series.

July 26 - Pauwels plays hero in Kamloops Venom's TOJLL title-clinching victory over Vernon Tigers
By: Marty Hastings - July 26, 2017 Kolby Pauwels sent the Snake Pit into orbit and snagged his small piece of local sports history on Tuesday night. The 20-year-old Kamloops Venom runner — who was diagnosed with cancer when he was two and underwent unproven proton radiation to survive — scored with one minute and 25 seconds left in a 10-minute, non-sudden-death overtime period to give his team a 10-9 win over the Vernon Tigers in the fifth and deciding game of the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League (TOJLL) final. "It's unbelievable," said Pauwels, standing in the middle of a sea of discarded helmets and sticks as his teammates celebrated around him. "I'm speechless. I don't know what to say, honestly. It's a great feeling." Memorial Arena was a sauna, reeking at times of body odour and cigarette smoke, a balmy, smelly, perfect stage for the final act of an epic series that went the distance. Venom captain Riley Peterson, playing the last home game of his junior B lacrosse career, scored twice in the first period. "That was probably the craziest game I've ever been a part of," Peterson said. "It had everything — overtime in Game 5 in the Snake Pit. It was a wild one tonight. No

words to describe it.” Jake Pelletier scored in the first frame for the Tigers, who trailed 2-1 heading into the second intermission. Mack Stead pushed Kamloops out to a 3-1 lead early in the second period, but Kolten Kirschner and Chris Inscho replied quickly for Vernon to level the score at 3-3. Brady Georget relayed a deft, looping outlet pass from goaltender Matt Hans onto Peterson at about the halfway point of the second period and the Venom captain notched his hat-trick goal. Hans and Tigers’ netminder Darnell Hauca exchanged impressive saves before Vernon evened the score at 4-4 through Steele Pelletier, who tallied 4-on-4 after Georget had taken Kamloops off the power play with a cross-checking penalty. “It’s not the best thing to be feeling right now,” a dejected Steele Pelletier said after the game. “It didn’t end how we wanted it to end, but we’ll get them back in the first round of provincials.” The Tigers and Venom were heading to the provincial junior B lacrosse championship no matter who won the league final, Vernon as the host team and Kamloops as the TOJLL representative. Champions of the four-team Pacific Northwest Lacrosse League (Vancouver Island) and 11-team West Coast Junior Lacrosse League (Lower Mainland) will join Kamloops and Vernon at the tournament, which gets underway on Aug. 4 at Kal Tire Place. Stead’s second goal of the game and Tanner Koroluk’s first marker pushed Kamloops into a 6-4 lead heading into the second intermission. The Tigers made a habit out of coming back throughout the series and nothing changed in Game 5. Jordy Barr, Steele Pelletier and Brett Olsen silenced Kamloops fans inside the old barn on Victoria Street with quickstrike goals to lift the Tigers into a 7-6 lead. “They never go away,” Peterson said. “They’re a great team and we’re going to see them in provincials.” The Kamloops captain recorded one of his two assists on the Venom’s next goal, shipping a behind-the-back pass to Anthony Matusiak, who made no mistake in beating Hauca to tie the game at 7-7 with 6:47 to play in the third period. Colton Boomer put the Venom in front 8-7 just more than a minute later, but Barr equalized for the Tigers with 3:38 remaining and celebrated the tying goal with a jump and a fist pump. “It’s especially hard losing this game, but we have balls,” Barr said. “We can come back from anything.” The public-address announcer said the game was entering 10 minutes of non-sudden-death play after neither team found a winner in regulation. Barr’s third goal brought Vernon fans to their feet less than two minutes into the extra frame, but Monty Chisholm answered for Kamloops about 30 seconds later. Hans made his best stop of the game to keep the Tigers from gaining the lead with 3:40 remaining in the period to set the stage for Pauwels’ heroics. “You kind of black out and don’t know what you’re doing, but what I’ve tried to do is come in clutch late in games to take care of my team,” Hans said. “I feel like I did that today and they took care of me at the same time.” Pauwels’ spine is fused from the C1 to C4 vertebrae, but that didn’t keep him from cradling a pass from Marcelo Bose and slotting the game-winner to seal the championship victory. “I had couple guys on me,” Pauwels said. “I just tried to put it on net and, luckily, it went off the post and in. “It was a hell of a series. They’re a great squad over there. I can’t say enough about them.” Kamloops and Vernon have met in six straight TOJLL finals. The Venom have won three straight and four of six. “How it ended sucked,” Tigers’ head coach Chris Scabar said. “My boys deserved that game. We’ve been working really hard for this. It’s a tough loss, a very tough loss. “It’s motivation for us [ahead of provincials]. It’s a real big motivator for us. We’re not dead yet. As you can tell, we don’t sit back. We’re going to move forward.”

July 24 - Tigers force deciding game

Vernon sends TOJLL final back to Kamloops for Game 5 Tuesday, after 7-6 win at home Sunday
By:Roger Knox/ Sun Jul 23rd, 2017 10:30pm/ One game. Winner take all. The Vernon Tigers and Kamloops Venom will decide the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League championship Tuesday night at Memorial Arena in Kamloops (7:30 p.m. start) after the Tigers forced the deciding game with a 7-6 win in Game 4 Sunday in front of 600 fans at Kal Tire Place. Vernon led only twice in Game 4. They opened the scoring at 4:19 of the first period when Jordy Barr fired a submarine shot from long range that fooled Venom goalie Matt Hans, and closed the scoring at 17:31 of the second period when Thomas Landels scored his second of the game from a sharp angle from the right side of the net with a

shot that went in over the shoulder of Hans. There was no scoring in the third period, the second time in the series the Tigers blanked the Venom offence for 20 minutes. "It was a big win, we really needed this," said Landels. "I think we really worked hard and got back on defence to stop their fast breaks. That's what won this game for us, that we got back on defence and put the ball in the net tonight." Monty Chisholm and Riley Lawryk, shorthanded, gave Kamloops a 2-1 lead in the first before the Tigers' Eric Reid came around from behind the net and scored shortside over Hans' shoulder. Riley Peterson scored on a long-range shot to give the Venom a 3-2 lead before Tigers midget call-up Kael Black picked up a loose ball following a Darnell Hauca save, ran the length of the floor and beat Hans after a series of stick fakes, much to the elation of the partisan home crowd. The goal coming with just 28 seconds left in the period. The Venom thought they had taken a 4-3 lead 18 seconds later but Lawryk was called for in the crease. Kamloops built up a two-goal lead two minutes into the middle frame on goals 41 seconds apart from Anthony Matusiak and Peterson. Jake Pelletier got the Tigers back to within a goal three minutes later with another long range shot from the outside over Hans' shoulder as the shot clock was winding down. Colton Boomer restored the two-goal Venom advantage at 5:11 on a breakaway, the recipient of a neat pass from Lawryk in his own end over the heads and outstretched sticks of two Tigers defenders, right into Boomer's stick. Cue the Vernon comeback. For a second straight game, the Tigers refused to quit and scored three goals in 3:52 to take the lead for good. Landels pulled the Tigers to within a goal at 13:39; Pelletier equalized at 17:00, with Landels netting the game-winner 31 seconds later. Both goalies did all they could in the third period. Hauca made 12 saves and finished with 35 on the night while Hans made 15 saves, part of his 51-save effort. Hans also chipped in on offence with three assists. "We couldn't find a way to score (in the third period), it was as simple as that," said Chisholm. "It seemed like we were getting good chances but their goalie played pretty good." For the second straight game, the Venom let leads slip away against a resilient Tigers squad. "It seems like we're up three goals and it seems like every game they come back with a couple of quick ones," said Chisholm. "It's been like that the whole series. We need to find a way to stop that. We get a good lead, we just can't seem to ever hang on to it much longer than few minutes. We have to figure that out." Neither team had any luck with the man advantage in what was relatively a tame game. Vernon was 0-5 on the powerplay, Kamloops 0-3. It's the second time in the three years the two rivals will play a winner-take-all, fifth-and-deciding game. The Venom – who swept the 2016 final over Vernon – beat the Tigers at Kal Tire Place in Game 5 in 2015. The last two titles for Kamloops have been won on the road. "We didn't want to let it (Kamloops winning championship) happen a third straight time in our building," said Landels. "We really put our heart into this game and we really want to take it to them in their own barn." Said Chisholm: "Obviously we wanted to win the banner here tonight, we came in here hoping to do that and we couldn't get it done. Now it's back home at Memorial Tuesday night and hopefully we can get it done." The Venom had six midget call-ups in their lineup, the Tigers used two.

July 22 - Venom edge Tigers in Game 3 thriller

Kamloops leads best-of-five final 2-1 By: Marty Hastings Kamloops This Week/ Sat Jul 22nd, 2017 8:30am/ Local SportsSports Folks at the Kamloops establishment, Noble Pig, may have seen deep-fried pickles shimmy across their vibrating table. The ground-shaking roar from Memorial Arena on Friday night was that powerful. "Oh, my god," Kamloops Venom runner Riley Lawryk said. "I've never felt so excited. You can't even describe it, a game winner in the playoffs." Lawryk scored with one minute and 33 seconds remaining in the third period to give Kamloops a 13-12 lead over the Vernon Tigers in Game 3 of the best-of-five Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League final, sending the 400-or-so fans in attendance into a frenzy. The goal held up to put the Tigers on life support heading into Game 4 in Vernon on Sunday (7:30 p.m. Kal Tire Place). Tigers' head coach Chris Scabar hadn't quite gathered himself and was clearly trying to process the finish to the incredible playoff tilt when speaking to KTW. "I'm kind of speechless," he said. "The adrenaline ... My team showed a lot of

heart and guts tonight and I'm really proud of them even though we lost by one. "They showed a lot of balls." That they did. In the first two games of the series, the home team bolted out to an early lead and went on to win comfortably, the Venom 11-6 on Monday and the Tigers 12-2 on Wednesday. The Snakes stuck to the script early on in Game 3. Monty Chisholm's hat trick and singles from Lawryk, Colton Boomer and Tylor Seabrooke had the Venom up 6-0 with one minute remaining in the first period. Similarities to Games 1 and 2 ended there, with more plot twists and a jaw-dropping ending in store. Jarod Reid tallied with 53.2 seconds remaining, Brett Olsen scored with 41.9 seconds on the clock and Jake Pelletier beat Kamloops netminder Matt Hans with 19.4 seconds left to cut the Venom's lead to 6-3 heading into the first intermission. "I wish I knew what happened," Venom head coach Doug Clark said when asked about the late first-period collapse. "A few brain farts and the ball goes in and they're right back in it. "I really thought we had control of the game a few times and we managed to let them crawl back into it." Vernon's impressive band of travelling fans included a spirited choir of shrieking females who found full voice when their team jolted back to life, snaring momentum that carried into the second period. Pelletier scored two more goals inside the first three minutes of the second period and things were seemingly about to get worse for the Venom. Indiscipline, which has cost Kamloops dearly in this series, reared its ugly head when Brady Georget took a doubleminor for high-sticking Kolten Kirschner, who was mauled by three Kamloops players at the same time. The Tigers' terrific power play seemed primed to pounce, but the Venom's captain had other ideas. Riley Peterson muzzled out-of-town fans with one of his three second-period goals, two of which came short-handed. "Those were huge," Clark said of the timely markers. "He's a very good leader and he is showing why he's got the C on his jersey." The Venom captain's third goal of the period pushed his team into a 9-5 lead, bringing to a boil the boisterous beer garden brimming with Kamloops Broncos baritones. "HAU-CA! HAU-CA!" was the chant led by the local junior football team, taking aim at Vernon goaltender Darnell Hauca. The Tigers still had some noise of their own to make. Olsen corralled a pretty pass from Jordy Barr to finish off a back-door play and the Venom coughed up the ball in their own end a few minutes later, a turnover Conor Webb accepted and deposited 27 seconds before the second intermission. The teams exchanged goals early in the third period, Boomer for Kamloops and Barr for Vernon, to make the score 10-8 in the Venom's favour. Georget then took another penalty. Scorekeepers informed officials it was his fifth penalty of the game, the maximum allowed, so he was ejected and sent to the dressing room. It then came to light that it was only his fourth penalty, so he was chased down and told to hurry back to the floor. The delay took about five minutes. Memorial Arena's fast-developing party atmosphere received a shot in the arm when he hustled back into the penalty box, spurring laughter, cheering and jeering from the crowd. Vernon ruined the mood with a pair of goals, markers from Pelletier and Thomas Landels that left the game tied 10-10 with 11:18 to play in the third period. "It's probably the best game I've been part of at Memorial Arena since I've been with the Venom," Chisholm said. "Just back and forth all night." Derek Rockvam and Boomer replied quickly to lift Kamloops into a 12-10 lead with 10:06 remaining, goals that seemed like nails in Vernon's coffin. Again, the Tigers fought back. Seabrooke took a five-minute major for high-sticking with 4:57 to play, another untimely penalty. Pelletier promptly notched a power-play goal to trim the Venom's lead down to one goal. "When the game is salting away, you don't need to be in the box," Clark said. "They have a very good power play and we keep on giving them opportunities." Ryan Wightman is integral in pushing the Venom up floor and relied on to distribute crisp passes. He did both of those jobs well and had a commendable game on Friday, but had a brain-freeze moment late in the third period, a giveaway in front of his own net that led to the tying goal. Pelletier's sixth marker tied the game at 12-12 with 1:56 to play. "We fought hard," Pelletier said. "It was a back and forth game. We thought that was our game. "We really wanted this win so we could win in our home barn. I guess we'll just have to come back here and win it." Lawryk bailed out his downtrodden teammate with the goal of his life 23 seconds after Vernon tied the game. "I've never lost it so hard after scoring a goal," Lawryk said. "It was crazy." Vernon will be desperate to hold serve at

home on Sunday, looking for a victory that would set up a winner-take-all Game 5 in Kamloops on Tuesday. "We love the atmosphere here," Scabar said. "We love it here. We can't wait to come back."

July 20 - Tigers trounce Venom to even TOJLL final

Vernon snaps Kamloops' 14-game winning streak with convincing 12-2 victory By: Roger Knox/ Wed Jul 19th, 2017 9:30pm/ The Vernon Tigers have made the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League final a best-of-three affair. The hometown Tigers whipped the Kamloops Venom 12-2 Wednesday night at Kal Tire Place, evening the best-of-five championship at a game apiece. Game 3 is Friday night at the Kamloops Memorial Arena, with Game 4 returning to Vernon Sunday. Both games are 7:30 p.m. starts. Vernon jumped out to a 4-0 first period lead, held Kamloops scoreless for 34 minutes and 30 seconds, and extended the lead to 9-1 after 40 minutes. The final period was a parade to the penalty box with Kelowna referees Lorne Craig and Devin Craig calling 49 minutes in penalties, including 39 against the Venom. Through the first two periods, the Venom and Tigers were each whistled for four minor penalties with a 10-minute misconduct given to Kamloops' Monty Chisholm late in the second period. "I'm just hoping we find some discipline," said Kamloops head coach Doug Clark. "If we don't, this series is going to be over in a hurry." The Tigers scored three times with the man advantage in front of Darnell Hauca, who was brilliant in the Tigers net, finishing with 42 saves. Hauca got the hook in Game 1 after Vernon fell behind 5-1 in the opening period. "Last game, we just didn't play as a team in the first period and we kind of got down on ourselves," said Hauca. "Me being pulled was just to bring the team back in, it was the right move. Tonight, we played as a team and we played our best game of the season, for sure." Conor Webb led Vernon with 3+4 while Jordy Barr also scored three times, Eric Reid and Jake Pelletier had two each and singles went to Brett Olsen and Chase Wirth. Riley Peterson scored the Venom's first goal on the team's 26th shot while Quinn Williamson added the other goal. The officials were quick to step in and stop a heated discussion between both teams' coaching staffs at the end of the second period. The loss snapped the Venom's 14-game winning streak. The two teams have split their six regular and post-season meetings.

July 18 - Venom roll past Tigers in TOJLL opener

Kamloops scores 11-6 decision to take Game 1 of best-of-five final By: Marty Hastings Kamloops This Week Tue Jul 18th, 2017 9:30am/ Sports Erik Bunce's family was evacuated from Williams Lake on Saturday. The Kamloops Venom runner was able to help them escape thoughts of raging wildfires with a memorable performance against the Vernon Tigers in Game 1 of the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League final on Monday at Memorial Arena. He opened the scoring in what turned out to be an 11-6 triumph for Kamloops and was later ejected from the game. Game 2 of the best-of-five series between teams squaring off in the league final for the sixth straight year will be played in Vernon tonight, 7:30 p.m., at Kal Tire Place. Bunce collected the ball in front of his own net and ran straight up main street to score and put Kamloops up 1-0 less than three minutes into the first period, sparking a roar from the 300-or-so fans in attendance, about 10 of whom were B.C. wildfire evacuees who were not asked to pay for tickets. "They got evacuated two nights ago, my parents and three of my siblings, so they're staying at our place in Aberdeen," said Bunce, who moved to Kamloops to play lacrosse two years ago. "It's been tough, for sure, but they're definitely hanging in there, keeping active. They're volunteering to keep their minds off of it." The Bunces were able to enjoy Erik's play for 40 minutes. He blew a gasket after the whistle sounded to end the second period, engaging Tigers standout Steele Pelletier, who didn't want much to do with the encounter. The tussle ended in Pelletier's facemask being ripped off and Bunce being handed a two-game suspension. "The kid said some things and I just overreacted," a much-calmer Bunce said after the game. Kamloops roared out to a 5-1 lead, thanks in part to two first-period goals from captain Riley Peterson. "It was a hell of a battle by our guys," said Peterson, whose second goal of the game sparked a Vernon goaltending change, with Kyle McIntosh replacing Darnell Hauca. Colton Boomer and Monty Chisholm also scored for the Venom in the first

period and Chase Wirth put the Tigers on the board, wiring a shot that ricocheted off the glass, then off Kamloops netminder Matt Hans' back and into the net. The Tigers, playing with only 15 runners, fought back early in the second period, with Jordy Barr and Brett Olsen finding twine to reduce the Venom's lead to 5-3, but Peterson and Riley Lawryk replied for Kamloops. Lawryk's family was also evacuated from Williams Lake on Saturday. Jake Pelletier scored two goals for Vernon and Peterson notched his fourth marker of the game for Kamloops before the second intermission. "They never stop competing," said Kamloops coach Doug Clark said of the Tigers. "They're well-coached and they keep battling. I've got a lot of respect for them." Mack Stead scored twice in the third frame, with Anthony Matusiak adding a single to round out the home team's scoring. Jake Pelletier notched his hat-trick goal for the Tigers, a long-range shot that found its way past Hans, who had a solid game between the pipes. "We need to play a full 60, don't take penalties and play our game," Hauca said when asked what his Tigers must do to rebound from the loss. Loose Balls: The Venom have won 14 straight games. Their last official loss was a 1-0 forfeit to the South Okanagan Flames May 15. Their last defeat with an actual game played was a 12-10 setback to the Tigers in Vernon May 13. The Tigers are the only team to beat Kamloops on the floor (twice)...Both the Tigers and Venom have secured berths to the B.C. Junior B championships Aug. 4-7 at Kal Tire Place...The West Coast Junior League is down to its semifinals with the New Westminster Salmonbellies, Coquitlam Adanacs and Port Moody Thunder having secured berths. The Port Coquitlam Saints and Delta Islanders play a deciding game in their quarterfinal Wednesday...On Vancouver Island, the Pacific Northwest Junior League's best-of-five final is between the regular-season champion Westshore Bears and Saanich Tigers, with the winner coming to Vernon. The Tigers have swept the Bears the last three seasons.

July 11 - Tigers knock out Shamrocks

Another year, another Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers-Kamloops Venom final series. By: Kevin Mitchell/ Tue Jul 11th, 2017 10:49am/ Another year, another Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers-Kamloops Venom championship series. The Tigers held off the stubborn Armstrong Shamrocks 8-7 Monday night at Nor-Val Sports Centre, taking the best-of-five semifinal series 3-1. Vernon visits the league champion Venom Monday night in Game 1 of the Thompson Okanagan final at Memorial Arena. Game 2 in the best-of-five goes Wednesday, July 19 at Kal Tire Place. Both teams are guaranteed spots in the provincial Junior B tournament, Aug. 4-7 in Vernon. The Venom swept the South Okanagan Flames, taking the third game by forfeit. Jake Pelletier scored four times as the Tigers grounded the Shamrocks 11-7 Saturday night at Kal Tire Place. Pelletier also triggered four goals Monday night as Vernon knocked out the Irish. It was 3-2 Armstrong after one period and 7-5 Vernon after 40 minutes. Starter Darnell Hauca pulled himself after two periods after taking a shot to the head. Kyle McIntosh was brilliant in a 10-save relief appearance. "Kyle stepped up and stood on his head for us," said Tiger head coach Chris Scabar. "We won both games with good defence and good offence. You don't come back and win without both. These kids are bruised and battered and they're all playing for one another. The week off will do us good and I'm really looking forward to playing Kamloops." Scabar rested veteran Steele Pelletier for both weekend contests, while fellow vet Conor Webb was away Monday night. The Tigers dressed just 16 players in Game 4. Thomas Landels supplied 2+1 for the Tigers in Game 4, while Midget call-up Jacob Brewer scored his first career goal as a Tiger and Eric Reid also converted. Jordy Barr and Chase Wirth each counted two helpers. Mason Salway of the Tigers fought Braydon Hoggarth, while Mackenzie Moore of Vernon took on Sam Hanley in the third period. Hanley supplied 2+2 for the Rocks Monday night. Austin Daumis (2), Tyler Chartier (1+2), Hoggarth and Cam Watson completed the Armstrong offence in front of Connor Senn. In Vernon, Barr pocketed 3+4, Koltan Kirschner provided 1+3, Eric Reid posted 1+4 and Jarod Reid scored once. Brett Olsen collected four helpers. Chartier rang up 3+1 for the Shamrocks, while captain Marlon Forrest produced 1+3, Hanley earned 1+2 and Ryan Sadorsky and Cam Watson contributed singles. Vernon held period leads of 3-2 and 5-4.

July 10 - Round 1 Game 4 Tigers vs Shamrocks By: Tigers Facebook Page If you weren't in Armstrong tonight you missed a good one. Heck I even missed a critical play tonight. Here's a stat for you. Did you know we never got the first 2 goals in any of these 4 games.? We lost our first home game 8-7 and won in their last home game to finish them 8-7. Tonight we showed up with 15 runners, yes 15 runners for various reasons, vacations, work, etc. We were missing 8 runners and no amount of midget call ups were gonna fill that void. Shout out to the Armstrong Shamrocks who I thought played an excellent series after a very successful season. 3-2 Shamrocks after the 1st, 7-5 Tigers after the 2nd and a final of 8-7 for your Vernon Tigers who won the series 3-1 and advance to the final against the Kamloops Venom starting Monday July17 in old Memorial. Shout out to #67 Chase Wirth 2A, to #7 Jordy Barr 2A and to #44 Thomas Landels with 2G1A. Hot rod of the night you ask? Ya no question #22 Jake Pelletier with 4G and 3 of which came in the 2nd period. Defensively we played good, killed some key penalties and worked them hard. Should recognize the play of our rookie goalie #00 Kyle McIntosh who went in cold late in the 2nd period tied at 5 after starter Darnell Hauca left with an injury. Stood on his head in there making some key saves on a relentless power play Here's the critical play I missed. #16 Thomas Mackiewich takes a 5 and a 2 for high sticking goes to the box hotter than a fire cracker. I heard the penalty box door slam so I look up to see the scorekeeper yelling and totally losing it in the box towards our player but little did I know it was the score keeper who slammed the penalty box door in an effort to get at our penalized player. Totally against the rules for that kind of volunteer/player interaction so he was relieved of his duties and got to enjoy the rest of the game from the stands. The next series is going to be incredibly competitive, strong and very physical so your going to see things your not going to like. Calm heads need to prevail, we are a classy organization and need to be mind full of that. Well done gentlemen. The #quesforthecup continues on Monday

July 8 - Round 1 Game 3 Tigers vs Shamrocks By: Tigers Facebook Page Weeeeeew ! What a barn burner at home tonight.. Penalties played such an important role in this game. Yikes 3-2 Tigers after the 1st, 5-4 Tigers after the 2nd, then it got interesting with penalties. 5-5, then 6-5 Shamrocks then 7-5 Shamrocks. Loved the role reversal when they got into penalty trouble... 7-6 Jake from Jordy, 7-7 Jake from Jordy, then 8-7 Jordy from Brett. The wheels continued to roll and your Tigers ended with a final of 11-7 to take a 2-1 series lead heading into Armstrong or game 4 on Monday Shout out to #11 Brett Olsen 4A, #14 Kolten Kirschner 1G3A, # 15 Eric Reid 1G4A and to #22 Jake Pelletier with 5G1A.. Hot rod of the night you ask? Ya no question goes to #7 Jordy Barr a 7 point night with 3G4A including the game winner. smile emoticon:) Should recognize the play of our defensive end in Moore, Cashato, Salway, Mackiewich, Revell, and Kirschner who again played such a key role in shutting them down. You guys played awesome and are a true force out there. Great job to our tender #35 Darnell Hauca an impressive 30 stops. Weird play of the night goes to #44 Thomas Landels while killing a short man gets swarmed by 3 guys in front of the Armstrong bench, eventually loses the ball and gets lifted and pushed right into in to the shamrocks bench ..No love from those guys in there. And finally the class act of the night goes to 3 great Tigers fans Caitlin, Brenden and Tigers guy who helped pick up the over 190 Frisbees during the 2nd intermission Frisbee toss. Well done gentlemen Make the trip to Armstrong Monday and #supportyourtigers on their #questforthecup

July 7 - Tigers stifle Shamrocks to level series

The Vernon Tigers used defence to level their Junior boxla series with the Armstrong Shamrocks By: Kevin Mitchell/ Fri Jul 7th, 2017 4:47pm/ The Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers have no issues scoring goals in the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League. However, the Tigers focussed on defence to win their biggest game of the season Thursday night at Nor-Val Sports Centre in Armstrong. It was Vernon's first win in Armstrong this campaign. Vernon held Shamrock captain Marlon Forrest and sniper Brayden Hoggarth pointless in a 9-3 win which levelled the best-of-five

semifinal playoff series at 1-1. Game 3 goes Saturday night at Kal Tire Place. Game 4 is Monday night in Armstrong. A fifth game, if required, would go Wednesday night in Vernon. Brett Olsen supplied 2+2 for the Tigers, who held period leads of 3-2 and 7-2 in front of Darnell Hauca. Thomas Landels, Kyle Cuzzetto, Jake Pelletier and Jordy Barr each pocketed 1+2 for Vernon, who got singles from captain Chris Inscho and Eric Reid. Kolten Kirschner counted three assists.

"It (defensive play) kind of just happened," said Barr. "We very strong on defence. We had our top d-men, Chris Inscho, Kolten Kirschner, Logan Revell and McKenzie Moore, on their top-three: Hoggarth, (Sam) Hanley and Forrest. It felt nice to tie the series. We just have to keep our heads in the game and not get too cocky moving forward." The Shamrocks, who finished third in the regular season, seven points behind the second-seeded Tigers, got snipes from Hanley, Nich Yadernuk and Carter Olsen-Stiles in front of Connor Sean. Inscho said the Tigers didn't give the potent Shamrocks time to set up their offence. "We stuck to our normal defence but I think we pressed them a little harder and they turned the ball over more," said Inscho, a fourth-year Cat who turns 21 on July 19. "We really had to make up for our loss in Game 1 and everybody brought a little extra to Game 2. We have our confidence back and we know what it takes." Vernon took 34 penalty minutes and Armstrong 21. The Tigers host the provincial tournament, Aug. 4-7. The league champion Kamloops Venom stuffed the South Okanagan Flames 16-12 in Oliver Thursday night to grab a 2-0 series lead. Game 3 goes Saturday night in Kamloops. Monty Chisholm led the Venom with six goals. Colten Boomer (3), Riley Peterson (2), Ryan Wightman (2), Nolan Virgo, Kolby Pauwels and Tylor Seabrooke also hit the scoresheet in support of Matt Hans.

July 5 - Shamrocks knock off Tigers

Captain Marlon Forrest supplied 2+2 as the Armstrong Shamrocks upended the Vernon Tigers 8-7 Tuesday By: Kevin Mitchell/ Wed Jul 5th, 2017 10:21am/ Captain Marlon Forrest supplied 2+2 as the Armstrong Shamrocks upended the Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers 8-7 Tuesday night at Kal Tire Place. Game 2 in the best-of-five Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League semifinal series goes Thursday night at Nor-Val Sports Centre in Armstrong. The third game is Saturday night in Vernon. It was the Shamrocks' first win of any kind in Vernon since 2012 (won in regular season at KTP that year, plus one playoff win in Vernon, a series won by the Tigers). The Canadian dollar finished 2012 at .99 cents; Somebody That I Used to Know by Gotye was Billboard's top song. Armstrong has won three of five meetings with Vernon this year, including both regular-season meetings at the Nor-Val Sports Centre. Armstrong jumped out to a 2-0 lead despite being outshot 14-2 at the halfway point of the first period (goals came at 10:24 and a shorthanded marker at 15:51). Vernon then scored the next five goals in a 9:19 span over the first and second period to take a 5-2 lead. Shamrocks' coach Jim Point called a timeout after the fifth Tigers' goal, a beauty by Chase Wirth, who took a long breakaway pass from goalie Darnell Hauca but tripped going into the Shamrock zone. Wirth maintained possession of the ball, got up, shook off a check from Forrest, went in and beat Armstrong goalie Connor Senn over the left shoulder, igniting the crowd of close to 300. The Shamrocks responded to Point's message, scoring eight seconds after the timeout and levelled the score 5-5 before the end of the frame. Point on the timeout: "I just asked them to settle down and stick with the plan on defence. Be focused, because they got a little bit rattled after they scored four in a row. I asked them to stay with their check and get back on their game, move the ball to the offence and let the offence work the 30 (shot clock), get a shot and go hard on the rebound. The quick goal after the timeout kept my guys together. And it probably was the turning point, yes." Seth Gordey, Nick Yadernuk and Hanley also rang up deuces for the third-place Shamrocks, who led 2-1 after one period. It was 5-5 after 40 minutes. Hanley produced the winner on a laser of an outside shot at 15:56, 56 seconds after Kolten Kirschner tied the game for Vernon. Senn stopped Tigers sniper Jordy Barr on a clearcut breakaway with 1:10 left in regulation. "I tried to go top right and he made a great save off me," said Barr. "Their goalie played really well. They seem to play their best against us. We just need to

keep up the momentum and not get down on ourselves, not get mad at one another. It's up to us veterans to get everybody on line." The second-place Tigers got 3+2 from Jake Pelletier and 1+2 from Brett Olsen. Kyle Cuzzetto completed the offence. The Shamrocks took seven of 11 minor penalties. Vernon outshot Armstrong 47-42. Point on the win in Vernon boosting his team's confidence: "It seems like we're always in the game this year - we had one blowout against Kamloops - but even when we played here, I think we were close. We weren't really intimidated. We just needed to follow our plan on defence and let the offence do their thing. We knew we could beat them. We just had to stay focused."

July 2 - Tigers-Rocks open playoffs By: Morning Star Staff The Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers open the Thompson-Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League playoffs Tuesday night against the Armstrong Shamrocks. Game time is 7:30 p.m. at Kal Tire Place. The second game in the best-of-five semifinal series goes Thursday night at Nor-Val Sports Centre in Armstrong. The Tigers finished second at 12-4 after losing 12-9 to the host Kamloops Venom in a showdown for the regular-season banner Thursday night. Monty Chisholm supplied 3+2 as the Venom ended the season at 13-3. The teams evenly split their four-game series. Colton Boomer bagged a deuce, while Qunn Williamson added 1+2 and Riley Peterson drew five assists for Kamloops. who meet the South Okanagan Flames (6-9-1) in the other semifinal series. Jake Pelletier produced 5+2, while Conor Webb earned 2+2 for the Tigers, who trailed 4-2 after 20 minutes. It was 7-7 after 40. Jordy Barr returned from injury reserve and pocketed 2+1, while Steel Pelletier counted three helpers. Reed Cashato of the Tigers and Eric Bunce of the Venom were tossed for fighting in the third period. The Shamrocks finished third in the five-team circuit at 8-7-1. Vernon hosts the Junior B Provincials, Aug 4-7 at Kal Tire Place.

June 28 - Tigers vs Venom (June 29 Game) By: Tigers Facebook Page Your Tigers played a tough one in Kamloops tonight in front of a big loud crowd. 4-2 Venom after the 1st, 7-7 tie after the 2nd. We owned that second period. I said to myself if we stay out of the penalty box in the 3rd we'll win this game. We're better, we're faster, our power play is quicker but ultimately you just can't play short handed against these guys. We took a number of penalties in the 3rd and ended up finishing with a 12-9 loss which dropped us to second in the TOJLL regular season which only gives you home floor advantage in the second round of playoffs. Shout out to #5 Conor Webb 2G2A, to #8 Steele Pelletier 3A and welcome back to #7 Jordy Barr whom has missed the last 13 games getting 2G1A. That goal off of the Pelletier feed was hi lite reel incredible. Heck we had 2 missed calls from TSN to find out who had it on film but no cell service in that hot old barn. Hot rod of the night you ask? Ya no question #22 Jake Pelletier with an impressive 7 point night potting 5G2A. Defender of the night goes to #44 Thomas Landels who single handedly almost killed a 5 min short man. He is likely the best in the league at ragging the ball and at one point had 3 guys on him was lifted at least a foot in the air, thrown against the boards and still came out with the ball in his stick. Ridiculous Weird play of the night a Jake Pelletier lazer beam shot hits the Venom goalie square in the face mask, goalie drops, play is stopped, mask comes off, trainer comes out and picks up his two chipped chicklets, she gives the goalie a towel wipes his mouth and he puts his helmet back on so we can continue. That's weird. I should mention the play of our goalie #35 Darnell Hauca whom without a doubt stood on his head in net tonight. Reminder that your Tigers will now face the Armstrong Shamrocks in the first round of playoffs starting at home on Tuesday July 4th. Come out and #supportyourtigers on their #questforthecup Well done gentlemen

June 28 - Tigers chasing boxla banner (June 24 Game)

As expected, the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League title will be won on the final night By: Kevin Mitchell/ Tue Jun 27th, 2017 4:28pm/ As expected, the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League title will be won on the final night of the regular season. The Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers and Kamloops Venom meet Thursday night at Memorial Arena to determine first place.

Both teams are 12-3 with Vernon holding a 2-1 edge in the season series. The Tigers dispatched the Kelowna Raiders 7-3 Saturday night at Kal Tire Place, while the Venom torched the South Okanagan Flames 21-7 Sunday in Kamloops. Kelowna could only muster seven runners and a goalie in Vernon. The Tigers lent the Raiders Mackenzie Moore and Kelowna (0-16) played the Cats tough, trailing 4-3 at one point. Kolten Kirschner pocketed four goals for the Tigers, who will open the playoffs Tuesday night at Kal Tire Place (7:30). The Shamrocks landed third after stopping the Flames 16-8 Friday night at Nor-Val Sports Centre. Nick Yadernuk collected 8+1 for the Shamrocks (8-7-1), while Sam Hanley scored three times and Jayke Cowie counted 1+3. Chase Bronson and Nik Luttmending each supplied 1+2, while Ryan Sadorsky and Colton Greeno also connected in support of Connor Senn (2A). Cam Watson earned seven assists.

June 25 - Tigers defeat Raiders (June 24 Game) By: Tigers Facebook Page Yawn...I must apologize to our fans for that game tonight, 3-15 minute run time periods could only mean the Raiders showed up with a very short bench tonight. Took awhile to get the mojo going but it came around. I will say the short man never even got a chance to show their stuff. This is the very first lacrosse game that I recall when we never took a penalty.. yes you read it, the league leading offenders didn't register any penalty minutes in tonight's game. 3-0 Tigers after the 1st, 6-3 Tigers after 2 periods and 7-3 for your Vernon Tigers who still share the TOJLL league with The Kamloops Venom. Shout out to #8 Steele Pelletier with 3A, to #11 Brett Olsen with 1G2A and to #9 Curtis Hubert 1G on a fantastic feed from #11 Brett Olsen. Hot rod of the night you ask? Ya no question goes to #14 Kolten Kirschner with 4G1A Nice to have #34 Tieghe Doughty back in the lineup whom I thought had a great game. Should recognize the play of our goalie #00 Kyle McIntosh stopped 20 in a winning effort and had a handle on 2 great breakaway opportunities. This league is tight. It comes down to the last game against Kamloops Venom to see who gets home floor advantage in the playoffs. Well done gentlemen the #questforthecup continues Thursday

June 21 - Tigers share first with Venom (June 17 Game)

It appears the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League title will be decided next Thursday By: Kevin Mitchell/ Tue Jun 20th, 2017 4:12pm/

It appears the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League title will be decided next Thursday when the Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers visit the Kamloops Venom. Both teams are 11-3 with two games remaining. Jake Pelletier rang up 3+5 and Brett Olson also pulled the hat trick as the Tigers toppled the Armstrong Shamrocks 12-6 Saturday night at Kal Tire Place. Colton Boomer (6) and Riley Peterson (3) boosted the Venom past the South Okanagan Flames 14-10 Monday night in Penticton. Thomas Landels pocketed 2+1 for the Tigers, who got singles from Steel Pelletier, Conor Webb and Caden Colmorgen. Kyle Cuzzetto counted four assists. Steel Pelletier was ejected midway through the second period after arguing an interference penalty. Sam Hanley, with four, Brayden Hoggarth and captain Marlon Forrest, replied for the Shamrocks. Tyler Chartier chipped in with three helpers. Vernon held period leads of 5-0 and 9-3. Darnell Hauca and Kyle McIntosh combined to make 31 saves, while Connor Senn of the Rocks blocked 36 shots. Meanwhile, the senior Shamrocks grounded the visiting Kamloops Rattlers 10-3 and ran their record to 7-0. Carston Schlaak started the Rocks' scoring on the opening faceoff by running a perfect pick and roll off the left side with Brett Hawrys and depositing a shot over Rattlers netminder Mike Smith's shoulder. Seconds later, Joel Castle ripped a corker top cheese. Hawrys cut through the middle to score but a bad line change by the offence cost the Irish a goal. Will Hanley had two disallowed goals for crease violations but finally scored on a great individual effort, splitting two defenders and rolling off another to dent the hemp. Austin Lewarne connected with a beautiful shorthanded marker on a breakaway pass from Jamie Cockerill and Braden Barr scored his first as a Shamrock on a perfect cross floor pass from Hawrys for a one-timer to make it 6-1 after 20 minutes. Kamloops scored on a nice one-timer on the power play but Steve Clark answered

on a Shamrock man advantage. It was 7-2 after two periods. Hawrys won a one-on-one battle and sliced to the crease to score on a low, glove-hand shot. Clark buried a rope-ripping shot from the shooter position and then newly acquired veteran Jamie MacGregor potted his first as an Armstrong Shamrock (scored a few as a Victoria Shamrock) on the powerplay after some nifty passing. The Rattlers scored on a last-minute goal dribbler. "When our offensive unit plays like a unit we are potent," said Irish captain Clark. "Tonight we came out flying to start but were pretty flat in the second and cruised through the third. We know we can play better." The Shamrocks close the regular season Friday in Kamloops and then host Game 1 of the Rowcliffe Cup finals starting Wednesday July 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Nor Val Sports Centre.

June 13 - Tigers torch Flames twice (June 10 & amp; 11 Games)

First in the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League may be decided on the last day of the season. By: Kevin Mitchell/ Tue Jun 13th, 2017 3:24pm/ First place in the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League may be decided on the last day of the season. The Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers took over the penthouse by shelling the South Okanagan Flames 16-9 Monday night at Penticton Memorial Arena. The Tigers ran their record to 10-3, one win ahead of the defending champion Kamloops Venom, 8-3 winners over the visiting Armstrong Shamrocks Sunday night. Vernon visits Kamloops Thursday, June 29 to close the regular schedule. Jake Pelletier counted 4+4, while Brett Olsen pocketed 4+2 as the Tigers torched the Flames. Kolten Kirschner added 2+3, while Conor Webb supplied 1+2 and other singles came Tanner Gilbert and Eric Reid. Vernon held period leads of 4-1 and 9-5. Brenden Deverill, Rhys MacDonald, Jake McLeod, Colin Duffield, Connor Walton and Sam Jones replied for South Okanagan (5-6-1). Steel Pelletier rang up 3+2 and Olsen collected 2+2 as the Tigers grounded the Flames 9-6 Saturday night at Kal Tire Place. Chase Wirth earned 2+1, while Kirschner and captain Chris Inscho contributed singles. Thomas Landels produced three helpers as Vernon enjoyed period leads of 4-2 and 6-4. Duffield bagged a deuce for the Flames. Brendan Lock of the Flames and Jarod Reid were tossed for a third-period fight. Colton Boomer garnered 3+2 as Kamloops stopped the Shamrocks. The Venom led 1-0 and 7-2 by period scores. Chase Bronson, Tyler Chartier and Brent Campeau answered for the Irish (6-5-1), who battle Kamloops Friday night at the Shaw Centre in Salmon Arm. Josh Kent of the Venom received a match penalty for abuse of a referee in the third period. The Georgia Swarm captured their first Champion's Cup, winning the National Lacrosse League title by beating the twotime defending champion Saskatchewan Rush 2-0 in the best-of-three final. Game 2 ended in dramatic fashion as the Swarm forced overtime by scoring with three seconds left in regulation, and then winning the game 18-17 just 57 seconds into OT on a goal by Miles Thompson. The winner was set up by Lyle Thompson, who pulled a hat trick and was named Champion's Cup MVP. Vernon's Brodie MacDonald, 27, was the back-up to Swarm rookie netminder Mike Poulin. MacDonald, a Tiger grad, was 1-1 with an 11.7 GAA in his second year with Georgia. The Sun Valley Source For Sports Tyke 1 Legends rocked the Kamloops Tyke #2 Rattlers 7-1 and ambushed Penticton #1 Tykes 15-1 in weekend action. Jesse Johnson pulled the hat trick against the Rattlers, singles going to Liam Marchand, Connor Johnson, Wyatt Stowards and Wade Lightfoot in support of Lucas Sievert at McArthur Island Sports Centre. Taylor Gibson and Stowards each recorded three goals against Penticton, also at McArthur Island. Connor and Jesse Johnson each dialed deuces, while Lightfoot, Sievert, Emmett Moore and Mathis Paull supplied singles in front of Marchand.

June 8 - Venom rattle Tigers 11-4 (June 7 Game)

The defending champion Kamloops grabbed a share of first place by ambushing the Vernon Tigers 11-4 By: Kevin Mitchell/ Thu Jun 8th, 2017 3:58pm/ The defending champion Kamloops grabbed a share of first place by ambushing the Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers 11-4 in Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League play Wednesday night at Kal Tire Place. Mack Stead pulled the hat trick for the Venom, who held period leads of 5-1 and 8-3. Both teams are 8-3. "We didn't show up defensively and

their goalie beat us,” said Tiger head coach Chris Scabar. “We had lots of chances. I hate to lose, but we’ll put this one behind us and recover.” Jake Pelletier scored on Vernon’s first shot, but the shortstaffed Tigers didn’t beat veteran goalie Matt Hans until almost 36 minutes later. Pelletier finished with a pair, while Jarod Reid and Chris Inscho contributed singles. Monty Chisholm rang up two goals for the Venom before being ejected for a scrap with Thomas Mackiewich late in the second period. Riley Peterson provided 1+3, while Midget call-up Callum Gorman pocketed 1+2 for Kamloops, who got singles from Derek Rockvam, Quinn Williamson and Colton Boomer. Hans finished with 41 saves, while Darnell Hauca made 34 stops, including a penalty-shot save on Josh Van Unen with 33 seconds left. The shot was awarded since Vernon had too many men on the floor in the final minute. The Tigers were without suspended Steel Pelletier and Caden Colmorgen and injured playmaker Kolten Kirschner along with rookies Tiede Doughty and Sean Howard. “We really missed Steel,” said Scabar “We rally around him; the guys walk a little stronger when he’s out there.” The Tigers entertain the South Okanagan Flames Saturday night and then visit the Flames Monday night in Penticton. The Armstrong Shamrocks welcome the Kelowna Raiders tonight at Nor-Val Sports Centre. The Rocks visit Kamloops Sunday night.

June 3 - Tigers at Shamrocks (June 2 Game) By: Tigers Facebook Page Hmmm I thought this rivalry was on the brink of distinction but guess I was wrong. Cant believe the back and forth chirping, screaming, yelling and even vulgarities displayed during the game and that unfortunately was just the parents. Sometimes the practical me needs to be reminded that games are not won nor lost by the team wearing the black uniform. That being said there was still a lack of discipline displayed by our team tonight which again was evident in the 69 minutes of penalties we registered. First period was awesome... 3-2 Shamrocks after the 1st, 7-3 Shamrocks after the 2nd, The Tigers Tied up the game in the 3rd 8-8 on some extended power play but bowed out their own penalties to a 13-8 loss. Shout out to #8 Steele Pelletier 4G2A, to #22 Jake Pelletier 3A , and #2 Kyle Cuzzetto with 2A. Hot rod of the night goes to #11 Brett Olsen with 3G3A. I thought that #15 Eric Reid had an outstanding game tonight as did #14 Kolten Kirschner who displayed real maturity despite the beating he took every time he was on the floor. Should recognize the play of the midget call up players who suited up tonight #4 Caden Colmorgen who hit the post 3 times and finally potted a goal in the 3rd period, to #16 Kael Black who was very strong on the back end and to #34 Jacob Brewer who did a great job out there as well. Next time gentlemen. The #questforthecup continues next Wednesday

June 2 - Tigers at Raiders (June 1 Game) By: Tigers Facebook Page Well if you missed tonight's game in Kelowna you were like the rest of us and fell asleepWeird that we had more goals than penalty minutes tonight. Shout out to rookie #6 Sean Howard 1G1A, #67 Chase Wirth 2G1A, and to #11 Brett Olsen with 2G. Hot rod of the night you ask? Yep no question goes to #14 Kolten Kirschner a 7 point night with 5G2A (looks like there's a new sheriff in town smile emoticon:)). The welcome to junior moment goes to #80 Reed Cashata a true David and Goliath story where the smallest kid unexpectedly mows down and crushes the biggest brute on the Kelowna team. Keep your head up big fella. smile emoticon:) Should recognize the play of our rookie goalie #00 Kyle Macintosh who let in 1 goal on 22 shots. Congratulations to rookie #34 Tiede Doughty who bagged his first goal as a junior in only his second game and to midget call up #22 Zach Gares who also potted his very first goal tonight. I keep telling you #futuresbright with this group The #questforthecup continues Friday night in Armstrong. Well done gentlemen

May 30 - Tigers flush out Flames (May 27th Game)

Jake Pelletier pocketed 4+3 as the Vernon Tigers bottled up the South Okanagan Flames 12-5 Saturday By: Kevin Mitchell/ Tue May 30th, 2017 3:18pm/ Jake Pelletier pocketed 4+3 as the Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers bottled up the South Okanagan Flames 12-5 Saturday night at Kal Tire Place.

Pelletier became the first Tiger to reach the 20-goal milestone as Vernon improved to 7-1 atop the Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League. Vernon visits the last-place Kelowna Raiders Thursday night. The Tigers held period leads of 3-2 and 9-4 and got 3+2 from Steel Pelletier, 1+3 from Brett Olsen and singles from Thomas Mackiewich (his first career Tiger snipe), Tanner Gilbert, Conor Webb and Thomas Landels. Kolten Kirschner rang up four assists. Sam Jones, Aiden Warren, Levi Thompson, Connor Walton and Colin Duffield replied for South Okanagan. Vernon outshot the Flames 50-32 with Darnell Hauca and Kyle McIntosh sharing the Tiger goaltending. The Flames bounced back with a 16-1 win over the Raiders Monday night in Penticton. The Flames are in second spot at 5-3-1. The Raiders are 0-9. Monty Chisholm, Tylor Seabrooke and Riley Peterson each tallied four goals as the Kamloops Venom shelled the Armstrong Shamrocks 24-8 Saturday night at Memorial Arena. The Venom improved to 5-3, while the Shamrocks dipped to 3-4-1.

May 28 - Tigers vs Flames (May 27th Game) By: Tigers Facebook Page Not gonna lie. If you missed this game you likely missed the best played game of the season, not because of the score but because of the ball movement. Your Tigers came to play and that ball was never stagnant moving cross crease. 3-2 Tigers after the 1st period, 9-4 Tigers after 2 periods and a final of 12-5 for your Vernon Tigers who sit atop the TOJLL with a 7-1 record. Shout out to #8 Steele Pelletier with 3G2A, to #14 Kolten Kirschner 4A and to #11 Brett Olsen with 1G3A. Hot rod of the night you ask? No question #22 Jake Pelletier with another impressive night 4G3A. Jake also scoops up the high lite of the night with that unbelievable wrong side righty to lefty hand switch, top shelf short handed goal. I kept checking TSN this morning but they must have missed posting it. Welcome to junior moment goes to #68 Mason Salway who absolutely crushed his opponent in an open floor hit with a minute to go in the 2nd. On the defensive side was nice to see #10 Logan Revell back in the lineup. Our defense was unstoppable 5 on 5 last night. Must call out the play of newcomer #34 Teige Doughty a welcome addition to the team who I thought played incredibly strong out there. Last but not least a big congrats to rookie #16 Thomas Mackiewich who got his 1st official goal as a junior Tiger on a spectacular pass from #55 Jarrod Reid. He received the pass and patiently stopped at the crease went up, down side to side and back to back undressing that goalie out so bad they went looking for his jockstrap in the 3rd row. smile emoticon:) These guys were dialed in last night. Well done gentlemen on your #questforthecuprocks

May 25 - Late goal lifts Tigers past Shamrocks (May 24th Game)

TOJLL: Vernon scores 12-10 win over arch-rival By: Roger Knox/ Thu May 25th, 2017 12:20pm/ Goals came in spurts in Wednesday's Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League game between rivals Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers and Armstrong Shamrocks. It was a late spurt that propelled the Tigers to a 12-10 decision in front of 300 fans at Kal Tire Place. The victory was Vernon's fifth straight (6-1) and avenged the team's only loss this season, an 11-9 setback to the Irish April 28 at the Nor-Val Sports Centre. Armstrong, playing its first league game since May 5, fell to 2-3-1. "The first time we played them, we lost because it was early in the season and we weren't really used to each other as we have a lot of new guys," said Tigers sniper Jake Pelletier, who led all scorers with four on the night. "Now, we're coming together, have had quite a few practices and we're starting to get the hang of things. We're really bonding together and the streak is getting us going." The league-leading Tigers got off to a great start, taking a 4-1 lead into the second intermission, thanks to a pair of goals 76 seconds apart in the final three minutes. With Vernon up 5-3, Armstrong took its first lead at 6-5 with three goals in 32 seconds with three minutes remaining in the middle frame. The Tigers, though, scored before the end of the period, sending the teams to the locker room tied 6-6. Vernon took a 7-6 lead 22 seconds into the period on a powerplay marker, only to see the Shamrocks take an 8-7 edge with a pair of goals two minutes apart. The Tigers regained the lead midway through the frame with two goals 11 seconds apart, and upped the advantage to 108 at 12:44. A double-minor to Vernon forward Kolten Kirschner allowed Brayden Hoggarth of the Shamrocks to score twice with the man advantage, 27

seconds apart, to tie the contest. Vernon got the winner from Pelletier at 16:08, and an insurance marker from Conor Webb at 19:44. "It was a tough start, mostly we didn't come out hard enough in the first period, for sure, we just got outworked," said Shamrocks captain Marlon Forrest, who had 3+2. "The fact it was our first game in three weeks might have been a factor (had a game against Kelowna Raiders cancelled due to lack of Kelowna players; team played the senior Shamrocks in a fun exhibition). We just weren't ready to come out and compete." Hoggarth had 3+3 while Tyler Chartier, Ryan Sadorsky, Cameron Watson and Sam Hanley added singles. Kyle Cuzzetto and Brett Olsen had three goals each for the Tigers while Steele Pelletier scored once before being ejected early in the third period with double 10-minute misconducts. Darnell Hauca made 43 saves for the Tigers while Francois Leroux stopped 31 shots for Armstrong. Both goalies picked up an assist. The Tigers wrap up a four-game homestand Saturday at 7:30 p.m. against the South Okanagan Flames (4-2-1) at Kal Tire Place, while the Shamrocks are in Kamloops to take on the Venom (3-2).

May 17 - Tigers shut down Raiders 14-0

It was special night for rookies as the Vernon Tigers shelled the Kelowna Raiders 14-0 Wednesday By: Kevin Mitchell/ Thu May 18th, 2017 3:47pm/ It was special night for rookies as the Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers shelled the Kelowna Raiders 14-0 in Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League action Wednesday night at Kal Tire Place. First-year Tanner Gilbert pulled the hat trick and added one assist, while rookie Curtis Hiebert recorded his first career Junior goal and Midget call-up Derek Pereboom shared the shutout with veteran Darnell Hauca. Jake Pelletier provided 2+3 for the Tigers before being ejected in the third period for a fight with Kelowna penalty leader Cole Koski. Kyle Cuzzetto, with a deuce, Thomas Landels, with 1+2 and Jared Reid completed the Vernon offence. Conor Webb supplied five assists and Kolten Kirschner pocketed three. The Cats held period leads of 7-0 and 12-0. Vernon improved to 5-1 in first place, while the Raiders fell to 0-6. Vernon hosts the Armstrong Shamrocks Wednesday night at Kal Tire Place. The North Okanagan Legends won two of three in Bantam B action last weekend. The Legends posted a 6-4 win over Kelowna Saturday morning with Tayber McLean scoring first off a pass from Chayton Marchand. Joey Mazzei and Owen Swiscoski, and Alex Dugas added snipes to round out the first period. The second period saw Conner Robertson, assisted by Tye Krause, the lone scorer. Kelowna rallied in the third, but Eli Bruce, from Krause, closed things out. Kamloops took advantage of a wicked powerplay and stormed the Legends 11-2 Saturday afternoon. McLean, from Mazzei, counted North Okanagan's first goal. Newcomer Savanna Sapergia converted from Mazzei in the third period. McLean pulled the hat trick as the Legends dispatched host Penticton 6-3 Sunday. Krause opened the scoring, ssisted by Zach Young. McLean (from Connor Robertson) and Krause (Mazzei) also clicked in the first period. McLean from Mazzei, and Kole Watson from McLean in the second made it 5-1 Legends after two periods. McLean, unassisted, netted his third. The Legends are in the New Westminster Hyack Invitational this weekend. The North Okanagan Novice 3 Super 8 Legends had a busy Mother's Day weekend, losing 8-1 to the Shuswap Outlaws Saturday at Kal Tire Place and then tying host Kamloops #2 7-7 and losing 9-3 to Kamloops #1 Sunday. Ari Manson scored for the Legends in their loss. Kobe Maltman busted loose for a whopping six goals against Kamloops #2 with Nathan Rinkel adding a single. The tired Legends got a deuce from Maltman and one from Jaxon Wadsworth in their third game. Chayton Tardiff was stellar in net and Kaiuss Dusel was noted for some crushing defense.

May 16 - Tigers use powerplay to stop Venom

The Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers used a lethal powerplay to stop the Kamloops Venom By: Kevin Mitchell Morning Star With leading scorer Jordy Barr sidelined with a broken leg, the Vernon Sun Valley Source For Sports Tigers were forced to tweak their powerplay. The moves have clicked as the Tigers stretched their winning streak to three games by stopping the Kamloops Venom 12-0 in Thompson Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League play Saturday night at Kal Tire Place. Vernon (4-

1) was up 5-1 after the first period and 8-5 after 40 minutes. Kamloops (3-2), undermanned due to injury, had 15 runners. They were without injured top pointgetter Riley Petersen (10-10-20). Brothers Jake and Steele Pelletier marshalled the powerplay with Jake pocketing 4+3 and Steele adding 2+2. Vernon counted four man-advantage goals. "Our powerplay has been very good the past few games," said Tiger assistant coach Tyler Plante. "We've got some moving rather than the stagnant perimeter powerplay we had done in the past. It's still a bit raw, but it's definitely 10 times better than that it was." Plante said Brett Olsen (2+2) nicely quarterbacked the powerplay with the Cats throwing out two different players with Olsen and the Pelletiers on each PP chance. "Jake and Steele have that brotherly connection; they are always aware of each other and looking for one another," said Plante. Vernon head coach Chris Scabar brought in Armstrong senior Shamrock veteran Ryan Williamson to fine-tune the powerplay for the young Tigers. "I have a real defensive background so I brought Ryan in and he has really helped me out with my offence," said Scabar. "The kids are all buying into the offensive systems." The Tigers, who ruined the defending champion Venom's home opener with a 6-5 victory at Memorial Arena on April 22, also got two goals from Chris Inscho and singles from Connor Webb and Eric Reid. Rookie Tanner Gilbert and Thomas Landels each had two assists. Kamloops got hat tricks from Eric Bunce and Mac Stead. Marcelo Bose collected 1+3, while Riley Lawyrk and Quinn Williamson produced singles. Colton Boomer bagged three assists, while Tyler Seabrooke earned two helpers. The Tigers took 42 penalty minutes and Kamloops was assessed 35 PIM. Vernon is scheduled to face the Kelowna Raiders tonight at Kal Tire Place. Kelowna is in last place at 0-5. The Tigers rattled the Raiders 13-6 May 4 in Kelowna. The Raiders lost 12-7 to the South Okanagan Flames Thursday night and then postponed Friday's scheduled tilt in Armstrong against the Shamrocks due to a lack of players. Kamloops was scheduled to play the South Okanagan Flames in Penticton on Monday night, but decided not to make the trip, citing a lack of players due to injuries.