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The people who witnessed the games for the Kootenay Schoolboys' Curling Championships in Rossland over the weekend had the chance to watch some excellent curling by the two teams representing the East and West Kootenay.

The Troy Albo rink of Rossland emerged from the playdown a two-straight victor over a rink from Golden and will go on to contest the B.C. Championship in Kelowna Feb. 20-21.

The 16-year-old Rossland skip was joined by Mark Allen, 16, Gordie Ross, 16, and his younger brother, Darren, aged 13, for the Kootenay final and will take the same rink to the Okanagan.

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and a sportsmanlike aura is recognizable in all games played, consequently the officials have a relatively easy time of it and fans who come to watch the games seem to thoroughly enjoy it that way.

Coming up this weekend is a Pee Wee hockey tournament. Maurice MacArthur, one of the organizers, phoned to tell me there will be 5 Tier One teams competing and four House League teams. They will play in separate sections, Tier One in one and House League in the other, a sportsmanship trophy will be awarded and every boy or girl who takes part in the two-day event will take home a small memento trophy and there will be special plaques for the winning teams.

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and action will continue all weekend. Needless to say there will be lots of pop and hot dogs put away during this coming weekend.

We wish the kids good hockey and encourage all Rosslanders to give this show a look-see; it will be well worth your trouble as these are the coming stars on view.

With just three games to go in the closing week of the KIJHL regular season play, the Warriors find themselves in a rather unique situation. They have to rely on Trail and Cranbrook to contain the Border Bruins in the Bruins' home rink.

Of course, a win over either Nelson or Castlegar in the Arena Tuesday or Friday would be a real bonus but they can win the last playoff spot with the help of the Junior Smokies and the Colts.

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Flames, whom they trailed 4-1 going into the third, only to bounce back with what was possibly the best period of hockey they have played all winter, to win 6-5 with the winner coming from the stick of Marty Lizotte with just five seconds left on the clock.

Wednesday night in their game against the Bruins they fell behind in the first, roared back for a tie after two and then allowed a freak goal to break their concentration and lose the game 8-5.

A best-of-seven series against either Trail or Castlegar will be their playoff reward, not anything really encouraging, but with Halisheff back and John Caron able to avoid work commitments, the team would be better able to cope. Now if they just had John Jorgenson on hand, something might happen.

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Markle and Maureen Holmes; Enza Boutry, Diane Jones, Bonnie McEwan and Cathy Hall; Arlene Dyson, Georgina Maryniak, Patti Scott and Judy McBride; Phyllis Woodward, Jackie Wiltshire, Heather Watkinson and Myrna German; Irene Dunlop, Darlene Bell, Flo Valentine and Lois Roberts and the ninth rink is composed of Beryl Davis, Irene Martin, Judy Bertoia and Flo MacArthur.

Spares are Cathy Galpin, Marina Ashley, Louise Stevenson, Liz Woodhouse, Ethel Marcus, Barb Hamilton and Sue Bradshaw.

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An annual event that goes on in Rossland every winter about this time of year, the Play-for-Fun hockey tournament, has been scheduled almost a month later. Usually held in February it will be held this year March 7-8.

As usual there will be eight teams competing and according to Howie Karn, who is in charge of publicity for the popular event, there will be three areas of competition; "A", "A" consolation and "B" consolation. Howie didn't name the teams competing but you can rest assured there will be some bang-up competition. We will be able to name the teams at a later date.

Also on tap in conjunction with this event will be the usual banquet and dance on the Saturday evening, also on hand will be all the refreshments and eats needed to keep the fans in a receptive mood.

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