

PEPP-TALK

with
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A couple of this week's subjects have wintry overtones. The first deals with a request by Doug Barkley of the local snowmobilers. Doug stopped me on the street the other day and asked that I give his organization a little space concerning a meeting to be held in the Rossland Credit Union at 7:30 p.m. on the evening of Oct. 20.

Doug asks that all local snowmobilers make a real effort to be represented at this meeting as it is very important to prepare early for their big ride. Early in the new year on behalf of the Lions Crippled Children's Fund, he tells me the organization now has official sanction to use the parking space at Nancy Greene Lake to prepare their vehicles for the ride out to their cabin in the hills.

I think every concerned person, both snowmobile enthusiast and the average Joe on the street, has their own ideas as regards the importance of this project, so give heed to Doug's message and fill that hall to capacity.

The other message I have concerns Rossland Retirees Curling. Cleve Cowland, RRC president asked me to publicize a meeting on behalf of the club to decide our format for the coming winter. He has asked me to decide on a time and place. I chose between Oct. 19-21. Since Tuesday is essentially Legion night in Rossland, meetings, I polled for Thursday. Since the members of the club usually

sit around and collect the green fees from non-golf club members who wish to play the course.

There was no competition on Tuesday for the retirees but there were a lot of golfers out on the course. It is in pretty good shape, an operator is keeping at work cleaning up the leaves and the greens are good, as are the fairways.

Last weekend was convention time in Trail as the West Kootenay Zone of the Legion held its fall convention on Saturday and Sunday in the Legion Hall in East Trail.

As usual discussions on the various projects within the Legion were lively and

sometimes a little drawn out. Representatives of most clubs in the zone were present and all took part wholeheartedly in everything that went on.

Sport, within the branches, came in for considerable discussion as it usually does. The emphasis was on curling and golf. In the absence of Harry Bate of Castlegar, who is zone sports chairman, I was given the job and our committee had a real lively discussion with Earl Moffat of Nakusp, Alec Turner of Salmo and Mel Ringheim of Grand Forks. When it was all over we had come up with some pretty good working points and Sunday our efforts were studied and

dissected by the members at large.

A few changes were made and consequently next summer's zone golf tourney will be played on the Kaslo course, a really great little course from every viewpoint. This winter's zone curling will take place at Nakusp under the chairmanship of Comrade Earl Moffat. It will be run strictly according to the rules laid down by provincial command with both seniors and regular competitions. The fee will be set at \$100 per rink.

Rossland Legion's new addition to the premises is now well under way and brick work is due to start any

day now with a 10-day target for that stage of completion.

The young Warrior hockey team got a real baptism of fire in Cranbrook last weekend as the powerful KIJHL 1981-82 champions really showed their power. The Colts poured 21 goals into the Warrior net, while the Warriors got six of their own. After the weekend action only three clubs showed clean slates with Cranbrook, Spokane and Grand Forks each logging two victories. This year's edition of the Bruins looked sharp indeed in their 7-4 win over the Warriors a week ago and repeated their success against Nelson. They could be a force to reckon with this season.

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Talking about the Retirees Curling Club, reminds me to mention that the members have accepted an offer to handle green fee collection at the Upper Course for as long as the course remains playble. They started on Monday of this week and have had pretty good response from the members. A number of whom are golfers as well as curlers, a tentative list of help available has been drawn up and if any of the curling club members are able to help out and have not been approached, don't let that hold you back from volunteering.

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