

PEPP-JALK

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Before going too far with this week's effort I must offer my heartiest congratulations to the members of the Christina Lake Golf Club for the fine show they put on for the 95 golfers out on the course for their annual invitational. Among those playing were some considerable numbers of our regulars. At least a dozen of them collected balls for their efforts on the lush nine-hole layout, it seems to me it's always a pleasure to play the Lake course, no matter what one scores.

And the ladies of the club put on a marvellous lunch for us and former Rosslanders Bert Markland and Mack Lyster handled the numerous registrations with dispatch, sixsomes are something new I guess, but

they certainly worked out okay on this beautiful day.

Tuesday, at the Upper Course it was another grand day — seems like summer is loath to leave us — and some 38 golfers were out to enjoy it. I would like to thank Jim Scott for his very valuable assistance which really makes a good day possible, I handled the registrations while Jimmy and his early-starting group take off. This week it was almost eight before they teed off, then I go out towards the end of the rush and Jimmy comes in to tally up the scores after his round. It makes for a very satisfactory arrangement.

This week I was with three pretty darn good golfers, Matt Mattson, Ken Davies and Zeke Clements and we played Bingo, Bango, Bongo and match par with your handicap. As

an added feature we had a competition for nearest to the pin on No. 9 after three strokes. Dan Burnett got his third shot within two feet of the cup to take a ball, Bob Evans won BBB with 12 points. Don Krug had 12 also but he won a ball in another category, that of matching par. Don was joined by Zeke Clements, Willie Scott, Al Turner, Chief Buna and our "Mighty Mite", Eddie Nofield.

Next week, which I understand will be our last week at the Upper Course, will feature another of Munro and Debbie's breakfast specials. The course is slated for closure at the end of the month. However, as in the past couple of years the Rossland Retirees Curling Club will be given the chance to continue to

operate the course by collecting green fees at No. 1 tee for those who wish to continue to play our grand old layout.

The Warriors started their 1984-85 season on the right foot as they travelled to Beaver Valley and came away with a 5-2 victory in a pre-season tune-up, the first for both squads. The Warriors have some new faces in the lineup and we shall get a chance to see how they perform under returning coach, Lloyd McLellan, tonight in the friendly confines of the Rossland Arena.

I hear from Retirees Curling maestro, Angus Popplewell, that the rock-sharpening people are in town at present and doing a job on the curling club's rocks, sharpening, tightening handles, in

readiness for the coming season. Now, if we just get that real good ice in the curling rink we shall be set for another banner season.

Well, Canada won the Canada Cup, but not until the spunky Swedes had really made a terrific comeback. Those guys can hold their heads high in any hockey rink in the world after their performance in the second game. For the Canadian team it was an uphill battle from the word "go" and we can really be proud of our guys. Paul Coffey and John Tonelli were the bright stars of a fine hockey team, for an absolutely excellent showing when the chips were down. For my money the game between Canada and the Soviets was the greatest hockey game ever and holding the surging Swedes from getting a tie was another fantastic effort.

Now I'll say, 'til next time, then!