

Last Friday evening I was at the Rossland-Nelson hockey game and I ran into Jim Markle, former president of the KIJHL. He was telling me he is going to get in touch with former Warrior players to get an alumni game going in Rossland during the holiday season. It's the game when old-time players get together and play the present-day crop. There have been some good games in the past and since it is always played in a festive mood, it delights the fans. The players enjoy returning to their old haunts, as it were.

Jim said he is picking on the players of the early seventies to come back for their year's game. I talked to one former Warrior yesterday who has never

been asked yet and feels a little miffed. I hope Jim picks him this year; he'll be available and ready, I don't really know what the qualifications for the game are, but this guy plays regularly and is in very good shape. I think he would be an ideal candidate.

While on the subject of the Warriors, they had a successful weekend last week with wins over Nelson (6-4) and Beaver Valley (9-5). They are now at the .500 mark and have two games this coming weekend when they entertain league-leading Castlegar and then travel to Grand Forks to take on the lowly Bruins. They got a really good effort from Garnet Camp-ton over the last weekend as the lanky Fruitvale youngster helped himself

and his teammates by scoring five goals and adding a couple of assists in the two games.

Still on hockey, I see Guy Lafleur has decided to call it a day after 14 years with the Montreal Canadiens. Lafleur was and always will be remembered as one of the scoring greats in the NHL. His dazzling speed and terrific shot were really something to see even on TV. He must have really been something to watch live. Perhaps his star may have been dimmed slightly by the arrival on the NHL scene of Wayne Gretzky, but he was indeed one of the brightest and will long be remembered by the Forum faithful and hockey fans all across the country.

Now to curling! The ice

at the rink is rapidly rounding into shape. It's been a long time since we in Rossland had ice to compare with it to curl on. We don't have to envy the people at Trail or Grand Forks, Nelson, or Castlegar any more. We're got it now! The Retirees are making good use of it and on Tuesday last wound up their first competition for the Scott-Molyneux trophy, named after two late grand old veterans of the curling scene in Rossland.

As was expected the competition was keen and all games were played on time and sometimes with a lot of feeling. When the test was over the Angus Poplewell rink with Bart Dudley third, Harry Douglas second and Gord Seafoot lead, came out on top with 14 points out of a possible 18, winning seven and losing just twice.

Next in line, with 10 points each, were the Carl Seefeldt rink, Dick Cotton's foursome, that of Dan Burnett and the one skipped by yours truly, standing in for Norm

Harry. Russ Broughton was next with four wins and a tie for nine points. Next in line were the rinks of Bob Stevenson and Jake Lilburn with eight points, followed by the Vanness rink, skipped, in Arnold's absence by Bud Hackey, with six points and the Gil Besso foursome with five points.

We started another competition on Thursday and what with the holiday season in the offing, this one will take us through till early January. Arnold Vanness will be back for this one and we hope Norm Harry will be able to make it too, then yours truly can revert to his normal spot of third. Skipping is a lot of work!

I thought our friend Lou Crowe put it well when he made up copies of our draw, his admonition, "Be on time, his the broom and practice the courtesies" was right on and his greeting, "Season's Greetings! Be kind to your stupid skip!" also hit the spot.

With that we'll say till next time!

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