

Word from the Ladies' Curling Club comes to us this week from Beryl Davis, the club's PR person. While they do not have a large membership, the curlers they have are very active and with games twice a week in the PM, they are very enthusiastic.

The first of the club's competitions for the season was played in a 10-game round-robin series for the Cominco Cup. The winners were the Beryl Davis rink, with Dottie Albo playing third, Sis Churchill, second and Eileen Macdonald, lead. The runner-up rink was skipped by Edie Harasin with Ruth Dougan, third, Laura Thompson, second and Gail Ross, lead.

An interesting note on the Trail Ladies' Pom-Pom 'Spiel reveals that two rinks from Rossland fared very well in the 'spiel which attracted all the best women curlers from around the West Kootenay. The Dottie Albo rink, with Fannie Albo, third, Ruth Dougan, second and Mary Vickers, lead, took second place in the "B" event, while finishing third in the "C" event was the Dorothy Fines rink with Marg Rosse playing third, Beryl Davis, second and Edie Harasin, lead. Congratulations, ladies on a super effort!

On Thursday the 13th the ladies and the retirees clubs get together for their annual Christmas party and this year I understand there is to be some kind of a special theatrical production. Personally, I can hardly wait to see what form this will take. You can bet your bottom dollar that it will be entertaining.

Still on curling, the retirees got an invitation to take part in a Seniors' 'spiel over in Grand Forks. Although a real effort was made to get a few rinks to go, a lot of those quizzed did not like the idea of a couple of nights stay over there for the three-day affair. It seems the boys in our club go for the one-day invitationals rather than

the longer events which entail quite a lot of time and money.

Our club is now engaged in its second competition and I'm sure a couple of invitations are already in the works. We usually have a good full season up in Rossland and this year looks like it's going to follow that pattern.

Meanwhile, on the hockey front, I bought a couple of tickets to the Smokie-Vernon games last weekend but didn't get to use them as both days were busy ones for me. This weekend the Warriors reverse things as they travel to Castlegar for a Friday night game and then entertain(?) Grand Forks on Saturday. It would be nice if they could turn the tables on the Rebels this time as the Castlegar kids have taken all three games in the season so far and were full value for their win last Friday.

The alumni game which takes place on December 27 will be quite an entertaining one if all 35 of the invited players show up. Jim Markle assured me he has made contact with most of those on his list which are all former players from the '74-'76 teams. This, I think will explain to my friend, Robbie, the reason he will not be asked this year. Don't worry, Rob, your turn isn't too far off and I'll look forward to that one, too.

Could it be the Canucks have maybe taken a turn for the better? Holding the Islanders to 5-4 seems to indicate something.

And in closing, on behalf of my wife and I, I'd like to say thanks to the ladies of the Legion, Rebekahs, et al, for that magnificent supper we enjoyed on Tuesday evening. Thanks to the trio who led us in the carolling, Edith, Ina and Jean and to the Rev. Don Jackson who master-minded quite a production.

So, till next time.