

# PEPP-TALK

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with  
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On Monday I returned to Winlaw for another shot at that grand little nine-hole layout that the bunch I went with the first time liked so much. It was a lovely day and a different situation to what it was the first time out. There were a lot of people.

Chris Christianson, Bart Dudley, Carl Osing went along and we had a little money on the line for the best score. Lucky old Bart took home all the loot.

Anyway, back at the upper course on Sunday we dropped into the clubhouse late in the afternoon and ran into two interesting guys. We sat there for about an hour exchanging pleasantries with a couple of young fellows who are in town to work on the Cominco stacks.

We started the ball rolling by asking how they liked our golf course and both considered it super. Their names, by the way, are Mike Rainville and Darryl Baudet. Both carry Legion cards and hail from Toronto. The fact assured them of an invitation to join us some day at Branch No. 14 and have a little get-together plus some good old western refreshment. Darryl is now wearing a Kokanee Derby cap for which he traded a Molson cap to Ron Lavigne. So you see, he is already partially westernized. We should have fun when they show up at the Legion.

Talking of the upper course, Rich Watkinson and I went down Tuesday to see if we could give a hand with the organization of retirees day. I hear that it is already under way with Jack Buchanan taking charge the last couple of times. Thanks to Jack for his efforts.

Wouldn't you know it, there's an old saying that, "It's the squeaking wheel that gets the grease." In a very quaint way this was proved true. On the day West Kootenay Power came to turn on the power, who should be there but yours truly, along with a couple of friends. Murray Gordon was standing at the bottom of the rope-tow and wae were coming into No. 4 green, when lo and behold, Murray turned a switch and our threesome were the first to pack our clubs and use the renovated tow in 1985.

I had a call from Barb Armour of the Warrior executive. She is pretty concerned about the state of Warrior affairs. There is apparently quite a lot of concern about the raising of the age limit for midgets and juveniles. This is particularly agonizing for the Warriors because we have no midget or juvenile teams in our minor hockey setup. We worry we can lose all our possible stars to towns who have these categories in their minor leagues.

As I mentioned earlier, the new season of regirees golfing is under way at the upper course. On Tuesday Rich Watkinson did a job of presiding over it. The winners were: Low gross Mike Wellock; low net Bob Walley and Ruus Broughton with Bob getting the ballon a number called; Romeo DiBiasio won the hidden hole and Ron Gardner had the least putts, 12. Tommy Owen had the distinction? of making the most. I'm not going to tell you how many if Tommy doesn't.

By the way, this new crop of retirees, Tommy, Brick Bisaro, and Bill Duffus, look like they could have a few years left of work left in them. Brick might start out as an educator. When you use words like, "prevaricator," you have to have some potential left.

Next week, yours truly and Bart Dudley will handle things for retirees day. Then it will be Carl Osing and Chris Christianson to look after the next round. From then on we will play it by ear.

So now it's off to the Legion to help out with the balloting for a new V-P, and then a meeting. It's no wonder my wife says, "When do you think you'll find time to get home."

I had hoped to be able to say here that the Legion Slow-Pitch team had a successful weekend in Vernon, but since I didn't get any details I may as well leave it until next week. That also goes for my report on the Warrior situation.

So, till next time, then!