

# AS I SEE IT

WITH  
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As a starter for some features I am going to write on the Junior Warrior players. I made contact with three youngsters who have done a fair share towards making this year's team the most entertaining and successful that we have had in Rossland in some time.

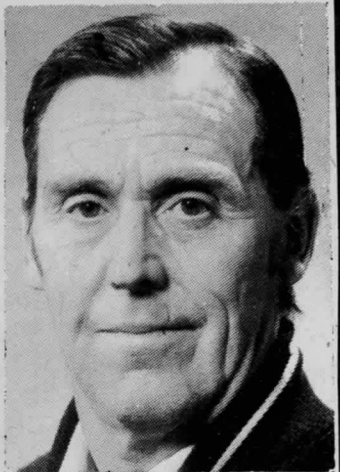
The ones I chose for this week's column are centre Mike Evans -- "Mr. Cool" is my name for Mike; winger Tommy Stanton, whom his teammates have nicknamed "The Bumble Bee". Very appropriate too, he sure does lots of buzzing around; and defenceman and sometimes spare forward, Doug Davis.

Mike was born in Rossland 17 years ago, the second child and oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Evans. He got all his education so far in the local schools and will complete high school here. At present he does part time work as a clerk in the local Super-Value store as well as his school work and hockey playing.

He has participated in every form of sport offered to youngsters in the city, including Minor League Hockey in which he started in PeeWee Pups and went all the way down the line. In Baseball he played Little League as soon as he was able and was a member of the Rossland Colts under Bev Berry before going on to play Juvenile Ball for a couple of years.

Basketball, soccer and lacrosse also claimed a share of his time as a player. Mike was one of the first to sign up when the Rossland Minor Soccer Association started up some 3 years back, and was a member of this year's championship Juvenile squad under coach John Hughes.

The career in sports of Mike and my next subject run almost exactly parallel. Tommy Stanton was born in Trail in 1954, the fourth child, and third son



Doug's first coach, he told me, with his engaging grin, was his dad. Ken has been around Minor Hockey as long as I can remember, and I imagine that the same answer would apply if I'd asked Doug who his first lacrosse coach was, as Kenny, being a Davis, was, along with the Scotts and LaFaces, among the top line of players on the famous Rossland Redmen.

I asked the boys several questions as to their predictions of the future of the Warriors and all agreed that they hope to be the B.C. Junior "B" Champs come spring, and all of them feel it is not an impossibility.

I would like to close this column by saying that I am inclined to agree with them, and to add that if everyone on the squad gives it the same effort as these three do, things could be real promising.

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of Mr. and Mrs. Kenn Stanton. His education has all been received in Rossland, and, according to reports I have, Tommy may be headed for better things in the academic world.



TOM STANTON

Tommy remembers that the first time he donned a pair of skates it was to take part in a hockey game. That was in his year with the Pee Wee Pups.

Both these boys have travelled around the province and neighbouring Washington State in connection with their sporting endeavours. Tommy, like Mike, did not miss out on any of the sports offered, and also played for the Juvenile soccer champs, where, as a centre-forward, he was one of the top scorers for the Wanderers in every year he played.

The third member of this week's trio is a 16-year-old bundle of energy who is a pleasure to watch every time he steps on the ice in a hockey game.

Doug Davis is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Davis and is playing his second season with the Warriors. The fact that Doug took part in school soccer and never tried out in the local minor league is responsible for my not being quite as familiar with him as I am with Mike and Tommy, but it certainly does not prevent me from admiring the way he throws himself into the thick of things whenever it's necessary.

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