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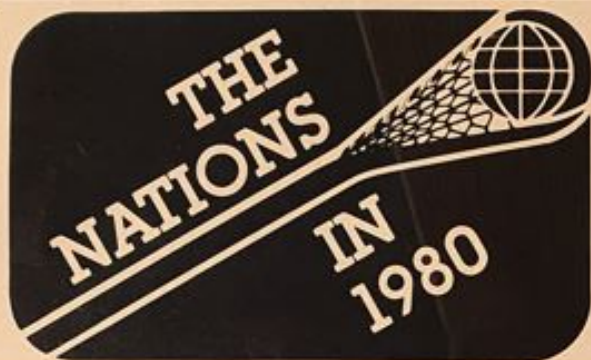


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DOMINION OF CANADA

I am happy to send my greetings and welcome to all those attending The Nations In 1980 World Championships of box lacrosse.

Lacrosse, originating in Canada and one of the oldest organized sports in North America, is a fast and exciting game, demanding great agility and speed. I am sure that this will be a stimulating series, enhanced by a spirit of healthy competition and friendly rivalry.

My warm best wishes to the organizers and the players for a happy and challenging Championship match.

Pierre Elliott Trudeau
Prime Minister

C'est avec grand plaisir que je souhaite la plus cordiale bienvenue à tous les participants au championnat mondial de Lacrosse 1980.

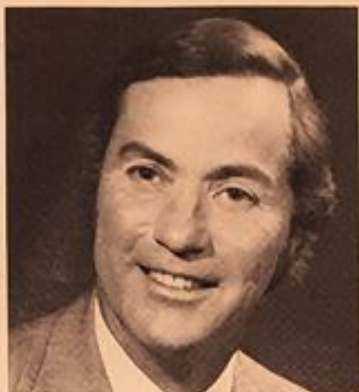
Ce sport, qui a pris naissance au Canada, est un des plus anciens organisés en Amérique du Nord. C'est un jeu rapide et enlevé, qui exige beaucoup d'adresse et de vitesse. Je suis convaincu que cette compétition sera des plus stimulantes, et se déroulera dans un climat d'émulation saine et amicale.

J'offre mes félicitations les plus sincères aux organisateurs de ce championnat et mes meilleurs vœux de succès à tous les joueurs.

Pierre Elliott Trudeau
Premier Ministre



DOMINION OF CANADA



On behalf of the government, best wishes for every success with THE NATIONS IN 1980 Box Lacrosse Tournament, July 10 to July 17.

It is appropriate that the first world championship of box lacrosse be held in British Columbia, since many British Columbians consider lacrosse to be this province's national game. The game is one that many of our young people get a great deal of pleasure from participating in at the same time that they develop ties of comradeship.

I am sure that the host teams in Vancouver and Victoria will ensure participants from the rest of Canada and those coming here from the United States and Australia that their visit will be memorable.

Again, my best wishes for a successful tournament.

Yours sincerely,

William R. Bennett
Premier

In continuing the long standing association with Lacrosse in Canada, CP Air is pleased to sponsor "The Nations In 1980 World Box Lacrosse Championships".

With the best lacrosse players from around the world coming to Greater Vancouver, Victoria and Nanaimo to compete in this event, lacrosse fans will be treated to superb athletic contests.

On behalf of CP Air, the "Official Carrier" to this event I extend a cordial welcome to B.C. to all visitors and the best of luck to all participating teams.

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Aussie students turn into

Peter Koshnitsky relaxed on the chesterfield at New Westminster Salmonbellies goaltender Rod Banister's apartment recently and reminisced about the first time he and his Australian teammates came to Canada for a lacrosse game.

The memory was gruesome.

It was two years ago and the team was in preparation for the Commonwealth Games in Edmonton. They were playing against a team of Indians and after the first ten minutes or so the Indians were clobbering them 10-2. The Indians eventually relaxed a little and the final score — 30-8 — flattered the Australian side.

"Absolutely amazing," is the way Koshnitsky describes how the Indians played.

"We were seeing things we'd never seen before. Their passing skills were remarkable and they were doing things in the crease we couldn't imagine," Koshnitsky recalled as he slowly sipped on a cold beer from Banister's fridge.

But the Australians made the most of the situation. They learned a valuable lesson from that experience and, like any good pupil who is determined to go to the head of the class the Aussies had their notepads ready.

They made a lot of notes on that trip and now they might just do some instructing themselves at The Nations In 1980.

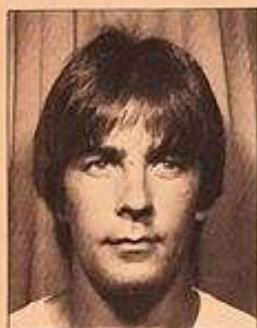
"We've come a long way in box lacrosse and this tournament will be very interesting indeed," said Koshnitsky, a goaltender and playing coach with the Australian National team. "Only two players from that 1978 team were able to make the team we brought over this year. We're vastly improved," he said.

The team is so improved, in fact, it is absurd to compare the 1978 edition with this current one. At that time box lacrosse



No. 11

Allan W. Jennings



No. 5

Gary Shepley



No. 1

Peter Koshnitsky



No. 16

Doug Mildren

had been a part of the Australian sports scene for only a few years. Box was something the top field players took up as a challenge.

Lacrosse actually has a very long history in the land of the Aborigine, the koala bear and the kangaroo. It was first introduced there in 1870 shortly after official rules were adopted for the game played by Indians and whites here in North America.

The game witnessed rapid growth and in 1907, when a Canadian team toured Australia a crowd of some 16,000 turned out in Melbourne to see lacrosse. Unfortunately, though, the 8,000 mile distance and 20 hours of plane travel discouraged other teams from making similar trips and it wasn't until 1959 that an American side played in Australia.

"That's one of the problems we've had to face," explained Koshnitsky.

"Lacrosse in Australia has been very isolated and we've been left to develop pretty much on our own. Consequently, we do things a little differently than they do here in Canada or the United States," he said.

And Banister, who was in Australia last year with some other Canadians can attest to that. He spent several months with Koshnitsky in Adelaide playing and working with the Australians to develop their box program.

"They have a six team senior league in Adelaide and I'd say it's about as strong as our Junior A here. I know I had difficulty fitting in right away when I first arrived down there. It wasn't as easy as I thought it would be. They shoot differently and they use a different style of moving the ball up the floor," Banister explained.

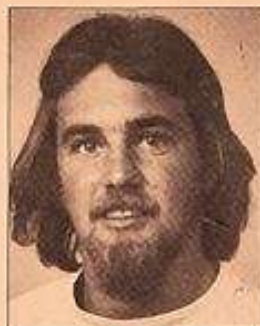
teachers at Nations



No. 17
Graham Antrim



No. 7
Kevin (Skates) Humphrys



No. 10
Terry Denton

Does Banister feel they'll be competitive in this tournament?

"I'd certainly say so, yes. On any given night they'll be able to beat anyone," he said.

Koshnitsky agreed.

"Look," he said matter of factly, "we didn't come all the way over here just to embarrass ourselves. It cost each one of our players \$2,000 to get here and we didn't pay that much money to lose by lopsided scores. We came here to win the Nations."

"We'll be representing Australia and we have a lot to prove," he added.

Most of the Australian team comes from Adelaide and that six team league. Sprinkled amongst the Adelaide players are players from Perth in Western Australia and Melbourne, a city of over two million inhabitants.

The team was chosen at the National championships this year in Melbourne.

The Australian side has extensive experience in field lacrosse and has been adjusting to box during recent years. Box lacrosse — Australian version — was first played in 1969 in Melbourne but it didn't really spread to the rest of the country until the mid-70's.

The Commonwealth Games team, for instance, took 15 of its 18 players from Melbourne. Now things have been reversed and it's Adelaide that's the hotbed for the game. Australian teams build their own boxes — in Perth they erected boards in an old warehouse. In Adelaide they play in a gymnasium and average around 600 spectators a game.

"Field is still the big game in Australia but more and more people are switching to box each day," offered Koshnitsky.

"We had the final game of the Australian championships on national television and interest is growing. A win over here at the Nations would be a real catalyst to that growth," he said.

But how likely is that to happen? Will it be an upset if the Australians win the first world box lacrosse championship?

"Well, we see that first game against Coquitlam as a real challenge. We're glad we're playing them first because we should be able to learn a lot from that game."

"Don't forget that the Canadian team won the world field lacrosse title in Manchester, England in 1978 and no one thought that would happen. We see this as a similar situation. In 1978 Canada got clobbered in its first game but learned and adjusted well enough to come back and win the title.

"I think we'll be able to do that here," Koshnitsky said.

The Australian team you'll be watching in The Nations In 1980 is a combination of experience and youth.

Much of the experience comes from Allan Jennings, 38, who was a member of the Australian field team in 1959 — he's the Aussie answer to Gordie Howe. Koshnitsky and attacker, Graham Antrim are the only two members of the Commonwealth Games team. The rest are all younger and newer faces.

Doug Mildren is another player to pay special attention to. He holds a world record for scoring 164 goals in one season back in 1969. Other top scorers should be Terry Denton, Steve Ellis, Gary Shepley and Kevin Humphreys, the Most Valuable Player in the 1978-79 Australian championships.

Of course, all the question marks surrounding the Australians and their box lacrosse abilities will be answered at The Nations — possibly even by the time you're reading this article.

"We'll learn fast this time around, that's for sure," explained Koshnitsky.

"We want to win The Nations. I don't know how many times I have to say that. I want people to know that we see ourselves as a legitimate contender for the World Championship.

Only time, Peter, and The Nations In 1980 will tell.

Salt's Adanacs ready to spice up Championship

When The Nations In 1980 Committee decided to let the first place team in the Western Lacrosse Association on June 21 represent Canada West at the world championship it created considerable excitement locally. The question on everyone's lips was — "who'd be representing the WLA?"

For most, the answer was either New Westminster Salmonbellies or the Victoria Shamrocks, the defending Mann Cup champions. But when the first day of summer finally rolled around it was a group of young upstarts from Coquitlam who were sitting on top of the WLA standings with a 10-3 record.

The Adanacs won their first game of the season and then lost at home to the Nanaimo Timbermen. That prompted Adanac coach Bob Salt to read the riot act to his young team and they responded with seven straight wins.

Led by sharpshooters like Mike Reelie (30 goals, 26 assists for 56 points in 15 games), Mark Valastin (22-28-50) and Rico Bellusci (14-34-48) the Adanacs will be trying to win a world title for western Canada this year.

But it won't be easy. The Adanacs are a young team. They're excitable, fast, and eager but so are the other four teams in the tournament.

Nations Magazine Editor, Terry Bell, talked with Salt just after his team had clinched a berth in The Nations. Salt, who was the Most Valuable Player in the WLA playoffs in 1975, the year Vancouver Burrards won the Mann Cup, had some interesting things to say about his team, The Nations and what he hopes his young Adanacs will be able to achieve...

Bell: Well, Bob, it's official now and the Adanacs will be repre-



Intent A's waiting for a berth in The Nations.

senting Canada West in The Nations. How does it feel?

Salt: I think the whole team is excited about being able to play in a world championship. Getting into The Nations is the thing we played our season for — it's going to be a great thing for lacrosse and I'm glad the Adanacs can be a part of it all.

Bell: Were you surprised this year when Coquitlam was in first place at the selection date, June 21?

Salt: No. I said all along that we'd be the team to beat. I had to cut a lot of great players at training camp and there was a lot of intensity on the team. I think the guys really wanted it (a Nations berth).

Bell: Some people were a little surprised to see the Adanacs make The Nations — they felt it would probably be either the Salmonbellies or Victoria Shamrocks. Could you tell us a bit about your club?

Salt: Well, we're a young team and we're very enthusiastic. I

think our average age is about 24 or 25. I think we play an exciting brand of lacrosse.

Bell: What type of lacrosse is that? What should we be watching for when the Adanacs are on the floor?

Salt: We'll play a pack defense, meaning, of course, that we bunch in around our goal and deny the other team that good shot. We like to break out quickly and get a lot of one-on-one situations. When we win we're doing those things well. I'd say our biggest strength is the youth and the team speed.

Bell: How about weaknesses?

Salt: We have them like any other team and I'd say the biggest one is our shooting. We don't have a very good percentage — probably about 30 percent but we do get a lot of shots because of our style.

Bell: The youth of the Adanacs — do you think that will be something which could hurt your team's



Adanac action at its scintillating best.

chances of doing well in The Nations. How will these young players react to the pressure of playing in a world championship?

Salt: I hope that isn't a factor and I don't think it will be. We have four or five Burnaby boys who were part of teams that won the Minto Cup and we have some veterans. We might be a little bit big-eyed at the start but in pressure games this year we've done well so I don't think there will be any problems.

Bell: Still, Bob, just after your team clinched The Nations spot there was a let down. You lost a couple of games in a row. Did that concern you?

Salt: It certainly did. But I could understand why it happened. All year long The Nations is what we've been talking about. When we won the mood was happy and we weren't concentrating on the WLA. Now we're back down to business. We'll be OK.

Bell: Getting back to business — that means that hard running, fast breaking style that's been a big hit this year in Coquitlam.

Salt: Right. I think we've averaged much better this year at the turnstiles. People I talk to say they really enjoy our approach to the game.

Bell: What about some of the other approaches you'll be facing in this tournament. Have you thought about what the other teams will be like?

Salt: Well, The Nations will be a learning experience for all the teams involved. I'm sure we'll see the Australians and the Americans doing things we've never seen before and I hope we can use those things back in the WLA. I really don't know what to expect from the States and Australia, except that they'll be in extremely good condition. If the Americans have some players from that pro league back there a few years ago they'll be a lot stronger than most people expect.

Bell: Well, I can tell you they do have those players and I understand that Dan Wilson, a collegiate field player at North Carolina State, has been warning his teammates about the U.S.?

Salt: Oh, yeah, Danny has been warning everyone not to take them (the Americans) too lightly.

Bell: The international flavour of the tournament, Bob, it does add a little to the pressure doesn't it. To be pitted against the Americans like that — it's different than playing, say, New West or Victoria.

Salt: Sure it is because there's a lot more at stake. Listen, we all feel the WLA is the strongest lacrosse league in the world and that's what we're out to prove. Some people out here feel we're not the strongest team and that we shouldn't be representing the WLA. I disagree; I think we should be there but those criticisms add pressure. We also realize we're playing for Canada and representing the west. That adds pressure. No one wants to see the Americans and the Australians make it to the final.

Bell: But that could happen.

Salt: Sure it could happen. As I said before no one knows what those teams will be like.

Bell: There's a lot of mystery surrounding the tournament. No one really does know how good these teams will be and that has created interest. How do you see The Nations?

Salt: It's got to be the best thing to happen to lacrosse in years. Hopefully, we'll attract a lot of new faces to our games and get them turned on to lacrosse. The Nations will bring the game the attention and the publicity it deserves.

Bell: Bob, just in closing, you were a member of some Mann Cup teams. How does this compare with the Mann Cup. As a participant are you as excited heading into The Nations as you were when you were preparing for the Mann Cup?

Salt: Playing in the Mann Cup is an east west thing. It's exciting because there's a lot at stake — the championship of this country is worth a lot. But now that other countries are challenging Canada to see who's best in the world — there's so much more to play for. You get even more excited thinking about it.

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**B.C.L.A.
Chairman's
Letter**

Welcome to all the participants in "The Nations In 1980". This event has been conceived to bring together the Lacrosse Nations of the world for competition and camaraderie within our common bond, Lacrosse.

Lacrosse, in both its great variations is the ultimate in team sports demanding an infinite combination of running, hand and eye co-ordination, team play and courage. Its challenge is too demanding for most, but those participating here this week will meet the challenge, which is to test their skills amongst the best in the world.

The native people of North America are here representing the several founding nations of Lacrosse. We are grateful that they have accepted our invitation and are confident they will perform in the highest traditions of Lacrosse.

Finally, a sincere word of appreciation to those many volunteers, who have supported this event and worked so hard for its success. It is seldom that one has an opportunity to develop an idea through to its climax. It is only with the support of all members of the British Columbia Lacrosse Association that this has been made possible.

I would be remiss also in not acknowledging the financial support of the Province of British Columbia and Sport Canada which has been essential to this major event in the Canadian Game.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Linstead".

Ed Linstead
Chairman





B.C.L.A. President's Letter

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I welcome on behalf of the British Columbia Lacrosse Association the players, team officials, their supporters and, of course, all the spectators to The Nations In 1980, the first world box lacrosse championship. I want to extend a special welcome to those people who have travelled great distances to be here for The Nations.

Only two years ago, while taking part in the World Field Lacrosse Championships in Manchester, England, the idea for a similar championship for box lacrosse was born. Invitations were extended to the participating field teams and soon The Nations In 1980 was no longer an idea but a reality. Lacrosse is a great game and, as Canadians, we felt it was important that the rest of the world should be playing box lacrosse. Playing two games could provide twice the enjoyment for lacrosse players.

I feel that Mr. Ed Linstead, the Past President of the B.C.L.A. and the current Chairman of The Nations Committee deserves a special thank you. The idea for a world championship in box lacrosse was his initially and without his energy and effort The Nations could not have possibly been a success. I also want to thank all of the Committee members at this time.

A formal thank you is also extended to CP Air, The Nations' sponsor and to the governments of Canada and British Columbia who also supported us greatly in this project.

I know I am speaking on behalf of the entire B.C.L.A. when I wish all the participants good luck in the championship. I sincerely hope they return home with even more enthusiasm for the sport of lacrosse.

Yours Sincerely,

Harold Nicholls
President, B.C.L.A.



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- 7 Mat Aitken
- 8 Fred Klomp
- 9 Rico Bellusci
- 10 Gary Lindsay
- 11 Dave Cochrane
- 12 Ray Mathison
- 13 Randy Delmonico
- 14 Wayne McAuley
- 15 Gord Quilty
- 16 Rhys Parsons
- 17 Frank Nielsen (A)
- 18 Randy Bryan
- 19 Dan Wilson
- 21 Mike Reelie
- 25 Tim Kelly
- 30 John Lewis

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Sohen Gill

TEAM MANAGER:
Bob Glen

TRAINER: Merle Peters

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- 2 Blaine Harrison
- 3 Jim Branton
- 4 Paul Wilson
- 5 Greg Williams
- 6 Chuck Lepine
- 7 Steve Kashul
- 8 Kevin Branton
- 9 Ron McCoy
- 10 Tim Briscoe
- 11 Brian Colm
- 12 Bryce Jordan
- 14 Steve Wilde
- 15 Bill Down
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- 19 Neil Atkinson
- 22 Jeff Mason
- 23 Stan Cockerton
- 39 Tom Wreggitt
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- Al Ashton

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- 6 Larry King
- 7 Darryl Squire
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- 16 Louis Delisle
- 17 Chuck Stevens
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- 1 John Yeager (G)
- 7 A. J. Russo (F)
- 8 Joe Taylor (D)
- 9 Brooks Sweet (F) — (A)
- 10 Mark Hahn (F)
- 11 Craig Moore (C)
- 12 Mike Lettera (F)
- 14 Mickey Menna (F)
- 15 Bill Lynch (F)
- 16 B. J. O'Hara (C) — (A)
- 17 Jeff Hacker (D)
- 18 Norm Smith (D)
- 30 Domenic Starsia (C) — (C)
- 36 Jim Rosecrans (D)
- 31 Stu Curran (D)
- 32 Chuck Szymczak (F)
- 33 Jim Booth (D)
- 34 David Moore (D)
- 35 Bob Raleigh (C)

COACH: Jim Logan

AUSTRALIA

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- 2 Phil Kestel
- 3 Deryk Swingler
- 4 Wayne Little
- 5 Gary Shepley
- 6 Les Buchanen
- 7 Kevin Humphreys
- 8 Tony Carbone
- 9 Max Madonia
- 10 Terry Denton
- 11 Allan Jennings
- 12 Peter Brown
- 13 John Ballarine
- 14 Graham Palmer
- 15 Peter Mathwin
- 16 Doug Mildren
- 17 Graham Antrim
- 18 Robert Carter
- 19 Glen Revell
- 20 Robert Potter
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Women's lacrosse still going strong in British Columbia

When the Indians first played lacrosse centuries ago they had no intention of it ever being played by women.

Lacrosse then was strictly for men. In fact, it was even forbidden that a man could have contact with a woman for seven days before and seven days after a game. If a woman touched a lacrosse stick then that stick would not be used.

Today it might come as a surprise to many people that the team pictured on this page could be involved in box lacrosse. The game has a rugged image and many feel it is still for only the most macho of males.

Well, move over macho.

Women are playing box lacrosse exactly the way the men do. The team in the picture — Kirby's Klippettes are the current Canadian senior champions

although by the time you read this article they may have been dethroned at the 1980 championships in Montreal.

"Women enjoy playing this game," says Dave Evans, the Vancouver Burrard goaltender who has the enviable task of coaching the Klippettes.

"Most of them try out for the team because they've had a boyfriend who was a lacrosse player or because they've just seen some people playing and thought that it looked like fun. We take girls who've never played before and give them a chance to play for a National championship team their first year," says Evans.

The idea of women playing box lacrosse is not a particularly new one to Vancouver. Almost since the start of the game in the 1930's women have been playing indoors right along with the men.

The Richmond Milkmaids were probably the first team to play box lacrosse. They began operation as a field team in 1925 and switched to box in 1933. As interest grew so did other teams and soon there was a league which played regularly and often had exhibition games between periods of the men's games.

Now there are several teams in competition around the Greater Vancouver area with the Klippettes, Richmond and White Rock being the powerhouses.

Evans believes that soon there will be more teams playing in the league.

"With the game now moving into the schools with the new plastic stick (McWhippit stick) and soft ball more girls will get a chance to see the game. It will naturally grow," he says.

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Like sports, the airline industry is in the vanguard of developing and enhancing communications throughout the world. CP Air plays a major role in this endeavour by devoting an entire department to assist sports groups with their travel requirements.

As an international airline linking five continents with all major Canadian cities, CP Air provides many services. Daily our orange jets whisk off excited vacationers to exotic sun spots and businessmen to their meetings around the globe. And now, more than ever heavy emphasis is placed on moving athletes to tournaments and championships no matter how distant they may be from home ground.

A team of sports specialists has been selected to represent CP Air in most major cities to recommend itineraries, most economical fares, special inflight menus, fund raising ideas, and even arrange competitions or provide contacts for events.

The infinite variety of sports travellers ranges from the very young, to very old, both male and female; some are disabled, amateur or professional. And all require some form of specialized service. To accommodate such diversity, the sports representatives truly must be specialists.

For example: In amateur sport at the local level, CP Air is supportive of provincial sports governing bodies (i.e. Sports

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To recognize outstanding achievements by top Canadian athletes, CP Air sponsors the Celebrity Athlete of The Month Award which is selected by a Canadian Sports Federation committee.

Also at the national level CP Air supports the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union. This is the governing body for all inter-university sports in Canada. Each year an agreement is worked out whereby CP Air assists the C.I.A.U. with its travel much the same as with the Sports Federation.

Along with the more organized groups, the airline does not overlook the recreational athlete. Cyclists, hunters, fishermen, golfers and skiers make up a large part of this contingent and they too, receive the quality CP Air service from the Sports Department.

Professional teams of football, hockey, soccer, baseball, basket-

ball, lacrosse and others regularly utilize CP Air services. Due to the tight schedule of games, it is crucial that there are no unexpected baggage problems on their routes. Part of the flight pre-planning will ensure that for a hungry, thirsty group of athletes boarding, extra food and beverages will await them.

In addition to flying sports groups around the world, CP Air sponsors sports events just for the fun and enjoyment of people at all levels of competition. With the winter sport of cross-country skiing proving so popular among Canadians, the CP Air Great Alberta Cross-Country Ski Race was initiated. Hundreds of people brave the weather to have fun and stay fit.

The involvement of CP Air in sport is as varied as sport itself. From the CP Air Cyclone Taylor Midget Hockey Tournament, to the Canadian 5-Pin Bowling Championships and from the Canadian Pro Golfers Association Tournaments to the Victoria/Maui Yacht Race, CP Air assists through organization, administration, travel planning and implementation. The airline also plays an active role in sports transportation of game officials and guest athletes.

Although a major aim of our sports department is to encourage sports groups to travel on CP Air, the effort is made to emphasize that our sports teams are people working together for the development of sport.

AMERIC BULLISH ON N

Dan Wilson, a 23 year old employee of the Surrey Fire Department sounded an alarm of his own for his Coquitlam Adanac teammates prior to The Nations in 1980.

"Watch out for the Americans — don't take them lightly or they'll wind up making us look bad," cautioned Wilson amidst the euphoric, "today the WLA, tomorrow the world" attitude of the Adanacs.

And Wilson means it.

The Burnaby Cablevision alumni spent two years in Raleigh, North Carolina, playing lacrosse for the Wolfpack of North Carolina State on an athletic scholarship. He was a teammate of Canada East superstar Stan Cockerton and he knows how talented and enthusiastic the Americans will be throughout this tournament.

"Right now I'd say they'll be big, aggressive and extremely well conditioned. The American team will probably be the best conditioned and hardest running team in this world championship," Wilson said three weeks before the tournament began and just after the Adanacs won the WLA to earn the right to represent Canada West in The Nations.

"The Americans are very intense when it comes to sport. And I know they want to beat anyone Canadian," Wilson added.

Wilson is right about that. The Americans do want to beat the Canadians and they see The Nations as a chance to avenge their loss to Canada in the World Field championships held in Manchester, England in 1978.

In that event the United States was heavily favoured to win and it appeared as though the oddsmakers were correct for a change when the Americans annihilated Canada 28-4 in the tournament's opening game. But by the tournament's conclusion the Canadian team had improved significantly and was able to record a 17-16 over-time win in the championship game.

Two valuable lessons were learned from that game.

First: a talented Canadian team made a very quick adaptation from box to field lacrosse.

Second: as Wilson said, the Americans will be eager for revenge.

"Let's just say," offered American coach Jim Logan in a telephone conversation from the U.S. training camp at West Point, "that we want to whip the Canadians bad. We haven't forgotten the fact that it was Canada that beat us during that World Field champion-

ship and we want to turn the table in box lacrosse," Logan said.

"Our motto is that if the U.S. Olympic hockey team can win a gold medal playing in Lake Placid we can win a gold medal for box lacrosse in British Columbia," he added.



ANS ATIONS

Well, here are some things to think about before you give your verdict.

This American team is an all star team from the entire country. Sure, they're field players but many of them are familiar with box. If Canada could adapt from box to field then the Americans can adapt from field to box.

"Most of the better field players in the United States also play box in their off season," said Wilson.

"In Maryland, which really is the hotbed for American lacrosse, they have a strong six team box league during the off season. All the top field players from that area's schools play box and they really enjoy the hitting. When we hit them they'll hit right back," Wilson said.

Where else will the Americans be strong?

"Well, few of our players can run and gun with both hands the way the Americans do," offered Wilson. "In Maryland they emphasize that skill from Tyke right on up and by the time they're adults they're almost completely ambidextrous."

The American program operates in a way similar to our's here in Canada. Players start playing at an early age in minor programs and then, unlike here, compete in high school. If they attract attention they may get a scholarship to attend university and play competitive field lacrosse there.

The American schools have their lineups dotted with Canadian talent. It is a learning experience for both groups.

"It was the best thing that ever happened to me," said Wilson about his two year stay at NCS. "It was a bit of a culture shock at first because the south is so different to here but I enjoyed it immensely."

"There were some things I didn't like. For instance, you'd play a 14 game schedule and then all the berths in the post-season

tournaments would be determined by the various polls. You were rated by people who saw you play once a year. That was frustrating," he said.

For Wilson this tournament will be a reunion of sorts. Although the American lineup hadn't been announced when this publication went to press Wilson expected that he'd see a few familiar faces from his schooldays in North Carolina when the U.S. team got off the plane at Vancouver International.

And one familiar face he knows he'll see belongs to Cockerton, a top scorer with the Canada East team from Brooklin, Ontario.

Cockerton, it seems was instrumental in getting Wilson that scholarship at NCS.

"I'd played against Stan for Burnaby in the 1976 Minto Cup. He'd played at North Carolina in 1976 and when my name came up in scholarship talks he put in a word for me with Wolfpack coach Charlie Patch," explained Wilson.

"State didn't know too much about western players — I guess I was an experiment for them. But with Cockerton's recommendation and with the help of people like my Dan Mattinson, my Burnaby coach and Wally Donaldson of the WLA, I got the scholarship."

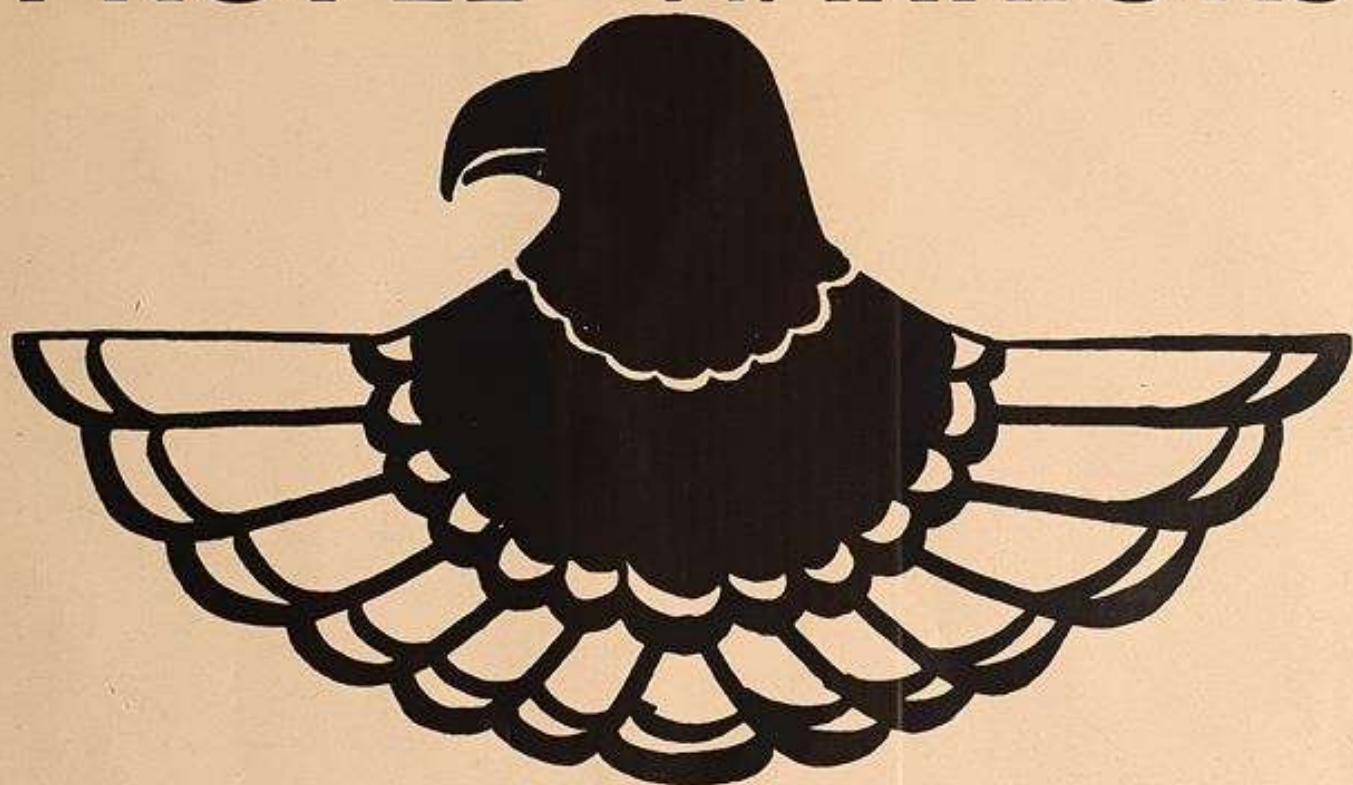
Wilson got the scholarship and what NCS got in Wilson was a third team All American who along with Cockerton and fellow Canadian Bob Flintoff helped the Wolfpack become a very strong team.

Now, ironic as it may seem, Wilson and Cockerton — themselves opponents for Canada West and Canada East — will be matched against some familiar old faces from days as members of the Wolfpack of North Carolina State.

It'll be a reunion when they meet at The Nations. But it will be a reunion with a lot at stake — the first ever box lacrosse championship of the world.

No doubt you'll be able to draw your own conclusions about the abilities of the American team by the time you're reading this article — but how likely is a U.S. victory?

TRADITION — PRIDE PROPEL WARRIORS



If you're watching the Can-Am Warriors play and it seems that they're just a little bit more intense than some of the other teams you're probably right.

The Natives, perhaps more than any other team want to win this tournament.

And when you explore the "roots" of the game of lacrosse you'll understand why. Lacrosse is Canada's National game but long before there was a Canada there was lacrosse. Lacrosse, or Tewaarathon, as the Indians referred to it, was played all over this continent by its native people. It was then, and still is, an integral part of their culture.

"To us the game is much more than a game," says Peter Garrow, General Manager of the Warriors. "We are extremely proud of the game and its heritage and now it's very important to us as Native people that we win this first world championship."

"For many of our children their first toy is a lacrosse stick and I think that is why we have so many good players," he continues.

The Natives do have some very fine players and Garrow feels his team can win The Nations. All the players are North American Indians, most of them coming from the newly formed Can-Am League in Quebec, Ontario and New York State.

"When we heard about The Nations in 1980 we wanted to make certain there would be a strong Native team playing in it," explains Garrow. "So we formed a league which has teams from our six Indian nations."

"Each of the teams in this league will play a 16 game schedule and we'll select an all star team from it. We'll add some players from British Columbia to ensure that we have the best possible team," he says.

Newtown Golden Eagles (Buffalo, N.Y.), Niagara Falls Arrows and Syracuse Warriors represent New York State in the league. Ohswekin (Branford) Warriors, Akwesasne (St. Regis), Caughnawaga (Montreal) and Cornwall Thunderbirds form the rest of the league.

"Right now all indications point to a very good team," explained Garrow before the tournament. "I think we'll have a very strong passing attack and we'll play a team oriented style of lacrosse. Most of our players have played both field and box lacrosse and our skills combine the best elements of both games," he said.

Ernie Mitchell, a former pro player with the Montreal Quebecois will be a standout performer in goal. Newtown's Dave White, an All American field player from Brown University and Jeff Gill, the Can-Am League's leading scorer on the strength of 47 goals

in just 12 games should also contribute considerably.

The interest in the Can-Am league may force it to expand next season. Ottawa, Boston, Sherbrooke and Shawinigan, Quebec have expressed an interest in joining the league.

But that's all in the future. Let's turn the clock back and take a look at the game as it was played long before there was a Boston or an Ottawa.

Native people are not concerned with where the first game was played or who won or who lost. Whether it was the Sioux, the Cherokee, the Seminole of the southeast or the Pomo of the west coast, who played it first, is not important. What is important is that the game was given to all of them by the Creator to be played for His amusement.

In its original form Tewwarathon was played by as many as several hundred players on each

team. Goals could be positioned up to five miles apart and the playing "field" often consisted of forest. Two poles were erected at the end of the field and goals were scored each time someone hit them with a hard, deer skinned ball.

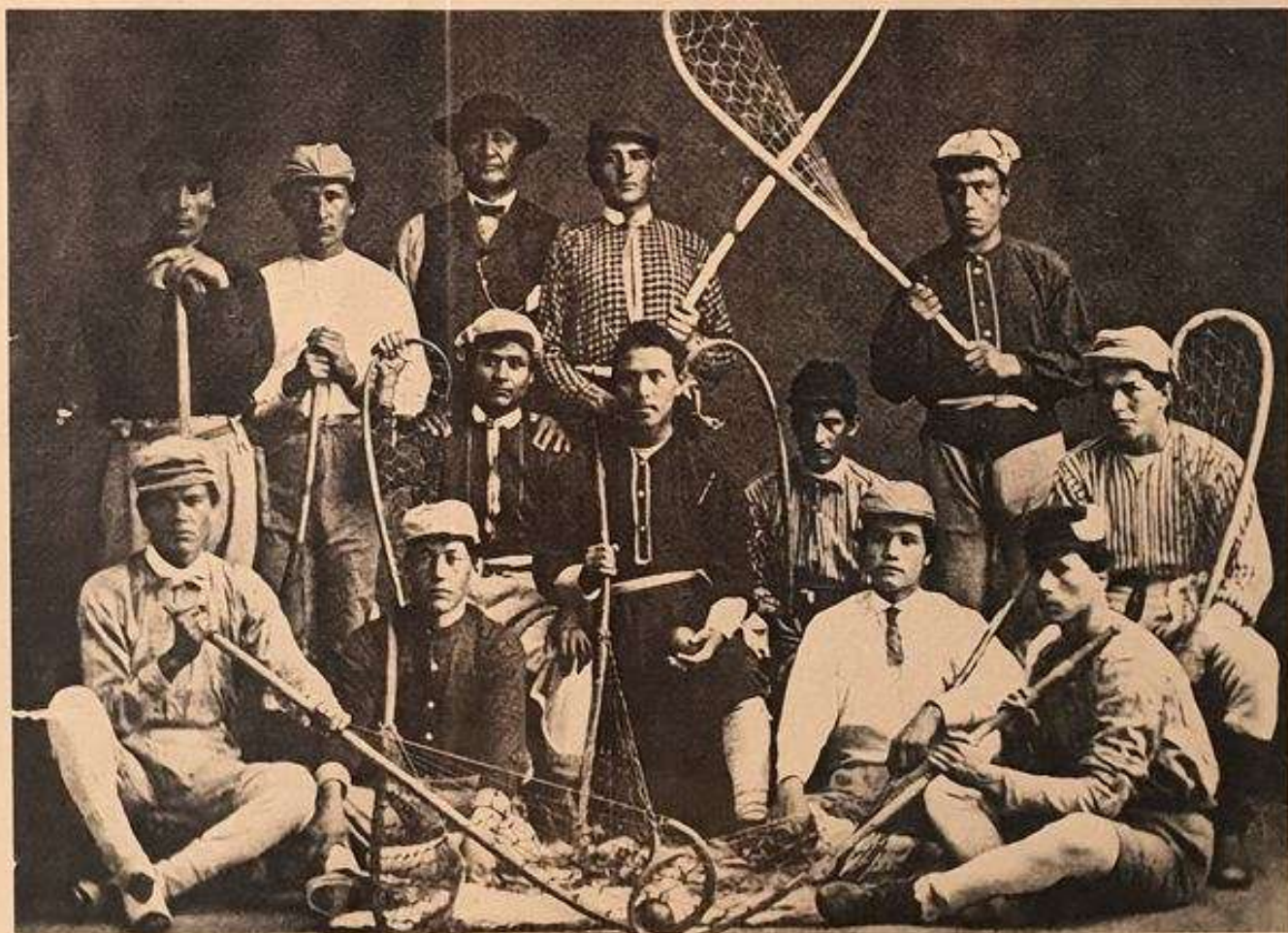
Play was rough by current standards and injuries were frequent but it didn't seem to diminish the enthusiasm displayed for the game.

There was almost a religious significance attached to the sport and it was indeed sport in the purist essence of the word. Players trained for months to prepare for one game. Dedication was so great that they would even abstain from any contact with women for seven days before and after a game so as not to weaken themselves. If a woman touched a stick, that stick would not be used. Eating meat of the rabbit was also forbidden because it would make players timid.

These games were often used to settle disagreements between tribes. The Creator would decide who was right by influencing the outcome of the game.

As the popularity of these contests grew more tribes, especially the Mohawks, began to stage regular, smaller games amongst themselves. White settlers witnessed these games and became intrigued. They eventually began playing and changed the rules until we have the game you are watching tonight.

Here in British Columbia the North Shore Indians lacrosse clubs have left an indelible stamp on lacrosse. Great North Shore teams emerged in the 1930's and well over 10,000 fans used to jam the old Denman Street Arena to watch them play. Today the names of Baker and Joseph and Powless are synonymous with lacrosse excellence.



CANADA EAST

Brooklin Redmen — Trying to win the big tournament for the little town.

When most people think of Brooklyn they're thinking of a borough in New York City famous for its Dodger baseball teams of a few decades ago.

Those famous "Boys of Summer"... with heroes like Duke Snider, Jackie Robinson, Gil Hodges and Don Newcombe and their classic rivalries with other great teams of another era like the Giants and the Yankees...

Well, there's another Brooklin on the map. Tucked away in central Ontario — a suburb of Whitby, which is a suburb of Oshawa, which has become a suburb of Toronto's urban sprawl — sits Brooklin. Tiny Brooklin. Population 1500. The home of the Redmen, a team which may become the world's finest box lacrosse team at The Nations in 1980.

And don't be too surprised if they do win that honour. The Redmen are no strangers to lacrosse and among their more recent exploits are Mann Cup victories in 1968-69. The team goes back a long way — to 1931.

This year could be the Redmen's best in a long time. Only two points behind Peterborough

when the season finished last year, the Redmen have been the class of the Ontario Lacrosse Association in 1980. In 14 games they have won 12 and lost just two and when you look at the league's list of top scorers you will see six Brooklin names.

Meet the new "Boys of Summer"... Ken Colley (40 goals, 31 assists, 71 points in 14 games), he's the OLA scoring leader. Meet Tom Wreggitt, he's in second place with 30-38 for 68 points in just 12 games. Meet Larry Graham, Bryce Jordon, Bill Down and Tim Briscoe — they're fourth, fifth,

the new "Boys of Summer" — Colley, Wreggitt and Jordon

seventh and ninth in the OLA scoring derby.

"We're a high scoring team," said General Manager Mike Gray.

"We've averaged 16.9 goals a game this year and given up just nine," added Gray about his young Redmen, who average 23 years of age.

"We play a wide open, fast running, fast breaking style which I hear is similar to the Adanacs (Canada West representative, Coquitlam). I think it makes for exciting lacrosse and we're looking forward to showing the west what we can do," he added.

Conspicuous by its absence from the list of Redmen scorers is the name of Stan Cockerton, the former North Carolina State scoring star who was the Most Valuable Player at the World Field championships in Manchester, England in 1978.

"Stan has had some problems adjusting back to box from his field style and has been having a slow start this year," said Gray.

"But we expect him to get things together at The Nations. He's a great player," Gray said.

The Redmen are a community project in Brooklin. Each player is sponsored by a citizen in the community and when the team earned the right to head west for The Nations all 1500 Brooklinites rolled up their shirt sleeves and pitched in to help raise the money needed to travel here.

"We're playing for all of them and that gives us added incentive. When you figure it out it cost the townspeople \$10.00 a head to send us here and we don't want to disappoint them," Gray said.

If there is one thing that might contribute to a disappointing performance by the Redmen, it will be that lack of experience. Only one player — Bill Down, three years ago with Brampton Excelsiors — has played in a Mann Cup, although many of the players do have experience in Minto Cup play.

"If there's anything that can hurt us that's it," cautioned Gray.

"We don't have that much experience and we could get rattled in a tight situation against an experienced team."

But with all that scoring talent the possibility exists that the Redmen might not face that many tight situations even though this is the championship of the world.



DOMINION OF CANADA

How appropriate that the first World Championship of Box Lacrosse is being held here in Canada, with the cities of Vancouver and Victoria, British Columbia acting as hosts. The sport which Canadians consider uniquely their own will indeed be set off by some of Canada's finest scenery and hospitality.

As Minister responsible for Fitness and Amateur Sport, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all these teams participating in "The Nations in 1980" Championship of Box Lacrosse. The federal government has been pleased to give its moral and financial support to this exciting event so that more and more Canadian communities can enjoy the many advantages that hosting a major international sports event can bring.

I am confident that everyone at the Championship, spectator and player alike, will find this event a rewarding experience, both in the challenge of competition and the pleasure of happy memories.

Good luck to all of you.

Gerald A. Regan
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Il n'y a pas d'endroit plus approprié que le Canada pour la tenue des premiers Championnats mondiaux de crosse intérieure, avec les villes de Victoria et Vancouver en Colombie-Britannique comme hôtes. Les compétitions dans ce sport que les Canadiens considèrent comme leur exclusivement se dérouleront dans une des plus belles régions du pays, reconnue pour son hospitalité.

En ma qualité de Ministre responsable de la Condition physique et du Sport amateur, je souhaite une cordiale bienvenue à toutes les équipes qui participent aux Championnats de crosse intérieure "Les nations en 1980". Le Gouvernement fédéral est heureux d'offrir son appui moral et financier à cette compétition, pour assurer qu'un nombre toujours plus grand de villes du Canada puissent jouir de tous les avantages que crée la présentation d'une grande rencontre sportive internationale.

Je suis certain que les athlètes et les spectateurs vivront une expérience inoubliable, tant à cause du défi à relever que des bons souvenirs qu'ils conserveront de cette rencontre.

Bonne chance à tous!

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DOMINION OF CANADA

Lacrosse's past comes alive with collector Hume's home museum



Draw a composite sketch of your typical sports memorabilia collector and you picture a guy who behaves not unlike a common pack rat.

He never throws anything away and you can barely move round his house without tripping over piles of magazines, dusty trophies or autographed equipment so ancient you'd have to bring out the carbon test just to figure its age.

Well, that picture is totally inaccurate if you're using it to describe Fred Hume.

Hume, a 36-year-old drafting and graphic design specialist from Vancouver is a collector all right. And he does spend much of his spare time procuring articles from sport's glorious past. But that's where the comparisons with the previously mentioned character end.

Hume is organized and he is as proud of his impressive collection as any museum curator.

A serious collector since 1973 he now has over 15,000 baseball

cards neatly filed away in drawers in his Vancouver apartment. Among them are originals of greats like Ty Cobb, Cy Young, Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig.

He has magazines like the first edition of *Sports Illustrated*.

And he has a special section dedicated to lacrosse. He is, as far as he knows, the only collector in Canada actively pursuing lacrosse memorabilia.

"I started collecting lacrosse material from scratch in 1975 and I have to say that it is a difficult thing to do. I hope that someday I'll have an extensive collection of lacrosse memorabilia," Hume says.

Hume's personal roots in lacrosse go back a long way. Although he never played any "seriously competitive" lacrosse his grandfather, Fred Hume Sr., is a member of the Lacrosse Hall of Fame as a builder.

The elder Hume was very instrumental in building the New Westminster Salmonbellies franchise into a Canadian powerhouse.

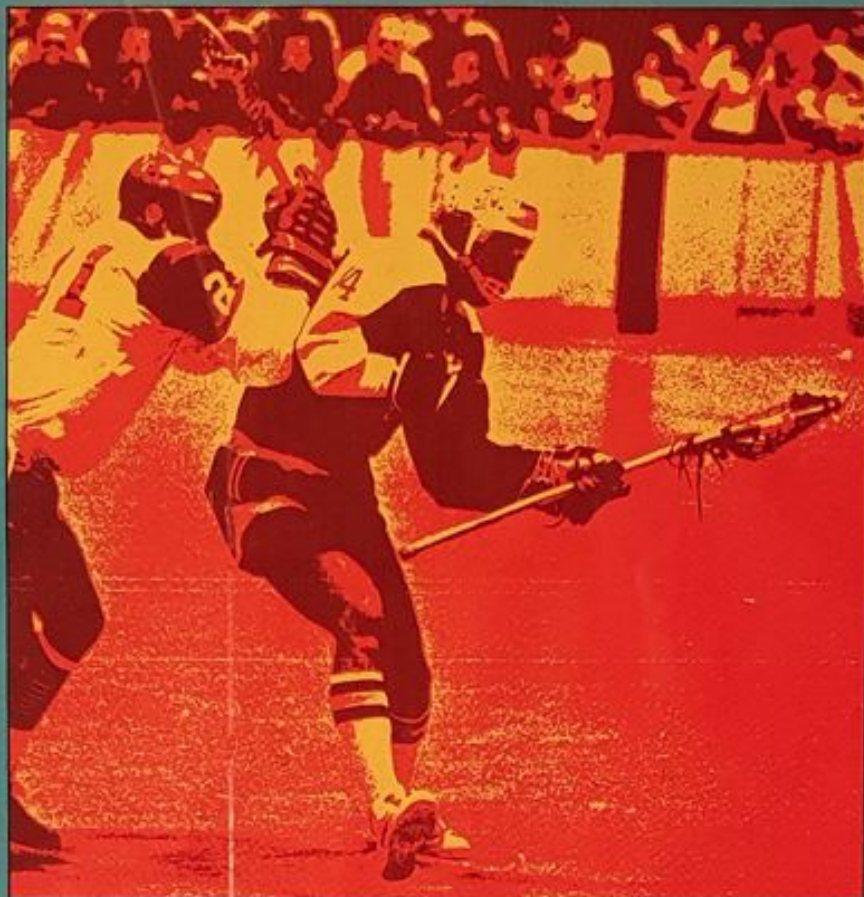
Some interesting photos from his private collection now belong to his grandson.

Where does Hume get most of his material? You might be surprised by the answer.

"I advertise for a lot of it and go to people who are getting rid of old newspapers. I also look through libraries and the city archives," he says.

"Most people just give me the material though. But finding it is difficult. I've never been able to find an old program or roster card. I do have some old lacrosse photo cards. They come from the 1910-11 period and as far as I know they are the only lacrosse issue ever made," he adds.

Obviously, Hume relies on the help of people around Vancouver to provide information and material. The next time you're throwing out some of those old newspapers think of Fred and his collection. You can contact him by contacting the BCLA office in the Sport B.C. building in Vancouver.



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