

Numbers up for cross country

By JAY KELLEY
Colby Free Press
 Coach Bob Mannebach is getting used to being excited about numbers. The Colby High School cross country coach had a record 42 participants last season and 47 are out this season.
 “We’ve got the six top boys back from the team that took eighth at state and the top six girls from the team that won a sixth straight league title,” he said.
 Both teams won league honors last season. Mannebach said 14 girls were out, a record number for the girl’s team.
 “We’ve also got some good quality freshman again this year,” said Mannebach.
 The group are hard workers and Mannebach said the competition will be fierce for top spots.



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Clay Kaiser and Ivy Ramsey got ready to run for the Colby High School cross country team at Dennen Field on Thursday. Coach Bob Mannebach said 47 students are out, including many of the members of last year’s league champion and state teams.

The fans should have the final say

I’m glad to see Nebraska coach Frank Solitch taking something of a hard line on players who get themselves in trouble with the law, although I’d feel better if the Dahrran Diedrick was being suspended for a different game.
 It’s not like they’ll need him against Texas Christian.
 It’s easy to say sports are out of control these days, but they said the same thing when the Yankees paid Babe Ruth \$75,000 for a single season almost 75 years ago. Ruth, by the way, was no paragon of virtue, either.
 The key is the fans, as long as we will pay to come see the players, it doesn’t really matter what they do. As long as the money rolls in, owners and college presidents will keep the status quo.
 Bobby Knight became an embar-



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rassment to Indiana University only after he stopped winning championships and drawing crowds but he still looked pretty good to a struggling Texas Tech program.
 I just got back from Lubbock, however, and some of the fans already aren’t too happy.
 Knight appeared at a fancy dress charity dinner, as the keynote speaker, in coaches shorts, a polo shirt and worn out tennis shoes. That didn’t fly very

well.
 Knight and company also have some stiff competition from the Lady Raiders, who are not only more popular than the men, but are probably a better team.
 If Knight can turn the men’s program around, he’ll probably be the toast of the town, but if he doesn’t he’ll be the goat.
 We need to keep our focus. It’s good to win, but when players and coaches violate the standards of decent behavior, the fans need to just say no.
 Athletes and coaches are public figures and they are role models, whether they like it or not. They need to be held to those standards.

Colby rec needs volunteers for ballfield improvements

The Colby Recreation Department and Colby Baseball Association are looking for volunteers to help lay sod on the baseball field at the recreatin complex.
 Anyone interested should meet at the complex at 8 a.m. Saturday or Sunday.
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Bogey costs Norman sole lead

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — Greg Norman, whose last PGA Tour victory came four years ago at Firestone Country Club course, made a bogey on the final hole, but still posted a 5-under-par 65 and shared the lead with Jim Furyk

after the first round of the NEC Invitational.
 Tiger Woods was among four players at 66.
 Tied with Woods at 66 were three Europeans — Colin Montgomerie,

Darren Clarke and Thomas Bjorn.
 The World Golf Championship event is for players from the Ryder Cup and Presidents Cup teams, plus the top 12 Europeans from its Ryder Cup standings.

Baseball At-A-Glance

American League					W	L	Pct	GB	
East Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	Atlanta	70	56	.556	—
New York	75	53	.586	—	Philadelphia	68	58	.540	2
Boston	70	56	.556	4	Florida	60	66	.476	10
Toronto	61	67	.477	14	New York	58	69	.457	12 1/2
Baltimore	54	73	.425	20 1/2	Montreal	54	73	.425	16 1/2
Tampa Bay	46	82	.359	29	Central Division				
Central Division					W	L	Pct	GB	
	W	L	Pct	GB	Houston	73	54	.575	—
Cleveland	72	55	.567	—	Chicago	70	57	.551	3
Minnesota	66	62	.516	6 1/2	St. Louis	69	58	.543	4
Chicago	63	63	.500	8 1/2	Milwaukee	56	70	.444	16 1/2
Detroit	52	74	.413	19 1/2	Cincinnati	51	76	.402	22
Kansas City	51	77	.398	21 1/2	Pittsburgh	47	79	.373	25 1/2
West Division					West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB	
Seattle	92	36	.719	—	Arizona	73	53	.579	—
Oakland	73	55	.570	19	San Francisco	72	55	.567	1 1/2
Anaheim	67	61	.523	25	Los Angeles	69	58	.543	4 1/2
Texas	56	72	.438	36	San Diego	62	64	.492	11
					Colorado	54	72	.429	19
National League									
East Division									

Local Schedule

Saturday, Aug. 25
 Colby High School varsity tennis at Trego at 8:30 a.m.
 Varsity football video scrimmage at Dennen Field at 7 p.m.
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