

Racing season about to get underway in Colby

The exciting sights and sounds of the Thomas County Speedway will soon come to life. On Sunday, May 5, the Speedway will begin the first race of the 2002 season. The entire schedule is as follows; May 5 & 19, June 2 & 16, July 7 & 21, Aug. 2, 3 & 18, Sept. 1.

The May 19 race will feature an additional class to the line-up with the return of the Western Dirt Racing Association Late Models. Aug. 2nd, the first night of racing at the Thomas County Fair, the Late Models will return to be featured along with the Cruiser and Bomber Classic races.

The Modifieds and Super Stocks will not race on Friday, August 2nd so that they may attend the big race in North Platte, Nebraska.

On Saturday Aug. 3rd, The 6th Annual Thomas County Speedway Modified Shootout featuring Modifieds and

the Super Stock divisions will race for big money. The final race of the season, September 1, will feature an additional class with the ASCS Sprint Cars signed up for the show.

All races will begin at 7 p.m Central Time, with hot laps to begin at 6:15 p.m. Each race with the exception of the fair race will feature the four regular divisions, Cruiser, Bomber, Super Stock, and Modified.

Season tickets are now available and may be purchased at Warks Embroidery in Colby or from track promoter Kerry Wark. This will save race fans over box office price, and a possible wait in line to gain admittance.

So dig out the stadium seats, and maybe a blanket or two and plan to attend the first race of the 2002 season at Thomas County Speedway, Sunday May 5th.

Eagle summer basketball sign-ups announced

The Colby Eagle basketball camp for girls and boys grades 3 through 8 will be held June 11-14. Grades 3-5 will meet from 9 a.m. to 11:30 and grades 6-8 will meet from 12:30 to 3 p.m. in the Colby High School gym.

The cost will be \$40 and the registration deadline is May 20. For more information contact Derek Bissett at Colby Eagle Basketball Camp, 421 Smith Drive, Colby, KS 67701 or call 465-5300 ext. 3200.

Baseball Standings

National League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Montreal	11	8	.579	
New York	10	9	.526	1
Atlanta	10	10	.500	1 1/2
Florida	9	10	.474	2
Philadelphia	7	12	.368	4
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	12	5	.706	
Cincinnati	10	8	.556	2 1/2
St. Louis	9	10	.474	4
Houston	8	10	.444	4 1/2
Milwaukee	7	12	.368	6
Chicago	6	11	.353	6
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	12	6	.667	
Arizona	12	7	.632	1/2
Los Angeles	11	8	.579	1 1/2
San Diego	9	10	.474	3 1/2
Colorado	6	13	.316	6 1/2
American League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	12	4	.750	
New York	12	8	.600	2
Tampa Bay	7	10	.412	5 1/2
Toronto	7	10	.412	5 1/2
Baltimore	6	12	.333	7
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	13	6	.684	
Chicago	12	7	.632	1
Cleveland	12	7	.632	1
Kansas City	6	11	.353	6
Detroit	3	15	.167	9 1/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	16	4	.800	
Oakland	11	8	.579	4 1/2
Anaheim	6	13	.316	9 1/2
Texas	5	13	.278	10

Coffeyville will be site of Juco bowl

COFFEYVILLE (AP) — A junior college football bowl game will return to Coffeyville in December.

The first Dalton Defenders Bowl will be played Sunday, Dec. 1, at Veterans Memorial Stadium. The bowl was sanctioned by the National Junior College Athletic Association Board of Directors at its annual meeting earlier this month.

The host team will be one of the top three teams from the Jayhawk Conference. The visiting team will be an at-large team chosen by its final poll standings and fan appeal.

Organizers say the Dalton Defenders Bowl may occasionally be a national championship game based on the strength of the Jayhawk Conference. Garden City, Butler County and Coffeyville have been among the top three national teams nearly every year, with Hutchinson and Fort Scott also making strong showings.

"I think this conference is going to do nothing but get better," said Leroy Alsup, Coffeyville city manager and a founding member of the bowl committee. "There is going to be ample opportunity to have a national championship game."

Getting ready for Goodland



DARREL PATTILLO/Colby Free Press

Members of the Colby High School track squad worked out at Dennen Field Monday afternoon in preparation for Friday's track meet at Goodland. Pictured left to right: Lori Ziegelmeier, Breann Hart, Erika Erickson, and Jessie Brenn.

Area bowlers fare well at tournament

The 26th annual Challenge Cup tournament was held at the Colby Bowl Saturday and for the first time since the tournament began in 1977, a Goodland bowler took home the silver cup. Phil Helzer, a 208 average bowler, edged out 18 year-old Keith Ubert from Hays to take the championship. Helzer rolled through match play with games of 221, 208, 225, 233, and 213.

Creating excitement for the crowd was a Colby bowler, Carol McGuire, who was one of only two ladies in the tournament. McGuire shot an 801 for four games in qualifying to reach the head to head match play. Continuing her streak of 200 games, McGuire shot 248, 202, 192, before losing to the tournament champion 233 to 202 in the semi-finals for a 3rd place finish. McGuire's 248 game won the high

game honors for match play.

Also performing well for Colby was Tom Leavitt who placed 7th with a 211 average, Al Koenig placed 8th with a 209 average and Ken Brewer placed 12th with a 207 average. Lynn Cameron qualified for match play with a 191 average and Alan Focke with a 196 average for the four qualifying games.

The annual event draws top scratch

bowlers from all over Western Kansas and remains the showpiece event for bowlers in this area. The tournament is part of a 5 stop mini-tour that includes Liberal, Dodge, Garden City, Hays, and Colby. Points are accumulated by performance in the five stops and additional prize money is awarded based on those points. This year's Western Kansas Mini-Tour Champion was Butch Doan from Cimmaron, Kansas.

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Broncossign eight players

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP) — The Denver Broncos announced agreements Monday with eight free agents not picked up in the weekend draft.

The Broncos signed Hofstra wide receiver Charlie Adams, Tennessee fullback Will Bartholomew, Louisiana State linebacker Trev Faulk, Fresno State running back Paris Gaines, North Dakota State tight end Jared Peck, Brigham Young center Jason Scukanec, Colorado linebacker Jashon Sykes, and Boston College cornerback Lenny Walls.

Terms of the deals were not disclosed.

Painting Classes
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