

# Lady Eagle runners take fifth at state; volleyball team eliminated Friday

By DARREL PATTILLO

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WAMEGO — Colby High School cross country coach Bob Mannebach found out in June that his top runner, Ivy Ramsey, wasn't going to be running cross country this year, due to a knee injury that required surgery. "I was a little concerned," he said. Enter the freshman, Jessica Stephens. "I knew Jessica was a good runner," Mannebach said. "I had been watching her in middle school." Stephens, who broke Ramsey's mile record as an eighth-grader at the NWKL track meet in April, finished third Saturday in Wamego, behind Brittany Hill of Hugoton, who won, and Mallory Champapa of Clearwater. Champapa and Hill were 1-2 at state last year, and Stephens will be racing both of them next year-Hill is a junior, Champapa a sophomore. "Jessica had an outstanding run finishing third to the same two girls that ran in our regional," Mannebach said. "These two girls were also the state champion and state runner-up last year."

"It was a great year for our ladies," Mannebach added. "It was a privilege working with a great group of people. They worked very hard during the year and at the same time we had a lot of fun." There will be an awards night on Thursday, Nov. 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the Commons area of the high school. Fans will be able to view a highlight video of the year during a potluck supper followed by the awards presenta-

tion.	
GIRLS VARSITY at Wamego	
Jessica Stephens	3 12:10
Erika Erickson	26 12:59
Lauren Kaiser	43 13:24
Emily Sloan	59 13:44
Amanda Seemann	61 13:47
Marcia Kaus	77 14:12
Zanae Baird	84 14:27
TEAM SCORES	
Baldwin	66
Wamego	111
El Dorado	126
Clearwater	128
Colby	137
Topeka-Hayden	145
Andover	168
Hugoton	177
Clay Center	184
Chanute	217
DeSoto	256
Mill Valley	301

## Lay Eagle volleyball team plays at state tourney in Salina

The Lady Eagle volleyball team went 1-2 Friday, and were eliminated from the state tournament.

"It wasn't really that bad," said coach Lesley Wagoner. "The girls acheived every goal they started the year with. They wanted to win league, which they did; they wanted to win the sub-state, which they did. They wanted to go to state, which they did."

Colby lost its first match Friday to Towanda-Circle, 9-15, 16-14, 6-15, then beat Baldwin 15-11, 15-8. The Lady Eagles lost their final match in pool play 12-15, 11-15 to Clearwater. "I told the girls to be proud," Wag-



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Freshman Jessica Stephens crossed the finish line Saturday at Wamego with a time of 12:10, good enough for third place.

oner said. "You went 31-5. That's a great season." She wished the girls good luck and told them that she hoped their success in volleyball would carry over into the rest of the sports year.

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# Broncos and Chiefs have day off, instead of off day



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## •On the Ball

It's a short column today, as I have a whole bunch of writing to do, so enjoy! Next week's silliness will be longer in length.

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The Broncos and the Chiefs were off Sunday, so aside from commenting on the fact that they probably played their best football to date, there'll be no mocking either of those teams in today's column.

Instead, let's take time to congratulate the Colby Lady Eagle volleyball team for its accomplishment this year. 31-5 overall, after a trip to state, a league title and a sub-state title. That's a memory all of the Eagle girls, especially the seniors, and the coaching staff will be able to savor for a long time.

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Congrats as well to the Eagle cross country team. The girls improved from ninth-place at the state meet in Wamego last year to fifth-place this year. Great job! Coach Mannebach told me he is really looking forward to next year, with all of the girls who went to Wamego (except senior Jamie Quenzer) returning, plus Ivy Ramsey. The final results aren't in yet, but it

appears that I finished somewhere in the middle of the pack of sportswriters running back and forth across the Wamego golf course trying to keep up with the girls. I'll try to improve my time for next year.

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Football season is over for our Colby Eagles, but if you still want to see some great football being played, head over to Rexford Tuesday night for Golden Plains bi-district matchup with Logan. The game starts at 7 p.m.

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It was painfully obvious at the start of Saturday's K-State-KU football game that it was going to get ugly. I really think that the Wildcats could have scored 100 points on those poor Jayhawks. Imagine sitting in the stands, cold and shivering, watching your team get beat 64-0.

The thing is, when basketball season rolls around, it's going to be payback time for the Jayhawks. I wouldn't want to be at that game when KU gets its revenge!

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# Kenyans win New York marathon

NEW YORK (AP) — Kenya's Joyce Chepchumba of Kenya pulled away from her last challenger with a fierce charge in the New York City Marathon for her first victory in two years.

She finished in 2 hours, 25 minutes, 56 seconds.

Kenya's Rodgers Rop won the men's title in 2:08:07 from countrymen Laban Kipkemboi and Christopher Cheboiboch.

# Brewster, Colby, finish football season; Golden Plains in bi-district play

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The Brewster High School Bulldog football team finished 4-5 after a 22-20 loss in Bird City Friday under frigid conditions. The Bulldogs struggled with the cold, wet weather for the entire game. They fumbled seven times, six of which Cheylin recovered. Brewster was knocking on the door, with third and goal on their second possession and 2:19 left in the first quarter when a fumble by quarterback Jacob Falcon gave Cheylin possession on their own four. The next possession found nearly the same scenario, this time fourth and goal on the three with 9:32 left in the half and another fumble recovered by Cheylin. Cheylin scored first on a one yard run by Matt Wilson. The two-point conversion failed and Cheylin led 6-0 with 1:09 left in the half. Their lead was short-lived however; as Brewster came back and scored on a 20 yard pass from Jacob Falcon to Jarrett Carpenter.

The Bulldogs failed to convert and the half ended in a 6-6 tie.

In the second half, Cheylin's opening drive took them from their 15 to Brewster's 15 before Carpenter recorded the first of three sacks, creating a Cheylin fumble and stopping the drive.

Neither team was able to move the ball until the fourth quarter, when things got untracked for the 'Dawgs. Cheylin scored with 10:52 left on a Josh Moyer run.

This time the conversion worked when Wilson found Michael Sager open and the Cougars led 14-6.

Sean Swanson fumbled on the kick return and the Cougars recovered on the Brewster 19, punching the ball in again and converting to make the score 22-6.

Brewster's next drive ended when a Branson Gilley pass intended for Jake Long was intercepted, but the Cougars were unable to capitalize again and the 'Dawgs sacked the Cheylin punter, taking the ball on the Cougar 35. .

Falcon found Long on the opening play of the drive to bring Brewster to within 10. The conversion failed and the score stood at 22-12 with 4:06 remaining.

Brewster tried an onside kick, but failed giving Cheylin good field position at the Bulldog 30. Cheylin

couldn't move the ball after entering the red zone and a field goal from the 15 failed.

The Bulldog junior varsity took the field with just a minute to go and, on the second play of the drive, Long scored again on a 70-yard run with only 16 seconds left.

Brewster again tried an onside kick, hoping for another chance to score, but Cheylin recovered, ending the 'Dawgs hopes to salvage a win.

Jake Long had 71 yards on two carries with a touchdown, one touchdown reception for 35 yards. Falcon had 19 yards on 17 carries and 5-for-7 in the air with two touchdowns. Swanson had 15 yards on 10 carries. Joel Selby had four yards on three carries.

Carpenter had two receptions for 50 yards, plus a touchdown and Swanson had two for 14 yards.

Swanson also had 17 tackles. Long had 14 tackles. Falcon had 12. Lucas Moore and Carpenter had 11 each. Carpenter also had three sacks and a fumble recovery.

Gilley had six tackles. Josh Ryan and Aaron Smith had four each. Selby had three and Tyler Johnson had two.

## COLBY 28 ULYSSES 40

The Colby Eagle football team finished its season on the road, losing 40-28 to the Ulysses Tigers last Thursday on a cold, wet night. The Eagles trailed early in the game after a turnover gave the Tigers good field possession. Ulysses jumped out to a big lead, but the Eagles made a charge late, only to fall short. Colby finishes the year 2-8 overall, with victories over Holcomb in Holcomb, and Smith Center at home. The Eagles were 0-3 in district competition.

## Golden Plains in Bi-district play

The Golden Plains Bulldogs finished the regular season and district play after Thursday night's 22-8 victory over the Weskan Coyotes. Line-man Brandon Offutt is out with a deep bruise on his right leg that won't heal, according to Golden Plains coach Travis Smith. "We're still not sure about Brandon," Smith said. "We're practicing like he's not going to be able to play." Heath Albers stepped in for Offutt Thursday night, and will be playing in his place Tuesday night, against the 7-2 Logan Trojans. The winner of that game will move on Saturday to play the winner of the Sylvan Grove-Palco matchup. "We'd like Palco to win that," Smith said. "That way we can play at home." Game time Tuesday night will be at 7 p.m.

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