

Eagle boys out-gun Broncos

By DARREL PATTILLO

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Three Colby Eagles scored in double figures Saturday night in a romp over the Russell Broncos, 76-40 at the Colby Community Building.

Jordan Harris scored 21 of his 23 points in the first half, including 5-5 from three-point land.

Matt Augustine had 11 points, Shane Stover scored 20, Carson McKee had 8, and Jared Cranston had 6 points off of the bench.

Jared Dinkel also came off the bench to score 8.

Colby (2-0) came out at the start of the game with a pressure defense that never let up, and led 11-2 with 4 minutes left in the first period.

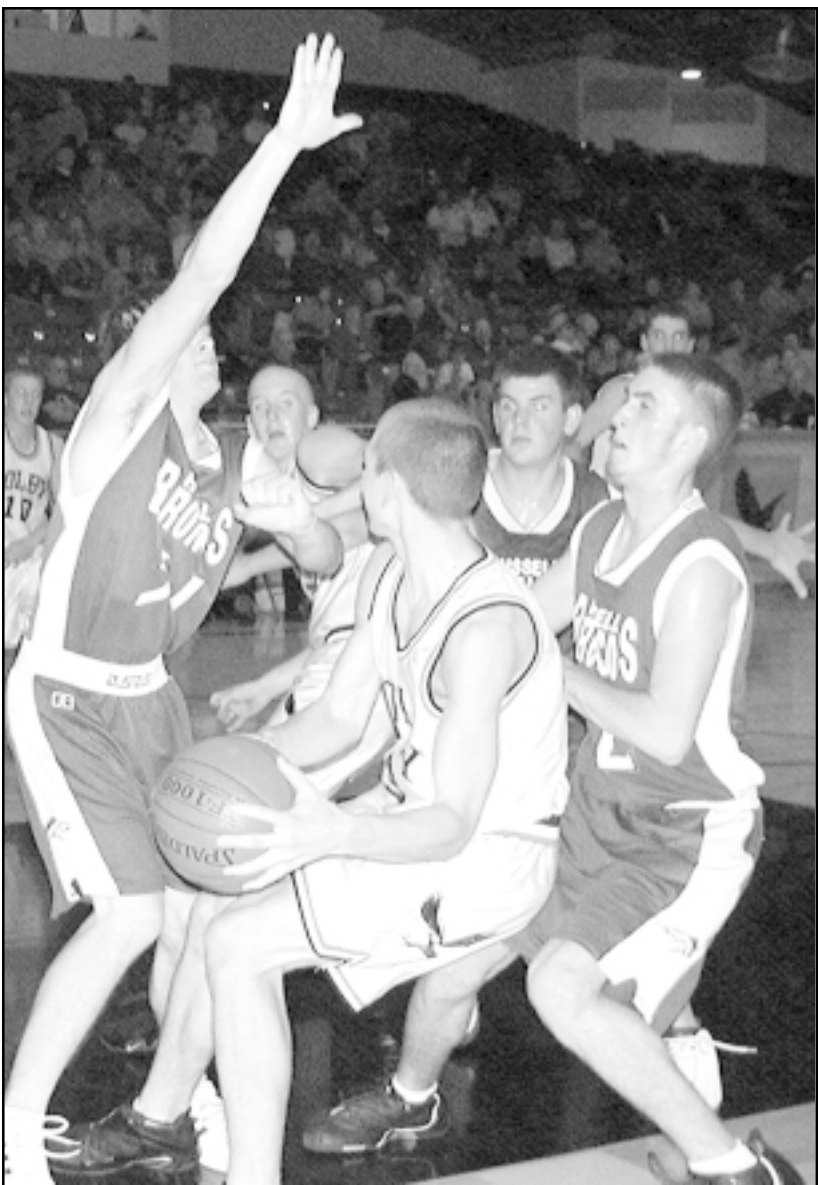
The Eagles balanced attack scored 20 points in the first period, 19 points in the second, 20 in the third, and 17 points in the fourth.

"We've got a veteran crew that knows how to play," coach Derek Bissett said after the game. "The guys know that teams are going to key on (Jordan) Harris, and they know they have to step up."

Shane Stover had 9 rebounds to go with his 20 points.

Shane's brother Landon didn't score in the game, but had 7 rebounds and 5 assists. McKee had 6 assists.

The Eagles are in action again Tues-



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Colby Eagle Landon Stover worked against a triple-team by the Russell Broncos Saturday night in Colby's 76-40 victory.

day night at the Community Building, hosting the Hays High Indians, who are 2-1 after taking third at the Hays

Shootout Saturday. "The Hays game will tell us what kind of team we have," Bissett said.

Chiefs demolish St. Louis Rams, 49-10

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)—Dante Hall keeps doing things that nobody in a Kansas City Chiefs uniform has ever done before.

Hall returned a punt and a kickoff for touchdowns in a 49-10 victory over the St. Louis Rams on Sunday. He becomes the second NFL player to accomplish that feat this year, but the first to do it in the Chiefs' 40-year history.

"It feels good," said Hall, who averaged 44.7 yards on three kickoff returns and 47.5 yards on four punt returns. "We work hard all week, and then we come out and put in a performance like this. That's the thing we enjoy when we see our hard work paying off."

After Jeff Wilkins' 36-yard field goal gave St. Louis a 3-0 lead early in the first quarter, Hall took the ensuing kickoff at his own 12-yard line and

raced untouched down the left sideline for his first score.

Shortly after the midpoint of the second quarter, Hall fielded Mitch Berger's high punt at the Kansas City 14. He started left, then cut back across the field and broke free down the right sideline for an 86-yard TD that gave the Chiefs a 28-10 lead.

Hall showed flashes of what he could do to the Rams in August, when he had four kickoff returns for 144 yards and averaged 17.5 yards on two punt returns in Kansas City's 23-16 exhibition win.

"It all comes down to missed tackles," said linebacker Don Dixon, the Rams' special-teams captain. "We missed one or two tackles on him, and he got loose on us. We knew coming in he was a dangerous kick returner."

Hall is the 20th player in NFL history

to return two kicks of any kind for touchdowns in the same game.

The Saints' Michael Lewis also returned a punt and a kickoff for touchdowns on Oct. 13 in New Orleans' 43-27 win over Washington.

The punt-return score was the third return TD in two games for Hall, a fifth-round draft pick out of Texas A&M in 2000. A week ago, he set a team record with a 90-yard punt return for a touchdown in Kansas City's 49-0 win over Arizona.

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Are you ready for some hoops?



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•On the Ball

I was going to wait until after the Broncos game Sunday to write my column, just in case they did something really boneheaded that I could mock them for. The Chiefs certainly haven't done anything deserving of ridicule in the past couple of weeks, so they're no help.

But it doesn't matter, because at the moment, it's all about the hoops.

I'm not a basketball player, but I know what good basketball looks like, and I'm seeing quite a bit of it now-a-days. The Trojans have been playing for a few weeks, and the men and women are both playing well.

One of the 7th-grade teams is undefeated, and for crying out loud, the 8th-grade A team hasn't lost this year, and when they were playing in the 7th grade, they were undefeated. My apologies fellows, for not knowing you guys are 22-0, but like I told you Sunday night at the Community Building, you'll get plenty of press when you get to high school.

Which brings us to the Colby Lady Eagles and Dude Eagles. It's only been a couple of games, but man, are they fun to watch!

Down in Scott City last Thursday, you could see where the Lady Eagles might have been thinking that Scott City would just roll over for them, but they gutted that game out with some clutch free-throw shooting near the end, and Sunday night against Russell, I saw something in their eyes during the game that said "we're done goofin' around." Keep it up ladies.

And I don't even know how to describe our guys.

Sometimes it looks like there's about eight guys out there running around, and if they maybe hadn't lost a little intensity against Scott City, that game would have been a whuppin' like the Russell game was Sunday night.

Alright, enough cheerleading. Let's

just say this: Colby has the speed, talent, and bench to win a lot of ball games this year. That goes for every team we have.

Now then, I need to mention that I may need some help with the high school wrestling this year.

Anyone who feels comfortable sending me results from tournaments can get a hold of me at the paper or e-mail me at dpattillo@nwkansascity.com or colbysports@nwkansascity.com. This doesn't mean that no wrestling is going to get in the paper unless somebody else writes it. That would be extortion. I'm simply asking, as I do every couple of months, for some help. There's going to be times when I can't be in three places at once, and if you want to help, you're welcome to join the effort.

And finally, since I know darn good and well every network programming executive in the country is an avid reader of this column, (WISHFUL THINKING ALERT) I wish to announce the start of my boycott of Fox Broadcasting.

I am totally cheesed off at those idiots, and I'm not gonna watch their stupid channel anymore.

What rocket scientist decided that the New York Giants (6-6 before Sunday's game) and the Washington Redskins (5-7 prior to Sunday's game) was a better telecast for us to watch than the Tampa Bay Buccaneers versus the Atlanta Falcons?

Luckily, products advertised on Fox are also advertised elsewhere, so I can still buy all the fun stuff that I can't afford.

Unfortunately, I'm going to have to give up reruns of The Fall Guy and Knight Rider. Not to mention Trapper John, MD.

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Lady Eagles roll over Russell

By RALPH WOLF

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The Colby Lady Eagles basketball team improved its season record to 2-0 with a 63-39 victory over the Russell Broncos Saturday night at the Community Building.

The Eagles got off to a slow start and trailed 9-14 at the end of the first period of play. Midway through the second quarter Russell had increased their lead to nine points (18-9), but Colby came out of a time-out and out-scored the Broncos 18-4 in the final 4 minutes of the first half to take a 27-22 lead into the locker room at the break.

Summar Stephens led the team with 18 points, 5 steals, and 5 assists. Stephens was also credited with 4 rebounds. Amanda Seemann connected for 15 points, had 2 steals, 2 assists and 1 rebound. Emily Sloan joined Stephens and Seemann scoring in double figures with 11 points.

Sloan hauled down 4 boards, recorded 1 steal, had an assist and rejected 2 shots. Brianna Swafford and Bethanie Linden added 7 points each. Linden grabbed a team high 5 rebounds, stole the ball 4 times and had 2 assists.

Swafford had 1 rebound, 3 steals and 2 assists. Samantha Wolf finished the game with 2 points, recorded 2 boards, had 2 steals and dished out 4 assists. Freshman Jessica Stephens, playing in her first varsity game, hit nothing but net from three point-land and finished the game with 3 points.

Desiree Sharp contributed to the cause with 2 rebounds, 1 assist and 1 steal. Marcia Kaus and Shawna Cox also saw playing time. Junior Ivy Ramsey is still recovering from knee



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Colby Lady Eagle Emily Sloan worked against Russell's Raine Kaufman Saturday night at the Colby Community Building. Colby improved to 2-0 with its 63-39 victory.

surgery and is expected to return to action by early February. Senior Breann Hart is side-lined with a knee injury; her return is on a day-to-day basis. As a team the Lady Eagles hit 47 percent from the field, 30 percent from beyond the arc and 52 percent

from the charity stripe.

Next action for the Eagles will be Tuesday December 1 as they host the Hays High Lady Indians. The girls "C" team game is at 4:30 in the Community Building followed by the varsity girls at 6:30.

Wildcats accept berth in Holiday Bowl

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP)—Kansas State, shut out of the Bowl Championship Series despite its No. 6 ranking, accepted a bid on Sunday to play in its third Holiday Bowl.

The Wildcats (10-2), who missed a perfect regular season by only seven points after going 6-6 a year ago, will meet unranked Arizona State in the

Dec. 27 game at San Diego.

Kansas State's two losses this year were by four points to Colorado and three points to Texas, both bowl-bound teams.

The Wildcats, who stayed at No. 6 in the final regular-season poll, were one of only two teams to beat No. 5 Southern California.

Kansas State officials, including coach Bill Snyder and university president Jon Wefald, went to Miami on Tuesday to make their case for an at-large Orange Bowl bid.

Athletic Director Tim Weiser guaranteed at least 25,000 tickets sold at Pro Player Stadium, which seats just over 75,000.

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