

Free Press Picks

KU vs. K-State:



Kevin Bottrell, editor of the Colby Free Press.

"Home field advantage counts for a lot in a big rivalry. K-State will be looking to keep their lead in the Big 12 North and it's their defense that will help them do it. K-State has been more consistently impressive this year."

Winner: **K-State 42-28**

Broncos vs. Steelers: **Broncos 28-24**
Chiefs vs. Jaguars: **Jaguars 28-17**
Oklahoma vs. Nebraska: **Nebraska 21-14**
Colorado vs. Texas A&M: **Texas A&M 35-28**

Accuracy rating: **50**



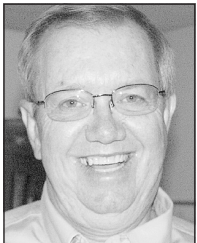
Andy Heintz, sports editor at the Colby Free Press.

"K-State has been steadily improving this year and the Jayhawks' season seems to be in a state of decline. The Wildcats are at home and they should be hungry for a victory after giving Oklahoma a scare last week."

Winner: **K-State 38-21**

Broncos vs. Steelers: **Broncos 23-20**
Chiefs vs. Jaguars: **Jaguars 28-14**
Oklahoma vs. Nebraska: **Oklahoma 31-17**
Colorado vs. Texas A&M: **Texas A&M 35-17**

Accuracy rating: **30**



Rich Epp, sports broadcaster at KTCC.

"Kansas rebounds and Reesing is back on track especially with the passing game, K-State comes close but will have to wait another season."

Winner: **KU 27-24**

Broncos vs. Steelers: **Steelers 20-14**
Chiefs vs. Jaguars: **Jaguars 31-17**
Oklahoma vs. Nebraska: **Oklahoma 31-21**
Colorado vs. Texas A&M: **Texas A&M 28-24**

Accuracy rating: **45**



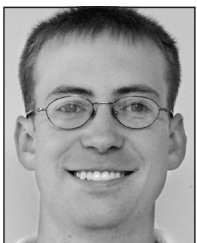
Sacha Sanguinetti, general manager at KRQD/KXXX.

"Despite losing at Oklahoma last week, Bill Snyder has K-State playing very well, especially at home. Conversely, KU is struggling, having lost three in a row."

Winner: **K-State 31-30**

Broncos vs. Steelers: **Steelers 20-14**
Chiefs vs. Jaguars: **Jaguars 27-17**
Oklahoma vs. Nebraska: **Oklahoma 24-10**
Colorado vs. Texas A&M: **Texas A&M 27-24**

Accuracy rating: **45**



Trent Rose, sports info. director at Colby College.

"These are two evenly matched teams and it can go either way with this pick. So I'm predicting overtime after a 31-31 regulation tie. K-State settles for a field goal and the Jayhawks win with a touchdown."

Winner: **KU 37-34**

Broncos vs. Steelers: **Steelers 24-21**
Chiefs vs. Jaguars: **Chiefs 17-14**
Oklahoma vs. Nebraska: **Oklahoma 27-17**
Colorado vs. Texas A&M: **Colorado 28-21**

Accuracy rating: **50**



Jimmy Chavez, sports broadcaster at KRQD.

"The Jayhawks are reeling and the Wildcats have over-achieved, but KU will bounce back and show why they are the class of the state. It should be a fun one as it usually is, KU's talent should prevail in this one"

Winner: **KU 42-17**

Broncos vs. Steelers: **Steelers 35-14**
Chiefs vs. Jaguars: **Jaguars 27-17**
Oklahoma vs. Nebraska: **Oklahoma 31-7**
Colorado vs. Texas A&M: **Colorado 35-17**

Accuracy rating: **55**

Basketball coach happy with his Wildcats team

MANHATTAN (AP) — In his first two years as Kansas State coach, Frank Martin had just about everything except experience.

His first year, he had Michael Beasley, arguably the most talented player in school history. His second year, he had determination and flair and one of the quickest guards in the nation in Denis Clemente.

He no longer has Beasley. But the Wildcats still have Clemente. And they finally are blessed with experience, that vital ingredient they've always lacked.

With three seniors and three juniors to go along with a talented newcomer, the Wildcats could make serious noise in the Big 12 this year.

Back for his junior season is point guard Jacob Pullen. The super-quick Clemente, who tied

the Big 12 record last year with 44 points at Texas, is a senior, as is 6-foot-10 Luis Colon.

Trojans hold Ambassador Classic

The Colby Community College men's and women's basketball teams will be holding the Ambassador Classic this weekend at the Community Building.

The men's team (1-0) will take on Trinidad State of Starkville, Colo. at 7 p.m. tonight and the Northwest Kansas All-Stars at 7 p.m. on Saturday.

The Northwest Kansas All-Stars includes Jerad Johnson, assistant coach of the Colby High varsity football team and former Kansas State football player, and Colby High varsity girls basketball coach Parker McKee.

Coach Dustin Pfeifer said his team's biggest challenge will be not having a let down coming off the emotional high they experienced after Tuesday's thrilling 74-71 victory over the Laramie County Golden Eagles.

"It's great to get a winning taste

in your mouth, but we need to be able to shift gears and get ready to play this weekend," he said.

Pfeifer said he wants to see his play better in the first half, then it did against the Golden Eagles.

The other men's teams in the classic are Garden City and the Sterling College junior varsity team.

The men's team will play its last game of the classic against Sterling at 7 p.m. next Saturday.

The women's team (0-1) will not be playing in the classic this weekend, but they will take on Western Nebraska of Scottsbluff in a normal game at 5 p.m. on Saturday at the Community Building. The Lady Cougars are ranked No. 15 in the country by the National Junior College Athletic Association. Coach Brady Jasper said the team has a lot of size.

Jasper said freshman Crystal

Kinderknecht is questionable on Saturday, but she will definitely be suiting up for Colby's first game of the classic against Clarendon College of Texas at 7 p.m. next Thursday. Kinderknecht had to miss her team's season opener on Tuesday after dislocating her left index finder. Jasper said her finger has a bone chip in it.

The coach said Clarendon has a lot of depth. The team is 13 to 15 players deep, he said.

"They play up and down, they press you and they shoot a lot of three's," said Jasper. "You have to play good offensively. You have to slow them down."

Jasper said his team needed to rebound the ball better than it did in its season opening loss to Lamar Community College Tuesday.

The other two girls teams in the classic are Colorado Northwestern Community College of Rangely,

Colo. and Independence Community College. Independence is ranked 20th in the country.

The Lady Trojans will play Colorado Northwestern next Friday at 7 p.m. and Independence at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

Players of the Week!



Lineman of the Week: Senior defensive tackle Adam Weber

"He played a good game on the line against Buhler," said Coach Chris Gardner.



Skills Player of the Week: Senior running back Ethan Stickel

"He ran tough on Tuesday," said Gardner.

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Gritty Titans football squad falls to Hill City in close game

By Bonnie Holm

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The Triplains/Brewster Titans almost scored a major upset over the Hill City Ringnecks in their last regular season game last Thursday.

The weather played a major role, as the field conditions deteriorated throughout the game, giving the Titans a slight advantage.

The Ringnecks started the game strong, scoring a touchdown and extra points to give them an 8-0 lead.

The Titans' offense also came out strong, and senior Brett Gfeller answered with a 23-yard run into the end zone. The extra point attempt was no good, and the score was 8-6 at the end of the first quarter.

With the rain continuing to fall, the Titans' passing game still worked.

Gfeller threw a pass to senior Devan Selby, who ran into the end zone for a Titan touchdown. The extra point attempt was unsuccessful, but the Titans led the Ringnecks 12-8. Hill City answered with a touchdown and two-point conversion, making the score at half time 16-12.

The third quarter was a defensive struggle, with neither team able to get anything going offensively.

Senior Spencer Holm rushed the quarterback and tackled him for a 10-yard loss. Senior Clay Rogge made numerous tackles in the backfield to hold the Ringnecks to very few yards on offense. Senior Tad Sheets had his best night on defense, slipping through the Hill City line to cause havoc.

Hill City scored just before the end of the third quarter, extending their lead to 22-12.

The fourth quarter was much like the third.

Hill City started to use all the time they could, hoping to maintain control of the ball. However, the Titans caused a fumble which bounced into their end zone. Sheets pounced on the ball, and the Titans' defense scored a touchdown.

The score, however, was still in favor of Hill City, 22-18. After an unsuccessful series of downs by Hill City, the Titans took over.

Despite a great catch by freshman Ethan Plummer to advance the ball to the Ringneck 20, the Titans were unable to score again and the Ringnecks won the game 22-18.

Gfeller had an outstanding game, rushing for 99 yards, passing for 99 and making 16 tackles.

Sheets had 17 tackles and eight yards rushing.

Selby had 52 yards receiving and four tackles.

Holm and senior Lane Ochs had five tackles each. Rogge had an incredible 22 tackles, including a sack.

Plummer had four tackles and 45 yards receiving.

Foreign exchange student Antoine Kirstetter had 9 tackles.

The Triplains and Brewster players will now go their separate ways, since each school has its own basketball team.

The seniors from both schools have been playing as the Titans for five years, since the eighth grade.

Complete season statistics and post season honors will be available later.

STRIKE ZONE
~ League Bowling Results ~

October 20, 2009- Pinbusters League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Subway	228	92	1
Colby Bowl	184	136	2
Roommasters	183.5	136.5	3
Al's Painting	157.5	162.5	4
Colby Automotive	147.5	172.5	6
Bargos	141.5	178.5	7
Corona Kids	128.5	191.5	8
Cummins Central Power	109.5	210.5	9

First high Individual game: Josh Ryan, 257
First high Individual series: Jason Hoppe, 625

October 26, 2009 - First Nighters League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Fire Xtrikers	206.5	113.5	1
Sparky's Firework	203.5	116.5	2
Discount Repair of	193.5	126.5	3
Kansas Quicklube	177	143	4
Frontier Ag. Inc.	176.5	143.5	5
McKee	161.5	158.5	6
Pepsi	160.5	159.5	7
Parking Lot Maintenance	152	168	8
Woofier Well & Pump	143.5	176.5	9
Grinnell Furniture	136.5	183.5	10
Wild Ride	131.5	188.5	11
NW Refrigeration	77.5	242.5	12

First high Men Individual game: Scott Williams, 257
First high Men Individual series: Scott Williams, 656

October 22, 2009 - King Pin League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Morgan Construction	28	12	1
Drinkin Mates	27	13	2
Balls Deep	22	18	3
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T.J. Tire	20	20	5
Colby Automotive	18	22	6
Kurts Pro	13	27	7
5 Pony Men	12	28	8

First high Individual game: Brent Menges, 246
First high Individual series: Brent Menges, 632

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October 21, 2009 - Ladies Nite Out League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Don's Electric	21	7	1
Twisters II	19	9	2
Susie's Circus	15.5	12.5	3
Minds in the Gutter	15	13	4
Straightline	15	13	5
Assist-Ur-Sale	14	14	6
Strike-Outs	13.5	14.5	7
Bop Shop Betties	12	16	8
Service Oil	11	17	9
Twisters	10	18	10
Swartz Veterinary Clinic	9	19	11

First high Individual game: Missy Lippelmann, 214
First high Individual series: Missy Lippelmann, 601

October 23, 2009 - Ten Pin League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Once Upon a Sign	13.5	14.5	1
Colby Bowl	13	15	2
Cal Williams	12.5	15.5	3

First high Individual game: Deb Norman, 201
First high Individual series: Roberta Shipley, 519

October 20, 2009 - Early Bird Ladies League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Van's Merry Four	19	9	1
www.strike	15.5	12.5	2
Bowlerettes	11	13	3
NW Vacuum	8.5	19.5	4

First high Individual game: Ann Friesen, 193
First high Individual series: Dee Hovda, 501

October 11, 2009 - King and Queen non-smoking

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Niermeier-McCarty	10	2	1
8 Pancake-Unruh	9	3	2
Benson-Schmidtbe	9	3	3
Norman-Mackley	8	4	4
Prochazka-Jacobs	7	5	5
Cook-Lanning	7	5	6
Team RB	6	6	7
Kreutzer-Garrett	5	7	8
Schissler-Freeman	5	7	9
Schroeder-Schroeder	4	8	10
Swartz-Barnett	2	10	11

First high Men Individual game: Garry Pancake, 243
First high Men individual series: T Gary Pancake, 660
First high Women individual game: Deb Norman, 171
First high Women individual series: Deb Norman, 464

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