

# Eagles varsity team falls to Ulysses 47-6

The Colby High School football team suffered a tough loss to the Ulysses Tigers at an away game Friday.

The Tigers opened big with a 52-yard pass. Colby senior safety Kale Arnberger made the tackle inside the 10-yard line. The Eagles defense stopped Ulysses s three times before Tigers' star Josh Jarnigan made it in on fourth down. Ulysses made a two-point conversion to make the score 8-0.

Colby couldn't get a drive going, punting to the Tigers, who took over at the 34. An 18-yard pass and several runs later, the Tigers scored on a 1-yard run. With an extra point, Ulysses led 15-0 with 4:38 left in the first quarter.

Sophomore Beau Brown returned the kickoff to the 26. Senior tailback Andrew Flanagan made the next three runs to right, left and up the middle for 21 yards, but couldn't continue the drive. Colby went for it on fourth down, but the Tigers' offensive line kept up the pressure on quarterback Arnberger and his pass fell short. A holding penalty moved the ball back to the 43 as Ulysses took over.

The Eagles' defense stepped up, stopping two successive runs. One incomplete pass later, the Tigers were forced to punt, giving Colby the ball on the eight. The Eagles made two runs for small gains, leaving them at third down and three to go at the end of the first quarter.

At the top of the second, a quick pass to Christian Wilson gained five yards to get the Eagles a first down. Colby couldn't capitalize on the gains, though, and soon turned the ball back to the Tigers. Jarnigan made a 20-yard run for a touchdown, his second of the game. An extra point made the score 22-0.

The Eagles had another small, scoreless drive and punted the ball back. Jarnigan blew by Konner Kriss for a 43-yard run for his third touchdown. The score was 29-0 with 7:31 left in the half.

The Eagles went on their first sustained drive after they returned

Great West Activity League Standings		
Team	League Record	Overall Record
Scott City	4-0	5-0
Ulysses	2-0	4-1
Colby	2-2	3-2
Goodland	2-2	3-2
Holcomb	0-3	1-4
Hugoton	0-3	1-4

the kickoff to the 17. Senior full-back Ryan Parker had several successful runs and gained a first down. Flanagan went around the left side for a nine-yard gain and Arnberger went up the middle for another first down.

Arnberger then tossed a screen pass to Flanagan, who powered his way through several defenders until he went out of bounds for a 14-yard gain. On the next play, Flanagan cut through the center for five, but the Tigers' defense stymied the Eagles there.

Colby turned over the ball after Arnberger was sacked five yards back from the line of scrimmage.

Arnberger got his revenge the very next play, intercepting a pass to Jarnigan. The Tigers in turn intercepted a pass the next play, but fumbled the ball several plays later. Kriss recovered, ending the string of turnovers.

Brown, Arnberger and Parker made small runs, picking up a first down with two minutes left in the half, but couldn't move the ball any farther. They punted to the Tigers, but a roughing the kicker call gave the ball back to Colby and added 15 yards, putting them at the Tigers' 45.

Passes to Senior Corbin Stephens and Flanagan garnered Colby a first down. Two nearly intercepted passes later, Arnberger was sacked for a big loss to end the half.

Sophomore wide receiver Zane Winger got an 18-yard return to open the second half. Parker ran up the middle but fumbled the ball, which was recovered by the

Tigers' Johnny Martinez. Ulysses drove to within a few inches of the end zone, with Arnberger bringing down Jarnigan inside the one. The Colby defense stopped the Tigers three plays in a row, but on the fourth Jarnigan dove through the Eagles' line for another touch-down. Colby's George Smollock stopped the two-point conversion attempt, making it 35-0.

The Eagles got the ball back at the 22. A pitch to Flanagan gained 13 yards for a first down. Arnberger made a long pass to Flanagan, who evaded two tackles to get to the Tigers' 27 yard line. The Eagles couldn't make any more gains and turned the ball over on fourth down. However, Wilson intercepted a pass, giving Colby the ball back. Flanagan ran to the Tigers' 29, but was again stymied by the Ulysses defense. The Tigers scored on their next drive, making the score 41-0.

The Eagles finally got on the board in the fourth quarter with a spectacular 50-yard run by Flanagan. Colby tried for a two point conversion, but the pass was incomplete.

Ulysses scored on another powerful drive, making the game 47-6 with two minutes left.

The Eagles got the ball back, but were unable to get any traction in the remaining time.

With the loss, the Eagles fall to 3-2 for the season and 2-2 in the Great West Activity League. Ulysses is now 4-1 with a 2-0 league record. The Eagles will play rival Goodland – also 3-2 for the season – on the road Friday.

## Taking it down the field



ANDY HEINTZ/Colby Free Press

A soccer player from the Lime team dribbled the ball during a game against the Columbia team in an 8-and-under American Youth Soccer Organization game on Saturday at the Colby soccer fields.

## Junior varsity loses to Holcomb

The Colby High junior varsity football team fell to Holcomb 20-14 in a road game last Monday that was a tale of two halves.

The Longhorns led 20-0 at the end of the first half. Holcomb scored two passing touchdowns and one rushing, said Colby coach Brad Wildeman, adding that his

boys did not seem not quite ready to play at the beginning of the game.

The second half was another story. Freshman Andrew Taylor scored on about a two-yard run in third quarter and freshman Luke Cox returned a punt 60 yards for a touchdown in the fourth.

Wildeman said a couple of big pass plays made the difference in the game. He said the Longhorns only had one good drive, at the beginning of the game.

With the loss, the young Eagles dropped to 1-2. They were to play Ulysses at 4:30 p.m. today at Den-nen Field.

## Seventh grade's winning streak ends

The previously unbeaten Colby Middle School seventh-grade football team picked up a hefty 40-6 victory at Burlington, Colo., last Monday but lost 26-12 at Scott City on Thursday.

"We continue to have some better athletes than other teams," coach Daren Organ said. "This was clearly evident against Burlington."

The coach said the Eagles had played well as a team, but they missed some assignments and had some penalties. He said Tyler Oren, Chase Cersovsky, Mekhai Bates and Justin Leth all played well. Organ said his team was a good group of kids with tons of potential who will have to continue to work to get better.

The Eagles aced Holcomb 22-0 on Thursday, Sept. 23. It was the team's third shutout of the year. Organ said the boys won the game because they are getting

better and better every week.

"This team doesn't quit," he said. "They are relentless."

The coach said his team continues to tackle and run the ball well. He said the boys still have to make fewer mistakes and be a smarter football team. Organ said wide receiver Andrew Voss did a good job blocking and catching the ball. Hayden Miller, Garrett Rose, Michael Wicken and Alex Young all blocked well.

The team had its undefeated streak snapped on Thursday, suffering a 26-12 loss at Scott City. The coach said the Beavers always have a good team and his boys made a few mistakes.

With the loss, the team fell to 5-1. The Eagles play next at 4:30 p.m. Thursday at Norton.

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