



Four college riders are regional champs

Colby Community College Equestrian Team members competed at Intercollegiate Horse Show Association Zone competitions in Boulder, Colo., and Laramie, Wyo.

“We did very well at the IHSA Zone 8, Region 5 horse shows,” said coach Shanda Mattix. “To qualify for regionals, riders must win enough points throughout the regular season shows to compete against all the top riders in our region.

“It is quite an honor to qualify for regionals, and we came home with four regional champions. The top two riders in each division will go on to zone, or semi-final, competition to represent our region. These are the qualifying shows for nationals.”

The regional hunt seat show was March 12 at the University of Colorado. Colby riders who qualified were Devon Felts in Novice Fences and Intermediate Flat; Kelly Maxwell in Intermediate Flat; and Rachael Kruse and Faye Miller in Advanced Walk Trot Canter.

“These ladies rode great and represented CCC well,” said Mattix.

Felts, Maxwell and Kruse qualified for the zone horse show at Cal-Poly in Pomona, Calif., Friday through Sunday. Felts and Kruse were named regional champions in their classes, Mattix said.

Qualifiers at the regional western show in Laramie on March 13 were Elizabeth Kennedy in Open Horsemanship; Kruse in Advanced Horsemanship; Savannah Isely in Novice Horsemanship; Felts, Misty Lethcho and Morgan Harms in Intermediate Horsemanship; and Anna Schurter in Beginner Horsemanship.

Kennedy qualified for semi-finals in Open Horsemanship. Kruse qualified in Advanced Horsemanship and Schurter in Beginner Horsemanship.

Kruse and Schurter received



Faye Miller rode in Advanced Walk Trot Canter at the Zone 8 regional equestrian competition in Boulder, Colo., on March 12.

regional championship honors in their classes.

These riders were to represent the region at the semi-finals at Missouri State University on Fri-

day through Sunday*.

“The equestrian team continues to have much success this season,”

said Mattix. “The ladies who qualified for post-season shows are working hard to continue this suc-

cess in hopes of representing CCC at IHSA Nationals in Lexington, Ky., in May.”

Rockies defeated by minor leaguers

TULSA, Okla. (AP) – The Colorado Rockies should not be too disappointed with this loss.

Top prospect Christian Friedrich and four relievers carried a no-hitter into the ninth inning and the Tulsa Drillers beat the Colorado Rockies 5-3 on Wednesday night.

The Drillers are the Rockies’ Double-A affiliate.

“There’s no reason to play like that,” Tulowitzki said. “Everybody’s anxious to get home and see their families, but still. More than anything, though, I think Friedrich was just really good.”

Friedrich walked Dexter Fowler and Jonathan Herrera to start the game, but retired the next 17 before leaving with a 5-0 lead after six innings.

Friedrich pitched six innings and had seven strikeouts.

Catcher Wilin Rosario, another highly touted prospect, went 3 for 3 with a home run for Tulsa.

Still, the outcome didn’t matter much. Tulowitzki took it as a positive to see up-and-comers play so well.

“I had a smile on face (when Friedrich threw),” he said. “Knowing these guys are going to come and join us soon, that’s a good feeling.”

Rockies starter Esmil Rogers allowed eight hits and five runs in 4 2-3 innings.

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