

Colby baseball team remains undefeated

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The Colby High varsity baseball team is still undefeated, winning two nonconference games against Liberal, 5-4 and 10-5, at the city ball fields.

The wins April 19 gave the Eagles a 6-0 record in the Great West Activities Conference and 10-0 overall.

On the mound in game one was Luke Cox, who got his fourth win of the season. He threw 7 strikeouts and allowed 4 runs, 3 hits and 4 walks.

"Luke got into a some trouble in the second inning because he lost the strike zone and walked three guys, and then we committed a couple of errors to allow them to score 3 runs," Coach Rick Williams said. "It is important for a pitcher to throw strikes and pitch to contact and keep his defense in the game, but Luke got

wild and lulled his defense to sleep. After the hiccups in the third inning, Luke and our defense settled in and cruised from there."

At the plate, Colby had just 4 hits coming from Jordan Rasmussen, Cox, Braden Sager, who had a double and batted in 2 runs, and Troy Quenzer.

"This was a very close game that was tied or found us behind for most of it," Williams said, "but again, our pitching and defense kept us in the game and we were able to come up with a couple of late runs to take the lead and claim the victory. Liberal is a talented young team and our experience and toughness were a big part of this victory."

Game two was a little easier for the Eagles, with better performances at bat.

Williams said Sager pitched a complete game to earn his third win. He threw 2 strikeouts and allowed 5 runs, 4 hits and 6 walks. The boys committed 3 errors.

"Braden had a rough second inning because

he turned into a thrower instead of a pitcher," Williams said. "After the second inning, he started mixing it up better and cruised. It is a great lesson for Braden to learn and it will serve him well in the future."

Colby picked up their bats in this game, grabbing 10 hits to produce 10 runs.

"Offensively, we had multi-hit games from Rasmussen, Organ and (Trek) Keck," Williams said. "Braden Sager had a big 2-run triple in the sixth to break the game wide open. After struggling at the plate last week, it was nice to see our offensive production go up this week against Goodland and Liberal."

Rasmussen hit a double and a triple to bring in 2 runs, Sager brought in 2 runs from his triple, Keck had a double and 1 run batted in and Organ knocked in 2 runs.

The varsity will compete in the Hays High tournament Thursday through Saturday before heading into the final week of the regular season.



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Luke Cox (left) pitched during a Colby High varsity baseball game Friday against Scott City at the Colby ball fields. Jordan Rasmussen (above) caught a line drive in the same game. The Eagles defeated Scott City in two games, 8-7 and 8-2. With these wins, the boys are 8-0 in the Great West Activities Conference and 12-0 overall.



Bulldogs track team wins Logan invitational

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The Golden Plains High School boys' track team took first place in the Northern Valley Invitational in Logan.

Several of the participants placed first in their events April 13, with many showing improved times and distances. Others tried new events for the first time.

Andrew Luna ran first in the 400 meters, while Kalyn Weber won the 100-meter dash. Cole Christensen took the gold medal in both the high jump and the triple jump.

Results included:

100 meters - Weber, first, 11.36 seconds; Domico Luna, 12.87; Tom Koubek, 12.9.

200 meters - A. Luna, second, 24.04; Tomas Ferencak, 26.27; D. Luna, 26.75.

400 meters - A. Luna, first,

54.5; Ferencak, 1:01.93; Koubek, 1:04.59.

110-meter hurdles - Chance Hoeting, second, 19.56; Josh Barnhart, third, 20.9; Grant Spresser, fourth, 22.6.

300-meter hurdles - Hoeting, third, 50.44; Barnhart, fourth, 50.93; Joseph Koerperich, fifth, 51.15.

4 x 100-meter relay - A. Luna, Trey Schwarz, Christensen, Weber, second, 47.7.

4 x 400-meter relay - Jesus Garcia, Weber, Christensen, A. Luna, second, 3:52.47.

4 x 800-meter relay - D. Luna, Koubek, Schwarz, Garcia, second, 10:17.22.

Shot put - Tristan Schwarz, 37 feet, 8 inches; Jacob Antholz, 28'6.5".

Discus - Tristan Schwarz, second, 115'; Koerperich, 94'; Antholz; 92'6".

Javelin - Weber, third, 145'3"; Tristan Schwarz, 112'.

High jump - Christensen, first, 6'2"; Trey Schwarz, 5'4"; Koerperich, 5'0".

Long jump - Zach Spresser, 17'3"; Koubek, 15'1.25".

Triple jump - Christensen, first, 40'11"; Z. Spresser, fifth, 37'4".

"The Northern Valley Invitational at Logan was a great meet to be at," Andrew Luna said. "There were a lot of improvements in people's times and distances. We all worked very hard, which in turn ended up with us bringing home first place."

"But we still have a whole season, and we still need to be working hard. There is always room for improvement."

The boys will have a chance to continue that as they compete in Dighton and Quinter this week.

Horse show held at college farm

Sophomore horse show program students at Colby Community College held the second Annual Kick-Off Horse Show on April 21 at the college farm.

"The sophomore students hold the horse show as their class project," said instructor and Equestrian Team Coach Shanda Mattix. "They learn to handle all aspects of a show including hiring a judge, ordering prizes, taking registrations and running the gate."

Colby has the only two-year equestrian team in Kansas.

All-around winners for the day include Senior Champions Savannah Isely and Morgan Harms; Intermediate Champions Christian Calliham and Emeline Hutton; Junior Champions Christian Koch and Tylor Todd; and Pee-Wee Champions Kenzie Carter and Cadence Koch. The competitions were judged by Colby Community College alum Amy Rice.

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