# One Colby runner qualifies for state

#### By Kayla Cornett

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The Colby High cross country teams ran in the Class 4A regional meet Saturday at the Prairie Ridge Cross Country Course in Hutchinson, but Colby had only one runner qualify for state.

Freshman Andrea Browne took sixth place overall in the girls race with a time of 16 minutes, 19 seconds. Browne was also the only Colby runner to receive a medal. She will represent Colby in the state meet at 9 a.m. Saturday in Wamego.

The host school for the meet was Buhler, with 15 schools each if they place high enough." in the boys and girls divisions:

Buhler, Pratt, Colby, Hugoton, Bickner took 30th with 18:17; Smoky Valley, Goodland, Concor- sophomore Taylor Lemman 35th dia, Chapman, Andale, Abilene, with 18:24; freshman Makayla Ulysses and Hesston.

ished in ninth place, said Coach Maura Hansen 86th with 23:45; Chris Giersch.

The girls had 210 team points 87th with 24:25. while the boys had 241.

had 87 runners and the boys 101.

"The top three teams in each regional (four) qualify for state," Giersch said, "and then the top 10 individual runners in each regional qualify. Also, additional individual runners may qualify (up 67th with 20:24; senior Wiatt to five) if not on qualifying teams Binder 75th with 20:33; and se-

Seven other girls ran for Colby

McPherson, Clay Center, Larned, at regionals. Sophomore Bridget Hoffman 78th with 20:44; junior In both divisions, Colby fin- Katie Elias 82nd with 21:31; junior and senior Cameron McLaughlin

Seven Eagles ran in the boys The girls race, the coach said, division. Senior John Faber led the boys in 26th place with 18:51; sophomore Aaron Faber followed in 36th with 19:08; sophomore Alec Onstad 51st with 19:45; senior Blake McNinch 66th with 20:21; junior Michael Schiferl nior Brady Rose 86th with 21:12.



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Emily Torson fought to tip the ball against a Dodge City player Oct. 16 during a Colby Community College volleyball game at the Community Building. The Lady Trojans lost the match to Dodge City, but won their next home match Thursday against Pratt.

# Lady Trojans win in three sets

defeated Pratt Community College in three sets on p.m. Thursday against Barton County Community Thursday at the Community Building in Colby.

The Colby Community College volleyball team The next home match for the team will be at 6:30

The Lady Trojans won 25-21, 25-17 and 25-17.

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Junior varsity captures overtime victory 52-46

#### By Judy Rogers

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The Golden Plains High School junior varsity football team played its only game of the season on the home field in Rexford on Oct. 8 against the Brewster-Triplains Titans.

The boys fell behind early but worked as a team to tie the score by the end of regular play and capture an overtime victory

The Bulldogs kicked to the Titans. The Titans marched into the end zone and ran in the extra points to gain an 8-0 lead on their first possession. The Bulldogs answered with a pass from Braden Korte to Joseph Koerperich that he ran in for a Golden Plains touchdown. A two-point conversion run in by Cole Ziegelmeier tied the game at 8.

The Titans reclaimed possession and made some long gains, but the Bulldogs made several stops before the Titans crossed the goal line. Benny Martinez broke up the pass attempt for the two-point conversion, but the Titans held the lead 14-8. The Bulldogs made several runs but their passes did not quite connect and the Titans intercepted one. They attempted to run but were stopped by the Bulldogs defense before connecting on a pass and making it close to the goal as the first-quarter buzzer sounded.

Starting the second quarter close to the goal, the their series by punting to the Titans. However, the ran the ball several times to come close to the goal line, then turned it back over to the Titans.

lowing a first-down gain by Korte, the next Golden Plains pass was intercepted by the Titans in the end zone, who managed one more play before the half.

Trailing 34-14 at the start of the third quarter, it looked as though the Bulldogs were going down, but the junior varsity boys were not about to give up as they continued to carry the ball and make gains. Following a long pass to Koerperich, Barnhart carried through for a touchdown and a two-point conversion, narrowing the spread to 34-22. The Titans kept plowing through, and recovered a Golden Plains fumble when they then ran in for what would be their final touchdown of the game.

The Titans started to face challenges on their kick return team, as they would touch the ball, but not get it under control. Then the Bulldogs rushed in to pick it up

The Bulldogs took advantage of this as Korte and Domonic Luna each quickly ran in touchdowns to narrow the spread. The Golden Plains defensive squad repeatedly stopped Titan drives and recovered fumbled balls.

The Titans did manage to run in one more touchdown before the game ended, but it was called back. The 'Dogs picked up their momentum in the last action-filled moments as the game clock would down and tied up the game with additional touchdowns from Barnhart.

Following an overtime flip with captains Martinez Titans were able to easily run it in for another score. and Luna, the Titans rushed to pass the ball, but the The Bulldogs attempted to gain ground but ended Bulldogs defense was right on top of them and prevented them from scoring. When the 'Dogs got the Titans fumbled the ball and the 'Dogs recovered and ball, Barnhart ran in a final touchdown to give the Bulldogs the 52-46 win. Barnhart finished the game with 18 carries for 156 yards, 3 touchdowns and 7 tackles. Luna carried the ball 17 times for 126 yards and a touchdown. He racked up 5 tackles as well. Korte carried 18 times for 73 yards and 2 touchdowns. He also threw for 98 yards and one touchdown, which was caught by Koerperich. Korte tallied 14 tackles and captured 2 fumbles. Martinez led on the field with 21 tackles while Redmer claimed 8, Koerperich 6, Cole Ziegelmeier 5 and Kade Wessel 2. Ziegelmeier contributed 10 rushing yards on offense and grabbed 1 fumble recovery. "I was proud of our team for hanging in there when Titans downed the ball as it rolled and the Bulldog we got behind and working hard to tie up the game and get the overtime win," Barnhart said.

On defense, Bulldogs Kade Wessel and Derrick Redmer repeatedly stopped the Titans until they managed to scramble around to connect on a touchdown pass, extending their lead to 20 points. Martinez stopped the point-after attempt and Golden Plains received the ball. Punting back to the Titans, the Titans scored once more to take a 34-8 lead.

Josh Barnhart took over on the first play of the Bulldog possession and ran most of the field for a touchdown, only to have it called back due to a penalty. Quarterback Korte then kept the ball and ran it in for a Bulldog touchdown. As the first half wound to a close, the Bulldogs kicked back to the Titans. The team quickly pounced on to regain possession. Fol-

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