

K-18 stops Goodland from leaving with sweep

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Tyler Schritter's grimacing, gritty look as he raced around third base sent one of three clear messages Thursday evening.

1. Kansas Jayhawks football is only a few weeks away! Run while you can!
2. Another tweet about Yasiel Puig! Why do we care so much about this new L.A. Dodgers star? Fortunately, there were no signs of tweeting as Schritter dashed past coach Brian Quagliano.
3. Any Colby loss to Goodland really, really, uhhhh...stinks.

Ding-ding-ding! Go with number three, because there was no way Colby K-18 was letting Goodland win twice Thursday night.

"They just hate losing to Goodland," one Colby fan clearly stated.

Once was bad enough, especially since several errors helped fuel the visitors to a 13-9 opening-game victory.

"It was one of our worst outings all summer," coach Brian Quagliano confirmed. "Our defense and pitching weren't very good. We were throwing high fastballs and they (Goodland) were ripping them."



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What's faster? Colby pitcher Casey Quagliano's relay throw to catcher Austin Hart, or the Goodland runner rapidly approaching home plate? Unfortunately for the home fans, Goodland was

opener of a doubleheader at Goodland on June 27. "We came back to win the next game then. We can come back and do it again."

Sure enough, the 15-and-under team responded with a 12-6 triumph. Lefty hitter Hudson Stramel's four RBIs were a big reason why Colby dominated game two.

Yet Colby K-18 did hit the ball throughout that first contest. If not for a center fielder's amazing diving catch and one line-drive double play, Colby might have still rallied to take the opener.

"See that scoreboard? That wasn't as bad as the first time we played them," Quagliano told his team between games, recalling how Goodland won 10-0 in the

safe on this play and went on to a 13-9 win in Thursday's first game. K-18 (21-8 record) did recover to win game two and will host another pair when Oakley visits Sunday afternoon (3 p.m.).

Ben Matchell has also blasted plenty of big hits throughout the season. Yet on Thursday, it was his season pitching debut that highlighted K-18's 21st win against just eight defeats.

Matchell threw a lot of strikes during four strong innings, and Hart pitched the final two frames to ruin any Goodland rally plans. K-18 needs as many pitching arms

as possible with still three more doubleheaders leading into the regional tournament at Colby July 20-21.

"Splitting with Goodland doesn't hurt us too badly. We still have a good chance for the No. 1 (regional) seed," coach Quagliano observed. "We've had a big target on our backs this year and it's only getting bigger. But our guys went

out in the second game and just had fun playing baseball."

K-18 raised its Jayhawk League-leading record to 12-2, just ahead of Norton's 12-4 mark. Norton will venture into Colby for a pair of regular-season finales on Wednesday starting at 6 p.m.

Until then, K-18 plays two at league last-place team Atwood tonight (6 p.m.) and will host two more against Oakley Sunday afternoon (3 p.m.).

"Nobody's really a given in this league, we have to go out and earn it," coach Quagliano said. "We control our destiny. I do really like the way we're hitting the ball."

Brooks Curry (two hits, two RBIs) helped Colby stay within range throughout Thursday's first game. The hosts actually erased a 7-3 deficit with its five-run third inning.

Casey Quagliano doubled and Hart sent an opposite-field RBI-single into right.

Hart later motored home on an errant pitch.

Curry and Brady Holzmeister followed with run-scoring hits to catch Goodland at 7-7.

Curry also scored when a pitch bounced to the backstop, making it 8-7.

Yet Goodland answered with five more runs and didn't allow any more momentum shifts.

Colby's Jayhawk champions to play Saturday

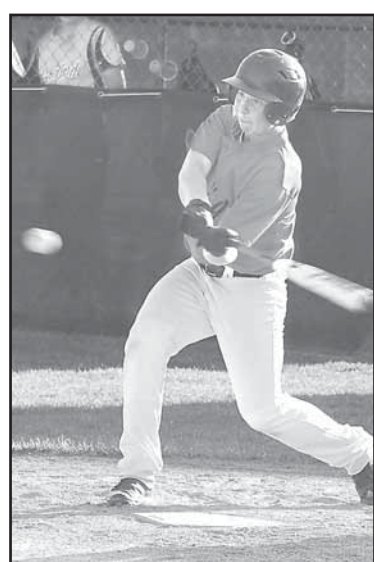
A scheduling change this week will have the Colby fourth-sixth grade team playing its entire Jayhawk League tournament at WaKeeney on Saturday.

The 21-1 Colby boys were initially supposed to host a Thursday night quarterfinal at Carl Adams Field on the Colby Community College campus.

Yet league officials called coach Jeff Krzycki Tuesday morning that the entire tourney has been moved to Saturday in WaKeeney. West division champion Colby

will play a noon opener in this single-elimination tourney. The semifinal is set for 1:30 p.m. with a 4:30 p.m. championship game. "We have to be ready to base-

ball, because we will have a target on our backs," Krzycki said Friday afternoon. Colby went 20-0 against Jayhawk West foes this summer.



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press Hudson Stramel drove in four runs to led Colby K-18's win over Goodland Thursday night.

Speedway honors military to cap holiday weekend

By Johnathan Schmidt

Thanks to the generous support of the American Legion Families 363 chapter in Colby, veterans were able to enjoy the races at no cost.

The evening started with a special tribute to the veterans with the help of a Humvee from the National Guard and a sport mod with a patriotic paint scheme.

The races hosted the five normal classes plus the United Rebel

Sprint Series.

In the econos, Brian Guyer led us to the green flag and held the lead for several laps.

Alex West of Goodland was working his way up through the field good and benefited from the caution brought out by Rocky Baalman. About two laps after the restart, West was able to grab the lead to get back to back feature wins at the track.

The Hobby Stocks entered in to the first corner three and wide that

brought out an early caution.

Matt Giesenhausen led us to green to be quickly passed by Tyrel "Young Gun" Smith. Smith was quickly ran down by hard charging Daniel Irwin.

Irwin tried several different moves to get around Smith but wasn't able to make them stick.

Jasen Grey and Gage Coen were early leaders of the Sport Mods race. Grey spun out in turn two sending him to the back. Coen brought us back green with "The

Money Man" Clay Money and Josh Appel hot on his tail.

In just a few laps, Money and Appel were the top two cars battling for the lead. After a couple of late cautions, Money was able to hang on for his second win of the season.

Fans witnessed 13 sprint cars battle it out on the high bank oval of Thomas County Speedway. Zac Taylor was not able to start the feature after his car and himself caught fire during the heat

race.

Luckily to quick response from the track help he escaped with little injury. John Webster led the first five laps of the race.

Mark Walinder followed him for several laps until he was able to get around him.

Walinder was able to hang on with the last four laps to win.

Other champions were Matt Morris in the Modifieds and Jeff Tubbs in the Stock Cars.

Racing resumes at Thomas County Speedway on Sunday, July 21.

Older Sharks deliver strong league finish

Final remaining results for the Colby Sharks at last weekend's swim club league championship meet in Burlington, Colo.

Besides totaling 226 points for second place among eight teams, the Sharks took home 12 trophies.

Jaren Rush and Michael Quattlebaum paced the Colby boys with six top 10 places during the league meet. However, 11 of those trophies were earned for Colby's regular-season efforts as that many swimmers placed in the top six of their age classes.

Other results appeared earlier this week.

Age 11-12 girls

Relays: Swim Club A of Madison Lemman, Paige Schroer, Taylor Bieberle and Macy Catlin placed first in 200-freestyle (2:10.98). Swim Club B of Jersey Carney, Meghann Elling, Jessilyn Weis and Jayn Mettlen placed sixth in 200-freestyle (2:38.99). Swim Club A of Alexis Carney, Bieberle, Catlin and Lemman placed first in 200-medley (2:37.48). Swim Club B of Alexandra Quattlebaum, Schroer, Jersey Catlin and Mettlen placed third in 200-medley (3:04.21).

Age 11-12 boys

Austin Reed placed 24th in 50-freestyle (43.32), 18th in 100-freestyle (1:37.95), seventh in 200-freestyle (3:50.87), seventh in 50-butterfly (56.04) and 10th in 100-individual medley (1:52.99).

Blaise Vrbas placed 14th in 50-freestyle (37.92), 10th in 50-backstroke (53.41) and sixth in 50-breaststroke (50.58).

Brysen Barton placed 20th in 50-freestyle (41.36), 10th in 100-freestyle (1:28.51), sixth in 200-freestyle (3:22.67), eighth in 50-backstroke (49.55) and 20th in 50-breaststroke (1:06.24).

Jaren Rush placed fourth in 50-freestyle (34.37), third in 200-freestyle (3:06.04), fifth in 50-backstroke (46.16), eighth in 50-breaststroke (52.45) and seventh in 100-individual medley (1:39.54).

Joseph Yanez placed 29th in 50-freestyle (57.1), 20th in 50-backstroke (1:18.36) and 13th in 50-breaststroke (1:08.6).

Relays: Swim Club A of Barton, Yanez, Reed and Vrbas placed fourth in 200-freestyle (2:58.13). Swim Club A of Barton, Rush, Reed and Yanez placed first in 200-medley (3:34.31).

Mixed relay: Swim Club A of Quattlebaum, Finley, Alexis Carney and Rush placed third in 200-freestyle (2:27.57).

Age 13-14 girls

Desiree Foster placed 21st in

50-freestyle (35.31), 18th in 100-freestyle (1:20.99), 10th in 200-freestyle (3:07.74), 13th in 100-backstroke (1:43.93) and 27th in 100-breaststroke (1:54.76).

Emily Delzeit placed 37th in 50-freestyle (39.55), 30th in 100-freestyle (1:27.05), 19th in 100-backstroke (1:52.99), 28th in 100-breaststroke (1:55.57) and 19th in 200-individual medley (1:54.76).

Kyndra Rush placed ninth in 200-freestyle (3:04.01), third in 100-backstroke (1:30.15), 11th in 100-butterfly (1:50.59), eighth in 100-breaststroke (1:34.4) and 23rd in 200-individual medley (3:21.58).

Lynnsey Elling placed 36th in 50-freestyle (39.43), 37th in 100-freestyle (1:37.01), 13th in 200-freestyle (3:28.89) and 17th in 100-breaststroke (1:41.88).

Natalie Oren placed 34th in 50-freestyle (38.29), 34th in 100-freestyle (1:31.44) and 17th in 100-backstroke (1:47.56).

Quinn Niblock placed 15th in 50-freestyle (33.94), 13th in 100-freestyle (1:20.08), sixth in 100-backstroke (1:32.92), fifth in 100-breaststroke (1:31.77) and sixth in 200-individual medley (3:09.85).

Relays: Swim Club A of Oren, Elling, Foster and Delzeit placed seventh in 200-freestyle (2:31.87). Swim Club A of Oren, Elling, Foster and Delzeit placed eighth in 200-medley (3:02.33).

Age 13-14 boys

Kory Finley placed 12th in 100-freestyle (1:18.16), seventh in 200-freestyle (2:44.43), fourth in 100-butterfly (1:29.86), eighth in 100-breaststroke (1:35.81) and fifth in 200-individual medley (3:06.15).

Lander Niblock placed 15th in 50-freestyle (35.15), 17th in 100-freestyle (1:32.61), 10th in 100-backstroke (1:49.98) and 10th in 200-individual medley (4:06.46).

Mark Faber placed second in 50-freestyle (27.84), third in 100-backstroke (1:19.6), second in 100-breaststroke (1:23.06) and third in 200-individual medley (2:53.62).

Michael Quattlebaum placed fourth in 50-freestyle (28.96), seventh in 100-freestyle (1:09.38), fifth in 200-freestyle (2:40.76), fifth in 100-butterfly (1:39.24) and seventh in 200-individual medley (3:11.71).

Relays: Swim Club A of Quattlebaum, Niblock, Finley and Faber placed third in 200-freestyle (2:09.61).

Mixed relay: Swim Club A of Rush, Quinn Niblock, Finley and Quattlebaum placed third in 200-medley (2:35.81).

Age 15-18 girls

Brittany Carney placed 20th in 50-freestyle (57.53), 13th in 100-backstroke (2:21.12) and 16th in 100-breaststroke (2:29.2).

Madison Rogers placed seventh in 50-freestyle (30.8), fourth in 100-backstroke (1:21.62), second in 100-butterfly (1:19.55) and seventh in 200-indi-

vidual medley (3:05.43).

Taylor Lemman placed 11th in 50-freestyle (31.78), 11th in 100-freestyle (1:15.2), fifth in 200-freestyle (2:45.47), 10th in 100-breaststroke (1:40.74) and 13th in 200-individual medley (3:21.3).

Age 15-18 boys

Aaron Faber placed sixth in 50-freestyle (28.03), fifth in 100-freestyle (1:04.51), fourth in 100-backstroke (1:25.26), sixth in 100-breaststroke (1:27.52) and seventh in 200-individual medley (3:06.91).

Gabriel Schriener placed 10th in 50-freestyle (30.3), fourth in 200-freestyle (2:37.19), fifth in 100-butterfly (1:26.9) and sixth in 200-individual medley (3:00.43).

Nickolas Delzeit placed ninth in 50-freestyle (29.59), 10th in 100-freestyle (1:09.82), fourth in 100-butterfly (1:19.26), third in 100-breaststroke (1:24.12) and fifth in 200-individual medley (2:59.86).

Mixed relays: Swim Club A of Faber, Lemman, Schriener and Delzeit placed fourth in 200-freestyle (2:01.05). Faber, Delzeit, Schriener and Faber placed third in 200-medley (2:20.58).

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