First year girls golf team has unexpected success

By Dana Sulsberger

The Goodland Daily News As the first year unfolded for the Goodland High School girls golf team, the coach admits having his doubts, but as the season progressed it became apparent that these girls were doing very

"I was worried when we first came out here," said Coach Ben Williams after the first week of practices in August, "but they have made amazing

He said at the start of the season that some girls had never even swung a golf club before.

Williams said he was pleasantly surprised at their performance during the first competition in September, where the girls took second as a team with three girls medaling.

"You could have knocked me over with a feather," he said.

At the regional tournament in Wa-Keeney, the Cowgirls took fifth and Jessica Osborn placed fifth out of 56 golfers, which qualified her for state.

Osborn was 25th at the state competition out of the 86 girls who participated in 22 flights.

Coach Williams said he was proud of Osborn, who missed a medal at the state competition by only a few posi-

The coach said his philosophy with have fun. No matter how they per- out.



formed, he said, they always had a lot of fun during practice and at the com-

He said he thought too much pressure was put on high school athletes sometimes when they should just be having fun.

"I told the girls at the first practice," Williams said, "if they weren't out here to have fun then they should just go back to school.'

The game shouldn't be life or death, the girls was always that they should he told the girls when they first came increase each year, he said, but there

A lot of the teams Goodland competed with this year have had a girls golf team for several years. That meant most of the competition had several years to get their team together and in good shape, said Williams. Some schools have had a girls golf team for more than 10 years.

As the program grows, he said, the girls should continue to improve.

"I think we did great for the first year," said Williams. "I was really happy with how the season has gone."

He said the pressure might have gotten to the girls during regional competition, but now that the season is over, they can go on to bigger and better

The coach said he hopes the school will decided to continue the girls golf

"I think they should continue the program," he said, "especially when vou consider how well the team did this

Richard Liess, athletic director at the high school, said the school was planning on having the team again next year, but it will depend on the number of girls interested, as it does with any

"This was the first year," he said, "and I was pleased with having eight

The numbers should continue to

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Texas destroys Wildcats' defense

—Texas A&M has developed a strong passing game this season. The Aggies can run, too. Ja'Mar Toombs made

The 275-pound fullback plowed through Kansas State's defense for three touchdowns as the Aggies beat the No. 10 Wildcats 26-10 on Saturday.

"I talked to Ja'Mar walking off the field before the game and he told me he would get the job done," offensive coordinator Steve Kragthorpe said. "So I saddled him up and rode him off into the sunset."

Toombs had his biggest rushing day of the season, gaining 84 yards on 24

"I knew I'd have to step up this game," Toombs said, "After Jason Glenn intercepted the ball, I had a call against me the next play. That made me 1. Oklahoma (69) 7-0 1,749 realize I had lost my concentration fo a second. That forced me to be focuse the rest of the ball game."

In the last game between the teams the Aggies rallied from a 15-point defi cit to beat Kansas State 36-33 in over time and knock the Wildcats out of chance to play for the national cham pionship.

The loss knocked the Wildcats out of Top 10 and also ended a string of 60 straight regular-season victories over unranked opponents.

"This is a big loss for us," said Wild cats defensive end Monty Beisel. "We need to bounce back and finish the sea son. We did a decent job on defense. We 22. South Carolina

ning back. He ran over us today."

ing until the second half. Texas A&M scoreless in the first half.

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) played well, but Toombs is a great run- (6-2, 4-1 Big 12) jumped to a 19-0 lead, marking the first time in four years the The Wildcats didn't make it interest- Wildcats (7-2, 3-2) had been held

> Others receiving votes: Colorado St. 145, W. Michigan 50, Pittsburgh 25, LSU 21,

N.C. State 21, UCLA 15, Tennessee 13,

Mississippi 6, Toledo 5, Arizona St. 4.

Wildcats fall on AP poll

24. Texas A&M

25. Georgia Tech

By The Associated Press 23. Auburn Kansas State, after losing to Texas A&M, plummeted to the 19th on the Associated Press's Top Twenty Five teams in college football.

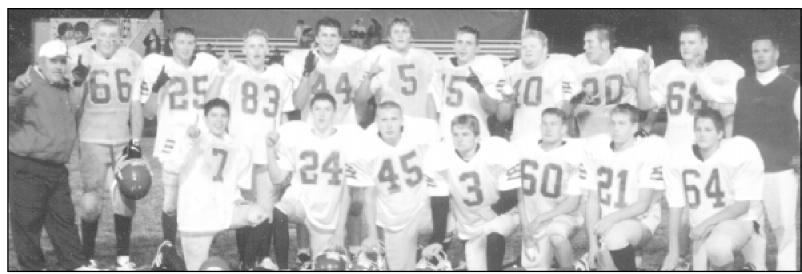
Nebraska plunged to fifth on the poll after losing to Oklahoma, the new No. 1 team and one of only two undefeated

First-place votes are in parentheses, records listed are through Oct.:

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Monday Afternoon Ladies League Bowladium Lanes over Callahan Transport

Workman/Sheldon over Mann's Jewelry 3-

KLOE over Clawson's 3-1

Individual high game: Lori Amthor-212 Individual high series: Connie Livengood-

Team high series: KLOE-1840

Team high game: KLOE-675

League Standings: No. 1 Mann's Jewelry 22, 10; No. 2 Workman/Sheldon 18 1/2, 13 1/2; No. 3 Clawson's 17, 15.

Wednesday Night Mixed League

Oct. 18, 2000

Shear Dimensions over Gamblers 4-0 W-R Equipment over D & G Clan 4-0 Extras tied with Kanorado Coop 2-2 Mueller Grain over Mudslingers 3-1 Kickers over Team 1 3-1 Phillips Brothers tied with Pinbreakers 2-

Men's high game: Mike Luther-247 Men's high series: Mike Luther-565 Women's high game: Marilyn Snethen-

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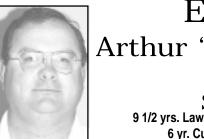
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