

Cowboys second at St. Francis tournament

The Cowboys came out strong in their first wrestling tournament of the season, finishing second in the varsity contest Saturday in St. Francis, with three wrestlers taking first place in their brackets.

The junior varsity Cowboys had strong individual results in a home tournament Saturday at Max Jones Fieldhouse.

Coach Randy Bahe said he was pleased with the way both the varsity and the junior varsity wrestled.

"I wasn't here (for the junior varsity meet)," Bahe said, "but talking with Coaches (Travis) Palmgren and (Ponch) Avelar, it sounds like they wrestled really well."

Bahe said the varsity tournament gave him an idea of the areas the team would need to concentrate on, he said,

and feels good about facing Atwood at 5:30 p.m. Thursday at the Edson gym.

"They have a lot of power in the upper weights," he said. "We wrestled reasonably well in the upper weights this weekend."

He said the team is really excited about the new season. There were a lot of fans from Goodland at the St. Francis meet, Bahe said, and boys really appreciate the support.

The first place finishers at the varsity tournament were Jordan Bedore, 215 pounds, who was voted outstanding wrestler of the tournament; Blayze Bahe, 119; and Kyle Schulte, 135.

In second place were Brandon Zelfer, 103; Dustin Klinge, 140; Taylor Brack, 160; and Andy Phillips, 275. Mathias Goodley, 130, placed third.

Mike Zimmerman, 152, placed fifth.

Brett Lalicker, 112; Tyrel Rall, 125; Chris Baumfalk, 145; and Brandon Linden, 171, placed sixth. Landon West, 189, was seventh.

Colby won the meet with 155 points; Goodland was second with 148.5; and Scott City was third with 144.

In the junior varsity meet, there were no team points or individual placing. The tournament was designed to give the wrestlers some mat time.

Four wrestlers were undefeated: Malcom White, 135, was 3-0; Brandon Hatfield, 140, was 4-0; Korey Schulte, 152, was 3-0; and Mark Starr, 171, was 3-0.

Dusty King, 140, was 3-1; Brock Whitmore, 130, was 2-1; and Blake Saint, 145, was 2-1. Ray Brigham, 119, was 1-2; Michael Middleton, 171, was 1-2; and Adrian Hernandez, 171, 0-3.



Cowboy Andy Phillips (above) worked for a takedown Saturday at St. Francis during his semi-final match against Michael Rodner of Scott City. Phillips won on a 4-3 decision, but finished second when he lost to Heath Klein of Atwood in the championship 8-3. Cowboy Dustin Klinge (left) held his position against Austin Argabright of Atwood during their semi-final match in the 140 pound division. Klinge won the match with a pin, but lost to Brice Eisenhour of Scott City in the championship match on a 16-3 decision.

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Kansas' Williams not reading mail after 3-3 start

By Steve Brisendine

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LAWRENCE — Got something you want to say to Roy Williams?

Gripes, encouragement, birthday wishes, an offer to save him hundreds on car insurance?

Save it. With his Kansas team off to its first 3-3 start since 1979 and down to No. 20 after being ranked No. 2 in the preseason, the Jayhawks' coach isn't reading his mail any more.

"I hope nobody sends me a letter that I have to return to get a million dollars

back," he said.

Williams didn't divulge the contents any of the letters he read last week, before the Jayhawks lost 84-78 to No. 7 Oregon and dropped to 2-3 against Division I competition for the first time since 1972. One of their wins came against Division II Central Missouri State.

But in his weekly news conference on Monday, he was blunt in his assessment of those who write unsigned hate mail — "idiots."

"I haven't gotten that dumb that

quick," said Williams, who took Kansas to the Final Four last year before losing to eventual champion Maryland. "If I've been dumb, I've been dumb for the last 15 years."

Kansas' 3-3 start bears out his contention that the Jayhawks were overrated before the season, Williams said.

"We're not losing games just to make me look smart," he said. "But nobody knows this team better than I do."

Williams faces another significant road challenge on Wednesday at No.

17 Tulsa.

"Adversity is sometimes good for you, depending on how you respond to it," he said. "Do you go work harder, or do you start pointing fingers?"

Senior guard Kirk Hinrich, a preseason All-American, reads everything he can find about the Jayhawks.

"I like to see what people are saying," Hinrich said. "I don't put too much into it, but I like to read it.

"It bothers me, being 3-3," he said. "I'm here to play basketball, to win games."

The last time Hinrich played for a team that lost three early games was in high school — and that story had a happy ending, he said.

"My senior year, we started 1-3," he said. "Then we won 22 straight games and the state championship."

Kansas lost two starters — All-American forward Drew Gooden and shooting guard Jeff Boschee — from last year's team. Both were longtime starters, leaving a void that the Jayhawks are still trying to fill.

"This team hasn't figured it out yet," Hinrich said. "I don't know if it's a lack of confidence, but you can just tell we aren't there yet."

But, he said, Kansas has improved after its embarrassing 67-56 loss to North Carolina in the semifinals of the Preseason NIT.

"Since we came back from New York, we've made great strides in our

effort," Hinrich said. "Now we just need to start executing."

Kansas' offensive miscues — the Jayhawks committed 24 turnovers to only nine assists against Oregon — can be traced directly to the shaky start, Williams said.

"We've got guys out there on a 13-second (shot) clock," he said. "I don't think it's because guys are being selfish, but more because they're trying too hard to make something happen."

"If we have to walk the ball up the court and play a 40- or 50-point game, we can do that," Williams said. "I can coach that kind of game."

Wildcats take Shockers in overtime win, 65-63

The Wallace County High Wildcats had fans jumping and shouting Friday as they came from behind to tie the game at the last minute, then take an overtime victory from the Wheatland Shockers.

Playing at home, the Wildcats looked a little tame during the first part of game. The Shockers led through the first three quarters. However, in the fourth quarter the 'Cats showed their claws and took their opponents to overtime to take a 65-63 victory.

In the first quarter, Wheatland edged

the Wildcats 13-11. They scored 17 points to the home teams' 13 for a 30-24 lead at the half.

The third quarter was more of the same, as the visitors put up 11 points to Sharon Springs' 9. As the game started its last regulation period, the score was 41-33 and it looked bad for the home team.

It wasn't to be, however, as the Sharon Springs boys outscored Wheatland 17-9 to take the score to 50-all at the end of regulation play.

In overtime, both teams scored well

but the Wildcats were able to hold on to their momentum and score two more points.

Scoring for Sharon Springs were freshman Kyle Elder, 27, including a three-pointer; senior Kellen Davis, 14, including four three-point shots, two of which were in overtime; sophomore Grady Fischer, 13; sophomore Blake Fischer, 8, including six points in overtime; sophomore Kevin Heyl,

2, both free throws; and junior Bailey Fischer, 1.

Larry O'Connor is the head coach for the Wildcats with Devlin Mull as his assistant.

This week Sharon Springs will travel to the Scott City Invitational Tournament from Wednesday through Saturday. Next week, the Wildcats will be back home as the Herndon Beavers come to town on Tuesday, Dec. 17.

Wildcat girls win opener burying Shockers, 56-32

The Wildcat girls buried the Lady Shockers 56-32 when the Wheatland High team came to Sharon Springs for the opening of basketball season Friday.

The girls from Wallace County High started out strong and never let the Shockers back in the game, even though Wheatland outscored them slightly in the second quarter.

In the first quarter, the Wildcats scored 13 points with senior Amy Streit putting up seven, including three free throws. Wheatland was only able to sink a single basket.

In the second quarter, the scoring was more even, with sophomore Sarah Hill putting six points on the board including a pair of free throws for the Wildcats. Meanwhile, four Shockers were able to score and they put up 12 points to the home team's 10. Still at the half Sharon Springs led 23-14.

In the third quarter, both teams scored 14 points with sophomore Ashley Bruce and Streit each hitting five points — two baskets and a free throw each. And the Wildcats held their nine point lead 37-28.

In the fourth quarter, the hometown girls finished off the Shockers with a 14-4 shooting spree as five girls put points on the board and Wheatland could only hit two baskets.

Scoring were Streit, 16; Hill and Bruce, 13 each; senior Darci Siebert, 10; and junior Christy David, 4.

Also playing were seniors Jodi Siebert and Renee Rains; juniors Lindsay Bussen, Lexie Bellamy and Charlie Short; sophomore Brodie Williams; and freshman Brandi Bertrand.

Head coach for the Wildcats is Dan Shupe with Jori Daily as assistant coach.

The girls will travel to Scott City for a tournament from Wednesday through Saturday. Next week, the Lady Wildcats will get a rest as the Herndon Beavers come to town Tuesday without a girls team.

bowling results

Thursday Night Mixed League

Thursday, Dec. 5

Sunamerica over Not Again 3-1
Weis Oil over The Blind Team 3-1
The Grannies and The Gramps over Pirate Electric 4-0
Lucky Horseshoes over HoJo's 3-1
Three Men & A Little Lady over The Loop 4-0

Women's high game: Diana Nichols-198

Women's high series: Diana Nichols-545

Men's high game: Charlie Babcock-245
Men's high series: Steve Colby-593
Team high game: Three Men & A Little Lady-937

Team high series: Three Men & A Little Lady-2578

League Standings: No. 1 The Grannies and The Gramps; No. 2 Three Men & A Little Lady; No. 3 Weis Oil

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December 12 -December 18, 2002

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Saturday, Dec. 14 - Sagebush Shootout at Brewster 3 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 16 - High School Scholars Bowl at Winona 3:45 p.m.; Winter Sports

Pictures, Board of Education 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 17 - High School Basketball and Triplains 6:30 p.m.

and 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 18 - First Semester Exams

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