



Goodland's Whitney Archer and Colby's Lissa Mazanac went up for the tip-off at the beginning of the game Saturday at Max Jones Fieldhouse. The Cowgirls won 55-50, tying for third in the Northwest Kansas League.
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Cowgirls beat Eagles in tough game, 55-50

By Pat Schiefen
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In a fast moving and physical game, the Cowgirls came from behind to beat the Colby Lady Eagles, 55-50, on Saturday night at Max Jones Fieldhouse, giving the girls back-to-back victories and tying for third in the Northwest Kansas League.

"I was thrilled with the two wins," said Coach Don Smith. "It was almost like a different team and it was fun to be part of that."

The Colby girls had only lost one previous game, also to Goodland, at the Orange and Black Classic in January in Colby. Saturday's game had been postponed from Tuesday because of snow.

In the first two minutes Saturday, Goodland moved out to an 8-0 lead. Colby fought back, bringing the score to 16-15 at the end of a tough, physical quarter.

In the second quarter, the lead seasawed back and forth between Colby and Goodland. In the last 15 seconds, Colby's Lissa Mazanac and April Gee made two two-point shots and the Lady Eagles pulled ahead 28-25.

Colby scored the first basket of the third quarter, at one point widening the score to 33-40. The Cowgirls fought back, though, and ended the period one point ahead, 43-42.

The fourth quarter featured lots of turnovers, with both coaches off the bench urging their teams on. With 38 seconds left, Goodland led 51-50 and Goodland called a time out. Colby fouled Billinger, who made both of her free throws to make the score 53-50, then called a time out.

Girls end season at third

The Goodland High Cowgirls ended their regular season with back-to-back wins against Hoxie on Friday and Colby on Saturday, but wound up tied for third in league with a 5-2 record.

Friday, the girls played unranked Hoxie, winning 55 to 40. Saturday, they made up a game with Colby that had been postponed from Tuesday, coming from behind to win 55 to 50.

The Lady Eagles, ranked first in Class 4A in the state, had only one loss in the season, also to Goodland, at January's Orange and Black Tournament in Colby.

The two wins give the Cowgirls a 14-6 season record, 5-2 in the Northwest Kansas League.

Despite the defeat Saturday, the Lady Eagles claimed first place with only one league loss.

Both teams will have to wait until later this week to find out whom they play in the first round of the substate tournament.

Goodland, Colby, Thomas More Prep-Marian, Hugoton, Larned, Pratt, Russell and Ulysses are included in the Class 4A substate, with the semifinals and championship games to be played at Max Jones on Thursday to Saturday, March 1 to 3.

The first round will be Monday at Max Jones Fieldhouse. The Class 4A state tournament will be at the Bicentennial Center in Salina on Wednesday to Saturday, March 7 to 10.

Goodland made one of eight three-point shots for 13 percent and 19 of 32 two-point shots for 60 percent. The girls made 14 of 25 free throws for 56 percent.

Colby made two of six three-point shots for 33 percent. The Lady Eagles made 16 of 43 two-point shots for 37 percent and 12 of 19 free throws for 63 percent.

Billinger had the most rebounds for Goodland with seven. Murray and Archer each had six, Clancy five, Schields three and Raymer one.

"We had a great week of practice," said Coach Smith. "We took what we worked on in practice and put into practice at the game."

Goodland wins league title with win over Eagles

By Tom Betz
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The Cowboys made it a clean sweep of the Northwest Kansas league basketball title with a 7-0 record, defeating the Colby Eagles, 49-43, Saturday at Max Jones Fieldhouse.

The win gives the Cowboys a 14-6 record for the year, but Goodland has won seven of the last eight games heading into the substate tournament, which begins next week.

"It is a great feeling to be the undefeated league champions," Coach Jon McLean said. "It's a good accomplishment for these kids."

"I am very proud of these kids to go 14-6 with the tough schedule they played."

The game Saturday was a defensive struggle, and in the first quarter neither team seemed to be able to do much scoring. Nearly three minutes went by before Colby took

a 5-0 lead. The Cowboys battle back to lead 8-7 going into the second quarter. Goodland played an aggressive defense and had a 16-9 lead at the half.

The aggressive play kept the Eagles off balance, but got the Cowboys into some foul trouble. Senior Nick Angelos picked up his second and third fouls with one minute gone in the third period.

Sophomore Greg Farris hit a three-point basket with 5 minutes left in the third to give the Cowboys a 22-13 lead. He got a steal and drove for a lay-up to make it 24-15 with three minutes left.

The Eagles traded baskets to keep the margin under double digits until Senior Mikey Doll hit a basket to make it 28-17 with two minutes left

in the quarter.

Farris got another lay-up to end the quarter with the Cowboys leading 30-19.

With under six minutes left, the Eagles were in the bonus and Doll was playing with his fourth foul.

At the four-minute mark, the Cowboys took a 12-point lead, 35-23, on a basket by Nick Angelos on a pass from his brother, sophomore Travis Angelos.

A foul on Colby's Trey Barnett put Farris at the free-throw line for the first of five trips in the final quarter, and despite hoots from some Colby fans, Farris sank both shots to make the score 37-25 with 3:33 left.

About 20 seconds later, Farris hit two more to make it 39-27. His third

trip came with 2:06 left and he made it 41-30. The fourth trip was with 44 seconds left, and again he was perfect, making it 45-38. The fifth trip to the free throw line came with 30 seconds left and he swished both to make it 47-40.

The Cowboys put pressure on the Eagles, and Colby had to call a time out with 23 seconds left to keep from losing the ball on the five-second inbound rule. The Eagles came out of the break and got the ball to Levy Schlick, who put it in. Nick Angelos was called for this fifth foul and Schlick made the free throw to make it 47-43 with under 20 seconds to go.

The Eagles had to foul to get the ball back, and the final Cowboy points came at the free-throw line.

Doll hit one of two, then got a defensive rebound on an Eagle shot with 4.5 seconds left. Colby's Ethan Stover was called for his fifth foul, and Doll hit the second free throw to make the final score 49-43.

"I didn't think we played real well," McLean said. "The kids just found a way to win. Greg Farris had a tremendous performance. He basically carried us. Tanner Smith did some nice things as well."

"I am proud of these kids, but they have to get back to playing better basketball. We have a very tough substate. We will have to play better to have any chance of winning."

Farris led the Cowboys with 24 points, hitting 2 three-point baskets, four field goals and 10 free throws. Smith was the other Cowboy in

double figures with 11. Doll had 11 with 2 field goals and 3 free throws. Nick Angelos had 4 and Travis Angelos had 3.

The Cowboys and Eagles each had 22 rebounds. Nick Angelos led the Cowboys with 7 rebounds and had 2 assists. Farris had 4 steals and 3 assists.

The Cowboys hit 55.2 percent from the floor (16 of 29) and 62.5 percent of their free throws (15 of 24). The Eagles hit 38.3 percent from the floor (18-47) and 45.5 percent of their free throws (6-11).

"The players and I would like to thank the good crowds on Friday and Saturday night," McLean said. "We all appreciate the support shown by our community, school and parents."

bowling results

Wednesday Night Mixed League
February 14
The Pits over Guzzlin' Socializers 3-1
Shear Dimensions over JanSon UWK 3-1
Odd Couple over D., G. & M Clan 3-1
Fun Lovers over Amack's Trucking 2.5-1.5
4 Stars tied S & L 2-2
Phillips Bros. over Blind in Eyes 3-1

Team high score game: Shear Dimensions 690
Team high scores series: Shear Dimensions 1897
Men's high score game: Travis Gillihan 211
Men's high score series: Travis Gillihan 597
Women's high score game: Julie Samuelson 193
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2. JanSon UWK
3. D., G. & M. Clan

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School calendar for February 21 to February 27

- Wednesday:** Gold Day, District Spelling Bee 1 p.m. at High School Auditorium.
- Thursday:** Black Day, TBA KMEA State High School Band/Choir, 8th Grade Basketball Tournament at Hoxie - 2 p.m., 7th Grade Basketball Tournament at Oberlin 2 p.m., AFS Potluck 5 p.m.
- Friday:** Gold Day, State Wrestling, 7:30 AFS Social, KMEA State High School Band/Choir
- Saturday:** State Wrestling, KMEA State High School Band/Choir
- Monday:** Board of Education Meeting, First day of Spring Sports practice, 2 p.m. Junior High Scholars' Bowl at Oakley, 5:30 p.m. Reading Night and Hot Dog Feed at West Elementary, Sub-State Basketball.
- Tuesday:** Gold Day, Sub-State Basketball, State Reading Assessment for Juniors.

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