

Two Cowboys fourth at state

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Two Goodland High wrestlers took fourth in their weights at state competition this weekend in Salina, and the Cowboys finished 12th as a team.

Juniors A.J. Stephens, 140 pounds, and T.J. Hawkins, 215, returned with fourth-place medals.

A pivotal moment in the tournament, said Coach Joseph Sramek, was senior Brett Schields' loss by a defensive fall in round 1. He was leading going into the third period with less than a minute left, the coach said, when he was thrown and pinned by C.J. Randall of LaCygne-Prairie View.

Representing Goodland at state:

- At 103 pounds, sophomore Kade Sheldon fell to Derrick Weller of Piper in the first round. In the consolation bracket, Sheldon pinned Westin Shay of Osawatimie, then pinned Tyson Schmidtberger of Russell, but fell to Kane Lovvorn of Holton.

- At 125, senior Kerek Mason pinned Brandon Hayes of Springhill in the first round, then lost 4-0 to Chris Bowser of Clay Center. In the consolation bracket, he pinned Martin Buck of Basehor-Linwood but lost 2-1 to Brandon Hopkins of Garnett-Anderson County.

- At 140, Stephens fell to Brad Finley of Chanute in the first round. In the consolation bracket, he beat

Daven Meng of Hoyt-Royal Valley 8-2, Cody Kramer of Fort Scott 5-2, Colt Nickell of LaCygne-Prairie View by major decision, 10-2, and then faced Finley again, winning 1-0, but lost to Derek Koehn of Pittsburg in the consolation finals.

- At 152, junior Aaron Deeds lost in the first round in a technical fall to Tyler Koehn of Pittsburg. In the consolation bracket, he beat Aaron Quisenberry of Kansas City-Bishop Ward 2-0 but lost 5-2 to Jon Prater of Pratt.

- At 160, sophomore Ryan Taylor lost in the first round 3-1 to Joey Hambleton of Altamont-Labette County. In the consolation bracket, he beat Jake Love of Eudora 8-4 and Breck Arnberger of Colby 3-2 but lost to Ben Forsberg of Rose Hill 6-5.

- At 171, Schields fell to Randall in the first round. In the consolation bracket, he pinned Brandon Craft of El Dorado and Steven Skaggs of Meriden-Jefferson West but fell to Dakotah Gettler of Fort Scott.

- At 189, senior Josiah Goodley lost to Jameon Rush of Clay Center by major decision, 12-4. In the consolation bracket, pinned Jacob Grant of Fort Scott but lost to Aaron Kuhlmann of Augusta by major decision, 19-9.

- At 215, Hawkins beat Jake Tech of Abilene 9-6 in the first round, then pinned Kelly Johansen of Hiawatha. He fell to Jake Kober of Carbondale-Santa Fe Trail. In the



Junior T.J. Hawkins wrestled Jake Tech of Abilene in the first round of state competition, winning the match 9-6. Hawkins and class-

mate A.J. Stephens led the Cowboys, finishing fourth in the tournament. Photo by Dennis Saint/The Goodland Star-News

consolation bracket, he beat Nick Kriss of Colby 4-3 but fell to Jaydan Bird of Andover-Central.

- At 285, junior Bob Doxon

pinned Jesse Hatfield of Wamego in the first round then fell to Austen Hybsha of Andover. In the consolation bracket, he lost 9-3 to Jake

Roepke of Hoyt-Royal Valley.

The Cowboys had a good season, Sramek said; winning the Hays tournament was a highlight. The

young team expects to have six of the wrestlers who competed at state return for next year, the coach said.

Cowboys begin substate play at home against Russell Indians

The Cowboys were to begin substate play Monday against Russell High School at Max Jones Fieldhouse.

Goodland is the No. 3 seed in the regional tournament with a 14-6 record while Russell is No. 6 at 6-13.

Other games on Monday pit top seeded Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays (17-1) against the eighth seed, Pratt (0-19), at Hays; fourth seed Colby (10-9) against No. 5 Ulysses (9-10) at Colby; and the No.

2 seed Larned (14-5) against No. 7 Hugoton (5-14) at Larned.

The winner of the Thomas More-Pratt game will face the winner of the Colby-Ulysses game at 5:30 p.m. Monday at Max Jones, then the winner of the Larned-Hugoton game will face the survivor of the Goodland-Russell match at 7 p.m.

Winners from Thursday will play for the substate championship and a trip to the state tournament next weekend in Salina at 7 p.m. Saturday at Max Jones.

Substate action to start for Cowgirls at Max Jones

The Cowgirls were set to play their first game of substate competition Monday against Russell High School at Max Jones Fieldhouse.

Russell has a 2-17 season record, while the Goodland girls were 14-6. The Cowgirls were seeded second and Russell seventh in the eight-team substate.

Also on Monday, No. 1 Colby

(17-2) was to play No. 8 Pratt (1-18) at Colby, No. 3 Ulysses (10-10) faced No. 6 Larned (5-14) at Ulysses, and No. 4 Thomas More Prep-Marian (11-17) of Hays was to play No. 5 Hugoton (3-17) in Hays.

The winner of the Colby-Pratt game will play the winner of the Ulysses-Larned game at 5:30 p.m. Friday at the Max Jones Fieldhouse.

The winner of the Goodland-Russell game will play the winner of the Marian-Hugoton game around 7 p.m. Substate has no consolation bracket.

The winners of those two games will play for the substate championship and a trip to the state tournament next weekend in Salina at 5:30 p.m. Saturday at Max Jones.

Ex-Cowgirl plays last home basketball game, scores 16 points

Goodland native Jayci Stone led the University of Alaska Anchorage to a 69-58 home victory over Idaho's Northwest Nazarene University on Saturday, scoring 16 points and grabbing 12 rebounds.

It was the final home game for the Seawolves, who finished a perfect

15-0 in Anchorage. The Seawolves, now 21-4 overall and 10-4 in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference, will finish their regular season on the road with games Thursday in Lacey, Wash., against St. Martin's University and two days later against Western Oregon University

in Monmouth.

This was the fifth time this season Stone led the Seawolves in scoring. In two other games, she tied for the lead with junior Jennifer Salazar. The two played on opposing teams during the 2004-2005 season when Stone was a sopho-

more at Colby Community College and Salazar a freshman for Garden City.

The Crusaders, who beat Anchorage earlier in the season, scored the first eight points and led by as much as 11 early in the first half. With Nazarene leading 24-15 around the

halfway point, the Seawolves scored nine straight to tie the score.

Anchorage then outscored the visitors 15-9 to take a 39-33 lead into the locker room at halftime.

The Seawolves led throughout the second half, with Stone scoring the teams' final two points on a pair

of free throws. The Crusaders scored the final five points of the game but fell 69-58.

Anchorage is second in the conference, one game behind Seattle Pacific University, which is 11-3. The two split their regular season games this year.

matters of record

The following accidents were investigated by the Goodland Police Department.

Jan. 30 — 8:05 a.m., 1400 Walnut, a 1997 Ford driven by Rachel L. Garcia, was driving south on Walnut and tried to avoid a patch of ice in the middle of the street. The passenger side mirror of the Ford struck the driver side mirror of a 1999 General Motors Corp car owned by Rod L. Boyce that was parked along the street.

Jan. 31 — 6:29 p.m., 1200 Arcade, a 2000 Pontiac owned by Dana Murray was legally parked in the parking lot when an unknown car hit the Pontiac and left the scene.

Feb. 1 — 7 a.m., 900 Main, a 2006 Lincoln-Continental driven by Patricia J. Cochran was driving south on Main when she struck a 1994 Chevrolet owned by Jessica Mosness that was parked legally. Cochran said she could not see due to the frost on her windshield.

Feb. 2 — 12:22 p.m., 800 Washington, a 1999 Ford driven by Bill R. Finley was driving south on Washington when it slid on a patch of ice striking a 1984 Oldsmobile owned by Traci Price-Waugh that was parked on the street.

Feb. 3 — 12:55 p.m., 800 Caldwell, a 2002 Ford driven by Earlene F. Brenner was driving east on Eighth and experienced vehicle trouble causing the Ford to hit a legally parked 1996 Dodge owned by Kevin Ruder.

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School calendar for February 28 to March 6

Wednesday: Black Day, Sub-State Basketball

Thursday: Gold Day, Sub-State Basketball, North School Spring Pictures

Friday: Black Day, Sub-State Basketball

Saturday: Sub-State Basketball, Kansas State DECA Career Development Conference at Overland Park

Sunday: Western Plains Art Association in High School Auditorium 12:30 p.m., Kansas State DECA Career Development Conference at Overland Park

Monday: Kansas State DECA Career Development Conference at Overland Park, Junior High League Scholars' Bowl at Colby 3 p.m.

Tuesday: Black Day, Kansas State DECA Career Development Conference at Overland Park, Track rules meeting at Oakley 6:30 p.m.,

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