

Cowboys beat Broncos to advance in substate



Cowboy Mikey Doll dribbled the ball down the court in the first half of substate action on Monday against Russell. The Cowboys beat Russell, 81-57.
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The Cowboys exploded in the second quarter Monday, outscoring the Russell High Broncos 28-7 and taking a commanding lead 52-25 at halftime, then cruised a bit in the second half to win 81-57.

"We were a little rusty in the first quarter due to the layoff of not having a game for a week," said Coach Jon McLean. "The second quarter, we really got things going and shot the ball well and had some nice fast breaks.

"The second half, we played like we had a large lead. We just were not as sharp. It was a good win and we are advancing."

The Cowboys started with a quick lead, but Russell senior Matt Cook started hitting three-point baskets to score 15 points for the Broncos in the first five minutes, and Russell lead 15-10.

The Cowboys went on a 12-point run to retake the lead 22-15 with less than a minute left in the quarter. Goodland lead 24-18 at the end of the period.

In the second quarter, the Cowboys pushed their lead out to 16 points, 40-24, with under three minutes left. The team took advantage of several fast breaks, with Nick Angelos, Tanner Smith and Travis Angelos passing the ball to the open man under the basket. Greg Farris opened the scoring in the quarter with one of his two, three-point baskets and Mike Doll had two of his five three-point baskets in the quarter, including the final points of the half to make it 52-25.

In the third period, the teams traded baskets and free throws, scoring 15 points each. Halfway through the quarter, the Cowboys had pushed their lead to 30 points, 61-31. Russell's Matt Vonfeldt fouled out on two back-to-back violations with under a minute left.

The Broncos' Jake Brown hit a three-point basket at the end of the quarter to cut the lead back to 27 points, 67-40.

Goodland to play Larned

The Cowboys defeated Russell High School 81-57 in the opening round of the substate basketball playoffs Monday, and were to face Larned in the semifinals at 7 p.m. Thursday at Max Jones fieldhouse.

Goodland is the No. 3 seed in the regional tournament with a 15-6 record while Larned is No. 2 with a 15-5 record.

Larned defeated No. 7 seeded Hugoton (5-15) 78-43 on Monday.

"Our next opponent is tough," said Cowboy Coach Jon McLean. "We will have to play well to have a chance."

In other games Monday, top seed Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays (18-1) defeated No. 8 Pratt (0-20), 77-44, while fourth seed Colby (10-10) lost to No. 5 Ulysses (10-10) 50-48 in overtime. Thomas More was to face Ulysses at 5:30 p.m. Thursday at Max Jones.

Winners 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.

The Cowboys games will be broadcast on KLOE Radio 730 AM and on the Internet at network1.sports.com.

Cook hit another three-pointer for Russell to open the fourth quarter, but it was a little late for a big comeback. Smith scored thirty seconds later, followed by a basket by Nick Angelos which turned it into a three-point play when he was fouled and made the free throw. The score stood at 72-43.

Brown hit a three-pointer for Russell, but Farris came back with a layup to make it 74-46 with six minutes left. Smith fouled out with 5:14 left and Russell's Mason Rohleder hit the free throw for a three-point play to make it 79-49.

Doll drove through the lane for a layup, hit a free throw and scored on a pass from Nick Angelos to make it 77-51 with under three minutes to go.

Josh Duke scored the final Cowboy points on two free throws with 37 seconds left to make it 81-57. The Cowboys got the ball back with 25 seconds left and ran out the clock for the win.

"Mikey Doll had a tremendous first half shooting the ball," McLean said. "His offense really springboarded us in the first half."

Four Cowboys were in double figures,

with Doll leading all scorers with 32 points on 5 three-point baskets, 6 field goals and 5 of 7 free throws.

Nick Angelos led the other three Cowboys in double figures with 15 points, Farris had 14 and Smith had 12. Travis Angelos had 4 and Duke and Nathan Linin each had 2.

Cook led the scoring for the Broncos with 20 points, and Rohleder was in double figures with 11. Brett Pohlman had 8, Brown 6, Cory Ginther 4, Nick Augustine 3, Ethan Peck and Clayton Nowak 2 each and Rex Soldon 1.

The Cowboys hit 58.5 percent from the floor (31-53), and 60 percent of the free throws (12-20). The Broncos hit 44.9 percent from the floor (22-49) and 36.4 percent of the free throws (4-11).

Goodland out rebounded Russell 35 to 21. Nick Angelos led the Cowboys rebounding with 12, had 4 blocked shots, 4 steals and 4 assists. Travis Angelos had 6 rebounds, 2 blocked shots, 3 steals and 3 assists. Doll had 3 rebounds, 2 steals and 3 assists. Smith had 5 rebounds, 1 blocked shot and 2 assists.



Cowgirls defeat Russell, 65-51

By Pat Schiefen

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The Cowgirls got off to a slow start in their first game of substate action Monday against Russell at Max Jones Fieldhouse, but warmed up to defeated the Broncos, 65-51.

Russell's Channi Miller made the first points, sinking a basket in a first quarter filled with turnovers and missed baskets by the Cowgirls. Both teams were using a full-court press, but the Cowgirls slowly pulled ahead to end the first quarter leading 9-6.

The Goodland girls began to hit baskets and widened their lead to 29-18 at the end of the half.

Starting in the second half, the Cowgirls switched to a zone defense.

At one point in the third quarter, the girls got seven rebounds in six seconds. At the end of the period, Goodland led 49-37.

The Cowgirls continued the zone

Cowgirl Whitney Archer (left) made two points with Emily Murray watching in substate action on Monday with Russell. Archer was the leading scorer in the game. The Cowgirls defeated Russell, 65-51, to advance.

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Girls to play Hays tonight

The Cowgirls beat Russell High 65-51 in the opening round of substate basketball play on Monday and will face Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays at 7 p.m. on Friday at Max Jones Fieldhouse in the semifinals.

Goodland, the No. 2 seed, has a 14-6 record while No. 3 Marian is 11-7.

"TMP is a very young team with two to three freshman on it," said Coach Don Smith. "They lost some early games due to inexperience, but played very well the last part of the season."

The Lady Eagles of Colby, the No. 1 seed, beat No. 8 Pratt 88-30 on

Tuesday at Colby. Ulysses, No. 4 seed, beat Larned, No. 5, 50-48 at Ulysses. Colby will play Ulysses in the next round at 5:30 p.m. on Friday at Max Jones. Marian beat Hugoton, No. 6 seed, 49-27 on Tuesday at Hays.

Winners from Fridays' games will play each other at 5:30 p.m. Saturday at Max Jones for the championship, with the winner earning a trip to the state tournament next weekend in Salina. The game will be broadcast on KLOE Radio 730 AM and on the Internet at network1.sports.com.

The Cowgirls hit none of their eight three-point shots, but sank 56 percent, or 29 of 56, two-point shots.

Three other players also shot in double digits. Sammie Raymer scored 16 points. Clancy 15 and Murray 10. Lindsay Shields made four points and Stephanie Sheldon two. Raymer hit both of her free throws and seven of eight two-point shots.

Archer led the team with eight rebounds, followed by Clancy and Raymer each with six.

Murray and Kaylee Billinger had four; Lindsay and Whitney Shields each had two; and Sheldon and Chelsie Gausman each had one.

"I'm happy we won," said Coach Smith.

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