



Goodland High football Coach Jonathan Dandel explained where defensive linemen should push through the offensive line during an early workout last week. The Cowboys will kick off their season with the annual Soap Scrimmage at 6 p.m. Friday at Cowboys Stadium.

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Soap scrimmage to be Friday

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The Goodland High Cowboys begin another run at football glory this Friday as the season kicks off with a barbecue and the annual Soap Scrimmage.

The Soap Scrimmage gives fans a chance to see the team before the season gets under way at the end of the month. The price of admission is a bar of soap at the gate, which the Goodland High teams will use in their locker rooms through the season.

The scrimmage will be broken into three sessions, with the girls and boys cross country teams exhibiting their skills between them.

Second-year head football coach Jonathan Dandel said he will use the scrimmage to gauge his team in a game-like setting and fill open roster slots.

"Our numbers are way up, partially due to graduating only four

seniors and bringing in a good-sized, fine group of freshmen," he said. "There are also a lot more kids out this year who should have been out last year who I recruited out of the hallways."

"We are sitting around 55-57 (players) as of now. We only had 39 last year. We have a few positions locked down right now, but there are still some we are looking at."

The Cowboys will be a more experienced team this year, he said, as nine starters return on offense and nine on defense. The 18 starters remember how last year ended, with a loss to Ulysses in the first round of the state playoffs.

Dandel said he thinks the team can use that as a stepping stone to this season.

"Winning our last two district games of last season was key in laying the foundation for this season," he said. "We didn't play well in our one and only playoff game last year.

However, the positive out of that game was we had a chance to play the 4A state champion and see what good teams do every snap of the ballgame — execute and play hard."

The boys start the season healthy and strong, he said, as more than 40 team members worked out in the weight room every day this summer.

"This has kept the boys relatively healthy and ensures that the Cowboys will start the season with a full roster," he said. "The boys start the season with a game at home on Friday, Aug. 31, against Atwood."

Coach Dandel said he is looking forward to the season.

"We have some really good teams on the schedule again this year, as is every year playing in this league," he said. "There aren't any powder puffs that I can see. We have a lot of respect to gain back this season, and we will do just that."

Former Cowboy to suit up for K-State

Former Goodland Cowboy Jordan Bedore will begin his third season of college football in 12 days when the Wildcats of Kansas State University travel to Alabama to face the Auburn Tigers.



Bedore

Bedore, who started nine games for the Wildcats at center last season, is one of seven returning players on offense who started at least half of last year's games. He started eight games in 2005.

Jordan, son of Dustin and Barb Bedore of Goodland, is a 2004 graduate of Goodland High. He earned first-team All-Northwest Kansas League honors his senior year as a Cowboy at both running

back and linebacker. Bedore was the 2004 state Class 4A heavyweight champion in wrestling and holds the record for the discus at Goodland High with a throw of 165 feet, 3 inches.

K-State finished 7-6 last season and 4-4 in the Big 12 Conference. The Wildcats ended the year with a 37-10 loss to Rutgers in the inaugural Texas Bowl on Dec. 28 in Houston.

Other players from northwest Kansas on the Wildcat roster are senior running back Terry Petrie and senior defensive end Clayton Cox. Petrie, a 2003 graduate of Norton Community High, played in

four games last season, rushing eight times for 54 yards. His longest run went 32 yards for a touchdown against Florida Atlantic.

Cox, a 2004 graduate of Weskan High, saw action in two games last year making a pair of tackles.

A week after their trip to Alabama, the Wildcats face San Jose State for their home opener. K-State opens conference play on Saturday, Sept. 29, at Texas.

The Longhorns ranked No. 4 in Saturday's top-25 preseason poll by the Associated Press. Oklahoma was No. 8, Nebraska No. 20 and Texas A&M No. 25. Auburn is No. 14.

Other Big 12 teams receiving votes in the poll were Missouri, Oklahoma State and Texas Tech.

Golf starts next week

Cowgirls take aim at state title

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Five of the six Cowgirls golfers who missed a chance to go to state last year by a stroke are back to take another shot at the state title, adding two teammates who will be in the thick of things as well.

The team has such depth, said Coach Connie Livengood, that going into challenges Friday for the varsity spots, any of them have a chance.

Seniors Sammie Raymer, No. 19 in the state last year, Eryn Toppliff, and Heidi Yonkey; junior Chelsie Gausman; sophomores Natasha Hillman and Amber Douglas; and freshman Kirsten Toppliff, sister of Eryn, competed Friday for their spots on the team.

Last year, Raymer was in the No. 1 spot, Eryn Toppliff No. 2, Gausman No. 3, Hillman No. 4 and Douglas No. 6. No. 5 Amber Webster graduated in May. Yonkey played with the junior varsity last year.

The girls were one stroke short of going state last year, Livengood said, and it was a good contest. There is a lot of talent this year, the coach said, and the girls definitely want to get to state.

"With the core of kids we have back," the coach said, "we should make it if we work hard and do our jobs."

Livengood said Friday any of the girls had a shot at any spot on the team. They're all good golfers, she said, even the freshman. Kirsten Toppliff may be new, Livengood said, but she comes from a family of avid golfers.

Raymer was the top golfer at the regional tournament last year and finished 19th out of 101 golfers at state. The Cowgirls were third at the regional, just one stroke behind Holcomb. Syracuse was first; the top two teams got to go to state.

The Cowgirls start the season at



Senior Sammie Raymer practiced putting Friday at Sugar Hills Golf Club. She finished 19th in the state tournament last year and is one of five returning members of the Cowgirls' third-place team from the regional tournament. The Cowgirls' first competition will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30, at WaKeeney.

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2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30, at WaKeeney, and their second competition will be at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 4, at home.

They will compete at 8 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10, at Garden City; 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 17, at Colby or Russell; 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, at Scott City; 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25, at Ulysses; 2 p.m. Thursday,

Sept. 27, at Oakley; and 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at Lakin.

The home and Oakley tournaments will include junior varsity competition, and junior varsity players also will compete at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, at Ulysses.

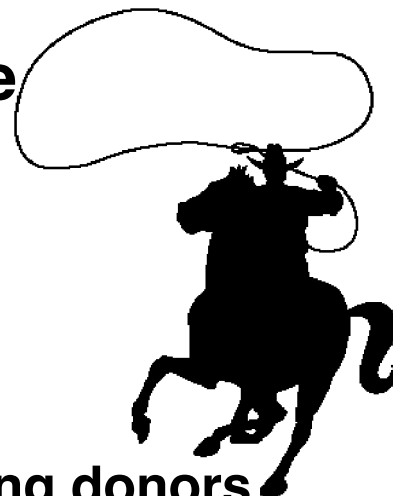
Regional play will be Monday, Oct. 8, and state will be Monday, Oct. 15.

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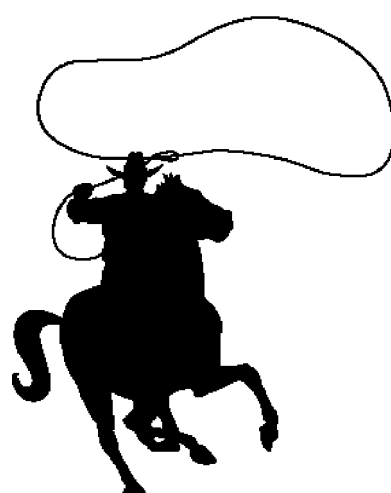
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BEDROOM: Floor dressing mirror, 2 oak night stands, 5 drawer chest of drawers, oak serpentine front dresser and beveled mirror, 3 section buffet mirror, dark pine 3 piece bedroom set, pine chest of drawers, pine queen size poster bed with mattress & box springs, 4 drawer pine chest, oak 3 piece head board with mirror.

LIVING ROOM: 2 piece sofa & love seat, Southwest style sofa and love seat, Early American green and tan plaid sofa, blue recliner, wing back chair, brown high back sofa with recliner ends - like new, Mission Oak Rocker, kids floor rocker, wood rocking horse, Wonder spring rocking horse, 2 Early American platform rockers, like new iron and glass 3 piece end table set.

DINING ROOM: 12 piece dinette set with hutch, round oak table, 3 piece pine end table set

CLOCKS: Seth Thomas wall clock, Southwest clock, Elgin wall clock

KITCHEN: Antique oak drop leaf kitchen table, iron and wicker bar stools, iron and wicker microwave cabinet and storage, set of 4 dining room chairs, set of 4 kitchen chairs on rollers with table, set of 4 kitchen chairs with table

OFFICE: Antique plantation drop leaf desk, office chair, oak computer desk - like new, Lexmark fax phone

HOUSEWARES: Lamps, cut glass lighter, hall tree, Gibson Eight apartment size chest deep freezer, Wards upright 22 cu. ft. deep freezer, wood TV trays, window air conditioner, several TV's, several pictures - some with antique frames.

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TOOLS/MISC: 2 piece Master Mechanic tool box, tire balance machine, 31 cc model 400 cultivator, dual action 9100 Stepper, Intek 6 hp gas weed mower, stripping vat, harness and fly nets, Artesian 4 gallon hot water heater - electric, Ryobi 10" table saw, golf clubs.

OUTSIDE FURNITURE: Glass top rectangular patio table and chairs, 4 piece white wicker patio set, 2 iron patio lawn chairs and table, patio glide seat, Bar-B-Q.



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