

# Familiar faces return to speedway

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The weather was hot and the fireworks show was gone when 44 cars lined up for races at the Sherman County Speedway, with some familiar faces returning to the three-quarter-mile track in the mini stock and modified divisions.

In the mini stock, Royal Fisher of Oberlin (14f) appeared in his colorful pickup, finishing third in the main. Tyrel Smith (car 12) of Goodland won the main with Josh Frecks (5) of Stratton finishing second. Timothy Frecks (11) of Stratton did not finish.

Randy Tipton (95) of Weskan continued winning in the International Motor Contest Association stock car class, finishing ahead of Wheat Lippleman (44) of Colby. Tipton has won all five stock main races this season. Marshal Hoppe (11H) of Goodland came in third.

Goodland drivers continue to dominate the econo class, where Alex West (31) won his third main event of this season. Dan Blair (86) of St. Francis was second,

Andy Potterf (8) of Goodland was third and Adrienne West (7) of Goodland finished fourth.

The IMCA hobby stock class drew seven cars, with Austin Davis



Alex West (car 31) drove through turn three on his way to winning a preliminary race at the Sherman County Speedway on Saturday, July 5. West was the winner in the econo main.

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(22) of Benkelman, Neb., winning the main over Richard Boon (33) of Benkelman. Allen Kurth (38) and Allen Snethen (21) both of Colby were third and fourth.

Joey Snethen (S98), Jason McClung (2J) and Neil Normandin (10) all of Goodland rounded out the hobby stock field.

In the IMCA modified class, the numbers were back up a bit with the return of last year's track champion, Darren DeLoach (21) of Lamar,

Colo., who had been absent for the last two races.

DeLoach said he had gone to Dodge City for the Blood, Sweat and Tears modified race on one weekend because it was a two-day race, and the next time he and a couple of other drivers decided to go to Dodge City again.

DeLoach said he was glad to be back in Goodland, with a new truck that allows him to bring three race cars.

"It is a matter of the cost of the gas," he said. "It's more economical to bring three cars in one truck, and the cost of fuel is becoming a big item."

In the main event, Brady Coen (3) of Wiley, Colo., managed to finish ahead of DeLoach. Mark Zorn (21z) of Russell was third and Ronny Hill (41) of Sharon Sprints fourth.

Nick Tubbs (737) of Colby, who beat Coen to win the Main on June 14, finished fifth.

Two new drivers were Adam and Matt Morris of Lamar, who bought two of DeLoach's older cars up in the truck. Adam finished seventh and Matt 13th.

The next races will be Saturday, with preliminary events starting at 6:30 p.m. The pits usually open

about 2 p.m., and hot laps begin around 4:30 p.m. For information, check the speedway website at [www.nwkansas.com/gldweb-pages/gsnmain.html](http://www.nwkansas.com/gldweb-pages/gsnmain.html). Click on the Sherman County Speedway link in the list on the lower left side of the page.

## speedway results

- Sherman County Speedway**  
**July 5, 2008**  
**Mini Sock**
1. Tyrel Smith, Goodland (12)
  2. Josh Frecks, Stratton, Colo. (5)
  3. Royal Fisher, Oberlin (14F)
- Econos**
1. Alex West, Goodland (31)
  2. Dan Blair, St. Francis (86)
  3. Andy Potterf, Goodland (8)
  4. Adrienne West, Goodland (7)
  5. Lee Hageman, Goodland (4)
  6. Justin Noga, Goodland (22)
  7. Dusty Knox, Goodland (99)
  8. J.R. Wollrum, Goodland (11)
  9. Dylan Hageman, Goodland (9)
  10. Joe Austin, St. Francis (07)
  11. Emmanuel Young, Goodland (14)
  12. Justin Lamb, Goodland (22x)
  13. Alex Crossland, Goodland (27)
  14. Mike Lewis, Goodland (8L)
  15. Donovan Nichols, Goodland (44)
- Hobby Stock**
1. Austin Davis, Benkelman, Neb. (22)
  2. Richard Boon, Benkelman (33)
  3. Allen Kurth, Colby (38)
  4. Allen Snethen, Colby (21)

5. Joey Snethen, Goodland (S98)
  6. Jason McClung, Goodland (2J)
  7. Neil Normandin, Goodland (10)
- Stock**
1. Randy Tipton, Weskan (95)
  2. Wheat Lippleman, Colby (44)
  3. Marshal Hoppe, Goodland (11H)
  4. B.J. Wagner, Colby (51W)
  5. Derrick Braudaway, Colby (444)
- Modifieds**
1. Brady Coen, Wiley, Colo. (3)
  2. Darren DeLoach, Lamar, Colo. (21)
  3. Mark Zorn, Russell (21z)
  4. Ronnie Hill, Sharon Springs (41)
  5. Nick Tubbs, Colby (737)
  6. Dwayne Dechant, Lamar (2D)
  7. Adam Morris, Lamar (8)
  8. Keith Stegman, Lamar (19)
  9. John Fose, WaKeeney (27)
  10. Chris Remetes, Denver (10)
  11. David Schemm, Sharon Springs (4S)
  12. James Krehmeyer, Wray, Colo. (93)
  13. Matt Morris, Lamar (21M)
  14. Ricky Erickson, Peyton, Colo. (3R)

# Slammers win two close games in a triangular

The Goodland Slammers 12-and-under fastpitch softball team had two of their closest games of the summer in a triangular Wednesday, beating Oakley 6-5 and Grainfield 3-2.

Coach Andy Scheopner said Goodland had to come back with four runs in the fifth inning to beat Oakley in the first game. He said both Goodland and Grainfield scored their runs in the first, and neither was able to score again through four innings.

The Slammers leave for the state tournament Thursday afternoon, Scheopner said, adding that as of Sunday, he had not seen a bracket. He said he expected more than 20 teams at the double-elimination tournament, which begins Friday and continues Saturday.

"If we play well on Friday, we should be in good position by Saturday," he said.

Stephanie DeLaRosa pitched both games on Wednesday, giving up five runs on five hits against Oakley, with four walks and nine strikeouts. Against Grainfield, she gave up two hits, two runs and had three walks and seven strikeouts.

Oakley scored two runs in the first to lead 2-0, added a run in the third and two in the bottom of the fifth, but fell short, losing 6-5.

The Slammers got singles from Miranda Hernandez, who had two RBIs, and from Megan Siruta who had one. Amber Smith and Gabby Rangel each had RBIs.

Against Grainfield, the Slammers scored their three runs on a single by Hope Cochran, who scored a run, and Megan Siruta who had 2 RBIs. Brianna White had a single and a double in the game, scoring one run. Berkeley White got a walk and scored a run.

The Slammers traveled to Burlington last Monday to play an Eastern Colorado All-Star team, beating them 19-1 in the first game, but losing the second 10-5.

Scheopner said he thought it would be a tougher game, but the Slammers jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first, then added five in the second, three in the third and nine in the

fourth. The All-Stars did not score until the bottom of the fifth, when they got one run.

DeLaRosa was the winning pitcher, giving up one run on one hit with seven walks and 10 strikeouts.

Cochran had three singles and a double, scoring four runs and three RBIs. DeLaRosa had a single, scored four runs and had one RBI. Berkley White had a single, scored two runs and had one RBI. Brianna White had a single and a triple, scoring two runs and four RBIs. Rangel had a walk, scored a run and drove in two RBIs. Siruta had three singles, scored one run and two RBIs. Hernandez had one RBI. Smith had a single, scored three runs and one RBI.

Kate-Lynn King scored two runs, and Kyndell King had a walk.

Selena Acosta pitched the second game, when Scheopner used more of his younger players, giving up eight hits, 10 runs, with six walks and two strikeouts.

Goodland scored its five runs in the third, but the girls were already down 10-0 through the first two.

Kate-Lynn King walked and scored a run. Carlee Cooper walked and scored a run. Rangel had a single, scored a run and had one RBI. Smith had a single, scored a run and had two RBIs. Kegan Nothdurft had two singles and one RBI. Kyndell King had a walk. Acosta had a walk. Jessica Johnson walked and scored a run.



Stephanie DeLaRosa pitched a strike for the Goodland Slammers 12 and under fastpitch softball team against Sharon Springs during the first inning of a game at the Centennial Park ball complex on June 25.

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# Shrine Bowl to be broadcast

A Sharon Springs boy will be on the field and two Goodland students in the band when Smoky Hills Public Television broadcasts the 35th annual Kansas Shrine Bowl All-Star football game at 7 p.m. Saturday, July 26.

Taylor Elder, a standout at Wallace County High, will represent this area on the West squad, with Tyler Jones (percussion) and Tanner Oharah (trombone) of Goodland invited to play in the all-state band.

Pregame ceremonies are scheduled for 6:30 p.m., said Mary Pat Waymaster, Smoky Hills director of broadcasting. This marks the fifth year in a row Smoky Hills will carry the game live, she said.

"The Kansas Shrine Bowl is a great event that deserves to be recognized and celebrated," Way-

master said. "We are delighted to be able to present the Shrine Bowl to viewers throughout central and western Kansas."

Sixty-eight of the best high school football players from throughout the state — 34 representing the East and 34 from the West — will compete.

Other western Kansas players include Joe Bach, Liberal High; Brad Holt, Great Bend; Aaron Racette, Oakley; and Braden Wilson, Smith Center. Players are nominated by coaches, with balloting by sports reporters around the state.

A total of 216 students will participate in the 25th Annual Kansas Masonic All-State High School Marching Band Camp at Emporia State University from July 22 to 26.

Other members from northwest

Kansas include Noah Jones (melaphone) and Bill Reuther (percussion) of Rawlins County High, and Jonathan Bosserman (trombone) and Shanley LaMastres (piccolo / flute) from Oakley.

The five-day camp, which features top high school musicians from across the state, ends with performances in the Shrine Bowl parade in the morning and pre-game and half-time performance at Welch Stadium at Emporia State.

All proceeds from the game support the Shriners Hospitals for Children, which provide free orthopedic and bum treatment to children under 18.

Smoky Hills Public Television serves 70 counties in Kansas and one in Nebraska. More information, go to [www.shptv.org](http://www.shptv.org).

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