

# Cowboys explode, swamp Colby

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The Goodland Cowboys versus the Colby Eagles. That alone was enough to make for a memorable game Tuesday at Max Jones Fieldhouse.

A technical foul against first year head coach Donald Raymer late in the third quarter could have destroyed the Cowboys, but instead it sent them on a 25-0 run in the fourth quarter to win the game 57-38.

Coach Raymer said after the game, "This one game could help us more than just now, in the long run."

He said it could be a turning point in the young season with the Cowboys at 2-3. He said the game on Friday against Great Western Activity League opponent Hugoton will be another tough game.

The Cowboys will have the next two games at Max Jones Fieldhouse playing at 7 p.m. tonight against the Hugoton Eagles (3-4), and against the Oakley Plainsmen (1-5) on Tuesday.

In the first quarter the Cowboys stole the momentum away from Colby with steals and fast break lay ups. Some fell, some didn't. The Cowboys fell behind 9 to 4 in the first, but came back to lead 11-9 at the buzzer.

Cowboy Ryan Hillmer had been turnover prone in the previous season and early in this season. That needed to be fixed by Tuesday night and it was. Hillmer and his teammates had just 11 turnovers compared to 30 by the Colby Eagles.

The second quarter was much of the same slow moving and off the mark shots for both teams. Going into halftime Goodland had to feel good about the game so far, they were winning and could improve on what they were doing leading 22-18.

The third quarter was what authors would call the rising action. The Eagles took control and it looked as though Eagle Kale Arnerberger would lead his team to victory once again as the Cowboys stumbled down the stretch.



Cowboy Brock Wilkens (24) reached out to slap the ball away from Colby Eagle Corbin Stephens in the game Tuesday at Max Jones. The Cowboys exploded in the fourth quarter to win 57-38.

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The climax would be a no call foul on Robert Cowan causing Coach Raymer to shout at the official and the referee gave Raymer his first technical foul of his coaching career.

The Eagles made the two technical free throws and another basket to end the third quarter leading 33-30.

The fourth quarter huddle was the spark that started the team on fire. Coach Raymer told one of his team leaders he took one for him and he needed something in return. He got just what he asked for when the Cowboys took to the floor.

A 25-0 run by Goodland sent Colby packing. The Cowboys scored on a number of Eagle turnovers

and made the full court press work to intercept passes and steal the ball for some easy points. The Cowboys led 55-33 with under 1:30 left before the Eagles found the mark.

The Cowboys starters were taken out with about 2 minutes and got to watch and enjoy the win.

Cowan led the scoring with 19 points and 8 rebounds; Hillmer was in double figures with 16 points including three 3-point shots and 4 rebounds. Brock Wilkens had 5 points on one basket and 3 free throws. Wilkens led the team with 10 rebounds. Garth Helton had 4, Gage Ihrig, Hazen Deeds and Reed Bellamy each had 3. Ihrig's points came on free throws in the last two minutes

and he hit two for the final Cowboy points with 16 seconds left.

Cowboys Dillon Trachsel and Parker Sieck each had 2. Trachsel had 2 rebounds and Sieck had 1. Cowboy Taylen Smith played, but did not score. Smith did have 1 rebound.

The Cowboys hit 30 percent for the game, but the percentage was much higher in the fourth quarter. The Cowboys had 18 steals with Hillmer getting 5, Cowan 4 and Bellamy, Wilkens and Trachsel 3 each. The Cowboys had 37 total rebounds with 17 offensive - most in the fourth quarter and 20 defensive.

The Colby Eagles fall to 0-7 and will play at Holcomb on Friday.

## Maverick Open postponed, dual moves to fitness center

The Maverick Open planned for Saturday has been postponed, and the Maverick dual with Western Wyoming Community College will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at the Keirns Fitness Center on the Northwest Tech campus.

"Due to a severely low number of possible entries the Maverick open will not be held on Saturday," said Maverick Coach Steve Lampe.

He said a new date has not been set, but the college will try for a Fall tournament most possibly a dual meet format with a contract agreement.

"It has to be a good fit for all teams involved and schedules were conflicting; so in order to accommodate the wrestling teams, we decided to postpone the tournament," he said "It is unfortunate, but a decision had to be made. We deeply appreciate all of the individuals who committed to volunteer their time and talents and look forward to working with everyone for upcoming events."

The Mavericks will host a dual with Western Wyoming Community College of Rock Springs at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at the Keirns Fitness Center, 915 E. 15th Street.

Coach Lampe said the move to the Keirns Fitness Center would make it a tighter area and the close crowd would add to the excitement.

For more information on the wrestling team and schedule, go to the college website at [www.nwktc.edu](http://www.nwktc.edu) or call 1 (800) 316-4127.



Cowboy Reed Bellamy (22) put up a reverse shot in the first half of the game on Tuesday against Colby.

# Cowboys home stand continues tonight

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Tonight at 7 p.m. at Max Jones Fieldhouse the Cowboys continue their home stand with the Hugoton Eagles coming to town. For the first time in the past couple seasons the boys have a chance to become an even 3-3 with a win over the 3-4 Eagles coached by Jason Hajek.

Head Coach Donald Raymer encourages fans to come out and support the Cowboys versus "any type of Eagles."

For Hugoton their leading scorer is junior Cody Frederick. He has averaged 16 points, 4 assists, 4 rebounds, and 2 steals per game so far this year. The 6'3 junior James Persinger dominates the boards. He

averages 10 rebounds per game. Along with that he averages 14 points, 1 block, and around 2 steals per game. Logan Crawford leads the team in blocks with 2.

The Eagles have a clear height advantage with 5 players over 6 feet, with the tallest being 6'5 in senior Joe Beltz.

The Eagles four losses came against Syracuse 55-50, Guymon 43-41, Holcomb 58-46, and Scott City 86-46.

For the Cowboys senior Robert Cowan leads the team in points with 13 and almost 1 block per game.

Coach Raymer has said junior point guard Ryan Hillmer has become a team player through unselfish play at the point guard position.

"He (Hillmer) could be scoring 20 points a game if he wasn't doing the little things to help the team," Raymer said. "Controlling the ball down the court isn't an easy thing to do. Unselfish plays really help the team and I can't say enough about him."

Hillmer averages nearly 11 points per game, 3 assists, 3 rebounds, and 2 steals.

Senior Brock Wilkens leads the team in rebounds with nearly 8 per game. Wilkens helps the team with an average of 7 points and 1 steal per game. He is the tallest starter at 6'4. Goodland has one player at 6'5 with Parker Sieck who has increased game minutes in his junior year.

Cowan, Blaine Luther, Reed Bellamy, Taylen Smith and Garth

Helton are the only other players above the six-foot mark.

## Crossword Puzzle

### ACROSS

- Kemo
- "Pygmalion" penner
- In unison
- Say the rosary
- Durango dough
- Helped out at a T-ball game, perhaps
- Farm unit
- Bar mitzvah or baptism
- Old hat
- "Return of the Jedi" star
- Before, poetically
- Twister Joey
- Lay to rest
- Pocahontas's husband John
- Racetrack boundary
- "Zip--Doo-Dah"
- Comedienne Charlotte
- Cedar Rapids college
- Solitary
- "The Piano" Oscar winner
- Canal to the Mediterranean
- Shoobox letters
- Liberal arts class, for short
- Concerning
- Seemingly boundless
- Do figure eights
- Candlestick holder on a wall
- WWII female enlistee
- Understand, in hippie lingo
- Big name in American cookery
- Madrid mister
- Frankfurt's river
- Suffix for the well-to-do

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- Take from square one
- Fingerboard ridge
- Like many limericks
- Rolling stone's lack, proverbially
- G-men and T-men
- Pulitzer poet W.H. Wisenheimer
- Make a choice
- Society page word
- Hall, formerly of "The Tonight Show"
- Standard of excellence
- Mount Saint
- Gym-socks emanation
- Queens, in chess
- Domesticated insect
- Supermarket aisle
- Sore spots
- Promissory initials
- A natural, in craps
- One who saves the day
- Thumbs-up vote
- Puccini heroine
- Boom-bah preceder
- Mom's bro
- Coarse fabrics
- Think the world of
- Like a wedding cake
- Wetland birds
- Barker, for example
- Bushy dos
- Par
- Prefix with gram or graph
- Rabble, for short
- Have a bawl
- Author LeShan
- Just out

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