Cowboys lose to Bluejays in triple-overtime

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The Cowboys led for most of three quarters, but let the Bluejays catch up and force the game into overtime and it took three overtime periods to give Norton a 80-76 win.

Coach Don Raymer said it was a tough loss for the Cowboys, but he felt they would learn from it and get ready for the next game.

The Cowboys play a rematch game with Holcomb at 7 p.m. tonight at Max Jones Fieldhouse. The Cowboys played the Longhorns as the first road game of the past five on Friday, Jan. 14, losing at tough one at the buzzer 53-51.

The Cowboys are now 5-6 hoping to get a win to get back to the .500 mark.

The Cowboys led 14-8 after the first quarter on Tuesday at Norton, and 28-19 at halftime.

In the third quarter the Bluejays outscored the Cowboys 22 to 12 to take a 41-40 lead at the buzzer. In the fourth quarter the Cowboys managed to keep the score close and force the first of three overtimes.

The Cowboys and Bluejays each scored 6 points in the first and second overtimes with each team having a chance in the final seconds to get the win, but the other team making the shot to tie the score.

In the third overtime the Blue jays managed to get a 4-point lead and the Cowboys were not able to overcome that to lose 80-76.

Coach Raymer praised the defensive efforts of the Cowboys and said it was one of the best defensive performances he has seen this year.

Cowboy Brock Wilkens had a breakout game with 20 points to lad the scoring and 22 rebounds. Ryan Hillmer has 18 points, Reed Bellamy 12 and Robert Cowan and Dillon Trachsel each had 11. Garth Helton had 4.

The Cowboys held Norton's top scorer to under 20 points in the regular game, but his 10 free throws in the overtimes were critical and Terrell Lane finished with a game high 26 points.

the floor and 10 of 15 free throws. and 18 of 25 free throws.

The Cowboys will play at 7 p.m. on Tuesday in Burlington and be in Ulysses on Friday. The next home game will be on Tuesday, Feb. 15 against Atwood.



The Cowboys hit 40 percent from Cowboy Robert Cowan went high for a rebound against Norton on Tuesday. The Cowboys led for three quarters, but the Bluejays caught up in the fourth quarter Norton hit 48 percent from the floor and forced three overtime periods to win 80-76.

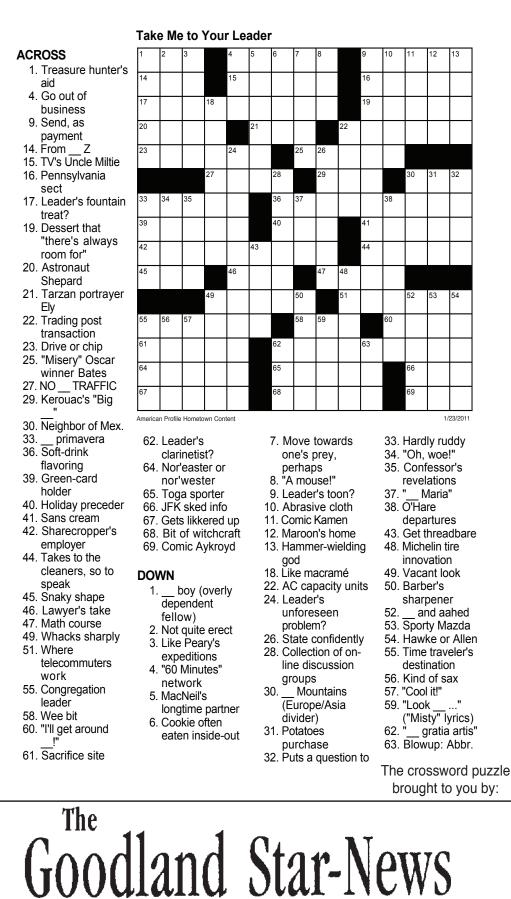


Cowboy Brock Wilkens went up for a basket in the game on Tuesday at Norton. He had a breakout game with a season high 20 points. The Cowboys face the Holcomb Longhorns tonight at Max Jones Fieldhouse.

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