Cowgirls lose close game against Scott City, 44-42

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The Goodland Cowgirls played their first basketball game of the season against Scott City on Saturday at Max Jones Fieldhouse.

The Cowgirls played hard and were always in arm's reach of leading the game. They lost 44-42. In the last few seconds of the game Brianna White hit a final basket to give them the 42 points.

Both teams missed sinking their shots numerous times and both had many turn overs.

The next action for the girls is at the Topside Tipoff at 6 p.m. on Thursday night against McCook at Max Jones Fieldhouse.

After the tipoff at the beginning of the game the ball went back and forth done the court without any of the shots hitting home. At 5:40 into the first quarter Scott City hit a long shot for three points. Goodland's Hope Cochran answered with a three point shot of her own. The first quarter ended with Scott City leading 6-5.

In the second quarter Scott City tried to put some distance between its score and Goodland's. They managed to add eight points to their score before the Cowgirls began to whittle down the difference. The second half ended with Scott City leading 16-11.

The Cowgirls missed a lot of shots in the first half and had quite a few traveling calls.

After the start of the third inning the Cowgirls shooting began to hit the marks. With two minutes left in the quarter Cochran missed and after the ball bounced off the heads of several girls Goodland took possession. With 1:23 left in the quarter Scott City had pulled ahead 28-19. Before the end of the quarter Brianna White and Cochran each added three points to the score leaving the Cowgirls only three points behind at the end of the third quarter. Scott City led 28-25.

The Cowgirls kept trying to catch up to Scott City but the clock just finally ran out with them loosing 44-42.

Sophomore Taryn Bedore hits one of her four two-point shots for a 25 percent average.

Sophomore Cochrane hit all three of her three-point shots and one of her free throw shots.

Sophomore Brianna White hit one of two three-point shots, one of eight two-point shots and and three of seven free throws.

Sophomore Berkley White hit one of two three-point shots and two of six two-point shots.

Senior M'Lynn Hinger hit three of seven two-point shots and one of four free throws.

Sophomore Mara Kling Junior Jazz Weis did not hit their single shots.

Junior Paige Phillips hit four of seven free throws.

Sophomore Megan Siruta hits two of five two-point shots.

"I thought the girls played really hard and played hard the whole game!!" said Cowgirl Coach Andy Scheopner. "They never gave up and kept battling!! We are very inexperienced and that caused some mistakes!! We will be fun to watch this year as we get better every game out!!"

Cowgirl senior M'Lynn Hinger (left photo) took a shot against a Lady Beaver as she scored seven points in the game on Friday. Cowgirl sophomore Hope Cochran (right photo) was high scorer for the Cowgirls hitting three three-point baskets and one free throw for her 10 points. Photos by Tom Betz/The Goodland Star-News

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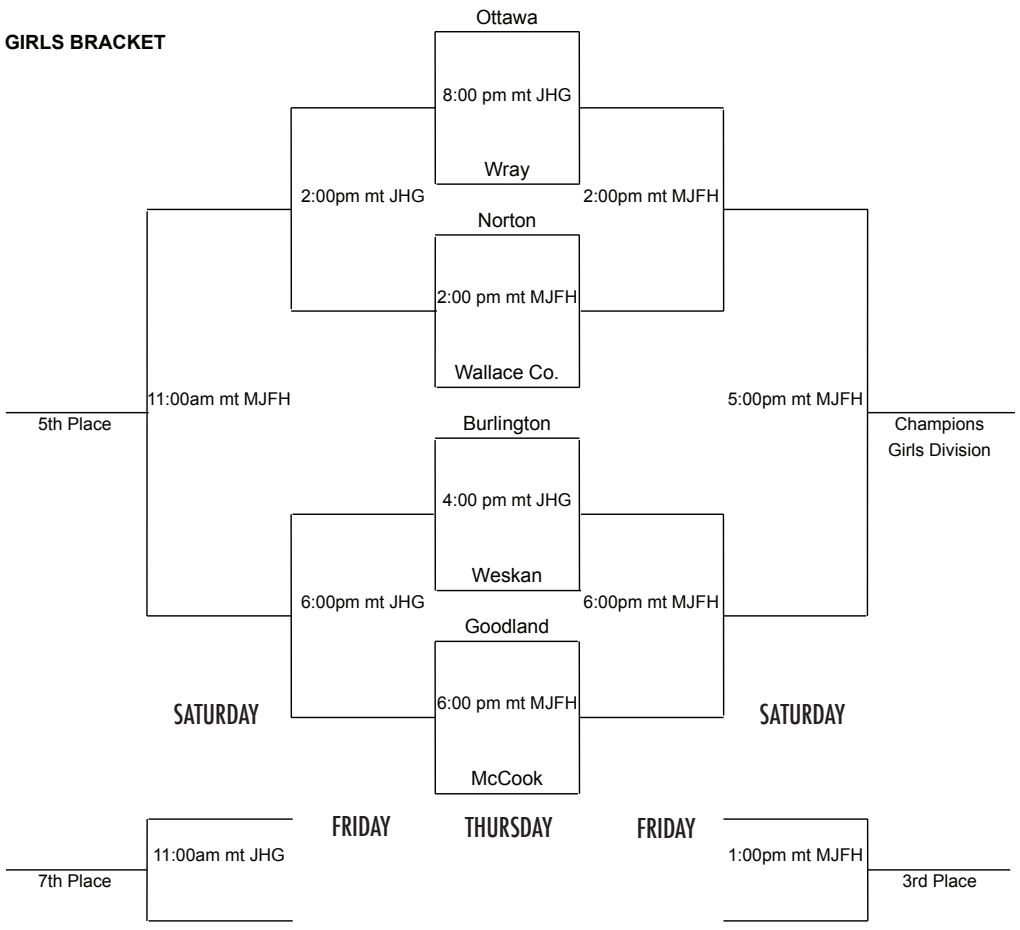

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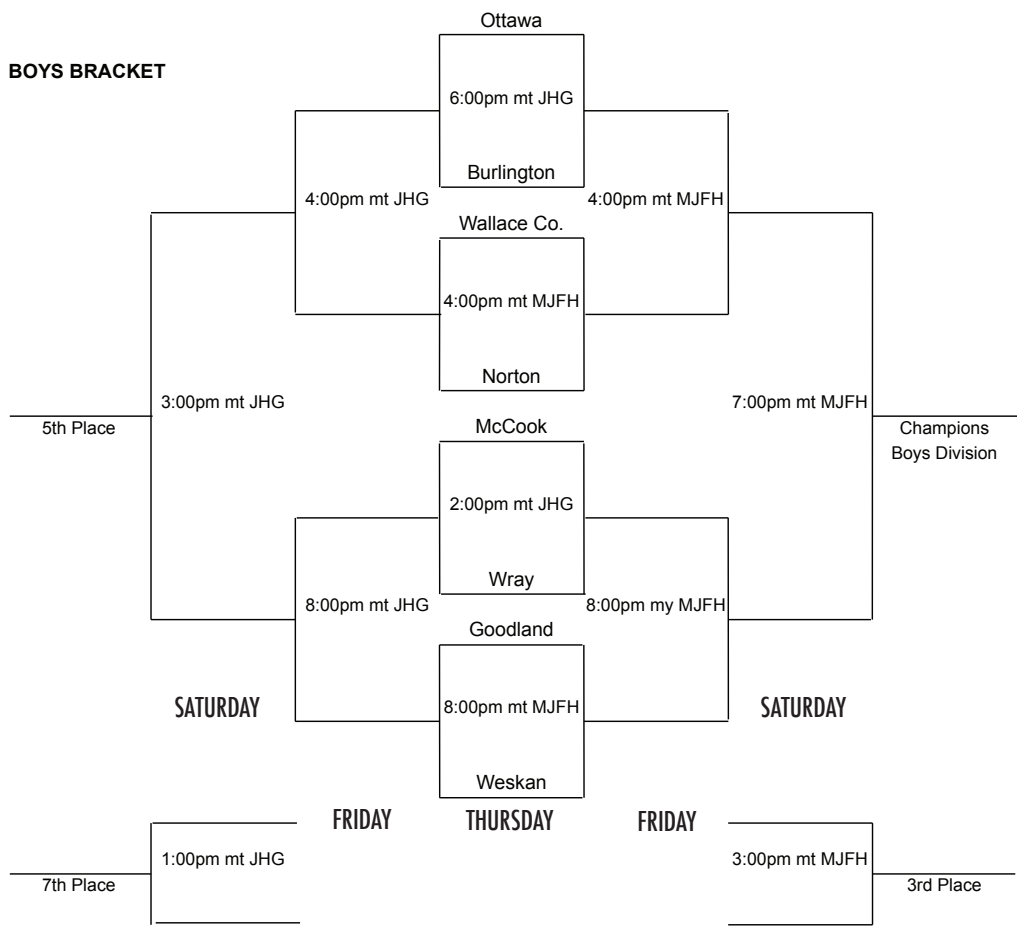
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