

Cowgirls have tough sledding at Topside Tip-Off

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The Goodland Cowgirls showed their meddle and kept playing hard in spite of the fact that the team ended the Topside Tipoff Tournament with losses against McCook, Weskan and Norton. Cowgirls lost to McCook 65-44, Weskan 43-33 and Norton 56-42.

In their final game against Norton at 11 a.m. on Saturday at the junior high gym at the Max Jones Fieldhouse, the Cowgirls led 16-13 at the end of the first quarter. Hope Cochran hit a three-point shot, a two-point shot and four free throws. M'Lynn Hinger hit three-point shots and Brianna White had one two-point shot.

The Cowgirls managed to hang on to their lead two minutes into the second quarter when Norton overtook them. Norton led at the end of the second quarter, 35-28. Cochran hit two more two-point shots. Hinger hit two two-point shots and three free throws. Paige Phillips hit one of two free throws.

The Cowgirls kept fighting and kept the score close in the third quarter but were not able to regain the lead. At the end of the third quarter Norton led 41-38. Berkley White hit a two-point shot, Brianna White hit two two-point shots, Hinger hit one two-point shot and Phillips two free throws.

The Lady Blue Jays managed to widen their lead in the fourth quarter and won the game 56-42. Hinger hit two two-point shots for four. The only Cowgirl points in the fourth quarter. The Cowgirls had problems hitting the basket and hanging onto the ball. Hinger was the highest scorer for the game with 17 followed by Cochran with 13.

The Cowgirls played Weskan on Friday night of the tournament at the junior high gym at Max Jones. The Cowgirls lost 43-33. The girls had problems hanging on to the ball as well as hitting the basket. Weskan



Cowgirl Hope Cochran (above) shoots a free throw in the game against McCook. The Cowgirls lost 65-44 in the opening round. Cowgirl M'Lynn Hinger (above right) was surrounded by Lady Bluejays in the seventh place game on Saturday. The Cowgirls lost 56-42.

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led 7-5 at the end of the first quarter. Phillips hit a two-point shot, Megan Siruta hit a two-point shot and Jazz Weis hit one of two free throws. At the end of the first half Weskan led

16-11. Cochran hit one of two free throws and a three-point shot and Siruta a two-point shot.

In the third quarter Taryn Bedore hit a two-point shot, Berkley White

hit two two-point shots, Brianna White two free throw shots and Hinger a free throw and a two-point shot. Weskan led 26-22.

Weskan increased their lead to 10 points in the fourth quarter to win 43-33. Scoring for the Cowgirls in the last quarter was Berkley White with a two-point shot, Brianna White with two free throws, Hinger with a two-point shot and Weis with a three-point and a two-point shot. Berkley White and Wies tied for the top scorer in the game with six. Hinger followed with five.

In the first game of the tournament against McCook the Cowgirls had problems hitting their shots and keeping control of the ball. They also ran into foul problems with Phillips, Berkley White and Cochran fouling out in the second half. They lost 65-44.

In the first quarter Cochran hit her two free throws. Brianna White hit two two-point shots, Phillips one of two free throws and Siruta a two-point shot. The score was McCook 15-9. In the second quarter Cochran hit one of two free throws, Berkley White hit two of two free throws, Hinger hit three two point shots and one free throw, Weis a two-point shot and Phillips a free throw. The score at that point was Weskan 37-22.

In the third quarter Bedore hit a two-point shot, Cochran two free throws, Berkley White a two-point shot, Brianna White two two-point shots and Hinger a two-point shot and a free throw. The score was Weskan 50-35.

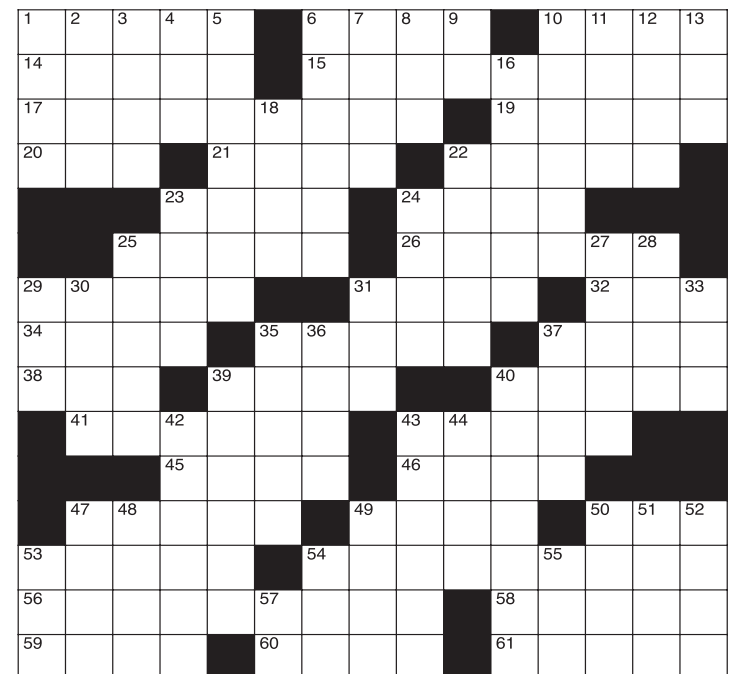
In the fourth quarter Weskan increased their lead to 21 points. They won 65-44. Scorers in the fourth quarter were Berkley White with a free throw, Sydney Winston with two free throws, Hinger one free throw and Mara Kling three free throw. The high scorer in that game was Hinger with 11 points followed by Brianna White with eight points.

The next action for the Cowgirls is Tuesday, Jan. 2, against Colby at Colby.



Cowgirl Brianna White looks for a rebound in the game against McCook with Coach Andy Scheopner watching from the sideline. The Cowgirls lost all three games in the Topside Tip-Off, but hope to bounce back in the season when they return after Christmas break.

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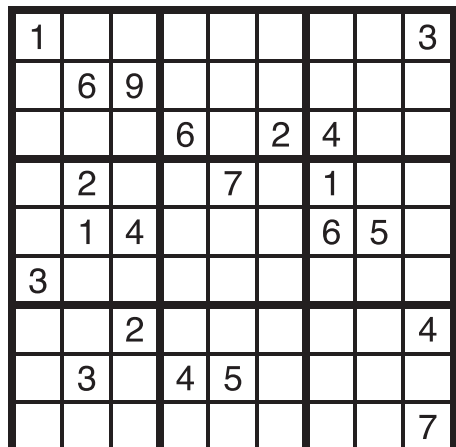


CLUES ACROSS

1. Leavened rum cakes
2. Stepped on
3. Arab outer garments
4. Positive pole
5. Sharpening stone
6. Atomic #38
7. Omnivorous mammal of C and S Am.
8. Records electrical brain currents
9. Without (French)
10. Mother's sisters
11. An open skin infection
12. Long mucilaginous green pods
13. Past tense of 23 across
14. Cereal grain product
15. Lack of normal muscle tone
16. Lean, scrawny
17. Work holiday (informal)
18. Abnormal breathing
19. Peels
20. Capital of the Apulia region
21. They ___
22. Linear unit (Span.)
23. More lucid
24. 6th largest Russian city
25. Fights a short bout
26. Ancient Olympic Site
27. Companion animals
28. Indian frocks
29. SE Indonesian island
30. The winged goddess of the dawn
31. Exchange of goods
32. Bird in a pear tree
33. A contest in which the winner is undecided
34. Tidal bore
35. Petite
36. Freshwater duck genus
37. A nasty smile
38. The supporting part
39. Poker stake
40. Tennis player Bjorn
41. Rapid bustling movement
42. Centripetal
43. Wound around something
44. Sumac genus
45. Original Equipment Manufacturer
46. Alcohol withdrawal symptom
47. Unkeyed
48. Small water travel vessel
49. Family Formicidae
50. 3rd largest whale
51. Scamper
52. Container counterweight
53. (Largest) Peoples of Ghana
54. Unit of loudness
55. Double-reed instrument
56. Sole genus
57. "Dynasty" actress Linda
58. Said of a maneuverable vessel
59. Macaws
60. Women's undergarment
61. Cost Information Report
62. Trims
63. River rising in NE Turkey
64. Soap blocks
65. Overnight case
66. Derisive literary works
67. Simply
68. 5th wheels
69. A furry animal skin
70. Burning of the Hindu widow
71. Actor Ladd
72. Bay Area Transit Authority
73. The boundary of a surface is undecided
74. A brutish giant
75. One who divines the future
76. Very fast airplane
77. Frying vessel
78. 007's creator
79. 1/1000 of an ampere

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