

Cowboys shut down Cougars 48-0

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Coming off a loss at home, the Goodland High School varsity football team destroyed the Burlington Cougars 48-0 on Friday in Burlington.

Despite some setbacks in the first half, such as an interception and a turnover on fourth and goal, the Cowboys got off to a 14-0 lead. They ran roughshod over the Cougar defense in the second half, adding 34 unanswered points to claim the victory.

Next action for the Cowboys will be at 6:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) at Holcomb.

The Cowboys received the opening kickoff. Dax Ruhs returned for 20 yards. Ruhs carried the next three plays, racking up 18 yards and a first down. Garrett Taylor went up the middle to get to the 49 yardline, then Ruhs picked up three for another first down. Ruhs ran for another first down. Then, on fourth and one, Taylor ran 20 yards for a first down.

The Cowboys kept moving down the field, getting two more first downs before Ruhs ran it in for the first touchdown. The extra point was successful to put the Eagles up 7-0.

The Cougars made it to the 49 yardline on the kickoff return, with Gunner Helton making the tackle. The Cowboys held them to a one yard gain, forcing a punt. The Burlington punter lost the snap, but recovered in time to punt to the 35 yardline.

Ruhs got through for a first down on the opening play of the drive. After two more runs by Ruhs, the Cougars intercepted the ball at the 46, but they fumbled on the very next play.

Once again on offense, quarterback Trey Teeter completed a 20 yard pass to Cy Paxton, putting the Cowboys on the 32 yardline with 1:34 left in the quarter. Taylor



Dax Ruhs returned a kickoff while Cy Paxton blocked early in the Goodland High School varsity football team's away game against

Burlington on Friday. The Cowboys beat the Cougars 48-0. Photo by Kevin Bottrell/The Goodland Star-News

picked up two yards, then Ruhs ran for seven to bring up third and one. Ruhs got the first down, then ran for another, putting the Cowboys on the nine yardline as the quarter ended.

Ruhs ran to the five yardline, then to the one, but he was brought down in the backfield to make it fourth and goal. After a timeout, After an incomplete pass, the Cougars took over on the five yardline. The Cowboy defense stopped Burlington

again, forcing another punt.

Ruhs made a 25 yard punt return. This time, Paxton got the Cowboys to the two yardline and then in for a touchdown. The extra point was good to give the Cowboys a 14-0 lead with 7:22 left in the half.

The Cougars made a 15-yard return on the kickoff. The returner was tackled at the 31 by Tyler Gastineau. Burlington was able to get some better yardage, but not enough for

the first down. The Cougars punted to the 34 yardline.

The Cowboys took over with 5:51 left in the half. After a seven yard pass to Paxton, Ruhs made a 15-yard run for a first down. A penalty took the them back to first and 15, the Cowboys were unable to gain another first down and had to punt.

Taylor Smith punted the ball back to the seven yardline. On fourth and two, the Cougars ran a fake punt,

picking up three yards for their only first down of the game at that point. However, with only 20 seconds left in the half, the Cowboys intercepted the ball. Passes intended for Smith and Paxton were incomplete, and the half ended with the Cowboys on top 14-0.

The Cougars were the receiving team coming out of the locked room. The kickoff went through the legs of the receiver and was pickup up by

another Cougar, who was tackled by Gastineau after a five-yard return. The Cowboy defense held the Cougars to just two yards, forcing a punt.

The Cowboys wasted no time, with Ruhs running around the right side and in for a touchdown on the first play of the drive. A successful extra point made the score 21-0.

The Cowboys kicked off, tacking the receiver at the 25 yardline. The Cougars got to third and two, but were stopped there.

After a punt, the Cowboys were back on the offensive with 8:05 left in the quarter. Taylor picked up three, then Ruhs ran around the left for 15 yards and a first down. Taylor went up the middle for a gain of two, then Teeter found Ruben Lazaro for a touchdown. Teeter tossed it to Ruhs for a two-point conversion, making the score 29-0.

On the next drive, the Cougars picked up a first down, but later fumbled, which the Cowboys recovered. With 4:12 left in the quarter, Ruhs picked up a first down, then Taylor made a 13-yard touchdown run. The extra point put Goodland up 36-0.

The Cowboys' kickoff was downed on the 30 yardline. The Cougars picked up two first downs, but early in the fourth quarter, Zach Miller intercepted a pass and ran it in for a touchdown to make it 42-0.

On the next drive, Kolt Trachsel made an interception and ran it to the Cougars' 20 yardline then fumbled. Drew Dautel recovered and ran for a touchdown, completing the 48-0 shutout.

The Cowboy defense continued to shut down the Cougar offense. Burlington got to the 46 yardline on an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty, but the game ended there.

The Cowboys improved their record to 2-1.

Goodland runners place at Hays meet

The Goodland High School varsity boys cross country team finished in third place at the Hays High School meet on Thursday, just three points out of second place.

Ace Arteaga, Arron Arteaga and Kyler Amthor medaled at the meet. Ace Arteaga finished fourth with 18:31.80; Arron Arteaga, fifth with 18:34.30; and Amthor, 12th with 19:02.70.

Yidam Mendoza placed 23rd with 19:50.10; Kameron Snyder, 25th with 20:11.30; and Tristen Cooper, 34th with 20:51.00.

The girls varsity team placed seventh overall. Lacie Siruta medaled with a fifth place finish and a time of 15:39.7, which broke Whitney Dautel's 2006 school record of 16:39. Lindsey Geeseka placed 26th

with 17:34.10; Sierra Estes, 34th with 18:25.20; Teryn Tompkins, 42nd with 21:02; Kylee Samelson, 45th with 24:17; and Katrina Delgado, 46th with 28:16.20.

On the junior varsity boys squad, Orlando Wooten placed 29th with 20:34.50; Mario Lazo, 40th with 21:05.30; Jesse Cooper, 59th with 21:37.30; Daniel Cepeda, 97th with 23:41; Hunter Harkins, 108th with 23:59.70.

On the junior high team, four runners medaled. Erin Floyd placed second with 14:25; Ussiel Gallegos, fourth 14:11.20; Jacob Brown, fifth with 14:25.30; and Kellie Archer, eighth with 8:57.

Austin Heim finished 13th with 18:00.10.

Seventh grade football team is undefeated

The Grant Junior High School seventh grade football team is undefeated so far this season.

The Mustangs won their first game of the season on Aug. 30, defeating Colby at home 32-0. They beat Holcomb 14-6 on Sept. 6 and went on to shut out Norton 36-0 on their home turf Thursday. The eighth grade team lost to

Norton 22-8 on Thursday.

Next action will be at 4 p.m. Thursday in Burlington.

The eighth grade volleyball team also lost to Norton on Thursday, falling in three games 20-25, 26-24 and 8-15.

The team competed in a round-robin tourna-

ment at Oakley Middle School on Saturday. The Lady Mustangs won in three against Colby 26-28, 25-12 and 15-11 and won in two against Oakley 25-19 and 25-23. They lost to Holcomb 16-25 and 11-25 and Kepley Middle School from Ulysses 25-14, 18-25 and 11-15.

Punt, Pass and Kick competition planned for Sunday

Be sure to mark your calendar for upcoming events at the Goodland Activities Center.

The Punt, Pass and Kick competition will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at North Elementary.

Co-ed Volleyball and Youth Volleyball Clinic registration deadlines are Monday, Oct. 8.

For information, call the center at 890-7242. Registration forms and other information are also available online at www.goodlandgac.com.

The center held its 11th annual Night Golf Fundraiser Tournament on Sept. 8. The event kicked off with the horse race competition and a putting contest. The horse race was won by Team Gillming/Sederstrom with a time of 42 seconds, and the putting contest winner was Dusty Kibel. The tournament was played in a scotch scramble format playing 18 holes. First place went to Team Archer/Mull, shooting a 68, second place to Team Jamison/Edward/

Douglas, shooting a 73, and third place to Team Peter/Loyd, shooting a 74.

The GAC would like to thank Sugar Hills Golf Club for helping host the tournament, all the couples who participated along with all the local businesses who helped sponsor the event, the businesses are American Implement, ADM, Ag Power Equipment, CPS, Clip n Curl, Cure Law Group, Designs Unlimited, Eklunds First Insurance,

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School calendar for September 19-25

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West Elementary School • Central Elementary School



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Wednesday: Gold day
7:30 a.m.: PLC
Thursday: 2 p.m.: Girls Varsity/Junior Varsity Golf at Holcomb
3 p.m.: Varsity/Junior Varsity/C team Volleyball Quad, here
4 p.m.: Junior High Football at Burlington
Friday: AFS Walk-in at 11:30 a.m.
6:30 p.m.: Varsity Football at Holcomb
Saturday: 8 a.m.: C team Volleyball at Atwood

Monday: Board of Education meeting
4 p.m.: Junior Varsity Football, here, versus Holcomb
Tuesday: Gold day
9 a.m.: Girls Varsity Golf at Ulysses
3:30 p.m.: Varsity/Junior Varsity/C team Volleyball, here
Junior High Volleyball A/B Triangular at Colby



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