

Northwest Tech delights home crowd with big win



Freshman Lamar Britton from Coamo, Puerto Rico, put up a shot during Tuesday's game against Colby Community College.
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The first Northwest Kansas Technical College men's basketball home game in history turned into an exciting night for Mavericks fans as the team made a come-from-behind victory on Tuesday over Colby Community College in the final minutes.

The game was in many ways a mirror of the Nov. 10 game against Colby. This time it was the Mavericks who trailed at half time 46-29 and who came from behind for a last-second 73-70 win.

The Mavericks had a 3-6 record going into Tuesday's game. The team got a big win last Friday in the first game of the Brown Mackie College tournament in Salina, beating the home team 83-75. The Mavericks trailed by six at the half but took the lead for good with a 16-point run to open the second half and never lost it.

However, the men lost to Barton Community College 97-74 in Saturday's game. The Mavericks kept up in the first half, trailing 42-36 at the half. This time the opposing team had a big run in the second half and the Mavericks were unable to catch up.

Next action for the Mavericks will be against North Platte Community College at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Max Jones Fieldhouse and against Frank Phillips College at 7 p.m. Sunday at the fieldhouse.

On Tuesday, the Trojans won the tipoff and scored two points on their first possession. Markees Walker



Freshman Marcus Walden from Augusta, Ga., looked for a way inside against Colby Community College during the Mavericks' 73-70 win on Tuesday.
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answered with a three pointer to take the lead one minute into the game.

Colby went on a nine-run, including a dunk scored off a Northwest Tech turnover. At 17 minutes Gian Clavell was fouled while shooting and made both free throws to make the score 11-5. Then Jeffrey Burgos intercepted a pass and tried for two. The shot was tipped by several Mavericks before finally falling.

Colby answered with two points to make it 13-7, then Clavell hit a pair of three pointers to tie the game at 13-13. Colby re-took the lead with a two pointer and extended the lead with another five points.

Trailing 20-13, Walker knocked down his second three pointer of the night. After a traveling call on the Trojans, Walker put in another two points to make it 20-18. Nicholas Riley sank a jumper to tie the game at 20-20. The Mavericks briefly took the lead on a two-point shot from Marcus Walden, but Colby scored a pair of two-point shots to pull ahead again.

The Trojans scored another four

points to widen their lead to 28-22. With 7:46 left in the half, Talan Whitaker was called on a foul. The Trojans made one of two free throws to make it 29-22. Colby put in another nine points, leading 38-22.

Lamar Britton was fouled and made both free throws, but Colby answered with a two pointer to keep their 40-24 lead.

With 3:41 left in the half, Clavell fed the ball to Riley who put it in for two. Colby kept pace with a two pointer, then Britton made a layup and was fouled. He sank the free throw to make it 42-29.

Colby scored another four points to take a 46-29 lead. With three seconds on the clock, Britton was fouled and made one free throw. Clavell tried for a three pointer at the buzzer but missed.

The Mavericks came out of the locker room with renewed energy. Burgos and Clavell each got two pointers in the opening minutes to make it 46-34. Whitaker was fouled and made two free throws. Riley made a steal and took it down the

court for a layup, making it 46-38.

With 15:46 left in the quarter, Colby put in two points, then Clavell put in two on a long pass from Juan Ortiz. Colby put in two, then Ortiz answered with to make it 50-42. Britton made a steal, took it down the court and fed it to Ortiz for two. Then Riley got in on the action with a steal and a basket.

Colby put in a two pointer, then Burgos hit a jumper to make it 52-48. After an officials' timeout, Walden and Burgos each committed fouls, but the Trojans missed their free throws. However, the Trojans knocked down a three pointer to keep a 55-48 lead with 10:30 to play.

Clavell made a two pointer and was fouled. He nailed the free throw to made it a four-point game again. Colby made a putback, but Clavell sank another two pointer to keep pace. Colby put in three of four free throws on a pair of fouls to make it 64-58.

Clavell missed a shot, got his own rebound and gave it to Whitaker, who made a slam dunk. He was fouled on the play and sank a free throw to make it a three-point game.

With 5:47 to play, Clavell made a two pointer. He was fouled but missed his free throw. Britton was fouled and made the game-tying free throw with 4 minutes to play.

Colby retook a 66-64 lead with a two-pointer. Whitaker made a putback to tie the game, but the Trojans pulled ahead again with two free throws. Riley tied things up 68-68 with a two pointer with just 2:30 to play.

After trading turnovers, Walker made a three pointer to put the Mavericks over the top for the first time since the first half. With 1:40 to play, Britton was called on a foul. The Trojans made two free throws to pull within one, but Clavell hit a three pointer with one minute remaining. The Trojans tried for a last-minute, game-tying three pointer, but the shot bounced off the rim, giving the Mavericks the hard-fought 73-70 win.

Women's team loses home opener

The Northwest Kansas Technical College had another lesson in team building on Tuesday night against the Otero Junior College Lady Rattlers at the Max Jones Fieldhouse. They lost 77-58.

The Lady Mavericks play today against Colby Community College at 5 p.m. (Mountain Time) in Colby. On Saturday they will play North Platte Community College at 5 p.m. at the Max Jones Fieldhouse.

Most of the first half they trailed Otero about 11 points but ended the first half 39-25. Turnovers and missed shots did not help their cause.

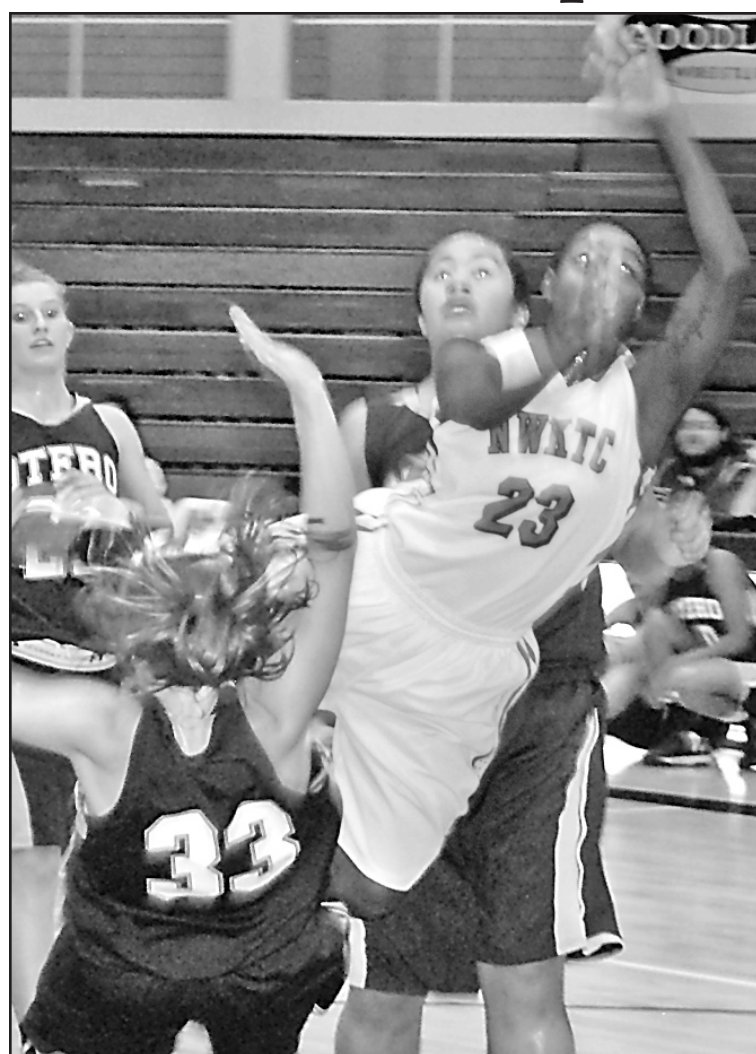
In the second half the Lady Mavericks hit 11 of their free throw shots. The Lady Rattlers slowly increased their lead to 16 points and won.

The team lost two last weekend at the Brown Mackie tournament in Salina. They lost 95-37 to Brown Mackie on Friday and fell 74-42 against Southwest Nebraska Community College on Saturday.

The Lady Mavericks nearly out-rebounded Southwest Nebraska, but gave up many points on their 27 turnovers. They forced 22 turnovers out of the Lady Storm, but shot just 22 percent on offense.

They went into Tuesday's game 0-8.

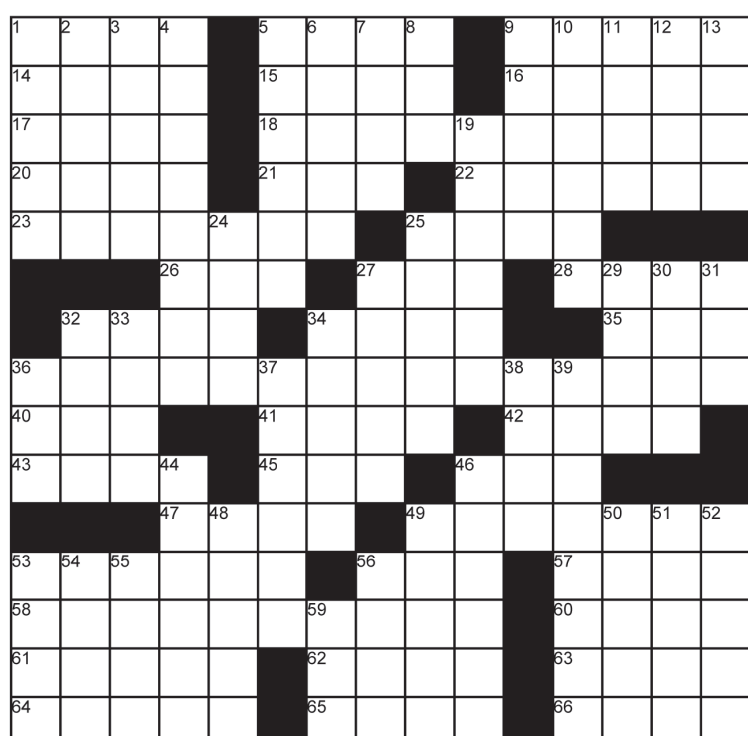
Players on the team are Ericka Sutherland of Burlington; Andrea Zaragoza of Anaheim, Calif.; Al-listar Lopez of Goodland; YaMaya Leonard of Montgomery, Ala.; Biag Mayek of Denver; Mayisha Marlower of North Las Vegas, Nev.; Anya Boyd of New Port Richey, Fla.; Karla Hall of Sacramento, Calif.; Shaletha Mayberry of Dallas, Texas; Shannon Watts of Montgomery, Ala.; and Alicia Wynne of Colorado Springs, Colo. The student assistant is Shacariya Shine of Montgomery, Ala. The head coach is April O'Neal with assistants Malik Fletcher and Jasmine Ewing.



Shaletha Mayberry, a freshman from Dallas, went for a layup during the Lady Mavericks' 77-58 loss to Otero Junior College on Tuesday at home.
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Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS
- Hotfooted it
 - Drink with a burger and fries
 - Catcher's posture
 - "Take one"
 - Hertz rival
 - The silent Marx
 - Molecule part
 - Dirty campaigner
 - Carpenter's groove
 - Mahmoud Abbas's org.
 - Main line
 - Winning candidate
 - Kofi __ Annan
 - Part of Roy G. Biv
 - "__ Maria"
 - Zero-star fare
 - Le Sage's "Gil __"
 - Bad day for Caesar
 - Have a tab
 - Memorable Jackie Gleason character
 - Pub serving
 - An army NCO
 - Hammer end
 - Anjou relative
 - Clamp shape
 - Poseidon's realm
 - __ Bator, Mongolia
 - Less lenient
 - Idolizer
 - __ Na Na
 - Gun barrel diameter
 - Bit of Web programming
 - Abba of Israel
 - NY Yankees and Chi. White Sox
 - Garb for a judge
 - Designer Schiaparelli
 - Taylor of "The Nanny"
 - "Zounds!"



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- Fiddler's tune
- New Ager John
- Turn aside
- "Waste not, want not," e.g.
- Prospector's find
- "The Virginian" author Wister
- __ capita income
- String tie
- Cask dregs
- "Peer Gynt" playwright
- Sharp left from Ali
- Steep slope
- Blunted blade
- Weak brew
- Arrow poison
- Declared as fact
- Biblical queendom
- Duke or earl
- Rub out
- Kidney-related
- Not quite shut
- Chip's chipmunk chum
- Bakery fixture
- Plod along
- Post- opposite

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