

At the Game

Teams finish season with tournament

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The five squads in the C-team boys baseball league met for the season-ending tournament action in Wauneta over the weekend. The St. Francis team finished in fourth place with a 1-3 record. The team lost to Benkelman, Wauneta and Atwood and defeated Cheylin.

The St. Francis roster included Gaten Cooper, Garrett Brunk, Mason Schiltz, Tyler Lee, Lane Hoffman, Cade Bracelin, Shakotah Blanka, Justin Pacheco, Ian Schmid, J.T. Woodcox, Nicky Easter, Ryan Grover, Jude Faulkender, Blake Meyer and Wyatt Landenberger.

Coach Luke Keller was assisted by Chris Bracelin, Joe Hoffman and Shawn Blanka.

Benkelman 5, St. Francis 1

"We needed to hit the ball more in this game," Coach Keller said. "The Benkelman pitch was too fast for us to hit."

St. Francis earned their run in the fifth inning while Benkelman scored one run in the first inning and four in the third for their total of five.

Having hits for St. Francis were Woodcox with a double, Schiltz with a single. Landenberger also had a hit. Woodcox also had a run

batted in (RBI).

Woodcox pitched three inning for Sainy with Bracelin on the mound to finish the game.

St. Francis 8, Cheylin 3

In this contest, Bracelin was the opening pitcher, working the first four innings with Landenberger finishing the game.

Sainy had four singles and two triples for one of their better hitting games. Having both of the triples was Woodcox with Landenberger, Faulkender, Hoffman and Bracelin each contributing a single.

Woodcox collected two runs batted in with his hits with Landenberger and Hoffman also having RBIs.

The team opened the game with five runs in the first inning and added an additional run in each of the third, fourth and fifth innings.

"We played well," Coach Keller said. "We pitched and hit very well."

Wauneta 9, St. Francis 0

On Sunday Wauneta held St. Francis hitless and earned a 9-0 victory.

"We weren't ready to play," Coach Keller said.

Wauneta scored one run in the second, three in the third and five in the fourth inning for their win.



CADE BRACELIN is on the mound for St. Francis when they played Cheylin during the tournament held in Wauneta over the weekend.

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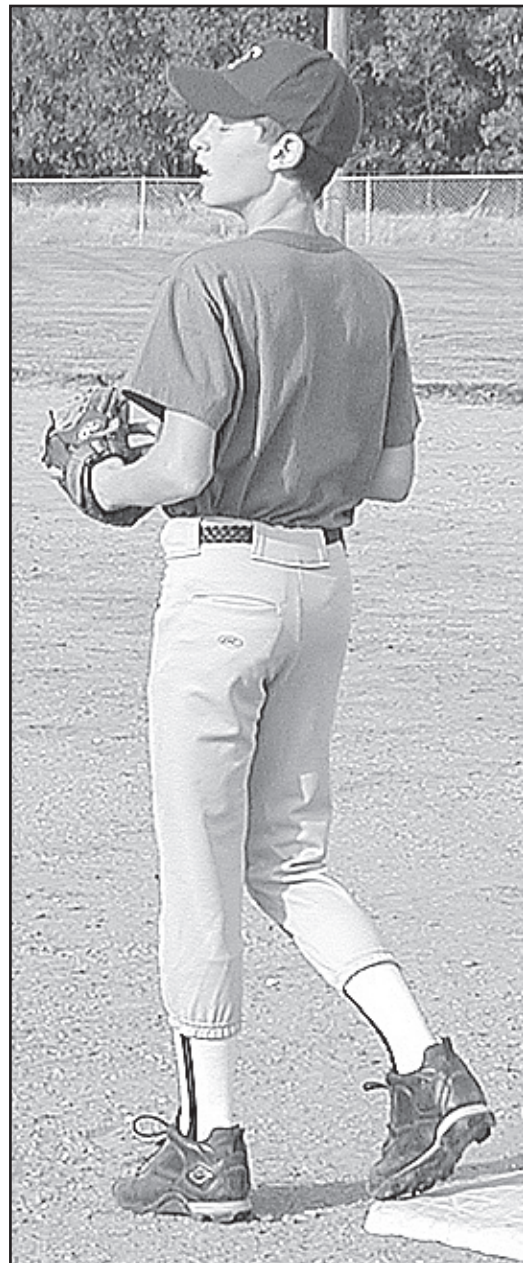
Hoffman pitched the complete game for St. Francis.

Atwood 12, St. Francis 3

Landenberger had two singles for St. Francis

in their loss to Atwood. Also hitting singles were Hoffman and Blanka.

Bracelin and Woodcox handled the pitching duties.



PLAYING FIRST BASE on this occasion was Mason Schiltz.

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Sainy scored two runs in the third and one in the fourth while Atwood had five in the first inning and scored one or more runs in the remain innings to reach 12.



AMBER SMULL on the left, Luke Lampe in the back and Dallas Reed in the front are members of the Sharks swim team, which represents St. Francis.

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Swimmers compete well at meet

It was a great day to be a Shark Saturday as the team traveled to Colby.

"We worked hard all week and the payoffs finally came," Coach Margaret Poling said. "Across the board we had time improvements and some swimmers improved in all three of their races this week. Those swimmers include Logan Lampe, Luke Lampe, Derek Queen, Thomas Douthit, Mandi Cooks and Amber Smull.

"Others improved at least one of their times, most of them two out of the three.

"We will be working on not catching air with our water this week and turns. You can win or lose a race with your turn, so we have a lot of work to do.

"We were proud to have Wyatt Hilt join us to compete this week. He did a great job. He didn't stop or touch a rope and won his heat. He will move up to a faster heat next week.

"As we start getting ready for harvest our kids start missing some practices. It only takes a few days to lose swimming conditioning so we are hoping for quick hot weather so we don't lose all we have worked for.

"Next week we travel to Oakley. This is our farthest meet so we will be up bright and early Saturday to leave. The Oakley pool is a fun pool so come watch us swim and work on your tan."

Results from Colby include:
Brianna Cooks, 11-12, 200-yard 11/12 mixed free relay, third; 50-yard backstroke, sixth; 200-yard 11/12 mixed medley relay, third.

Cassie Cooks, 8-and-under, 50-yard freestyle; 25-yard freestyle, heat winner, first; 25-yard backstroke, third.

Mandi Cooks, 8-and-under, 100-yard 9/10 mixed free relay, third; 25-yard freestyle, heat winner, first; 25-yard backstroke, third.

Katie McDanel, 11-12, 200-yard 11/12 mixed free relay, third; 200-yard 11/12 mixed medley relay, third.

Chloe Miller, 11-12, 50-yard backstroke, fourth; 200-yard 11/12 mixed medley relay, third.

Katie Schmid, 9-10, 100-yard 9/10 mixed free relay, third; 25-yard backstroke, heat winner.

Amber Smull, 15-18, 100-yard freestyle, third; 200-yard 15/18 free relay, second; 50-yard

freestyle third; 200-yard freestyle, fifth

Thomas Douthit, 13-14, 200-yard 15/18 free relay, second; 100-yard breaststroke, fifth.

Wyatt Hilt, 8-and-under, 25-yard freestyle, heat winner.

Logan Lampe, 11-12, 200-yard 11/12 mixed free relay, third; 50-yard butterfly, third; 200-yard freestyle, fifth.

Luke Lampe, 8-and-under, 50-yard freestyle, fourth; 100-yard 9/10 mixed free relay, third; 25-yard freestyle, fifth.

Connor McBride, 9-10, 100-yard 9/10 mixed free relay, third; 25-yard freestyle, heat winner; 25-yard backstroke, heat winner.

Derek Queen, 11-12, 200-yard 11/12 mixed free relay, third; 200-yard 11/12 mixed medley relay, third; 50-yard freestyle, fifth; 50-yard backstroke second; 50-yard butterfly, second.

Trevor Reed, 15-18, 200-yard 15/18 free relay, second; 50-yard freestyle, fifth.

Gavin Smull, 15-18, 200-yard 15/18 free relay, second; 100-yard backstroke, heat winner, first; 100-yard butterfly, second; 50-yard freestyle, second.

Four go to Colby Monday

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Four St. Francis golfers competed in Goodland on Monday in the junior golf tournament. Coach George Banister also attended.

The youngest St. Francis golfer attending, Tate Busse, who was 7 at the time he registered for junior golf, had to compete with the 8-9 year olds.

"There are a number of kids in this group," Coach Banister said. "He did a good job. He could not get a medal in this age division but he played good golf and was only two strokes away from placing third.

Kyla Bandel, who golfs in the girls 10-11 division, placed first.

"This week there were four girls in this division and she had to play the back nine for the first time and it is longer," Coach Banister said.

Cade Bracelin participated in the boys 10-11 age group.

"This is a large, tough group,"



KC KRIEN ATTENDED a Friday morning junior golf practice session.

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Coach Banister said. "For the age level he has to play in, he has done a good job."

Darcy Vernon of Wray, who plays junior golf out of both Colorado and northwest Kansas,

was in the girls 14-15 year old age division. She placed first with a 90.

"That is good!" Coach Banister said. "She also had to play the back nine."

Strong competition for young players in summer league, coach is finding good things

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In basketball action in Atwood this past week, the St. Francis boys team 3 played Rawlins County 1 in their first game. They were defeated 80-30. The St. Francis team 3 is composed mainly of boys who played eighth grade or freshman ball in school last year.

"The young St. Francis team is having a tough time," Coach Ron Zwegygart said. "They are still learning but I am seeing some good things."

Scoring against Rawlins County 1 were Isaac Schiltz 11, Jonathan Butler 7, Brett Lampe 5, Zach Zwegygart 5, Brooks Hobrock 2.

In the remaining games of the evening they mixed the

teams up a little and a team of sophomores from St. Francis played St. Francis 1. St. Francis 1 won this game 109-44.

Scoring for the younger St. Francis team were Brett Lampe 16, Zach Zwegygart 12, Cody Killingsworth 8, Brooks Hobrock 4 and Braden Schmid 4.

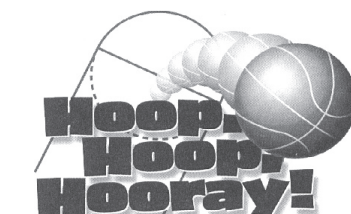
A team of St. Francis freshman played Oberlin and were defeated 75 to 25. Oberlin has only one team involved in the Atwood Summer League.

Scoring for St. Francis were Isaac Schiltz 16, Brock Zwegygart 7, Jonathan Butler 2.

St. Francis girls team 2

The St. Francis girls team 2 won by forfeit over Cheylin last week.

In the other game, Hitchcock



County defeated St. Francis 33-25. The score at halftime was Hitchcock County 21, St. Francis 10.

"We held them to 4 points in the second half which was good," Coach Tom Williams said. "We played better in that half. Sidnee Crabtree scored only two of her nine points in the first half."

Three players collected the total of 25 points for Sainy with Andrea Holzwarth having 12, Crabtree 9 and Elizabeth Gienger 4.