

A hint of things to come



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Colby High School senior Ryan Arensdorf worked out at Eagle football camp going on this week. The camp started Monday and will finish Thursday, with a special Father-Son game Friday night at the high school practice field.

Pat Summerall to continue on Fox broadcasting Dallas Cowboy games

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Pat Summerall, whose 21-year broadcasting partnership with John Madden ended at last year’s Super Bowl, will return to Fox Sports this fall to do play-by-play on games primarily involving the Dallas Cowboys.

Summerall, who spoke at a charity golf tournament in Little Rock on Monday, said he and Fox reached a deal for him to do regional games for the network. He said he wanted to continue broadcasting after Fox didn’t renew his contract last winter.

“Pat will be with us and we look forward to having him back for a full sea-

son of games,” Fox spokesman Dan Bell said from New York. “A number of them will be Cowboys’ games, but an exact number has not been determined.”

Summerall, 72, has a home in Texas. Paired with ex-Oakland Raiders coach John Madden, Summerall was part of the top broadcasting team on CBS and Fox for 21 years. Madden this year will work with Al Michaels on ABC’s “Monday Night Football.”

Fox is scheduled to broadcast 12 Cowboys games in 2002. CBS will have two games at Texas Stadium involving AFC teams, and ESPN has the

remaining two Cowboys games. Summerall won’t necessarily do all 12 Cowboys games — that will depend on whether any game is designated as Fox’s top game of the week.

Fox previously announced that Joe Buck and former players Troy Aikman and Cris Collinsworth would be its top on-air team.

The size of Summerall’s coverage area will depend on how well the Cowboys are doing and who their opponent is.

“The Cowboys usually have a healthy percentage” of the country, Bell said. “It depends on the matchup.”

Congress calls for mandatory drug testing

WASHINGTON (AP) — Saying that tolerance of steroid use is sending a dangerous message to children, the House on Monday urged major league baseball and its players to start a mandatory steroid testing program.

“Failure to test and reports of abuse tell young people that drug use is not only permissible but desirable,” said Rep. Nancy Johnson, R-Conn., sponsor of the resolution. “That’s exactly the wrong message to send to our children.”

The nonbinding resolution was approved by a voice vote.

PHOENIX (AP) — He is pitching in a league of his own.

Curt Schilling earned his 17th victory Monday night — four more wins than any other pitcher — in leading the Arizona Diamondbacks to a 5-1 victory over the Colorado Rockies.

“He’s about as good as there is going right now, and we gave ourselves a chance to win,” said Todd Zeile, who drove in Colorado’s only run with a groundout. “Hopefully, that will carry over.”

Schilling (17-3) won his 11th in a row over a division opponent and fifth

The use of steroids among baseball players became an issue after former National League MVP Ken Caminiti admitted using steroids, which help build body strength by creating testosterone, and estimated that half of the sport’s players take the illegal drug.

The NBA has mandatory random tests for steroids and the NFL also tests for the drug. But baseball’s union has so far resisted testing, citing privacy concerns.

The House action followed Senate hearings last month at which league officials and player representatives

straight overall.

He gave up more than one walk for only the fifth time, and has issued just 18 walks in 22 starts.

He received help from reliever Mike Fetters and Luis Gonzalez, who drove in four runs.

Gonzalez and Matt Williams hit solo homers for the Diamondbacks, who increased their NL West lead to two games over San Francisco and 2 1/2 over the Dodgers.

The Rockies squeezed just one run out of seven hits and three walks in

differed on whether testing for steroids should be mandatory. Players Association executive director Donald Fehr told the Senate Commerce Committee that players would work to come up with a solution as part of the collective bargaining process with the owners on a new contract.

But Johnson stressed that mandatory random testing was “the only way to signal that steroids have no place in professional sports.”

Rep. Steve Israel, D-N.Y., said, “Baseball should be a field of dreams and not a den of drugs.”

Schilling’s 7 1-3 innings.

He struck out eight and increased his major league-leading strikeout total to 205 — 13 more than teammate Randy Johnson.

Schilling came out after giving up singles to Juan Pierre and Larry Walker in the eighth.

Rockies pitcher Mike Hampton (5-12), who lost 12-3 to Schilling and the Diamondbacks on Wednesday in one of the worst starts of his career, gave up three runs and five hits — including the homers by Williams and Gonzalez — in six innings.

Rain washes out races at Thomas County Speedway

By SHERRY BARRETT
Colby Free Press

Weeks and months of excessive heat and close to only two inches total of rainfall since the first of the year, has had everyone on edge, but that was soon to change. The heat races had just been completed as well as a brief intermission. With ominous but welcome clouds looming, the decision was made to skip the cash dashes. The cruisers were on the track, ready to take the green flag for the feature when a minute of very small light hail was followed by a nice rain shower. This shower resulted in a rain-out for the evening. The rain was so welcome the crowd of fans applauded and cheered and the racers were grinning as they scrambled to load up their cars and exit the pits.

The make-up date for this race will be added to the August 18th race so fans will be treated to a double feature

as well as the regular show. This race will be two weeks after the fair race.

All attention at the speedway will now be turned to the up coming fair races scheduled for Friday August 2nd and Saturday August 3rd. Kerry and the gang, the Thomas County Fair Board, as well as the Western Dirt Racing Association (WDRA) late models, would like to extend an invitation to all Kansas late model racers who would like to come and race the Friday show. A healthy purse has been added to the bomber and cruiser divisions which will also be a part of the Friday show.

On Saturday, August 3rd the super stock division will be racing for big money as well as the Modifieds. The feature event topping off a week of fun at the Thomas County Fair will be the 5th annual, \$5000 to win, Thomas County Shutout. A lucrative \$20,000 plus payout of total purse money has attracted many of the top racers from

all over the mid-United States. Many of the modified racers will be traveling to Colby from the North Platte \$5000 to win race being held the night before. Race times for both nights will be at 7 p.m. Central with hot laps to begin at 6 p.m. The pit gates will open at 1 p.m.

Racers and out of town fans planning to attend should book motels early as 1-70 summer traffic is heavy and usually motels are full by 7 or 8 every evening. Questions should be directed to Fair Board Race Committee Chairman, Marty Crampton at (785) 586-2248 or Track Promoter Kerry Wark at (785) 462-6403. During the week of the fair the Fair Board number is (785) 462-4594. All grandstand tickets will be general admission.

Both nights of racing should be exciting and fast paced, so grab the stadium seats, the hearing protection and binoculars and plan to come to Colby for a great show.

Thomas County Speedway

Results 7/21/02

CRUISERS

HEAT 1
1. 01w Plumisto/Plumisto 2. 25 Herra/Koehn 3. 16 Glassmann/Glassman 4. 88 Fabrizious/Fromholtz 5. 7ac Anderson/Cook 6. 12 Wright/Kurth 7. 2F McIntyre/T. J. Powell (DNS)

HEAT 2
1. 29A Vrbas/Vrbas 2. 73 Meitl/Eisenbart 3. 74 Urban/Wright 4. 3d Doty/Doty 5. W2 Wagoner/Waoner (DNF) 6. 30s Beckman/Baalman (DNF) 7. 7 Waggoner/Thummel (DNS)

BOMBERS

HEAT 1

1. 33 Williams 2. 43J Smades 3. 3rt Branum 4. 20w Wright (DNF) 5. 19 Stegman (DNF) 6. 27J Hurst (DNF) 7. 3m Moss (DNS)

HEAT 2
1. 69 Giesenhagen 2. 87m Orhman 3. 54s Shannon 4. 28 Kurth 5. 8t Tuttle 6. 77 Stevens

HEAT 3
1. 11 Mohler 2. 111 Giesenhagen 3. 4S Schemm 4. 25 Blackwill 5. y9 Phillips 6. 490 Miller

SUPER STOCKS

HEAT 1
1. 27 Schwarz 2. 8 Wark 3. 9 Tipton

4. 01 Meyer 5. 24 Long

HEAT 2

1. 41 Hill 2. 86 Beakley 3. 15 Wagoner 4. 55 Lippelman (DNF) 5. 3 Towns (DNF)

MODIFIEDS

HEAT 1

1. 3 Coen 2. 21 DeLoach 3. 38 Murphy 4. 44 Hoeme 5. 46 Mullens 6. 383 M. Lippelman 7. 17 Deines

HEAT 2
1. 9 Nordyke 2. 23x Hartwell 3. 73 N. Tubbs 4. 70 B. J. Scott 5. 2i Icke 6. 55 Hartman 7. 98 Keller

Local runner in Junior Olympics

Twelve-year old Joshua Baden of Colby is competing in the 36th USA Track and Field National Junior Olympic championships, which are being held at Burke High School Stadium in Omaha, Neb., today through Sunday. Baden qualified for the national competition by placing 3rd in the youth boys (age 12-14) 3000 meters, with a time of 11:06.39,



Baden

at the USATF Region 9 Junior Olympics July 12 in Tulsa, Okla. He also ran the 1500 meters on July 13, and finished 8th with a time of 5:01.16. The Region 9 competition included athletes from Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma.

Before the Region 9 competition, Baden placed 2nd in the 3000 meters and 4th in the 1500 meters at the Missouri Valley Association Championships in Emporia on June 29.

The USATF is the national govern-

ing body for track and field, long-distance running, and race walking.

It is the largest and most visible young athlete developmental program in the world. Its motto is “USA Track and Field-A sport for everyone-for life.”

Every year the Junior Olympic National Championships attract more than 6,500 competitors.

Joshua Baden competed in the 2001 AAU Junior Olympic games in Hampton Roads, Va. He placed 20th in the 1500 meters and 21st in the 3000 meters.

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