

Junior varsity tennis team wraps up season

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The Colby Eagle junior varsity tennis team hosted a JV tournament Saturday, and took fourth out of six teams, with two third-place, one fourth, and one fifth place finish.

"We were one team point away from beating out Norton for 3rd place," coach Bill Webers said. "That's the closest we've come all year to beating them."

On Monday, the JV squad traveled to Tribune for its final tournament of the season, and came in fourth out of six teams.

"We played well enough at times to be in the top 3 and medal," Weber said. "But our inconsistency hurt us again. If the girls work hard in the off-season and play in the summer league which we have, they should be able to work through the inconsistency troubles we have had this season."

Weber added "Coach Sprenkel and I both feel that this is a very good young

group which has a lot of promise for the next few years."

Tennis Results from Saturday, Oct. 5 Colby JV tournament

Team Results 4th of 6

Individual Results

#1 Singles Rachel Funk (tournament record 3-2, place: 3rd of 6).

Match 1, loss 2-6 Shayla Cunningham (Phillipsburg); match 2, win 6-0 Kyndall Mathes (Tribune); match 3 loss 4-6 Erica Campbell (Tribune); match 4 win 6-1 Keesha Holste (Norton); match 5 win 6-2 Trista Lalicker (Goodland).

#2 Singles Justine Kropp (tournament record 1-4, place: 5th of 6)

Match 1, loss 1-6 Ivy Nyland (Phillipsburg); match 2, loss 4-6 Rachel St. John (Tribune); match 3, loss 0-6 Ellie Edmonds (Tribune); match 4, loss 4-6 Kayla Juenemann (Norton); match 5 win 6-3 Jenna McGinley (Goodland)

#1 Doubles Shea McKee/Alisha Talsma (tournament record 2-3, place:

4th of 6)

Match 1, loss 2-6 Jill Dusin/Alyssa Kirchhoff (Phillipsburg); match 2, win 6-1 Krissi Henson/Kyra Wendt (Tribune); match 3, loss 1-6 Tammi Sloan/Kara Jo Wendt (Tribune); match 4, loss 3-6 Jessi Duscher/Shannon Jones (Norton); match 5, win 6-4 May Davis/Lacey Ridder (Goodland).

#2 Doubles Jamie Cox/Jacque Fry (tournament record 3-2, place 3rd of 6) match 1, loss 3-6 Allison Dusin/Sara Fawver (Phillipsburg); match 2, win 6-1 Audrey Lutz/Amanda Wahlmeier (Phillipsburg); match 3, loss 0-6 Emily Howard/Jordan Miller (Tribune); match 4, win 6-2 Johnilen Overmiller/Kayla Peterson (Norton); match 5, win 6-1 Kali Rietcheck/Megan Stefan (Goodland).

Tennis Results from Monday, Oct. 7 Tribune JV tournament

Team Results Not Available

Individual Results

#1 Singles Shea McKee (tournament record 1-2, place: 4th of 6) match

1, win 6-3 Shannon Johnson (Goodland); match 2, loss 2-6 Tammi Stone (Tribune); match 3, loss 5-6 Lesli Taylor (Scott City).

#2 Singles Justine Kropp (tournament record 0-3, place: 7th(tie) of 8) match 1, loss 1-6 Gracie Langness (Goodland); match 2, loss 1-6 Kelsey Patterson (Ulysses); match 3; loss 1-6 Kyra Wendt (Tribune).

#1 Doubles Jamie Cox/Alisha Talsma (tournament record 1-2, place: 4th of 7) match 1, win 6-0 Emily Langness/Jenna McGinley (Goodland); match 2, loss 2-6 Ellie Edmonds/Kara Wendt (Tribune); match 3, loss 4-6 Kelsi Hoffman/Brittany Schwindt (Garden City).

#2 Doubles Jacque Fry/Robin Wilson (tournament record 1-2, place: 7th(tie) of 8) match 1, win 6-4 Kali Rietcheck/Megan Stefan (Goodland); match 2, loss 5-6 Kyndall Mathes/Rachel St. John (Tribune); match 3, loss 3-6 Emily Howard/Jordan Miller (Tribune).



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Brianna Donn blocks a hit from a Wheatland player while Shawna Cox (#4) and Maret Peterson get ready to assist in volleyball action from a prior match against Wheatland.

Eagle junior varsity volleyball team competes at Oakley

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The Colby Lady Eagle JV volleyball team hit the court Saturday in Oakley. The Eagles got off to a good start in their first match of the day against Wheatland, winning a two-game set 15-9, 15-5.

From there it was downhill with three consecutive defeats starting with Grinnell 1-15, 9-15; Goodland 8-15, 10-15; and Oakley, 15-3, 13-15, 9-15. Shawna Cox & Erica Molstad lead the Eagles with seven aces each. Shawna

also lead with 19 points, Erica with 18 points, Cierra Rous with 12 points, Maret Peterson with 10 points, Lacey Cooper & Sarah Redmond with seven points each, Morgan Stephens and Kerri Jones with five points each, Brianna Donn with four points and Stephanie Gatz with two points for the day.

Also seeing playing time was freshman Janessa Rasmussen. The Lady Eagle JV team plays next at home on Oct. 15, in a triangular with Oberlin and Quinter.

Eagle golfers get valuable preview of regional course at Lakin tourney

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The Colby Eagle golfers played at the Lakin Invitational Sunday. "We were short some players," coach Ray Higley said, "which made it more difficult to post a competitive team score. However, I am proud of the girls who did to play in very windy conditions."

"This is the same course that we will be playing for our Regional Tournament on Oct. 14, and it was a good learning experience for the girls."

The Eagles last regular season tour-

namment will be held in Syracuse on Thursday with Tee off at 3 p.m.

Lakin Invitational Sunday, Oct. 6 Individual results: (18 holes) Sara Nally 110, Kelsey Strickler 120, Joanna Hawk 121, Regina Heier 153.

Team Scores: Division I Dodge City 367, Garden City 390, Goodland 425, Ulysses 425, Larned 443, Colby 512.

Division II Syracuse 421, Lakin 454, Holcomb 460, Trego 516, Hugoton 548.

Middle School seventh-graders even record at 2-2

On Thursday, Oct. 3, the Colby Middle School seventh grade football team won an exciting game over the Scott City Bluejays by the score of 20-6. The seventh grade's record now stands at 2-2.

Fullback Travis Parker started the game off in the right way as he scored on a 57-yard run on the first play from scrimmage to put the young Eagles up 6-0 with very little time off the scoreboard. On the Eagles second possession of the quarter halfback Mitchell Tuma scored on a 67-yard run and Parker ran in the two-point conversion for a 14-0 lead. The Bluejays also

scored in the second quarter but with 10 seconds left in the half Tuma threw a 30-yard touchdown pass to quarterback Eli Robert. To end the scoring for the game.

Coach John Miles said, "assistant coach Bruce Plumisto and I were very pleased with how our offense moved the ball today. Travis and Mitchell did a good job of running the ball and tight end Chase Vaughn had a couple good catches for the afternoon."

The defense was led by three fumble recoveries. Todd Ziegelmeier had two and Vaughn one. Miles also stated that, "Ziegelmeier had a terrific game at

nose guard." Other defensive players with good games were Austin Taylor, Duke Turner, Bradley Dible, Taylor Pool and Grant Jennings.

On Thursday, Sept. 12, the Colby Middle School seventh grade football team lost to a combined seventh and eighth grade team from Atwood by the score of 42-8.

Coach John Miles said, "Even though we did lose by that score, assistant coach Bruce Plumisto and I thought our team played pretty well on defense considering that Atwood's starting offense consisted of ten eighth graders and only one seventh grader.

We played them fairly even for the first quarter by only being down 8-0."

The young Eagles scored late in the third quarter on a 64-yard halfback pass from Mikel Ladenburger to Mitchell Tuma. Quarterback Eli Robert scored the two-point conversion to give Colby its final points of the afternoon.

The defense was led by Taylor Brown, Bradley Dible, Ladenburger and Tuma recovering fumbles. Tuma also intercepted a pass. Other Eagles with good defensive games were Duke Turner, Travis Parker and Todd Ziegelmeier.

Kansas City Chiefs discover they have a tough road to hoe

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The next three weeks could go a long way toward determining how the Kansas City Chiefs do in the AFC West.

Starting with a trip to San Diego (4-1) this Sunday, the Chiefs (3-2) will meet all three AFC West rivals in successive weeks. Denver (4-1) and Oakland (4-0) will be in Kansas City the following two weeks.

Then, in an unusual scheduling twist, the Chiefs do not meet a division

rival again until making another three-week trek to Denver, San Diego and Oakland in the final three games of the regular season.

So how does Dick Vermeil feel about this kind of schedule?

"I can't say it on television," he responded.

"This is when you find out what you're all about. I think the combined win-loss record is two losses amongst that group. That's our division."

Already facing a won-loss deficit against the other AFC West teams, logic might dictate the Chiefs will have to win at least two of these next three to stay in the race. But the Chiefs, with a defense ranked last in the league and an offense ranked second in both scoring and overall yardage, need to show some better balance, Vermeil said.

The Chargers game will have special meaning for Chiefs fans, since Kansas City will be going against Marty

Schottenheimer. Now in his first year in San Diego, Schottenheimer coached the Chiefs from 1989-2000 and brought them from the bottom of the league to a consistent winner.

With the Chiefs leading the league in offensive categories and Schottenheimer's Chargers playing his usual brand of hard-nosed, defensive-minded football, the game will offer a stark contrast in the style and philosophy of the two opposing coaches.

Local sports calendar

Thursday, Oct. 10

1 p.m. Varsity tennis at Scott City
3 p.m. JV/Varsity golf at Syracuse
3:45 p.m. C volleyball with St. Francis & Ulysses at Colby High School
5:30 p.m. C football with Atwood at Dennen Field

Friday, Oct. 11

7 p.m. Varsity football with Smith Center at Dennen Field

Saturday, Oct. 12

9 a.m. Varsity volleyball at Scott City tournament
10 a.m. Cross Country at Lakin

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