

Super show by girls

After placing 6th during Saturday's losses to the Larned Renegades, Dodge City Magic and Phillipsburg's Brooke Blaze teams, Colby Sweet Thunder's 12 and under team battled back to take second behind the undefeated Dodge City Magic on Sunday in the Colby Girls' Fastpitch Association Tournament.

Colby Sweet Thunder began working their way up against Phillipsburg bright and early Sunday morning. Logan Wark pitched all five innings played, with Colby posting a 10-7 win. The second game matched Colby against Goodland with Skyler Mengel on the mound for the five innings played in that game. Colby came out on top, 10-4. The second win of the day put Colby up against the undefeated Dodge City Magic for the final championship game of the day.

Logan Wark again pitched for the full seven innings played. Colby and Dodge City both held each other scoreless for a full two innings, with Dodge City stealing their first run home in the third inning. Colby's first score came in the sixth inning with a single by Kiri Kendrick and Logan Wark's triple that helped her go home. Logan then stole home to get



PATTY DECKER/Colby Free Press

Logan Wark was on the mound Sunday when the Colby 12/under girls placed second in the Colby Girls' Fastpitch Association Tournament. They lost to Dodge City after climbing out of a deep hole to earn a chance at the championship.

Colby's second run of the game. The final score found Dodge City victorious 6-2, giving them first place in the tournament. Colby's Sweet Thunder was then presented their second place medals and their record now stands at 8 wins, 6 losses.

Team members are Logan Wark,

Skyler Mengel, Lindsay Frahm, Whitney Ritter, Jordan Krzycki, Kiri Kendrick, Chanelle Staats, Brena Jones, Courtney Brungardt, Tara Powell, Ashley Schippers, Katelyn Houtz, Dani Dietz, Sarah Reavis and Keesa Wright and coaches Ronnie Dietz and Tess Smith.

Girls 10/under get 3 tourney wins

The Colby 10 & under invitational tournament was held on Saturday and in game #1 Colby easily handled Grainfield. Colby was hitting the ball very well in posting a 16 to 2 victory.

The winning pitcher was Bailey Koerperich. Kenzie Curry had a home run.

In game #2, Colby played the tough Larned Renegades, coming away with a 5-4 triumph. Colby was hitting the ball very well while Larned was always looking for a walk. The winning pitcher was

Kenzie Curry. In game #3, Colby played a young Hoxie team. Sweet Thunder decided it was time to hit and run, scoring 28 runs in 3 innings, winning 28 to 2 with Wark having a grand slam and Bange a home run. The winning pitchers were Caitlyn Wark and Kayla Hockersmith.

Tournament Stats, On Base to at Bats:

- K. Hockersmith went 8 for 11
- B. Bange 9 for 11
- K. Curry 10 for 11
- C. Wark 10 for 11

- S. Griffith 10 for 11
- B. Koerperich 8 for 10
- M. Gawith 4 for 10
- T. Raymond 1 for 9
- A. Boyd 2 for 8.

Coach's notes:

This team is very fun to coach. The parents have worked with each and every kid and it shows. They have a positive attitude and they are there to win and have fun. Our regular season is 8 wins and 2 losses. This weekend we travel to Hays and play Saturday at 9 a.m. against the McPherson Lady Express.

Atwood set for County Challenge Race

ATWOOD — The 23rd running of the Lake Atwood County Challenge Race is scheduled for July 4th at 7:30 a.m.

The men will run four times around the lake for a distance of 8 kilometers (5.0 miles) and the women will run twice for a distance of 4 kilometers.

Every age-division finisher scores points for his or her county, and in nearly every race, the team having the most participants won the competition. There are no awards and there is no entry fee. Runners take part for the honor of his or her county. All you need to do is show up, according to organizers.

They also point out that county residence is not a requirement. Participants can bring a friend from another area to run for their particular county.

The County Challenge Race is the first event of the annual Lake Atwood Day celebration hosted by the Atwood Rotary Club.

Youth football sign-up announced

A call was put out today for youth football sign-up. Any 5th or 6th grader interested in playing in the Northwest Kansas Youth Football League can call

Gordon Rasmussen at 462-6524 to sign up. A meeting of parents and players will be scheduled at a later date.

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We will re-open on Monday, July 14th.

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All net proceeds will go to the girls while they cook from 5:30 to 9 p.m. on June 26th. All orders - buffet, dine in, carry-out and delivery - will count toward their proceeds. Help support the team!

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Rockies win fourth in a row

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Darren Oliver retired the first 13 batters and Larry Walker homered for the second straight game as the Colorado Rockies beat the San Diego Padres 5-2 on Tuesday night for their fourth win in a row.

Oliver (5-5), who's been awful on the road and crisp at home, took a no-hit bid into the sixth inning before allowing a bloop single with one out to pitcher Adam Eaton. Eaton hit a fly to shallow right field that appeared to hit off the end of Walker's glove as he tried to make a sliding catch.

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