

SportsLine

Colby's 'Peek at the Week'

- Wednesday — (no sports scheduled)
- Thursday — Jayvee girls golf at Ulysses, tourney, 3 p.m.; 7/8 football with Hoxie at Dennen Field, 4:30; 7/8 volleyball with Hoxie at Colby elementary gym, 4:30,, order of matches: 7B/7A/8B/8A; C/JV volleyball with Hays and Norton, 4:30, with "C" matches at the high school gym and JV matches at the Colby Community Building; "C" football at St. Francis, 5:30 p.m. (The "C" football game scheduled with Goodland for this date has been moved to next Thursday, Sept. 25 at Colby starting at 5:30 (CST).
- Friday — Varsity football at Yuma, Colo, 7:30 p.m. (This is a change in time.)
- Saturday — JV girls tennis at WaKeeney tourney, 8:30 a.m. (This was rescheduled from Saturday, Aug. 30 due to rain.); varsity girls tennis at Lindsborg tourney, 9 a.m.; FFA-NW District Softball Tournament at Oakley, 9 a.m.; "C" volleyball at Oberlin tourney, 9 a.m.; JV/varsity volleyball with Hoxie, Oakley and Scott City at Colby, 9 a.m. JV matches in the elementary gym, varsity at the high school gym; cross country at Scott city, 10 a.m.; 7/8 volleyball at Goodland with Burlington and Sharon Springs, 10 a.m. "A" matches in Max Jones Fieldhouse and "B" matches in the junior high gym, (auxiliary to the fieldhouse); 7 "B" football with Goodland at Dennen Field, 10 a.m. There will be no 8th "B" football game.

Brewster's 'Peek at the Week'

- Wednesday — (no sports scheduled)
- Thursday — Junior high volleyball vs Wheatland in Brewster, 3 p.m.; junior high football vs. Wheatland at Brewster, 4:30 p.m.; cross country at WaKeeney, 5 p.m.
- Friday — High school varsity football at Sharon Springs, 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday — High school volleyball triangular at Atwood (varsity and junior varsity) 10 a./m.

Golden Plains 'Peek at the Week'

- Wednesday — (no sports scheduled)
- Thursday — Middle school volleyball and football at Bird City, 4 p.m.
- Friday — High school football at home vs. Jennings, 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday — High school volleyball at Grainfield, 9 a.m.

Colby College 'Peek at the Week'

- Tonight — Trojan volleyball vs. Seward County at the Colby Community Building, 6:30 p.m.
 - Friday — Trojan volleyball at McCook, 5 p.m.
- Cross country's next outing is scheduled for Sept. 27 at the Tabor Invitational at Hillsboro, 10 a.m.

Outdoors skills day is Saturday

Youth Outdoors Skills Day will be held on Saturday for kids 15 or younger with valid hunter education card. Kids 10 years or younger should be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Youth can participate in skills like shotgunning, archery, compass and map reading, muzzleloaders and game calling. A buffalo burger meal will be served. For information or registration, call (785) 462-3367 or (785) 462-7602.

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They're out shopping



Brian Ostermann

●Power Sports

Last week we had several schools stop by to see our players, workout and to visit with them about their futures. We had head coaches from DePaul University (Dave Leite), Montana State (Mick Durham), Southwest Missouri State (Barry Hinson), Jacksonville University in Florida (Hugh Durham), Murray State University (Mick Cronin) and Bradley University (Jim Les). Former Barton County head coach Ryan Wolf is an assistant at Murray State and he was in town with his boss Mick Cronin. Murray State has offered Dillion Sneed a scholarship. Jacksonville, Bradley and Southwest Missouri also offered Dillion last week. DePau is of course after Justin Williams. Southwest Missouri State and Montana State are recruiting Branden Miller. Montana State has offered Branden Miller. Assistant coaches from Auburn University were also in town.

We expect additional schools to stop by over the next few weeks. The NCAA Division I recruiting period is from Sept. 9-Oct. 5. I expect some of our players to sign scholarships during the early signing period in November.

I have known several of these coaches for a few years. There are always interesting tidbits on coaches. Hugh Durham coached two final four teams. His first final four came at Florida State where he coached Dave Cowens and one at Georgia where he coached Dominique Wilkens. Jim Les of Bradley played seven years in the NBA. Mick Cronin coached under Rick Pitino (Louisville) and Bob Huggins (Cincinnati) the past several years. Barry Hinson coached under Bill Self at Oral Roberts. I could go on but those are just a few of the always-interesting sidelights in the coaching profession.

Jottings

Several schools this fall have been flying directly into the Colby airport. Good for our local airport.

Sports fans get excited! The new head basketball coach at the University of Kansas, Bill Self, is coming to Colby on Monday, Oct. 6 at 6 p.m. at the City Limits Convention Center. Tickets are on sale and can be purchased in advance. There are limited tickets so make your plans now. Corporate tables will also be sold and you can contact the Convention Center or Rich Epp. The dinner is at 6 p.m. and the speakers begin around 6:45. In addition to coach Self, Jeff Mittie, women's coach at Texas Christian University, Tom Stephens (Colby College) and I will speak. Self is expected to speak for one hour.

It will be interesting to see how many K.U. fans and basketball fans in general are out here in northwest Kansas. We finished 14-2 at home in 02-03 and 10-4 in 01-02. Two years 24-6 not bad.

We have 14 regular season home games in 03-04. The Trojans will be ranked between 8-12 in the national pre-season junior college rankings for 2003-04!

Fans get your season tickets now. Call 462-3984 ext. 243 for details.

"Sports Talk" is every Monday from 4-5 p.m. on KQLS/KXXX.

A recruiting update on our Trojan sophomores. Justin Williams (6-9) visited DePaul over the weekend and Dillion Sneed (6-7) visited Nebraska. Both schools have offered scholarships to these young men. Justin and Dillion have not made a decision yet on where they will go in 04-05!

Ostermann is head coach of the men's basketball program at Colby Community College.

Runners fare well at Wamego

The Colby High cross country lady Eagles placed 4th and the boys 12th at the weekend run at Wamego.

Top female performers for Colby were Jessica Stephens, 5th in a time of 12:42, Erika Erickson, 7th in 12:57 and Ivy Ramsey, 15th in 13:12. Shane Stover was top runner for the boys, placing 30th in a time of 18:31. Baldwin won both divisions.

Here are the team placings and points:

Girls — Baldwin, 1st, 75; Clearwater, 2nd, 126; El Dorado, 3rd, 135; Colby, 4th, 137; Clay Center, 5th, 158; Hugoton, 6th, 174; Wamego, 7th, 181; Concordia, 8th, 206; Eudora, 9th, 229; Topeka-Hayden, 10th, 243; DeSoto, 11th, 270; Mill Valley-Shawnee, 12th, 317; Goodland, 13th, 370; Abilene, 14th, 393; Chapman, 15th, 415; Ulysses, 16th, 427; and Council Grove, 17th, 432.

Boys — Baldwin, 1st, 50; Wamego, 2nd, 83; El Dorado, 3rd, 125; Hugoton, 4th, 207; Topeka Hayden, 5th, 209; Clearwater, 6th, 232; Abilene, 7th, 235; Concordia, 8th, 237; Clay Center, 9th, 252; Mill Valley-Shawnee, 10th, 254; DeSoto, 11th, 254; Colby, 12th, 322; Goodland, 13th, 324; Eudora, 14th, 332; Rose Hill, 15th, 367; Andale, 16th, 394; Andover, 17th, 417; Marysville, 18th, 418; Chapman, 19th, 430; Ulysses, 20th, 502; and Council Grove, 21st, 524.

Individually, for the **girls**— Jessica Stephens, 5th, 12:42; Erika Erickson, 7th, 12:57; Ivy Ramsey, 15th, 13:12; Zanae Baird, 51st, 14:06; Lauren Kaiser, 59th, 14:17; Emily Sloan, 61st, 14:26; and Annet Szigeti, DNF.

Individually, for the **boys** — Shane Stover, 30th, 18:31; Derek Elliott, 41st, 18:55; Fur Finley, 77th, 19:30; Darren Sporing, 78th, 19:32; Nick Howard, 96th, 20:00; Jordon Cranston, 113th, 20:59; and Trevor Siebert, 121st, 20:59.

Coach Bob Mannebach commented: "We had some great performances at the Wamego Invitational. Our girls placed 4th which was our highest place at this meet. We had an excellent opportunity of finishing second as E; Dorado beat us by two points and Clearwater by 11 points. This is like a preseason state meet which provides great competition. Jessica Stephens, Erika Erickson and Ivy Ramsey all medaled and the entire team medaled for placing 4th. I was equally impressed with our boys who placed 12th out of 21 schools. This was the first time that five of our runners had the opportunity to run on this challenging course and against this kind of competition and they performed well. We are young and inexperienced, but they have an excellent chanceto become very good. Shane Stover medaled for the boys."

5th graders taste defeat

Colby 5th grade footballers struggled defensively allowing Phillipsburg to score 26 points in their recent matchup, and failing to get on the scoreboard. It may also looked like Colby struggled on the offensive side of the ball, but Colby did accumulate 140 yards of total offense, an improvement over last week's 30 total yards against Norton.

Leading the way on offense was halfback Andrew Flanagan with 81 rushing yards and 1-1 passing for 9 yards. Corbin Stephens caught 3 passes for 23 yards, while Sam Kendrick and Taylor Moeder combined for 26 rushing yards. Quarterback Kale Arnberger also threw 3 passes for 23 yards.

Defensively, Colby was lead by strong side linebacker Taylor Moeder with 10 tackles.

"The offensive line played better this week allowing us to move the ball more efficiently although we still need to work a lot on getting them to fire out and block the right people. Big men Conner Stephens, Nathan Quagliano and Drew White were getting good blocks to let Flanagan get outside and pick up some yards," said coach Luke Tubbs. Coach Chris Donelan said "The defense played much better this week but we still have a lot of things to work on."

Colby will be in action on Sept. 21 in Oberlin at 1:30 p.m.



RANDY DECKER/Colby Free Press

Colby's Bruce Arnberger goes for as much yardage as he can before being brought down by a Hoxie Indian in last Friday's game at Hoxie.

Action on two fronts



TISHA COX/Colby Free Press

Colby Lady Eagles Ali Thomas and Shawna Cox keep their eye on the ball during a volleyball match against the Oberlin Red Devils earlier in the season.

25-6

Phillipsburg comes to town, then leaves with win over 6th graders

This past Sunday at Dennen Field in Colby was another WKFL game between Colby and Phillipsburg 6th graders. It was a tough defeat for the Eagles as they lost 25-6.

Colby was able to rack up almost 200 yards of offense, but was not able to push it across the goal line until the last play of the game. Preston Krzycki broke free for a long gainer as the buzzer sounded. Big plays hurt the Eagles defense throughout the game. Phillipsburg

was not able to get much going as far as drives, but their scores came on big runs usually around the ends.

Colby's offense was led by Krzycki with 103 yards rushing, as well as 5 yards on returns. Jordan Voss netted 49 yards rushing and had one reception from quarterback Ryley Haas for 5 yards. Fullback Adam Weber had 30 yards rushing for the Eagles. Kalen Rasmussen had 5 yards in returns and Brandon

Rasmussen had 2 yards on a return.

Leading the defense in tackles was Kalen Rasmussen with 10 and one sack. Kirt Dugger was next with 8 tackles. Also getting tackles were: Ethan Stickel 5, Jacob Hutfles 4, Brandon Kraus 3, Spencer Holm 2, Brandon Rasmussen 2, Brandon Gordon 2 and a sack, Torey Taylor 1, Jordan Voss 1 and Preston Krzycki 1.

The Eagles travel to Oberlin on Sunday to play the Demons.

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