



#### Ray Nolan

#### • From the Dugout

## Did someone mention wind?

years you would think that I would've seen a game canceled by a dust storm, but Sunday afternoon was the first time it has happened since I have been here. We had to suspend our second game against Butler because the players and the umpires couldn't see. We held a 5-2 lead when we suspended the game. Butler will have to come back to Colby to play if the game matters for playoff seeding.

Here is a question: does anyone get used to the wind? It certainly doesn't surprise me anymore. When I am not on a baseball field, I don't think I notice it as much as I used to. On the field though, I definitely notice. Wind changes the face of a game. Players must change their positioning, pitchers have to change their plan, and hitters lose and gain hits.

Saturday the wind was blowing out when we faced Dodge City. Fortunately, we were the ones who benefited the most. But even with a 10-3 lead going into the bottom of the seventh in game one, I was scared that they could make a comeback. They made an effort, scoring three on a three-run home run by their top hitter.

Sunday the wind was crossing the field from right to left. That meant that our right fielder played more shallow than usual and our left fielder played deeper than usual. In the first game the wind didn't affect the outcome though, we just didn't get the clutch hits we needed. We lost 5-0.

Game two was a different story because the wind grew stronger and the dust kicked in. We hit two balls in the first inning that Butler's right fielder had a hard time with. We took advantage of the miscues and scored five in the first. Of course, Kyle Sandusky's bases loaded double was not a miscue.

Kyle also had a big second game at Dodge, going 3 for 3 with two home runs and a double. He is not *coach at Colby College*.

After living in Colby for five the only one that has been swinging well. Our entire offense has been heating up. Several players have pushed their average over .300. In our sweep of NJC last Tuesday we got several clutch hits. Even in our losses to Hutch, we got some timely

> Back to the wind, I think when it is blowing in, it affects the game the same way as rain at a horse race. The underdog is often the beneficiary. When the wind is blowing in, the offense is stifled and pitchers can throw the ball anywhere in the zone and not suffer. Instantly, the offense has been stopped and a poor pitching staff has been helped. With the wind blowing out, it is a different story. Now pitchers must keep the ball down in the zone, which only good pitchers can do, and balls that are usually doubles, become home runs. Therefore, a team who is already playing well is further strengthened. It's just a theory.

This week we have four doubleheaders. Tuesday, Otero at home and Wednesday, Brown Mackie at home. Both double-headers will start at 1 p.m. Saturday we go to Pratt and Sunday vs. Garden at

Currently we are in third or fourth, depending on the outcome of Barton's games this weekend. They were 10-6 at the start of the weekend. Our conference record is 11-10, and overall we are 19-21. I have a feeling that the fight for home field in the first round of the playoffs will come down to the last weekend of the season. The top four teams in the east and west get to stay home for the first round of the playoffs. Positions five through eight travel. The first round is a best two of three series. Winners will then advance to Wichita for the Region VI tournney. The winner of the tourney goes to Grand Junction for the NJCAA World Series.

## Trojan softball ends week with 4th place finish

Lady Trojan softball team split two league games with Hutchinson on Wednesday and took one of two from Regional rival Johnson County on Friday before finishing 4th in this past weekend's Allen Wolf Memorial Tournament in

Colby beat Hutchinson 4-3 in 8 innings before dropping the second game 4-2 in 8 innings. The Lady Trojans had seven hits in the first game and nine in the second game of the double-header. Lindsey Kastanek pitched all 8 in the first game to pick up the win, while Christina Obernolte was the hard luck loser in the second game as she pitched all 8 and allowed just 5 hits.

On Friday, Colby won the opening game with Johnson County 4-3

The Colby Community College behind Kastanek's 9-hit complete bounced back in game three defeat-night. In the tournament, we played game performance. Erica Reitz led Colby going 2-3 as the Lady Trojans had 7 hits. Johnson County beat Colby in the second game 5-2. Sam Wolf led Colby's 6-hit performance going 2 for 3.

> Saturday, the Lady Trojans opened the Allen Wolf Memorial Tournament in fine fashion shutting out McCook 4-0. Corri Ball pitched the complete game 6-hitter. She struck out 8 and walked just 2. Shanae Calkins and Stephanie Egger each went 2 for 3 as the Lady Trojans had 8 hits.

In the second pool play game, Colby fell to Lamar 3-0. Lamar held Colby to just 1 hit as Kastanek was the losing pitcher. Kastanek pitched masterfully allowing 8 hits, but not allowing an earned run. Colby

ing Frank Phillips 6-2. Obernolte got the win as Calea Meyer was 2 for 2 with 4 RBI for the Lady Trojans 8-hit attack. Obernolte pitched 6 innings and allowed just one earned run and 4 hits.

In the semi-finals of the championship bracket Sunday, Colby fell in a heartbreaker 6-5 in 8 innings to Otero. Kastanek took the loss pitching all 8 innings. She allowed 8 hits and 5 earned runs. Leann Hirschfeld went 2 for 3 as the Lady Trojans pounded out 11 hits. Colby fell to the third place game and lost to Lamar 6-4. The Lady Trojans had 8 hits led by Lauren Jameson (2 for 3,2RBI) and Calea Meyer (2 for 3).

Coach Carl Adams commented. "We beat Johnson County for the second time in 17 years on Friday

well. Over the past week the team has started to play the best ball of the season. This is the right time to start to peak. We have nine games that are seeding games for the regional tournament this coming week. I feel the team has played hard in all the game in the past week. That is something that we haven't done for the whole season. I feel good about our chances at the regional tournament the first weekend in May."

The Lady Trojans travel to Great Bend to play Barton County Tuesday and have Cloud County at home on Wednesday. Both double-headers are set to begin at 3 p.m.. Colby will travel to Salina to play in the crossover tournament against the northeast Kansas junior colleges this coming weekend.

# **SportsLine**

#### Colby schools

- Today Junior varsity baseball at Ellis with Ellis and Spearville, 2 and 4 p.m.; 9th/10th track at WaKeeney, 4 p.m.; junior varsity softball at Ellis, 4 p.m.
- Tuesday Varsity boys golf at McCook, 9 a.m.; varsity track at Scott City, 9:30 a.m.; junior varsity boys golf at Goodland, 2 p.m.; Colby High will not be attending the junior varsity boys golf tourney at Scott City on this date; Colby Invitational Junior Varsity Tennis Tournament, matches at Fike Park and Colby College courts, 3 p.m.; junior varsity/ varsity baseball at Ulysses with Ulysses and Lakin, 3 and 5 p.m., this was rescheduled from Tuesday, April 6.

#### Colby College

- **Tuesday** Baseball at home double-header vs. Otero at 1 p.m.; softball at Barton County, 3 p.m.
- Wednesday Baseball at home double-header vs. Brown Mackie at 1 p.m.; softball at home vs. Cloud County at 3 p.m.
- Saturday Baseball at Pratt (conference); softball at Salina cross-
- Sunday Softball at Salina crossover tourney; baseball at home vs. Garden City.

#### MAYB updates

May 14 is the registration deadline for 4th through 12th grade boys and girls basketball tournaments on June 4-6 in the following locations: Hays, Garden City, Arkansas City, Riley County and Leavenworth. Fivegame guarantee. Call (316) 284-0354 or (785) 628-0338 for additional information. You can also e-mail mayb@mayb.com.

#### Ray Nolan is assistant baseball Coaches needed for swim club

The Colby Swim Club is now taking applications for coaches for sum-

mer swim. Any persons interested in coaching are asked to call Mark and Angie Goudy, Brewster, at 694-2599 or Tracy and Robyn Rogers, Colby, at 462-3128.

E-mail items for this column to td@nwkansas.com, or fax to (785) 462-7749. Thank you!

### EAT HEARTY..... STEAK FRY-

Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. Your choice of Potato and Salad

**COLBY VFW** 

**MEMBERS & GUESTS** WELCOME!

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#### **WEEKDAYS APRIL 20 - APRIL 26**

	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	
KLBY/ABC 4 6	News		Good Moi	Good Morning America			Mak- eover	Mak- eover	The View		Holly- wood	News	
KSNK/NBC	News Cor	nt'd	Today		·			Live V		ive With Regis nd Kelly		ewart	
KBSL/CBS	News				The Early	ne Early Show The 700 Club		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless			
K15CG 3	World News	Priscilla- Yoga	Body Electric	Caillou	Boohbah	Barney- Friends	Dragon Tales	Lions	Sesame S	treet	Clifford- Red	Teletub- bies	
WGN 13	Chang- ing				Hillbil- lies	Happy Days	Matlock	Matlock		In the Heat of the Night		Rockford Files	
NICK 29	Oddpar- ents	Rocket Power	Rugrats	Spon- geBob	Max & Ruby	Rubba- dubbers	Dora the Explorer	Blue's Clues		Blue's Clues	Little Bill	Maggie- Beast	
FAM 30	Digimon- Digital	Bey- blade	Power Rangers	Digimon- Digital	Growing Pains	Living the Life	The 700 C	Club	7th Heave	n	Full House	Growing Pains	
USA (31)	JAG	Varied Pro	ograms										
TBS (37)	Saved by Bell	Saved by Bell	Movie				Dawson's Creek Da		Dawson's	Dawson's Creek		Saved by Bell	
TNT (38)	The Lost	World	The Prete	The Pretender Charmed		ER		ER		Judging Amy			
DSC (42)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Assignment Discovery		Monster I	House	Designer Guys	Designer Guys	Rally Rou House	nd the	
A&E (47)	Varied Pr			Murder, She Wrote		Murder, She Wrote		City Confidential					
ESPN (49)	SportsCenter		SportsCe	Center Sports- Varied Center		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		Outside- Lines	Baseball Tonight		
HBO	Movie		Varied Programs		1		Movie			Varied			
DISN (17)	JoJo's Circus	Stanley	The Wiggles	JoJo's Circus	The Wiggles	Stanley	Rolie Polie	Rolie Polie	Out of the Box	PB&J Otter	Koala Brothers	The Wiggles	
MAX	Movie Cont'd	Varied Pr	ograms	•	-		•	•				Movie	

#### **APRIL 20 - APRIL 26** WEEKDAYS

	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KLBY/ABC	All My Children		One Life to Live		General Hospital		Dr. Phil		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News	ABC WId News
KSNK/NBC	News Family Feud		Days of Our Lives		Passions		Inside Edition	Family Feud	Million- aire	Jeop- ardy!	News	NBC News
KBSL/CBS	News Bold, Beautiful		As the World Turns		Guiding Light		The People's Court		Oprah Winfrey		News	CBS News
K15CG 3	Reading Mister Rainbow Rogers		Varied Pro	ograms	George Beren. Liberty's Shrinks Bears Kids		Liberty's Kids	Cyber- chase	Arthur	Zoom	Busi- ness	
WGN 13	News				Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Home Improve.	Will & Grace		
NICK 29	Max & Dora the Ruby Explorer		Rugrats	Rugrats	Varied Programs			Spon- geBob	Amanda	U-Pick	U-Pick	
FAM 30	Family Matters	Family Matters	Step by Step	Step by Step	So Little Time	Full House	7th Heave	en	Switche- d!	Knock First	Full House	Full House
USA 31	JAG		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie		Varied Programs		Walker, Texas Ranger		Walker, Texas Ranger	
TBS (37)	Cosby	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Steve Harvey	Steve Harvey	Drew Carey	Drew Carey	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	Seinfeld
TNT (38)	Law & Order		NYPD Blue		NYPD Blue		Judging Amy		Angel		Charmed	
DSC (42)	Surprise by Design		Surprise by Design Rally Round the House		Double Agents		Varied Programs					
A&E (47)	American	Justice	Movie				Murder, She Wrote		Murder, She Wrote		City Confidential	
ESPN (49)	Varied Programs		NFL Live			Varied Pro	ied Programs		Around the Horn	Interrup- SportsCenter tion		nter
HBO (7)	Movie	Movie	Varied Pro	aried Programs						Movie		
DISN (17)	JoJo's Circus	Stanley	Winnie- Pooh	House of Mouse	House of Mouse	Recess	Lilo & Stitch	Recess	Kim Possible	Proud Family	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister
MAX (21)	Movie Co	nt'd	Varied Movie			Varied	Movie	ovie			Varied	

#### **TUESDAY APRIL** 20

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KBSL/CBS	Ne ws (CC)	Friends (CC)					Judging Amy The Long Good-Bye		Ne ws (CC)	Late Shov	v (CC)	Late Late	
K15CG 3	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer Nova World in the Balance (N) (CC)						Now With Moyers (C		World News	That's Charlie F My Boy (CC)		ose (N)	
WGN 13	Will & Grace						WGN New (CC)	s at Nine	<b>B</b> e <b>ck</b> e <b>r</b> Crosstalk	Becker (CC)	Elimi- date (N)	The 5th Wheel	
NICK 29	Rugrats (CC)	Spon- ge Bob		Sabrina- Witch	Full House	Full House	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Rose- anne	Rose- anne	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	
FAM 30	7th Heaven Nobody Movie: Summer Catch ** (2001, Knows (CC) Comedy-Drama) Freddie Prinze Jr (CC)						Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club (CC) America's Funnie Home Videos (CC				
USA 31)		JAG Standards of Law & Order: Conduct (CC) (DVS) Special Victims				Movie: Clueless (1995) Spoiled Beverly Hills teens careen through the good life.			Law & Order: Special Victims		Karen Sisco Dear Derwood (CC)		
TBS 37)		b <b>a</b> ll: Atlant Ball Park. (I		Cincinnati	Reds. Grea	ıt	Movie: L.A. Confidential **** (1997, Mystery) (PA) A young police officer searches for justice in 1950s L.A. Kevin Spacey.						
TNT 38	Law & Order Bitter Fruit (CC) (DVS)  NBA Basketball: First Announced. (Live) (CC								ketball: First Round Teams to Be id. (Live) (CC)				
DSC 42	The FBI Files Deadly Heist (CC) The FBI Files The Price of Greed (CC)				Animal Face-Off Wolf vs. Cougar  MythBusters Best Animal Myths (CC)			The FBI Files The Price of Greed (CC)		Animal Face-Off Wolf vs. Cougar			
A&E 47	American Justice Biography Stars of Reality TV (N) (CC)			Cold Case Files (N) (CC)		) Third Wa Band of B			Biography Stars of Reality TV (CC)				
ESPN (49)	Sports- Center NHL Hockey: Conference Quarte Teams to Be Announced. If nece							SportsCenter (Live) (CC)		Outside - Lines	Baseball Tonight		
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DISN 17	Sister, Sister	Lizzie McGuire	Movie: Ha Comedy) L	ll <b>ow</b> ee <b>ntov</b> Debbie Rey		Recess (CC)	Sister, Sister	Boy Mts. World	Kim Possible	Proud Family	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister	
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FAM (30)	7th He ave Jazz (CC)	n All That	Movie: The Object of My Affection ★★ (1998, Comedy-Drama) Jennifer Aniston.			Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club (CC)		Home Vide os	Home Vide os	
USA (31)	JAG Each of Us Angels (CC) (DVS)		Law & Order: Law & Order: Special Victims Special Victims		L.A. Dragnet Abduction (N) (CC) Law & Ord Spe cial Vio				Zone			
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A&E (47)	American Menendez		Biography Koresh: Pr	r: David eacher	American Justice The Excedrin Killings		City Confidential (CC)		Third Watch (CC)		Biography: David Koresh: Preacher	
ESPN (49)		ball: St. Lo (Live) (CC	uis Cardina )	ls at Houst	on Astros. N	Minute			SportsCenter (Live)		Outside- Lines	Base ball Tonight
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