

# Eagle softball opens state play this evening

The Colby Eagle softball ladies battle Lansing at 7 p.m. tonight as the Class 4A State Softball Tournament begins. Lansing brings a 17-6 record onto the field vs. Colby's 13-10. The winner of that game meets the winner of the Spring Hill (19-4)-Kansas City-Ward (13-10) winner at 10 a.m. Saturday. In other action today, Wichita-Collegiate (16-1) plays Clay Cen-

ter (13-10) and Girard (17-6) meets Mulvane (16-7). Those two winners play also Saturday morning. The championship game is set for 1 p.m., also Saturday. The third-place game begins at noon. Here are the seedings: 1. Wichita-Collegiate, 2. Spring Hill, 3. Lansing, 4. Girard, 5. Mulvane, 6. Colby, 7. Kansas City-Ward, 8. Clay Center.

## SportsLine

### Colby Schools

• **Today** — State softball at Salina's Bill Burke Complex, Colby vs. Lansing, Field #4B at 7 p.m.; state track at Wichita State University's Cessna Stadium, all day.  
• **Saturday** — State softball continues at Salina, 10 a.m.; state track continues at Wichita State University, 8 a.m.

### Wrestling camp in early June

The Jim Murray Wrestling Camp is scheduled for June 2-4, from 1-5 p.m. at Colby High School. The camp will feature Matt Murray, NCAA Division 1 runner-up and Eric Luedke, NJCAA national champ. For cost and other details, please call (785) 443-1339.

### MAYB updates

June 11 is the registration deadline for tournaments for 4th-12th boys and girls at Emporia, Coffeyville and Kingman. Five games guaranteed. June 18 is the registration deadline for tournaments for 4th-12th boys and girls at Colby and Sabetha. Five games guaranteed. June 25 is the registration deadline for tournaments for 4th-12th boys and girls at Scott City and Baxter Springs on July 16-18. Five games guaranteed. Call (316) 284-0354 or email mayb@mayb.com for additional information. Colby's information can also be obtained by calling (785) 462-3736. SportsLine contact is colbysports@nwkans.com to get your item placed in this column. Deadline is 10 am.

# A night of thrills on the Thomas County Speedway

Fans were treated to a great night of racing at Thomas County Speedway in Colby on Sunday night, May 23. The weather was just about perfect with temperatures in the upper 70's and just a slight breeze. The new changes to the track surface made for some very good racing in all classes.

The Cruiser feature was the first of the night. The team of Honeyman and Dirks out of Oakley took the lead on lap one and never looked back. There was a good battle for second between Glassman and Glassman and Carter and Carter for a number of laps. Glassman and Glassman took the spot on lap 8 and held on for second. Carter and Carter were third followed by Doty and Doty.

Twenty-one cars took the green flag in the Bomber feature with Keith Stegman of Lamar, Colo. taking the early lead. Ron Haremza of Colby and Billy Phillips of Menlo quickly passed him on lap two. Phillips overtook Haremza for the lead on lap 12 and held off Jeremy Blackwill of Colby who had come from row five to a second place finish. Stegman held on for third and David Schemm of Sharon Springs was fourth.

The Super Stocks were a little short on cars this night but still put on a heck of a show. Brad Wagoner of Colby jumped out to an early lead but was being pushed hard with the top 7 cars all running in one pack. Wagoner and Wheat Lippelman of Colby were running two wide when they rubbed a little sheet metal and both received cut tires. This turned the lead over to Justen Beakley of Lamar with a hard charging Travis Towns of Monument and Ronnie

Hill of Sharon Springs on his tail. Towns and Hill made the move on the low side and got by Beakley with Towns taking the checkered flag first followed by Hill, Todd Schwarz of Rexford and Mike Meyer of Sharon Springs.

Eighteen Modifieds took the green in their feature with Monty Nurdyke of Holly, Colo. got out to an early lead and held it until a hard charging Darren Deloach of Lamar worked his way from the ninth starting spot to take the lead on lap nine. His reign at the top was short lived when he had ignition problems on lap twelve. This turned the lead over to Kevin Hoeme of Hays who fought off challenges by Brady Coen of Wiley, Colo. and David Murray of Oberlin to take the win. They finished the feature Hoeme, Coen, Murray and Nurdyke.

Next racing action at Thomas County Speedway will be Sunday, June 6, at 7 p.m. (CDT) with the regular four classes running.

### RESULTS:

**Cruisers:** Heat: 1. Honeyman/Dirks, 2. Glassman/Glassman, 3. Doty/Doty, 4. Carter/Carter, 5. Vrbas/Plumisto, 6. Giesenhagen/Shaw.

**Cash Dash:** Honeyman/Dirks Feature: 1. Honeyman/Dirks, 2. Glassman/Glassman, 3. Carter/Carter, 4. Doty/Doty, 5. Vrbas/Plumisto, 6. Giesenhagen/Shaw.

**Bombers:** Heat 1: 1. Jeremy Blackwill, 2. Haremza, 3. Brent Moss, 4. Brett Dible, 5. Rich Beesley, 6. Jason McIntyre, 7. Drew Miller.

**Heat 2:** 1. Keith Stegman, 2. Travis Branum, 3. Jordan Blackwill, 4. Jimmy Jenkins, 5. Blaine Buchholz, 6. Greg Nieman,

7. Matt Giesenhagen.  
**Heat 3:** 1. David Schemm, 2. Billy Phillips, 3. Phillip Munoz, 4. Allen Sneathan, 5. Tanner Tuttle, 6. Don Strecker, 7. Billy Turner.

**Cash Dash:** David Schemm Feature: 1. Phillips, 2. Jeremy Blackwill, 3. Stegman, 4. Schemm, 5. Jordan Blackwill, 6. Moss, 7. Munoz, 8. Geisenhagen, 9. Miller, 10. Sneathan, 11. Branum, 12. Tuttle, 13. Nieman, 14. Strecker, 15. McIntyre, 16. Jenkins, 17. Haremza, 18. Beesley, 19. Turner, 20. Buchholz, 21. Dible.

**Super Stocks:**  
**Heat 1:** 1. Schwarz, 2. Wagoner, 3. Lippelman, 4. Hill.

**Heat 2:** 1. Meyer, 2. Beakley, 3. Towns, 4. Clinton Hockersmith, 5. Rocky Baalman.

**Cash Dash:** Todd Schwarz.  
**Feature:** 1. Towns, 2. Hill, 3. Schwarz, 4. Meyer, 5. Beakley, 6. Hockersmith, 7. Wagoner, 8. Lippelman, 9. Baalman.

**Modifieds:**  
**Heat 1:** 1. Coen, 2. Hoeme, 3. Kevin Wark, 4. A.J. Warta, 5. Milo Lippelman, 6. Lane Linthcun, 7. Matt Fabrizius.  
**Heat 2:** 1. Jeff Hartwell, 2. Jeff



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Super Stock Class feature winner Travis Towns of Monument took a deep breath after a close race.

Tubbs, 3. David Murray, 4. Travis Eggleston, 5. Chris Remetes, 6. John Hansen.

**Heat 3:** 1. Doug Holzmeister, 2. Deloach, 3. Nurdyke, 4. Don Hagan, 5. Nick Tubbs, 6. Randy Tipton.

**Cash Dash:** Coen.

**Feature:** 1. Hoeme, 2. Coen, 3. Murray, 4. Nurdyke, 5. Jeff Tubbs, 6. Nick Tubbs, 7. Hansen, 8. Remetes, 9. Wark, 10. Hagen, 11. Warta, 12. Tipton, 13. Lippelman, 14. Linthcun, 15. Eggleston, 16. Deloach, 17. Hartwell, 18. Holzmeister, 19. Fabruzius.

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