

SportsLine

Program for athletes ends Saturday

A reminder was issued today of the "Bigger, Faster, Stronger, Strength Training" clinic at Colby High School on Saturday. The clinic is for coaches, student athletes and parents of all 2004-05 Colby students who will be entering grades 7-12 and are planning to take part in athletics or enroll in a strength training class. The clinic starts at 8 a.m. for coaches, and then at 10 a.m. for student athletes, parents and coaches. There is no fee. It will be held in the high school gym. For other details you might call the high school at 460-5300.

MAYB updates

Today is the registration deadline for 4th-12th boys and girls basketball tournaments on June 25-27 at Olathe. Five games guaranteed. June 11 is the registration deadline for tournaments for 4th-12th boys and girls at Emporia, Coffeyville and Kingman on July 2-4. Five games guaranteed. June 18 is the registration deadline for tournaments for 4th-12th boys and girls at Colby and Sabetha on July 9-11. 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. July 2 is the registration deadline for tournaments for 4th-12th boys and girls at Dodge City, Hillsboro and Gardner on July 23-25. Five games guaranteed. Call (316) 284-0354 or email mayb@mayb.com for additional in-

formation. Colby's information can also be obtained by calling (785) 462-3736.

Eagle track results needed

We are still in need of the Colby High School track results from the state meet at Wichita State University's Cessna Stadium. Upon publication, that will put a wrap on the Eagles' spring sports season. At this time, we thank Jeff Quenzer, activities director and all coaches, for your cooperation throughout the school year.

KU announces baseball camps

The University of Kansas has several summer baseball camps on their schedule. They run through June and into July. Costs vary. The camps are for ages 5-12, 6-13, 9-14 and high school. For complete details and registration, call 785 864-7907.

What's happening?

If there are other sports activities going on or starting soon, please let us know. This column is intended for you to get word out to those you feel need to know. There's no charge.

Your items are being processed

For those looking for results of middle school track meets, that information is forthcoming. Also, other notes and items dropped off at the office are being processed for publication.

SportsLine contact is colbysports@nwkansas.com to get your item placed in this column. Deadline is 10 am. Activity should pick up as we usher in the summer season.

And in this corner...

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Lloyd McClendon took exception to Tony La Russa yelling at one of his pitchers.

"I'm not going to let anybody holler at my players," McClendon said. "I don't apologize for anything I do between the lines."

Both managers were ejected with two outs in the top of the ninth inning in St. Louis' 4-2 victory over Pittsburgh after Pirates reliever Mike Gonzalez sent Tony Womack to the dirt with a high, inside pitch.

Before Gonzalez's next pitch, La Russa yelled at him. That prompted McClendon to storm out of his team's dugout and head toward the Cardinals dugout to confront La Russa.

Plate umpire Brian Gorman and first-base umpire Dale Scott tried to restrain McClendon, who forged ahead.

La Russa came onto the field, and the umpires stood between the man-

agers as they exchanged heated words along the first-base line near the Cardinals dugout.

"(McClendon's) right, you shouldn't yell at other teams players," La Russa said. "I mean, I don't like to do it, but when it gets to be excessive — that ball up in the head area — it's better to yell than for us to come back and throw at somebody's head." The benches and bullpens emptied, and there was physical contact but no players were ejected.

La Russa criticized the Pirates' Ryan Vogelsong two nights earlier after Vogelsong hit Scott Rolen in the head with a pitch. Rolen later said he didn't believe the pitch was intentional. Gonzalez, a rookie left-hander, said he wasn't trying to hit Womack in a two-run game. "They were trying to intimidate me (from the dugout)," he said. "But I pitch inside, and I'm going to continue to pitch inside."

Mission impossible...now possible

Can Flames stun sports world?

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The Calgary Flames, proving once again that will can overcome skill, outworked and outshot the Tampa Bay Lightning before finally beating them 3-2 on Oleg Saprykin's overtime goal in Game 5 of the Stanley Cup finals Thursday.


Now, as improbable as it might seem, a small-market team that missed the playoffs for the previous seven seasons is one victory away from winning hockey's biggest prize. Game 6 is Saturday night in Calgary, which can become the first Canadian city since Montreal in 1993 to host a Cup-clinching game. Team captain Jarome Iginla, who

scored his 13th goal before setting up Saprykin's winner, almost can't believe how close the Flames are to becoming the most improbable NHL champion since the 1991 Penguins. Pittsburgh made the playoffs only once in 10 years before winning the first of its consecutive Stanley Cups.

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