

K-18 teams start regional play

From the Goodland Star-News
The Goodland Elks K-18 baseball team opens regional play in Russell at 6 p.m. tonight against Russell.

Goodland goes into the tournament as the second seed after losing to Colby 10-0 on Monday at Memorial Field in the last game of the regular season.

Colby faces Norton in the first round of the tournament at 8 p.m. The other teams in the regional are Quinter, Hays, Phillipsburg and Ellis.

Scorekeeper Traci Waugh said the season is over if Goodland loses tonight. If they win, the next game would be at 6 or 8 p.m. on Saturday, against one of the winners from the first round.

The championship games would be at 6 or 8 p.m. on Sunday. The top three teams will move on to the state tournament Friday through Sunday, July 28-Aug. 1, at Lucas.

Monday, the team lost to the

Colby No. 1 team 10-0 in a game called in the fifth inning.

Camron Morris pitched for Goodland, and set Colby down in order in the top of the first inning. In the second, he got the first batter to pop out. He walked the next batter and gave up singles to the next two. Morris struck out Colby's Thomas Wieland for the second out, but gave up two more singles before Colby's Eric Blanton flied out, giving Colby a 4-0 lead.

Goodland had eight errors in the third and Colby took advantage, extending the lead to 9-0. Two more errors and a triple by Stephen Dinkel gave Colby the 10-0 lead in the fourth.

Goodland could only get one hit off of Colby's Dinkel, who struck out eight of the batters he faced. Dinkel gave up one walk in the third and one in the fourth, but Goodland was unable to get any runner in.

Goodland's Rory Kling got the hit, a single in the second.



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Cade Carter, with Colby's K-18 No. 1 team, heads for first base during Monday's baseball game at Goodland. The Colby No. 1 Team swept by Goodland 10-0 in the first game and 16-1 in the second. Colby started out in the lead, but Goodland ended up defeating the No. 2 team by a score of 21-6. Regional playoffs begin Friday in Russell.

Keegan Smith, Goodland catcher, got himself into scoring position by stealing second in the fourth, but was stranded. Vance Johnson got to first on a Colby er-

ror in the fifth with two outs, but Kevin Amthor popped out to end the threat and the game.

The Goodland team has a 9-4

record, with two of those losses to the Colby No. 1 team. One loss was to Quinter, the first game of the season.

Area high school football players suit up for annual Shrine Bowl

From the Goodland Star-News

The 33rd annual Kansas Shrine Bowl will kick off at 7 p.m. Saturday, July 29, in Carnie Smith Stadium at Pittsburg State University.

Goodland's Mark Starr will play for the West Team and be wearing No. 76. This will mark the third straight year a former Cowboy has played in the game. Jordan Bedore played in 2004 and Brock Lohr played last year in Manhattan.

Bedore now plays for the Wildcats of Kansas State while Lohr will play for the Gorillas of Pittsburg State.

Starr is headed to Colorado State University in Fort Collins this fall to play football for the Rams. His mother, Brenda, said her son has been practicing with the Rams, but was to return to Goodland Monday and after a few days at home will head to St. John's Military School in Salina,

where the West Team begins practice on Friday.

Colorado State opens its season on Sept. 2 with a home game against Weber State University of Utah.

As a high school senior, Starr was a first-team All-Northwest Kansas League selection as a defensive lineman and a second-team pick at offensive tackle.

He made the second team in both positions as a junior, and was a first-team pick at both as a sophomore.

Two other Northwest Kansas League players will join Starr on the West sidelines: Oakley's Calder Keller and Hoxie's Toliver Bird. Keller was a first-team all-league choice as a running back, defensive back and specialty teams. Bird was a first-team pick at linebacker.

Hoxie's John Petrie will be one of six coaches for the West Team this year. Petrie guided the Indians to an 8-4 season last year, making it to the state Class 2-1A quarterfinals.

Two Goodland High musicians will play in this year's Masonic All-Star Marching Band. Clarinetist Lea Shores and trombone player Tanner O'Harah will be in Pittsburg next Tuesday for band camp.

The 225-member band lead a morning parade on game day and will play during halftime.

Adult tickets are \$9 in advance or \$10 on game day.

Student tickets are \$5 in advance, \$6 on game day. Call the Shrine Bowl office at (800) 530-5524.

Public television, channel 2 on both Eagle Cable and S&T, will broadcast the game live with the pregame show starting at 6 p.m.

Money from the game helps support Shriners' Hospitals for Children, a 22-facility network that provides free orthopedic, burn and spinal cord care for children.

Royals feel deja vu

BOSTON (AP) — Not since Babe Ruth was pitching for Boston had the Red Sox won a pair of games like this.

Josh Beckett held the hapless Kansas City Royals to four hits over eight innings and Manny Ramirez homered on Wednesday, leading Boston to its second consecutive 1-0 victory.

"Has that ever happened here?" asked Royals coach Buddy Bell, well aware of Fenway Park's history of high-scoring, no-lead-is-safe slugfests.

Not for a long time.

The last time the Red Sox won two straight 1-0 games at Fenway was 1916, when the ballpark was only four years old and Boston was on its way to its second World Series title in a row. Ruth beat the New York Yankees on June 22 and Ernie Shore edged the Philadelphia Athletics on June 23, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

"Ninety years, huh?" said Beckett, who agreed to a \$30 million, three-year contract extension that was announced after the game. "Mark Redman pitched a great game. There's no way he deserved to lose."

A day after two Red Sox rookies combined to one-hit the Royals, Beckett (12-5) struck out seven and walked none to join Toronto's Roy Halladay as the AL's only 12-game winners. Beckett, who hit two batters with pitches, retired his first six hitters before Angel Berroa doubled to start the third and end the Royals' streak of 29 consecutive outs without a hit.

After the game, Red Sox manager Terry Francona joked that Beckett got the extension in the fifth inning. His deal includes a club option for 2010 that could bring the total value to \$40 million.

"It is something that has definitely been weighing on me this week," Beckett said. "Nice to get it over with and move on."

Jonathan Papelbon, who pitched the ninth on Tuesday night after Jon Lester threw eight innings of one-hit ball, got three outs for his 29th save. With a runner on second, Papelbon

retired Berroa on a shallow popup to end the four-hitter.

Redman (6-5) allowed just one run and seven hits with nine strikeouts in eight innings — yet his six-game winning streak came to an end. He threw 123 pitches for his first complete game since May 2005, but Kansas City couldn't avoid a three-game sweep.

"It was wasted," said Bell, whose team has the worst record (32-62) in baseball. "Three good pitching performances and we wasted them."

According to Elias, the last consecutive 1-0 games at Fenway came in 1961, when Cleveland beat the Red Sox on May 17 and Boston shut out Detroit a day later.

Ramirez homered on the first pitch of the fourth inning to pass Hall of Famer Bobby Doerr for sixth on the team's all-time list with 224. Counting his time in Cleveland, Ramirez has 460 career homers.

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Kyle Petty Charity in Colby

The Chick-fil-A Kyle Petty Charity Ride Across America is cruising through Colby Wednesday.

Kyle Petty is a NASCAR driver and son of the popular Richard Petty.

The Chick-fil-A Kyle Petty Charity Ride is expected to arrive between 1:30 and 1:45 p.m. at Oasis Travel Center. The group will only stop long enough for gasoline.

The 2006 ride kicks off in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Saturday and is traveling a Pacific-Northwest route through the mountains of Colorado across the country for nine days, making stops in Kansas, Illinois, Ohio and ending their journey in North Carolina on July 30.

More than 200 motorcycle enthusiasts will join in the nine-day adventure to reach the final destination - the Victory Junction Gang Camp in Randleman, N.C.

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SportsBriefs

By The Associated Press

BASEBALL
SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Barry Bonds' personal trainer was set to be released from prison Thursday, his attorney said, the same day the term of the grand jury investigating the baseball star was to expire.

It was unclear if Greg Anderson's expected release would have any bearing on whether indictments were handed up against Bonds. He was being investigated for possible perjury and tax evasion.

Attorney Mark Geragos told The Associated Press that he was certain Anderson would be released from jail at noon Thursday. Geragos declined to say how he knew it.

Anderson was held in civil contempt and sent to federal prison earlier this month for refusing to testify to the grand jury investigating Bonds. Anderson was to be held until he agreed to testify or the term of the grand jury expired. Geragos has said in the past that his client would not testify.

TORONTO (AP) — Shea Hillenbrand was cut by the Toronto Blue Jays after he was chastised during a team meeting and refused to sit in the dugout with his teammates.

Hours before, Hillenbrand criticized the organization and said he expected to be traded. The designated hitter and corner infielder was upset because he wasn't in the starting lineup for the second consecutive game and nobody in Toronto's front office congratulated him on adopting a baby girl last weekend.

Hillenbrand was designated for assignment during the game and was not in the locker room afterward.

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Third baseman Vinny Castilla was released by the San Diego Padres, an unpopular move in the clubhouse and one that likely will hasten the NL West leaders' search for a replacement before the trade dead-

line.

Although his defense was solid, the 39-year-old Castilla was hitting .232 with four homers and 23 RBIs.

BOSTON (AP) — Boston Red Sox right-hander Josh Beckett agreed to a three-year, \$30 million contract extension.

CYCLING

LA TOUSSUIRE, France (AP) — A day after reclaiming the yellow jersey, Floyd Landis struggled through a disastrous ride, falling all the way to 11th place and likely losing any chance to win the Tour de France.

The American began the 16th stage with a lead of 10 seconds; by the end of the day, he was more than 8 minutes behind new leader Oscar Pereiro, who relinquished the jersey to him on Tuesday.

With one final Alpine stage and a penultimate individual time trial ahead as the biggest tests, Pereiro is now favored to finish first when the three-week race ends Sunday on the

Champs-Elysees in Paris.

Mickael Rasmussen, who won the polka-dot jersey for the best climber at last year's Tour, finished in 5 hours, 36 minutes, 4 seconds to win the 113-mile stage that had four climbs — including two so tough they defy classification in cycling's ranking system.

SOCCER

GENEVA (AP) — Zinedine Zidane faces possible sanctions for head-butting Marco Materazzi in the World Cup final.

Zidane, who retired after the July 9 final, will appear before a FIFA disciplinary panel Thursday in Zurich.

The former France captain could be fined, receive a symbolic ban and be stripped of his "Golden Ball" award as the best player in the tournament.

Zidane said he attacked Materazzi because the Italian defender insulted his mother and sister.

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