



JOEY FALKOFF/Colby Free Press
Eagle senior wrestler Tanner Kriss, back, had Hoxie's Quinn Aumiller in a headlock during their match Thursday at the high school. Kriss defeated Aumiller 6-2.

Eagle shutout Hoxie 63-0, then hit the road for Newton

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Before they could load their bags and get on the bus for Newton, the Colby Eagle wrestling team had some business to take care of here at home.

In a very matter-of-fact way, the Eagles did what they had to before leaving for their toughest tournament of the year, defeating Hoxie 63-0 in their duel Thursday at the high school.

It was the Eagles fourth shut out of the year and allowed them to improve their record to 4-0 in league duels.

"This was probably the best Thursday night duel we've wrestled all year," said Eagle head wrestling coach Matt Sims. "To be 4-0, especially before the league tournament, these wins are going to be very helpful."

The Eagles won two matches from forfeits at 103 and 152, five by decision, three by major decision and four with pins.

Pins were attained by Nathan Reed (119), Brent Luedke (130), Heath Stephens (140) and Treat Bugbee (189).

Quinter was also supposed to take place in the duel, but decided to leave before their exhibition matches.

After spending most of the day packing for their late-night trip to Newton, Eagle assistant coach Rick Williams felt the team did a good job, for the most part, of not looking past Hoxie.

Lady Eagle JV wins Goodland tourney

Colby High's junior varsity girls basketball team is off to an 8-0 start after a 41-30 victory over Burlington, Colo., in the championship game of the Goodland Junior Varsity tournament.

The Lady Eagles were led by Brittany Schuette with 20 points. Kelsey Shields had eight. The

Lady Eagle eighth grade team wins 22-21

The Colby Middle School eighth grade girls basketball team kicked off their season with a thrilling 22-21 win over St. Francis Thursday at the elementary school gym.

Ahead by one with 12 seconds

"It was good to take care of business," said Williams. "I thought we came out a little sluggish, but you can't overlook anyone. You start overlooking people, you'll be on your back and it's over. There was a lot of factors the kids had to work through today, so they did a good job."

It will be a quick turnaround for the Eagles who weren't expected to arrive in Newton until 1:30 a.m.

The tournament began 11 a.m. today and runs through Saturday evening.

The Eagles are one of 24 teams in a stacked field that, according to Williams, includes eight of the top 10 teams in the state of Kansas.

"Several weight classes will be as tough or tougher than we see at state," said Williams.

"The difference between fifth and second in this tournament is not that much, because there's too many good teams to hide from anyone."

The laundry list of ranked schools in Newton includes 5A #1 Bishop Carroll, who is also ranked 18th nationally, 4A #1 Clay Center, 6A #2 Manhattan and 3-2-1A #2 Norton.

Colby is ranked second in class 4A and finished fifth in Newton last year.

While they respect the amount of talent in this year's field, the Eagles believe they can improve upon last year's result.

"We wouldn't go if we didn't think we couldn't win it," said Williams.

Eagles also finished 9-12 from the free throw line.

In their first round game of the tournament Monday, the Eagles defeated Goodland 38-19. Shields led the way 12 points. Schuette added nine and Shelby Terrell had eight.

Tuesday, the Lady Eagles moved

to play, the Lady Eagles went to a zone defense and came up with a big stop and rebound with a few seconds remaining to seal the victory. The Lady Eagles were led in scoring by Morgan Bell with six

"A top five finish would be great. We don't need to win every match, we just need to be in a lot of tight matches," said Sims. "The kids know what's expected and we'll get after it."

Duel Results:

103: Taylor Moeder (Colby) open (6-0)

112: Cody Wark (Colby) over Donovan Schamberger (Hoxie) 16-6 (10-0)

119: Nathan Reed (Colby) over Chris Heim (Hoxie) by fall (16-0)

125: Bryan Brewer (Colby) over Trevor Popp (Hoxie) 9-5 (19-0)

130: Brent Luedke (Colby) over Cayle Taylor (Hoxie) by fall (25-0)

135: Hunter Olsen (Colby) over Kevin Moss (Hoxie) 10-1 (29-0)

140: Heath Stephens (Colby) over Dylan Bainter (Hoxie) by fall (35-0)

145: Garrett Zweygardt (Colby) over Clayton Schamberger (Hoxie) 4-0 (38-0)

152: Ethan Stickel (Colby) open (44-0)

160: Breck Arnberger (Colby) over Clayton Rall (Hoxie) 11-3 (48-0)

171: Tanner Kriss (Colby) over Quinn Aumiller (Hoxie) 6-2 (51-0)

189: Treat Bugbee (Colby) over Danny Baker (Hoxie) by fall (57-0)

215: Nick Kriss (Colby) over Cody Pope (Hoxie) 8-1 (60-0)

285: Taylor Brown (Colby) over Dillon Salmans (Hoxie) 3-2 (63-0). The junior varsity Eagles wrestle Saturday at Hays.

to 7-0 with a 46-34 win over McCook, Neb. Schuette again led the way with 13 points.

Katherine Kaus was also in double-figures with 10. Shelby Terrell and Katrina Kaus had eight.

The junior varsity Lady Eagles will look to improve to 9-0 when they play 8 p.m. tonight at Hoxie.

points. Skylar Barrett and Rachel Juenemann each had four points.

Katera Harter and Emilea Finley each scored three.

Colby, 1-0, next plays 5:45 p.m. Monday at Quinter.

Trojans name volleyball coach

Colby Community College has announced the selection of Valerie Armstrong to head the Lady Trojan volleyball team.

Armstrong will be the Trojans third head coach in the last three seasons. She replaces Manolo Concepcion and Eddie Rivera who resigned last November.

Originally from Brule, Neb., Armstrong started her college volleyball career in 2003 at Eastern Wyoming College. She received Academic All-Conference Awards and in 2004 earned an Academic All-American Award.

Armstrong completed her volleyball career at Oklahoma Panhandle State University in Goodwell, Okla., where she received Heartland Conference Academic Awards and was selected the 2007 OPSU Female Athlete of the Year.



Armstrong

She graduated in 2007 with a bachelor's degree in agribusiness.

While working on her master's degree in business administration from College of the Southwest in Hobbs, N.M., she served as assistant volleyball coach for the Mustangs.

"Valerie brings a lot of intensity, enthusiasm and a love for the game," said Trojan athletic director Duane Arntt.

The Trojans finished 20-19 last season and are scheduled to lose only three of 11 players to graduation.



JOEY FALKOFF/Colby Free Press
Colby Lady Eagle seventh-grader Kenzie Curry, right, dished the ball off to teammate Keana Keck during their 53-7 win over St. Francis Thursday at the elementary gym.

Eagle seventh-graders torch Sainty

The Colby Lady Eagle seventh grade basketball team fired out of the gates with a 24-2 first quarter lead and never let up en route to their 53-7 opening game victory over St. Francis Thursday at the elementary school gym.

Colby followed up their 24-2 first quarter run with an 11-1 second quarter spurt and a 14-0 third quarter advantage to lead 49-3 heading into the fourth period.

"We got a lot of steals and easy layups in that first quarter," said Eagle seventh grade head coach Norm Behring. "Our guards played really well and showed good quickness. Everyone contributed and I'm very pleased with our first game effort."

The Eagles scored 25 baskets, including three three-pointers, but were 0-4 from the charity stripe.

All 15 players saw action for the Lady Eagles who were led by Alexa Haas with 20 points. Kenzie Curry was also in double-figures with 11 points. Shelby Gardner had six. Bailey Terrell, Jenessa Williams and Kaitlyn Flanagan each had four. Mishaela Benson and Keana Keck both had two points.

Following the 'A' game, a 'B' Colby's only two points. quarter was played which ended in Colby, 1-0, will continue action a 2-2 tie. Alexa Schindler scored 4:30 p.m. Monday at Quinter.

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