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# Eagles look for a win against rival Goodland

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The Colby High football squad will try to rebound from a season-opening loss at St. Francis when they play rival Goodland at 7 p.m. Friday on the road.

Both the Eagles and Cowboys will be looking for their first win of the season. Goodland was crushed 37-0 by Oakley last week. They should be fired up and ready to redeem themselves.

The team will be looking for another solid performance by senior Ethan Stickel, who scored two of the team's three touchdowns last week.

Colby lost a hotly contested home game with St. Francis 28-22 last Friday at Dennen Field.

Assistant coach Matt Simms said it was a well played game, but Colby got penalties at some key moments.

scored the team's first touchdown on a 60-yard run. offense had played well also.

Junior Andrew Flannigan carried the ball across the goal line for a successful two-point conversion.

Later in the half, junior quarterback Kale Arnberger scored on a five-yard run. The Eagles' two-point conversion attempt failed.

The Indians tied the game at 14 in the third. Colby regained the lead at the end of the quarter when Stickel ran for a two-yard touchdown. The two-point conversion was good, giving the Eagles a 22-14 lead going into the fourth.

A long run by the Indians' quarterback cut Colby's lead to 22-20, but the Indians' two-point conversion attempt failed.

Later in the game, the Indians were able to score on a short run near the goal line to give them a 26-22 lead.

Their two-point conversion attempt was successful to put the game away at 28-22.

Simms said he thought Stickel and Arnberger both Colby led St. Francis 14-6 at halftime. Stickel had good games. He added that he though the Eagles'

### **Brewster-Winona squad** loses to Thunderhawks 34-14

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by Brett Gfeller, the TriPlains-Brewster Titans fell short Friday night, losing to the WheatlandThunderhawks, 34-14.

The Thunderhawks started the game with a kick-off return of their own for a touchdown, fol- hawks scoreless for the rest of lowed by a successful two-point the first quarter, with the score reconversion, giving them an 8-0 lead.

'Hawks was returned by Brett Gfeller for a touchdown, and the Titans' Spencer Holm took the pitch-out on an option from Gfeller into the endzone for the extra points to tie the game.

The Titans' defense held on the next series, forcing the 'Hawks to a successful offensive drive in the punt. Gfeller returned the punt 32 yards, but the Titans were unable to convert on fourth down.

The 'Hawks took over, but were also forced to punt.

yard, giving the Titans great field position on the 12 yard line. Tad Sheets ran the ball up the

Despite a 75 yard kick-off return middle for 5 yards. Gfeller followed with a quarterback keeper for the touchdown. The Titans' extra point attempt failed when Holm was unable to connect with Ethan Plummer.

The Titans held the Thundermaining 14-8.

The second quarter belonged The ensuing kick off by the entirely to the 'Hawks, however, as they scored 20 unanswered points and took a 28-14 lead into the half.

> The third quarter was a defensive battle, with neither team scoring.

fourth quarter, and the 'Hawks scored their final touchdown to extend their lead to 20 points.

Gfeller attempted a field goal for

The punt netted negative one the Titans from the 23 with 10 seconds left in the game, but the kick fell short and Wheatland-Grinnell took home the victory.

Leading the team in stats was Gfeller with 81 yards rushing, 16 tackles and 120 yards on kick-off returns

Tad Sheets had 31 yards rushing, four yards receiving, and 13 total tackles.

Spencer Holm had two yards rushing, four yards receiving, and five tackles.

Freshman Daymond Hanley had nine yards rushing and four tackles. Clay Rogge had 15 tackles and a fumble recovery.

Josh Llewellyn, Lane Ochs, Dalton Wright and Ethan Plummer all contributed defensively.

Coach Dennis Gfeller said he The Titans were unable to mount was pleased with his defense and expects to make adjustments to the offense before their game this week against Cheylin, at 7 p.m. Friday in Brewster.



**KEVIN BOTTRELL/Colby Free Press** Colby High senior running back Ethan Stickel ran for a 60-yard touchdown during the first half of the varsity game against St. Francis last Friday at Dennen Field.

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