

Trojans lose a nailbiter



The Colby Community College men's basketball team was just one free throw away from doing something it that had never been done in the school's history.

On Saturday, the Trojans had an opportunity to win at No. 9 Hutchinson for the first time ever. Sophomore Ethan Stover got fouled while shooting a three-pointer with 2.5 seconds left. The Blue Dragons were leading the Trojans 57-55. Stover made his first two free throws to tie the game, but his third was off the mark and the game went into overtime.

Hutchinson dominated the overtime, outscoring Colby 21-4. The Trojans' frustrations over a large foul disparity between the two teams boiled over in overtime, leading to sophomore Jordan Michelson being ejected after picking up two technical fouls. The Blue Dragons shot 21 more free throws than the Trojans in the game. In the second half Hutchinson shot 33 free throws while Colby only got 11.

Colby trailed the Blue Dragons 27-19 at the half. Hutchinson expanded its lead early in the second half before the Trojans came roaring back. Colby ended up outscoring the Blue Dragons 38-30 in the half.

Coach Dustin Pfeifer said his team gave Hutchinson trouble when they applied a 2-3 matchup zone in the second half.

"We were quick with our reads and everyone was where they needed to be," said Pfeifer.

Sophomore Aireus Stephenson had a team-high 18 points and 4 assists and Michelson had 14 points and 8 rebounds. Michelson went 6 of 11 from the field. Freshman Regis Schafer had 10 points and 4 assists. He went 3 of 7 from three-point range. Freshman Corey Woofler had 10 rebounds.

In addition to Michelson's two, Pfeifer picked up a technical with

Trojans' freshman Corey Woofler (pictured here taking a jumper against Seward Community College on Jan. 18) and the rest of the Colby Community College men's basketball team suffered a close loss to Hutchinson in overtime 78-61 on Saturday.

5.6 seconds left in overtime.

The Trojans' defense forced 24 Blue Dragons turnovers. Colby struggled from the three-point line, making only 3 of 13 shots.

With loss, the Trojans dropped to 6-15 and 0-7 in the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Con-

ference. The men will play Barton County Community College at 8 p.m. tonight at the Community Building. Michelson will not be playing, because if a player gets ejected from a game, the league makes them sit out the next one.

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Lady Bulldogs senior can't prevent 59-47 loss

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The Brewster High Lady Bulldogs senior Nichelle Erskine dominated the boards on Tuesday night against the visiting Trenton Falcons from Nebraska, but the Lady 'Dawgs still lost 59-47.

The home team started out

strong, and the girls were only behind 10-8 at the end of the first quarter. The second quarter was an offensive battle that saw both teams score 13 points. The Lady Bulldogs trailed the Falcons 23-21 at the break.

The Falcons came out strong in the third, though, and outscored Brewster 21-12. The Lady Bulldogs couldn't quite narrow the

gap in the fourth, despite scoring only one point less than their opponent.

Leading scorer for Brewster was Erskine with 21 points. Junior Kasey Hoyt had 12, freshman Amber Barrie 6 and senior Rose Bear and junior Nicole Connell 4 each.

The girls will face Weskan at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Brewster.

Colby College womens team lose 83-45 to Hutchinson

The Colby College Lady Trojans took a pounding from Hutchinson 83-45 in a road game Saturday.

Sophomore Tasha Wagoner had to leave the game halfway through the first half after getting hit in the head by an elbow while battling for a layup. She was later diagnosed with a concussion.

Sophomore Danisha Cole led the team in scoring with 15 and freshman Alecia Palm added 12.

Palm hit 4 of 5 three-pointers. Freshman Crystal Kinderknecht grabbed 10 rebounds.

The Lady Trojans shot 22 percent from the field and were outrebounded 68-33. Hutchinson

outscored Colby 42-24 in the first half and 43-19 in the second.

With the loss the Lady Trojans dropped to 2-19 and 0-7 in the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference.

They play Barton County Community College at 6:30 p.m. tonight at the Community Building.

Brewster boys lose hard-fought game

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In an exciting game that see-sawed back and forth, the Brewster Bulldogs came up short Tuesday night, losing to the visiting Trenton Falcons from Nebraska 59-56.

The 'Dawgs came out strong defensively, incorporating a tough full-court press. Senior Devan Selby hit a pair of three-point shots and the 'Dawgs and the Falcons were tied at 13 at the end of the first quarter.

The second quarter was one of the best for scoring all the season for the 'Dawgs, as they racked 17 points. Senior Troy Albers had an outstanding first half, scoring one-third of the team's points. The Falcons also excelled offensively, but the Bulldogs led 30-29 at halftime.

The Falcons turned up the defense in the third, holding the 'Dawgs to only 8 points, while they poured in 12, most of them on threes. The Nebraska team led 41-38 at the end of the fourth.

Senior Ryan Allen stepped up in the fourth to sink a couple of three-pointers and senior Spencer Holm also added a three. With the score tied at 56 and just seconds to go, Selby missed a driving layup, and the Falcons raced to the other end of the court and hit a three. With the clock ticking down, the Bulldogs were unable to score, and the Falcons won 59-56.

Leading scorer for the 'Dawgs was Albers with 17. Selby had 15, including three three pointers. Allen had 10, Holm 7, senior Seth Ackerman 4, and freshman Daymond Hanley 3. In junior varsity action, the Bulldogs won 18-17 in two quarters.

The Bulldogs will play Weskan at 8 p.m. Thursday at Brewster.

K-State guard turns season around

WACO, Texas (AP) — The cure for Kansas State guard Jacob Pullen's shooting woes: watching film and a talk from coach Frank Martin.

Pullen scored 25 points, with six 3-pointers and the game-winning free throws Tuesday night as No. 11 Kansas State beat No. 24 Baylor 76-74 to end the Bears' school-record 11-game home winning streak.

"It was no big deal to me," Pullen said of his slump. "It was mental and mechanical. I felt great, like I got back into my rhythm."

Pullen's final points were two free throws with 8.2 seconds remaining as the first game at the Ferrell Center that matched ranked teams turned out to be a thriller.

While Pullen has scored in double figures in every game this season for the Wildcats (17-3, 4-2 Big 12), he was coming off a five-game stretch in which he

made only 17 of 68 shots (25 percent) — and only 2 of 15 in each of the last two games.

Against the Bears, Pullen made 7-of-11 shots and missed only one 3-pointer.

"I should have said something to him about two weeks ago. His practice habits had slipped a little bit," Martin said. "It's not his fault. Those freshmen (in practice) aren't ready to deal with him every single day, so things are a little easy for him. ... We talked and he's been just tremendous the last two days. He just zoned in."

Kansas State is back home to play No. 2 Kansas on Saturday while Baylor heads to sixth-ranked Texas for the continuation of a brutal Big 12 stretch which began last week with an 81-75 loss at the Jayhawks.

"It's very frustrating, but we have to let this one go," Carter said.

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