

Eagles win two over Goodland

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It wasn't always pretty, but the Colby High Eagles won both sides of a doubleheader Thursday at Goodland. The Eagles won a 13-10 slugfest against the Cowboys in game one, and excellent pitching by Garrett Rogers propelled Colby to a 9-4 victory in the second game.

The Eagles jumped out to a 4-0 lead after two innings in game one, thanks to a combination of solid hitting and defensive errors by Goodland.

Senior Preston Krzycki made a nice stop on a hard-hit grounder by Goodland's Dallas DeLaRosa and fired it to first for an out in the bottom of the second. The Eagles scored another run in the top of the third when senior Ethan Stickel scampered in on a wild pitch, giving Colby a 5-0 lead.

The Cowboys' Devon Garrett stretched a single into a double in the bottom of the third, taking advantage of a lackadaisical Colby defense. He eventually scored when Krzycki dropped a fly ball in shallow left center, cutting the Eagles' lead to 5-1. Goodland picked up another run before the Cowboys Brook Redlin slammed a single that narrowed the gap to 5-3.

Krzycki hit a triple over the center fielder's head in the top of the fourth. He went on to score on a wild pitch, giving Colby a 6-3 lead. Then senior Sam Kendrick belted a triple over the right fielder's head, scoring sophomore Braden Sager to make it 7-3.

The Cowboys came storming back in the bottom of the fourth. Kevin Amthor of Goodland singled off of senior Brandon Rasmussen, driving in two runs and cutting Colby's lead to 7-5. Amthor went on to score on a sacrifice ground ball to shortstop by DeLaRosa.

Then the Cowboys' Redlin drove in another run, smashing a double just over the outstretched arm of Stickel in left to tie the game at 7.

Rasmussen pounded a line-drive triple to right center that got past Goodland's center fielder, scoring

his younger brother, sophomore Jordan Rasmussen, to put the Eagles in front 8-7. Colby tacked on two more runs to make it 10-7 before the inning ended.

The Eagles scored another run in the top of the sixth to go up 11-7. The Cowboys scored three in the bottom of the sixth, narrowing the gap to 11-10.

Senior Chaz Winger pounded a blistering line drive over the Cowboys left fielder, scoring two runs in the top of the seventh. Winger was thrown out at third trying to stretch a double into a triple. The two runners had already crossed home, so the runs counted, stretching the Eagles' lead to 13-10.

Rogers made a nice dig on a throw to first by third baseman Sager in the bottom of the seventh. Krzycki made a great read on a grounder up the middle, fielding the sharply hit ball and firing it to first for the second out. Rasmussen got a batter to ground out to Sager for the third out, giving Colby a 13-10 win.

Rogers' steady pitching guided Colby to a 9-4 win in the second game. The senior looked cool, calm and collected during seven innings on the mound.

Krzycki smashed a double to right, scoring Winger to give the Eagles a 1-0 lead in the top of the first. Sager drove in Jordan Rasmussen with a single to left, stretching the Eagles' lead to 2-0.

Goodland picked up a run of their own in the bottom of the first, cutting Colby's lead to 2-1. Kendrick scored on a bunt by freshman Todd Kane in the top of the second to recapture a two-point advantage.

Rogers battled his way out of a dangerous situation in the bottom of the second. With runners on second and third and no outs, he struck out two straight batters and got the third one to ground out.

Later, with Colby leading 3-2, Winger scored on a wild pitch after doubling to left center to start the top of the fifth. The Eagles scored one more to go up 5-2. Sophomore Caleb Carter slammed a double into past the Cowboys' right fielder, scoring Stickel and giving Colby a 6-2 lead in the top of the sixth. The Eagles scored



Colby High senior Brandon Rasmussen slid into home during the first half of a doubleheader Thursday at Goodland. Despite the effort, the pitcher was out.

one more run and led 7-2 by the end of the inning.

Colby went on to win 9-4. The Cowboys last two runs were due

to defensive errors by Colby in the bottom of the seventh.

Earlier in the week, the Eagles swept Ulysses in a doubleheader on a windy Tuesday. The Eagles slipped by the Tigers 6-4 in game one and they put on a hitting clinic in the second game, crushing Ulysses 17-6.

Krzycki picked up the win, giving up four runs in 6 1/3 innings.

The Tigers went up 1-0 in the bottom of the first, but the Eagles tied the game in the top of the third. Colby went ahead 2-1 in the fourth, but Ulysses recaptured the lead by scoring two runs in the bottom of the fourth for a 3-2 lead.

The Eagles fought back, scoring two in the top of the fifth to make it 4-3. Colby tacked on another two runs in the top of the sixth, giving the team a 6-3 lead. The Tigers scored one in the sixth, cutting the lead to 6-4.

Rasmussen replaced Krzycki with one out and runners on first and second in the seventh. Krzycki swapped placed Rasmussen at shortstop.

The first batter Rasmussen faced hit a line drive to Krzycki, who caught the ball and tagged second before the lead runner could make it back, giving Colby a 6-4 win.

Sager got the win in the second game. He gave up six runs, two of them earned, in six innings. The Eagles' bats were scorching in the 17-6 win.

The game ended after six innings due to the 10-run rule. If a team is ahead by more than 10 after five full innings, and the opposing team has already batted, they are declared the winner.

"We did a great job of putting the ball in play with two outs," said coach Rick Williams. "We were absolutely right on the ball. We hit line drive after line drive up the middle."

Williams said the boys were starting to come together as a team.

With the wins, the Eagles improved to 5-1. They will play Russell in a doubleheader starting at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the Colby Recreation Fields.

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