

Eagles win two in triumphant doubleheader

The Eagles baseball team dominated a doubleheader at Holcomb on Tuesday. Colby demolished Holcomb 13-1 in game one and 17-4 in the game two.

Both games ended early because of the 10-run rule. If a team is leading by more than 10 points after the fifth inning and the opposing team has already batted, they are declared the winner. The first game ended after five innings and the second game ended after six.

Senior Brandon Rasmussen got the win in the first game. He gave up one earned run on five hits in five innings. Rasmussen allowed no walks and struck out six.

Rasmussen gave up his only run in the bottom of the first, giving Holcomb a 1-0 lead. But the boys scored five runs in the top of the second to go up 5-1. Senior Preston Krzycki drove in two of the runs with a single. The Eagles scored five more runs in the top of the fourth to make it 10-1. Senior Chaz Winger drove in two of the runs with a single.

The boys scored three more runs in the top of the fifth, stretching their lead to 13-1. A double by senior Sam Kendrick scored two of the runs.

"He has been a pleasant surprise for us at the plate," coach Rick Williams said.

Rasmussen pitched a scoreless inning in the bottom of the fifth and Colby picked up the win.

Rasmussen went three for three with one run batted in and Kendrick went two for four with three runs batted in. Winger went two for four with two runs batted in and Krzycki had three runs batted in.

Senior Garrett Rogers got the win in the Eagles' 17-4 victory over Holcomb in game two. He allowed four unearned runs on two hits in six innings while striking out nine.

"He's pitching with a lot of confidence right now," Williams said.

Williams said his pitchers have been working on drills in practice focused on mechanics. He said Rogers has simplified his delivery and his mechanics are a lot smoother than they were last season.

Clutch hitting fueled the Eagles' victory over the Longhorns in the second game. In the third and fourth inning, Colby managed to score three runs despite having their first two batters retired in each inning.

The boys led 3-2 going into the top of the third. Winger hit a double with two outs and nobody on base. Freshman Macen Shull slapped a single scoring Winger to make it 4-2. Then Rasmussen drove in Shull with a single, giving the Eagles a 5-2 lead. Moments later, Krzycki drove in Rasmussen with a single, stretching Colby's lead to 6-2.

The Longhorns scored two unearned runs in the bottom of the third, cutting the Eagles' lead to 6-4. Colby responded by scoring three runs in the top of the fourth.

Winger jumpstarted the Eagles' offense in the fourth by hitting a triple with two outs and nobody on. Then Shull singled scoring Winger and stretching the boy's lead to 7-4. Moments later, Shull scored on a triple by Rasmussen that extended the Eagles' lead to 8-4. Krzycki drove in Rasmussen with a double to make it 9-4 before the inning came to an end.

Williams said the key hits with two outs in the third and fourth blew the game open. He added that the clutch hits showed how his team never gives up.

"Down to the last out or at bat, they just keep battling," he said.

Rogers was a dominant force on the mound for the rest of the game, allowing no base runners for the rest of the game. The Eagles scored two more runs in the top of the fifth and tacked on six more in the top of the sixth to make it 17-4. Rogers allowed no



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Colby High freshman Zachary Stones prepared to fire a pitch at the Eagles' baseball practice Wednesday at Young Memorial Field. The Eagles swept Holcomb 13-1 and 17-4 in a road game on Tuesday.

runs in the bottom of the sixth and Colby got the win.

Rasmussen went two for four with three runs batted in and Winger went two for three with a double and a triple. Krzycki went two for three and went two for five with two runs batted in.

The Eagles improved to 8-2.

Bulldog freshman wins three medals at Hoxie track meet

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Golden Plains High freshman Angela Ritter took three medals, including a first in the 400-meter dash, in her first track meet with a time of 1 minute, 7.95 seconds April 9 in Hoxie.

Ritter placed in all three events she entered in the Bulldogs' first meet of the season.

"I was apprehensive about going out for track this year," Ritter said, "but I'm glad I did."

On the boys side, junior Rilee Spreser snared first in the shot put with a heave of 43 feet, 10 inches. Sophomore Kalyn Weber took second in the 200-meter dash with 24.34 and Cole Christensen finished third in the high jump with a leap of 6 feet.

Weber came in fourth in the 100 meters with 12.21 and junior Devinn Ritter took fourth in the shot put with 40' 11.5". The 4-by-400 relay team of Jonathan Broeckelman, Christensen, freshman Andrew Luna and Kalyn We-

ber took fourth with 4:00.65.

Senior Jarrett Marker took fifth in the javelin with a throw of 127 feet, 8 inches and Rilee Spreser finished in the high jump with 5' 4". Senior Issac Broeckelman, Jonathan's twin, came in sixth in the 110-meter hurdles with 18.46 while senior Jonathan finished sixth in the 400 meters with 59.87.

On the girls side, Ritter came in third in the 200-meter dash with 30.36 and fourth in the 100 meters with 5.25. Junior Avery Spreser snared fourth in the triple jump with 29. Sophomore Viridiana Beltran took fifth in the 100 meter-dash with 1:12.9 and the 200-meter dash with 31.69.

Junior Rachel Bomba came in fifth in the shot put with 29. Avery Spreser finished fifth in the long jump with 13' 1". Beltran took sixth in the 100-meter dash with 15.78. Senior Jenna Brugge- man snared sixth in javelin with a throw of 85' 6" and the shot put with 28.

The Bulldogs next meet will be at 3 p.m. Friday at Oakley.

College student named reserve champion rider

Months of practice and countless hours of travel have resulted in a trip to the national horse show competition in Lexington, Ky., for Colby Community College student Devon Felts.

Felts, a freshman from Manhattan, competed April 10 at the International Horse Show Association Zones Horse Show hosted by West Texas A & M University in Canyon. Sophomore Neil Melton, Courtland, also rode in the event.

Felts was named Reserve Champion in Intermediate Flat, qualifying her for nationals May 6-9 in

Lexington.

The association provides collegiate riders the opportunity to participate individually and as teams in equestrian competition. It was founded on the principle that any college student should be able to participate in horse shows, regardless of ability or financial status.

The equestrian team at Colby Community College is coached by Shanda Mattix.

"This is a huge accomplishment for a freshman rider," said Mattix. "She'll be a great representative for CCC."

They play Lakin in a doubleheader starting at 4 p.m. Thursday at Young Memorial Field.

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