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Colby High sophomore Dustin Reed tried to gain control of his opponent Friday during the Eagles' dual against Burlington from Colorado on Friday in the high school gymnasium.

Eagles win first dual; place third in tourney

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The Eagles wrestling team kicked off its season with a 44-24 win over Burlington in a dual on Friday at the Colby High School gymnasium and finished third at the Gabel/Jenkins wrestling tournament in St. Francis with 137 points.

Sophomore Dustin Reed, wrestling in the 112 pound class; sophomore Zell Bieberle, 285; junior Konner Kriss, 130; senior Andrew Flanagan, 171; sophomore Ryan Moore, 135; junior Andrew Elling, 152; and freshman Andrew Taylor, 160; all won their dual matches against the team from Colorado. Junior Brandon Leth won by forfeit.

Flanagan, Taylor, Moore and Bieberle all pinned their opponents and Kriss won by major decision. Bieberle pinned his opponent with two seconds left in

the third period and Moore got his pin with about seven seconds left in sudden death.

Junior Dryden Baumfalk won a competitive battle at 125. He and his opponent were tied with six points after three rounds, but Baumfalk eventually picked up the victory after getting a take-down in sudden death.

Sophomore Quade Woofler lost his match 7-4 at 140 and David Mainus lost a 4-2 decision at 103. Junior Devon Schlageck, 119, sophomore Troy Quenzer, 185; and Josh Middleton, 215; were all pinned.

Kriss, Bieberle, Baumfalk and Reed all took first in their pound classes at St. Francis and Flanagan finished second. It was first time Bieberle has come in first at a varsity event, the coach said.

Bieberle went 6-2 in varsity action last season before an injury sidelined him for the rest of the year.

"It was a good start for Zell,"

coach Matt Sims said.

Norton took first in the tournament with 194.5 and Goodland finished second with 144 despite having only one wrestler finish first in his weight class.

Sims said Goodland had a lot of its wrestlers finish second or third in their pound classes while Colby had five wrestlers finish fourth. The five fourth place finishers were Taylor, Schlageck, Mainus, Brandon Leth and Woofler. The coach said if the five wrestlers who finished fourth had come in third Colby would have finished ahead of Goodland.

The coach said the team is going to take their lumps this year due to the large number of younger wrestlers on the team. He said the effort he has seen from his team has been good thus far.

The Eagles take on St. Francis in a triangular at 5 p.m. Thursday at the high school gym.

Chiefs win low-scoring league game

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — One of the greatest efforts of his career left Champ Bailey with only an empty feeling.

The Denver cornerback didn't merely shut down the hottest wide receiver in the NFL. He stopped him cold, turned him from hero to zero — as in no touchdowns, no catches, no anything.

Kansas City's Dwayne Bowe, who'd had at least one touchdown catch in a team-record seven straight games, was shut out entirely Sunday. It may have been one of the finest performances a defensive back has had all year. But it came in a 10-6 loss to the Chiefs that dropped the Broncos to 3-9.

"It's one of those bittersweet moments because we got the loss," Bailey said. "I did what I had to do. He didn't have any catches. If I could have done a little more maybe we could have won. I just hate when you have a game like that and you don't even win. It takes away from it."

Jamaal Charles ran for 116 yards and Matt Cassel threw a 3-yard pass to a wide open Leonard Pope for the only touchdown to help the Chiefs (8-4) improve to 6-0 at home and remain in first place in the AFC West.

Bowe did catch two passes. But on the first, the Broncos prevailed in a replay when he was ruled out of bounds. And on the second, the play was called back when Bowe was flagged for pass interference.

"He has been doing that since I've known him," Bailey said. "I always warn the refs about it, so when they see it they call it. It was a great call by the ref. I told Bowe to just keep fighting. I told him I was proud of the way he has grown up and he is playing

like I expected him to."

Bowe didn't hide from the fact that Bailey got the better of their matchup.

"He's the best defender I ever went up against, and he told me that I'm one of the greatest he's ever gone against," Bowe said. "As we battled it out, he said, 'My game plan was to not let you get anything.'

"I think I've grown up and I don't let that stuff bother me. As long as there's a 'W' at the end of the day and I ran well and blocked well, I'm OK with that."

It was a vengeance game for Kansas City, making up for the 20-point humiliation the Chiefs suffered in Denver three weeks earlier, a game where they set a team record by falling behind 35-0 in the first half.

"The performance they put on us three weeks ago was disheartening. It was embarrassing," cornerback Brandon Carr said. "We had a sick feeling in us."

Knowshon Moreno ran for 161 yards for the Broncos in their 17th loss in their last 22 games under coach Josh McDaniels.

McDaniels, who was snubbed in the postgame handshake by Chiefs coach Todd Haley after the 49-29 loss in Denver, actually got a postgame hug and a pat on the head this time.

"There were some penalties and turnovers and different things that kind of swayed momentum a little bit," McDaniels said. "We just never could finish once we got down there in the red zone. They deserve a lot of credit, that's why they're where they're at. They played and coached well today. That's why they are on top of the division."

Lady Eagles take third; hammer Garden City

The Lady Eagles basketball team finished third at the Hays City Shoot-out this weekend.

After winning their first round game against Great Bend on Thursday, Colby suffered a 40-35 loss to Newton on Friday and hammered Garden City 42-19 Saturday in a game where the girls scored 26 unanswered points.

Both games were played at Hays High School.

Coach Parker McKee said the team was excited to get two wins in the tournament, although they would have rather won three.

Colby went on a 12-0 run, giving them a 12-4 lead during the first half against Newton.

The Lady Eagles got several rebounds during the run, despite being the smaller team. Senior Katrina Kaus scored off a rebound to put the girls up 7-4 at the end of the first quarter.

Senior Katherine Kaus, Katrina's twin sister, did a spin move and hit a shot from the free-throw line to make it 12-4 in the second quarter.

The Lady Railers went on a run of their own, cutting Colby's lead to 14-12 by halftime. Newton scored the first six points of the third, giving them a four-point lead.

Later in the quarter, senior Kayla Hockersmith nailed one of her three three-pointers, tying the game at 20. The two team's were tied at 24 at the end of the quarter.

Senior Kelsey Shields made a shot over the Lady Railers' 6' 4" post player to make it 29-28 Colby in the fourth. Later on, Newton scored four straight points, giving them a 36-31 lead. They hung on to the lead and won 40-35.

Katherine Kaus led the team with 12 points and Hockersmith added 11. Shields and junior Morgan Bell both scored 4 and Katrina Kaus and sophomore Lauren Bell, Morgan's sister, had 2 each.

The Lady Eagles 26-0 run propelled them to an easy 42-19 victory over Garden City.

Garden City's scoring drought started with more than three minutes left in the first quarter and ended in the third quarter.

"The kids relaxed and let the game come to them," the coach said.

The Lady Buffaloes scored the first eight points prompting the McKee to call a time out to get his team settled down. Then freshman Kenzie Curry knocked down a three-pointer. Later in the quarter, Hockersmith tied the game

at 8 with a jumper from the free-throw line. Colby out-scored the Lady Buffaloes 13-0 in the second quarter, giving them a 21-8 lead at the half.

Katherine Kaus scored the first two buckets of the third, including a three pointer, before the Lady Buffaloes' finally scored. The Lady Eagles responded by going on a 7-0 run to make it 33-10. They went on to win 42-19.

Katherine Kaus was Colby's high point scorer, finishing with 9. Hockersmith and Curry added 7 each and Kaus and Lauren Bell both had 5. Junior Emilea Finley scored 4, Morgan Bell had 3, and senior Caitlyn Wark chipped in 2.

The girls held the Lady Buffaloes to 22 percent shooting from the field. Colby had 13 assists to the Lady Buffaloes 0 and the Lady Eagles' bench outscored Garden City's 18-5. The girls had 12 steals, four by Hockersmith. Colby shot 42 percent from the field.

Katherine Kaus and Shields were named to the all-tournament team and Katrina Kaus made the all-academic team.

With the win, Colby improved to 2-1. They play Hays in their home opener at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Community Building.

Colby High basketball team still searching for first victory

The Colby High boys basketball team lost two games at the Hays City Shoot-out this weekend.

The Eagles fell to Thomas More Prep-Marian from Hays 52-45 on Friday and they lost to Garden City 52-38 Saturday. Both games were played at Felton Middle School in Hays.

Senior Kale Aramberger got his team off to a fast start against Marian, scoring 10 points in the first quarter. The Eagles had a 10-2 lead at one point in the first half, but the Monarchs whittled away at the lead and only trailed 25-23 at the half.

The Monarchs built up a lead in the second half and won 52-45.

Aramberger had a team-high 12 and senior Corbin Stephens added 9. Sophomore Zane Winger scored 8, senior Clint Goosen chipped in 6, senior Spencer Tubbs, 5, junior Braden Sager, 4. Goosen led the team with 6 rebounds.

Coach Jerad Johnson said free throws played a major role in the game's outcome. Colby only made 7 of 20 free throws, while the Monarchs made 25 of 36.

The Eagles shot almost 43 percent from the field, and they held Marian to about 27 percent. The coach said the boys played very good defense. Colby was out-rebounded 33-30. Colby turned the ball over 21 times to Marian's 14.

Sager scored the first bucket of the game against

Garden City on a pick-and-roll. Sophomore Todd Kane fed Winger for a bucket, giving Colby a 7-3 lead in the first quarter. The Buffaloes scored the next four points, tying the game at 7 at the end of the first quarter.

Stephens hit a running jumper in the lane to make it 9-7 early in the second quarter. Later in the quarter, the Buffaloes scored eight unanswered points, giving them a 21-11 lead. They led 23-15 at the half.

Garden City went on a 10-2 run to start the second half. The Buffaloes expanded their lead to 31-13 at one point in the third quarter. Colby went on a 9-0 run that cut the Buffaloes' lead to 37-26. The boys trailed Garden City 39-26 at the end of the third.

A reverse layup by Goosen narrowed the gap to 41-33 in the fourth. The Buffaloes prevented Colby from cutting any further into their lead. They won 52-38.

Stephens was the team's high point man, finishing with 13 and Goosen had 12 and made five of six shots.

Although the Eagles were unable to get a victory, the coach still took some positive things away from the tournament.

He said the boys stepped up and weathered runs by their opponents pretty well.

"The kids won't give up," the coach said. "Things will get better."

Kansas State survives close road game

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — The delirious crowd inside Beasley Coliseum had gone from derisive chants about Saturday's Apple Cup football game against Washington, to an ear-piercing din as Washington State took the lead in the closing minutes.

Exactly the kind of situation Kansas State coach Frank Martin wanted his No. 5 Wildcats to face, especially with preseason all-American Jacob Pullen a non-factor offensively.

"It's definitely important. It shows that we have other ways to score, that we are deeper," Curtis Kelly said.

Rodney McGruder scored 15 points, hitting two key 3-point-

ers midway through second half, Kelly also had 15 points and the Wildcats made up for an off night from their star in a 63-58 victory over Washington State on Friday night in the Big 12/Pac-10 Hardwood Series.

Pullen wasn't completely absent from having a hand in this victory. He hit two free throws with 9.1 seconds left that finally sealed a challenging road victory for the Wildcats, their first road win over a Pac-10 team since 1980.

It was one of the few enjoyable moments for Pullen, who rarely got open looks and when he did, his shot was off. Pullen was just 2 of 11 from the field and finished with eight points, just the sec-

ond time in 44 games dating to his sophomore season Pullen has failed to score in double figures.

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