

Brewster breaks into triple digits



Brewster's J.R. Baird shot a free throw in the Bulldogs' Friday night victory over Ransom.

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Brewster hosted Ransom Friday night and broke into triple digits with their eighth win of the season defeating the Longhorns 112-27.

This is the only game the boys have in 29 days — going back to mid-December — until they enter into the toughest parts of their season.

Tuesday, January 16th, Brewster will play Tribune at home and then leave for Dodge City to play in the Tournament of Champions on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

Tuesday, January 23rd they will host the state-ranked Quinter Bulldogs at Brewster playing their 5th game in seven days against some tough ranked teams and schools from the 6A to 3A classification in the Dodge City tournament.

So with these unusual circumstances, the varsity played more minutes Friday against the Longhorns than they normally would in a game situation of this type.

The Bulldogs started out fast and ended the first quarter leading 39-7.

The pressure defense stifled the young Longhorn team from the start of the game.

In the second quarter it was more of the same with the 'Dawgs taking a 66-9 lead to the locker room at the half. Brewster shot 16 of 24 from two point range, while they were 10 of 13 from beyond the arc shooting 70 percent from the field the first half.

In the third quarter, the Bulldogs put up 27 points as Ransom could only manage 5 in the eight minute period increasing the 'Dawgs lead to 93-14. The coaches used the starting five, but mixed players and rotations throughout the entire contest.

P.J. Crumbaker drove the lane and laid the ball in, putting Brewster into triple digits with about 5 minutes to play in the game.

Jay Reid led all scores with 27 points, 8 steals, 3 assists, 1 rebound and a blocked shot while Brett Arnberger tossed in 26 points, 7 steals, 7 assists, 2 rebounds, and 1 blocked shot in the

game.

Crumbaker had 17 points, 2 steals, and 3 assists with Justin Jamison adding 7 along with 5 rebounds, 2 steals, and an assist with 1 block. Rounding out the starting five's stats was Clint Horinek with 5 points, 3 steals, 4 assists, 3 rebounds and a block.

Brewster saw great play from the bench. Those scoring were JR Baird with 10 points, Jacob Falcon 9, Bobby Tubbs 6, Rob Garner 2, and Jarrett Carpenter with 1 point. John Luckert had 2 steals and 2 rebounds with Travis Dixon recording 2 steals and 1 rebound.

Overall, Brewster shot 44 of 70 for 63 percent from the field for the game. They were 12 of 18 from the free throw line for 67 percent. As a team they had only 11 turnovers.

The girls will be playing in the Western Kansas Liberty League tournament this week and the boys will be idle with their next home game against Tribune on January 16th.

Cowboys finish third at Liberal

Six Cowboy wrestlers placed at the Liberal tournament, but that was short of what Coach Chris Guillot had hoped for as the team finished third behind Colby and Liberal.

"We wrestled OK," Guillot said. "I was really looking to place eight in the tournament. We fell short of our goal, but we were close.

We really need to wrestle a full six minutes and we will win a few more matches," Guillot said. "We are going to pull the intensity out of them."

"Curtis Swager had his best tournament," Guillot said. "He wrestled really well."

Swager was the tournament champion in the heavyweight division.

Bryce Bahe also was the tournament champion in the 130 pound division. Others placing for the Cowboys were Bruce Abbey who was second in the 125 pound division; Blayze Bahe who finished third in the 103 pound division; Kyle Whisler who finished fourth at 135 pounds and Thomas Tompkins who finished fifth at 189 pounds.

Colby won the Liberal tournament with 234 1/2 points. Liberal was a close second at 230 points. Goodland was third with 178 1/2, and Ponderosa was fourth with 177.

This week the Cowboys will host the Atwood Buffaloes Friday at Max Jones Fieldhouse. Saturday the junior varsity team will travel to Hays for a tournament beginning at 8:30 a.m., and the varsity wrestlers will travel to Oberlin for a tournament which begins at 9 a.m.

Individual results

- 103 - Blayze Bahe, Third
- 112 - Kyle Schulte, (1-2)
- 119 - Nick Gray (2-2)
- 125 - Bryce Abbey, Second
- 130 - Bryce Bahe, First
- 135 - Kyle Whisler, Fourth
- 140 - Taylor Brack, (3-2)
- 145 - Max Saint, (1-2)
- 152 - Shandon Wolak, (1-2)
- 160 - Chris Zimmerman, (1-2)
- 171 - Jordan Bedore, (2-2)
- 189 - Thomas Tompkins, Fifth
- 215 - Brandon Nemechek, (0-2)
- Hwt - Curtis Swager, First

Stanford takes over top spot in college basketball poll

By Jim O'Connell

AP Basketball Writer

Stanford moved into the No. 1 spot in The Associated Press' college basketball poll Monday, the second straight season the Cardinal have held the top spot.

They went from second to first, replacing Michigan State, which lost 59-58 at Indiana on a buzzer-beating 3-pointer. Kirk Haston's game-winner on Sunday ended the nation's longest winning streak at 23 games and whittled the number of unbeaten Division I teams to four.

The Cardinal (13-0), whose No. 1 ranking last season was the first in school history, received all 70 first-place votes and 1,750 points from the

nfl playoffs

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Baltimore's Keith Washington blocked a field-goal attempt and Anthony Mitchell returned it 90 yards for the go-ahead score as the Ravens again brought out the worst in Al Del Greco in beating the Tennessee Titans 24-10.

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — After Ron Dixon knocked the wind out of the Philadelphia Eagles on the opening kickoff, Jason Sehorn and the New York Giants defense never let them recover.

Dixon raced almost untouched for 97 yards and Sehorn tipped a ball to himself and scored on a spectacular 32-yard interception return as the Giants defeated the Eagles 20-10 to advance to the NFC title game for the first time since 1990.

The Giants (13-4) will face Minnesota (12-5) here next week for the right to go to Tampa, Fla., on Jan. 28 for the Super Bowl.

MINNEAPOLIS — Minnesota's 34-16 win Saturday over the New Orleans Saints put the Vikings into the NFC championship game next Sunday, against the New York Giants.

OAKLAND, Calif. — Oakland cornerback Tony James' 90-yard interception return started the Raiders on a 27-0 rout of the Dolphins on Saturday and advanced Oakland to the AFC championship game.

national media panel. Stanford, which beat Arizona State and Arizona on the road this week, is the first unanimous No. 1 since North Carolina on Dec. 22, 1997, and is the fourth team to be on top of the rankings this season.

Duke (13-1), whose only loss this season was by one point at Stanford, moved from third to second and had 1,667 points. Michigan State (12-1), which held the top spot for two weeks after replacing Duke, was third and was followed by Tennessee and Kansas, which both moved up two places from last week.

Wake Forest, which was knocked from the ranks of the unbeatens on Saturday by North Carolina, dropped from fourth to No. 6 and was followed in the Top Ten by Illinois, Florida, North Carolina and Virginia.

Syracuse moved up three spots to lead the Second Ten and was followed by Georgetown, Connecticut, Maryland, Seton Hall, Alabama, Wisconsin, Iowa State, Southern California and Mississippi.

The last five ranked teams were Arizona, Oklahoma, Texas, Boston College and Notre Dame.

Boston College (11-0) was the week's only newcomer to the Top 25. The Eagles, who are off to the best start in school history, are one of the other unbeatens along with Georgetown (13-0) and unranked Baylor (12-0).

The Eagles, who were last ranked on Jan. 20, 1997, replaced Cincinnati, which dropped from No. 25. The Bearcats (10-3) won their only game last week, 76-66 over Charlotte, but that wasn't enough to keep them from

falling out of the rankings for the first time since Jan. 18, 1998.

The other team to be ranked No. 1 this season was Arizona, which held the top spot in the preseason poll and for the first two weeks of the regular season. The four No. 1 teams matches the total from all last season when Connecticut held it in the preseason poll, Cincinnati had it for a total of 12 weeks, Stanford for five and Duke for the final poll.

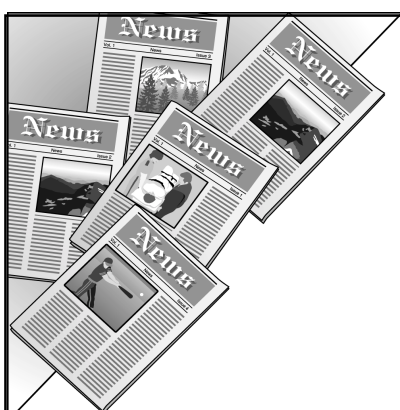
Stanford and Arizona give the Pac-10 two No. 1 teams this season, the first time that has happened since Duke and North Carolina of the Atlantic Coast Conference did it in 1997-98.

With Boston College moving in, the Big East now has six ranked teams — Syracuse, Georgetown, Connecticut, Seton Hall and Notre Dame — one more than the ACC — Duke, Wake Forest, North Carolina, Virginia and Maryland.

The Southeastern Conference and Big 12 each have four teams in the Top 25 and the Pac-10 and Big Ten have

three each, meaning the whole poll comes from six leagues.

Georgetown, which beat West Virginia and Seton Hall last week, made the biggest jump in moving from 19th to No. 12, while Oklahoma, which lost 100-80 to Iowa State, had the biggest drop, falling from 15th to No. 22.



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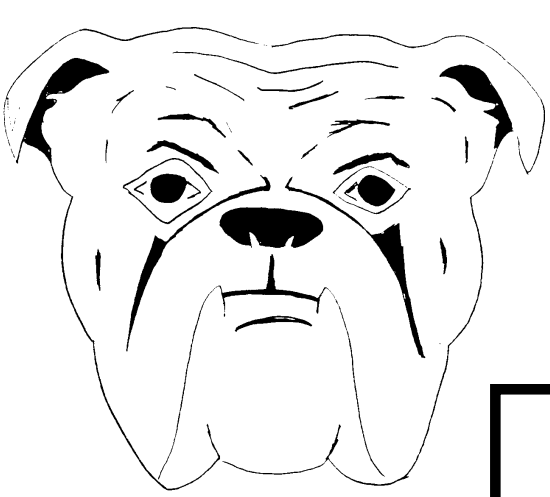
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Jayhawks keep rolling, defeat Red Raiders

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Drew Gooden showed Saturday night how far he's come, scoring a career-high 23 points and grabbing 10 rebounds to lead No. 7 Kansas to a 94-82 victory over Texas Tech.

"He's matured a great deal from last year," Kansas coach Roy Williams said. "He's playing well in practice and that's carrying over into the games. Last year, he was a liability defensively."

Gooden's biggest games this season have been when he's come off the bench.

"His numbers are actually better when he doesn't start," Williams said. "Drew's biggest thing is he sees very well offensively, but he doesn't necessarily see the defense. Drew's one of those guys you have to pull the reins in on occasionally"

Saturday wasn't one of those times, as the Jayhawks (12-1, 1-0 Big 12) went on a 17-2 run in the second half after leading Texas Tech (6-6, 0-1) by only 42-38 at the half.

Tech was in contention most of the first half. Kansas built a 36-28 lead with 4:05 left, but the Raiders narrowed the lead on four free throws and a 3-pointer by Marcus Shropshire, one of two freshman starters

on the Tech squad.

"I was a little disgusted with a couple of things we had done defensively," Williams said. "I wanted to get back in and try and throw it in their lap."

The Jayhawks did just that at the 15:41 mark, when they began their streak.

Tech went scoreless for almost three minutes as Kansas pulled away.

Jamal Brown hit two 3-pointers ending the run. Brown finished with 23 points, while Andy Ellis added 19 and Shropshire 13.

Kenny Gregory added 17 points, Kirk Hinrich 13 and Nick Collison 12 for Kansas.

"To give up 94 points on your own floor, that's no defense," Tech coach James Dickey said. "We have to play well as a team and as I told our team, you can't be satisfied with 6-6."

The Jayhawks enjoyed a 42-31 edge in rebounds.

Shropshire is one of five freshmen on the Tech squad, but said that's no excuse.

"It was bad discipline on our part," Shropshire said. "We've been together for three months now, and we should have gotten it together."

Avs lose sixth game to Detroit

DETROIT (AP) — The Detroit Red Wings need to find a way to carry their regular-season success against the Colorado Avalanche into the playoffs.

Steve Yzerman scored his second goal of the game 1:08 into overtime as the Red Wings beat the Avalanche 4-3 Sunday night for their sixth victory in seven games against Colorado.

Chris Drury's goal with 11.5 seconds left in regulation tied it for the Avalanche, 0-2 against Detroit this season, and sent the game into overtime.

"With this team, the last two years and the way we've played at home (13-9-1-2), this one was big for us," said Kirk Maltby, whose short-handed goal with 5:45 left in the second period gave Detroit a 3-2 lead.

A fierce rivalry has existed between the teams since the 1996 Western Conference finals. The Red Wings and Avalanche have met in four playoff series with the Red Wings winning only one, the 1997 Western Conference finals. Detroit won the first of two straight Stanley Cups that season.

Things have been different the last two seasons as Colorado eliminated Detroit in the second round both times. It was a six-game series in 1999 and a five-game series last season.

"We had a lot of chances," said coach Scotty Bowman of the Red Wings, who had 37 shots. "We've played this team and not had as many chances. I wish it was in the playoffs. You need something like that in the playoffs."

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