

Cowgirls win opener on road

By Tom Betz
The Goodland Daily News
The Cowgirls opened the season Friday with an impressive win over the Lady Longhorns of Imperial, Neb., 53-28.

From the opening tip-off controlled by the Cowgirls and the first basket by Jessica Osborn the visitors were in command.

On the next play Jayci Stone got the ball on a fast break and with less than a minute of play the Cowgirls led 4-0. A minute later Anny McCoy hit her first field goal to extend the lead again. McCoy kept hitting and was the high point scorer with 21 points. She hit 8 of 16 from the floor and made 5 of the 11 free throws she attempted.

On another fast break Stone gave the Cowgirls an 8-2 lead. For the night she had 16 points. Stone hit 5 of 13 from the floor, was 3 for 3 on free throws and hit 1 of 2 three-point shots.

By the end of the first quarter the Cowgirls had opened a double-digit lead, 15-4. In the second the Cowgirls continued to extend the lead with Lacey Brenner hitting her first basket with 1:30 remaining followed by back to back baskets by Stone and McCoy making it 28-10 at halftime.

In the third the Lady Longhorns tried to mount a comeback with some outside shooting and hitting a three-point basket. However, Stone had an immediate answer and extended the Cowgirl lead to 42-19. The third quarter ended with the Cowgirls on top 42-21. The final quarter saw the Cowgirls add 11 points while Imperial added 9 to make

the final 53-28.

"It was good to get the first win," said Cowgirl Coach Connie Livengood. "It gave us a chance to get some of the kinks worked out. There is nothing like playing that first game to see where the rough spots are."

Everyone got to play in the game, and that gave the coach a chance to see how they play and react.

"The girls did well, and it was a good game for us," she said. "We are looking forward to the Topside Tipoff and our first game against Wray. We don't know what to expect, but feel good about our chances."

The Cowgirls open the Topside Tipoff at 6 p.m. on Thursday against Wray. The Cowgirls defeated Wray last year, and hope to keep things going. If they defeat Wray they will play at 6 p.m. Friday against the winner of the Burlington vs. McCook game.

Livengood was pleased with the efforts at Imperial and the way the girls played on defense.

Jessica Vignery had 3 points on a three-point basket; Osborn had 2 points as she hit 1 of 3 from the field and had 5 steals; Brenner had 4 points as she hit 1 of 5 from the field and 2 for 2 free throws; Hayley Jarmin had 3 points, 1 of 7 field goals and 1 of 2 free throws; Stevie Lee Raymer had 2 points, 1 of 7 field goals; and Erica Mann had 2 points, 1 of 4 field goals.

Mann had 1 blocked shot and McCoy had 3 blocks.

McCoy had a team high 9 rebounds; Raymer and Mann each had 6; Osborn, Jarmin and Stone each had 3.



Despite the Imperial traffic, Goodland's Anny McCoy (43) finds room to shoot Friday. The Cowgirls won the game 53-28.

Photo by Jan Schultz/The Imperial Republican

Goodland loses to Longhorns

By Sharon Corcoran
The Goodland Daily News

The Imperial Longhorns took the opening tip-off Friday and stayed ahead of the Cowboys with the exception of a 6-6 tie early in the first quarter.

The Cowboys just didn't play well, Coach Jon McLean said, turning the ball over 29 times and being out rebounded 24-19.

"If you don't win the rebound battle, it's tough to win the game," he said, "and our turnovers left a lot of easy lay-ups for them."

The Cowboys hit only 16 of 43 while the Longhorns hit 31 of 59 shots. Imperial gave the Cowboys plenty of opportunities from the foul line, but Goodland only hit 10 of 18.

"It was a disappointing first outing," the coach said, "but at least we have a starting point."

"Basketball is a long season, and we hope to improve through the year."

Goodland stayed right behind Imperial through most of the quarter, but the Longhorns had a ten point lead going into the second. Despite two treys by Jordan Reibel, they ended the quarter with a 19-point lead.

The third quarter began with Kris Rubio scoring his first points of the game, but those were just the beginning points of a see-saw scoring frenzy through which Imperial maintained a 20-point lead.

The scoring remained even through the fourth quarter, and Imperial won the game 69-47.

Andrew Melia led the Cowboys in scoring with 11, and Aaron Gittinger was right behind him with 10. Reibel hit three treys for nine points.

Bryan Mai led the team in rebounds with six, and Donald Raymer had 4. Mai and Reibel tied for the most steals with three each.

The Cowboys' next action is at 8 p.m. Thursday at the Max Jones Fieldhouse against Wray, Colo. in the Topside Tip-off.

high school scores

By The Associated Press
Boys Basketball Scores
Thursday
Colby 65, Russell 63, OT
Dundy County, Neb. 54, St. Francis 50, OT
Friday
Atwood 74, Northern Valley 34
Grinnell 69, Brewster 33
Imperial 69, Goodland 47
Hugoton 61, Syracuse 50
Oberlin 74, Oakley 47
Scott City 53, Dighton 46
Tribune 93, Golden Plains 51
Saturday

Weskan 69, Triplains 28
Girls Basketball Scores
Thursday
Dundy County, Neb. 61, St. Francis 59
Russell 59, Colby 58
Friday
Atwood 50, Northern Valley 37
Cheylin 39, Herndon 17
Goodland 53, Imperial, Neb. 28
Grinnell 65, Brewster 48
Oberlin 45, Oakley 43
Scott City 36, Dighton 32
Tribune 93, Golden Plains 51
Ulysses 66, Larned 62

Broncos control until final quarter

MIAMI (AP) — The Denver Broncos were in control, and the Miami Dolphins were in trouble. Then, in the time it took 275-pound defensive end Kenny Mixon to run 56 yards with an interception, the game turned around.

"I saw the ball coming, and it was slow motion for a second," Mixon said. "I said, 'Uh oh, I've got to catch this thing.' It stuck in my mitts, and I took it to the house."

Picking off a pass that Brian Griese tried to throw away, Mixon scored the go-ahead touchdown on his first NFL interception during a remarkable sequence that helped the Dolphins beat Denver 21-10 Sunday.

Miami improved to 8-3 and took sole possession of the AFC East lead. The New York Jets fell one game back by losing to New England 17-16.

Denver took a 10-0 lead into the final period, but two turnovers helped the Dolphins score 21 points in 4:46. They came from behind in the fourth quarter to win for the fifth time this season, including four of their past six games.

"There is a no-quit attitude on this team," coach Dave Wannstedt said. "Anyone who has been watching the games should see it."

The Broncos, sputtering again on offense with an injury-plagued receiving corps, fell to 6-6. Coach Mike Shanahan said his team likely must win its final four games to make the playoffs.

"We figured out the math one week ago — four out of four," Shanahan said.

The Broncos have never won in six games at Miami, and this defeat ranked with the most galling.

The Dolphins' offense mounted its only scoring march and cut the deficit to 10-7 with 13:45 left on Jay Fiedler's

11-yard touchdown pass to Chris Chambers. That ended a stretch of seven consecutive quarters at home without a point for Miami.

On Denver's next series, Griese tried to get rid of the ball on a blitz as he was hit by Jason Taylor, and the errant pass bounced off Mixon's left thigh and into his arms.

"One play changed everything, and it was my fault," Griese said. "If I take a sack, we probably win."

Mixon had enough of a head start up the field that the smaller, faster opponents giving chase couldn't catch him.

"It was reminiscent of Forrest Gump," teammate Derrick Rodgers said.

Mixon dove into the end zone for his first touchdown in four NFL seasons, and the first interception return for a score by a Dolphins lineman since Kim Bowkamper in 1983.

Things quickly got worse for Denver. Chris Cole fumbled on the ensuing kickoff when hit by Jeff Ogden, and the Dolphins' Scott Galyon recovered. Two plays later, Miami scored again on Lamar Smith's 1-yard run.

The stunning turnaround spoiled Griese's return to Miami and Terrell Davis' return to the Denver lineup.

Griese, playing his first NFL game in his hometown, worked again with inexperienced receivers and went 18-for-33 for 135 yards. The Broncos played without the league's leading receiver, Rod Smith, who sat out the game because of a sprained ankle.

Davis, making only his fourth start of the season because of knee injuries, carried 20 times for 97 yards.

recreation scores

Results of volleyball and basketball games sponsored by the city/county recreation department. Volleyball games are played at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and basketball games are played at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Co-ed Volleyball
Nov. 28
Briney Farms over Rookies 15-10, 15-4
Briney Farms over Marty's Electric 15-11, (15-11), 12-10
Kennedy & Coe over S&T Communications 15-2, (15-12), 11-6
Pirate Electric/Frontier Equity over Kennedy & Coe (15-2), 15-6, 11-8
Nobody's Business over Marty's Electric (15-12), 15-11, 11-1
Nobody's Business over Sager Farms/Alex Radiator & Repair 15-7, 15-2
Rookies over Golden Chiropractic (15-6), 15-10, 11-1
Pirate Electric/Frontier Equity over Sager Farms/Alex Radiator 15-9, 15-9
The Who? over S&T Communications 15-7, 15-9
Golden Chiropractic over The Who? 15-13, 15-3
Men's Basketball
Nov. 29
Heris Chevrolet over Kuhr Ranch 73-54
Screwball over The Fruit Layouts 81-43

dart league

Wednesday Nite Darts
Nov. 28
Team 5 over No Luck 10-8
Just Us over Can't Get Started 10-6
Bad A's over 3MTA3 12-4

4th Round Outs: Duane Hanke.

9 Dart Out: Bryan Varney.

8 Dart Out: Mark Ware.

Hat Tricks: Mark Ware, Bryan Varney (2), Duane Hanke.

Most Tons: Kevin Delano (6), Bryan Varney (4), TJ (3), Mike Yarger (3).

Most Wins: Kevin Delano (5), Rodney Corke (4), Paul Simons (4), Duane Hanke (4), Louie (4), Mark Ware (4).

Standings: 1. Just Us 103, 41; 2. Can't Get Started 88, 56; 3. Team 5 68, 76; 4. Bad A's 66, 78; 5. 3MTA3 60, 84; 6. No Luck 47, 97.



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Tuesday, Dec. 4 - Kindergarten music program, High School Auditorium, 7 p.m.; 7th Boys BB (H) Hoxie, 3:30 p.m. High School Gym (A&B), 8th Boys BB (H) Hoxie, 3:30 p.m. Junior High Gym

Wednesday, Dec. 5 - PDC Meeting, 3:45 p.m.; Elementary School Bank Day.

Thursday, Dec. 6 - JV-V WR at Atwood, 5:30 p.m.; Scholars Bowl at Atwood; Topside Tip-off, MJFH; 7/8 Boys BB with St. Francis, 3:30 p.m. (HS Gym).

Friday, Dec. 7 - Topside Tip-off, MJFH; North Parent Lunch.

Saturday, Dec. 8 - Topside Tip-off, MJFH; ACT Testing.

Monday, Dec. 10 - "C" BB at Atwood, 5:00 p.m.; B.O.E. Meeting, 7 p.m.; Scholars Bowl at Oakley, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 11 - 7/8 Boys BB at Burlington, 4 p.m.; 3rd Grade Music Program, 7 p.m.; JH Scholars Bowl at Oakley.

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