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## Baylor's free throws shut down Kansas State

WACO, Texas (AP)—Baylor coach throw shooters and hope they ex- final score, 73-70. Dave Bliss sweated out three crucial one-and-one situations in the final seconds.

But John Lucas, Matt Sayman and Wendell Greenleaf came through at the line with a six-for-six performance and keyed a 73-70 Baylor over Kansas State on Wednesday night.

Basketball is sport where free throws, no matter how frustrating it can be for fans, can decide the game. Wednesday was proof that no matter how strong, powerful, or tall a basketball players is, the pure shooters still have a place in the game.

"There's no way to prepare for that situation," Bliss said.

"I saw Lucas out the corner of my With the Bears leading 64-61 with eye," Roberts said. "I thought the dunk 35 seconds remaining, Lucas, Sayman was the perfect way to put the exclaand Greenleaf provided Baylor (12-5, mation mark on the game.'

Roberts scored 20 points and Kansas State (6-8, 0-3) kept the score Greenleaf added 15 to pace the Baylor scoring.

Lucas scored 14 and Sayman had 11 Ahead 71-64 with eight seconds left, for the Bears.

The difference in the game came at the free-throw line with Baylor connecting on 19 of 22 attempts while the Wildcats went 9-for-13.

Roberts for the dunk and Baylor's fi- few minutes," Kansas State coach Jim left. Wooldridge said.

"All you can do is recruit good free the buzzer for the Wildcats, making the win but missed a couple of free throws all in the second half.

and a dunk. Those were our opportunities."

Baylor was quick to take advantage of their opportunities, even if K-State 9-for-13 performance. wasn't. Phineas Atchison's 16 points paced Kansas State. Reid scored 14.

Kansas State outshot Baylor from the field, making 26-of-52 attempts for 50 percent. The Bears hit only 39 percent of their field goals with a 24-for-61 effort

But after Matt Seibrandt's jump shot with 4:40 left cut Baylor's lead to 62-61, the Wildcats didn't score again "The game came down to the last until Reid's 3-pointer with 27 seconds

Phineas Atchison's 16 points led

The game turned at the free-throw line with Baylor connecting for 19-of-22, while the Wildcats put together a

Despite leading 34-31, cold shooting plagued Baylor in the first half.

The Bears connecting on only 11of-30 shots for 37 percent. The Wildcats totaled 48 percent, hitting 11 of their 23 attempts.

Both teams turned in perfect performances at the free throw line in the first half with Baylor going 8-for-8, and Kansas State making 7-of-7.

It was surely a shooters game. The power forwards might have moved the game forward, but it all came down to how well the boys could shoot from the line.

#### sports briefs

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (AP) — Michelle Kwan's Russian rivals for Olympic gold stumbled through the opening round.

During their last competition before the Salt Lake City Games defending champion Irina Slutskaya fell face-first on a routine double axel.

Her teammate Maria Butyrskaya failed to make a required jump combination.

The women were competing during the qualifying rounds of the European Figure Skating Championships.

Both women still won their groups.

### C' team wins twice

trampled the Atwood Buffaloes at home on Friday 82-20, and then traveled to Tribune on Monday to beat the Jackrabbits 58-54 on their home court.

In the Atwood game, Goodland headed out strong, scoring 22 points in the first quarter and ending the half with 39 points. The Cowboys stopped the Buffaloes from scoring in the first quarter and kept them to 9 points in the second.

Goodland played even better in the second half, scoring 43 points and allowing Atwood to only bring in 11.

Dan Melia hit two three pointers, one in the second quarter and one in the fourth, and Jake Johnson made one in the third quarter. The Cowboys attempted 23 free throws and made 15. Coach Travis Witman said the Cowboys played well offensively, with all

12 players scoring, but they still have work to do.

"It was a good game for us," he said. "We shot well from the floor and the line. The boys all had plenty of playing time and everyone scored. We still need to continue to get better."

Wade Taylor led the team in scoring with 18 points; followed by Melia with 14; Brock Lohr, 11; Lane Winter, 7; Johnson and Craig Mason, each 5; David Livengood, Jason McClung, Josef Felver, Drew Wilkens and Der- 2. rick Raymer, each 4; and John Hamilton, 2.

Witman said the win against Tribune was a major victory because the Jackrabbits are a tough team to beat. He said and being patient," he said.

The Cowboys "C" basketball team the Cowboys had an outstanding performance both offensively and defensively.

2-2 Big 12) with six clutch free throws.

close in the final seconds as Larry Reid

Greenleaf missed the second of two

free throws and Reid grabbed the re-

Lucas stripped the ball when Reid

Nick Williams nailed a 3-pointer at

turned upcourt, then fed it to Lawrence

"This was an excellent game for us," the coach said. "Tribune has a quality team and it forced our guys to play on both ends of the floor. It was the first time all year I can honestly say our defense looked good."

Witman said the win boosted the team's confidence and motivation.

"It was the kind of game our boys needed," he said. "It forced us to play hard all 32 minutes. I was very pleased with how well we played and how we worked together as a team."

The Cowboys ended the first quarter with a good lead on Tribune, 17-11, and stayed on top until the third quarter, when the Jackrabbits closed the gap, ending the quarter just one point behind Goodland, 37-36.

But the Cowboys didn't let them get ahead, scoring 21 points in the final quarter and keeping the Jackrabbits to 18 points.

Winter hit two three pointers, one in the first quarter and one in the fourth. Of the Cowboys' 32 attempted free throws, they made 14.

Taylor was the lead scorer again, bringing in 19 points. Livengood was next with 11 points; Winter and Lohr, each 9; Melia, 5; Felver, 3; and Johnson

Witman said the Cowboys still need practice.

"The one thing I really noticed is we need to work on staying in our offense



Baseball franchises are changing vision network—\$90 million less than of the Boston Red Sox to Florida Marlins owner John Henry.

hands so quickly its hard to keep track. the highest bid. The attorney general The Associated Press reports that was critical of the deal, claiming it owners have voted to approve the sale shorthanded the charitable trust which owns 53 percent of the team. Henry must work out an agreement The owners voted 29-0, with the to sell the Marlins, which he purchased in 1999. Jeffrey Loria, a millionaire art dealer, intends to buy the Marlins and The Massachusetts attorney general sell it back to the other owners. It will has decided not to fight the sale after make him the third owner in five seasons. First, though, he has to sell the Montreal Expos, which the others owners have said they will probably buy back.

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Safin, the 2000 U.S. Open winner,

Marcelo Rios and No. 23 Nicolas

Clijsters, the French Open runner-up,

and Justine Henin, the Wimbledon run-

On the women's side, Belgians Kim

Lapentti reached the third round.

loss to Argentina's Gaston Gaudio. No. 7 Tommy Haas and No. 9 Marat



New York Yankees abstaining, to OK the controversial Dec. 20 deal.

exacting another \$30 million for the state's charities.

Henry offered \$660 million for the team, Fenway Park and the NESN tele-

#### Roddick drops Australian Open

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — American star Andy Roddick fell on an already injured right ankle in a losing first-set tiebreaker and pulled out of the Australian Open in the second round. No. 8 Pete Sampras lost his serve twice in the final set before winning 6-3, 7-5, 3-6, 6-4 against Argentina's Juan Ignacio Chela.

Arnaud Clement, last year's runner- ner-up, both advanced.

#### bowling results

Wednesday Night Men's Scratch Classic League Jan. 9 L&M Steel over Weber Kennels 14-6 Pro Line over Sigco 15-5 Bowladium Lanes over Basgall Construction 11-

Fitzgibbons over Western Kansas Valley 13-7 Individual high game: Phil Helzer-277 Individual high series: John Fixsen-944 Team high game: Pro Line-701 Team high series: Pro Line-2317

League Standings: Pro Line 38 1/2, 21 1/2; L&M Steel 37, 23; Weber Kennels 34, 26; Sigco 30, 30; Bowladium Lanes 29 1/2, 30 1/2; Basgall Construction 25, 25; Fitzgibbons 23, 37; Western Kansas Valley 23, 37.

#### Wednesday Night Mixed League Jan. 9

Blossom Shoppe over Phantoms 4-0 Phillips Brothers over Guzzlin Socializers 3-1 Goodland Sheet Metal over Gamblers 3-1 Mueller Grain over Kanorado Coop 3-1 Shear Dimensions over D&G Grain 4-0 Mudslingers over Kickers 3-1 Men's high game: Travis Gillihan-235 Men's high series: Travis Gillihan-624 Women's high game: Marilyn Snethen-213 Women's high series: Tammy Blake-552 Team high game: Mudslingers-929 Team high series: Mudslingers-2545 League Standings: Kanorado Coop 53, 27; Mueller Grain 50 1/2, 29 1/2; Gamblers 50, 30; Guzzlin Socializers 49, 31; Shear Dimensions 47.33 **Thursday Night Mixed League** Jan. 10

SunAmerica over Charlie's Angels 3-1 Half Past Four over The Grannies & The Gramps 3-1 Out Team over Goodland Development Corp 3 1/2 - 1/2 Mex & Company over The Blind Team 4-0 Weis Oil over McDonald's 3-1 Women's high game: Joann Matthews-235 Women's high series: Joann Matthews-576 Men's high game: Aaron Thompson-209 Men's high series: Abel Ontiveroz-585 Team high game: Mex & Company-884 Team high series: Mex & Company-2532 League Standings: No. 1 The Grannies & The

Gramps 20-8; No. 2 Mex & Company 20-8; No. 3 Weis Oil 18-10.

Hoot 'N Holler Mixed League Jan. 14 Fitzgibbons over Budweiser 3-1 Luci's Aquarium over Just 4 Bowlers 3-1 Western Insurance over Acct. & Tax 4-0 Rasure Lumber over Motor Doctor 3-1 Lonny's Quality Auto Body over Truck & Tractor 3-1

Kear's Quality Liquor split with Pirate's Electric 2-

2 Men's high game: Terry Smith-298 Men's high series: Dave Hovis-653 Women's high game: Dedra Smith-202 Women's high series: Marilyn Weigard-559 Team high game: Budweiser-930 Team high series: Fitzgibbons-2516 League Standings: Fitzgibbons 22, 10; Budweiser 21, 11; Lonny's Quality Auto Body 21, 11; Rasure Lumber 19, 13.



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