

Goodland players strong in area tournament

By Doug Stephens
The Goodland Daily News

Goodland basketball players did well for themselves this weekend at Max Jones Fieldhouse in a youth tournament put together by the high school coach.

Four teams with Goodland players emerged from the field of smiling younger kids and the determined "game faces" of the older ones to place in the tournament.

The Young Guns, a eighth-grade team of area boys, including three from Goodland, placed first in their division. Of the four all-Goodland teams that competed, three placed. The Black Cats, a third-and-fourth-grade team, got fourth, and in the fifth-and-sixth-grade division, the Rock 'N' Rollers got third and the Goodland Sharpshooters fourth.

Most of the 22 teams were from northwest Kansas, but there were a couple from Colorado, said Coach Jon McLean, who organized the tournament.

"It was a great experience," McLean said. "We got a lot of great compliments."

The teams played almost 60 games Saturday and Sunday. A girls' team from Quinter couldn't make it, McLean said, which meant the other teams in the seventh-and-eighth grade division had one less game a piece to play.

"It was unfortunate," McLean said,

"but these things happen." On Saturday, the teams played an open schedule, McLean said, fighting for seeding in the championship games Sunday.

This kind of setup gives kids more time on the court, he said.

"The more they play," McLean said, "the better they get."

Both courts in the fieldhouse were in continuous use both days. On Saturday, the games ran from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and the Sunday games went almost as long, getting over around 6 p.m.

McLean said he would like to make the tournament an annual event. He ran it two years ago, but skipped last year. The coach says the more Goodland kids play competitively, the better they will get.

The idea is to give Goodland kids the chance to get on the court and play ball, he said.

He is trying to promote the sport among kids in town.

"If we keep it up, basketball could be a big force in Goodland," McLean said. "It should be fun for the players and fans."

He said he hopes the tournament gets bigger every year. It might get to the point, he said, where the tournament is maxed out, and he will have to turn away teams.

"It would be great if it got that big," he said. "I don't want to have to turn anybody down, but I do hope it keeps



Coach Dana Murray gave half-time pointers to the Black Cats, a Goodland team, at a youth basketball tournament Saturday at Max Jones Fieldhouse. The team ended up fourth in the competition.

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growing." The money raised from the tournament will be used in the Cowboy Hus-

tlar summer basketball program. McLean said he doesn't know yet how much came in, but said it should be "a

large chunk of money." "It was definitely a success," McLean said.

baseball scoreboard

By The Associated Press

American League				
East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
New York	5	1	.833	—
Boston	3	1	.750	1
Tampa Bay	3	3	.500	2
Toronto	2	3	.400	2 1/2
Baltimore	1	5	.167	4

Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Cleveland	5	1	.833	—
Minnesota	5	1	.833	—
Kansas City	2	3	.400	2 1/2
Chicago	2	4	.333	3
Detroit	0	6	.000	5

West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Oakland	5	2	.714	—
Anaheim	3	2	.600	1
Seattle	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Texas	1	5	.167	3 1/2

Saturday's Games

Minnesota 7, Toronto 5
N.Y. Yankees 3, Tampa Bay 0
Boston 4, Baltimore 2
Cleveland 5, Detroit 3
Chicago White Sox 14, Kansas City 0
Anaheim 6, Texas 3
Oakland 8, Seattle 3

Sunday's Games

Minnesota 10, Toronto 6
N.Y. Yankees 7, Tampa Bay 2
Boston 4, Baltimore 1
Cleveland 5, Detroit 1
Kansas City 9, Chicago White Sox 2
Anaheim at Texas, ppd., rain
Oakland 6, Seattle 5

Monday's Games

Minnesota (Milton 1-0) at Cleveland (Drese 1-0), 11:05 a.m.
N.Y. Yankees (D.Wells 1-0) at Toronto (Prokopec 0-0), 5:05 p.m.

Chicago White Sox (Wright 0-0) at Detroit (Sparks 0-0), 5:05 p.m.
Seattle (Abbott 0-0) at Anaheim (Washburn 0-1), 8:05 p.m.

Tuesday's Games

Kansas City (Reichert 0-1) at Boston (Hermanson 0-0), 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 1-0) at Toronto (Halladay 1-0), 5:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Mays 0-1) at Cleveland (Finley 0-0), 5:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Wilson 0-0) at Baltimore (Ponson 0-1), 5:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Rauch 0-0) at Detroit (Lima 0-1), 5:05 p.m.
Oakland (Zito 0-0) at Texas (Rogers 0-0), 6:05 p.m.
Seattle (Halama 0-0) at Anaheim (Appier 0-0), 8:05 p.m.

National League				
East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Atlanta	3	3	.500	—
Florida	3	3	.500	—
Montreal	3	3	.500	—
New York	3	3	.500	—
Philadelphia	3	3	.500	—

Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Pittsburgh	4	1	.800	—
Cincinnati	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Houston	3	3	.500	1 1/2
St. Louis	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Milwaukee	2	4	.333	2 1/2
Chicago	1	4	.200	3

West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
San Francisco	6	0	1.000	—
Arizona	4	2	.667	2
Los Angeles	3	3	.500	3
Colorado	2	4	.333	4
San Diego	1	5	.167	5

Saturday's Games

Montreal 5, Cincinnati 2
Pittsburgh 6, Chicago Cubs 1

Florida 7, Philadelphia 3
San Francisco 4, San Diego 1
N.Y. Mets 11, Atlanta 2
Arizona 6, Milwaukee 3
St. Louis 8, Houston 4
Los Angeles 9, Colorado 2

Sunday's Games

Atlanta 5, N.Y. Mets 2, 14 innings
Cincinnati 6, Montreal 5, 10 innings
Philadelphia 3, Florida 2, 11 innings
Arizona 2, Milwaukee 0
Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs, ppd., rain
Houston 7, St. Louis 6, 12 innings
San Francisco 10, San Diego 1
Los Angeles 6, Colorado 4

Monday's Games

Cincinnati (Dessens 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Villone 0-1),

1:35 p.m.
Houston (Oswalt 1-0) at Colorado (Neagle 1-0), 3:05 p.m.
Arizona (Anderson 0-0) at San Diego (Lawrence 0-0), 6:05 p.m.
Montreal (Armas Jr. 0-1) at Florida (Burnett 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Millwood 0-1) at Philadelphia (Padilla 1-0),

7:05 p.m.
Tuesday's Games
N.Y. Mets (Trachsel 0-1) at Chicago Cubs (Wood 1-0), 2:20 p.m.
Atlanta (Marquis 1-0) at Philadelphia (Adams 0-1), 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Quevedo 0-1) at St. Louis (Stephenson 0-1), 8:10 p.m.

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Colorado can't get past Dodgers' Ishii

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kazuhisa Ishii sparked in his major league debut, and Brian Jordan hit a grand slam to lead the Los Angeles Dodgers to a 9-2 victory over the Colorado Rockies on Saturday night.

Ishii (1-0), the second Japanese-born pitcher in Dodgers history, allowed two hits and struck out 10 in 5 2-3 scoreless innings. Following Hideo Nomo's path to Chavez Ravine, Ishii signed a \$12.3 million, four-year contract with Los Angeles after 10 seasons in the Japanese League.

Jordan hit his fifth career slam off reliever Todd Jones, capping a six-run seventh inning for the Dodgers. It was Jordan's first home run since joining Los Angeles in a Jan. 15 trade that sent Gary Sheffield to Atlanta.

Mark Grudzielanek had an RBI double for the Dodgers, who got run-scoring hits from Eric Karros, Cesar Izturis and Paul Lo Duca.

A 28-year-old left-hander who pitched in six of the last 10 Japan Series Championships for the Yakult Swallows, Ishii befuddled a Colorado offense that included the last two NL batting champs and led the league in batting average and runs scored last season.

After averaging better than a strikeout per inning in Japan, Ishii's total against the Rockies tied the Dodgers record for the most strikeouts by a pitcher in his first big league game.

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