

Cowboy golfers take to the links

By Doug Stephens
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 Goodland High's golf team finished eleventh out of 15 Tuesday at the annual Goodland Invitational at Sugar Hills Golf Club.

Six Cowboy golfers played in the 70-degree weather and 20 mile-an-hour winds on their home course.

Bill Linin and Ian Scherling both shot a 92, finishing 45th and 46th out of 84 golfers. Preston Lambrecht shot 97, Dusty Baker 104, David Griffith 109 and Michael "Mad Dog" Mangus 115.

It was the first time this year Linen, Scherling and Lambrecht had competed, said Coach Steve Raymer. The other three played in a tournament last week in Norton.

"For their first tournament," Raymer said, "I can't say I'm unhappy."

The pressures of competing with other golfers are different than in practice, he said.

"Those kids can all shoot better than they did," Raymer said, "and they will."

Baker's goal was to shoot under 100, the coach said, and he came close with 104.

Lambrecht had a tough first nine, hitting the ball 55 times, but rebounded

in the back half with 42.

Linen and Scherling, both juniors, should have better games this year, Raymer said.

"Both Bill and Ian are good golfers," Raymer said. "They'll shoot 85 or better, eight out of 10 times."

The scores of the top four golfers are counted toward the team score. The Cowboy golfers earned a total of 385.

Thomas More Prep took home the tournament with 333 strokes. Hoxie was right behind with 334. Ulysses shot 337, Stanton County 338 and Norton 339.

Atwood came in sixth with 341, Hays shot 354, Colby 363, Oakley 379 and Quinter 382.

After Goodland, Oberlin finished twelfth with 393 strokes, Scott City shot 395, and Tribune 403. Wallace County only sent two golfers, not enough to qualify.

The golfers will next compete Saturday in Oberlin.

"Oberlin is a tough course, with tree-lined fairways" said Raymer. "It's a whole different course than what we play in Goodland."

The course forces golfers to pay attention to their accuracy, Raymer said.

"Hopefully, it will force them to discipline their game a little bit," he said.



Cowboy Bill Linin hit the ball toward the green from the rough Tuesday at Sugar Hills Golf Club. Photo by Doug Stephens/The Goodland Daily News

Tennis team gets fifth competing at Larned

The Cowboys varsity tennis team finished fifth Tuesday at their first meet of the season in Larned with a score of 9.

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Goodland wrestler named All-American

By Rachel Miscall
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 Bryce Bahe, a Goodland High School senior, earned the title of "All-American" this weekend by placing eighth in his weight class at the National High School Seniors Wrestling Championships in Cleveland.

Randy Bahe, head coach of the Cowboys wrestling team and Bryce's father, said it's an honor no other Goodland wrestler has achieved in at least seven years.

Randy was named head coach last year after being an assistant coach for seven years. In that time, he said, he remembers two wrestlers qualifying for the national tournament, but neither placed.

The tournament is only open to high school seniors, Randy said, and wrestlers qualify by placing first or second at a state tournament sometime during their high school career. He said Bryce placed sixth at state his freshman year, second as a sophomore and junior and third this year — after fighting mononucleosis for most of the season.

Randy said 725 wrestlers from across the country qualified for the championships, sponsored by the National High School Coaches Association and held Friday, Saturday and Sunday. He said 37 Kansas seniors went and Bryce was the only wrestler from Goodland who qualified.

All of the Kansas students wrestled as a team, the coach said, adding that "Team Kansas" placed fourth in the tournament, the highest the state has ever placed.

The top eight wrestlers in each weight class earn the title of All-American, he said, adding that nine Kansas students walked away with the designation, including his 130-pound son.

"I'd have been proud of any of the wrestlers," he said. "As a father, a little more personal feelings are involved."

People may not realize what a major accomplishment it is, Randy said, adding that he witnessed "an amazing quality of wrestling." In Bryce's weight class, he said, there were four four-time state champions, one three-timer, two two-timers and several one-time champions.

"I don't know if people are aware how tough this tournament is," he said.

Bryce said he spent about a month preparing — practicing with the Kansas Kids Wrestling team, wrestling in Hoxie and Colby and running three miles a day. The 18-year-old said it was worth it.



Bryce Bahe

"I was very excited," he said. "It's been a goal for many years. I couldn't be much happier. I worked hard to get to that level and it paid off."

Bryce said it was a boost after a disappointing final high school season. He said he struggled with his stamina and at times felt like he didn't have the energy to finish a match.

Randy said Bryce was diagnosed with mono — a virus that can cause a person to feel tired and weak — in January and still hasn't fully recovered.

Bryce said he probably would have done better at the state tournament this year if he hadn't been ill. But, he added, he was proud of himself for overcoming that obstacle.

"I didn't let that get me down," he said.

Bryce said he was in a 64-man bracket with five pigtail matches, which are held when there are more wrestlers than there is room in the bracket. The winner of each match earns a space on the regular bracket, he said.

The wrestler said he finished with a 4-3 record, losing in the quarterfinals and then winning a consolation match to qualify as an All-American. He said he beat a two-time Wisconsin state champion and a two-time North Carolina state champ.

Bryce said he started wrestling with the Kansas Kids organization when he was 5. He said he's always enjoyed wrestling, adding that he feels like kid wrestling helped put him on the right track to becoming an All-American.

Bryce said the tournament exposed him to college coaches and gave him experience wrestling at the national level.

He said he plans to wrestle in college, but he's not sure what school he will attend. He said he's considering becoming a chiropractor.

Randy said they will be visiting colleges in the next few weeks.

"He's got a big decision to make," he said.

Zeile gets three homers in three days

DENVER (AP) — Three homers in three games at Coors Field. Todd Zeile is certainly getting comfortable at his new home.

"I've enjoyed hitting here so far," Zeile said after Colorado's 4-1 victory over the Houston Astros on Wednesday, his third straight game with a homer.

"It's a great place to hit and anyone who tells you otherwise isn't being truthful."

Zeile is 5-for-10 at home this season and leads the team with nine RBIs. He was 2-for-4 against Houston and hit a

two-run homer off Octavio Dotel in the eighth inning, his third of the season.

Zeile has also been solid at third base after playing first for the Mets the last two seasons. He made three clean plays against Houston and has one error in seven games.

"He's a professional no matter what he does," Colorado manager Buddy Bell said.

"He's a settling influence for a lot of our younger players and even the older players in our locker room. He's been a great acquisition."

Houston got a solid start out of Dave

Mlicki, but Colorado's Shawn Chacon was better.

Chacon (1-1) allowed one earned run in 6 1-3 innings to earn his first victory since last July 24 against San Francisco.

He had much better command than he did in a 9-0 loss to Los Angeles on Friday, allowing five hits and striking out five.

baseball scorecard

By The Associated Press

5:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Kennedy 0-1) at Baltimore (Ponson 0-1); 5:05 p.m.
Seattle (Garcia 0-2) at Anaheim (Schoeneweis 1-0); 8:05 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
New York	7	2	.778	—
Boston	4	2	.667	1 1/2
Tampa Bay	4	3	.571	2
Toronto	3	5	.375	3 1/2
Baltimore	1	6	.143	5

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Montreal	5	3	.625	—
Philadelphia	5	4	.556	1/2
New York	4	4	.500	1
Atlanta	4	5	.444	1 1/2
Florida	3	5	.375	2

Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Cleveland	8	1	.889	—
Minnesota	5	4	.556	3
Chicago	4	4	.500	3 1/2
Kansas City	3	4	.429	4
Detroit	0	8	.000	7 1/2

West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Oakland	6	3	.667	—
Seattle	6	3	.667	—
Anaheim	3	5	.375	2 1/2
Texas	2	6	.250	3 1/2

Wednesday's Games

Chicago White Sox 7, Detroit 5	San Francisco 7, Los Angeles 4
Kansas City 6, Boston 2	Los Angeles 4, Houston 3
Toronto 9, N.Y. Yankees 7	Arizona 4, San Diego 4
Tampa Bay 3, Baltimore 2	Colorado 4, Philadelphia 3
Cleveland 9, Minnesota 3	San Diego 4, Philadelphia 3
Texas 4, Oakland 2	
Seattle 8, Anaheim 1	

Today's Games

N.Y. Yankees (O.Hernandez 1-0) at Toronto (Eyre 0-1); 10:35 a.m.	N.Y. Mets 3, Chicago Cubs 2
Oakland (Mulder 2-0) at Texas (Davis 1-0); 1:05 p.m.	Colorado 4, Houston 1
Kansas City (Durbin 0-1) at Boston (F.Castillo 0-0); 4:05 p.m.	Montreal 9, Florida 7
Minnesota (Lohse 0-0) at Cleveland (Colon 2-0);	Cincinnati 8, Pittsburgh 5
	Philadelphia 7, Atlanta 5, 11 innings
	St. Louis 6, Milwaukee 5, 11 innings
	San Diego 2, Arizona 1
	San Francisco 2, Los Angeles 1

bowling results

Thursday Night Bowling League
April 4
 Half Fast Four over Charlie's Angels 3-1
 McDonald's over Our Team 2 1/2-1 1/2
 The Grannies & the Gramps over Weis Oil 3-1
 Goodland Development Corp over Blind Team 4-0
 SunAmerica over Mex & Company 3-1

Women's high game: Shelley Thompson-204
Women's high series: Shelley Thompson-521

High men's game: Tim Pacello-214
High men's series: Larry Cearley-573
High team game: Goodland Development Corp-874
High team series: Goodland Development Corp-2,502

Standings: The Grannies & the Gramps 25, 7; Weis Oil 20, 12; McDonald's 19 1/2, 12 1/2.
Wednesday Night Men's Scratch Classic
April 10
 Basgall Construction over Western Kansas Valley 11-9
 Weber Kennels over ProLine 11 1/2-8 1/2
 Fitzgibbon's split Bowladium Lanes 10-10
 L&M Steel over Sigco 11-9
High individual game: Phil Helzer-267
High individual series: Jerry Amthor-871
High team game: Weber Kennels-642
High team series: Weber Kennels-2,416
Standings: Bowladium Lanes 104 1/2, 35 1/2; L&M Steel 76, 64; Fitzgibbon's 73 1/2, 66 1/2; Sigco 72, 68; ProLine 65, 75; Basgall Construction 56 1/2, 83 1/2; Weber Kennels 56 1/2, 83 1/2; Western Kansas Valley 56, 84.

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