

Goodland's Cowboys stomp Atwood Buffaloes, 84-56

By Tom Betz
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The Goodland High Cowboys gained some momentum heading into this week's Orange and Black Classic in Colby by pouncing the Atwood Buffaloes 84-56 on Friday.

With the win, the Cowboys improved to 6-2 and have won three straight since the Topside Tipoff in December, when they lost to Ottawa in the finals.

Coach Jon McLean said the boys did a good job of attacking the Atwood zone defense and got some good inside and outside shooting. "It was a game where we were able to play all 13 and nine of them scored," he said. "It was a good opportunity to get them some experience."

Looking ahead to the Orange and Black, McLean said it will be a tough tournament. "It will be very tough with six teams having winning records," he said. "It will be three tough games that should give us a good idea where we will be the rest of the season."

Bobby Miller played part of the Atwood game and scored 8 points, but McLean is not sure how much he will play this week.

"He is not 100 percent yet, and we will have to see how the ankle is healing," McLean said. "I am not sure how much he will play this week. It will be something we decide on a day-to-day basis."

The Cowboys got the lead early against the Buffaloes, and with Lance Tedford hitting two of his four 3-point baskets in the first quarter, they had a 14-5 lead. They led by 5, 19-14, at the end of the quarter.

In the second period, Tedford hit another 3-pointer and Derrick Raymer added one of his two 3-point baskets to push the lead to nine points, 29-20. The lead was into double figures at 43-31 at the half time break.

Tedford added his fourth 3-pointer to open the second half, and Jace Herl had the final 3-point play at the end of the quarter when he hit a basket, was fouled and made the free throw to make the lead 67-41.

Miller got the final basket with 8 seconds left to seal the 84-56 win.

High scorer for the Cowboys was Don Raymer with 24 as he was 12 of 17 from the field. Derrick Raymer had 18 points with 2 for 2 3-point shots, 5-10 from the field and 2-4 free throws.

Tedford was 4-6 on 3-point shots and 1-2 from the field for 14 points. Miller had 8 points on 4-6 from the field and 0-1 free throws. Herl was 1-5 for 3-pointers, 1-1 from the field and 1-1 free throw for his 6 points.

Jared Doke and Aaron Gittinger each had 4 points and Alan Cebula, Bill Linin and Chris Rubio each contributed 2 points.

As a team, the Cowboys hit 44 percent of their 3-points shots, 7-16; 61 percent of their field goals, 30-49; and 38 percent of their free throws, 3-8.

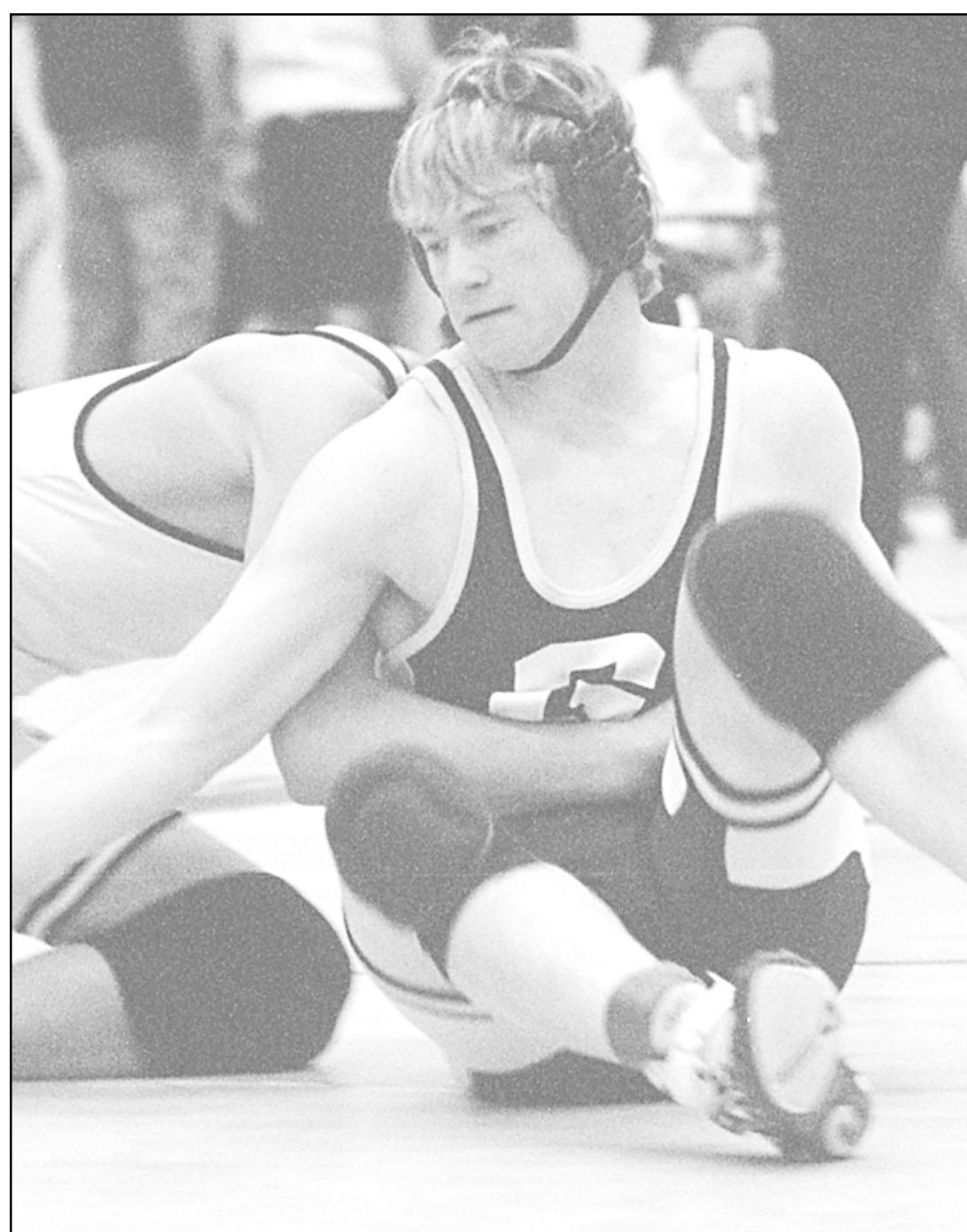
Rebound leaders were Don Raymer with 10, Derrick Raymer with 7, Chris Rubio 4, Miller and Gittinger 3, Wade Taylor, Tedford, Drew Wilkens and Doke 2, and Herl and Linin 1.

Assist leaders were Kevin Schulte with 5 and Gittinger and Wilkens each with 4.

Derrick Raymer had 3 steals and Gittinger and Don Raymer each had 2. The Cowboys outrebounded the Buffaloes 37-19.

The Cowboys will face Scott City in the opening round of the Orange and Black Classic at 7:45 p.m. Thursday at Colby High School.

Cowboys place in Newton tourney



Brandon Linden, at 171 pounds, wrestled Jeremy Johnson of Newton during the Newton Tournament of Champions on Saturday. The Cowboys took eighth in the two-day event and had five wrestlers place. Look for complete results of the tournament in Wednesday's edition of *The Goodland Daily News*. Photo by Liz West/The Goodland Daily News.

Cowgirls return to win column by defeating Atwood Buffaloes

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The Cowgirls shook off a loss to Colby and got their game going again Friday with a 74-64 victory over the Atwood Lady Buffaloes.

The win improved the Goodland High girls' record to 7-1, and gave them some momentum heading into the Orange and Black Classic in Colby. The Cowgirls will open play at 4:15 p.m. Thursday against Ulysses at the Colby Community Building.

Coach Connie Livengood said it was a good game Friday and she was pleased with how the girls played.

"It was a good game, and the girls played well," she said. "It was nice to be able to play nearly everyone."

Looking ahead to the Orange and Black, Livengood said the Ulysses girls have one good shooting guard, but are not a big team.

"They will be quick on the floor and I expect them to press us," she said.

Livengood said she hopes the Cowgirls can make to the finals Saturday, where she thinks the Colby girls will survive the other half of the bracket.

Things were clicking for the Cowgirls on Friday. They took control early and established a 10-point lead with 2:30 left in the first quarter. By half time, the lead was up to 15, 39-24.

Jayci Stone hit two of her 3-point shots in the third quarter and passed the ball to Andy McCoy for at least three baskets to extend the lead to 19 points, 59-40. The Buffaloes outscored the Cowgirls 24-15 in the final quarter, but were unable to overcome the big lead, finishing 10 points behind, 74-64.

Stone had a great night, Livengood said, leading the team with 27 points. She made 7 of 11 field goals, 3 of 5 3-point shots and 4 of 5 free throws. She had several assists where she passed the ball to McCoy, who had 23 herself.

At one point in the third quarter

, McCoy made two free throws, got an inbound pass from Stone for a basket, and on the next trip down the court got another basket on a pass inside from Stone. McCoy fouled out with 1:19 remaining in the game. Jessica Osborn was the third Cowgirl in double figures with 10 points. She had one 3-point basket in the second period and another in the fourth, plus two field goals in the third.

Stephanie Fairbanks had 7 points with three field goals and one free throw.

Tess Schultz had 5 points on two field goals and one free throw, and Kendra Billinger had 2 points on two free throws in the final quarter.

As a team, the Cowgirls hit 43 percent (22-51) from the field and 63 percent (5-8) of their 3-point shots. They hit 79 percent of their free throws, 15 of 19.

Atwood shot 27 percent from the field (17-63), 33 percent of their 3-point shots (3-9) and 72 percent of their free throws (21-29).

Avalanche tie Stars in overtime

DENVER (AP)—Jere Lehtinen scored in the second period and Marty Turco stopped 33 shots as the Dallas Stars extended their unbeaten streak to 11 games with a 1-1 tie against the Colorado Avalanche on Monday night.

Dallas' unbeaten streak (8-0-3) is its longest since a 13-game run from March 13 to April 7, 2001. It also ties the fourth-longest streak in team history.

Colorado ended a four-game losing streak at home on the night Patrick Roy became the first NHL goalie to play 1,000 games. The Avalanche earned a point for just the third time in eight games.

Roy, who holds nearly every significant goaltending record, received an award from the league and a silver stick from the Avalanche during a presentation before the game.

He was back in form after allowing 15 goals during a four-game losing streak. Roy stopped 29 shots, including Brenden Morrow on a breakaway in the third period and four tough chances early in overtime.

Turco was booed every time he handled the puck after whacking Peter Forsberg in the left ear early in the game, but it didn't stop him from remaining unbeaten in nine

games (6-0-3).

The game featured plenty of hard hitting from the start, but things got testy after Turco smacked Forsberg.

The players had to be separated several times, and Forsberg got into it several times with Derian Hatcher before it boiled over late in the second.

After trading slashes, Hatcher pushed Forsberg, who answered with a stick to the stomach. Both players were called for penalties, then had to be separated when the period ended. Hatcher wasn't finished, landing several punches to the top of Adam Foote's head during a fight to start the third.

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