

Goodland fall sports spectacular

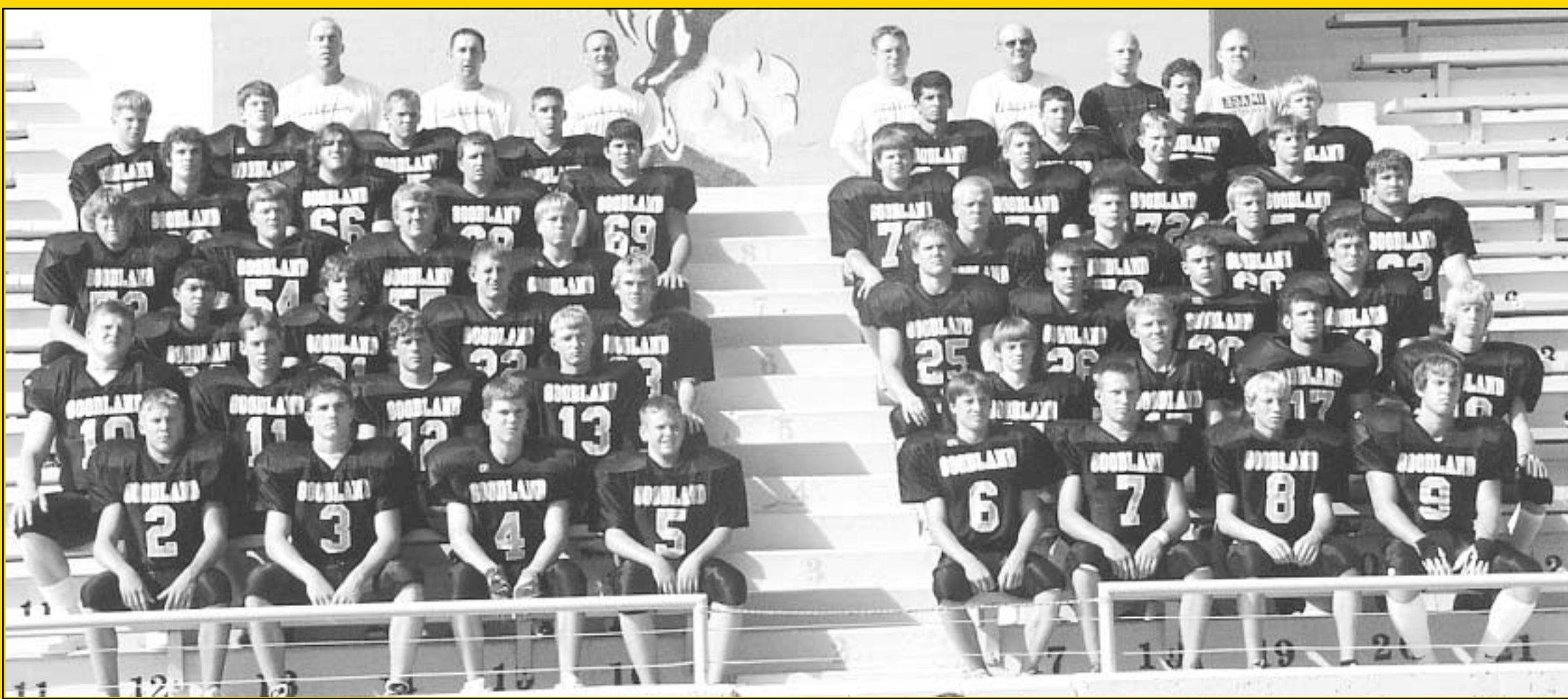


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Cowboys practice in heat to be ready for season

By Sharon Corcoran
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The Goodland Cowboys are practicing in nearly 100-degree heat, taking water breaks every 10-15 minutes, for the first week to get ready for the upcoming season.

The team will take on Northwest Kansas League opponents Hoxie, St. Francis, Atwood, Oakley, Oberlin and Colby, and district opponents Ulysses and Scott City, plus Holcomb, and that should make for an exciting season.

Fans had their first chance to watch the Cowboys at their annual "Soap Scrimmage" Thursday at Cowboy Stadium.

The team's opening game will be against a league opponent, Hoxie, at 6:30 p.m. Friday, at Cowboys Stadium in Goodland.

The Northwest Kansas League will be tough this year, Coach Tony Diehl said.

"I think any one of five or six teams could win the league," he said.

And with Ulysses and Scott City, he said, the district is tough, too, but the Cowboys have been busy preparing for the challenge.

"It's been a really good week so far," Diehl said. "Everyone was out

that I thought would be."

The team's execution isn't there yet, he said last week, but the boys are further along than at this time last year. The Cowboys made some changes last year, Diehl's first coaching the team. They ended the season with a 5-5 record and advanced to the playoffs. The coach said the players are used to those changes now and should be able to make more progress this year.

Everyone's familiar with the system and expectations, he said, and the team can take another step forward.

The team will have a different look on defense this year, Diehl said, and will do some things on offense to be more balanced.

The team needs to work on execution, he said, learning these few new wrinkles, and on working together and, from a psychological standpoint, dealing with expectations.

The Cowboys are strong at the skill positions, the coach said, and some good new players have come out.

The team should have strong leadership, with 15 returning lettermen, including the four team captains, Jordan Bedore, Jared Doke, Brock Lohr and Ian Scherling.

A 6-foot, 4-inch, 251-pound senior, Bedore will play fullback. He

rushed for 1,281 yards on 223 carries last year and was a team captain. He was a first-team running back on the Northwest Kansas League all-league team and also a first team All-State running back.

Doke, a 6-foot, 1-inch, 174-pound senior, will return as quarterback. He rushed for 372 yards on 93 carries last year and was 24 of 69 for 338 yards passing. He also was a captain last year.

Lohr, a 6-foot, 1-inch, 207-pound junior, will play wing back; and Ian Scherling, a 5-foot, 10-inch, 171-pound senior, will return as tight end and quarterback.

Bobby Miller, a 6-foot, 1-inch,

213-pound sophomore will play tailback. He rushed for 925 yards on 129 carries and was All-Northwest Kansas League second team running back last year.

Jake Johnson, a 5-foot, 9-inch, 203-pound junior, will return as center; Mark Starr, a 6-foot, 3-inch, 196-pound sophomore, will return at tackle; and Derrick Raymer, a 6-foot, 1-inch, 184-pound junior, will return as tight end and quarterback.

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The Cowgirl Volleyball team upperclassmen for 2003 Jordan Frazier, 4, Morgan Titus, 5, Chelsea Gray, 6, Tomi Windell, 7, Kelsey Herl, 8, Sara Studer, 9, Nichole Buskirk, 10, Megan Rubio, 14, Justeen Koehler, 15, Clenisha Yarbrough, 18, Janae McKee, 20, Aubrea Winter, 24, Lisha Tedford, 25, Cortney Schields,

30, Alisha McKee, 31, Chantel Thornburg, 33, Melissa Swager, 35, Ciara Abbey, 36, Katrina Cotter, 37, and Amber Searle. Managers Kristi Boyce and Abby Murray. Coach Jerry McKee and assistant coaches Barb Bedore and Char Avila.

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New rules speed up volleyball

By Shannon Davidson
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Goodland High's volleyball season is shaping up, and coach Jerry McKee says the state has changed some rules to promote a faster pace and better play.

Every serve will be a point, he said, and every match will be to 25 with a win by two points instead of games going to 15 points. There will be no net ball calls from officials; teams will be allowed to play the ball off the net. Officials will also not be calling finger action on the ball, he said, and now you can take the first hit of the ball with players hands instead of a bump hit.

"We will have an exciting team to watch," Coach McKee said. "Two ladies have practiced with the Olympic team, and talented girls from the undefeated seventh-grade team are joining us this season."

There are 35 girls on the team right now, he said, and they are looking to go to 40. This is down from around 70

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