

# Cowboys defeat Longhorns open season with 65-56 win

The Goodland High School boys basketball team opened its season with a 65-56 win in Imperial, Neb., Friday evening against the Longhorns of Chase County High.

The Cowboys started slow, gaining the lead just once in the first half, but managed to go into the locker room with the score tied at 32. The second half was a different story, as Goodland scored the first six points and kept the lead throughout the game.

The Longhorns got within one point at 48-47, but six straight points by senior Lance Tedford gave the Cowboys a lead Chase County could not overcome. The Longhorns closed to within four to 60-56 after a three-point basket, then started to foul the Cowboys to stop the clock. However the Cowboys hit on 5-of-6 free throws in the final minutes while keeping the Longhorns scoreless to earn the 65-56 win.

Chase County jumped out to a 4-0 lead before sophomore forward Bobby Miller scored Goodland's first two points of the season. The Longhorns kept the lead throughout the first period, increasing it to eight

points at 17-9, but the Cowboys scored seven straight points to close to 17-16 at the end of the first period.

The second period saw the Longhorns widen their lead to 22-18, but a basket by Miller followed by one from sophomore guard Jase Herl tied the score at 22. Chase County regained the lead and kept it until junior forward Derrick Raymer scored a basket to give Goodland's its first lead in the game, 30-29.

The Longhorns responded with a three-pointer, but a foul sent Raymer to the free throw line for two shots with only seconds left on the clock. He made both, and the teams were tied at 32 at the break.

The Cowboys opened the third period by scoring the first six points, four by Tedford, which started a 16-6 point run which left the score 48-38. From the end of the third period through the beginning of the fourth, the Longhorns made a strong comeback, scoring nine straight points to close within one at 48-47. Tedford again displayed a hot hand, scoring the next six points and rebuilding Goodland's lead to 54-47.

With less than three minutes left,

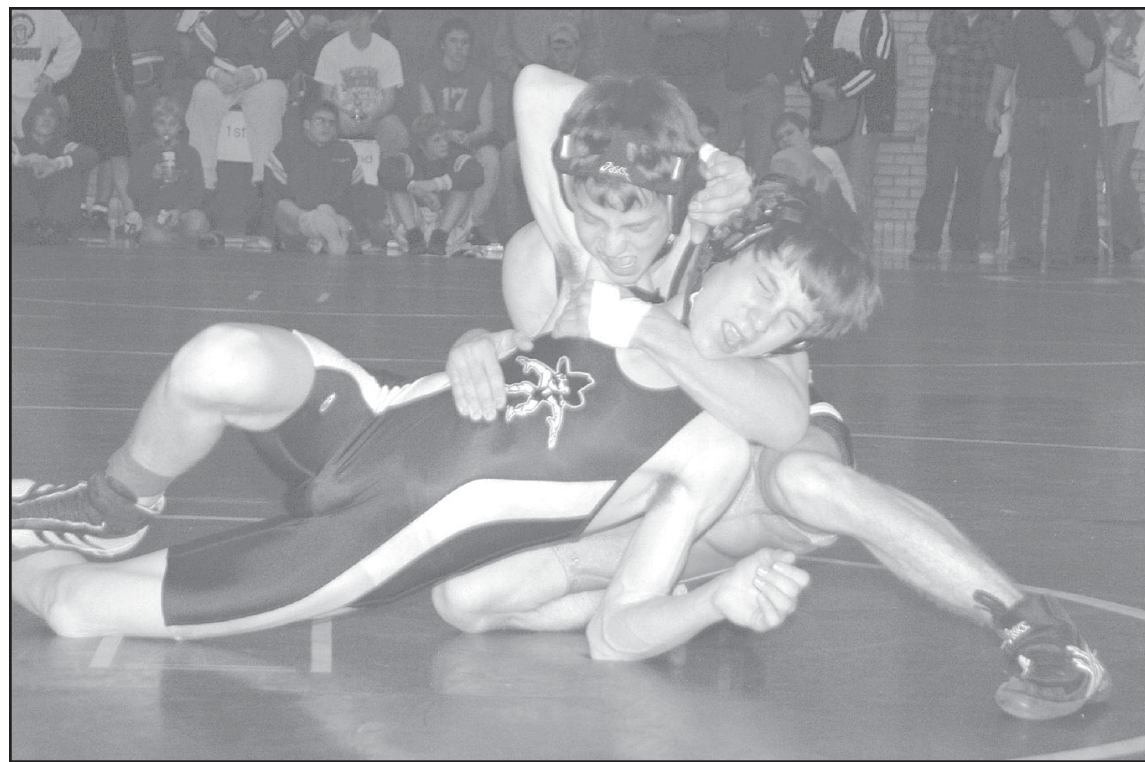
and the Cowboys leading 60-51, the Longhorns scored a pair of baskets, one a three-pointer, to close to within four, 60-56. With less than a minute left, they started to foul to conserve time. The Cowboys' free-throw shooting was up to the challenge, connecting on 5-of-6 shots, including 4-of-4 by Herl.

At the same time, Goodland's defense rose to the challenge, keeping the Longhorns scoreless for the rest of the game to make the final score 65-56.

Tedford was the leading scorer for the Cowboys with 19 points, 16 in the second half. Raymer was next with 14. Both Herl and Miller were in double figures with 12 points each. Junior Drew Wilkens had four points, while senior Jared Doke and junior David Livengood each had two.

The Cowboys varsity and junior varsity will be in action this afternoon in their home openers at Max Jones Fieldhouse.

The junior varsity will be first, starting at 5:30, playing in the junior high gym. The varsity will play about two hours after on the main court.



Freshman Brett Bahe (bottom) struggled with Colby's Dan Tibble at the St. Francis Tournament Saturday. Bahe won the match and placed first in the 103-pound weight class.

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## Two Cowboys win weight class

Two Cowboys wrestlers took first place at the St. Francis wrestling tournament Saturday as Goodland finished fourth in the team standings.

Freshman Brett Bahe earned first place in the 103-pound weight class and his brother senior Blayze Bahe was first at 119 pounds. Senior Kevin Schulte was runner-up at 145 pounds.

Juniors Blake Saint, at 140 pounds, and Brandon Cowan, at 189 pounds, both finished third in their weight class. Sophomore Mark Starr, 215 pounds, and freshman Jon Cook, 152 pounds, both has to default their matches for third-place due to injury and finished fourth.

Junior Chad Normandin finished sixth at 112 pounds, senior Brock Whitmore seventh at 135 pounds and sophomore Chris Baumfalk

sixth at 171 pounds. Coach Randy Bahe said several Cowboy wrestlers missed the tournament due to illness, injuries and other school commitments.

At the junior varsity tournament held in Goodland Saturday, freshman Kerek Mason won all four of his matches in the 112-pound weight class. Also competing for the Cowboys were junior Ray Brigham, 130 pounds, who finished 3-1; freshman Josiah Goodley, 160 pounds, 1-3; and freshman Brandon Douglas, 112 pounds, 0-4.

The Cowboys opened their sea-

son Friday with a dual meet at Hoxie. The Indians defeated Goodland 45-28.

Brett and Blayze Bahe along with Cowan all won their matches by pinfall. Shields won his match by a 12-4 decision and Normandin picked up a win by forfeit.

In junior varsity competition at Hoxie, Goodley and sophomore Brandon Hatfield each won a match by pinfall.

The next action for both the varsity and junior varsity is a dual meet Thursday at Atwood against the Buffaloes.

## Grant beats Oberlin, improves to 8-0

The Grant Junior High School eighth-grade boys basketball A team remained perfect for the season by beating Oberlin 50-5 Thursday afternoon, improving to 8-0.

Tanner Smith led the Mustangs with 13 points, followed by Darrick Ihrig with eight. Preston Dautel, T.J. Hawkins and Forrest Trachsel each scored six. Spencer Windell added four points, Jake Kling three, and both Dustin Pennington and Ben Davis two each.

Davis led the team in rebounds with six, and Grant outrebounded Oberlin 33-23.

The eighth-grade B team earned its third win for the season against Oberlin with a 5-4 "fifth quarter" game win. The B team is now 3-7.

Both Michael Ledesma and Jason Krayca scored two points for the Mustangs, and Tom Terry scored on a free throw.

On Tuesday, the eighth-grade A team beat Scott City on the road, 41-36, for its seventh win of the season. Windell and Jance McKee each scored 13 points to lead the Mustangs. The B team lost its game there 37-21. Aaron Deeds led Grant's scoring with eight points.

Both the seventh-grade teams won their games Thursday against Oberlin. The A team won 39-28 and the B team won 7-0 in a fifth quarter game.

Andrew Taylor led the A team with 14 points, with Greg Farris right behind with 13. Travis Angelos scored five points, Casey House three and both Jace Mosbarger and Rory Kling added two points for the Mustangs. Taylor also led the team in rebounds with nine. House grabbed eight rebounds.

Coach Curt Minner said although Oberlin had good ball handlers, the

Mustangs were able to control their outside shooters pretty well. He said the team improved its free throw percentage in the game.

In the B game, Brennan Clouse led the team in scoring and rebounds with three points and four boards. Drew Raile and Zach Lohr each scored two points.

"The Mustangs kept good pressure on defensively," said Minner. "Adam (Duell), Kade (Sheldon) and Allen (Smith) all got two steals apiece."

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