

Norton wins Holiday Classic Goodland Cowboys fourth

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The Blue Jays of Norton High School won the Holiday Classic wrestling tournament Saturday at Max Jones Fieldhouse, defeating the Scott City Beavers in the championship round.

The Goodland Cowboys finished fourth, losing to Hoxie in the final round between the two second-place teams from pool competition. "I was really pleased with the way the tournament turned out," Cowboy coach Randy Bahe said. "It was a competitive quality meet." The tournament's 10 teams were divided into two pools of five. Each team faced each of the other teams in the pool during the five preliminary rounds of competition. The first-place teams from each pool faced each other in the championship, as did the two second place teams on down to the fifth place teams.

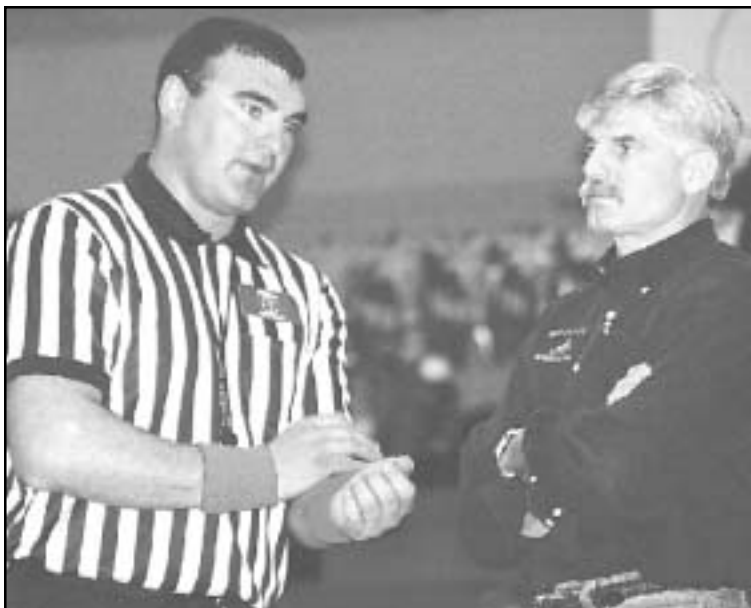
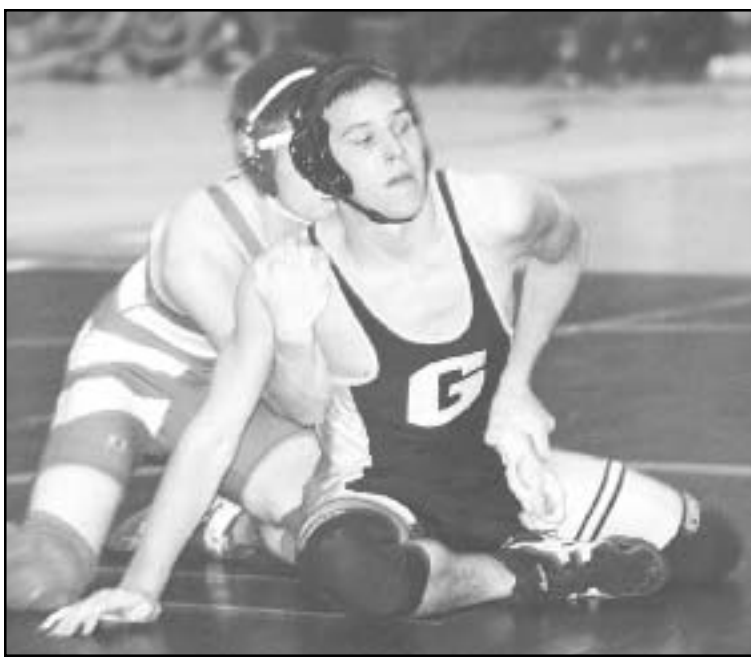
The order of finish for Pool A was Norton, Goodland, Ulysses, Chapman and Hill City. Pool B's order of finish was Scott City, Hoxie, Burlington, Holton and Leoti.

There were no individual champions recognized, however every wrestler who went through the day undefeated received a trophy. Three Cowboys were among the 22 undefeated wrestlers: freshman Brett Bahe at 103 pounds, senior Blayze Bahe at 119 pounds and senior heavyweight Jordan Bedore.

Bedore was named the Classic's Most Outstanding Wrestler and won the trophy for the fastest pin of the tournament, a nine-second effort over his opponent from Hoxie in the final round.

One of the highlights of the tournament was the heavyweight match between Bedore, the two-time defending state champion at 215-pounds, and the defending state heavyweight champion Tony Lewis of Ulysses. Bedore came away with a close 9-7 decision.

Coach Bahe said he was pleased with his team's overall performance, but felt the team was "a little flat" against Chapman. He said junior Chad Normandin had a successful tournament Saturday and that junior Brandon Cowan would have undefeated except for a sub-par performance against Chapman. Bahe said both wrestlers improved a lot



Sophomore Brandon Hatfield (top photo) tried to escape from his opponent from Norton on Saturday in the 145-pound class. Hatfield lost 8-5. Coach Randy Bahe (above) listened to the referee's explanation during a controversial call. Senior Jordan Bedore (right, above), last year's state champion at 215 pounds, battled last year's heavyweight champion, Tony Lewis of Ulysses, in the fifth round of the Holiday Classic. Bedore won 9-7.

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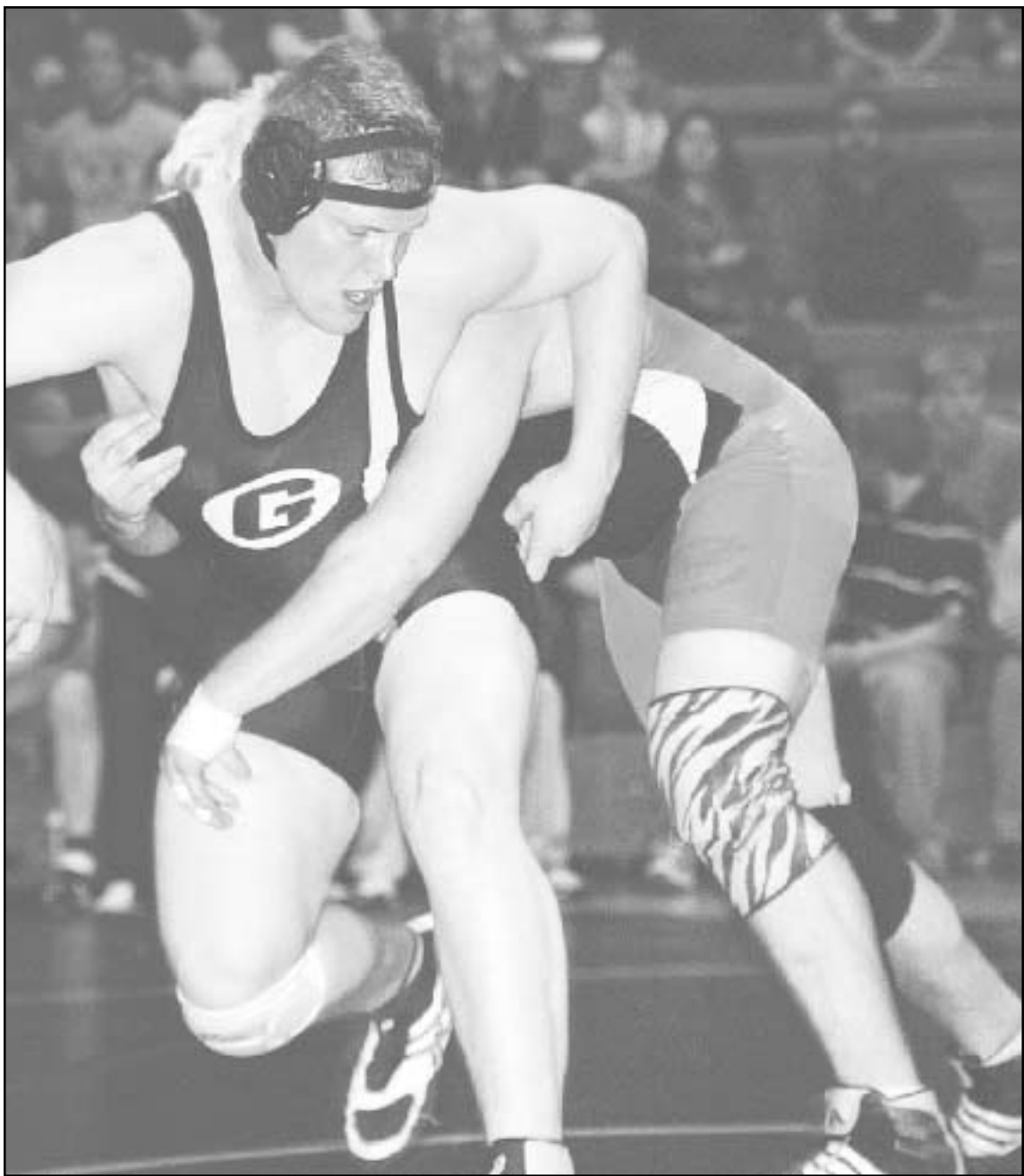
over the last two weeks.

Other Cowboy wrestlers participating in the tournament include sophomore Brandon Zelfer, freshman Brett Schields, junior Blake Saint, senior Korey Schulte, freshman Jon Cook, senior Mike Zimmerman and sophomore Chris Baumfalk.

"I'd like to thank the groups and

people of the community for their help in putting together the tournament," said Bahe. "Without them it wouldn't have been possible."

The Cowboys' next action will be Jan. 8 when they host the Colby Eagles for a dual meet at Max Jones Fieldhouse. The next day the team heads for Liberal for another tournament.



Sophomore Chris Baumfalk (left) held the advantage over his opponent from Hill City in their 171-pound match in the first round of the Holiday Classic tournament. Baumfalk won the decision 5-3.

Goodland boys fall to Quinter 63-59

The Goodland High School boys held the lead for more than half the game against Quinter on Friday, but faded in the third quarter.

It was the state-ranked Bulldogs who had the lead when it counted most, defeating the Cowboys 63-59.

The loss drops Goodland's record to 2-3 for the season while Quinter stays perfect at 6-0. This was the last basketball game for the Cowboys until after the Christmas break.

Goodland scored the game's first six points and held a 21-13 lead at the end of the first period. Both teams scored 15 points in the second period and the Cowboys went into the locker room leading 36-28.

Quinter made adjustments during the break, and in the third period outscored Goodland 20-7, making

it 48-43 at the end of three. A three-point basket by senior Lance Tedford to open the fourth period put the Cowboys within two. However, the Bulldogs maintained their lead until the final minutes, when Goodland scored six straight points to tie the score at 58.

From that point on, though, all the scoring was done from the free throw line, with Quinter hitting on 5-of-8 to Goodland's 1-of-2 and winning 63-59.

Sophomore Bobby Miller led the Cowboys with 21 points, followed by Tedford with 14. Junior Derrick Raymer scored 11, sophomore Jase Herl nine and senior Jared Duke four points.

Goodland jumped out to a quick 6-0 lead. However, a pair of three-pointers early in the game by the

Bulldogs kept Quinter close until, with the score 10-8, the Cowboys scored nine straight points to take a 19-10 lead. Goodland led at the end of the first period 21-13.

In the second quarter, the Cowboys' lead fluctuated between six and nine points until the final minutes of the half, when Quinter closed to within three 31-28. However, the Cowboys scored the last five points to regain an eight point lead at halftime 36-28.

Quinter opened the third period with five straight points to narrow Goodland's lead to three, 36-33. After a Cowboy basket by Miller, the Bulldogs went on a 9-0 point run to take a 42-38 lead. Quinter would

not fall behind again.

The Bulldogs never got more than eight points ahead, though, and twice the Cowboys got within two points until, with under two minutes in the game, a goal tending call put Goodland within one, 58-57. Tedford was fouled attempting a basket and hit his first free throw to tie the game. He missed the second.

The Cowboys started to foul the Bulldogs to preserve time, but Quinter was able to hit 5-of-8 free throws while its defense held Goodland to just one point in the final seconds.

Three players fouled out in the final minute: Raymer, Duke and Quinter's Cameron Anderson.

Weekend sports television schedule

SATURDAY MORNING
10:00 12/56 ESPN College Basketball Missouri at Memphis. (Live) (CC)
11:30 7/11 CBS NFL Football Buffalo Bills at New England Patriots. From Gillette Stadium in Foxboro, Mass. (Live) (CC)

AFTERNOON
1:00 30/55 FXSP Women's College Basketball Oregon State at California. (Live)
2:30 13/7 FOX NFL Pregame (Live) (CC)
3:00 7/11 CBS College Basketball Louisville at Kentucky. (Live) (CC)
13/7 FOX NFL Football Seattle Seahawks at San Francisco 49ers. From San Francisco Stadium at Candlestick Point in San Francisco. (Live) (CC)

SUNDAY MORNING
11:00 7/11 CBS NFL Football New York Jets at Miami Dol-

phins. From Pro Player Stadium in Miami. (Live) (CC)
13/7 FOX NFL Football Dallas Cowboys at New Orleans Saints. From the Louisiana Superdome in New Orleans. (Live) (CC)

AFTERNOON
2:00 7/11 CBS NFL Football Denver Broncos at Green Bay Packers. From Lambeau Field in Green Bay, Wis. (Live) (CC)
3:00 30/55 FXSP College Basketball Tipoff (Live)
3:30 30/55 FXSP College Basketball Maryland at Florida State. (Live)
5:00 12/56 ESPN SportsCenter (Live) (CC)
54/57 ESPN2 NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at Chicago Blackhawks. From the United Center in Chicago. (Subject to Blackout) (Live) (CC)
5:30 12/56 ESPN NFL Primetime (Live) (CC)

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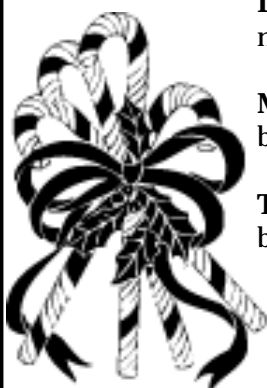
Brewster All-Star Booster Club

December 24- January 6

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Tuesday Jan. 6 - High school basketball in Brewster against



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