

Cowboy wrestlers take third

By Sharon Corcoran

The Cowboys varsity took third, with all but one wrestler placing in his weight class, in the team's first competition following the Christmas break, a weekend tournament in Liberal.

The junior varsity squad had several place in competition at WaKeeney on Saturday as well.

Goodland was third at the Liberal Wrestling Tournament on Friday and Saturday, behind Colby and Las Vegas Robertson High School from New Mexico.

Junior A.J. Stephens led the squad, taking first at 140.

Sophomore Kade Sheldon was third at 103, sophomore Keegan Smith third at 135, junior Aaron Deeds fourth at 152, sophomore Ryan Taylor fourth at 160.

Senior Brett Schields was second at 171, senior Josiah Goodley fifth at 189, junior T.J. Hawkins third at 215 and junior Bob Doxon fourth at heavyweight.

The only wrestler who didn't place missed by just one point, said Coach Joseph Sramek; Kerek Mason was 2-2 at 125, losing one match 2-1.

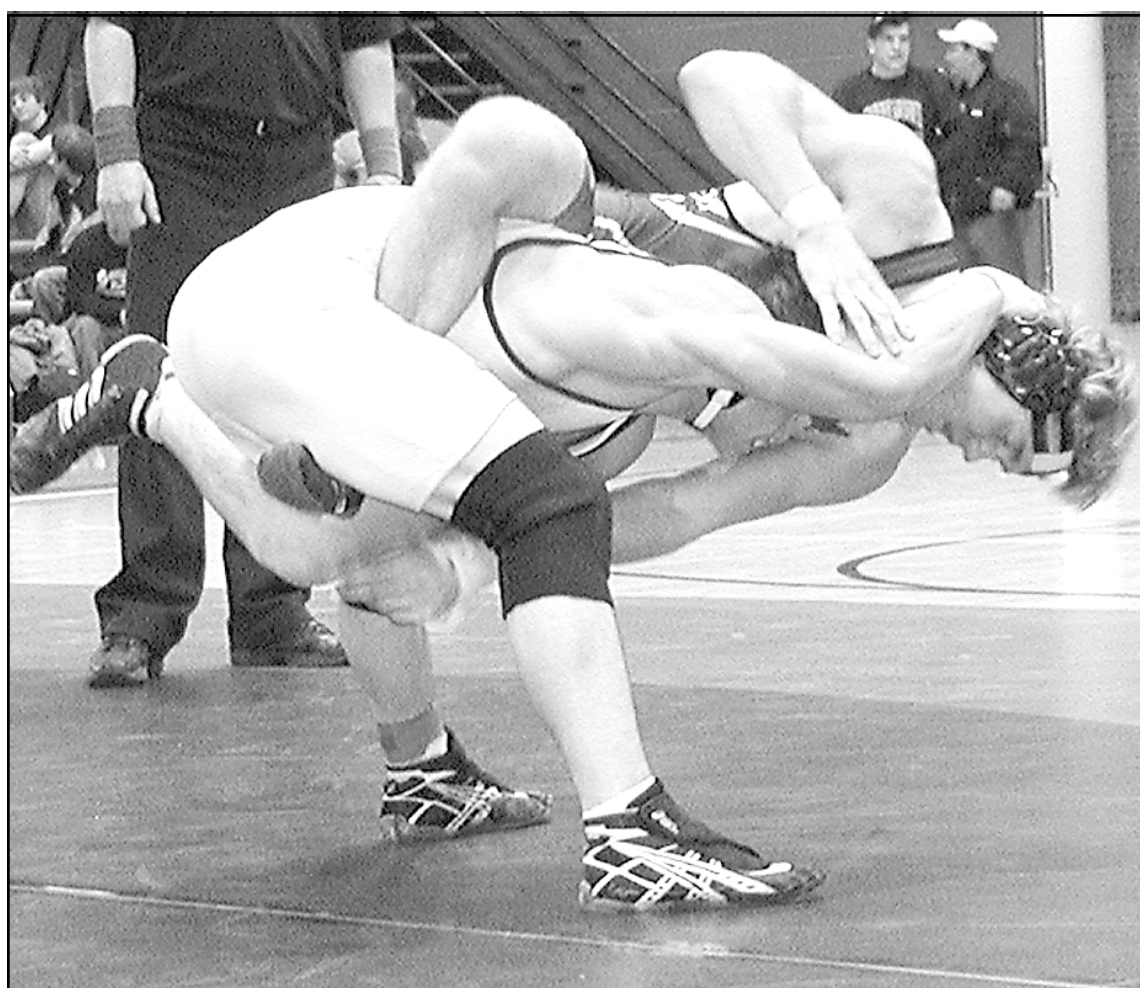
"I don't think we wrestled at our best," the coach said, "but we did well taking third when we weren't at our A game."

You're not going to be at your best at every tournament, he said; it's a long season.

He said the team missed a lot of practice with the snowstorm.

They hadn't met for practice since Christmas break started Dec. 23 and had only one day of school before going to the tournament.

The weather affected Colby as



Senior Brett Schields wrestled an opponent at the Southwest Invitational Wrestling Tournament in Liberal on Friday and Saturday. Schields was third at 171 pounds.

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well, Sramek said; a lot of wrestlers were out of shape.

Eight junior varsity members went to WaKeeney, the coach said, and they did pretty well.

Sophomore Fernando Martinez took first at 189 pounds, and four others snared medals.

Britt Zweygardt, who joined the

team right before the break, wrestled at 119 and was 1-2, sophomore Bryan Gray was second at 140, sophomore T.J. Freeman 0-2 at 140, sophomore Vance Johnson third at 171, freshman Zack Prine 0-2 at 171, junior Ren Scherling second at 189 and freshman Jay Cotter third at 215.

The Cowboys' next competition will be the varsity meet at the Oberlin Invitational starting at 9 a.m. (Mountain Time) Saturday. The junior varsity will be at the Hays Junior Prairie Classic Wrestling at 8:30 a.m.

Seawolves lose first game of the season

Former Goodland Cowgirl Jayci Stone scored five points Saturday as

the Seawolves of the University of Alaska Anchorage lost their first game for the season to Northwest Nazarene University 63-59 in Nampa, Idaho.

The Seawolves are 12-1 overall and 1-1 in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference.

Stone scored 11 points last Wednesday as Anchorage won its conference opener against in-state rival the University of Alaska Fairbanks 77-71.

The Seawolves continue confer-

ence play Thursday at home against Washington's Seattle University and on Saturday against Western Washington University.

Stone, a senior forward in her first season with the Seawolves, is second on the team in scoring at more than 11 points per game.

She also is second in rebounding with five per game.

Northwest Nazarene scored the first six points in Saturday's game and led 31-16 with less than five minutes left in the first half as the Seawolves fought back.

They trailed by nine at halftime, 35-26.

In the second half, Anchorage began to narrow the gap, tying the

score at 53 then again at 55 with just under four minutes left. About 40 seconds later, the Seawolves got their first lead 57-55. A little over a minute after that, a jump shot by

Stone made it 59-55. However, the Crusaders scored eight points while holding the visitors scoreless for the final two minutes to win 63-59.



Stone

bowling results

Wednesday Night Scratch League
January 3

Weber Kennels over Fitzgibbon's Inc. 16-4
Phil's Pro Shop over Steve's Body Shop 13.5-6.5

Sigco and J&L Deliveries postponed
Floyd's Refrig. & A.C. over Adronics 13-7

Team high score game: Phil's Pro Shop 672
Team high scores series: Phil's Pro Shop 2339
Individual high score game: Phil Helzer 279
Individual high score series: Phil Helzer 898

Standings
1. Weber Kennels 16-4
2. Phil's Pro Shop 13.5-6.5
3. Floyd's Refrig. & A.C. 13-7
4. Adronics 7-13
5. Steve's Body Shop 6.5-13.5
6. Fitzgibbon's Inc. 4-16

Basketball teams face Quinter tonight

The holiday and weather breaks are finally over, as the Cowboys and Cowgirls basketball teams get set to face the Quinter Bulldogs tonight at Max Jones Fieldhouse.

The girls varsity game will begin about 5:30 p.m., and the boys varsity about 7 p.m. The boys junior varsity will play in the junior high gym at 5:30 p.m., and the girls junior varsity about 7 p.m.

Weather has played havoc with the sports schedule, and the Cowboys and Cowgirls will have makeup games with Scott City on Monday, Jan. 15 and at Lakin on Tuesday, Feb. 6. Snow postponed the Scott City game on Dec. 19, and the Goodland teams were to travel to Lakin on Friday, but cancelled because of bad roads.

Don Smith, Goodland High activity director and Cowgirls basketball coach, said he will be glad to get back to action. The delays have given his team a chance to get some extra practice and heal up a bit, he said.

Smith said the girls had not had everyone at practice, so he expects the girls to be a bit rusty getting back into action.

"I think it will be a big mystery when we get on the floor," Smith said.

The Cowgirls are 5-0, while the Lady Bulldogs are 4-1. The Cowboys are 4-1 and the Bulldogs are 3-2.

John Crist, Quinter activity director and Bulldogs coach, said he will be glad to get back into action as well.

"I don't know how each team is going to play with such a long

break," Crist said. "I don't think we are in that great of physical shape. It is like getting started again, and we will have to play our way into shape."

He said Quinter had to postpone games against Hill City in December and Oakley on Friday. "I know the kids are itching to get back on the floor," Crist said.

The Cowboys have won four and lost one. Their last action was on Friday, Dec. 15, when they lost 80-44 to the Hays Indians.

Crist said the Lady Bulldogs are not strong in number, but have a pretty good team. He said their loss was to Ellis in the finals of a tournament over Christmas.

He said both the Bulldogs losses were to Hoxie. The first was at Hoxie, where they lost by 3 points, and then lost in the finals of the Christmas tournament by about 19.

Smith said there will be a freshman boys game with Quinter beginning at 3:45 p.m. (Mountain Time), but there will not be a girls freshman game.

At Atwood on Friday, Smith said they are doing something different.

"We will play two quarters of a girls freshman game beginning at 3:45 p.m.," he said, "and then we will have two quarters of freshman boys."

The varsity girls game with the Lady Buffaloes will begin at 5:30 p.m. (Mountain Time), and the varsity boys will play at 7 p.m. The boys and girls junior varsity games will be played in the auxiliary gym with the boys going first and the girls second.

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School calendar for January 10 to January 16

Wednesday: Gold Day, Central Site Council Meeting at 4 p.m., NWKL Meeting @ Colby at 8:30 a.m., NWKTC Enrollment at 6 p.m., City County Recreation at 7 p.m.

Thursday: Black Day, 7/8 BB (H) Oberlin 3:30 p.m. (A & 5th Quarter)

Friday: Gold Day, End of 2nd Nine Weeks, WKLL Basketball Tournament, 3:45 Boy/Girls V, JV, & C BKB @ Rawlins County

Saturday: WKLL Basketball Tournament, JV Wrestling Hays Junior Prairie Classic Wrestling, 9 a.m. Varsity Decatur Invitational Wrestling Tournament.

Monday: Teacher Professional Day, Boys & Girls V, JV, & C at Scott City.

Tuesday: Gold Day, 10:40 a.m. NWKTC Meeting w/ Juniors, 3 p.m. Boys/Girls V. Scholar Bowl @ Scott City.

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