



Aaron Deeds (left) had the upper hand, foot and everything else in one of his matches this weekend in Hays. Kerek Mason (above) had a hold on one of his opponents. Deeds and Mason were both third in their weight classes, and Goodland won the tournament, beating 21 teams.  
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# Goodland wins Hays classic by 50 points

By Sharon Corcoran

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Goodland was the top team by nearly 50 points at the Senior Prairie Classic Wrestling Tournament in Hays last weekend.

The Cowboys were first out of 21 teams with 198 points to second-place McPherson's 154 1/2 and third-place Hays' 150. Shawnee Heights was fourth and Phillipsburg fifth. Other teams in-

cluded Dodge City, Oakley, St. Francis and Ulysses.

All but two Cowboys were in the top four. Junior A.J. Stephens was first at 140. Second-place Cowboys were sophomore Kade Sheldon at 103, sophomore Ryan Taylor at 160 in his first time in the finals and junior Bob Doxon at 285.

In third were senior Kerek Mason at 125, junior Aaron Deeds at 152, senior Josiah Goodley at 189 and

junior T.J. Hawkins at 215. In fourth was sophomore Fernando Martinez at 171. Junior Britt Zwegardt and sophomore Bryan Gray were 0-2.

It was a good tournament, said Coach Joseph Sramek, adding that the team competed from 3 to 11:30 p.m. Friday. The team left as soon as they could Saturday, he said, because of the snow.

The Cowboys have had a good season so far, he said, placing in

every tournament except Colby. The top three teams get plaques, he said, and the Cowboys only missed that mark at Colby but had a lot of wrestlers missing from that tournament.

Taylor had one of his best tournaments of the year in Hays, the coach said, making it to the finals; it was his first time in the championship match.

Martinez doesn't usually wrestle

varsity, the coach said, but was in for senior Brett Shields, who was out with a rib injury. Sophomore Keegan Smith, 135, was out with the flu, the coach said.

The Cowboys compete in a dual with Decatur Community High School at 5:30 p.m. Mountain Time Friday at Oberlin and in the Northwest Kansas League Tournament at 8:30 a.m. Mountain Time Saturday at Hoxie.

Besides Goodland, teams at league will be St. Francis, Rawlins County, Decatur Community, Oakley, Colby, Quinter and Hoxie.

To prepare, Goodland will cut back on drills, Sramek said, and focus more on live wrestling and technique. They have some things to work on, he said, but nothing major; they will focus on actual wrestling and conditioning.

## Goodland Cowboys fall to Blue Jays, 46-31

Poor shooting put the Cowboys in a hole they could not dig out of at Norton on Tuesday losing, 46-31.

The second straight loss for the Cowboys gives them a 7-5 record. Norton is now 8-3.

Tonight the Cowboys hope to rebound against the Oberlin Red Devils with tip-off scheduled about 7 p.m. Crowning of the Snoball royalty takes place between the Cowboys and Cowboys games.

Against Norton the Cowboys stayed close through most of the game, but the Cowboys couldn't get their shots to fall through the basket, losing 46-31.

"We just could not get the ball in the basket," Coach Jon McLean said Thursday. "When you shoot 27.5 percent you are not going to give yourself a chance to win."

"We got the shots we needed, but we just could not get them to fall." The Cowboys were close at the

end of the first quarter, 12-10, and a basket by Nick Angelos at the end of the half kept the margin close, 20-17.

The Cowboys fell behind by 9 at the end of the third, 30-21. In the final quarter Norton outscored the Cowboys 16-10 for the 46-31 win.

In the first half Greg Farris and Mikey Doll tried several 3-point shots, and none would fall. In the game Farris tried six 3-point shots and all were no good. Coach McLean said it was unusually bad because several of the long shots did not even reach the rim. Doll finally got two of his nine 3-point shots to fall for his 6 points.

Cowboy Tanner Smith got into foul trouble early and has to sit out most of the first half with three fouls. Smith had 9 points, but was called for back-to-back fouls and was out with six minutes left in the fourth.

Travis Angelos and Doll were playing with four fouls each in the fourth quarter. Travis Angelos missed his three field goal shots, but did make both free throws he shot for his 2 points.

Nick Angelos led the Cowboys with 11 points. He hit 5 of his 11 field goal shots, and 1 of his 4 free throws. He did get credit for two blocked shots.

Andrew Taylor was perfect from the floor hitting his one basket and made 1 of 2 free throws for his 3 points.

Norton hit 56 percent from the floor (19-34), but the Cowboys hit 27.5 percent (11-40). Norton out rebounded the Cowboys 25-19.

"We really need to bounce back tonight against Oberlin," McLean said. "The kids need to get their confidence back. We have got to get some momentum going into next week."

The Cowboys will make the first of two trips south on Tuesday when they face Garden City. The Cowboys face St. Francis at Max Jones on Friday, and then face Dodge City on Saturday.

## bowling results

### Wednesday Night Mixed League January 30

S&L over Shear Dimensions 4-0  
4 Stars over Fun Lovers 4-0  
The Pits over Phillip's Bros. 4-0  
Amack's Trucking over Odd Couple 3-1  
Guzzlin, Socializers over D,G & M Clan 4-0

JanSon UWK over Blind in Eyes 4-0  
**Team high score game:** The Pits 705

**Team high scores series:** The Pits 1949

**Men's high score game:** Neil Normandin 224

**Men's high score series:** Neil Normandin 560

**Women's high score game:** Marilyn Snethen 201

**Women's high score series:** JoAnn Matthews 511

**Team Standings**  
1. Guzzlin' Socializers  
2. D, G & M Clan  
3. JanSon UWK

January 24

Amack's Trucking tied The Pits 2-2  
Odd Couple over Shear Dimensions 3-1  
D,G & M Clan over Blind in Eyes 3-1  
Guzzlin' Socializers over Fun Lovers 4-0

JanSon UWK over 4 Stars 3-1

Phillip's Bros. over S&L 3-1

**Team high score game:** Guzzlin' Socializers 672

**Team high score series:** Guzzlin' Socializer 1901

**Men's high score game:** Travis Gillihan 206

**Men's high score series:** Harold Gillihan 554

**Women's high score game:** Julie Samuelson 189

**Women's high score series:** Julie Samuelson 499

**Monday Afternoon Ladies League**  
January 22

Alcorn/Shelter Insurance over Callahan's 3-1

Clawson's over McClure Plumbing & Heating 4-0

Wheatridge Farms over Bowladium Lanes 3-1

**Team high score game:** Bowladium Lanes 625

**Team high scores series:** Wheatridge 1742

**Individual high score game:** Lois Canfield 207

**Individual high score series:** Lori Amthor 540

### Standings

1. Clawson's 14-2
2. Alcorn/Shelter Insurance 12-4
3. Callahan's 9-7

## Hoop shoot winners move on to state

Two winners of the Goodland Elks Hoop Shoot will now move on to compete at state competition after winning the District Hoop Shoot.

Gage Ihrig, son of Deb and Lance Ihrig of Goodland, won in the 10-11 boys age group and Laurie Dennis of Oakley won the 10-11 girls age group.

The district contest was Saturday, Jan. 6, in Russell at the Russell High School. The free-throw contest gives each competitor 25 tries, in five-shot increments, in three age groups for both boys and girls: 8-9, 10-11 and 12-13. Ihrig made 19 out of 25 free throws.

Ihrig and Dennis will compete in the State Hoop Shoot at Newton on Saturday, Feb. 10. They will compete against three others representing the Southwest, Southeast and Northeast Districts in Kansas.

The West Central Regional is Saturday, March 10 at Highland Ranch, Colo., and the finals are at Western New England College in Springfield, Mass., on Thursday, April 19 to Sunday, April 22.

Other winners that competed at

district were Trace Engel of Oakley, Reed Bellamy of Goodland, Paige Molstad of Oakley and Oriana Swiatkowski of Burlington. The shoot at Goodland was Sunday, Dec. 17.

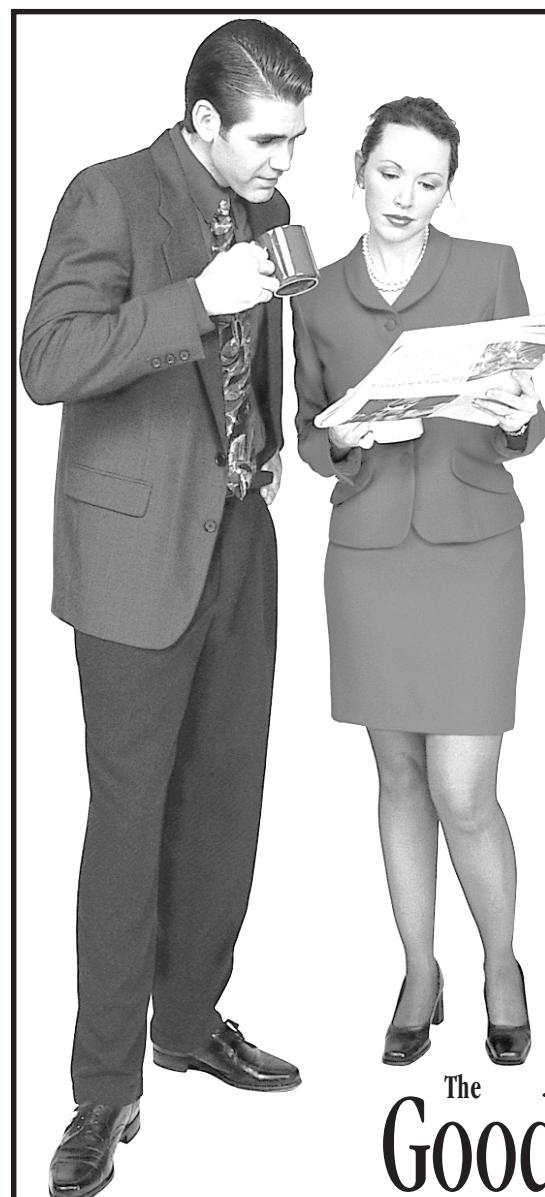
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