



Junior Brandon Rome pitched the first game against Holcomb on Thursday, April 24, at home.
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Cowgirls lose two to reigning state champs

The Goodland High Cowgirls had a tough afternoon Friday, being shut out twice by last year's Class 4A state champions, the Thomas More Prep-Marian Monarchs, 16-0 and 15-0.

In the first game, freshman Ashley Archer took the loss, giving up 16 runs, 12 hits, two walks and striking out two in four innings. Leading hitters were senior Sammie Raymer, 1-2 with a single, a strikeout and a stolen base, and Archer, 1-2 with a single and a strikeout.

In the second game, sophomore

Lexi David took the loss, giving up 12 runs, six hits and seven walks in one inning. Archer gave up three runs, two hits and had a strikeout in one.

Leading hitters were Raymer, 1-2 with a single, and senior Jessica Swager, 1-1 with a single and a stolen base.

The Cowgirls' season record stands at 8-10.

"We ran into a very tough TMP team on Friday," said Coach Tess Smith. "We are looking to rebound on Monday against Colby. These are two

important games that we need to come out play well and finish the season on a positive note and give us confidence as we head to Regionals at Pratt."

Goodland will compete at Green Sports Complex, 2007 E. Sixth, Pratt, Monday. Game times to be announced. Also at Pratt will be Colby, Hugoton/Moscow, Kingman/Norwich, Pratt/Pratt Walden, Russell and Ulysses.

The Cowgirls were scheduled at 3 and 5 p.m. Monday against Colby at home.

Cowboys break losing streak

The Cowboys broke out of a losing streak Friday, coming from behind in the seventh inning to defeat Belle Plain 9-7 at the Western Diamond Classic in Hays.

"It has been a long time since we got a win," said Coach Devlin Mull. "We are hitting the ball better, but still have trouble scoring runs."

The Cowboys were down 7-3, scoring six runs in the top of the seventh to take the win 9-7.

Mull said Rory Kling hit a double, scoring two runs to put Goodland ahead. David Murray was three for four in the game, scoring two runs

and driving in two.

Michael Pettibone started for Goodland and pitched the first five innings, Mull said. He brought in Garth Helton, who pitched until the seventh. Preston Dautel came on to close it out, Mull said.

That was the good news for the weekend, as the Cowboys got shut out by Hays High in the second game, losing 13-0.

"They hammered us pretty good," Mull said.

The Cowboys took a 3-2 lead in the first against Ellis, but gave up 10 runs in the sixth to lose 15-3.

The final game Saturday was against Salina Central, which won the tournament, Mull said.

The Cowboys kept it close in the first two innings, and were leading 2-1 in the third. They gave up five runs in the fourth and 10 in the fifth to lose 16-4.

The team will finish the regular season Thursday against the No. 2 team in the state at 3 p.m. at Lakin.

Mull said at this time it appears the Cowboys will travel to Colby for the first round of the regional playoffs.

Golfers finish fourth at Ulysses

The Goodland High Cowboys golf team finished fourth and two members won medals in a tournament at Ulysses on Saturday.

Goodland was fourth out of eight teams with a total score of 370. Ulysses won with 347.

Cowboy Joel Weis finished third with a round of 85, while Andrew Taylor was sixth with 88.

"It was good to see both Joel and

Andrew place in the top 10," said Coach Terry Daise.

Other team members at Ulysses included Drew Raile, who shot a 98, Tyler Jones 99, and Ross Townsend 100.

Thursday, the team was in Colby, where the boys finished third out of 10 teams by shooting 360. Colby won with 336 and Hoxie was second at 358.

"It was very cold and windy," Daise said. "It made scoring difficult."

Darrick Ihrig finished ninth with an 86. Other team members included Raile at 89, Weis 90, Taylor 95, Eric Linnell 96, and Townsend 97.

The Cowboys will be in Atwood at 2 p.m. on Friday for the Northwest Kansas League tournament. The regional tournament will be Monday at Pratt.

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School calendar for May 6 to May 13

- Tuesday:** Black Day.
- Wednesday:** Gold Day. 4 p.m., West Site Council. 6 p.m., high school band concert "Picnic in the Park" at Gulick Park. Elementary Bank Day. 10:45 a.m., Cinco de Mayo at Max Jones Fieldhouse.
- Thursday:** Black Day. 9 a.m., junior high league track meet at Quinter. 3 and 5 p.m., varsity and junior varsity baseball at Lakin. 6:30 p.m., Family, career, community Leaders of America banquet.
- Friday:** Gold Day. Boys state tennis. 2 p.m., high school league track meet at Colby. 2 p.m., high school league golf at Atwood. 5:30 p.m., National Education Association dinner.
- Saturday:** Boys state tennis. 6 p.m., Goodland High School prom. 7:15 p.m., Goodland High School Promenade at Max Jones Fieldhouse.
- Monday:** 7 p.m., Goodland School Board meets at administration building. Boys regional golf. 6 p.m., DECA employee/employer banquet. 7 p.m., Fourth grade music concert at Goodland High School Auditorium. Regional baseball and softball.
- Tuesday:** Gold Day. Junior high band/vocal concert in high school auditorium. 6 p.m., American Field Service social. Regional baseball and softball.

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