



Fans get first glimpse

Fans got their first glimpse of the Cowboys football team Friday at the annual Soap Scrimmage, along with running exhibitions from the Cowboys, Cowgirls and Grant Junior High Mustangs cross country teams.

The cross country teams will kick off their season at home with the Goodland Invitational at 4 p.m. Thursday at Sugar Hills Golf Club. Fans will have a busy week with the football team also starting the season at home against the Oakley Plainsmen at 6 p.m. Friday at Cowboys Stadium.

The Cowboys and Cowgirls cross country teams have gained members and are up to 10 boys and five girls. The boys have seniors Justin Verlinden, T.J. Freeman and Simon Grunfeld, an AFS student from Sweden; juniors Ben Waugh, J.P. McCool, Ryan Irvin and Lorenzo Delgado; sophomores Stephen Buller and Michael Pettibone; and freshman Corey Davis.

The Cowgirls have seniors Cassie Cooper, Kirsten Dutton and Savannah Schlink and sophomores Tamara West and Caitlyn McGinley.

Since they have to have 14 days of practice before competing, said Coach Richard Schwasinger, only Verlinden, Grunfeld, Waugh, Buller, Pettibone and Davis will compete for the boys Thursday, and Cooper and Dutton for the girls. The season will begin for the rest of the team at Greeley County (Tribune) at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, he added.

Cowboys football coach Kent Teeter said the scrimmage was



filmed, and the team will be working this week on correcting the mistakes they saw. The biggest thing about Friday against Oakley, he said, will be to work on special teams, since they weren't used in the

scrimmage. "We will also continue to work on the offense to improve and to make sure we know exactly what we are suppose to do," Teeter said. "Defensively we need to make sure

we are getting aligned correctly and know our assignments." The Cowboys take the field 55 members strong with 13 seniors, eight juniors, 13 sophomores and 21 freshmen.



Freshman Ryder Kling (clockwise from top left) caught a pass from freshman Ryan Hillmer during the annual Soap Scrimmage Friday. Sophomore Kelly Pearson ran with the ball on a quarterback keeper. Senior Travis Angelos prepared to throw a pass. Cowgirls seniors Kirsten Dutton (left) and Cassie Cooper (right) and Grant Junior High Lady Mustangs Chantel Coates (middle) and Shelby Arnold (back) ran in the cross country exhibition.

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Coach Teeter and assistants Joseph Sramek, Devlin Mull, Donald Raymer and Mike Ruhs have been working with the team on drills and teaching them to work with a no-huddle offense.

The team is in the learning process, Teeter said, but there is a lot of talent, a lot of ability and a big senior class. And it's a good coaching staff, he added.

"Our main goals," he said, "will be to play with great effort, execute

without a lot of mistakes and to have great enthusiasm. I think the players are looking forward to going up against someone other than ourselves."

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School calendar for September 3-September 9

- 3-Gold Day
Elementary Bank Day
PDC Meeting
Earliest Day for Football & Cross Country Competition
NWKL Administrator's Meeting
- 4-Black Day
G-V Golf @ WaKeeney 2 p.m.
CC Goodland Inv. (H) 4 p.m.
7/8 VB @ Colby 3:30 p.m.
7/8 Football @ Colby 3:30 p.m.
- 5-Gold Day
V FB (H) Oakley 6 p.m.
- 6-V VB @ Machebeuf 8 a.m.

- 8-Black Day
JV FB @ Hoxie 4:30 p.m.
C FB (H) Atwood 4:30 p.m.
High school Gifted Seminar @ Oakley
Board of Education Meeting
Boys C/9th FB vs. Rawlins County High School
- 9-Gold Day
Girls Varsity, JV Golf, Goodland Invitational, 12:30 p.m.
Girls V, JV, C Volleyball, Goodland Volleyball Quad 3:45 p.m.
West Site Council meeting, 5:30 p.m.



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