

Girls win medals

The Goodland Cowgirls tennis team finished fifth out of 12 teams Saturday at Garden City and fourth out of seven Tuesday at Colby, led by the No. 1 doubles team that brought home gold and bronze medals. A Goodland freshman also brought home a bronze third-place medal for No. 2 doubles in Colby.

Only three Cowgirls went to Garden City, said Coach Wallace Hansen, because they were the only ones ready for it. It is a very prestigious tournament, he said, which draws 12 teams each year from Class 6A down to Class 2A and had a lot of tough competition.

In No. 1 singles, senior Saundra Redlin went 1-2. She beat Whitney Hickert of Hays 8-2 then lost to Melissa Roetzer of Dodge City 8-0 and lost to Courtney Cate of Ulysses.

A highlight, Hansen said, was the No. 1 doubles team of seniors Shonna Webster and Kaitlin Fugleberg finishing third with a 5-1 record for the tournament.

They beat Clarkson and Schotte of Pratt 8-1, lost to Davidson and Goad of Great Bend 8-2, beat Kippes and Hansen of Hays 8-2, Harman and Garcia of Cimarron 8-7 (7-3) and Shroeder and Newton of Dodge City 8-2. For the third-place medal, they beat Shore and Barbo of Ulysses 8-0.

Junior varsity players competed in Colby's varsity tournament instead of juniors Heidi Lawson and Stephanie Becvar, Hansen said, because they would otherwise have competed at their maximum meets for the regular season.

"We saved them for Larned," he said.

A highlight at Colby, the coach said, was Webster and Fugleberg winning the No. 1 doubles division, beating Fulton and Corbin of Norton 7-1. Greeson and Schneider of Tribune 7-2 in the semi-final match and in the championship avenging



Freshman Jakalyn Van Allen volleyed in the Cowgirls' home tournament Tuesday, Sept. 16. She earned the third-place medal in No. 2 singles Tuesday in Colby. Photo by Jessica Corbin/The Goodland Star-News

an earlier season loss by beating Huck and Scheuerman of Scott City 7-6 (7-2). They have a 21-5 season record.

Redlin lost her first match in No. 1 singles to the eventual runner-up, Myers of Tribune, 7-1. After leading Shoaff of Colby 6-1, she ended up losing 7-6 (7-3). Since it was a double-elimination tournament, she was then out.

Freshman Jakalyn Van Allen

won her first match in No. 2 singles against Harter of Colby 7-6 (9-7), lost to Newcomer of WaKeeney, the eventual champion, 7-3, then beat Fuller of Tribune 7-5. Playing for the third-place medal, she faced Harter again and beat her by the same score.

In No. 2 doubles, freshmen Michaela Garrett and Katelyn Coon lost to Nuzum and Peterson of Norton 7-2 and to Mitchell and Gaiwith

of Colby 7-1.

The girls play their last tournament of the regular season at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Larned. Thursday they go to WaKeeney for regional competition against WaKeeney, Tribune, Victoria and Plainville.

The top four in each division return to WaKeeney Saturday for sub-state. State competition will be Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17 and 18, in Prairie Village.

Cowboys face Atwood tonight

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The Goodland Cowboys football team will seek their second win of the season against the Rawlins County Buffaloes at 6 p.m. tonight in Atwood.

The Cowboys beat the WaKeeney Golden Eagles 21-6 last Friday at home after taking off for a touch-down in the first minute of the game. Recent addition to the team senior Simon Grunfeld, an AFS exchange student from Sweden, gave the Cowboys a boost, kicking three of three point after attempts.

And the Cowboys were able to catch passes from senior quarterback Travis Angelos as well as some interceptions from the Golden Eagles.

"I think we've improved in all areas, offense, defense and special teams," said Coach Kent Teeter. "We've had two blocked punts, so we need to eliminate those. We still need to improve on mistakes, such as jumping offsides and holding, and we need to continue to learn our plays and do better in executing those plays. We're still making too many mistakes, especially on offense and on the punt team."

Atwood will give Goodland some challenges to defend, he said; they have a good running game with a pretty good back by the name of Drew Basgall. They play hard and are coached really well, Teeter added; it should be a really good game.

Lady Mustangs win all three matches

The seventh grade Grant Junior High Lady Mustangs won all three matches at the volleyball quadrangular last week in Hays.

The Lady Mustangs beat the team from Felten Middle School in Hays 26-24, 25-12. They had 77 percent serving in the first game (20/26) and 88 percent in the second game (21/24). Serving leaders for Goodland were Brianna White, Gabby Rangel and Hope Cochran.

"In the first game we started out pretty slow and had a hard time being aggressive at the net," said Coach Andy Scheopner. "About halfway through, we finally got ourselves going. We trailed 24-20, and Gabby went and served six points in a row to win the game. In the second game we really played well and won easily."

The Lady Mustangs won 25/19, 25/19 against Kennedy Middle School of Hays. They had 96 percent serving in the first game (23/24) and 100 percent (21/21) in the sec-

ond. Serving leaders were Berkley White, Rangel and Mara Kling.

"This was by far our best serving game of the year," Scheopner said. "We also did a really good job of setting the ball up and getting several good spikes."

Goodland beat Colby in the third match 25/20, 18/25 and 15/11. They had 82 percent serving in the first game (18/22), 81 percent in the second game (13/16) and 100 percent in the third game (15/15). Serving leaders were Cochran, Berkley White and Rangel.

"Again, we played well in the first game," the coach said. "In the second game, we started standing around and let them go on a couple of runs that we couldn't recover from. In the third, we again served really well, and we were really aggressive. It was a really good day for us. We finally are starting to serve like we need to, and our volleying skills are really coming on. I look for a great rest of the season."

Cross country runners compete in four meets in last two weeks

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The Cowboys and Cowgirls cross country runners have competed in four meets in less than two weeks, bringing home medals and improving their times in preparation for regional competition later this month.

Goodland runners competed at meets in Oakley Thursday, Sept. 18, Ulysses Tuesday, Sept. 23, Ogalala, Neb., Thursday, Sept. 25, and Oberlin Tuesday, Sept. 30.

They are scheduled to run in Lakin, Sat. Oct. 11, and at the Northwest Kansas League tournament Saturday, Oct. 18, in Colby. Regional competition will be Saturday, Oct. 25. Goodland will compete as a Class 3A school, dropping from Class 4A due to dropping enrollment numbers. The regional location is yet to be announced.

Lakin is a Class 3A school, said Goodland Coach Richard Schwasinger, adding that their meet will give the Goodland team an idea how they stack up against schools of the same size.

Schwasinger said he hopes at least the top two Cowboy runners qualify for state, but what he would really like to see is the whole team qualify, a goal he feels they can achieve.

"The kids keep improving," he said, "and with Goodland being 3A, that will help — we'll compete

against our own size schools. In 4A, most of the schools are a lot bigger than Goodland."

Sophomore Stephen Buller was nearly under 19 minutes at Ogalala, Schwasinger said, finishing in 19:08, and senior Simon Grunfeld, an AFS exchange student from Sweden, keeps trying new things.

"He's an awesome athlete," the coach said of Grunfeld, who is also playing for the Cowboys football team, "a great kid who works hard at everything he does."

Junior Ryan Irvin drops about a minute from his time every time he runs, the coach said; by regional, they could be right in there as a team.

The Cowgirls only have individual runners, he said; changing the girls race to 2.5 miles hurt girls cross country — there are fewer girls out now.

The Cowboys brought home two

medals from Ulysses, having the 10th and 15th place runners among 64. The top 20 got medals.

For the Cowgirls, senior Kirsten Dutton finished 35 out of 44 runners, running the 4,000 kilometer (about 2.5 miles) race in 23 minutes, 54 seconds, and senior Cassie Cooper finished 41st in 27:02.

Buller was 10th in the boys race, finishing the 5,000 kilometer race (about 3.1 miles) in 19:36, and Grunfeld was 15th in 20 minutes.

Grunfeld took off and led quite awhile, Schwasinger said, and that got him in trouble. All the Cowboys took off fast, he added; Buller managed to stay in, but the others fell

farther back in the standings.

Junior Ben Waugh finished 41st in 21:45, sophomore Michael Pettibone 56th in 24:01, junior Ryan Irvin 57th in 24:21 and junior J.P. McCool 60th in 25:31.

Pettibone hasn't been feeling well, the coach said; Irvin has been improving, dropping about a minute from his time with each meet.

The Cowboys were eighth out of nine teams with 163 points. Hugoton won with 63; Ulysses was second with 69; Colby third with 95; Dodge City fourth and South Baca fifth, each with 107; Beaver sixth with 137; Ingalls seventh with 158; and Wichita

County ninth with 203.

In the junior varsity race, junior Lorenzo Delgado was 15th in 27:04, freshman Corey Davis was 20th in 32:21 and senior T.J.

Freeman 21st in 32:21.

Schwasinger has not received official results from Ogalala or Oakley. Oberlin results are expected for a future edition.

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Brewster wins one, loses two

The Brewster Lady Bulldogs won one match and lost two in their home volleyball quadrangular Tuesday. Sharon Springs was undefeated.

Brewster lost to Triplains (Winona) 25-22, 29-27 then beat Greeley County (Tribune) 25-16, 25-11 but lost to Wallace County (Sharon Springs) 17-25, 29-27, 25-11.

Wallace County beat Greeley County 25-10, 25-5 and beat Triplains 26-24, 25-23. Triplains beat Greeley County 25-14, 25-14.



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