

# Cowboys fall to Hoxie Indians in final seconds of game, 52-51

Friday the Cowboys trailed most of the game at Hoxie, but kept close and had a chance in the final seconds, but a pass was intercepted by an Indian to cement the win for Hoxie 52-51.

The loss dropped the Cowboys record to 4-16, and the score of the game was the same as the loss the Cowboys had on Tuesday against the Colby Eagles. That game came down to a last second shot by the Cowboys that would not fall in the basket.

"It was difficult to lose two consecutive games in similar fashion," said Coach Don Smith. "The only difference was we lead the Colby game most of the way, and we trailed in the Hoxie game much of the way."

Friday the Cowboys stayed close through three quarters falling behind by as much as seven points, but battling back to close the gap to 27-25 by halftime.

In the third quarter Hoxie was able to outscore the Cowboys 12-11 to have a 39-36 lead on a 3-point shot at the buzzer.

Cowboy Ryan Hillmer hit one of his five 3-point shots of the night at the start of the fourth quarter to tie the game at 41-41. Hillmer had hit a 3-point shot in the second quarter and hit four in the fourth quarter to finish with a team high 15 points. He accounted for 12 of the Cowboys 15 points in the final quarter.

The Cowboys were leading with under a minute to go 51-49, but Indian Troy Ostmeyer hit a 3-point shot with about 20 seconds left to give the Indians a 52-51 edge.

The Cowboys had the ball for the final shot, but a pass from Cowboy Brock Wilkens to Cowboy Robert Cowan was intercepted by Indian Taylor Rall to end the Cowboys hope for a win as the clock ran out.

Wilkens and Cowan did most of the Cowboys scoring in the first quarter with Wilkens hitting three field shots and Cowan getting two. Cowboy Blaine Luther had the other basket for the Cowboys, and Cowboy Landon Brenner missed two free throws. The Cowboys were down 15-12 at the end of the first quarter.

Halfway through the second quarter the Indians were clinging to a one-point lead, 19-18. The Cowboys fell behind 25-18, but battled back to cut the margin to two points on back to back 3-point shots by Cowboy Reed Bellamy. Hillmer contributed his first 3-point shot of the night along with a basket by Wilkens and one by Cowboy David Murray. The Cowboys outscored the Indians in the second quarter 13 to 12 to cut the lead to 27-25 at halftime.

The Indians outscored the Cowboys 12 to 11 in the third quarter to lead 39-36. The game had been tied at 36 until Indian Jaxson Moss hit a 3-point basket at the buzzer to give Hoxie a 39-36 lead.

Hillmer hit his first 3-point basket of the fourth quarter to tie the score at 41-41 with under seven minutes left. Hillmer's outside shooting kept the score close and the game was tied several times and the Cowboys had a narrow two-point lead going into the final few seconds, but a 3-point basket from Ostmeyer gave the Indians a 52-51 lead.

When the Cowboys tried to get the final shot, a pass from Wilkens to Cowan was intercepted by Rall to preserve the Indian win.

The win raises the Indians record to 11-9. Hoxie was the final game for the Cowboys in the Northwest Kansas League as Goodland will join a new league next year.

The Cowboys will have the week off as they wait to see who they play in the first round of the Class 3A sub-state playoffs beginning on



Cowboy Brock Wilkens went up for a basket against Plainsmen Patrick Loftus during the final home game at Max Jones Fieldhouse. The Cowboys are off this week as they prepare for the first round of the Class 3A sub-state on Monday.

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Monday or Tuesday. The Cowboys are part of the Lakin sub-state that includes: Cimarron, Hays-Thomas More Prep-Marian, Holcomb, Kismet-Southwestern Heights, Lakin, Larned and Medicine Lodge.

Coach Smith said the Goodland opponent will not be official until Wednesday, but he believes the Cowboys will be traveling to Kismet on Monday to play the No. 1 seed, Southwestern Heights.

Hillmer led the Cowboys scoring with his five 3-point shots for 15 points, and he hit 83 percent from outside hitting on five of six shots.

Other Cowboys in double figures were Cowan with 12 and Wilkens with 10. Bellamy had 8 with two 3-point baskets in the second quarter and a basket in the third quarter. Cowboys Luther, Kevin Amthor and Murray each had 2 points.

The Cowboys hits 48 percent from the floor making 14 of 29 shots, but were 33 percent at the charity stripe making 2 of 6 shots. The Indians hit 54 percent from the floor making 21 of 39 shots and were 50 percent from the charity stripe making 4 of 8 shots.

From the outside the Cowboys hit 54 percent making 7 of 13 attempts to 33 percent for the Indians who made 2 of 6 from beyond the 3-point arc.

The Cowboys out rebounded the Indians narrowly 21 to 19, and had 8 offensive rebounds to 7 for Hoxie.

Wilkens led the Cowboys with 6 rebounds, Hillmer had 5, Bellamy 4, Amthor and Cowan 2 each and Murray and Dillon Trachsel each had 1.

The Cowboys finished with 15 turnovers and 6 steals.

Rall led the Indians with 20 points hitting 6 points in the second, third and fourth quarters but only getting two in the first quarter. Rall is the season leading scorer for the Indians averaging 18.8 points per game.

Moss was the other Indian in double figures with 13 with all his scoring coming in the first three quarters. Moss averages 13.2 points per game for Hoxie.

Ostmeyer had 7 with all his scoring coming in the second half and he hit a field goal and the key 3-point basket in the fourth for the Indian win.

## Cowgirls lose to Hoxie



Cowgirl Paige Phillips got tied up by a Lady Plainsmen of Oakley during the final game at Max Jones on Tuesday. The Cowgirls finished the regular season Friday with a 60-44 loss to the Hoxie Lady Indians. The Cowgirls are off this week, and will find out Wednesday who they face in the first round of sub-state on Tuesday. The Cowgirls finished the season with a 10-10 record.

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## matters record

### Municipal Court

These are cases decided by the Goodland Municipal Court:

Jan. 5: Levi J. Taylor, expired license/no drivers license, fined \$200.

Jan. 12: Jose M. Lopez, disorderly conduct, fined \$160.

Jan. 13: Healthier L. Pummer, furnish alcohol to minor, fined \$360.

Jan. 15: Elwyn W. Vatcher, fire-works violation, fined \$160.

Jan. 20: Luis Alberto Garcia, speeding 17 mph over limit, fined \$128.

Jan. 21: Tonya M. Bowser, battery — simple (2), diversion, \$360.

Jan. 22: Danny Ray Fisher, battery — domestic violence, diversion, \$360.

Jan. 25: Marilyn F. Colby, speeding in school zone 1-10 mph over limit, fined \$140.

Jan. 27: Jay Nathan McCutchan, illegal tag/no tag, fined \$100.

Jan. 28: Chance R. Cranston, speeding in school zone 1-10 mph over limit, fined \$140.

Oura B. Garrett, speeding 12 mph over limit, fined \$108.

Michael R. Roben, failed to report hitting unattended vehicle, diversion, \$260.

Jan. 26: Donald Leroy Clapper, battery — domestic violence, diversion \$360.

Lana J. Hunn, speeding 10 mph over limit, fined \$100.

Eduardo A. Romero, speeding in school zone 15 mph over limit, fined \$180.

Jan. 27: Jay Nathan McCutchan, illegal tag/no tag, fined \$100.

Jan. 28: Chance R. Cranston, speeding in school zone 1-10 mph over limit, fined \$140.

## Crossword Puzzle

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### CLUES ACROSS

- \_\_\_\_er: steering mechanism
- At the peak
- Dash
- Continent
- Am. classical composer Ned
- Digital communications act (abbr.)
- Fishing fly barb
- School of thought
- A.K.A. pentyl
- Decaliter
- One with an unusual personal-ity
- National Dentist's group
- Big man on campus
- More abject
- Old world, new
- Father
- A.K.A. Tao
- Attack on all sides
- Alias
- Take in solid food
- Elk or moose genus
- Grab or snatch
- Romanian monetary unit
- Worn to Mecca
- Autonomic nervous system
- Cards for identification
- Short tailed primate
- Pink wines
- Raincoats
- Dekaliter
- Fox call
- Large US payroll Co.
- Dwarf buffalo
- Elude
- Giant armadillo
- Coat with plaster
- Bar temporarily
- Abba \_\_\_\_\_, Israeli politician
- Very fast airplane
- Dilapidation

### CLUES DOWN

- Exclamation of approval
- Not new
- Dagger
- Cowboy City
- Continuous portion of a circle
- Hill (Celtic)
- A mined metal-bearing mineral
- Records walking steps
- Fallow deer
- Acid radical
- N.J. university Seton \_\_\_\_\_
- Cascade Range Indian tribe
- A small amount
- White House city
- Adult female
- The expanse of a surface
- Genus fagus
- Blatted
- Douroucoulis
- Mother of Perseus
- A Kwa language
- Plural of 15 down
- Small food shop
- Covering for upholstered furniture
- \_\_\_\_inia: Mediterranean island
- Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand
- Expressed pleasure
- Rocks for roofs
- Belonging to me
- Small amounts
- Freshwater duck genus
- Oaf or goon
- Scientific research facility
- Aba \_\_\_\_\_ Honeymoon (song)
- Pesetas
- \_\_\_\_ Dhahi, UAE capital
- \_\_\_\_kon radish
- European sea eagle
- Durham, NH school

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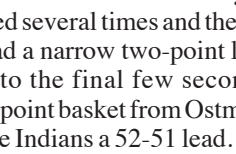
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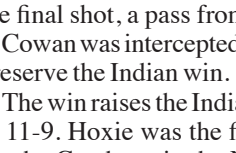
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