



Cowboy Joel Linin (center above) was bundled up for the cold winds on Thursday at Sugar Hills Golf Course for the Great Western Activity Conference tournament. Linin was the top golfer of the day with a 39 for nine holes. The Cowboys won the tournament. Coach Terry Daise (right photo) talked to George Bellani as he moved from one hole to the next. Bellani finished third in the tournament with a round of 43.

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Cowboys win weather shortened conference golf tournament

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The Cowboys won the first Great Western Activity Conference golf title in a weather shortened tournament at Sugar Hills Golf Course on Thursday with five Cowboys finishing in the top 10.

Monday the Cowboys were in the Class 3A regional tournament held at Sugar Hills Golf Course. Team in the regional included Goodland, Holcomb, Kismet-Southwestern Heights, Lakin, Norton Community, Phillipsburg, Scott City and Smith Center.

Weather was cold and windy on Thursday for the Great Western Activity Conference tournament, and with the agreement of the coaches it was shortened to nine holes.

The Cowboys won the tournament with a team score of 169, five

strokes ahead of Ulysses at 174, Colby was third 185, Holcomb fourth 204, and Hugoton fifth 214.

As the Cowboys came around Coach Terry Daise would meet them and ask how things were going. Cowboy Gage Ihrig said it was not going well, but said all of the players were having trouble in the cold and high winds.

Cowboy Joel Linin was the top golfer of the day with a round of 39, four over par.

Tiger Anthony Delcorral of Ulysses was second with 41. Cowboy George Bellani was third at 42. Jonah Pflugsten of Ulysses was fourth with 43.

Three Goodland players tied for fifth, sixth and seventh with 44. Gage Ihrig was fifth, Tanner Jones sixth and Gannon Ihrig seventh.

Paul Schiferl of Colby was in a

three-way tie for eighth with 45, Brady Busman of Ulysses finished ninth 45, and Jacob Mendoza of Ulysses was 10th with 45.

Brady Metz of Holcomb and Justin Unruh of Scott City tied for 11th with 46.

Cowboy Tyler Jones was in a four-way tie for 13th at 47 and finished 16th. The others were Konnor Kriss, Tayte Query and Kyle Peterson all of Colby.

As Coach Daise talked to each golfer he encouraged them to do their best in spite of the weather, and told them the tournament had been shortened to nine holes.

If the Cowboys do well in regional the Class 3A State Tournament will be held on Monday at Salina Municipal Golf Course.

Cowboys could face Lakin Wednesday

The Cowboys baseball team (13-7) clinched the Great Western Activity Conference championship on Tuesday with a sweep of Ulysses, and were to play Lyons-Chase (3-17) in the first round of the Class 3A regional at Thomas More Prep in Hays.

The Cowboys finish the regular season with a 13-7 record and were 8-2 in conference play. The Cowboys were 8-2 at Memorial field and 5-5 on the road.

If the Cowboys win they will face the No. 1 seed Lakin (17-1) at 1 p.m. on Wednesday in the semi-finals. Lakin has a bye in the first round.

In the other half of the bracket TMP (14-4) has the bye while Scott City (12-6) plays Holcomb (1-16) in the opening round on Monday.

The regional championship game will be played at 6 p.m. on Wednesday. The state 3A baseball tournament will be held at KSU Tointon Family Stadium, 1800 College

Ave., Manhattan on May 27-28.

Tuesday the Cowboys baseball team clinched the first Great Western Activity Conference championship with a sweep of the double-header against the Ulysses Tigers at Memorial Field, 6-4 and 9-8.

Memorial Field have improved over the past two seasons going from 4-14 two years ago and 9-13 last year to a winning season at 13-7 with a chance to advance in the regional tournament.

Cowgirls play in Class 3A regional today in Scott City

Today the Cowgirls put their 17-3 record on the line in the Class 3A regional tournament in Scott City.

The Cowgirls are the No. 1 seed, and had a bye in the first round. They play at 2 p.m. today against the winner of the Larned and Southwestern Heights game played on Monday.

The other game on Monday was Holcomb against Lakin with the winner to face Scott City at 3:30 p.m. today.

The regional championship game will be at 5:30 p.m.

The Class 3A State Championships will be played May 27-28 at Manhattan-Twin Oaks Complex, Manhattan.

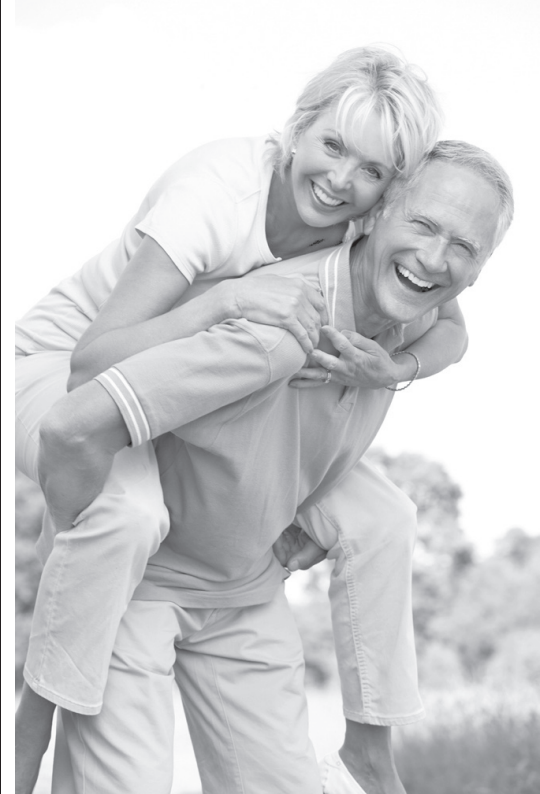
The Cowgirls finished their season with six straight wins to finish with a 17-3 record and tied with Colby for the Great Western Activity Conference title.

A week ago the Cowgirls played Scott City winning, 9-2 and 13-5.

In their games on Saturday, May 7, against Johnson City the Cowgirls won 6-1 and 7-5.

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Regional Softball
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- Thursday: Gold day
Regional Baseball
Regional Softball
- Friday: Black day
Regional Track
- Saturday: GHS Graduation at Max Jones Field House at 2 p.m.
- Monday: Gold day
Board of Education meeting
Boys State Golf
- Tuesday: Black day

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