

Cowboys avoid shut out at Scott City, 50-3

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The only bright spot of the game for the Goodland Cowboys on Friday night at third ranked Scott City (4-0) was the first few minutes of the third quarter that erased the goose egg off the scoreboard with a 40-yard field goal in the game Goodland lost 50-3 to give them a 1-3 record.

This is homecoming week, and the Cowboys will get ready to play the Lakin Broncs (2-2) at 6:30 p.m. on Friday at Cowboys Stadium.

The Homecoming fun will include the traditional parade at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday down Main to the stadium where the rally, senior parents skit and Jumpin' Juniors will perform before the bonfire.

Members of the class of 1961 will be honored for their 50th reunion at the rally and at the game on Friday.

Scott City won the opening coin toss and deferred giving the Cowboys the ball to start the game, and when they came back out to start the second half leading 35-0 the Beavers again deferred to give the Cowboys the ball.

All night the one bright spot of the Cowboys game was their kick returns, and on

the kickoff for the second half Austin Avelar got the ball about the Cowboys 20 and with some blocking and good running returned it 55 yards to the Beaver 26.

On three plays the Cowboys managed to get to the Beaver 21 and on fourth down decided to go for the field goal. Avelar kicked it right down the middle to give the Cowboys a bit of a bright spot and making it 35-3 with 9:53 left in the third quarter. The kick makes Avelar 4-2 on the season.

Getting that score seemed to spark the Cowboys as they slowed down the Beavers on their next possession, and Ryan Hillmer got an interception at the Cowboy 34 and returned it to the 45 with 8 minutes left in the third.

The Cowboys had not been able to move the ball much, but this time Garret Taylor and Dax Ruhs got things moving forward and on fourth down got a first down at the Beaver 42.

The Beavers stiffened and stopped Taylor for no gain, and Reed Bellamy's pass to Riley Oharah went incomplete. Facing a third and 10 Bellamy looked to pass, but then tucked the ball down and ran for 32 yards to give the Cowboys a first and goal at the 11.

A pass to Avelar was incomplete and Ruhs made it to the seven on second down. The drive ended with an interception of Bellamy's pass by Brenner Wells in the end zone to end the Cowboys scoring threat. Bellamy had three interceptions in the game.

Friday night Coach Kent Teeter said he had found something good out of the previous game against Holcomb the Cowboys lost 34-19, but it had taken him some time.

The Cowboys started the game with the ball, and started at their 27. They managed to get a first down on a pass from Bellamy to Hillmer out at the Cowboy 48, but that is where the drive stalled and the Cowboys called on Taylen Smith for the first of his five punts. Smith averaged 43 yards with his longest 50 yards.

Coach Teeter said he knew the Cowboys were facing a tough opponent, but they were not intimidated.

"We face the same sort of game each week," he said. "and I have seen this team get in there and fight. These games give us a great opportunity to be a better team."

On the next Scott City possession they showed their great running game and scored the first of their five touchdowns in

the first half behind the running of Colburn Couchman who scored his first of three touchdowns on a nine-yard run.

For the night Couchman had 121 yards on 13 carries.

The Cowboys again got close to mid-field, but Bellamy's interception ended that drive quickly.

The Beavers drove down with Dalton Buehler scoring on a four-yard run. Dallas DeLaRosa blocked the extra point making it 13-0.

Again the Cowboys got to mid-field, but had to punt. The Beavers started at their 22 and in three plays had a first down at mid-field. This time Beaver quarterback Brett O'Neil hit Buehler over the middle at the Cowboy 25 and he ran for the touchdown. The Beavers went for two-points on a throw to Luke Hayes to make it 21-0.

Again the Cowboys started near mid-field, but had to punt. The Beavers started at their 23, and Buehler took a screen pass to the Cowboys 20 when tackled by DeLaRosa. A flag on the Cowboys gave Scott City a first and goal at the nine. Couchman scored the touchdown and the point after kick by O'Neil was good to make it 28-0.

The Cowboys finally crossed midfield on

the next possession when Bellamy threw to Oharah who went 32 yards to the Scott City 35. The drive stalled and Bellamy was sacked back to the 45. Smith tried to punt, but the ball dropped and became the Scott City ball at the Cowboy 47.

O'Neil threw to Hayes for a first down at the 13, and with a first down at the one O'Neil dove in for the touchdown and the extra point made it 35-0.

In the third quarter after the Cowboys scored and the Beavers stopped the Cowboys with an interception the Beavers drove 80 yards in six plays for a touchdown with Couchman running in from the seven for his third touchdown making the score with extra point 42-3.

With one minute left in the third Brayden Robinson intercepted Bellamy's pass giving the Beavers a first down at the Cowboys 33. With the starters out Paco Banda ran the ball to inside the one, and scored his first touchdown of the season with 11 seconds left. The Beavers went for two points and ran it in to make it 50-3.

Neither team scored in the fourth quarter with a continuous clock.

KU Cancer Center seeks designation

The University of Kansas Cancer Center in Kansas City, Kan., submitted its application last week for National Cancer Institute designation, which recognizes cancer centers for their scientific excellence.

The submission of the 660-page application is a milestone marker on the statewide effort to improve the quality of cancer care in Kansas.

Goodland Regional Medical Center has been an early supporter and beneficiary of the quest for the National Cancer Institute designation as a founding member of the Midwest Cancer Alliance.

"We thought it would be helpful to patients to have access to oncology care and it'd be helpful to the Midwest Cancer Alliance to have the perspective of a small, rural hospital," said Jeff Mason, board president of the Northwest Kansas Area Medical Foundation. The Foundation became a member of the Midwest Cancer Alliance in 2007.

Benefits of Midwest Cancer Alliance allow the Goodland hospital to offer cancer support groups to rural community members, cancer survivors and family members through interactive televideo.

In partnership with The University of Kansas Cancer

Center, the Goodland hospital is able to offer more treatment options for local residents diagnosed with cancer. KU Medical Center oncologist Prakash Neupane, provides on-site patient visits and additional visits via telemedicine, an interactive video technology to connect providers and patients when distance separates the two.

"We wanted to make sure Kansans could access the latest advancements in cancer care close to home," said Dr. Gary Doolittle, medical director of the MCA. "Many of those advancements are being made at the University of Kansas Cancer Center, but we wanted to ensure those options would be available to Kansans, no matter where they lived. That's why we began the MCA and why the Goodland hospital is a valued member of our team."

Preparing to apply for NCI designation has required an enormous amount of human and financial resources, with extraordinary support from the people throughout the state of Kansas and western Missouri. University leaders estimate since 2006, the NCI designation pursuit has created 1,123 jobs and contributed \$453 million to the region's economy.



Mustangs play Norton at home

A seventh grader has the ball and is trying to go around the blockers of the Norton Blue Jays on Tuesday at Cowboy Stadium. Player number one is Dillon Gilming. The Mustangs are stopped in the drive to gain ground. Number three is Kasey Stramel. They are coached by Chase Topliff and Jace Herl.

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Wednesday: Gold day
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Thursday: Black day
3:30 p.m.: Junior High Volleyball at Oakley
Junior High Football at Oakley
4:30 p.m.: C team Football, here, versus Ulysses

Friday: Gold day
Homecoming
West School pie sales kick-off
6:30 p.m.: Varsity Football, here, versus Lakin

Saturday: 8 a.m.: Varsity Cross County at Lakin
Junior Varsity Volleyball at Colby
8:30 a.m.: Girls Varsity Gold at Lakin
9 a.m.: Junior High Volleyball at Colby

Monday: Black day
9 a.m.: Girls Varsity Golf GWAC at Hugoton
4:30 p.m.: Junior Varsity Football at Lakin

Tuesday: Gold day
Central School picture day
2 p.m.: Varsity Cross Country at Ellsworth
3:30 p.m.: Varsity/Junior Varsity Quad, here

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