Cowboys want wins to continue against Eagles

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Homecoming royalty



Homecoming King Riley Oharah and Queen Jess Klemm were crowned Friday night during halftime of the Lakin game. First attendant was Jason Cowan and Jacee Herl, Second attendant was Austin Avelar and Jamie Gittinger.

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By Tom Betz

nt.betz@nwkansas.com The homecoming win on Friday was a wild game, but the Cowboys hope the wins continue as they travel to face rival Colby at 6:30 p.m. tonight.

The Cowboys have a 2-3 record having ended a three-game losing streak with the win Friday over Lakin, 32-14. The Colby Eagles are 1-4 with four straight losses to Hugoton (21-16), Scott City (44-6), Holcomb (34-0) and Ulysses (47-8). The Eagles win was against St. Francis, 26-2 in their opening game at home.

Cowboys Coach Kent Teeter said the game with Lakin was "without a doubt a wild game."

"I thought we did a great job of capitalizing on Lakin's mistakes in the first quarter," he said. "In the second quarter we had a lot of mistakes, which cost us field position and gave hem a chance to score right before halftime.

"I thought we came out the second half and played really well, with the exception of one fumble close to our goal line.

the defense was really big.

'Our run game was the best it's been all year long as well. We had some big plays called back."

With five games in the book the Cowboys are averaging 130 yards passing a game and 140 yards rushing per game. The Cowboys are averaging 18,8 points per game.

Cowboy quarterback Reed Bellamy has completed 41 of 79 passes for 52 percent and 651 yards. His longest pass was 62 yards. He has passed for four touchdowns and had six interceptions.

Cowboy Garrett Taylor is the leading rusher with 273 yards on 73 carries for an average of 3.75. His longest run was the 62 yards against Lakin that was ended by a horse collar tackle that cost Lakin another 15 yards. Taylor has one touchdown.

Cowboy Dax Ruhs has 218 yards on 51 carries for an average of 4.28. His longest is 21 yards and he had three touchdowns.

Bellamy has 132 yards on 35 carries and averages 3.77 yards. He has return for 10 yards.

"Defense played really well most one touchdown. Riley Oharah has of the night. Getting two scores from 65 yards on 23 carries for an average of 2.83 yards. His longest is 10 yards and he has one touchdown.

> Oharah is the leading receiver with 239 yards on 10 catches. His longest is 51 yards and has two touchdowns receiving.

> Ryan Hillmer has 183 yards receiving on 14 passes. His longest is 62 yards and he has one touchdown.

Austin Avelar has 129 yards on six receptions. His longest is 51 yards.

Defensively Hillmer, Cooper Slough, Bellamy, Oharah and Jason Cowan have an interception and Bellamy ran his back 87 yards for a touchdown against Lakin.

Tyler Gastineau has recovered three fumbles, Cy Paxton has recovered two and Sloan Ruhs, Hillmer, Oharah and Dallas DeLaRosa have each recovered a fumble.

Taylen Smith has punted 13 times for an average of 38.1 yards and his longest is 50 yards. Hillmer has five punt returns for 87 yards and his longest is 40 yards. Paxton has one

Ruhs has returned 15 kickoffs for 329 yards, and his longest is 70 yards. Avelar has returned nine for 186 yards, and his longest is 55 vards.

Looking ahead to the Colby game Coach Teeter said it will be a fun game to be part of. He said Colby is running the ball well, and Eagle Beau Brown has about 500 yards rushing.

The Eagles are averaging 12 points per game. They average 48 vards passing and 212 rushing.

Eagle quarterback Luke Cox has completed 20 of 58 passes, and has three interceptions.

Rushing Brown leads with 407 yards on 79 carries for an average of 5.15 yards per carry, and he has three touchdowns. Andrew Taylor has 155 yards on 27 carries and Cox had 136 yards on 37 carries.

Zane Winger is the leading receiver with eight catches for 74 yards. Konner Kriss has 57 yards on five catches. Brown has 14 yards on three catches.

The Eagles have intercepted two passes with Macen Shull and Zell Bierble each getting one.

Bonny Lake camp grounds, visitor center closed for winter, fish salvage continues

part of the South Republican State tion the lake will completely drain Wildlife Area on Saturday, and has over the next two months. As long closed campgrounds and other visitor services for the winter.

The State Engineer began draining the reservoir on Sept. 22, releasing virtually all the water to Kansas Republican River Compact, which divides the water between the three states. Draining the lake will result in the loss of the entire fishery.

as conditions allow, biologists will trap as many fish as possible and relocate sport fish to other public fishing waters.

Although the lake closed for trailand Nebraska to comply with the er-launched boating on Wednesday, non-commercial anglers can continue to remove fish as long as the shoreline remains stable and access is safe. There are no limits on the Colorado Parks and Wildlife number or species of fish anglers biologists have started removing can keep, but anglers must have a management unit that offers deer, lifeAreas/.

Bonny Lake State Park became fish from Bonny Lake in anticipa- valid Colorado fishing license and turkey, waterfowl and small game must complete an angler survey card available at the reservoir.

The park's visitor center, the Foster Grove campground and the reau of Reclamation, Yuma County Wagon Wheel Campground have been closed and winterized. All potable water systems have been shut down. Some picnic tables are being removed and stored for future use.

At present, Colorado Parks and Wildlife is planning to manage the land as part of the South Republican State Wildlife Area, a 13,000-acre

hunting.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife is working with the United States Bu-Commissioners, the Three Rivers Alliance, Yuma County Economic Development Council and other community groups to determine the future of the park.

For more information on the new South Republican State Wildlife Area, please visit: http://wildlife. state.co.us/LandWater/StateWild-

Developmental Services reviews operations in Sherman (Jounty

By Tom Betz

nt.betz@nwkansas.com Sherman County Commissioners had been thinking about cutting the developmental services money quite a bit for next year, but after a visit from representatives the commissioners modified their thinking and will make a smaller cut.

tor of Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas, Richard Scheopner, board chairman from Sherman County and Clarence Scheopner, local board member, were at the commission meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 20, to update the commissioners on how the program is working and to ask the county to continue their financial support. Michaud said this is the 44th year the program has been providing service, and it started out of a grass roots effort, and Scheopner was a founding member of the board. "Our board is made up of local community people," Michaud said, "and we cannot lose sight that the program is about people.' The Northwest Kansas program covers 18 counties and Michaud said presently 11 people are in the program in Sherman County. He said Golden West is a local service provider.

said things have been anything but usual. He said the situation is better after a Sept. 13 meeting to settle many of the outstanding issues.

He said the waiting list was a big problem and the state has 4,600 people waiting statewide and 150 Jerry Michaud, executive direc- top priority was the 14 people who do for our people," Michaud said.

tracts with the state for services, and County has been contributing more ers) are doing a good job of trying to budget for this group. The commisthan their fair share with \$45,000.

He said not all of the counties are contributing what they need for local cost, and asked the Sherman what they have done before.

"You are already meeting your obare in the northwest area. He said a ligation," and we appreciate what you

fill holes and not dig another one. I hope things get better, but we might have a long haul."

County commissioners to continue commissioners talked about their county share has been.

sioners said they had been planning to cut the money in half, but agreed after the presentation to cut the total After the representatives left the to \$30,000 to be close to what the motion and it passed 2-0. Commis-

Commissioner Cynthia Strnad made the motion to make it \$30,000 saying the county has to make cuts where possible. Enfield seconded the sioner Max Linin was not present.

He said each year the group con-

lost state money last year.

were waiting list dollars available means they shift to the county and they wanted these people to get the money first. He said there were three be getting their services.

Michaud said with all the reforms of Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security being discussed he is not sure what that means for the state.

Managed care is a process we are hearing about, he said. It is a way to cut services. He said the developmental group has been working on a managed care model for many years. He said the state has contracted with Scheopner said. "Things are going a company from Dublin, Ireland, to manage services.

He said the total cost of serving the people in Sherman County is \$262,577, and the federal and state pay \$230,248 of that total. Local money needed is \$32,329.

In the past few years Sherman

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When the state cuts it does not He said they wanted to see if there mean the costs go away," he said, "it local people."

He said the 3 percent reduction in in the northwest area, and they will administration and cut of \$125,000 on the previous three years reduced by \$1.3 million. He said the facility in Colby was shut down in 2008 because of the reductions.

> Richard Scheopner said they have to be creative to make up the shortfall, and said the program needs Sherman County's continued support.

'My hearing is bad," Clarence pretty good, and you (commission-







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