

Cowgirls come close, fall 49-42 at Hugoton

The Goodland Cowgirls may have lost the game to Hugoton, 49-42, but it was their best effort to date. The team managed not to let their opponent outscore so much in the first half it was almost impossible for them to catch. The Cowgirls had a much better second half.

The starters for the game were Sophomore Brianna and Berkley White and Hope Cochran, Junior Paige Phillips and Senior M'Lynn Hinger. The Cowgirls were at a height disadvantage with the Hugoton team having a 6 foot 2 inch and a 6 foot players.

The first quarter saw Hugoton making the first two baskets. At 6:17 into the quarter Brianna White sunk the first basket for the Cowgirls making the score 4-2. The Cowgirls were unable to sink anymore baskets in the quarter and ended up behind, 14-2.

In the second quarter Phillips added a point to the Cowgirls' score to make it 18-3. The Cowgirls were running into turnover problems, which did not give them many chances to score. With 48 seconds left in the quarter Hinger sank a basket. At half time Hugoton lead 24-5.

The Cowgirls began to close the gap in the third quarter when Berkley White sunk a basket followed by Phillips making one of her two free throws. With 5 minutes left in the quarter Brianna White made a

three-point shot. Then Hinger made a two-pointer and Berkley White followed with one of her own. Brianna White was fouled and she made her two free throws. She then made a two-point shot. With 56 seconds in the quarter Taryn Bedore was fouled and she made her two free throws. At the end of the third quarter Hugoton still lead, 36-21.

In the fourth quarter Berkley White made a two-point shot early on. At 6:30 Megan Siruta was fouled and she made her two free throw shots. At 3:55 Phillips sank one of her free throws. Then Berkley White made her two free throws. At 3:42 Hugoton lead 44-30. Cochran hit one of two free throws and Hinger made a two-point shot. Fouled by Hugoton, Brianna White made one of two free throws, Cochran one of two and Hinger one of two. Cochran also hit a three-point shot and a two-pointer. Phillips hit one of two free throws. At 1:15 left in the game Phillips made one of her two free throws. That was the last score for the Cowgirls. Hugoton was able to add one more basket before the end of the game.

The game ended with Hugoton winning 49-42. The Cowgirls are 0-6 overall and 0-3 in the league.

The next action for the Cowgirls is at 5:30 p.m. today at Oakley against the Plainsmen. On Friday the team will play Holcomb starting at 5:30 p.m. at Max Jones.

Boys loose 66-61 to Eagles

The Goodland High School varsity boys basketball team lost another close game Friday, falling 66-61 at Hugoton.

It took almost two minutes of back and forth for the Hugoton Eagles to put the first points on the board with a two-point shot. Taylen Smith answered with two of his own, then hit another shot from near the three-point line to put the Cowboys up 4-2. The Eagles got a backdoor layup to tie the game at 4. Gannon Ihrig put in a two-point shot, but the Eagles tied the score at six. Gunner Helton snagged a rebound and gave it to Smith, whose shot was no good, but Helton picked it up again and got the putback to give the Cowboys an 8-6 lead.

Hugoton soon tied it up again with 3:10 to play in the first quarter. The Eagles pulled ahead 10-8, but Ryan Hillmer came right back with two. He then hit a three-pointer to give the Cowboys a 13-10 lead.

The Cowboys had two more consecutive three pointers from Gage Ihrig. They led 19-17 at the end of the first, but the Eagles went on a 12-point run to open the second. Goodland's first points in the second came on a free throw from Smith to make the score 29-20. Hugoton put in a three-pointer

Hillmer and Helton each scored, but Hugoton maintained its lead. Gage Ihrig missed two free throws to end the half down 38-24.

The Cowboys opened the second half with a two-point shot. Hugoton answered to make it 40-26. Helton and Hillmer scored two each, but the Eagles were able to keep their lead throughout the third.

With 4 minutes left in the quarter the Eagles were up 45-33. Hillmer got a putback off a shot from Cy Paxton to close their lead to 10, but the Eagles pulled away again with a two-point shot. Gage Ihrig made a free throw, but Hugoton answered with two free throws of their own to make it 49-36. Then, Gage Ihrig put in two consecutive three-pointers to cut the lead to seven with 1 minute remaining in the third.

Coming off a timeout, Hugoton put in two, but Gage answered with another three-pointer to end the quarter at 51-45.

Hillmer went 1-1 with free throws to open the fourth quarter. The Cowboys closed to within three points, but Hugoton pulled away again. It was 57-52 coming off a timeout. Hillmer hit a two-pointer to make it 57-54. The Cowboys and Eagles continued to score, keeping

pace throughout the fourth, but they would never come closer to regaining the lead. Hillmer put in the last two points to end the game with a 66-61 loss.

Hillmer led the Cowboys with 22 points. Gage Ihrig put in 13 points; Smith, nine; Parker Sieck, seven; Helton, six; and Gannon Ihrig, four. Smith also pulled down 11 rebounds, nine on offense and two on defense.

The Goodland boys are in Oakley tonight. The Junior varsity game begins at 5:30 p.m. and the varsity game at 7 p.m. They will come home for games against Holcomb at 3:45, 5:30 and 7 p.m. Friday at the Max Jones Fieldhouse.



Senior Austin Avelar wrestled Colby Eagle Dustin Reed at the Thursday dual held at Max Jones Fieldhouse. Avelar lost by decision, 7-2. Photo by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star-News

Goodland wrestlers lose match 42-26 at home on Thursday

By Pat Schiefen pjschiefen@nwkans.com

The Goodland Cowboy wrestlers had their first match against the Colby Eagles on Thursday, losing 42-26 at the Max Jones Fieldhouse.

The varsity wrestling team led off at 106 with Freshman Aaron Avelar against Sophomore David Mainus. Mainus led until the end when Aaron Avelar took charge winning by decision, 7-6.

The weight of 113 was open on the Cowboy side so the Eagles won by forfeit.

At 120 Senior Austin Avelar wrestled Junior Dustin Reed. He lost by decision, 7-2.

The 126 weight was open for the Cowboys so they lost by forfeit.

At 132 Senior Corey Davis lost by a fall to Senior Michael Tubbs.

Freshman James Dinkel lost by a fall at 128 to Senior Konnor Kriss.

Junior Jed Gray lost by decision, 7-1, at 145 to

Junior Quade Woofter.

At 152 Jon Peden won by a technical fall, 18-2, to Junior Brandon Gaede.

Sophomore Colton Cooper lost by decision, 3-2, at 160 to Sophomore Andrew Taylor.

At 170 Senior Jason Cowan went into overtime, 5-5, against Beau Brown. He lost by decision, 7-5.

Sophomore Tyler Gastineau at 182 won by forfeit.

Senior Laine Herl at 195 won by forfeit.

Senior Riley Oharah at 220 won by forfeit.

At 285 Mac Purvis lost by a fall to Junior Zell Bieberle.

There were exhibit matches by the junior varsity before and after the varsity matches.

The coaches for the wrestlers are Joseph Sramek, Jonathan Whisnant and Steve Evert.

The next wrestling action will be at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday against Hoxie at Max Jones Fieldhouse.

Northwest Tech hires wrestling coach

Northwest Kansas Technical College announced last week the addition of men's wrestling coach Paul Gomez Jr.

Gomez joins Northwest Tech from Castroville, Calif.. He holds a bachelor's degree in Spanish with a minor in education from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

A former wrestler at Lassen Community College in Susanville, Calif., he has received several awards and accomplishments during his wrestling career. Gomez was an NCAA Division I All-American, a three-time NCAA Wrestling National Qualifier, a member of the 1996 NJCAA National Champion wrestling team and the NJCAA Wrestling National Champion.

Gomez will be the men's head wrestling coach and the wrestling coordinator for Northwest Tech. Starting in the fall 2012, he will also be the Spanish instructor.

"Wrestling will be in good hands with Paul Gomez at the helm, both

athletically and academically," said Athletic Director Rex Branum.

Gomez takes over for the wrestling team's first coach Steve Lampe, who recently retired.

For more information on Northwest Tech Athletics, visit www.nwktc.edu.

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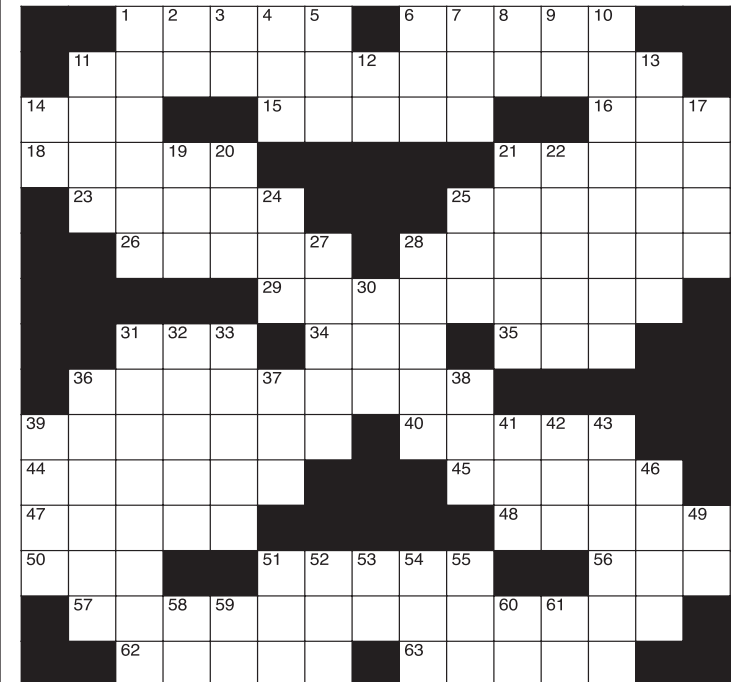
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 6. So. African Music Awards
 11. The Bay State
 14. A disorderly crowd
 15. Actress Greta
 16. Expression of surprise
 18. Storybook elephant
 21. John Jacob ____, capitalist
 23. Mulled wine
 25. Membrane around the lungs
 26. Shows how something works
 28. Cannonized
 29. Layers bonded together
 31. A vessel or duct
 34. The fire had been ____
 35. Female sibling
 36. Israeli capital
 39. Blocked in fencing
 40. 98942 WA
 44. Gasoline hydrocarbon rating
 45. Light snacks with drinks
 47. Supplementing with difficulty
 48. Am. composer & diarist Ned
 50. A waterproof raincoat
 51. Accumulate a large quantity
 - 56 Am. Newspaper Assoc.
 57. Butterfly collector
 62. __ and Venzetti
 63. Female servants
- CLUES DOWN**
1. Poked at
 2. Equally
 3. Manuscript (abbr.)
 4. Periodical (slang)
 5. Fiddler crabs
 6. Hero sandwich
 7. Volcanic mountain in Japan
 8. Of I
 9. Indicates position
 10. Legislative acts
 11. Low sustained cry
 12. 60 minutes (abbr.)
 13. Supported by a prop
 14. Megabyte
 17. 9/11 Memorial designer Michael
 19. The years someone has existed
 20. Distilled from fermented molasses
 21. a.k.a.
 22. Estonian kroon = 100
 24. The sun
 25. Wide metal cooking vessel
 27. Caesar or cobb
 28. Building lots
 30. 1/1000 inch
 31. Apexes
 32. Firth of Clyde's largest island
 33. Bringing suit
 36. Forsyth novel "The Day of the ____"
 37. Perceive with the eyes
 38. Was introduced to
 39. Lines of verse
 41. Household god (Roman)
 42. Military mailbox
 43. Challenge aggressively
 46. Posted
 49. One thousandth of an ampere
 51. General's assistant, abbr.
 52. Bovine sound
 53. Associated press
 54. Opposite of LTM
 55. A very large body of water
 58. Ma's partner
 59. Integrated circuit
 60. Rhode Island
 61. Potato state

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