

Cowboy wrestlers sixth at Bobcat Classic

The Goodland High School wrestling team finished sixth out of 26 teams at the 2004 Bobcat Classic held last Friday and Saturday in Basehor, Kan., hosted by Basehor-Linwood High.

Two Cowboys took home the gold medal in their weight class. After getting through the first two rounds with byes in the 103-pound class, freshman Brett Bahe defeated Kyle Hudgins of Spring Hill in the quarterfinals by major decision 12-3 and Bo Noles of St. Thomas Aquinas in the semifinals by pinfall. Bahe pinned Paulie Hansen of Turner in the second period of the championship match for the title.

Senior Jordan Bedore had a bye for the first round of the heavy-weight bracket then won each of his next four matches by pinfall to win the title. Bedore defeated Matt Cox of Shawnee Heights in the second round, Ryan Cochran of St. Thomas Aquinas in the quarterfinals and Daniel Shively of Santa Fe Trail in the semifinals. In the championship match, Bedore faced Caleb Payne of Paola defeating him by a 11-4 decision for the title.

Senior Blayze Bahe finished second at 119 pounds losing to Tanner Dawson of Abilene in the championship match. Junior Blake Saint finished fifth at 140 pounds and junior Dexter Deeds sixth at 125 pounds.

Other Cowboys competing were seniors Brock Whitmore (130 pounds), Corey Schulte (145 pounds) and Mike Zimmerman (152 pounds); juniors Chad Norm-

andin (112 pounds) and Brandon Cowan (189 pounds); sophomore Brandon Hatfield (135 pounds); and freshman Jon Cook (160 pounds).

Glenwood High School of Iowa won the team title followed by Turner High School of Kansas City, Kan. Abilene was third, Garden City fourth and Paola fifth.

"It was a good tournament to go to," Coach Randy Bahe said. "I'm generally pleased with the team's effort. The competition there was as tough, and perhaps tougher, than what we'll face at the state tournament."

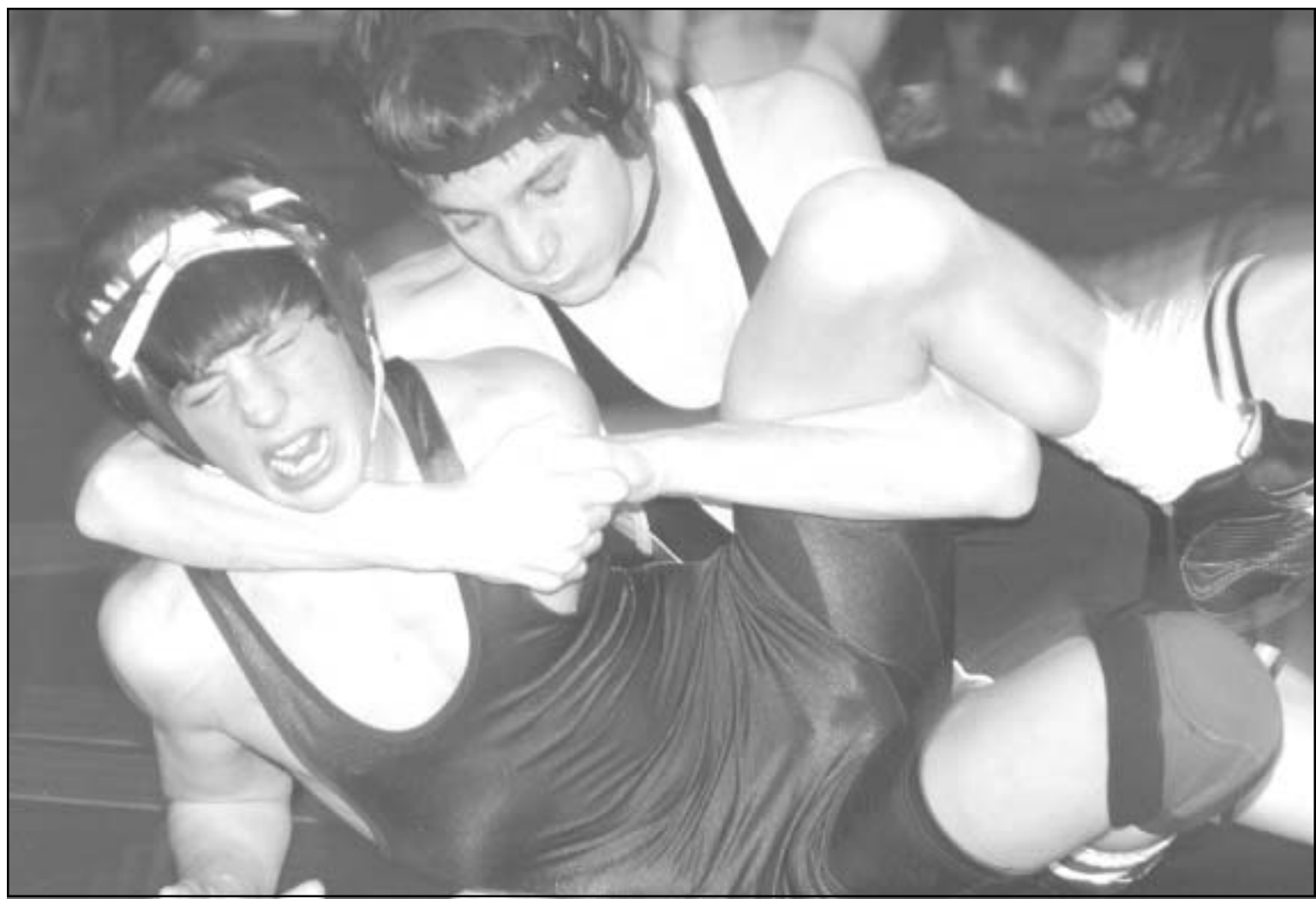
Coach Bahe said the results of the Bobcat Classic gives the team an idea where they are at in preparation for the state tournament.

The varsity competes at the Hays Prairie Senior Classic today and Saturday. The team heads to Oberlin on Jan. 31 for the Northwest Kansas League tournament.

The junior varsity participated at a tournament in Hays Saturday with freshman Derek Mason going 3-0 and winning first place at 112 pounds. Sophomore Brandon Zelfer finished second at 125 pounds.

Other Cowboys wrestling there include juniors Ray Brigham (130 pounds) and Tray Klinge (152 pounds); sophomore Justin Holloway (125 pounds) and freshmen Brandon Douglas (112 pounds) and Josiah Goodley (160 pounds).

Saturday members of the junior varsity travel to Hill City for a tournament there.



Cowboy freshman Brett Bahe (above, top) maintained control over Kyle Hudgins of Spring Hill during their quarterfinal match at 103 pounds. Bahe won the match with a 12-3 decision and went on to pin his next two opponents to win the gold medal. Senior Mike

Zimmerman (below, top) kept Brad Harris of Blue Valley on the defensive in their 152-pound match. Zimmerman defeated Harris by major decision 11-3 and finished 2-2 for the tournament.

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Cowgirl picked All-American

Senior Cowgirl Alisha McKee was one of 100 high school volleyball players selected as Prep Volleyball.com All-Americans for 2003.

Criteria for selection for the players was based solely on their performance and achievement on their high school teams during the 2003 season.

McKee, a 6'1" middle-blocker, helped Goodland compile a 38-2 record, including a 33-game win streak to finish the season ending with the 2003 Class 4A state championship.

A four-year starter for the Cow-



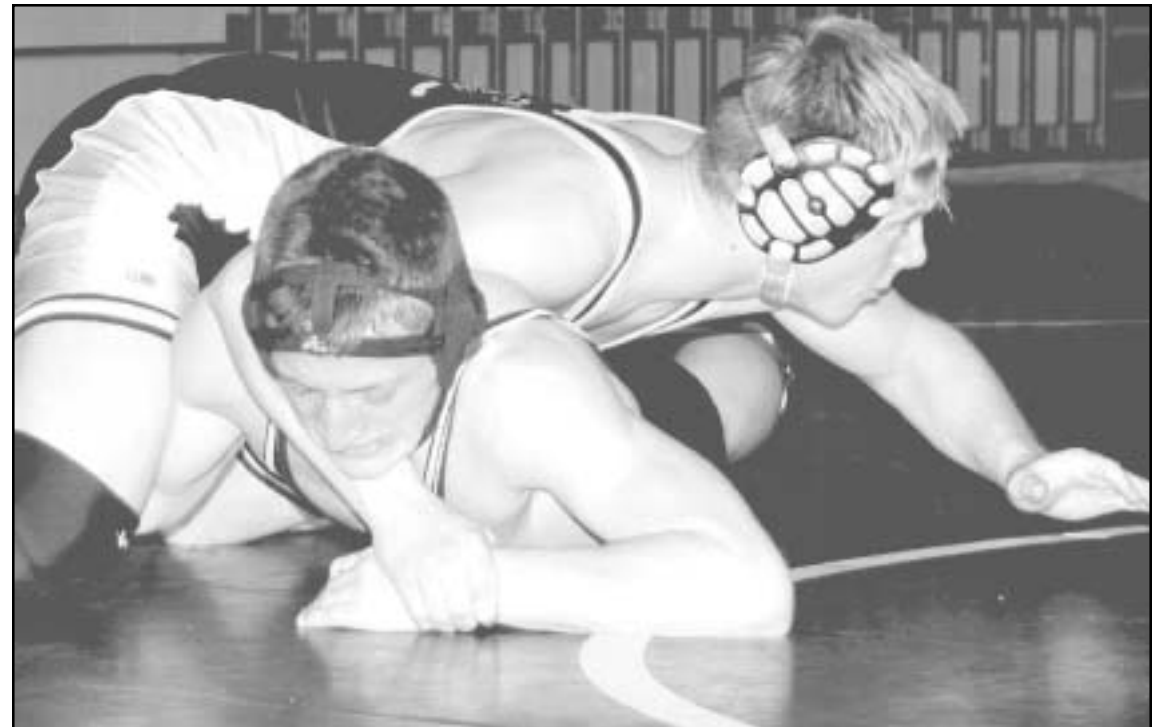
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girls, McKee led the Cowgirls in kills this past season with 354. She was selected for this year's Northwest Kansas League All-League team and the Class 4A state championship All-Tournament team.

McKee was one of two players chosen from Kansas as Prep Volleyball.com All-Americans. The other

is Stephanie Bruggeman a 6' junior outside hitter from East High School in Shawnee Mission. The Lancers were the 2003 Class 6A state runners-up.

McKee is currently playing with the Colorado Juniors volleyball club on its 18-year-old team. She committed to play next season for the Lady Bulldogs of California State University, Fresno, also referred to as Fresno State, a NCAA Division I school. Last season Fresno State finished 21-7 overall and 10-3 in the Western Athletic Conference.



Goodland's Kansas Kids wrestle at Colby, Garden City tourneys

Members of the Goodland Kansas Kids wrestling club participated at a tournament on each of the past two weekends.

Last Friday 15 young wrestlers competed at the tournament in Garden City with two winning a gold medal. Brook Bahe earned first place at 67 pounds in the eight and under age group. Laine Herl also took first at 110 pounds in the 10 and under category.

In the six and under group, Jacob Stasser finished second at 49 pounds and Noah Osburn competed at 37 pounds.

Aaron Avelar took second place and took home the silver medal at 43 pounds in the eight and under group. Both Jed Gray (52 pounds) and Ian Bonsall (88 pounds) placed fourth in their weight class.

In the 10 and under category, Austin Avelar finished second at 58 pounds and Seth Miller third at 70 pounds.

Jonathan Osburn (92 pounds), Joel Osburn (110 pounds) and Paul Starr (115 pounds) each earned the silver medal in the 12 and under competition. Jacob Osburn finished third for the bronze medal at 72 pounds and Joseph Osburn was fourth at 92 pounds. Erik Roeder also competed at 92 pounds.

On Jan. 10, 34 wrestlers competed at the tournament held at the Colby High with six winning gold medals.

In the six and under group, Kelsey Smith (43 pounds) and Kolt Trachsel (64 pounds) both won first place. In the 49-pound class Ricky Milke earned second place and Josh David third. Others competing in this age group were Noah Osburn (37 pounds), Simon Bassett (40 pounds) Chandler Flanders (46 pounds) and Stasser (49 pounds).

Aaron Avelar won first place at 43 pounds in the eight and under group as did Garrett Taylor at 73 pounds. Gray (52 pounds), Cotton Cooper (64 pounds), Bahe (67 pounds) and Taylen Smith (heavyweight) each took second in their weight class.


John Peden (70 pounds), Alex Nelson (76 pounds) and Bonsall (88 pounds) finished fourth. Also competing were Andrew Hachmeister at 55 pounds and Cody Hooker at 76 pounds.

In the 10 and under group, Herl earned first place at 110 pounds and Austin Avelar finished second at 58 pounds. Miller (70 pounds), Jason Cowan (90 pounds) and Tyler Fisher (120 pounds) each took fourth place. Mikail Freeman competed at 73 pounds as did Thern Bagley at 90 pounds.


Paul Starr won first place at 115

pounds in the 12 and under category. Joel Osburn took second at 110 pounds. Fourth place finishers in this age group include Jacob Osburn (76 pounds), Teather Dautel (84 pounds) and Erik Roeder (92 pounds). Also competing at 96 pounds were Chance Davis, Jonathan Osburn and Joseph Osburn.

The club will send wrestlers to two tournaments Saturday, most will compete at the one at Atwood High School while a few will go to the one at the high school in Phillipsburg. Both tournaments start at 8 a.m. (Mountain Time).



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Wrestling Today, varsity at Hays 2 p.m., Sat. varsity at Hays, junior varsity at Hill City, Sat. Jan. 31, Northwest Kansas League at Oberlin.

Basketball Today and Sat. Orange and Black Classic in Colby, Tuesday, "C", junior varsity and varsity in Goodland against Norton 4 p.m., Friday, Jan. 30, "C", junior varsity and varsity in Oberlin 3:45 p.m.

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