

More of the same this season!



As a sophomore last year, Bobby Miller (No. 9) ran in for a touchdown against Kingman after catching a pass from senior quarterback Jared Doke. Miller will be one of the Cowboys returning to the practice field Monday for the fall grid iron campaign. Photo by Liz West/The Goodland Star-News

Tennis team to get busy early

The Goodland High School girls varsity tennis team kicks off the fall sports season in less than two weeks when it travels to Cimarron for matches on Thursday, Aug. 26.

Five days later, on Tuesday, Aug. 31, the varsity travels to Phillipsburg for a match against the Lady Panthers. Two days later, both the varsity and junior varsity will in action, with the varsity playing at Colby and the junior varsity at

Larned.

Overall, the teams will be action eight times before Sept. 15, with the first seven on the road. The Cowgirls will hold a home meet on Tuesday, Sept. 14.

On Thursday, Sept. 2, both the cross country team and the girls golf team open their seasons. The Goodland Invitational cross country meet will take place that day at the Sugar Hills Golf Club. The golf girls will

play in a tournament in WaKeeney.

The Cowboys varsity football team opens at Hoxie on Friday, Sept. 3, and the junior varsity opens its season by hosting Hoxie on Tuesday, Sept. 7.

The Cowgirls volleyball team will open its season with a quadrangular meet Sept. 7 at Max Jones Fieldhouse with Burlington, Hays and Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays.

Four wrestle in Fargo

Mark Starr of Goodland placed sixth in the cadet heavyweight wrestling competition of the 2004 Cadet and Junior Greco-Roman and Freestyle National Championships held July 24-30 in Fargo, N.D.

Starr was one of four wrestlers from Goodland who went to Fargo as part of the Kansas team. The others were Brett Bahe, who went 2-2 in the 112-pound class; Bret Shields, who was 0-2 at 140 pounds; and A.J. Stephens, 0-2 at 130 pounds.

Randy Bahe, who was one of the coaches for the team from Kansas, said Starr had an outstanding tournament.

Starr went 5-2 in pool matches,



Starr



Shields



B. Bahe

finishing third in Pool B and advancing to the fifth-place match, where he lost to California's Kurt Klimek. Klimek finished third in Pool A.

All four wrestlers also competed in the cadet freestyle competition, where Starr finished 3-2, Stephens 2-2, B. Bahe 1-2 and Shields 0-2.

"I think the guys got some really valuable experience," R. Bahe said. "It gave them an idea on what to work on for next year."

Starr, who starts his junior year this month, lettered in football and wrestling for the Cowboys last year. He was a double first-team all-league selection as an offensive tackle and defensive end. Last season, he had 24 tackles, including a quarterback sack, and recovered a fumble.

District reorganized for 2004

The Kansas Class 4A football districts have been reorganized for the 2004-2005 school year, with the Cowboys gaining a couple of new opponents this fall, and trading longer trips east for a couple of trips south.

Goodland and Colby high schools remained in District 15 while Scott City and Ulysses are now in District 16 with Hugoton and Larned. Making the move to District 15 are Clay Center and Concordia; neither team qualified for the state playoffs last season.

Concordia is about 280 miles away from Goodland and Clay Center about 290 compared to 100 miles to Scott City and 140 to Ulysses.

The Cowboys will face Class 4A opponents in each of the final four games of the 2004 regular season. On Oct. 8, Goodland travels to Ulysses to play the Tigers. Last year, the Cowboys defeated Ulysses 15-0 in Cowboy Stadium for the Tigers' only loss of the regular season. Ulysses lost in the first round of the playoffs to Pratt.

On Oct. 15, the Cowboys will be on the road again to face more Tigers in Clay Center in the first game of district competition. Clay Center, which at 4,525 population is slightly smaller than Goodland, is about 43 miles northeast of Salina at the intersection of U.S. 24 and K-15.

Goodland will end its regular season with two home games. On Oct. 22, the Panthers of Concordia visit Cowboy Stadium. The Panthers won the Class 4A state champion-



Goodland Cowboys

2004 Football Schedule

Sept. 3	at Hoxie	6 p.m.
Sept. 10	St. Francis	6 p.m.
Sept. 17	at Atwood	6 p.m.
Sept. 24	Oberlin (Homecoming)	6 p.m.
Oct. 1	at Oakley	6 p.m.
Oct. 8	at Ulysses	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 15	at Clay Center	5:30 p.m.
Oct. 22	Concordia	6 p.m.
Oct. 28	Colby	6 p.m.

Note: All times shown are Mountain Time

ship in 1999. Concordia is about 50 straight north of Salina on U.S. 81.

The Cowboys end the season with their annual showdown with the Colby Eagles, the only other Class 4A team in the Northwest Kansas League. Last year, on Oct.

23, Goodland defeated Colby 43-13 at Cowboy Stadium in a game noted for some controversial calls by officials.

Practice for the high school and junior high fall sports season begins Monday.

Go Cowboys and Cowgirls!



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