

Cowgirls seeded third for sub-state tourney



Junior Chelsea Gray warmed up before the championship match. Photo by Greg Stover The Goodland Star-News

The Goodland High School volleyball team will be in Hugoton Saturday for the Class 4A Sub-State Tournament, facing the Larned Indians in the first round.

The tournament will start at 2 p.m. (Central Time) at the high school, 215 W. 11th St. Fans can take K-27 south past Richfield, then to east on K-51 for about seven miles follow it south for about 10 miles until it merges with U.S. 56. Going east on U.S. 56 will lead right into Hugoton, where the highway becomes 11th Street in the city limits.

The Cowgirls, who are seeded No. 3, will face the No. 6 Larned Indians around 3 p.m., following the Scott City-Hugoton match on that same court.

The Cowgirls are 18-16 for the season after going 4-1 on their way to winning the Northwest Kansas League tournament in Oberlin last Saturday. Larned is 7-25.

Goodland coach Jerry McKee said the team's roster was trimmed down to 12 players for the postseason on Tuesday, and that all the players are healthy and ready to go.

The sub-state's No. 1 seed is Colby, with a 19-9 record. Goodland has faced the Lady Eagles three times already this sea-

son, losing the first match, then winning the next two, including last Saturday in Oberlin. The Eagles face Russell, the No. 8 seed, in their first match. The Lady Broncos are 3-23.

The Scott City Beavers are the No. 2 seed with a 17-13 record. The Cowgirls split with Scott City this season, losing the first match there on Sept. 14 then beating the Beavers at Max Jones Fieldhouse 11 days later.

Scott City starts the tournament against the No. 7-seeded Hugoton Eagles, 5-24 for the season.

The Pratt Greenbacks, the No. 4 seed, faces No. 5 Ulysses in their first match following the Colby-Russell contest.

Pratt is 13-18 for the season while the Ulysses Tigers are 9-21. Goodland defeated Ulysses in their only meeting this season. The Cowgirls have not yet faced Pratt, Russell, Hugoton or Larned in 2004.

None of the teams in the tournament was listed in the latest rankings by the Kansas Volleyball Association released Wednesday. The No. 1 Class 4A team in the state, according to the poll, is Circle High School of Towanda, about 20 miles northeast of Wichita. The Lady Thunderbirds are 32-1.

Fort Hays to switch conferences

President Edward Hammond of Fort Hays State University said last Friday that the school will move from the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference to the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association in fall 2006.

That will put all four NCAA Division II universities in Kansas in the same conference.

"By joining the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association, we will renew old rivalries with Emporia State, Pittsburg State and Washburn," Hammond said, "and we will accept the challenge of a higher level of competition in some sports."

For example, in the latest American Football Coaches Association NCAA Division II poll the Mid-America conference has two teams, No. 1 Pittsburg State and No. 3

Northwest Missouri State University. The Rocky Mountain conference has only the Colorado School of Mines at No. 15.

Hammond said the university will need more money for its athletic department because of the move, about \$200,000 a year. More than half of the money will go to the football program, where the number of full scholarships allowed increases from 28 to 32.

Volleyball and both basketball programs will see an increase in their budgets for scholarships, recruiting and travel. Hammond said half the money will come from the university's general fund and the other half will be raised privately.

The Mid-America conference went looking for a new member shortly after the University of Missouri-Rolla announced it would

join the Great Lakes Valley Conference next year. Adding Fort Hays will return the number of conference members to 10, six in Missouri and four in Kansas.

The Rocky Mountain conference will lose its only Kansas school and will drop to 13 members, with 10 in Colorado, two in Nebraska and one in New Mexico.

Hammond said some of the factors considered in making the decision was the number of alumni living in the region covered by the new conference, higher visibility in the part of the state where 70 percent of its population live and greater media attention in Kansas' larger cities.

"We anticipate there will be an upsurge in attendance because of the excitement that this change will create," Hammond said.

matters of record

District Traffic

The following fines were paid in the Sherman County District Court: **Sept. 27** — Christine L. Andrews, 36, Wailuku, Hawaii was fined \$144 for speeding.

Jennifer W. Criehtfield, 31, Westminster, Colo. was fined \$132 for speeding.

Sept. 28 — Michael J. Jackson, 28, Tonganoxie, was fined \$254 for speeding and \$10 for no seat belt.

Hereberto Bahena, 24, Aurora, Colo. was fined \$144 for speeding and \$100 for no license.

Bradley J. Lenhardt, 24, Westminster, Colo. was fined \$114

for speeding.

Anna L. Lerma, 47, Dodge City, was fined \$120 for speeding.

Beverly J. Mcadams, 52, Corydon, Ind. was fined \$150 for improper parking.

James Donnelly, 26, London, Ontario was fined \$177 for speeding.

Sept. 29 — Steven W. Loyd, 38, Salem, Ind. was fined \$114 for speeding.

Adam R. Powell, 19, Overland Park, was fined \$138 speeding.

Lawrence L. Hyman, Jr., 21, Kissimmee, Fla. was fined \$126 for speeding.

Max K. Hollensbe, 22, St. Louis, Mo. was fined \$177 for speeding.

Amber A. Penton, 20, Guthrie Center, Iowa was fined \$144 for speeding.

Sept. 30 — Joshua P. Bliven, 29, Ault, Colo. was fined \$120 for no license.

Robert W. Fierro, 48, N. Hollywood, Calif. was fined \$138 for speeding.

Rubin Gigante, 40, Dunwoody, Ga. was fined \$144 for speeding.

David B. Varnau, 21, Highland, Ind. was fined \$150 for speeding.

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Goodland High School	
Football	Tonight, varsity in Goodland against Concordia 6 p.m.; Thursday, varsity in Goodland against Colby 6 p.m.
Cross Country	Saturday, Regional at Buhler; Saturday, October 30, State in Wamego.
Volleyball	Saturday, Substate at Hugoton; Friday and Saturday, October 23 and 24, State at Salina.

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Lady Bulldogs win at regionals, move on to sub-state tourney

The Brewster High volleyball team won both its matches after receiving a first-round bye Tuesday to win the Class 1A regional tournament held at Golden Plains High School in Rexford.

The Lady Bulldogs defeated Grinnell 25-18, 25-22 in their semi-final match, then needed three games to beat Wheatland High School of Grainfield 25-11, 24-26 and 25-16.

Brewster had to beat the Lady Shockers three times within a four-day period, with each match going to three games.

Senior Andrea Horney and junior Caitlin Rush led the team in kills with both recording 16. Sophomore Audrey Hoyt had five service aces for the tournament.

"With the exception of Game 1 against Wheatland, we played from behind in every game," said Bulldogs head coach Lynda McKee. "I'm happy that our team doesn't give up when we're down, but I would like to see us pick up the intensity at the start of each game."

The team, now 34-4, travels to Ransom on Saturday for the substate tournament at Western

Plains High School.

The Bulldogs' first match is scheduled for 1 p.m. against the Lady Huskies from Northern Valley High of Almena. The Huskies are 11-20.

The tournament's host team, the Western Plains Lady Bobcats, is 30-3 for the season and ranked No. 3 in Class 1A by the Kansas Volleyball Association. Brewster is listed as one of the other top teams in the state.

Western Plains will face Wheatland, 19-15, in its first match Saturday.

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