

Goodland players lead scoring in games

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Goodland High School sent two basketball players to Colby on Sunday for the 13th annual Sports Shoppe/Colby Bowl Northwest Kansas All-Star Classic, and both ending up as the top scorers in their games.

Justeen Koehler scored 27 points as she led the Dark Jerseys to a 65-61 win over the Light Jerseys in the girls game, while Jase Herl scored 24 to lead the Light Jerseys to a 109-97 win in the boys skirmish.

Thirty-six high school seniors, 20 girls and 16 boys, played in this year's Classic at the Colby Community Building.

Koehler scored eight of the Dark Jerseys' first 10 points as they jumped out to a 10-2 lead in the first half.

The Light Jerseys started to make up ground, and with just under five minutes left in the half, tied the score at 26.

Next, Brewster's Caitlan Rush scored three straight to put the Dark Jerseys back in front 29-26, and they went on to lead 35-30 at half-time.

Both games Sunday followed the college format, with 20-minute halves instead of eight-minute quarters.

The Light Jerseys got to within one at 37-36 three minutes into the second half, but the Dark Jerseys

began to dominate and seven minutes later led 48-36.

The Light Jerseys fought back and trailed by five, 61-56, with two minutes left in the game.

Koehler scored the next four points to make the score 65-56, followed a few seconds later by a basket by Colby's Zanae Baird for the Light Jerseys making it 65-58.

With about three seconds left on the clock, Kendra Matteson of Agra's Eastern Heights High hit the game's final basket from three-point range making the final 65-61.

Michaela Berg of Eastern Heights, who won the girls' three-point shooting contest, led the Light Jerseys with 13 points, followed by Matteson with 12. Baird scored 10.

Rush finished the game with seven points and Colby's Jessica Stephens scored six for the Dark Jerseys.

Goodland's Don Smith coached the Light Jerseys and Darrel Wolters of Osborne the Darks.

In the boys' game, the teams battled to a 31-all tie late in the first half, then the Light Jerseys scored six of the next eight points for a 37-33 lead.

The Dark Jerseys came back with seven straight points to take the lead and kept it, going into the locker room at halftime leading 48-44.

The Light Jerseys scored the first seven points of the second half for a 51-48 lead and led by as much as

14 before the Dark Jerseys made a comeback.

A 14-5 run put the Dark Jerseys ahead 82-81, but Herl scored on a pair of three-pointers to give the Light Jerseys an 87-82 lead.

They stayed in front for the rest of the game.

The Light Jerseys hit the century mark on a free throw by Herl with just under two minutes left in the game, then scored nine of the next 11 points to make the final 109-97.

Herl scored 18 of his 24 points in the second half, including six in the game's final two minutes.

Four players on both teams scored in double figures. Brewster's Kyle O'Connor led the Dark Jerseys with 20 points, followed by Henry Sloan of Greeley County High from Tribune with 18.

Norton's Heath Vincent had 15 and Tyler Ummel from Trego Community High of WaKeeney scored 13.

For the Light Jerseys, Nathan Locke of WaKeeney scored 21 while Alex Kuhlman of Ness City scored 18 and Mykel Rodriguez of Oakley 14.

O'Connor won the boys three-point contest.

Jeff Starkey of Greeley County coached the Dark Jerseys, and Don Shubert of Trego the Light Jerseys.

Shubert led the Golden Eagles to the state Class 2A championship this season.



Goodland senior Jase Herl (No. 10 above) scored the Light Jersey's 100th and 101st points late in the second half of the boys game of the Sports Shoppe/Colby Bowl Northwest Kansas Classic Sunday at the Colby Community Building.

Lady Trojans win trip to nationals

The Colby Community College women's basketball team won the National Junior College Athletic Association Region VI Division I championship last Tuesday with a 67-62 win over Barton County.

The victory earned the Lady Trojans a spot in the national tournament, which starts today at Salina's Bicentennial Center. Colby, ranked No. 7 by the association, will take on Salt Lake Community College (Utah) at 5:15 (Mountain Time).

Sophomore Rita Kollo led the Trojans against Barton County

with 16 points, followed by sophomore Shareka Purnell with 14 and freshman Jamie Schroeder with 13.

Kollo was named this year's most valuable player for the West Division of the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference.

She and teammate Suzana Sormaz made both the West Division's all-conference and the Region VI all-region first teams.

Lady Trojan coach Tom Stephens was named Coach of the Year for the West Division.

Three Cowgirls on all-league team

Three Goodland Cowgirls were among the 19 basketball players honored by the Northwest Kansas League on its all-league team for this season.

Senior Justeen Koehler and junior Whitney Archer were chosen for the all-league first team, and junior Kaylee Billinger received honorable mention. They were Goodland's top three scorers, accounting for nearly 64 percent of the Cowgirls' 1,211 points this season.

Koehler led the team with 332 points, over 14 per game. She also was Goodland's top rebounder, grabbing 195 boards. Archer was second in scoring with 260 points, 11 per game, and third in rebounds with 106. Billinger scored 183 points and was fifth in rebounds with 75.



Koehler



Archer



Billinger

more Lissa Mazanec of Colby were named to the team with junior Ashley Barnes getting honorable mention.

Making the team from Hoxie were senior Danielle Pratt and junior Tiffany Goetz. Senior Caissa Heim earned honorable mention.

Other players making the all-league team were senior Chelsie Kramer of Rawlins County High of Atwood; junior Jocelyn Anderson of Quinter; junior Callie Baalman of Oakley; and junior Lauren Fortin of Decatur Community High of Oberlin.

Earning honorable mention from Rawlins County were senior Bethany Holste and junior Megan Cahoy. Others were junior Megan Dennis of Oakley, junior Melissa Grandison of Quinter, junior Tricia Dorchorst from Oberlin and junior Lauren Ross of St. Francis.

Koehler, Stephens, Pratt, Heim and Kramer played in Sunday's 13th annual Sports Shoppe/Colby Bowl Northwest Kansas All-Star Classic at the Colby Community Building.

bowling results

Wednesday Night Mixed League
March 8
Odd Couples over Family Affair 3-1
KansasLand Tire tied Fun Lovers 2-2
Phillips Bros. over D,G & M Clan 3-1
Shear Dimensions
over Guzzlin' Socializers 4-0
4-Stars over The Bud Liters 3.5-.5

Women's high scratch game:
Jamie Baker 210
Women's high scratch series:
Jamie Baker 553

Men's high scratch game: Melvin Musil 225
Men's high scratch series: Travis Gillihan 623

Team high scratch game:
Shear Dimensions 718
Team high scratch series:
Guzzlin' Socializers 1,931

Top Three Teams:
No. 1 Guzzlin' Socializers
No. 2 Phillips Brothers
No. 3 Shear Dimensions

Monday Afternoon Ladies League
March 13
Bowladium Lanes over Clawson Electric 3-1
Medical Arts Pharmacy
over Alcorn/Shelter Insurance 3-1
Callahan's over Ginn Masonry 3-1
Lonny's Quality Auto Body
over Wheatridge Farms, Ltd. 3-1

High Individual Game: Nancy Kear 221
High Individual Series: Nancy Kear 496
High Team Game:
Alcorn/Shelter Insurance 627

High Team Series: Bowladium Lanes 1,731
Team Standings

No. 1 Medical Arts Pharmacy 27.5 - 12.5
No. 2 Lonny's Quality Auto Body 27 - 13
No. 3 Callahan's 26 - 14

Wednesday Night Scratch Classic League
March 15
Steve's Body Shop over Sigco 14.5-5.5
Floyd's Refrig. & AC
over Fitzgibbon's, Inc. 12-8

Bowladium Lanes over Weber Kennels 11-9
Phil's Pro Shop over T-Bone Feeders 14-6
High Individual Game: Darren Hickson 238
High Individual Series: Phil Helzer 871

High Team Game: Steve's Body Shop 599
High Team Series: Steve's Body Shop 2,242

League Standings:

Steve's Body Shop 46 - 14
Phil's Pro Shop 38 - 22
Floyd's Refrig. & AC 31 - 29
Bowladium Lanes 28.5 - 31.5
Fitzgibbon's, Inc. 28 - 32
Sigco 25.5 - 34.5
Weber Kennels 25 - 35
T-Bone Feeders 18 - 42

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School calendar for March 15 - March 28

Wednesday - Spring Break
Thursday - Spring Break
Friday - Spring Break
Monday - Board of Education, 7 p.m.
Tuesday - Baseball in Goodland, 3 p.m.; Junior High Scholar's Bowl League meet at Atwood, 3 p.m.

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