

# Cowboy wins place at regional

Kerek Mason, a senior at Goodland High, ran at the Missouri Valley AAU Championships on Friday and Saturday in Overland Park, qualifying for the Region VII Championships in the 3,000-meter and 2,000-meter steeplechases.

Mason qualified by placing in the top four at both events. He was third in the 3,000-meter race on Friday night with a time of 9 minutes, 50 seconds, two seconds faster than his best time of the summer. He got a medal, with fourth through sixth places getting ribbons. James Tong of the Kansas City Metro Stars was first in 9:21.

Saturday, Mason ran the 1,500 meters, placing fifth in 4:25, matching his best time for the year.

The steeplechase is run on a 400-meter track. In the first lap, the runner has to jump one or two barriers, including the water hazard. On the remaining laps, the runner has five barriers, including the water hazard. The pool of water is just big enough that the runners usually can't clear it.

"At least I get cooled off every lap," Mason said.

Mason qualified for the Missouri Valley AAU Championship by

placing third in the 2,000-meter steeplechase at Kansas State University in Manhattan, with a time of 7:21. That was the first time he had run the steeplechase.

"That was a lot harder than I thought it was going to be," Mason said.

Mason also ran in the USA Track and Field Missouri Valley meet in Joplin, Mo., on Thursday and Friday, June 16 and 17. He ran the 1,500-meter in sixth place (4:32), 800-meter with a fourth place finish (2:07) and 2000-meter steeplechase in fifth (7:02).

The Region VII AAU meet will be in Joplin on Friday and Saturday. Mason could advance to the National AAU Junior Olympic Meet in Norfolk, Va., in August if he places in the top four in either or both events.

"The running keeps me in shape," he said, "plus, I am seeing the competitors from other classes in Kansas and also other states.

"Most of the runners are from what would be 5A and 6A schools in Kansas, so the level of competition is very high. Hopefully, it will help me next year."



Kerek Mason cleared an obstacle and got ready to land in the water hazard in one of his steeplechase races at the Missouri Valley

AAU Championships on Friday in Overland Park.

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# City to help home-owned carnival

By Tom Betz

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Carnival rides will be up and running for the July 4 Freedom Fest, and the City Commission has pledged some financial support to help keep the home-owned carnival going.

Brad Shields, chairman of Sherman County Community Services, which operates the carnival, asked the commission on June 19 if the city would consider either with a donation or a reduction of the electrical bills the carnival pays.

Mayor Rick Billinger said after the city commission donated \$1,500 to the fireworks, he had asked, "Why don't you help out the carnival, you have money for fireworks?"

Billinger, who voted against donating the money for fireworks, said he invited Shields to come to the meeting and present the carnival

board's case.

Shields said the carnival, which started eight years ago, is an all-volunteer group that includes organizations throughout the city.

He said the insurance costs have gone through the roof for the rides. In past years, the carnival has paid about \$1,000 for the days it operates, but now they are paying \$1,500 per day or about \$11,000.

"We are looking for every penny we can save," Shields said. "We are trying to keep the prices down on our rides. We have lost two rides and have purchased one."

One area Shields said the city might help is to reduce the electric bill for the carnival, he said, adding that the group pays a monthly fee of \$30 (\$360 for a year) on two meters, and then about \$400 for the days the carnival runs during the fair.

Shields said the carnival crew works on rides every Wednesday,

but they do not use much electricity at those times.

"As I said we are looking for every penny we can with the \$11,000 for insurance," Shields said. "We like to provide the rides for everyone, and don't want to raise our prices."

City Commissioner Dave Daniels said helping the carnival was something the city could look into. He said the carnival group is looking to take over the Freedom Fest as a continuing event.

"I think we can look at donating the electrical," City Commissioner Josh Dechant said. "Can we do that?"

"We could give them a check for \$5,000," Billinger said, "or if you want to do something about the electric, we can do that. The carnival is something for everybody. It is a home-owned carnival."

Shields said he and the carnival board would appreciate any help the city can give.

"If we have trouble paying for our new ride," he added, "I'll be back." Daniels said he thinks they all agree the city wants to support the carnival. Shields said the group is glad to be able to help out for the Fourth of July, which is sort of a test run for the county fair.

"We fire up the rides on July 4, and if they have problems, we get them back up and running before the fair," Shields said.

"We'll find a way to support it," Billinger said.



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# baseball scoreboard

**Mens**  
Northern Sun over Tubbs Chiropractic 13-12  
Northern Sun over First National Bank 24-23  
Northern Sun over Marty's Electric 17-5  
Tubbs Chiropractic over Jones Land 26-8  
First National Bank over Jones Land 21-5  
Marty's Electric over Jones Land 12-0  
Marty's Electric over Tubbs Chiropractic 15-3  
Tubbs Chiropractic over First National Bank 13-12  
Northern Sun over Jones Land 25-7

**Coed**  
Frontier Equity over Harvest Crew 16-1  
Park Hill over Frontier Equity 19-4  
Goodland X over Amack Trucking 19-3  
Codell Well Service over Murray's Custom/Unruh Chiropractic 19-10  
Halde Redi-Mix over Amack Trucking 19-1  
Halde Redi-Mix over Amack Trucking 16-0  
Park Hill over Goodland X 28-8  
Codell Well Service over Frontier Equity 21-16  
Murray's Custom/Unruh Chiropractic over Frontier Equity 17-6  
Parkhill over Amack Trucking 14-2  
Halde Redi-Mix over Murray 14-6  
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Halde Redi-Mix over Frontier Equity 11-2  
Harvest Crew over Goodland X 13-10  
Halde Redi-Mix over Park Hill 8-0

**Girls Major**  
Elks over Cochran Farm Supply 21-9

**Girls Minor**  
Pi Eta Sorority tied Medical Arts Pharmacy 8-8  
KC Video's over Snappy Snack 18-13  
Medical Arts Clinic over Snappy Snack 23-8  
Pi Eta Sorority over Med Arts Clinic 18-7  
Medical Arts Pharmacy over Snappy Snack 15-10  
Medical Arts Pharmacy over KC Video's 15-14  
Pi Eta Sorority over Snappy Snack 10-7  
Medical Arts Clinic over Medical Arts Pharmacy 16-0

**Boys Rookie**  
Northern Sun over Fontanelle Hybrids 8-6  
The Total Look over Unruh Family Chiropractic 14-13

**Boys Major**  
Hitchcock's over American Family 20-3  
Snappy Snack over Marshall's Team 7-6  
Snappy Snack over Hitchcock's 7-4  
Hitchcock's over American Family 15-9

# matters of record

The following accidents were investigated by the Goodland Police Department.

**June 9** — 3:30 p.m., 2304 Commerce Rd., a 2002 GMC owned by Chito's Well Service was parked at Taco John's when it was struck by an unknown vehicle, which left the scene. The vehicle that struck the GMC was described as a pickup truck with a camper shell on top.

**June 16** — 6:19 a.m., 320 E. Eighth, a 1994 Mazda owned by Mike Rubio was parked in the parking lot at Kabredio's when it was hit by a 1991 Pontiac driven by Anthony M. Chaffman. Chaffman left the scene of the accident, but was located a short time later.

8:10 a.m., intersection of K-27 and business U.S. 24, a 1995 Chevrolet driven by Margaret L. Russell was southbound on K-27. A 1994 Mazda driven by Cassie L.

Stafford was northbound on K-27 and in the turn lane to go west. Stafford failed to yield the right of way and the Chevrolet hit the back passenger side of the Mazda.

**June 18** — 1:15 p.m., 2160 Commerce Rd., a 1998 Pontiac driven by Valorie L. Grammon and a 2000 Toyota driven by Serina Lake were backing up at that same time in the Wal-Mart parking lot. Neither driver saw the other and both vehicles struck each other at the same time.

## District Traffic

The following fines were paid in the Sherman County District Court:  
**May 17** — Candice M. Meissinger, \$144 for improper parking.  
Cash R. Smith, \$120 for speeding and \$40 for no seat belts.

# Sunflower Contest

## RULES

- Write down as many words (at least 3 letters) that you can think of using the word "Nutrient"
    - Do not use proper names
  - Bring your completed list to The Goodland Star- News office at 1205 Main or at our booth at the Fair by 12:00 p.m. by Monday, August 14th
- Winner will be announced in the Friday, August 18th edition

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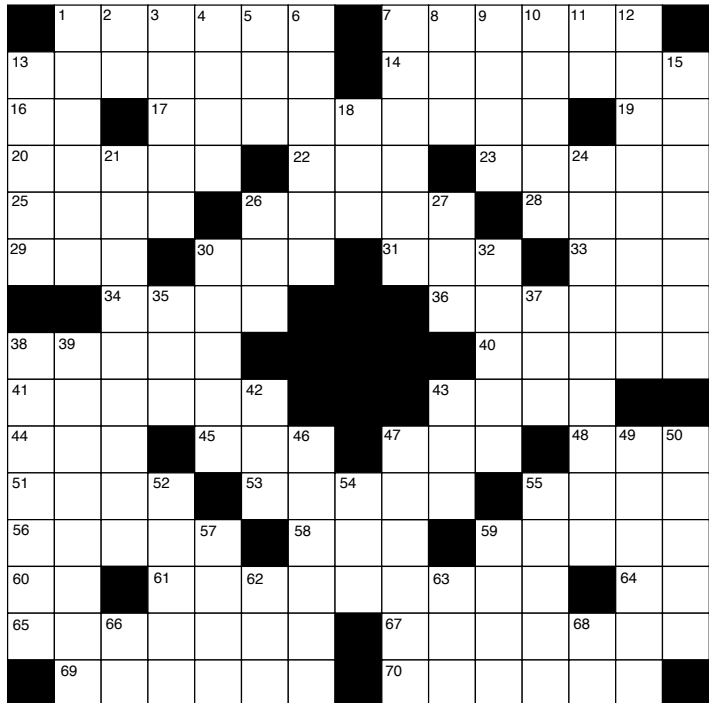
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# Crossword Puzzle



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7. Pays out
13. W. Indonesian island
14. Extraordinary visual recall
16. Tuberculosis
17. Fixed verse composer
19. Milliliter (abbr.)
20. Characters
22. Collapsible bed
23. Nat. Association of State Units on Aging
25. Periods of time
26. Edvard \_\_, Czech. Pres.
28. Nickname for Louise
29. Nova TV network
30. Not good
31. Short for recreation
33. Petrol
34. First Chinese dynasty
36. Upper surface of the mouth
38. Walkway brick
40. Minute skin openings
41. Where birds are kept
43. Type of pear
44. Shower soap alternative
45. Sec. & Exch. Comm. (abbr.)
47. To swindle
48. Military mailbox
51. French airport
53. First
55. Chew
56. Gloomy
58. Before
59. Liquid portion of a fat
60. Artificial Intelligence (abbr.)
61. Modern oven
64. Between north and east
65. Sharpshooting
67. Corrected
69. Resembling glass
70. Demanded payment

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