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Rodeo clowns Cody Woelk (far left) of Tribune, Tracy Weeter of Neb., who was bucked off before posting a score. The Thunder on night with the Kiwanis demolition derby at 7 p.m. Goodland (in front of bull) and Cory Wall of Burlington (right) tried the Plains bull ride show drew a near-capacity crowd Wednesday to draw the bull Fudge away from cowboy John Klein of North Platte, at the Northwest Kansas District Free Fair. The fair continues to-

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High ride score wins Thunder on the Plains

A high-scoring ride of 90 in the final round won the Thunder on the Plains bull riding show Wednesday at the Northwest Kansas District Free Fair.

A packed crowd filled the grandstands and three sets of bleachers on the north and south sides of the portable Professional Bull Riders chutes and arena.

Jeston Mead of Ashland scored 90 on the bull B.A. Jose from the Hudson Rodeo Co., the final ride in the final round. It was the first time B.A. Jose has been ridden this year, the announcer said.

Mead won the overall with a combined score of 169.

score of 160, good enough for second place.

H.B. Mousel of Cheyenne Wells got a zero on his first bull, Barney, provided by Pete Hessman, but his name was drawn for a ride in the short go-round. He got a zero on that bull, Batman, provided by Nixon. Rvan Stevenson of Selden, who will be a senior at

Golden Plains High School in Rexford, got a zero riding Gizmo from the Talbert Land and Cattle Co.

Riders came from eight states including Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, Oklahoma, Wyoming, Utah, Texas, New Mexico and Kansas.

Ryan Stevenson of Selden, who will be a senior at Golden Plains High School in Rexford, came out of the chute on the bull Gizmo provided by Talbert Land and Cattle, but did not make it to the eightsecond whistle and finished with a zero score.

He had a 79 on his first bull, Reno, provided by Tony Mendes

Mead won over \$5,000 in prize money, and a belt buckle for the highest score from the Ryan Franz Memorial. Franz, from Burlington, was killed in an accident south of Sharon Springs last year. His son Corv of Goodland is committee member organizing the bull ride.

Last year's winner, Jessie Kirby of Dodge City, appeared to be ready to win again until the final ride by Mead. Kirby scored a 73 on his first bull, Shadow Me, provided by Hudson Rodeo, and an 87 on Firecracker provided by Landon Nixon. Kirby had a total

Dave Samsel from Fort Worth got a 78 on Funny Man, provided by Nixon, in the first round, and an 80 on Shotgun Ready provided by Mendes. Samsel is a member of the Professional Bull Riders Association, and his winnings this year are over \$700,000, said announcer Travis Shada from Broken Bow, Neb.

Members of the Thunder on the Plains committee include Jim and De Weeter, Tracy and Pamela Weeter, Doug and Hayley Sederstrom, Greg and Amy Sederstrom, Michael Dorn and Randy and Deb Whitmore, all from Goodland, and Beau and Tammy Larson from Sharon Springs.

Elks K-18 team ends season with loss to state runner-up

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The Goodland Elks K-18 basebut lost in the first round to Clifton-Clyde, 15-4, in Lucas.

Tuesday, the Colby team won the state championship, defeating Clifton-Clyde 10-3. This was the

Colby was the top seed from the ball team made it to the state tour- west, while Clifton-Clyde was the Goodland pitcher Cameron Morris nament for the first time in 15 years, top team from the east. The tourna- faced three batters and set them ment began on Friday with Colby down in order. Morris gave up one defeating Belleville 8-2. The team run in the second, two in the third defeated Quinter 16-0 on Sunday to advance to the title game.

55th year of the state K-18 tourna- the west, had to face Clifton-Clyde for nine runs. ment, and Colby's fourth state title. in the first round Saturday evening.



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The first inning was scoreless as and four in the fourth, however. Brandon Rome came in to pitch the Goodland, the fourth seed from fifth, and Clifton-Clyde got to him

> Goodland scored two runs in the third inning after Ben Waugh got a walk and Adam Duell bunted to move him to second. Vance Johnson flied out, but Rory Kling got a hit to score Waugh, and Morris had third, but was out at second on a a single to score Duell. Keagan fielder's choice. In the fourth, Mur-

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Smith struck out to end the inning ray hit the ball back to the pitcher the fifth inning. with Goodland trailing 3-2.

In the fourth, Rome led off and got a walk. He advanced to second on a passed ball. Waugh got a double to score Rome, then scored on a Clifton-Clyde error. At end of the fourth, Goodland was behind 7-

Kevin Amthor went 0 for 3 with a ball back to the pitcher in the first, struck out in the fourth and flied out in the fifth.

David Murray got on base in the



the fifth, but popped out to the short- eland Animal Clinic, and assistants stop for the final out of the game. Rod Kling and Steve Duell, area Goodland had 12 errors, seven in farmers.

The team was coached by Gary T.J. Freeman came in to play in Smith, veterinarian from Prairi-

SPORTS TELEVISION SCHEDULE

Saturday

11 a.m. ESPN Pro Football Hall of Fame Induction from Canton, Ohio

FOX MLB Baseball Teams TBA

12 p.m. CBS Harness Racing The Hambletonian

ESPN2 U.S. Open Series Tennis Legg Mason Classic: Semifinal from Washington, DC

1 p.m. CBS Golf Buick Open 2 p.m. ESPN2 U.S. Open Series Tennis Acura Classic: Semifinal from Carlsbad, CA

WGN MLB Baseball Chicago White Sox at Toronto Blue Jays from Rogers Centre

4:30 p.m. ESPN MLS Soccer All-Star Game Chelsea vs MLS All-Stars from Chicago, IL

7 p.m. ESPN X Games 12 from Carson, Calif.

FXSP MLB Baseball Rockies at Giants

8 p.m. HBO World Championship Boxing Quartey vs. Forrest; Ouma vs. Powell

Sunday

11 a.m. ESPN X Games 12 from Carson, Calif.

IND MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Cincinnati Reds from Great American Ball Park

UNIV F⁻tbol Liga Mexicana UA de Guadalajara Tecos at Toluca Diablos from Bambonera

12:10 p.m. WGN MLB Baseball Pittsburgh Pirates at Chicago Cubs from Wrigley Field

12:30 p.m. NBC NASCAR Racing Nextel Cup in Indianapolis

1 p.m. CBS Golf Buick Open ESPN2 U.S. Open Series Tennis Legg Mason Classic: Final from Washington, DC

3 p.m. ESPN2 U.S. Open Series Tennis Acura Classic: Final from Carlsbad, CA

6 p.m. ESPN MLB Baseball Philadelphia Phillies at New York Mets from Shea Stadium

NBC Sunday Night Football Exhibition: Eagles vs. Raiders



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