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Rider Football

Boys Ranch vs. Spearman

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Non-district games normally have all the electricity of a dead outlet, especially when the sports writers have the opponent picked by 40 points. But that was not the case when the Spearman Lynx rolled into Boys Ranch. The Roughriders had other plans for the always tough Lynx.

The game would get off to Spearman scoring the first 14 points of the game. As Rider fans started to get concerned, Boys Ranch would step up their intensity of play and would go on to score 21 points of their own before half time.

The first score came on a 1 yard plunge by Shane Agosto and Jason Tilley added the extra point. This would end the 1st quarter of play. Rider fans would not have to wait long for the Roughriders to get on the board again. With the hard running of Victor Landeros and the precise passing game, Mason Bond would hit wide open receiver James Murphy for 16 yards and a touchdown. This would tie the score as Jason Tilley added the extra point. As time was running out for the first half the offense would again put together a great drive that was capped off by a Mason Bond quarterback sneak. Jason Tilley would be perfect for the night as he added the extra point, giving the Riders a 21 – 14 lead.

Spearman would not be denied as they completed a 40 yard pass to score with no time left on the clock. They would miss the extra point giving Boys Ranch a narrow 1 point lead.

The second half proved to be a defensive battle as both teams stiffened up. The lone score in the second half was a short run by Spearman giving them the lead.

Despite the loss, coaches and fans were very proud of the Roughrider football team for their effort and sportsmanship that was displayed. At the end of the Rider school song, it could be heard throughout the stadium, “We have us a Football Team.” – *Coach Lozano*

JV Rider Football

Thursday, August 30, 2007, The JV squad traveled to Bushland and kicked off our season with a hard-fought loss. The score was **36 to 14**. Bobby Nichols led the offense scoring two rushing touchdowns of 60 and 6 yards. This was aided by the offensive line witch consists of LaQuan McGowan, Troy Mowatt, Colton Richie, and Chris Peters. Chris Wilkinson did a good job running the offense and scored on a two point conversion. DeJon Haye and Zac Bolton led the receivers catching two each. The defense got off to a shaky start but finished strong. The defense has Tucker Massingill and Stetson Countryman playing the safety positions. Anthony Davis, Chris Wilkinson and Kenneth Curtis at cornerback, Justin Hand, DeJon Haye and Zac Bolton manning the outside linebacker positions. The inside backers are Troy Mowatt, Chris Buchanan, and Henry Zepeda. Our T-N-Ts are LaQuan McGowan, Colton Richie, Chris Peterson, John Reed, Chris Soper, and Jake Carpenter.

Thursday, September 6, 2007, the JV Football Team traveled to Gruver to take on the Greyhounds. Although they played hard and stayed intense the entire game, they fell **26-21**. Bobby Nichols had a 60 yard touchdown run. Chris Wilkinson threw touchdown passes of 50 yards to Nichols and 40 yards to Zac Bolton. The defense made some important plays to stop the Greyhounds from converting two point conversions when the Riders needed them most. Scott (Chris) Peters had one fumble recovery and Colton Richie made some big plays from nose guard.

- *Coach Johnson*

Roughrider Cross Country

Lamar, Colorado

This was a long ride and a great cross country course! It had everything a course should have except big, long hills. It had about a half of mile of sand. We split our team because of some Colorado rules that were different than Texas rules. This team is progressing well at week six of our season.

We will be back at Thompson Park this weekend, JV girls- 10:00 am, JV boys- 10:20 am, Varsity girls- 10:40 am, and Varsity Boys- 11:00 am. If you can watch, we will need some support it will be the first time we run against the number 1 ranked 3A Canyon Eagles. We will also get our first look at a really good Sunray team not to mention several other great teams.

Individual results: (65 runners)

Anthony Chavez	4 th	17:22	medalist
Clay Nieshe	8 th	17:39	medalist
Donald Eatinger	12 th	18:42	medalist
Carl Hulen	17 th	18:54	
Alec Betz	20 th	19:06	
Swasey Brown	24 th	19:19	
Sean English	27 th	19:34	
Nick Alexander	28 th	19:47	
Adam Brown	34 th	20:32	
Derryl Putman	45 th	21:15	
Alex Lindquist	47 th	21:44	
Brandon Huskey	59 th	23:22	
Alex Molina	63 rd	25:10	

Team results: (17 teams)

Rocky Ford Gold	1 st	last year's Colorado 3A state champion, currently ranked #1
La Junta	2 nd	
Boys Ranch Blue	3 rd	
Lamar	4 th	
Boys Ranch Gold	5 th	
Rocky Ford Red	6 th	
St. Mary's	7 th	currently ranked #2 in 2A.
Baca County	8 th	
Weld Central	9 th	
Pueblo County	10 th	
Limon	11 th	
Ellicott	12 th	
Villas	13 th	

Lady Rider Cross Country

The Lady Riders' Cross Country team represented the ranch with great pride this past weekend in Lamar, Colorado. Hollie Brant received her first medal (13th) in Cross Country with a time of 23:46. Katie Jones also medaled (11th) with a time of 23:36. This was a tough three-mile race, but all of the girls went the extra mile. Great job ladies!! – *Coach McIntyre*

Jr Lady Rider Cross Country

Saturday, our young ladies competed in Amarillo at the Mayors two-mile run. They did an excellent job of completing the race. We came home with several awards. Congratulate the following girls.

Gabby Hurd- **1st Overall Female** 18: 04
Miki Hurd- **1st place** 11-15 year olds 18:08
Kylie Jones **2nd place** 11-15 18:15
Jennifer Kortz **3rd place** 18:53
Keila Williams **4th place** 19:15
Hailey Golden **5th place** 19:20
Codi Amason **6th place** 19:45

They represented us well in performance and in respect.

Coach Widenor

Upcoming Athletic Events

Thursday, September 13, 2007

JH Football vs. Vega @ BR...Game Time – 5:00 PM

JV Football vs. Sunray @ BR...Game Time – 6:30 PM

Friday, September 14, 2007

Varsity Football vs. Bushland @ BR...Game Time – 7:30 PM

Saturday, September 15, 2007

High School Girls and Boys Cross Country @ Amarillo (Thompson Park)

JV Girls – 10:00 AM

JV Boys – 10:20 AM

V Girls – 10:40 AM

V Boys – 11:00 AM