

SCOREBOARD

VOLLEYBALL

NEB. STATE TOURN.

Nov. 13-15 at Lincoln

NOTE: All Semifinals at Pinnacle Bank Arena, with Class C2 and D2 on the north court. All Championships at Devaney Sports Center. All Third Place Matches At Lincoln East

CLASS C2

Semifinals, Nov. 14

Crofton def. Guardian Angels, 25-21, 15-25, 25-21, 25-21
Freeman def. Hastings St. Cecilia, 25-16, 19-25, 26-24, 25-16

CLASS D2

Semifinals, Nov. 14

Glinner def. Exeter/Milligan, 26-24, 25-21, 25-26
Stuart def. Lawrence-Nelson, 21-25, 25-22, 25-21, 22-25, 15-13

CLASS A

Semifinals, Nov. 14

Omaha Marian def. Lincoln South-east, 25-8, 25-18, 23-25, 16-25, 19-17
Papillion-LaVista def. Millard West, 25-20, 25-21, 25-11

CLASS B

Semifinals, Nov. 14

Norris def. Gretna, 25-18, 25-20, 31-29
Omaha Skutt Catholic def. Elkhorn, 27-25, 25-19, 25-13

CLASS C-1

Semifinals, Nov. 14

Kearney Catholic def. Columbus Scotus, 25-18, 25-23, 25-13
Omaha Concordia def. Wahoo, 25-21, 23-25, 25-11, 25-14

CLASS D-1

Semifinals, Nov. 14

Anselty-Litchfield def. Axtell, 25-14, 25-13, 29-27
St. Mary's def. Diller-Odell, 25-16, 25-15, 25-6

S.D. STATE TOURNAMENTS

CLASS AA

Nov. 20-22 at Yankton

First Round, Nov. 20

S.F. O'Gorman (26-4) vs. Pierre (8-15), noon
Huron (18-5) vs. R.C. Stevens (25-7), 1:45 p.m.
Watertown (19-4) vs. Harrisburg (12-10), 6 p.m.
Aberdeen Central (20-2) vs. S.F. Roosevelt (15-15), 7:45 p.m.

CLASS A

Nov. 20-22 at Watertown

First Round, Nov. 20

S.F. Christian (24-1) vs. Sisseton (19-11), noon
Redfield-Doland (24-4) vs. Dakota Valley (22-3), 1:45 p.m.
Fine Ridge (33-1) vs. Miller (21-7), 6 p.m.
Mount Vernon-Plankinton (27-3) vs. Lead-Deadwood (23-8), 7:45 p.m.

CLASS B

Nov. 20-22 at Aberdeen

First Round, Nov. 20

Warner (31-1) vs. Jones County (23-7), noon

AREA CALENDAR

Saturday, November 15

BASKETBALL, MEN'S Dakota State at MMC (4 p.m., KYNT-AM)
BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S MMC at Sioux Falls (exhibition, 4 p.m.)

FOOTBALL, COLLEGE Illinois State at USD (Fan Appreciation Day, 1 p.m., KVHT-FM)

FOOTBALL, PREP S.D. State Football Finals — Class 11AAA: S.F. Lincoln vs. S.F. Roosevelt, (7:30 p.m.)

SWIMMING & DIVING, COLLEGE Border Battle at Stevens Point, Wis. (USD, 10 a.m.)

VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S Great

Plains Athletic Conf. Championship

VOLLEYBALL, PREP Neb. State Tour. at Lincoln (Crofton)

Sunday, November 16

BASKETBALL, MEN'S USD at Stanford (5 p.m., KVHT-FM)

BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S USD at Kansas (2 p.m., KVHT-FM)

VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S IUPUI at USD (1 p.m.)

Monday, November 17

FOOTBALL, PREP Neb. Semifinals (1/D2)

NEB. VOLLEYBALL

CLASS C2

Semifinals, Nov. 14

Battle Creek (11-0) at Aquinas Catholic (10-1)
Hartington Cedar Catholic (9-2) at Oakland-Craig (10-1), 7 p.m.

CLASS D1

Semifinals, Nov. 17

Elm Creek (10-1) at Hemingford (11-0), 3 p.m. CT
Guardian Angels Central Catholic (11-0) at Bruning-Davenport-Shickley (10-1), 6 p.m. at Bruning

CLASS D2

Semifinals, Nov. 17

Falls City Sacred Heart (9-2) at Exeter-Milligan (11-0), 4 p.m. at Milligan
Anselmo-Merna (11-0) at Maxwell (10-1), 7 p.m.

CLASS 9A

Semifinals, Nov. 17

Howard 32, Wolsey-Wessington 20
Hawkins 34, Faulkton Area 8

CLASS 9B

Semifinals, Nov. 14

Hamlin 34, Faulkton Area 8

CLASS 11A

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Yankton (10-0) vs. Brookings (8-2), 7:30 p.m.

CLASS 11B

Semifinals, Nov. 14

Parkston (11-0), vs. St. Thomas More (11-1), 1:30 p.m.

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Late Contreras 3 boosts Coyotes Over Drake, 83-78

DES MOINES, Iowa — Raeshel Contreras scored 24 points and hit a game winning 3-pointer with 19 seconds remaining to lift the South Dakota women's basketball team to a season opening 83-78 win over Drake in the Knapp Center on Friday night.

Contreras was USD's (1-0) leading scorer and rebounder, adding nine rebounds to her scoring effort. Kelly Stewart and Bridget Arens both came off the bench to add 15 points and 11 points respectively. The USD bench outscored Drake's 41-11.

South Dakota was also able to turn 15 of-fensive rebounds into a 19-3 advantage in second chance points.

Lizzy Wendell led a quartet of Bulldogs (0-1) to reach double-digits, finishing with 25 points. Kyndal Clark added 17 points, Caitlin Engle had 11 points and Becca Jones finished with 10 points.

Both teams held double-digit leads in the game. Drake led 21-10 with 13:43 remaining in the first half while USD held a 49-37 lead after

Contreras hit a 3-pointer with 19:38 remaining to start the second half.

South Dakota never led by more than five over the final 10 minutes of the game. Clark scored eight of her 12 second half points over an 80 second span to give the Bulldogs their first lead of the second half (72-71) with 4:47 remaining. The lead would switch five times over the remainder of the game with two of those lead changes coming off Contreras 3-points.

The Coyotes scored the last six points of the game. Trailing 78-77 with 40 seconds remaining, Arens stole a pass from Drake's Carly Grenfell to allow USD to call a timeout.

After the break, Contreras connected on a trey off of a Nicole Seekamp pass to make it 80-78. The Coyotes forced Drake into a turnover the next possession and hit free throws the rest of the way.

South Dakota will play at Kansas on Sunday starting at 2 p.m. The game will be broadcast live on 106.3 KVHT

Bucks

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Outstanding Back and Joe Robbie MVP.

"If it came, I'd be happy," Strahl said. "But in all honesty, this team is more important. I'd do anything to help this team wins. Whatever it takes to earn it. It feels good to get it and the MVP, but I just wanted us to win this game."

On the first drive of the game, the Yankton Bucks (11-0) marched down the field. Strahl found Brady Hale on a fade route for 15 yards. The point after was good and the Bucks took a 7-0 lead.

After a missed field goal for the Bucks late in the first quarter, the Bobcats (8-3) pounced down the field. Running back Mikey Daniel scored from two yards out. However, Yankton's Ryan Sternhagen blocked the point after.

"I was looking for a special teams play all year," Likness said. "We got it there. In a game like this, every point counted."

On fourth down, with the ball on the 32, Strahl found Sheldon Gant for a one handed touchdown reception. With three minutes left, Hale drained a 22 yard field goal to give Yankton a 17-6 lead.

"Credit my receivers and linemen," Strahl said. "Sheldon (Gant) had a great game today and we fed off of him in the first half."

The Bobcats recovered the Yankton onside kick to the four yard line on the ensuing kickoff. However, the Bucks defense stuffed the Bobcats on four straight plays to end the first half.

"We practiced an onside kick all week and it looked really well," Likness said. "The ball didn't go 10 yards and it was a good time to get a big lead. But, our defense came to work and stopped them on four downs. That was probably the biggest play of the game."

To open up the final half of the contest, the Bucks sustained a drive that was capped off by a one yard sneak from Strahl.

However, Brookings wouldn't go down quietly, as they scored 13 unanswered points in the third quarter. Dayton Bird returned a punt for 80 yards down to the eight yard line late in third period. The drive was capped off by Gerald Maxwell, as he punched in a two yard touchdown. The Bucks held a slim 24-19 lead going into the fourth quarter. "We got caught in a few

rough spots," Hale said. "Some miscommunication, but when it mattered, we got the job done. We hung together, but Brookings made a lot of plays down the stretch."

As the fourth quarter was ending, Daniel finally got loose. He ran for a 64 yard touchdown. Brookings took its first lead of the game at 27-24.

"We knew we had enough time to go down and score," Likness said. "It was just a matter of getting into Brady (Hale's) range."

Yankton took the ball and got to the 35 yard line with 1:30 left in the contest. Hale connected on a 45 yard field goal, which sent the game into overtime.

"I was tired, but I put everything I had into it," Hale said. "The ball flew into the air and I knew that it was going to go in."

Likness has always had confidence in Hale. "We know he's one of the better kickers in the state," he said. "We knew we needed it and he could do it. We used him and rode him as hard as we could."

Yankton scored on its first play of overtime, thanks to a 10 yard run from Sternhagen. The Bobcats scored on a rush by Daniel, decided to go for two, and missed it.

"Stopping them was huge, it was a big play," Likness said. "At the time, I was trying to call a timeout. I was glad they didn't hear me. All 11 of those guys worked together and we will take it."

The Bucks totaled 416 yards in the game. Strahl was 20 of 31 with 265 yards and two touchdowns. Sheldon Gant added 130 receiving yards and 62 rushing yards and a touchdown. Evan Greenaway added 76 receiving yards, as well. Defensively, Yankton was led by Sternhagen with eight tackles. Tim Cross added a sack, while Hale had an interception.

"Hard work payed off," Strahl said. "It all payed off, this really is a special group of guys we have here. It just seemed like whenever we needed a big play, someone stepped up."

The Bobcats tallied 278

Yankton 34, Brookings 33

4 The Big Number

The number of times the Bucks stopped the Bobcats when they were goal and short to go in the second quarter. The defensive stop was a huge momentum builder for the Bucks.

yards in the loss. Daniel led the way with 141 yards and three scores. Gordon passed for 124 yards and a score on 11 completions. Bird led the Brookings defense with 10 tackles, while Carter Mahlum had an interception.

"They came to play," Likness said. "They used the three headed monster, they really took it to us. Mikey Daniels is a solid, great back. We were able to find a way and that's what matters."

Hale feels that winning two overtime games earlier this season helped the Bucks win a state championship.

"Those two overtime games in the regular season helped us," he said. "We pushed through it and got it done. We knew what it took to win a big game like this, we have been there before in overtime. We did it twice, why not a third time?"

"It's a good feeling. It's for these kids. We were .500 last year, we took it to an 11-0 season. They never quit on each other and you can't say enough about how hard they have worked at this."

Getting back to the pinnacle is great, according to Likness. However, he saw the hard work and dedication it took for them to hoist the trophy.

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