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Clubine Proud of Team's Performance, Steps Down as Head Coach

BY BOB MORRIS
Education Editor

The Chaparral baseball team's season ended in the Class 3A Regional semifinals at Burlington Tuesday with a 2-1 loss to Southeast of Saline.

Despite the loss, head coach Tyler Clubine said that the Roadrunners were playing their best baseball at the end of the year. He liked how the boys played in the first round of Regionals in a win over Conway Springs.

"We got down early but there was no panic, they stayed the course and had some clutch hits to pull away," he said.

As for the SES Trojans, the Roadrunners outit the Trojans five to three but had two errors while the Trojans had one.

"We went wire to wire with a very good SE of Saline team in the semis and battled, (but) we just couldn't scratch enough offense together," Clubine said.

The Trojans got on the board in the third inning after drawing four walks — one an intentional walk with two outs — to score a run.

The game remained 1-0

until the sixth inning, when Chaparral got on the board. Carter Hostetler singled to open the inning, then advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt by Ty Hadsall. He then moved to third on a fielder's choice, then scored on a single by Daxton Hostetler.

But in the bottom of the sixth, the Roadrunners forced two outs with one Trojan runner at third base. The Roadrunners then committed an error that led to SES scoring a run.

Chaparral was unable to answer in the seventh inning.

Carter Hostetler and Daxton Hostetler each went 1-for-2, while Kale Greve, Trace Hadsall and Jay Cushenberry each went 1-for-3. Cushenberry had a double.

Brody Latta pitched four innings and gave up one run off one hit with four walks and seven strikeouts. Carter Hostetler pitched two innings and gave up one unearned run off two hits with two walks and two strikeouts.

The Roadrunners finished the season with a 16-8 overall record. Clubine said that the Roadrunner baseball

program has taken a big step forward the past six years.

"Having the right kids in your program makes all the difference," he said. "This group of five seniors all started since they were freshmen, and we took some beatings that year. But they continued to grow and improve and every year we got a little bit better."

"We won six games their freshman year, nine their sophomore year, 12 their junior year and 16 their senior year. I'm so proud of the continued growth and improvement. And every year we kept adding pieces that would help us take the next step."

Clubine added that the seniors embraced being leaders since they were sophomores and are quality young men.

"They never caused any trouble and never brought shame to the program," the head coach said. "They are a very tight group and were extremely supportive of each other, and they all wanted to be coached. So much of their contributions to the program can't be quantified on a stat line."

Chaparral will return multiple players and Clubine

said that Carter Hostetler, Brody Latta and Trace Hadsall are ones who have potential to be All-State type players. He added there are a number of younger players who grew a lot on junior varsity this year.

"It may take some time to mesh and figure out who goes where, but the foundation is very strong and there's a lot of potential to be realized," Clubine said.

However, the Roadrunners will not have Clubine next season as he has accepted a teaching job at Prairie View High School. He said that he wanted to get closer to his family who lives in southeast Kansas.

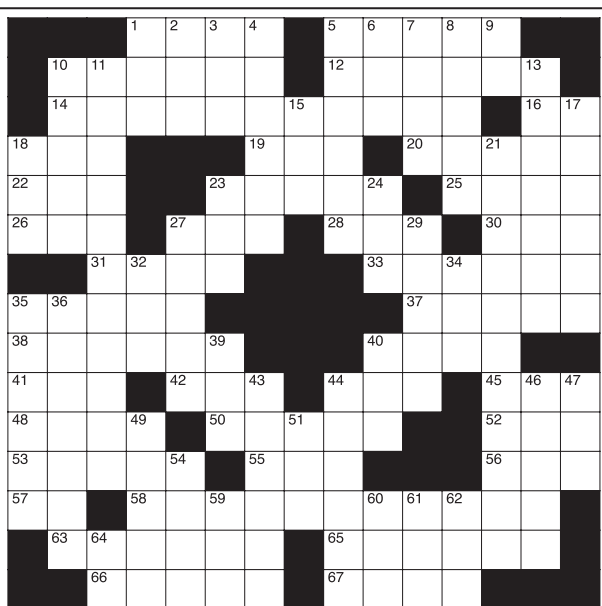
"It was extremely difficult for me to leave because I do love Chaparral, and I'm so proud of where the baseball program is," Clubine said. "We had a winning season for the first time in 23 years, the second winningest season in school history, and have built a program for sustained success."

"The culture has been changed, and we're starting to get large freshmen classes to build on. Chaparral just needs to find the coach that can take them to the next level."

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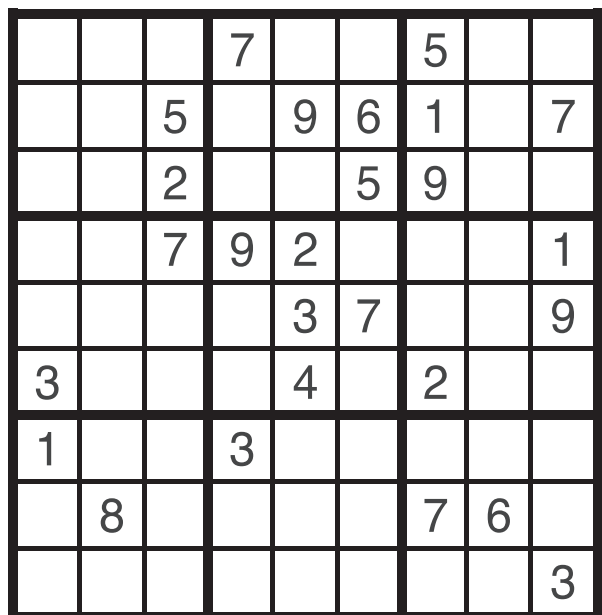


CLUES ACROSS

- Streetcar
- Take ___ of it!
- SW Asia peninsula
- Beating wings to escape from a perch
- One who revitalizes
- Indicates position
- Dishonorable man
- Singer King Cole
- Short-tailed marten
- One point east (clockwise) of due north
- The god of the underworld in ancient mythology
- Dirt
- Superconducting super collider
- Not good
- A way to sink
- Unwell
- Follow orders
- Deep ravine
- Perfumery practice
- Indian film director Sultan
- Member of U.S. Navy
- Wing-like
- Very fast airplane
- Slang for cigarette
- Most cars still need it
- Political war chest
- Cools down
- Diminish toward one end
- Indigenous person of Thailand
- Combined
- Container
- Expression of satisfaction
- Thou
- Return a favor
- Go over once more
- Removed
- "Silence of the ___"
- Comedian Rogen

CLUES DOWN

- Children's game
- Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- Own (Scottish)
- Female follower of Bacchus
- Subsides
- Protects from weather
- Spanish municipality
- Supermarket chain
- Domain name
- Semitic peoples
- Designs anew
- City associated with Jesus
- Cool!
- Bank employee
- Central nervous system
- Standardized piece of text
- Aspirations
- Baby's eating accessory
- Actress Thurman
- Turn into bone
- One who saves you
- Consume
- Swiss river
- A part of a river where the current is very fast
- Categories
- Expressed amazement
- It's important in respiration (abbr.)
- Greek war dance
- Bland, semi-liquid food
- Regard in a specified way
- Taxi
- Naturally occurring solid material



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"As HCCF celebrates 30 years, we are deeply grateful for the generous donors and volunteers who have made it all possible," said Executive Director Kevin Alexander. "Thank you."

Kansas FFA Chapters to Gather for Convention

PRESS RELEASE

More than 2,600 FFA members and guests representing more than 185 chapters across the state will gather on the Kansas State University campus in Manhattan this week for the 98th Kansas FFA Convention.

The event officially kicked off Wednesday evening and will conclude Friday

afternoon. New this year, the opening session will be held in the Morgan Family Arena, home of the K-State women's volleyball team.

During the session, award winners will be recognized and the crowd will hear from candidates vying to be part of the 2026-2027 state FFA officer team.

To round out the eve-

ning, rising Texas country artist Parker Ryan will keep the energy flowing with a performance at The Hat in downtown Aggieville. His music is a blend of traditional country and modern rock influences.

Throughout the remainder of the week, all other general sessions will be held in McCain Auditorium, where

members will recognize additional award winners, honor scholarship recipients and hear from featured speakers.

Attendees also will have the chance to participate in interactive workshops, hear from each of the outgoing state officers as they give their retiring addresses and enjoy many social events.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ORDINANCE NO. G-450

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO AND FIXING THE CHARGES TO BE PAID TO THE CITY OF HARPER FOR WATER SERVICE, AMENDING SECTIONS 48-158(A)(1), 48-158(A)(2), AND 48-158(A)(3) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF HARPER, KANSAS, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. G-437 OF THE CITY OF HARPER, KANSAS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HARPER, KANSAS:

Section 1. Sections 48-158(a)(1), 48-158(a)(2) and 48-158(a)(3) of the City Code of the City of Harper shall be amended as follows:

Sec. 48-158. Rates for Water Service.

a) Charges for water consumed and delivered from the municipal waterworks system and distribution system shall be as follows:

1) For residential water service inside the city limits:

- For the first 2,000 gallons----- \$52.05
- For the next 38,000-----per month \$5.36 per 1,000 gallons.
- For all in excess of 40,000-----per month \$5.00 per 1,000 gallons.
- Multiple units: where more than one resident, apartment, business or combination thereof, is served by one meter, except as provided in subsection E, there shall be a water rate charged for each occupied

unit. Where there is multiple unit use, it shall be the owners or landlords' responsibility to notify the city of office in cases of such occupancy.

2) Rates for all commercial, industrial and all water services outside the city limits:

- For the first 2,000 gallons-----\$60.30
- For all water used over the minimum 2,000 gallons, regular city rates shall apply.
- Rates for rural water districts numbers 1 and 5.
 - Base rate shall be \$52.05 per month.
 - \$3.86 per 1,000 gallons.

Section 2. That Sections 48-158(a)(1), 48-158(a)(2) and 48-158(a)(3) of the City Code of the City of Harper, KS be and the same is hereby amended, and repealing Ordinance No. G-437.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and publication in the official city newspaper.

Passed by the city council this 26th day of May, 2026. Approved by the mayor on this 26th day of May, 2026.

Kenneth Leu, Mayor
ATTEST
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Tiffany M. Cooperrider, City Clerk

/s/ Phillip W. Unruh,
City Attorney