The Skinny on Sports (10/16/17)

Playoff races are heating up all across Western Oklahoma with Week 9 looming Friday night. The Elk City Elks host Newcastle in a win and you’re in game Friday night @ Big Elk Stadium. The Elks are 3-2 in district play and would own the tiebreaker over any and all teams that could potentially get to 4 district wins. Newcastle features a high octane offense led by University of Texas QB commit Casey Thompson. We’ll have the normal pregame show starting at 6:30 on KOOL 94, but this week we’re adding a special twist. Join Jared Atha and myself for the High School Tailgate Show on KOOL 94 & bigelktv.com at 6:00. We’ll go in depth with all the matchups from all the classes around the area and talk about the playoff implications for each team. Its College Gameday meets high school football Friday night @ Big Elk Stadium or KOOL94 & bigelktv.com.

The SWOSU Men’s golf team had a rough day in the cooler, windier conditions at The Territory in Duncan on Tuesday. The Dawgs started the day in 6th but fell to 11th after a round of 317. One bright spot was the play of RS Freshman Gustavo Tineo. Tineo fired rounds of 73 and 76 to finish in a tie for 6th individually in just his 2nd career start. The Territory Classic was the 4th and final fall tournament for SWOSU. The Bulldogs will return to the course in early spring of 2018.

The United Soccer Coaches have named SWOSU Sophomore Alimata Rabo the National Player of the Week for the 2nd time this season. It’s the 3rd time in her short career that Rabo has earned the honor. Last week Rabo scored 4 goals in a 6-1 win over Harding and added a pair of goals against Ouachita. Those 6 goals pushed Rabo to a Division II leading 22 for the season.

Clayton Kershaw went 7 innings allowing one run on 3 hits, while striking out 11 to earn his Dodgers the win in Game 1 of the World Series, 3-1 over Houston. LA Centerfielder Chris Taylor hit Dallas Keuchel’s 1st pitch over the left field wall to become the 4th player in Major League history to lead off a World Series game with a homer. Astros 3B Alex Bregman answered with a solo homerun of his own in the 4th to tie the score 1-1. The score stayed tied until Justin Turner came to the plate with one on and two out in the bottom of the 6th…that two run shot was Turner’s 4th of the postseason continuing his playoff rampage that already netted him the Co-MVP of the NLCS. The Dodger bullpen slammed the door in the 8th and 9th to complete the 3-1 win. Houston, now 0-5 in the club’s World Series history, send Justin Verlander to the hill for tonight’s Game 2 against Dodger lefty Rich Hill.

Finally the Thunder look to snap a two game losing streak tonight at the Peake. OKC welcomes a couple familiar faces, Victor Oladipo and Domatas Sabonis, back tonight along with the rest of Paul George’s old Indiana Pacer squad. We’ve got live coverage of Thunder basketball tonight at 7:00 on 1240 AM KADS, and that’s the Skinny on Sports, I’m Aaron Kauk