

'PIN CITY'



Norton's 152 pound senior wrestler Jordon Haussermann had one of the Blue Jays' wins by pins during Norton's dual victories over Osborne and Hill City on Thursday but his 5-2 win over No. 4 state ranked Tanner Long, Hill City, was a bigger win for him. Haussermann, who had been ranked No. 6 in the state until falling out of the rankings this week, had lost twice this season to Long but came through in championship fashion the third time around! Here he is shown earning his first two points in the first period with a takedown to set the tone of the match. Haussermann was named "Wrestler of the Week" by Coach Johnson.

— Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

Blue Jay wrestlers pin 11 of 17 opponents at meet

By DICK BOYD

It was "Pin City" on Thursday night for Coach Bill Johnson's Norton Community High School wrestling team as they pinned 11 of their 17 opponents in defeating Osborne 75-3 and Hill City 67-6. Norton lost just three matches — all close. In fact, the differences totaled just five points.

"These weren't very exciting duals but we wrestled hard," said Coach Johnson. "It was a nice tuneup for us prior to the regional tournament."

The feature event of the duals was Norton senior Jordon Haussermann's 152 pound match against Hill City senior Tanner Long. Until this week, Haussermann was ranked No. 6 in the state and Long is ranked No. 4. Long won the first two meetings of the wrestlers this season but Haussermann was on a mission on Thursday night. He took Long to the mat for a 2-0 lead in the first period. Long got a two-point reversal in the second period to tie it at 2-2 but the third period belonged to Haussermann as he earned three points on an escape and takedown to win a 5-2 decision. Haussermann also pinned his Osborne opponent earlier in the evening.

In recognition of Haussermann's big win over Long and victory by a pin against Osborne, Coach Johnson named him "Wrestler of the Week".

Win over Osborne

The first match wrestled against Osborne was at 130 pounds. No.

1 state ranked James Annon

pinned Clint Hackerott in 4:20. Next, No. 4 state ranked Lance Roe made Devon Delaney count the lights in 5:47 at 135 pounds.

After Haussermann pinned Josh Conway in 3:30, C.J. Thiele put Casey Corbett down for the count in just 55 seconds.

At 171 pounds, No. 4 state ranked Bo Pffannenstiel won a 4-0 decision over Cody Colby.

It took No. 2 state ranked Michael Sprigg just 1:14 to pin Dustin Patee in the 275 pound match.

Norton's 189 pound wrestler Mark Maybon wrestled hard against Dustin Spears but came up a little short as the Bulldog edged him 7-5.

Winning by forfeit were Kent Mann, 103; Logan Keiswetter, 112; Clay Madden, 119; Jared Bebb, 125; Chris Davis, 140; Jeremy Harding, 145; Sean Lauer, 215.

Victory over Hill City

Norton got the dual with Hill City underway with four straight pins. At 103 pounds, Kent Mann pinned Chris Orr in 1:21; at 112 pounds, Clay Madden pinned Rayson Brachtenbach in 3:14; at 119 pounds, Nathan Broeckelman pinned Jeremiah Winters in 41 seconds; and, at 130 pounds, Jon Harding pinned Josh Bell in 2:56.

At 145 pounds, Jeremy Harding shutout John Smith 9-0. After Haussermann decisioned Long, Thiele pinned Dillon Bell in 1:18

of their 160 pound match.

Davvid Stanley wrestled at 171 pounds and pinned Kyle Summers in 3:36.

Maybon had another close match at 189 pounds where he lost a 3-1 decision to Marcus Nutting.

At 215 pounds, Sean Lauer returned to the Norton lineup after a long absence due to injury. He gave a good account of himself, before losing 7-6 to Tyler Brock.

"The Maybon and Lauer matches against Hill City could have gone either way," said Coach Johnson. "Conditioning probably made a difference with Lauer. Maybon was wrestling aggressive but his opponent was hanging back."

"Davvid Stanley stepped up a weight class to get his first varsity win."

"Jon Harding performed well at a higher weight class. He's wrestled at 119 and 125 this season and now is up to 130."

In the third dual of the evening, Hill City defeated Osborne 41-28.

Next action

The real meat of the season begins this week with the Class 3-2-1A Regional Wrestling Tournament on Friday and Saturday in Norton.

Junior varsity results
275—Shane Stanley, Norton, pinned Heath Arnold, Osborne, in 1:06.

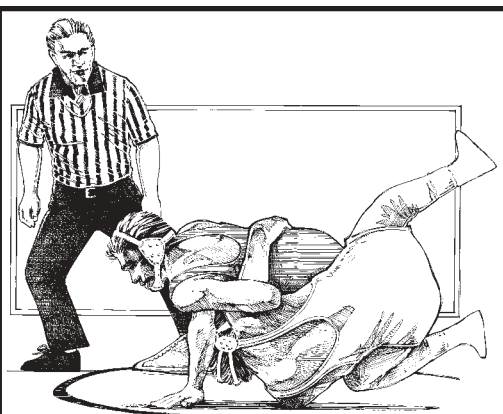
215—Shane Stanley, Norton, pinned Justin Metcalf, Hill City, in 2:51.



Above, Norton senior James Annon, who is ranked No. 1 in the state, got something started when he wrestled Clint Hackerott, Osborne, on Thursday night. The 130 pound match was the first wrestled in the dual with Osborne due to the Bulldogs' lack of wrestlers. Annon pinned Hackerott in 4:20 to start a string of five wins by pins in the dual with the Bulldogs. Below, Norton's 135 pound wrestler Lance Roe, who is No. 4 state ranked, followed Annon's example when he pinned Osborne's Devon Delaney in 5:47 of the very next match.

— Telegram photos by Dick Boyd

Go, Norton Blue Jays!



Wrestling
Class 3-2-1A
Regional
Tournament
Fri., Feb. 20

Beginning 2 P.M.
Sat., Feb. 21

Beginning 11 A.M.
NCHS Memorial
Gym, Norton



Basketball
Tues., Feb. 17
Beginning at 4 p.m.
Norton Blue Jays
versus
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4 P.M.-Freshmen Girls-Memorial Gym
5 P.M.-Jr. Varsity Boys at Wilmeth Kirk
5 P.M.-Jr. Varsity Girls at NCHS
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Friday, February 20
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5 P.M., High School Gym, Ellis

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56/30	63/32	50/30	35/18	40/20	46/23	51/25
Normal High	47		Sunrise 7:22 to 7:30am			
Normal Low	20		Sunset 6:17 to 6:24pm			

Warmer and milder weather will start us off this week and with a west and south component to the wind, 50 and 60-degree highs are likely. A storm comes out of the Rockies late Thursday and Friday ending the week with chances for rain and snow. The track of this storm is still uncertain, but with the strength of the low we can bet on plenty of winds and large areas of CO, KS, and NE seeing precipitation. Skies will clear for the weekend with seasonal temperature readings.

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Jennings graduate signs letter

Wes DuBois, a graduate of Jennings High School, will graduate from Highland Community College this spring. He has signed a national letter of intent to play football at Kansas Wesleyan University next fall.

Mr. DuBois, the son of Dave and Tami DuBois, Weskan, is a 6'8" 280 pound offensive lineman for the Scotties. He is studying criminal justice with plans to work for a federal law enforcement agency

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