

Norton golfers win two-man championship at Phillipsburg

By DICK BOYD

Coach David Stover's Norton Community High School varsity golf team turned in a season's best performance to win the two-man championship, placed second in six-man competition and fourth in four-man play in the Phillipsburg Golf Invitational Tournament on Monday in Phillipsburg.

"We bounced back from recent sluggish performances to record an outstanding round of golf, one of the best in recent memory of NCHS Golf," said Coach Stover. "All our players took advantage of the near perfect weather conditions to shoot at or above their current level of play."

Senior Tyler Rutherford led the way for the Norton golfers with a 34-36-70 score to tie for low and place second based on the tiebreaker. Rutherford and sopho-

more Dane Krizek were members of Norton's two-man team. Krizek shot a 40-39-79.

The 149 scored by Rutherford and Krizek earned them the two-man championship. Smith Center was second with a 159, followed by Phillipsburg A, 159; Trego, 172; Osborne, 180; Ellis, 181; Oberlin, 182; Victoria, 183; Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays, 188; Plainville, 190; Stockton, 196; Phillipsburg B, 198; Northern Valley, 212; Hill City, 229.

Norton junior Corey Look was tenth low medalist with a 38-39-77. Other members of Norton's four-man team and their scores were: senior Keith Ward, 41-41-82; junior Kyle Kats, 42-44-86 and junior Nick Evans, 45-47-92.

Phillipsburg A won the four-man championship with a 312, followed by Hill City, 330; Trego,

335; Norton, 337; Stockton, 341; Ellis, 342; Plainville, 345; Phillipsburg B, 347; Osborne, 349; Smith Center, 369; Oberlin, 430; Victoria, 432; TMP, 449.

Norton's six-man score of 486 placed them in second behind Phillipsburg A's 471. Third place in six-man went to Trego with 507, followed by Ellis, 523; Smith Center, 528; Osborne, 529; Plainville, 535; Stockton, 537; Phillipsburg B, 545; Hill City, 559; Oberlin, 612; Victoria, 615; TMP, 637.

Nathan Locke, Trego, was low medalist with a 70. Dustin Umbarger, Phillipsburg A, shot a 71 to place third behind Rutherford. Brandon Karlin, Phillipsburg A, shot a 74 for fourth. He was followed by Carter Atkins, Hill City, 75; Adam Frank, Smith Center, 76; Nam Nguyen, Phillipsburg B, 77; Matt Pfannenstiel, Trego, 77; Grant Babcock, Phillipsburg A, 77; Corey Look, Norton, 77.

"Tyler Rutherford shot a tremendous round of 70 to tie for individual medalist honors," said Coach Stover. "Corey Look also shot a career low round to earn tenth medalist honors. Season and career bests were also shot by Keith Ward and Kyle Kats."

"Hopefully, we can carry the momentum we generated today into equally solid performances on Thursday at Osborne in the Mid-Continent League Tournament and next Monday in the Regional Golf Tournament at Lakin."

Northern Valley scores

Members of Northern Valley's two-person team and their scores were: Regan Fessenden, 52-54-106 and Chad Husted, 52-54-106.

Kids Wrestling state champion



State champion Troy Bainter of Norton controlled an opponent during the Kids Wrestling Championships in Topeka. Troy was champion in the age 10 and under, 82 pounds division. He compiled a 44-2 record this season and recorded 22 pins.

JV golfers do well in own tournament

By DICK BOYD

Norton placed second, third and fourth in their Norton Invitational Junior Varsity Golf Tournament last Tuesday at the PDRA Golf Course south of Norton.

Phillipsburg edged Norton A 199-200 for the championship. Phillipsburg won in third place with a 205, followed by Norton B, 207; Smith Center, 223; Atwood, 232; Hill City, 245; Plainville, 256; Hoxie, 264; Stockton, 313.

Members of the Norton A team and their scores were: senior Josh Green, 49; junior Kyle Kats, 49; junior Ryan Maddy, 50; sophomore Clay Madden, 52. Also playing for the Norton A team were junior Jared Mindrup, 53 and sophomore Tyler Burns, 59.

Norton C team members and scores were: freshman Michael Ward, 44; sophomore Blake Jacques, 50; senior Kayla Fahrenbruch, 53; sophomore Tyler Neff, 58. Also playing for the Norton C team were: sophomore Jon Harding, 59; freshman Nic Lewis, 62; freshman Brett Thomson, 64.

Members of the Norton B team and their scores were: senior Cody Moreland, 49; sophomore Jordan Herman, 51; junior Josh Jackson, 52. Senior Andy Enfield and junior Aaron Overlease tied for Norton's fourth-man position with 55s. Also playing for the Norton B

team was sophomore Jeremy Harding, who carded a 60.

Ward was low medalist for the day with his 44. He was followed by Chris Delzer, Phillipsburg, 46; Chase Conaway, Smith Center, 48; Moreland, 49; Green, 49; Kats, 49; Jacques, 50; Maddy, 50; Brad Willer, Phillipsburg, 51; Melinda Schremmer, Phillipsburg, 51.

"Overall, it was a good day for us," said Norton Head Coach David Stover. "Up and down the lineup, we played consistently well the entire tournament. Today was a great example of the improvement many of our golfers have made from the beginning of the season."

"Coming into the tournament I felt that depth would be to our benefit and it was with six individuals in the top 10 and having three of the top four teams. Many of our players shot season and career best rounds, led by Michael Ward winning his first individual title and Cody Moreland shooting a career low round to earn his first individual honors."

Next action

The Norton junior varsity golfers competed last Thursday in the WaKeeney JV Invitational Tournament to complete their season and the Norton varsity golfers competed in the Colby Invitational on Thursday.

JV golf team fifth at WaKeeney

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The Norton Community High School junior varsity golf team placed fifth in the Trego Junior Varsity Golf Tournament last Thursday in WaKeeney.

Phillipsburg won the championship with a 352, followed by the Trego B, 363; Oakley, 375; Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays, 375; Norton 376; Hoisington, 392; Hays, 394; Hill City, 414; Plainville, 418; Ellis, 419; Grinnell, 422; Quinter, 452; Trego C, 456; Russell, 482; Stockton, 530.

Low scorers for Norton were:

sophomore Clay Madden, 43-49-92; junior Jared Mindrup, 45-47-92; sophomore Blake Jacques, 48-47-95; senior Kayla Fahrenbruch, 50-47-97.

Also playing for Norton and their scores were: freshman Nic Lewis, 48-54-102 and sophomore Tyler Neff, 59-60-119.

"This was a solid way to finish our junior varsity season," said Norton Head Coach David Stover. "Our entire junior varsity group improved greatly throughout the season. Many of today's golfers took advantage of very good scoring conditions to post solid scores."

"Clay Madden and Jared Mindrup played solid rounds of golf and Kayla Fahrenbruch shot a career best round as well. I am very pleased with the entire team's performance."

Individual medalists were: R. Fossum, Trego, 85; N. Nguyen, Phillipsburg, 85; C. Delzer, Phillipsburg, 86; R. Asbridge, Oakley, 87; B. Faber, Hays, 89; B. Willer, Phillipsburg, 90; A. Bartz, Trego, 90; C. Werth, TMP-Marian, 90; A. Brown, Plainville, 91; G. Diehl, TMP-Marian, 91.

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