

# Seventh-grade boys off to good start

The Norton Junior High School seventh-grade boys started their basketball season with a 38-28 win against Stockton on Nov. 4, and then kept the hard work and winning streak up, beating Plainville 29-26 on Nov. 11.

### Stockton

"I'm very proud of the kids' effort in this game," said Coach Jim Myers. "It wasn't easy, but it was a big win."

"Stockton was a very tall team and that height really gave us problems. Stockton out-rebounded us 39-20. Our pressure defense was huge for us as we had 32 steals and some easy baskets off those turnovers."

"We made some adjustments at half to get the floor spread out and to get some better angles to the basket. Also, we pressured full

court, which worked to our advantage."

Landon Hamel and Kaenon Keiswetter led scoring for the Jays with 13 apiece; followed by Corey Lewis, 6; Marcus Herman, 4; and J.D. Gall, 2.

Rebounding honors went to Gall with eight, followed by Keiswetter, four; Hamel and Lewis, three apiece; and Conner Pfannenstiel, two.

Making steals were Hamel, 10; Gall, nine; Lewis, five; Pfannenstiel, three; Keiswetter, two; and Adam Myers, Herman and Ashton Draper, one each.

The junior varsity won 16-10. Scoring were Tyler Cook, 6; Draper, 4; and Andrew Soderlund, Grant McClymont and Pfannenstiel, 2 apiece.

### Plainville

"The kids played hard," Coach Myers said. "We rotated players to keep people fresh. We gained 22 steals against Plainville."

"We did not have a good night shooting the ball at 26 percent from the field and only 3 of 18 from the free throw line. That kept Plainville in the game."

Hamel led scoring with 10; followed by Keiswetter, 8; Herman, 4; Pfannenstiel, Draper and McClymont, 2 each; and Gall, 1.

Keiswetter led rebounds with seven; followed by Herman, three; Gall and McClymont, two each; and Hamel, Lewis, Myers, and Draper, one apiece.

Steals were made by Hamel, six; Keiswetter and Pfannenstiel, three each; Gall, Lewis, Myers and Herman, two apiece; and McClymont and Soderlund, one

each. Norton's junior varsity team lost 7-4 to an eighth-grade junior varsity team.

Justin Chandler and Casey Robison each scored 2.

Other members of the 2004 team are Matt Pollock, Matt Miller, Christopher Maddy, D.J. Ebner and Robert Derauf. Chris Strickland is the team's manager. Joe Cox is the assistant coach.

### Norton Junior High Basketball Schedule

Thursday, Dec. 2 — Hill City, here, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 9 — Ellis, here, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 11 — Smith Center, there, 9 a.m.

Thursday, Dec. 16 — Victoria, there, 5 p.m.

# Seventh-grade girls beat Osborne

The Norton Junior High seventh-grade girls basketball team defeated the Osborne Bulldogs 17-14 on Nov. 18 for a 3-1 season record.

The Bulldogs got off to an early start and led the entire first half. At break, the Blue Jays trailed 8-12.

The Blue Jays' press and defense held the Bulldogs to just 2 second-half points. At the beginning of the third quarter, Norton had tightened the gap to 13-14. Osborne was scoreless in the last quarter, and big baskets by Ashlie Stewart and Amanda Ray gave the Jays the lead and eventual win.

Kaitlyn Wolf and Stewart led the Norton effort with 6 points each; followed by Lacy Keilig and Ray, 2 each; and Hannah Waggoner, 1 point.

"The pressure we put on them on the press seemed to take away from Osborne's momentum," said Coach Kim Pakkebie. "They never seemed to quite adjust to it. I also was really impressed with our effort in the fourth quarter. The girls showed a lot of determination."

This is the fourth game of the season which began with a 66-44 victory over the Stockton Tigers. In that game, Stewart led the Jays with 14; Ray, 12; Waggoner, 11;

Wolf, 7; Keilig, 6; and Stephanie Eaglesburger and Bethany Winkel, 2 each.

The second game of the season was another victory as Norton won 33-12 over Plainville. Leading the Jays were Shelby Jones, Stewart and Wolf, 8 points each; followed by Alyssa Thomson, 5; and Winkel and Ray, 2 each.

Norton's only loss came from Phillipsburg, 32-29, despite Wolf's 10 point effort. Four Jays each scored 4 — Stewart, Jones, Winkel and Ray. Keilig had 2 and Kendra Englebert, 1.

Other members of the 2004 team are Raven Brown, Austine Dole, and Emily Juenemann. Managers are Lori Ebner, Lucy Gosselin, Gabby Otter, and Emily Grosse. Anne Otte is the assistant coach.

### Norton Junior High Basketball Schedule

Tuesday, Nov. 23 — WaKeeney, there, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 2 — Hill City, here, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 9 — Ellis, here, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 11 — Smith Center, there, 9 a.m.

Thursday, Dec. 16 — Victoria, there, 5 p.m.

# Seventh-grade boys get more wins

The Norton Junior High seventh-grade boys basketball team remains undefeated with a 5-0 record after beating Phillipsburg 29-24 on Nov. 16, Osborne 40-35, and WaKeeney 38-33 on Nov. 23.

### Phillipsburg

"We fell behind early, but hung in there and won it in the fourth quarter," said Coach Jim Myers. "Phillipsburg got out and really ran and made some easy baskets early. So we adjusted to stop that and things went better after that."

Kaenon Keiswetter led scoring with 16; followed by J.D. Gall, 9; Marcus Herman, 2; and Landon Hamel, 1.

Rebounding honors went to Keiswetter, eight; Corey Lewis, seven; Gall and Grant McClymont, five apiece; Hamel,

three; and Adam Myers, one. Of the 15 steals, nine were grabbed by Hamel, three by Andrew Soderlund, two by Myers and one by Herman.

The junior varsity won 10-4. Casey Robison led scoring with 4, followed by Justin Chandler, Christopher Maddy and Tyler Cook, 2 each.

### Osborne

"What a great ball game it was," said the coach. "I'm so proud of our kids for their effort in this game. It was a big win for our team, as Osborne has a very good seventh grade team."

Keiswetter led scoring with 18 points, followed by Gall, 10; Hamel, 8; Herman, 3; and Lewis, 1.

Making rebounds were Keiswetter and Hamel, four each;

Gall and Lewis, three apiece; and Myers, Conner Pfannenstiel and Herman, one each.

Hamel led steals with six, followed by Keiswetter, three; Lewis, two; and Gall, Myers, Pfannenstiel and Herman, one each.

The Jays' junior varsity took another victory, winning 8-2. Maddy and Robert Derauf each made two baskets for 4 points apiece.

### WaKeeney

"This was a nice win as WaKeeney has really improved lately and was playing well," said Coach Myers. "WaKeeney out-rebounded us and out-shot us from the field but we went to the free throw line and hit enough of them to win. We also had 30 steals,

which is a lot. The pressure defense really bothered them."

Keiswetter and Hamel led scoring with 12 points apiece, followed by Herman, 6; Lewis, 4; and Gall and McClymont, 2 each.

Rebounding honors went to Keiswetter, five; Gall, four; Myers and Herman, three each; Hamel, Pfannenstiel and McClymont, two each; and Lewis, one.

Steals were made by Keiswetter, eight; Hamel, six; Lewis, four; Pfannenstiel and Herman, three each; Gall and Myers, two apiece; and McClymont and Soderlund, one each.

The junior varsity team lost 9-7. The seventh-grade team will play Hill City in Norton on Thursday. Games begin at 5:30 p.m.

# Former Norton player leads team to victory

By DICK BOYD

Neal Philpot, 6'4", 254 pound senior quarterback from Norton, rushed for 143 yards on 13 carries for an average of 11 yards per carry and completed 4 of 9 passes for 105 yards for 248 yards of total offense as the No. 1 nationally ranked Pittsburg State Gorillas overpowered fifth-ranked Colorado School of Mines 70-35 last Saturday in Pittsburg in the second round of the NCAA Division II playoffs.

Pittsburg State, who had no turnovers and was never forced to punt, rushed for 370 yards. Colorado Mines punted only twice but had four turnovers.

The Gorillas are now 12-0 and Colorado Mines suffered their first loss and ended the season 12-1.

Pittsburg State advanced to a quarterfinal matchup against No. 4 nationally ranked MIAA rival Northwest Missouri State, who beat Texas A&M Kingsville 34-14. The two teams met earlier this season at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City when NW Missouri State was ranked No. 2 in the nation behind Pitt State. Philpot threw a 52 yard touchdown pass to earn a 21-17 comeback victory for the Gorillas.

The re-match will be played at noon on Saturday at Brandenburg Field/Carnie Smith Stadium in Pittsburg.

Pittsburg State has the nation's top offensive unit. The Gorillas lead Division II in scoring with an average of 60.4 points per game, in rushing with an average of 373

yards per contest and in total offense with an average of 637.8 yards per game.

Philpot is averaging 264.4 yards of total offense per game for the season, 102.8 rushing and 161.6 passing, despite being on the field for just 63 percent of the overall snaps due to missing two games with a turf toe injury and other action due to a sore ankle. He has rushed for 1,028 yards and 14 touchdowns and passed for 1,616 yards and 20 touchdowns. He has a 201.29 passer rating, which would lead Division II but he does not have the minimum 15 attempts per game to qualify for a national ranking. He averages 13.5 at-

tempts per contest.

On October 23, Philpot became the first quarterback in NCAA-II history to eclipse 3,500 career yards rushing and 5,000 career yards passing. He has 3,967 yards rushing and 5,622 yards passing for 9,589 yards of total offense.

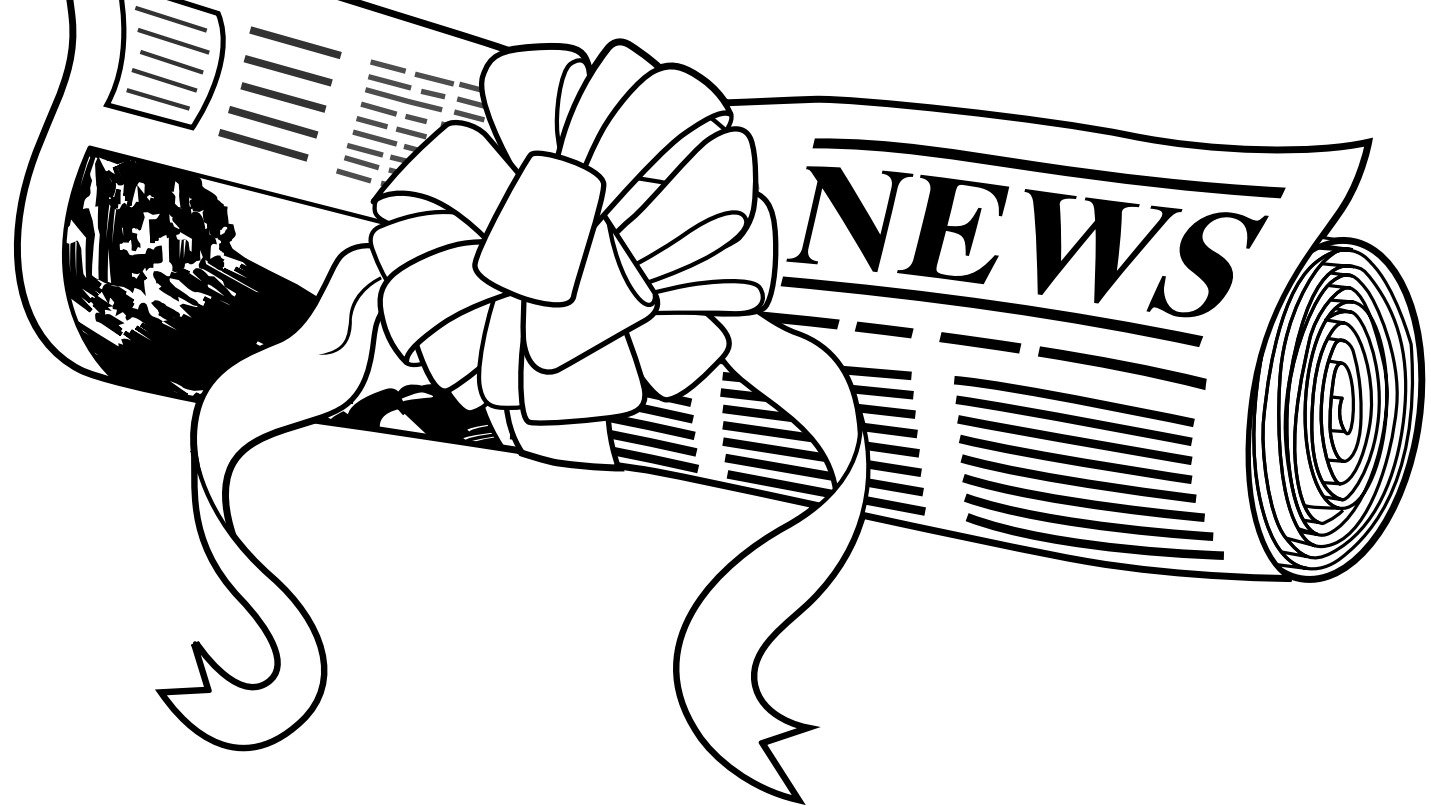
With his performance against Colorado Mines last week, Philpot became the first quarterback in NCAA history at all levels to enjoy three seasons with over 1,000 yards rushing and over 1,000 yards passing.

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