

Norton golf team wins season opening tourney

By DICK BOYD
Coach David Stover's Norton Community High School golf team opened the 2005 season on Thursday by winning the championship of the Smith Center Invitational Tournament in Smith Center.

The tournament had been scheduled for Tuesday but was postponed due to the rainy weather.

Norton recorded a team score of 349, followed by Phillipsburg, 354; Osborne, 370; Smith Center, 379; Belleville, 433; Beloit, 485.

Blue Jay seniors Korey Look and Jared Mindrup were among the medalists. Look shot a 41/40-81 and Mindrup carded a 42/41-83.

Look tied for low medalist with Travis Yoxall, Phillipsburg. Mindrup was third low medalist. Other medalists were Carter Atkins, Hill City, 83; Delzer,

Phillipsburg, 88; Nick Roach, Osborne, 89; Josh Linn, Smith Center, 90.

Norton senior Kyle Kats shot a 48/42-90 to tie with Linn for final medalist.

Blue Jay junior Dane Krizek was fourth low man for Norton with a 52/43-95.

Senior Ryan Maddy shot a 51/47-98 and junior Tyler Burns carded a 60/46-106 to round out Norton's six-man team.

Norton won the Mid-Continent League championship in 2004. Krizek was a member of the Blue Jay two-man team which placed second in the league and Mindrup and Look were on the Norton four-man team which was second in the league.

"I am pleased with our season opening performance," said Coach Stover.

"Earning a team championship is always a great way to begin the

season. We were fortunate to overcome a good Phillipsburg squad.

"As a team, we played much better on the back nine to earn the victory.

"Individually, Korey Look and Jared Mindrup got their seasons off to very good starts with Korey tying for individual medalist honors, Jared shooting a career low tournament score and Kyle Kats also tying for the final medalist honors.

"We were able to play well but also have much room for improvement as the season progresses."

Next action

The Norton Invitational Golf Tournament was scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. today on the grass greens course south of Norton.

Competing teams, in addition to Norton, are Atwood, Colby, Goodland, Hill City, Hoxie, Oakley, Phillipsburg, Quinter, Stockton and Smith Center.

Blue Jays' junior varsity track squad opens season

By DICK BOYD
Coach Bruce Graber's Norton Community High School's less experienced athletes opened the track season on Monday in the Junior Varsity Track Meet in Smith Center.

Freshmen Wes Georgeson and Todd Bolt turned in second-place performances. Georgeson was runner-up in the triple jump with a leap of 36-feet 5-inches and Bolt earned the silver medal in the long jump with a distance of 17-3.5.

Bolt also placed third in the triple jump with a leap of 35-6 and fifth in the 400-meter dash in 58.61 seconds.

Georgeson also placed sixth in the 300-meter low hurdles in 51.57.

Freshman Bryce Engelbert finished fifth in the high jump with a 4-10 leap.

Boys performances which did not place were:

- Philip VanDerWeele, 12-2, long jump, and 3:02.8, 800-meter run.

- Todd Bolt, 13.86, 100-meter dash.

- Bryce Engelbert, 13.96, 100-meter dash.

- Bryce Engelbert, 1:04.96, 400-meter dash.

- Wes Georgeson, 27.30, 200-meter dash.

- Bryce Engelbert, 28.34, 200-meter dash.

- Josh VanSlike, 86-4, discus; 33-1, shot put; and 72, javelin.

In girls competition, junior Jackie Krueger placed third in the

400-meter dash in 1:16.08, fifth in the 100-meter dash in 15.02 and in the 200-meter dash in 32.62.

Sophomore Jessica Sprigg competed in the discus where she threw 59-6 and in the shot put where she had 20-5.

No team scores were recorded.

Norton Invitational today

The Norton varsity track team was scheduled to open its season today with the Norton Invitational Track Meet on the Jep Byrum Track at Travis Field.

Scheduled to compete, in addition to Norton, were teams from Colby, Goodland, Logan, Northern Valley, Phillipsburg, Scott City and Smith Center.

Field events were to begin at 3 p.m. and preliminary running events at 4 p.m.



Zach Bainter, Norton Junior High eighth grader, ran an excellent 3200 meter race yesterday to place first at the Norton Junior High Invitational Track Meet.
— Telegram photo by Susie Marble

Norton senior will play in K.U. All-Star game

By DICK BOYD
Ryan Maddy, Norton's 6-foot-2-inch forward, will be among the senior high school basketball players who will play in the KU Barnstorming Tour All-Star Game on Saturday, April 23 in the Hays High School gym in Hays.

An autograph session will be held at 5:30 p.m. The game will begin at 7 p.m.

The KU Barnstorming Tour Team will include seniors Wayne Simien, Keith Langford, Aaron Miles, Michael Lee and others.

Playing for the Area High School All-Stars, in addition to Maddy, will be Wade Knapp, Trego; Miguel Mendoza, Phillipsburg; M.J. Klein, Plainville; Blaise Kriley, Stockton; Chuck Parks, Ellis; James Brungardt, Victoria; Matt Augustine, Colby; Tyson Spears, Lucas-Luray; Andrew Schroter, La

Crosse; T.J. Schmidt, Nick Felder, both of TMP-Marian; Silas Hibbs, Jay Dreiling, Casey Miles, Kyle Younger, all of Hays High School. Sponsors are the Hays High Booster Club and Hays High Basketball.

Tickets are \$8 each. You must

have the ticket for admission to the autograph session and the game. Fans will have a two item autograph limit.

A limited number of tickets will be sold. Tickets may be purchased at the Hays Dillons Stores, Hays Cerv's locations or Hays High

School Athletic Office.

You can also order tickets on line at www.hayshighindians.com.

For more information, contact Rick Keltner, Hays High School, phone 623-2600 or home phone 625-5874.

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