

Norton boys track team second in own meet

By DICK BOYD

Coach Bruce Graber's Norton Community High School boys track and field team placed second and his Blue Jay girls finished just one point out of sixth in the annual Norton Invitational Track Meet on Friday on the Jep Byrum Track at Travis Field in Norton.

"I'm very pleased with the way our boys and girls handled the competition and the weather elements," said Coach Graber.

"I thought our youngsters put the wind out of their minds and just competed as well as possible.

"I was very proud of the effort our athletes gave. It was so much fun for all of us as coaches just watching our youngsters compete. The pleasant surprises far outweighed the disappointments.

"Our veteran athletes did their job for the most part and we had some outstanding performances from some young athletes as well. "With 24 personal records, you have to say we had a great day. I set what I thought was a very strong goal for our guys to finish in the top three and our gals to garner eight medals. I was blown away by the outcomes.

"Our guys got within eight points of a championship and our gals came away with nine top six places. They lost two medals to the fate of the hurdles with Courtney LeClair going down over the last hurdle and trying to get to the finish line with a real gritty effort.

"We may not have the largest numbers of track athletes but our youngsters showed there isn't a team out there with more heart or that will compete any harder than they will.

"It was a very special day for me as a track coach."

BOYS

Phillipsburg won the boys championship with 128 points but the Blue Jay boys were right behind with 120.5 points.

Smith Center was third with 98 followed by Colby, 61; Goodland, 60.5; Northern Valley, 60; and Logan, 30.

Junior Lance Roe was a gold medal winner in the pole vault with a height of 12-foot, 6 inches.

"I expected great competition here with the vaulters who were entered," said Coach Graber. "Competing in bad vaulting conditions, Lance just missed his 13 foot jump to tie his personal record."

Sophomore Blake VanEaton won three gold medals. He hit the finish line first in the 800-meter run in 2 minutes 13.54 seconds, anchored the 4x800-meter relay team which placed first in 9:08.89 and anchored the 4x400-meter relay team which finished the meet with a win in a time of 3:45.60.

VanEaton also ran on the Norton 4x100-meter relay team which placed fifth in 47.18.

"Blake VanEaton showed that he has to be considered one of the top athletes in the area with his performance in four very tough events," said Coach Graber. "Winning the 800-meters with a four second margin in a field like that was very impressive and his 52.6 second anchor leg on the 4x400-meter relay had everyone in the place impressed."

Members of Norton's 4x800-meter relay team and their time splits were: senior Derek Volgamore, 2:14.08; sophomore Jared Engelbert, 2:18.07; fresh-



Kent Mann, Norton sophomore, grimaces as he gives it that little extra at the finish line to win the 3200 meter run in 11:10.9 in the Norton Invitational Track Meet on Friday. Mann also placed third in the 1600 meter run with a time of 5:04.3.

—Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

man Logan Kats, 2:19.07 and VanEaton, 2:15.45.

Running on the Blue Jay 4x400-meter relay team and their time splits were: senior Seth Mills, 57.03; junior Nathan Morse, 58.45; Roe, 57.02 and VanEaton, 52.65.

"Winning the 4x800 relay with Volgamore, Engelbert, Kats and VanEaton and the 4x400 relay with Mills, Morse, Roe and VanEaton made it a great day for all of us," said Coach Graber.

Members of the 4x100-meter relay team were: Mills, 11.92; Roe, 12.72; sophomore Nathan Broeckelman, 11.45 and VanEaton, 10.71.

Senior Justin Shirk won the gold medal in the 110-meter high hurdles in 16.09 and placed third in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles in 44.3.

"Justin had a great start to his senior season with a first place finish in the 110 meter hurdles, running in the wind and coming within one-tenth of a second of his personal record, and placing third in the 300-meter hurdles," said Coach Graber. "He also improved his javelin personal record by 30 feet."

Freshman Jared Cox began his high school track career in impressive fashion. He won the 300-meter intermediate hurdles with a personal record clocking of 42.8 seconds and placed third with a personal best time of 17.13 in the 110-meter hurdles.

"What a great performance by a freshman in the two hurdles races," said Coach Graber. "His focus and technique were just awesome for a rookie."

Sophomore Kent Mann got warmed up with a third place finish in the 1,600-meter run with a personal record clocking of 5:04.34, then went out and won the 3,200-meter run with a time of 11:10.92.

"Kent had an impressive day," said Coach Graber. "He had been struggling in practice the last week or so and really didn't look very

strong through the first three laps of the 1,600-meter run but showed real grit with a great finish to place third.

"With the confidence from that performance, he went out and won the 3,200-meter run with a time just one second over his personal record."

In addition to running in the 4x100 and 4x400-meter relays, Mills competed in the 200-meter dash where he placed fourth with a personal best time of 23.2 and the 100-meter dash where he was timed in 11.8.

"Seth ran a great personal record time in the 200-meter dash to place fourth in a very good field," said Coach Graber.

Junior Heath Vincent placed fourth in the discus with a personal record throw of 127-25 and fifth in the shot put with a personal record heave of 43-8.

"Heath had two excellent personal records in the shot and discus," said Coach Graber.

Sophomore Logan Keiswetter finished in third place in the 3,200-meter run in 11:32.

In addition to being a member of the victorious 4x800-meter relay team, Kats ran in the 800-meter run and placed fourth with a clocking of 2:19.7.

Nathan Broeckelman scored points for Norton in three events in addition to running on the 4x100-meter relay team. He placed fourth in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 45.5, tied for fifth in the pole vault with a height of 9-6 and placed sixth in the high jump with a height of 5-6.

"Nathan showed great improvement in his pole vault technique," said Coach Graber. "He performed great for no more training than he has had due to an injury."

Senior Derek Volgamore finished in sixth place in the 1,600-meter run with a clocking of 5:16.50.

Senior Lucas Wiseman placed fifth in the long jump with a personal record leap of 17-11.

"Lucas improved his personal

record in the long jump by a foot and scored points for us," said Coach Graber.

Freshman Wes Georgeson finished in sixth place in the triple jump with a personal record distance of 36-9.

Although he did not place, junior Andrew Ables showed improvement in the shot and javelin. He threw the javelin 130'10" and had a distance of 40'2" in the shot put.

"Andrew improved his personal record by four feet in the shot put and 15 feet in the javelin", said Coach Graber.

"Justin Shirk improved his javelin throw by 30 feet and set a personal record of 138-5."

Also not placing were: junior Josh VanSkiike, 32-9.75, personal record, shot put; 84-5, personal record, discus; Roe, 112-5, javelin; Engelbert, 5-2, high jump; 12.9, personal record, 100-meter dash; freshman Todd Bolt, 17-7, long jump; 35-3, triple jump; Wiseman, 35-10, triple jump; 60.1, 400-meter dash; Morse, 15-7, personal record, long jump; 58.5, personal record, 400-meter dash; 25.8, personal record, 200-meter dash; Keiswetter, 5:18.1, 1,600-meters; Ables, 24.2, personal record, 200-meter dash; Volgamore, 12:10, 3,200-meter run; junior Philip VanDerWeele, 2:55.7, 800-meter run.

Girls Division

The Colby girls won the team championship with 133.5 points, followed by Goodland, 119; Smith Center, 89; Phillipsburg, 88.5; Northern Valley, 48; Logan, 39; Norton, 38.

Norton dominated the girls pole vault event, placing first, third and sixth. Junior Chelle Donovan won the gold medal with a height of 9'.

Junior Amanda Antrim vaulted 7-6 to place third and freshman Chelsea Dodson placed sixth with a personal record 6-6.

"Placing three people in the girls pole vault was huge for us," said Coach Graber. "It was a tough day for the vault with a big crosswind and all four of our girls jumped very well."

Junior Jackie Krueger did not place but vaulted 6', which was a personal record for her.

Sophomore Lacey Roe was the Norton girls other gold medal winner. She placed first in the javelin with a throw of 109-10.

"Lacey Roe winning the javelin wasn't a big surprise but beating everyone by nine feet was a great performance in the wind," said Coach Graber.

Senior Amber Engelbert scored points in both hurdles. She placed third in the 300-meter hurdles with a clocking of 53.8 and sixth in the 100-meter hurdles in 18 seconds flat.

"Amber Engelbert placing in both hurdles races was really big for us and a great start to her senior season," said Coach Graber.

Freshman Courtney LeClair had the 300-meter hurdles run until hitting the final hurdle, falling, getting up and crossing the finish line to place sixth with a time of 55.46.

She also competed in the 100-meter hurdles and fell after hitting the last hurdle and did not place.

"I was so disappointed for Courtney because her effort was so outstanding," said Coach Graber. "If she hadn't gone down in the 300-meter hurdles, she

would have won the event easily. And then, later, with bloody scrapes on her knee, elbow and hip, she came back and ran a great 400-meters for us in the 4x400-meter relay.

"This was a real gritty performance by a rookie."

The Lady Jays placed fifth in the 4x400-meter relay. Team members and their time splits were: Dodson, 71; Engelbert, 71; Courtney LeClair, 68 and junior Karlie Jones, 67. Norton was clocked in 4:38.2.

Junior Klaire Mann placed sixth in the shot put with a personal record heave of 30'7".

Not placing were: sophomore Laura Delimont, 20-4; sophomore Jessica Sprigg, 27-7; freshman Tabatha Vincent, 22-6, personal record, shot put; Mann, 83-10;

Delimont, 83-5.5; Sprigg, 60-7, discus; Delimont, 66-7; Sprigg, 25, javelin; junior Danielle LeClair, 13-3; sophomore Brianne Nelson, 12, long jump; Danielle LeClair, 26-5, triple jump; Dodson, 14.56; junior Naomi Streck, 14.65; Nelson, 14.48, 100-meter dash; freshman Courtney Cox, 7:38, 1,600-meter run; Antrim 15.46, Donovan 14.04, Streck 14.18, Jones 12.34, 56.42, 4x100-meter relay; Krueger, 77.48, 400-meter dash; Jones, 2:53; Cox, 3:20, 800-meter run; Dodson, 29.98, personal record; Nelson, 31.15; Streck, 30.1, 200-meter dash.

Next action

Norton is scheduled to compete today in the Smith Center Invitational Track Meet at Smith Center, beginning at 3 p.m.



Norton junior Amanda Antrim clears the pole vault bar during competition in the Norton Invitational Track Meet on Friday. She placed third with a vault of 7'6". — Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

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TREASURER'S QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT CITY OF NORTON, KANSAS For the Period From January 1, 2005 to March 31, 2005

FUNDS	Old balances (last report)	2 Receipts	3 Disbursements (warrants paid)	4 Net treasury cash
GENERAL OPERATING	128,620.15	368,231.02	200,409.75	296,441.42
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	46,481.57	36,021.36	10,028.15	72,474.78
TORT LIABILITY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SPECIAL HIGHWAY	148,829.57	29,469.66	2,180.46	176,118.77
CEMETERY MAINTENANCE	67.98	6,055.00	0.00	6,122.98
SPECIAL PARKS	8,196.32	1,591.27	3,100.00	6,687.59
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT	43,703.75	6,877.61	0.00	50,581.36
TOURISM	0.00	4,281.52	4,281.52	0.00
LIBRARY	1,368.00	35,373.21	33,568.45	3,172.76
LIBRARY EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	578.84	12,368.13	11,902.48	1,044.49
FIRE PROCEEDS CASH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SPECIAL HEALTH	101,303.39	55,138.88	88,601.94	67,840.33
TREES FOR TOMORROW	1,425.02	0.00	0.00	1,425.02
BOND & INTEREST	6,779.27	40,712.02	2,465.00	45,026.29
AIRPORT BOND & INTEREST	80.13	10,436.25	10,436.25	80.13
NORTHBRIDGE BOND & INT.	363.63	2,105.58	0.00	2,469.21
ELECTRIC	61,115.63	573,415.33	378,616.35	255,914.61
WATER	144,695.40	42,953.53	69,038.70	118,610.23
SEWER	148,558.57	77,166.79	66,193.69	159,531.67
REFUSE	34,465.04	49,849.01	35,286.18	49,027.87
REVOLVING LOAN	0.00	6,813.80	5,340.04	1,473.76
ELECTRIC REPLACEMENT	299,826.08	26,243.04	15,552.26	310,516.86
ELECTRIC DEPOSITS	43,046.41	4,979.00	3,294.04	44,731.37
WATER DEPOSITS	10,980.73	1,535.45	896.32	11,619.86
WATER REPLACEMENT	35,761.73	1,800.00	0.00	37,561.73
SEWER REPLACEMENT	31,666.62	1,876.21	0.00	33,542.83
REFUSE REPLACEMENT	56,824.92	1,500.00	0.00	58,324.92
PAYROLL	1,422.26	284,403.77	284,127.18	1,698.85
PRIOR YEAR	127,243.09	1,626.62	115,638.11	13,231.60
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TOTALS	1,483,404.10	1,682,824.06	1,340,956.87	1,825,271.29

Available Cash:	
FIRST STATE Bank	245,000.00
FIRST SECURITY BANK Bank	1,580,271.29
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Total Available Cash (To agree with total funds above)	1,825,271.29

LIABILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS	
AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT BOND ISSUING	\$ 375,000.00
NORTHBRIDGE HOUSING REFUNDING BOND (2003)	\$ 32,497.00
LIBRARY REFUNDING ISSUE	\$ 100,000.00
MOWER	\$ 9,538.55
STREET SWEEPER	\$ 7,797.20
HI-RANGER BUCKET TRUCK	\$ 82,445.32
FIRE TRUCK	\$ 15,838.97
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	\$ 69,355.00
TOTAL	\$ 692,472.04

I, Patty Rowh do hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

Signed Patty Rowh City Treasurer

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Norton golf team gets second win

By DICK BOYD

After winning the championship of the Smith Center Invitational Tournament on Thursday to open the season, Coach David Stover's Norton Community High School golf team earned their second straight championship by winning the Norton Invitational Tournament on Friday on the grass greens golf course south of Norton.

Both Norton and Thomas More Prep of Hays shot team scores of 358 but the championship went to Norton with a better score by the Blue Jays' fifth golfer.

Phillipsburg finished in third with a 361, followed by Goodland, 372; Hoxie, 380; Atwood, 398; Stockton, 401; Norton B, 409; Smith Center, 424; Oakley, 437; Colby, 449; Quinter, 487.

Senior Jared Mindrup was Norton's low scorer with a 43/44-87. He was followed by senior Korey Look, 43/45-88 and junior Dane Krizek, 45/44-89. Senior Kyle Kats carded a 45/49-94 and senior Nick Evans shot a 47/47-94.

Senior Ryan Maddy was Norton's sixth golfer with a 50/47-97.

Mindrup was sixth medalist, Look was seventh medalist and Krizek was tenth medalist. Low medalist was Jeff Cameron, Hoxie, with an 83, followed by Brandon Karlin, Phillipsburg, 84; Andy Fikan, Atwood, 84; Grant Babcock, Phillipsburg, 84; Nathan Linn, Goodland, 85; Mindrup, 87; Look, 88; Brandon Gross, Thomas More, 88; Carter Atkins, Hill City, 88; Krizek, 89.

"It was a very good day for Norton Community High School golf," said Coach Stover. "We were able to battle very high winds and a very good tournament field to earn the team title.

"I was very proud of the way our players battled all day to earn a hard fought victory over very good teams from Thomas More and Phillipsburg. "Korey Look and Jared Mindrup continued their solid early season start, Dane Krizek earned his first medalist honor and many of our golfers turned in solid early season rounds.

"One of many positives for the day was winning all three play-offs we encountered with Korey and Dane earning playoff victories and the team championship decided by the fifth best indi-

vidual score.

"Hopefully, we can continue our momentum into the always tough Goodland Invitational Tournament."

Scoring for the Norton B Team were: senior Josh Jackson, 47/52-99; junior Clay Madden, 50/52-102; junior Tyler Burns, 44/59-103; sophomore Michael Ward, 57/48-105; junior Jordan Herman, 53/59-112; sophomore Brett Thomson, 58/59-117.

Next action

Norton is scheduled to compete in two golf tournaments today. The top Blue Jay players will compete in the Goodland Invitational, where tee off is scheduled for 2 p.m. and other Norton squad members will compete in the Ellis Invitational, which is set for a 3 p.m. tee off time.