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Norton, Kansas
Home of Chad Manning

Briefly

Carp shoot set for weekend

The 14th annual Norton Archery Club carp shoot will be held this weekend at Sebelius Reservoir.

The event will run from 6 a.m. on Saturday to noon on Sunday. Entrants must be pre-registered by 8 p.m. Friday. Registration is \$20 per two person team and includes lunch on Sunday. There will be a 50 percent pay back to the teams with the most carp shot.

Night shooting is legal and shooting is open in any legal waters, but must follow all state rules and regulations.

Weigh-in will be at Leota Cove boat ramp from 9:30 to 10 p.m. on Saturday and 11:30 a.m. to noon on Sunday. There will be a one fish per minute penalty for weigh in after noon on Sunday.

For more information or to register, call John Baker 877-3253, Pat Inman 475-2839, Randy West 877-5269, or R.D. Wait 877-0598.

Lenora Jubilee to run three days

The annual Lenora Jubilee will be held this weekend and will span three days.

The festival will start Friday night with a concert by Trent Willmon, followed by a day of activities and a parade on Saturday, and a gymkhana and horse apple Bingo on Sunday.

Tickets for the concert are \$12 for adults and \$5 for children at the gate.

Disc golf planned

A disc golf tournament will be held this Sunday, beginning at 1 p.m.

The tournament will be at the Norton course at Elmwood Park and will have one round of 18 holes. The entry fee is \$10 per person.

Prizes will be awarded to the top placers.

For more information, call Don Mordecai at 877-5475.

Weather

Forecast:

Tonight — Clear with lows in the mid 50s. Wednesday — Increasing clouds with highs in the upper 80s. Wednesday Night — 40 percent chance of thunderstorms.

Howell report:

Friday High 79, Low 57, Prec. .05
Saturday High 82, Low 58
Sunday High 74, low 53, Prec. .24
Month ago High 70, Low 38
Year ago High 90, Low 60
June precipitation 2.72 inches
Year-to-date precipitation ... 10.12 inches
(Readings taken at the Paul and Pat Howell farm 10 Miles North and 1/3 Mile East of Norton)

Prayer

God, help us to remember in the darkest hours that you are as close as our breath, giving us strength and hope for difficult days. Amen

Crowd enjoys history

Machine show, parades offer taste of the past

By VERONICA MONIER

Almost 1,000 people turned out to see how things were done in grandpa's time during the 25th annual Antique Machinery, Threshing and Power Show held by the Sunflower Pioneer Power Association in Alma last weekend.

President Bob Underwood said he was happy how things went. He said about 400 people came on Saturday, while about 600 people showed up on Sunday.

He said the weather probably had a lot to do with how many people turned out to see the antique machinery displays and watch the parades. It was damp on Saturday, but warmed up on Sunday once the

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Donald Thalheim pointed out a few finer points of running the old sawmill to Marion Tien. The sawmill was just one demonstration of antique machinery at this year's Antique Machinery, Threshing and Power Show in Alma.

— Telegram photos by Veronica Monier



Association President Bob Underwood (left) pointed someone out to his grandson, Brady Sumner, during Sunday's parade. Brady helped his grandfather drive Mr. Underwood's 1953 McCormick Farmall Super M tractor. Myron Veh gave a demonstration of how his 1930 McCormick Deering 22-36 tractor had to be crank started during the Power Parade Sunday afternoon.

Horse show ready to go on Saturday

The Norton County 4-H and Open Horse Show will be held Saturday at the Norton County Equine Center.

Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. with a \$2.50 entry fee for each class or \$20 for the entire day. Organizer Samantha Fulton said the show will start at 9:30 a.m. with the trail class running concurrently with the show.

Open classes are for non-4-H members only. 4-H'ers cannot enter open classes if they are entered in 4-H classes. The 4-H rulebook will be followed and the judges decisions will be final. The 4-H dress code will be enforced and 4-H identification papers are required.

No rain date has been set because of the indoor facility. Stalls are available as are bedding and recreational vehicle hook-ups.

There will be competition in open classes and classes for 4-H members in (Continued on Page 5)



Dustin Harting and Tevon Petrie get up-close and personal with a 3-D coyote displayed at an archery demonstration during Thursday's summer reading program at Norton Public Library.

— Telegram photos by Carolyn Plotts

Wet road causes farmer, county grief

By CYNTHIA HAYNES and VERONICA MONIER

The Norton County commissioners and an area farmer and livestockman are still wrangling over who is responsible for problems with a county road.

After the county complained of runoff onto a road near his farm, Terry Nelson came to a commission meeting a few weeks ago with some complaints of his own.

Mr. Nelson said that the road near his field was not built so as to drain properly and that water was getting onto his property.

He also said that his drivers have had trouble negotiating the gravel road in the spread-axle trucks he uses to keep from being over state weight standards.

After Mr. Nelson had left the meeting, the commissioners had asked Mr. Brannan, Norton County road and bridge supervisor, to have the county's engineer- (Continued on Page 5)



Fred Kingham, Norton, took his dog on a ride around the Sunflower Pioneer Power Association grounds during Sunday's parade on his 1941 McCormick Farmall M tractor. — Telegram photo by Veronica Monier

Crowd views antique engines

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rain left the area.

"I was pleased with everything," he said. "We didn't get as much accomplished as we would have liked, but we did do all of the demonstrations at least three times over the weekend. I was pleased and I think the rest of the members were too."

Mr. Underwood said the association is still running short on help.

"We need young people to get involved," he said. "If we're going to keep this going, we have to have some help. We're doing it for the young people. A lot of us were around this stuff when we were kids, but a lot of the kids today have never seen things like this before. We need to remember the past and pass it on."

He said people who want to get involved can do everything from working on the antique machinery

to giving tours of the grounds, running demonstrations, and selling food in the kitchen.

"Some of it can be hard work, but a lot isn't difficult," he said. "We're always here to answer questions. There is no question that is not worth answering."

Best of show awards were given to parade entries on Saturday. Getting best of show were Jim Mosier, Norton, for his 1951 Henry J in the automobile category, Myron Veh, Norton, for his 1930 McCormick Deering 22-36 tractor, and Bob Robinson, Garden City, for his small engine display.

Larry and Jeris McMullen were the grand marshals of the parade.

Ron Marble, Norton, was the winner of the grand prize tractor, a 9N Ford. Other prize winners were: Randy Shearer, Norton, handmade cedar chest; Steve Vollertsen, Norton, \$50 savings

bond; Marlin Lewis, Orleans, Neb., hand-carved wooden pheasant; and Vicki Wendel, Dows, Iowa, tractor serial number book.

A tractor pull was held on Sunday, but scores weren't kept as it was just for fun.

A Kids Pedal Power Pull was held Saturday after the parade. Winning were:

- 5-6 — Carson Wallace, first, 25 feet; Christopher Kay, second, 20-10;

- 7-8 age group — Matt Stutsman, first, 26-6; Laramie Boyle, second, 26;

- 9-10 age group — Hunter Chandler, first.

All winners received a plaque. Mr. Underwood thanked everyone who came, those who bought tickets, and those who donated prizes.

"It helps us out a lot and makes it possible to do it again next year," he said.

Road woes plague farmer, county

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ing firm, BG Consultants, look at the road.

During the commissioners' meeting Monday morning Mr. Brannan brought in a preliminary letter from Stephen Berland with BG.

The letter said that Mr. Berland felt that the road was properly built and in good repair. However, he also said that the culvert will only hold the water expected from a two-year storm and should be brought up to what would be expected from a 10-year storm.

Mr. Berland noted that the ditch beside the road was filled with dirt and silt and suggested that it needed to be cleaned. He suggested that the county widen the ditches even if that required using private property.

He said that a dike being constructed by the landowner along the west side of the road should help with runoff.

While the engineer suggests widening the ditches, Mr. Brannan said, the county doesn't have enough right-of-way. Any widening would be on private property and, while the engineer didn't see a problem with that, Mr. Brannan disagreed.

Mr. Brannan said that he would start to clean the ditch out as soon as possible.

Commissioner John Miller asked what the road crew will do with the dirt taken out of the ditches. If it gets put on the gravel road, he said, he's afraid it will ruin the road.

Mr. Brannan said that he could put it onto a dirt road to the south, which isn't a major byway.

"It's a dirt road, if it rains, you don't want to be on there anyway," Mr. Brannan said.

On Monday afternoon, Mr. Nelson came in to talk to the commissioners about the road.

He said he has built a dike and put in a 15-inch tube to help with the water runoff, but the county still needed to fix the problem of water from the road running across his land. He said the steepness of the shoulders and the width of the corners were also a problem. He said there isn't enough turning radius on the corners and, if a truck gets too close to the edge of the road, it can sink and roll because the shoulders are so steep.

"I just want to make sure we're all on the same page here," he said.

Commissioner Dean Kruse said they had gotten a preliminary letter from BG, but nothing was final yet.

When Mr. Nelson asked to see a copy of the letter, Mr. Lang said it wasn't ready for publication yet.

"If you're not going to fix your problem of your water running across my field, maybe I need to hire an engineer to point out the problem," Mr. Nelson said. "Something needs to be done to get the water flowing in the ditch instead of across my land."

County Counselor Doug Sebelius asked the commissioners what needed to be done.

Mr. Miller said the preliminary report said the county needed to clean the ditch, figure out where to put the dirt, and address slope issues with the engineer.

Mr. Nelson said the county was doing a great job of building roads, but when it gets wet, the shoulder slope is too sharp. There needs to be more of a shoulder, he said.

"That concern has been brought up with our engineers and our road supervisor," said Mr. Miller. "We're waiting for the final report and until we get the final report, we don't have an answer for anyone."

Mr. Nelson asked if there were plans to fix the corner. He said if the ditch was moved back it would work better for the corner. He said he has spoken to the landowner, who would probably be willing to give that small piece of land to the county.

"We can't do that," said Mr. Lang. "That's a can of worms we don't want to open."

Mr. Miller said he couldn't say what the county was going to do about the corner.

"We're waiting on the recommendation of the engineer," he said.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Heard that bridge work on OS112 is almost complete but its been raining so things have been at a standstill.

- Were told that mowing also is getting behind due to the rain.

- Visited with Doyle Schoen about the roads in his area.

- Watched a demonstration of a road groom. Rich Cox with Sellers Equipment Company, Salina, brought the road groom to Norton so the commissioners could see it work to help with their decision of whether or not to buy it.

Horses, riders to show off during Saturday event

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age categories 7-9, 10-13, and 14-18.

The classes are showmanship, hunter under saddle; English equitation, horsemanship, western pleasure, reining, pole bending, barrel racing, flags and trail.

Prizes will be given to each participant and to the high point winner in each age division. Sponsoring the prizes are Norton Saddle Club, Almema State Bank, Jessup Realty, Security Abstract Company, Western Distributing, and

Norton County 4-H Council.

To pre-register or for information, call Mrs. Fulton at 877-4084 (home) or 877-2141 (work).

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