



Northern Valley's Bryce Marble, center, kept pace with Norton's Logan Keiswetter, left, and Kent Mann at the Norton Invitational cross country meet Thursday. Marble finished the race in ninth place with a time of 19:23. Also shown for Norton is Jared Engelbert at right. Norton won first place in team standings.

— Telegram photo by Susie Marble

# Northern Valley opens cross country at Norton

The Northern Valley High School cross country team opened their season by competing in the Norton Invitational Thursday.

"I was very pleased with the overall performance of all the runners," said Coach Bill Lowry. "This gives us a good starting point and we will strive to show improvement each week."

"Jessie Redeker was unable to run due to illness and Henry Griffiths was unable to run because of injury."

In the varsity boys individual run, Bryce Marble took 9th with a time of 19:23.

"This was a very tight race," said Coach Lowry. "Bryce finished only 35 seconds out of first and stayed between 5th and 10th the entire race. He ran a very competitive race against good competition. The was a very good start to the season."

Amanda Hopkins took first in the junior varsity girls run with a time of 17:49. Jena Jessup was behind her in fifth at 19:40.

"This was a great first race for Amanda," he said. "She started in the top and moved to first by the mile mark, finishing strong."

"Jena ran a smart race and looked strong from start to finish. This was a good confidence builder."

In the junior varsity boys run, Casey Dole took fourth in 22:17, with Stanton Nelson coming in behind him at 23:18 for 10th.

"Casey moved up into the top five after the first quarter and maintained that position throughout the race," he said. "He ran the hills at the end tough. It was a good race."

"This was Stanton's first 5K race of his career. He battled for the top ten the entire race and finished extremely strong in the last 150 meters to pass another runner to finish 10th. Great race!"

**NEXT MEET**

The Husky runners will next compete in the Mankato Invitational next Thursday. The race begins at 4:30 p.m.



Amanda Hopkins of Northern Valley finished in first place in the girls junior varsity race Thursday at the Norton Invitational cross country meet. — Telegram photo by Susie Marble

## Logan volleyball team will be led by two senior setters

The Logan High School volleyball team started their season on Aug. 26 in a triangular against Eastern Heights and Beloit-St. John's.

Coach Robin Van Laeys said this year's team will be led by the two senior setters.

"Our two senior setters come in with experience on the varsity level," she said. "The rest of the girls are just getting their feet wet as key players on the varsity squad."

Coach Van Laeys said Logan's ladies' strength is that, as a team, they are fairly uniform and won't have to rely on the play of one player. She said they work very well together and try very hard to do all that is asked of them.

To be successful, she said the Lady Trojans will have to do two things — serve receive and aggressive floor defense.

On the 2005 team are:

- seniors — Lisa Kiser, 5-foot, 5-1/2 inches; Megan Brumbaugh, 5-5; Darci Goddard, 5-4; Jenny Noel, 5-6; Danen Rundle, 5-9; Kaitlyn Noone, 5-7; Heather Boys, 5-8;
- juniors — Bethany Clements, 5-4; Anne Hartman, 5-7;
- sophomores — Shelly

### Logan High School Volleyball Schedule

- Tuesday, Sept. 6 — Hill City, WaKeeney, at Logan, 5 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 13 — Phillipsburg, Stockton, at Phillipsburg, 5 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 20 — Northern Valley\*, Alma, at Alma, 5 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 24 — Osborne Round Robin, at Osborne, 8 a.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 27 — Palco\*, Western Plains\*, at Palco, 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 4 — Kensington\*, Eastern Heights\*, at Logan, 5 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 11 — Norton, Golden Plains, at Norton, 4 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 15 — Cheyenne Conference Tournament, at Kensington
- Tuesday, Oct. 18 — Regional Tourney
- Saturday, Oct. 22 — Sub-State Tourney
- Friday-Saturday, Oct. 28-29 — State Tournament, at Hays

\* conference game

Kemper, 5-11; Shaley Van Loenen, 5-9; Jenny Archer, 5-7; Leandra Sparks, 5-5; Aspen Larson, 5-8;

Coach Linda Nighswonger will be assisting, while Savannah Sammons, Alaina Long, Holly Sparks and Kodi Van Laeys are the

team's managers.

Last year, Logan's ladies took third in the league with a 3-2 league record. Their overall record was 17-12.

Coach Van Laeys said the Lady Trojans began their season with Eastern Heights and Beloit. Next week, they will face WaKeeney and Hill City at home.

"We would like to get a win or two early to get rid of a little unneeded pressure," she said.

## Logan volleyball team loses two in season opening triangular

The Logan High School volleyball team lost to Beloit-St. John's and Eastern Heights last Friday in their season opening triangular.

"Coaches are never ready for those first matches and games, but the kids are always ready," said Coach Robin Van Laeys. "I would say this was true in this case."

"All in all, we are doing some good things. It is just going to take a little extra time and effort to get all of us working as one unit. We have made some system modifications and we are all adjusting to those at this time."

"We served very well in both varsity matches and the junior varsity match."

"It is nice to have five or six days to go to work on the things we saw."

**Beloit-St. John's**

The Lady Trojans lost 8-25, 26-24, 15-25.

Logan served 44 of 48, hit 54 of 80, set 89 of 93, made 5 blocks and 9 of 10 dinks.

Kaitlyn Noone led serving at 11 of 11 with 3 aces, followed by Jenny Noel, 10 of 10 with 1 ace.

Leading attacks were Shelley Kemper, 12 of 18 with 8 kills; Noone, 15 of 17 with 4 kills; and Danen Rundle, 10 of 19 with 7 kills.

Noel led sets with a perfect 53 of 53 with 14 aces, followed by Megan Brumbaugh at 24 of 31 with 7 aces.

Bethany Clements made 4 of 5 serve receives, while Kemper made 9 of 15.

Rundle made 2 solo blocks and

1 assist.

**Eastern Heights**

Logan's ladies lost 11-25, 17-25 to Eastern Heights.

As a team, the Lady Trojans served 28 of 29, hit 30 of 39, set 38 of 38 and made 5 blocks.

Rundle led serving with 6 of 6. Leading attacks were Kemper, 13 of 16 with 6 kills; and Heather Boys, 5 of 5 with 2 kills.

Setting for the team were Brumbaugh, 18 of 19 with 6 aces; and Noel, 19 of 19 with 6 aces.

Boys made 3 of 4 serve receives, while Kemper made 9 of 14.

Kemper assisted with 3 blocks. The Lady Trojans will next compete in a triangular against Hill City and WaKeeney on Tuesday in Logan beginning at 5 p.m.

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