Norton Punt, Pass and Kick results noted

The Norton community schools held their local Punt Pass and Kick competition on Sept. 11-12 during physical education classes.

The winners of each age group have the opportunity to go on to the Sectional Competition in Scott City on Oct. 14. If the first place winners are unable to attend, the second place finishers may go to represent the local competition. The top winners of the sectionals then have an opportunity to perform during a team championship game (KC Chiefs).

There were 100 boys and 59 girls taking part in the Norton

"I saw a lot of improvement in skills this year. It was a great experience and lots of fun," said Joan Bolt, physical education teacher. The results (grade, place, name,

8-9 boys, 1st, Luke Keilig, 154'1"; 2nd, Mikey Cliff, 150'1"; 3rd, Nick Koch, 145'1".

8-9 girls, 1st, Peyton Renner, 120'5"; 2nd, Adrienne Hager, 105',7"; 3rd, Lexi Voss, 102'3". 10-11 boys, 1st, Dalton Miller,

243'1"; 2nd, Jacob Brooks, 237'11"; 3rd, Toby Nickell, **10-11 girls**, 1st, Johnnye Ruder,

137'10"; 2nd, Darcy Bainter, 126'9"; 3rd, Bailey Ambrosier, 12-13 boys, 1st, Dakota Dreher,

311'2"; Dylan Sprigg, 214'11"; 3rd, Alex Riggens, 205'10".

12-13 girls, 1st, Katherine Boteler, 237'8"; 2nd, Teslee Nickell, 228'11"; 3rd, Alec Hauser Melvin, 136'8".

So-so day for Norton 8th volleyball

The Norton 8th grade varsity volleyball team was in Hoxie on Sept. 23 for a tournament that also included Oberlin, Trego and St.

The first match was against the Oberlin Red Devils. Norton won overall. the first game, 25-22, but lost the other two, 14-25 and 12-15.

The second match was against first game 25-19, lost the second 21-25 and won the third 15-12.

Trego was the third match for the day and the Norton girls took

two easy wins, 25-14 and 25-7. The last match was against the

St. Francis Indians. The Indians won in two games 17-25 and 13-

"Overall, we played some really great volleyball throughout the day," said coach Erin Hill. "We also played some not-so-good volleyball, too," she added.

"We are going to work on being more consistent each game of every match. We have a goal to play our best 'one game at a time,' and we need to play our best volleyball each game to achieve this and finish out our season strong," the

The 8th grade varsity team's last home match is Thursday (Oct. 5)

against undefeated Smith Center. "Come out and support the 8th grade, 7th grade and JV teams and

help cheer them to victory,." she

First place finishers



Norton's Zach Bainter won the boys three mile race with a seational last Tuesday in Oberlin. - Courtesy photo by Patsy Maddy



The Lady Jays' Laura Lee Baird was the winner of the girls 2.5 mile race with a season personal record clocking of son best time of 16:51 in the 15:33 in the Oberlin Cross Oberlin Cross Country Invita- Country Invitational last Tuesday in Oberlin. - Courtesy photo by Patsy Maddy

Husky runners are turning in some fine performances

Northern Valley cross country 18th in 2044. runners were in Hill City on Sept. 21 to test their skills against runners from nearly 20 other schools.

On the varsity girls' level, Megan Cole placed 28th with a time of 19:22, Amanda Hopkins was 43rd at 20:47, Jessie Redeker was 59th at 21:58, and Jena Jessup was 66th at 23:29.

Bryce Marble placed 19th on the boys' varsity side of the ledger

Husky junior

Husky junior Bryce Marble placed 19th on the with a time of 19:22 and Stanton Nelson was 70th at 22:24.

Kayla Field was girls champion with a first place finish, and 2nd place overall with a time of 6:54. Kynzie Stevens was 2nd, 5th overall at 7:32.

The coach commented: "Great performances by all, especially the junior high runners. Congrats to Kayla for winning the girls and their record to 3-1. only six seconds from winning

today they ran good races with the Hoxie Indians. Norton won the tough competition; however, we need to start working on getting up in the lead pack and competing throughout and working on finishing strong in the last 400m,"

Briefly, the coach said:

- Megan Cole, "Another solid performance..."
- Amanda Hopkins, "Ran a lot
- Jessie Redeker, "Great strong finish....'
- Jena Jessup, "Working very well with your stride..."
- Bryce Marble, "Strong run for the first 2 miles, you get through

the shoulder injury you could be in the low 18s... • Stanton Nelson, "Very pleased with your heart and desire to fin-

ish with your leg injury..." At Smith Center on Sept. 14, Megan Cole placed 19th with a time of 19:40; Amanda Hopkins placed 31st in 21:20; Jessie

Jena Jessup placed 40th in 24:29. Bryce Marble finished 13th in

Forty-one runners took part in the girls' run (4000m course) and 33 in the boys' race (5000m).

The coach thought conditions were good for the windy condi-

Runner of the week honors went to Cole and Stanton.

In the Junior High Division, Varsity ladies get two wins

The Northern Valley junior varsity volleyball team took on Palco on Sept. 12 and came away with 25-9, 25-10 victories to improve

Kelsey Kinderknecht, Joni Hilburn and Stephanie Tubbs had "Our times have improved 4 aces each; Tubbs had 1 dig; greatly over the first month, and Megan Cole, 7 assists; Alison Lowry on a 45-yard pass from

ning the 2-point conversion.

on a 9-yard run.

2. The Junior Huskies got their for 14 yards; Austin Herman, 7 Coach Cole said of the game: Pinzenscham, 1 carry for -3 yards; "The Huskies started in high gear, and Gunnar Hays, 3 carries for -9

> Passing: Eagleburger, 1 for 4, for 45 yards, 1 TD.

Pass Receiving: Lowry, 1 for 45

doubles and placed fifth. In pool "Going undefeated in pool play, play, they lost 7-6(7-3) to she went on to place second."

In No.2 doubles, Norton's Lisa Morgan Schmidt, were outscored Jones and Tiffany Marx placed second. In pool play, they defeated 7-2 by Goodland's Jena McCall and Sandy Johnson and defeated Tribune's Kelli Crittenden and Morgan Moritz 7-5; outscored Goodland's Kaitlin Fugleberg and Shonna Webster 7-5 and won over Garden City's Steph Sauceda and

Sharron McNeil 7-1. "Hannah and Reesa didn't get In the championship match, off to the best start," said coach they were defeated 7-0 by Phillipsburg's Kali Asher and "They lost their first two Jodie Mongeau.

> "Lisa and Tiffany turned in another solid performance," said coach Green. "Meet after meet, these girls consistently do well. Undefeated in pool play, they also finished second."

> Norton will compete in the Class 3A regional tennis tournament on Thursday in WaKeeney.

Teams competing, in addition to Norton and Trego, will be Belleville, Beloit, Ellsworth, Scott City, Sacred Heart of Salina, "Kayleigh had her best finish of Osborne, Plainville, Victoria and Reesa Volgamore played No.1 the season," said coach Green. Phillipsburg.

Northern Valley coach wins #100

Varsity tennis takes fourth

Tribune's Lindsay Wineinger and

Garden City's Tatjana Weber and

In the finals, they defeated Scott

City's Latosha West and Jerica

matches but were able to bounce

back and finish strong with two

In No.2 singles, Kayleigh

Brooks placed second. In pool

play, she outscored Tribune's Col-

leen Fuller 7-2, defeated

Goodland's Saundra Redlin 7-1

and won over Garden City's

Nicole Walz 7-4. In the finals, she

lost the championship match by a

7-0 score to Colby's Barbara

Amber Prince 7-1.

VanCampen 7-4.

September 14 was a pretty special day for the Northern Valley Junior High football program.

By DICK BOYD

The Norton Community High

School girls tennis team placed

fourth in the Varsity Tennis Tour-

Colby won the team champion-

ship with 35 points, followed by

Phillipsburg, 32; Goodland, 27;

Norton, 24; Scott City, 17; Garden

Brianne Nelson placed fourth in

No.1 singles for the Lady Jays. In

pool play, she won with a bye over

Tribune, lost 7-4 to Jillian Parker,

Goodland and defeated Garden

City's KayeLoni Irvin 7-4. In the

finals, she lost 7-0 to

"Brianne is definitely playing

better and it showed with her best

finish of the year," said Norton

"She played well against

Goodland even though she lost.

She carried her good play over to

the next match where she defeated

Norton's Hannah Mills and

the player from Garden City."

Melinda

City, 12; Tribune, 11.

Phillipsburg's

coach Jim Green.

Schremmer.

nament last Tuesday in Colby.

For two reasons:

1. It was Coach Jim Cole's 100th career victory coaching the junior high football team. He is in his 20th year teaching and coaching at Northern Valley. His overall record on Sept. 14 was 100 wins and 31 losses.

first win of the 2006 season, 40-16

scoring 26 points in the first quarter. With the big lead, the second team got to see a lot of action and also did very well.

"We came out ready to play. We saw a lot of improvement from our first game. The boys worked hard in practice all week and that hard work paid off. We were a much more aggressive football team in this game."

The Huskies had 238 yards rushing and 45 yards in the air for a total of 283 yards.

Scoring for the Huskies were: (first quarter) Zac Vincent on a 28yard run and a 2-point conversion and Dusty Eagelburger on a 25yard run, a 52-yard run and a 41yard punt return.

Second quarter — Colton Cole, 5 kills; and Tubbs, 1 block. Eagleburger with Calen Bach runFourth quarter — Eagleburger

Damar scored in the third and

Rushing: Eagleburger, 5 carries

for 86 yards and 3 TDs; Vincent, 8 carries for 105 yards and 1 TD and a 2-point conversion; Calen Bach, 6 carries for 27 yards and a 2-point conversion; Matt Dole, 6 carries carries for 13 yards; Nate Land, 3 carries for 5 yards; Chris

Tackles/Assists: Herman, 9-2; Calen Bach, 5-1; Eagleburger, 3-2; Field, 3-1; Montgomery, 3-0; Dole, 2-3; Miller, 2-2; Gallentine, 2-1; Caleb Bach, 2-0; Lowry, 1-2; Hogan, 1-2; Land, 1-1; Tharman, 1-0; Braun, 1-0; Pinzenscham, 0-2. Vincent had 1 pass interception and Gallentine 1 fumble recovery.

Hats off to Coach Cole!

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