

Volleyball Jays stop Hoxie, lose to HillCity

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The Norton Community High School varsity girls volleyball team defeated Hoxie 25-23, 25-18 but lost to Hill City 20-25, 17-25 on Tuesday in the NCHS Stull Gymnasium in Norton.

Hoxie

"We came out strong against Hoxie," said Norton head coach Peggy Cox. "We had our best serving night and, while we weren't as good as we have been in passing, we were close."

"There were times that we let Hoxie get within a couple of points but, for the most part, we stayed in control of the game."

"It was nice to see us play strong in the first match of the night and come out with a win."

Match statistics: kills-Hayli Bozarth, 8; Charli Lawson, Katharine Roy, Bethany Roy, 3 each; Lacy Keilig, 2; Kaitlyn Wolf, 1; aces-Shelby Jones, 4; Bozarth, 3; digs-Katharine Roy, 5; Ashlie Stewart, 3; Bozarth, 2; Ashley Colip, Katharine Roy, Jones, 1 each; assists-Katharine Roy, 11; Colip,

7; Lawson, 1; blocks-Keilig, 4; Bozarth, Amanda Delimont, Lawson, Lacey Wallingford, Wolf, 1 each.

Hill City

"In this match, we never felt like we were in control," said coach Cox. "We played very tight and it showed in all areas of our game," said Cox.

"Our serving went from the best of this season to the worst in a matter of an hour. We didn't pass at the level we have come to expect and we had no blocks."

"Hopefully, we've learned that we cannot let one mistake roll into another and another."

Match statistics: kills-Bozarth, 15; Keilig, 4; Katharine Roy, Bethany Roy, 3 each; Lawson, Wallingford, 1 each; aces-Katharine Roy, 1; digs-Bozarth, Stewart, 4 each; Colip, Katharine Roy, Jones, Bethany Roy, 2 each; assists-Colip, 13; Katharine Roy, 12; blocks-none.

Junior varsity

The Norton junior varsity defeated Hoxie 25-23, 12-25, 15-5 and outscored Hill City 23-25,

25-16, 16-14.

"We played well and were able to keep control of the match with Hoxie," said Norton assistant coach Christine Thompson.

Match leaders: kills-Bekah Streck, 5; Alyssa Thomson, 3; assists-Erin Terrell, 6; Raven Brown, 3; digs-Hannah Waggoner, 1; aces-Alyssa Thomson, 3; Terrell, Brown, Bethany Winkel, 2 each.

"The match with Hill City was close and difficult. We played smart and disciplined to win," said coach Thompson.

Match leaders: kills-Thomson, Brown, 5 each; Shaylyn Boteler, 4; assists-Terrell, 9; Brown, 5; digs-Waggoner, 3; aces-Brown, 4; Terrell, Waggoner, 2 each.

"Our junior varsity has improved during the season and every player is contributing to our team's success. Our record is now 7-5," said coach Thompson.

Next action

The Norton varsity and junior varsity will travel to Colby to play Atwood and Colby on Tuesday, beginning at 4:30 p.m.



Norton junior Bethany Roy spiked the ball for a point during the Lady Jays' win over Hoxie here on Tuesday in Stull Gymnasium. At left is her sister, senior Katharine Roy.

— Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

Volleyball picks up two in quad

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Coach Peggy Cox's Norton Community High School varsity girls volleyball team defeated Atwood and Brewster but lost to Dundy County during the Atwood Quadrangular on Saturday.

Dundy County

The Lady Jays lost to Dundy County 21-25, 18-25.

"We were flat; we didn't pass or serve well at all," said coach Cox. "Unfortunately in volleyball, if you plan on winning, you have to do one of those things well and we didn't do either."

Match statistics: kills-Hayli Bozarth, 9; Lacy Keilig, 2; Lacey Wallingford, Bethany Roy, 1 each; aces-Bozarth, 3; Ashley Colip, Charli Lawson, Shelby Jones, 1 each; digs-Ashlie Stewart, 9; Jones, 5; Bozarth, Colip, Katharine Roy, 2 each; assists-Colip, 7; Katharine Roy, 4; Bozarth, Jones, 1 each; blocks-Keilig, 2; Amanda Delimont, Wallingford, 1 each.

Atwood

Norton defeated Atwood 25-27, 25-18, 25-20.

"We came into this match much more awake and did a better job of getting the ball to the setters," said coach Cox. "From there, our setters were able to move the ball around to all the hitters with most getting one or more kills."

JV football falls 38-8 to Redmen

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The Norton Community High School junior varsity football team lost to Smith Center 38-8 on Monday in Smith Center.

The Redmen scored once in the first quarter, once in the second quarter, twice in the third quarter and once in the fourth quarter, all on running plays.

The Jays mounted a goalline stand late in the first half to limit the score to 16-0 at halftime.

Following a long, sustained drive, Norton tallied in the fourth quarter on a 6 yard pass from Jordan Wahlmeier to Billy Broeckelman. The two extra points were scored on a pass from Wahlmeier to Dakota Dreher.

"We were too inconsistent on both sides of the ball to be successful," said Norton assistant coach David Stover.

"We were not disciplined enough defensively to consistently make stops and were not able to sustain consistency in order to move the ball offensively."

"Overall, our effort as a team was good; we just need to continue to work to improve in all facets of the game in preparation for our game here Monday against Goodland."

Next action

The Norton junior varsity will host Goodland at 6 p.m. on Monday at Travis Field.

"We were ahead in the first game but allowed the Lady Buffs to sneak in and take the win."

"We won the next two games fairly easily. We still are not serving at the level I would like us to but we're continuing to work on it."

Match statistics: kills-Bozarth, 6; Keilig, 4; Katharine Roy, Bethany Roy, Kaitlyn Wolf, 2 each; Lawson, 1; aces-Colip, 6; Stewart, 4; Katharine Roy, 2; Bozarth, Lawson, Jones, 1 each; digs-Colip, 1; assists-Colip, 10; Katharine Roy, 7; Bozarth, Wallingford, Keilig, Bethany Roy, Stewart, 1 each; blocks-Keilig, 3; Bozarth, 2; Amanda Delimont, Lawson, Wolf, 1 each.

Brewster

The Lady Jays defeated Brewster 25-15, 23-25, 25-11.

"We beat Brewster very easily in the first game and then relaxed too much in the second game and allowed them to win," said coach Cox. "We came back in the third game and took care of business, never allowing Brewster to string any points together."

"Again, most of our hitters had one or more kills. Our passers continued to pass at the high level we have come to expect from them and the setters took advantage of that with 30 assists."

Match statistics: kills-Bozarth, 16; Wolf, 3; Delimont, Katharine Roy, Wallingford, 2 each; Keilig, 1; aces-Katharine Roy, 7; Colip, 2; Bozarth, Jones, Stewart, 1 each; digs-Stewart, 4; Bozarth, Keilig, 1 each; assists-Katharine Roy, 18;

Colip, 10; Bozarth, Bethany Roy, 1 each; blocks-Colip, Delimont, Katharine Roy, Bethany Roy, 1 each.

Junior varsity

The Norton junior varsity defeated Atwood 25-19, 26-24 after losing to Dundy County 17-25, 21-25.

"Dundy County was tough," said Norton assistant coach Christine Thompson. "We did not pass well so it was hard to control the play of the game."

Match leaders: kills-Erin Terrell, 4; Kendra Engelbert, 3; digs-Hannah Waggoner, 4; Raven Brown, Alyssa Thomson, 3 each; assists-Bethany Winkel, 5; aces-Kendra Engelbert, 4.

"We played smart and disciplined to defeat Atwood in a very close played match," said coach Thompson.

Match leaders: kills-Terrell, 3; Thomson, Brown, 2 each; assists-Terrell, 3; Bethany Winkel, 2; aces-Thomson, 8.

Defeated Goodland

On Thursday, Sept. 18, the Norton junior varsity defeated Goodland 25-8, 25-18, 25-9 in the best three of five played in Norton.

"Overall, we played very confident and under control the entire night," said coach Thompson. "Our serves were very aggressive and threw Goodland off their game. We were able to adjust to everything they threw at us."

Match leaders: kills-Brown, 3; Engelbert, Terrell, 2 each; assists-Terrell, 3; aces-Engelbert, Thomson, 5 each.

8th graders punish Goodland 58-8

"We came out on fire tonight!"

That comment from Norton's 8th grade football coach George Rossi, pretty well summed up the Blue Jays' 58-8 trouncing of Goodland on Monday.

"The boys scored on just about every possession of the first half," he said. "The team worked well together and are working hard on little things that will hopefully help us get better because we have some tough games down the road."

By quarters

Norton 24 - 21 - 13 - 0 = 58
Goodland 0 - 8 - 0 - 0 = 8

Scoring

1st quarter — Jacob Brooks 3-yard run, PAT Brooks run; Brooks 29-yard run, PAT Dalton Miller pass to John Renner; John Risewick 57-yard run, PAT Brooks run

2nd quarter — Brooks 42-yard run, PAT Miller pass to Renner; Austin Hager interception for TD; Jared Bohl 1-yard run, PAT

Brooks kick

3rd quarter — Hager 50-yard TD pass interception return, no PAT; Miller 35-yard pass to Renner, PAT Brooks kick

Rushing

Brooks 8 carries, 125 yards; Hager 5/22; Miller 1/6; Risewick 1/57; Bohl 3/32

Passing

Miller, 8 attempts, 5 completions, 87 yards

Pass Receiving

Renner 1 catch, 35 yards; Risewick 2/13; Carson McKenna 1/38; Hager, 1/1

Tackles

Treven Rossi 8; Miller 6; Renner 5; Lane Bigge 5; Risewick 3; Eli Bozarth 3; Hager 4; Dylan Sprigg 2; Ryan Bainter 2; Cody Ellis 2; Bohl 2; Brooks 1.

7th grade

The 7th grade football machine failed to cross the goal line in their game Monday against Goodland, losing a 6-0 decision.

"We just did not have the heart needed to play tough. We were not very good in the fundamentals like blocking and tackling. I know that this team is capable because they play good in practice. We just need to take that practice team and put them on the game field," said coach Rossi.

By quarters

Norton 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 = 0
Goodland 0 - 0 - 6 - 0 = 6

Rushing

Toby Nickell 12 carries, 28 yards; Tanner Furbush 2/9; Trever Lewis 2/27

Passing

Drew Ellis 8 attempts, 1 completion, 10 yards

Pass Receiving

Lewis 1 catch for 10 yards

Tackles

Travis Cressler 10; Furbush 9; Lewis 5; Lucas Engel 4; Cole Renner 3; Nickell 2; Isaac Schaefer 2; Chris Fisher 2; Andrew Ellis 2; Cody Temmel 1; Jordan Hartwell 1; Alec Hager 1

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