

Huskies come out on top in overtime

The Northern Valley Husky football team came out on top of a 32-26 overtime game with Cheylin Friday night at Almena.

The Huskies held a 6-point, 12-6 lead at the end of the first quarter. At intermission, the Huskies were on top 18-6.

In the third period, Northern Valley put up another 8 points vs. 6 by Cheylin to lead, 26-12.

In the final quarter, Cheylin held the Huskies scoreless while lighting up the scoreboard with

14 points to throw the game into overtime — 26-26.

The Huskies closed out the nail-biting night with a TD in the extra period to take the victory.

Statistically, Northern Valley rushed for 140 yards vs. 196 for Cheylin; connected on 6 of 9 passes for 63 yards vs. 16 of 31 for 181 yards for Cheylin; picked up 5 first downs vs. 16 for the visitors; where whistled 6 times for 40 yards vs. 7 infractions for 55 yards for Cheylin; fumbled 5 times and

lost 4 vs. 4 and lost 3 for Cheylin; and punted 7 times for 197 yards, a 28.1 yard average vs. 1 punt for 21 yards and 1 blocked for Cheylin.

Here's how the Huskies scored:

1st quarter — Hays, 76-yard kick return, PAT run failed; Dusty Eagleburger 20-yard run, PAT run failed.

2nd quarter — Drew Eagleburger 23-yard pass from Dusty Eagleburger, PAT run failed.

3rd quarter — J. Gallentine

8-yard run, PAT pass to Callaway from Dusty Eagleburger

4th quarter — (No score)
Overtime — Woodside 20-yard pass from Dusty Eagleburger.

Individual statistics:

Rushing — Jeffries, 10 carries, 31 yards, 3.1 average; J. Gallentine, 5/6/1.2; Dusty Eagleburger, 17/76/4.5; Drew Eagleburger, 3/13/4.3; Hays, 3/14/4.7.

Passing — Dusty Eagleburger, 9 attempts, 6 completions, 63 yards, 2 TD.

Pass Receiving — C. Callaway, 2 for 12 yards; Hays, 2/8; Drew Eagleburger, 1/23/1 TD; Woodside, 1/20/1 TD.

Pass Interceptions — Hays, 1/0 yards.

Punts — Dusty Eagleburger, 7 for 197 yards, 28.1 average.

Punt Returns — Hays, 2 for 46 yards.

Kick Offs — J. Gallentine, 4 for 103 yards, 25.8 average.

Kick Off Returns — Hays, 1 for 76 yards, 76.0 average; J. Gallentine, 2/14/7.0; Gehrke, 1/1/1.0.

Tackles (solo, assists, total) — Dusty Eagleburger 1-0-1; Herman 2-1-3; McMillin 2-2-4; Jeffries 19-9-28; Callaway 11-6-17; J. Gallentine 4-2-6; Drew Eagleburger 17-9-26; Hays 10-5-15; Woodside 10-4-14; Vincent 0-2-2; Gehrke 15-5-20.

Next game

The Northern Valley Huskies will host Weskan at 7 p.m. Friday in a Cheyenne Conference showdown.

Northern Valley volleyball records wins

The Northern Valley Lady Huskies started their final month of volleyball by getting back on the court at the Ellis Tournament.

"We played league foe Palco in our first match and as expected, actually better than expected, we defeated the Roosters 25-7, 25-9 with very good serving, excellent passing which led to very good sets followed by great hitting by the whole team as we were able to play all in this varsity tournament," said coach Chuck Zimmerman.

"Then we took on host Ellis, a team that has enough strong hitters that they constantly attacked the net while we defended behind our block. The Ellis ball did find the floor for points, our problem was not the fact their spikes found the floor — our problem was we did not take advantage of the free balls they gave us so we could attack them and put our ball on their floor for points. We lost the first game 11-25.

"Now, to our girls credit they did gather themselves and in the

second game came out and played well building a lead and fighting to keep it as we turned the tables on this Ellis team and played our game making Ellis have to defend our offerings which they did but in the end of a good exciting game the Lady Huskies prevailed 29-27.

"In the third game, against this state ranked team, we battled hard and played the way it should be played but gave up too many points to miscommunication and service errors as we lost 23-25 to

give the eventual winner of the tournament their toughest test of the day and maybe of the year so far.

"This brought us up against Triplains. We just did not recuperate from the Ellis defeat, which is something this group of young players still must learn to do, as we played a team that is equal to our talent but they handled the day (being beaten by Ellis) better and played better than we did on this day. The final score was 18-25, 24-26," he said.

Junior High Huskies earn tough win over Hill City

The Northern Valley Junior High football team improved to 3-1 on the season with a hard fought win over a tough Hill City squad 20-6.

"The Huskies played solid defense the whole game against the Broncos' single wing power offense, allowing only one touch-

down," said coach Jim Cole. "Terry Shrader, Ian Vincent and Hunter Chandler led the Huskies in tackles."

The Huskies, the coach said, finally got their offense going in the 4th quarter scoring twice to seal the win.

"Halfback Jordan Baird had a

big game rushing for 124 yards and scoring on a long run. Quarterback Phillip Compton sparked the Husky offense by running for one TD and throwing for another," the coach said.

The Huskies were scheduled to play Osborne, another tough Mid-Continent opponent, yesterday.

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By quarters
Huskies 0-8 0-12 = 20
Hill City 0-0 6-0 = 6

Tackles, Assists
Terry Shrader 11-4
Ian Vincent 10-4
Hunter Chandler 7-2
Jordan Baird 5-6
Phillip Compton 5-2
Tyson Callaway 3-5
Dallas Stillion 1-3
Alex Tharman 0-5
Jon Compton 0-3

Total Offense
Rushing — 232 yards
Passing — 9 yards
Total — 239 yards

Fumble Recoveries — 1, Alex Tharman

Seventh volleyball wins title

The Norton Junior High School 7th grade varsity volleyball girls took part in the Sept. 25 Hoxie Tournament and when it was all over the Norton girls came home as tourney champions!

Here are the results:
Match 1 vs. Oberlin Scores:
Norton 25 Oberlin 18
Norton 25 Oberlin 21
Team serving: 82 percent
Top servers: Katelyn Engelbert — 9/9, 2 aces; Bailey Ambrosier — 9/10, 4 aces; Kristen Burge — 9/10, 3 aces
Top hitter: Johnnye Ruder — 4 kills; Katelyn Engelbert — 3 kills

Top setter: Darcy Bainter — 3 assists; Johnnye Ruder — 2 assists
Digs: Darcy Bainter — 1

Match 2 vs. Hoxie scores:
Norton 26 Hoxie 24
Norton 25 Hoxie 22
Team serving: 86 percent
Top servers: Darcy Bainter, 18/18; Hannah Goss, 4/4
Top hitters: Katelyn Engelbert — 6 kills; Johnnye Ruder — 4 kills; Bailey Ambrosier — 3 kills
Top setter: Darcy Bainter — 8 assists
Digs: Hannah Goss — 3; Bailey Ambrosier — 2

Match 3 vs. Trego scores:
Norton 25 Trego 11
Norton 21 Trego 25
Norton 15 Trego 11
Team serving: 88 percent
Top servers: Kristen Burge — 12/12, 5 aces; Katelyn Engelbert — 8/8, 4 aces; Johnnye Ruder — 15/18, 12 aces
Top hitters: Darcy Bainter — 7 kills; Johnnye Ruder — 6 kills
Top setter: Johnnye Ruder — 8 assists
Blocks: Johnnye Ruder — 1

Match 4 vs. St. Francis scores:
Norton 25 St. Francis 14
Norton 25 St. Francis 9
Team serving: 86 percent
Top servers: Kristen Burge — 12/13, 6 aces; Johnnye Ruder — 16/18, 14 aces
Top hitters: Johnnye Ruder — 4 kills; Darcy Bainter — 3 kills
Top setters: Johnnye Ruder — 3 assists; Darcy Bainter and Katelyn Engelbert — 2 assists each
Coach Melissa McClain had this to say: "The 7th grade varsity chose a great time to play the best volleyball they have this season, and won the Hoxie Tournament by going undefeated because of their effort.

"The hard work they have put into practice the last couple of weeks really showed through improvements in their passing, serving, and transition off the net. They won this tournament by

playing as a team, under control, and setting the ball up to hit, which made them unstoppable.

"I am so proud of the way they persevered through 4 matches and never let up. They truly earned this championship."

NJHS 7th Grade Varsity Volleyball Results
Vs. Trego, Thursday, Sept. 25
Scores:
Norton 14 Trego 25
Norton 25 Trego 21
Norton 15 Trego 7
Team serving: 89 percent
Top servers: Darcy Bainter, 11/11, 6 aces; Katelyn Engelbert, 6/6, 2 aces; Kristen Burge, 15/16, 5 aces
Top hitters: Darcy Bainter, Johnnye Ruder, and Katelyn Engelbert — 2 kills each
Top passer: Johnnye Ruder, 3/4
Digs: Johnnye Ruder, 1
Coach Melissa McClain's comments:

"You could tell from the way the girls started this match, that they had not had a game in almost 2 weeks. They were a little timid and didn't want to make mistakes. By the middle of the second game, however, they decided they wanted to win and they worked hard to make it happen. Kristen Burge and Darcy Bainter did an amazing job serving when we needed to get on a run and they didn't let time-outs and substitutions rattle them. I was very proud of the way the girls pulled out this win."

7th JV volleyball
7th JV loses to Phillipsburg
Game 1: (8th JV)
Game 2: Loss 9-15
Game 3: (8th JV)
Team Serving: 42 percent
Serving Percentages:
Jordyn Gosselin 0/2 0 percent
Hannah Goss 3/3 100 percent
Desiray Skrdlant 2/3 67 percent
Megan Manel 3/3 100 percent
Cristine Nelson 5/6 83 percent
Rickelle Green 1/2 50 percent
Jessica White 1/2 50 percent
Aces:
Cristine Nelson with 4; Desiray Skrdlant, Hannah Goss, and Jessica White with 1 each.
Coach's comments:
The 7th have been working hard in practices and are improving each day. At times the girls played as a team and I know we will see more of this kind of play as the season continues."

Landon on the loose



Norton junior wide receiver Landon Hamel eluded a St. Francis defender for a 10-yard pass reception from quarterback Connor Pfannenstiel during the Blue Jays' homecoming win over the Indians Friday night. Hamel had a career receiving night, catching three passes for 104 total yards.

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