

# Runners place second in Lakeside invite

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The Norton Community High School girls and boys varsity cross country teams each placed second in their divisions in the Lakeside Invitational on Thursday in Downs.

"The Lakeside meet included the invitational meet and three league meets so there were a lot of runners," said Norton head coach Tom Hehn.

"Most of the teams were ones we hadn't seen before. We had a chance to run against some of the better 3A schools.

"Both of our teams performed much better than I had hoped.

"Kegan Vanover ran well enough in the junior varsity race to move up to varsity for the re-

gional meet.

"If everyone is healthy, we should do well at Cimarron on Saturday."

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## Girls

Southeast of Saline won the girls championship with 47 points, followed by Norton, 68; Belleville, 73; Sacred Heart of Salina, 104; Osborne, 119; Lincoln, 132; Ellsworth, 145; Pike Valley, 206.

Individual runners competed from Beloit, Lakeside, Minneapolis, Natoma, Phillipsburg, Quivira Heights, Rock Hills, Southern Cloud, Stockton, Sylvan Unified and Tipton.

Norton's Laura Lee Baird continued to run well and earned the gold medal with an excellent time of 16 minutes flat. She was fol-

lowed by KaraJo Jones, seventh in 17:10; Abby Bainter, 17th in 17:42; Taylor Rossi, 26th in 18:17 and Kaylen Rossi, 36th in 18:41.

Other top ten finishers were: Rachel Renken, Lakin, second, 16:20; Ally Balderston, Sacred Heart, third, 16:26; Shanae Porter, Beloit, fourth, 16:55; Sarah Faerber, Sacred Heart, fifth, 17:00; Jaclyn Sheets, Belleville, sixth, 17:06; Kim Mealiff, Beloit, eighth, 18:21; Kylee Gragg, Minneapolis, ninth, 17:12; Sadie Roesner, Southeast of Saline, tenth, 17:13.

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## Boys

Southeast of Saline also won the boys championship with a score of 57, followed by Norton, 72; Ellsworth, 90; Minneapo-

lis, 102; Sacred Heart of Salina, 105; Belleville, 120; Beloit, 160; Osborne, 184; Rock Hills, 241; Tescott, 262.

Individual runners competed from Lakeside, Lincoln, Natoma, Phillipsburg, Pike Valley, Quivira Heights, Smith Center, Southern Cloud, Stockton, Sylvan Unified, Tipton and Victoria.

The Blue Jays' Zach Bainter won the silver medal with a clocking of 17:30. Zach Hartwell ran second fastest for Norton, placing 13th in 18:40. He was followed by Troy Bainter, 22nd in 19:17; Chris Maddy, 27th in 19:33 and Bryan Henry, 34th in 20:06.

Also running for the Norton varsity and their places and times were: Zach Porter, 69th in 21:44 and Josh Gallentine, 75th in

22:15.

Other top ten finishers were: Drake Reynolds, Smith Center, first, 17:15; Max McClure, Southeast of Saline, third, 17:51; Dillon Hackett, Minneapolis, fourth, 18:02; James Farris, Lincoln, fifth, 18:03; Jimmy Phitts, Belleville, sixth, 18:12; Jordan Dahlke, Quivira Heights, seventh, 18:19; Andrew Gasper, Tipton, eighth, 18:20; Garrett Daugherty, Minneapolis, ninth, 18:21 and Trask Engel, Southeast of Saline, tenth, 18:25.

Norton placed third in the junior varsity boys race. Belleville was the winner with 48, followed by Phillipsburg, 53; Norton, 61; Sacred Heart, 95; Osborne, 102; Beloit, 124.

The Blue Jays' Kegan Vanover

placed sixth with a time of 21:31. Adam Myers finished in tenth with a time of 21:51. Cole Archer placed 21st in 23:02, Matt Miller was 33rd in 24:25, Grant McClymont finished 37th in 24:50 and Casey Robison 46th in 26:25.

## Next action

The Norton cross country teams will compete this Saturday in the Class 3A Regional Meet in Cimarron.

The girls will run at 2 p.m. and the boys at 2:45 p.m.

The top three girls and boys teams and top 10 individual runners including the top five individuals from non-qualifying teams will qualify for the state meet a week from Saturday in Wamego.

# Husky volleyball team turns in fine performances

The Northern Valley volleyball Lady Huskies traveled to Stockton for a quad where they also played league foes Western Plains and Thunder Ridge as well as host Stockton.

"We started off the day with ever tough Western Plains and took off with great intensity as we won 25-11. Then as we tend to do we relaxed and allowed the Bobcats to have their fun and defeated us 26-28 before we won the final game 25-18," said coach Chuck Zimmerman.

The second match had the Huskies playing Thunder Ridge. "We kept our intensity throughout this match as we won in two to continue our league dominance of not being defeated by a league team. We hope to continue that streak during the conference tournament," he said.

"In our final match we played Stockton and did lose in two with our girls coming up against a taller

team that did attack to keep us off balance. But, that was our fault as we gave the Tigers too many free balls that they converted into their attacks. So give credit to the Stockton team as they took what we gave them and turned it into something positive for them," the coach said.

The Junior Varsity also played on this date as they took on the Longhorns and the Tigers and won both.

"These young ladies have improved greatly over the season, as we needed them to do. They started off slowly as they were learning the differences of playing high school volleyball and have become a very important part of our varsity team. Without our freshmen and their contributions on the varsity team we would not be where we are at this point in the season," coach Zimmerman said.

The junior varsity team finished by winning 7 of their last 9

matches, "quite a feat for a group that does not have a player taller than 5'5" and they play an attacking brand of volleyball," he explained.

The next competitions are the conference tournament in Agra and Kensington, plus the Regional tournament to be held in Palco this year.

"We are seeded #1 in both tournaments, but, as we all know you must prove your #1 rating on the court. That will be our challenge this final week as we hope to make it a step further this season than we did last," he said.

The Lady Huskies finished the regular season with the conference tournament where they played in Agra against Palco, Logan and Western Plains, then traveled to Kensington for the final match against Thunder Ridge.

Coach Zimmerman said: "To say we had a good day would be an understatement. In

the world of volleyball we had a great day as the whole team served well missing very few on the day. We passed extremely well which led to great sets for the hitters to attack and put down on our opponents' court.

"Staci Dole and Megan Cole stood out as top servers as they put together some strings where the opponents had trouble returning their serves plus they got their serves in which allowed our offense to do its job of attacking.

"Passing was the key ingredient to this day. Led by Hannah Hawks, our team made excellent passes all day. Melissa Hawks and Dole were on target also while Megan Cole did herself proud with many great passes and saves.

"Christina Anderson was the beneficiary to these passes as there were times she did not have to move to get to the ball, she just had to set it and she set it well. But, more importantly Anderson has

become a very good scrambler, as have all our players, as we have developed a knack for keeping the ball off the floor with emergency kits when they are called for. This keeps the ball alive so that we will be able to attack it if the opponent sends it back."

The coach said hitters, led by Alison Cole, had a terrific day. "Our league opponents had very few answers to Cole's hits plus our other hitters have 'come of age.' We were missing our second leading hitter, Karen Wenzl, but our sophomore Kenzi Chandler, along with freshmen Katie Stillion and Ashley Constable, have had two very fine weeks where all that we have been teaching them this season has started to develop and that just gives us a more balanced attack, as teams now cannot concentrate on stopping Alison as Anderson will set one of the others and our opponents are out of position to block which is great for us," the coach said.

"To round out our team on this day were our very valuable reserves, Cassie Field and Kelsey Rayburn. These young ladies come in at a moment's notice and perform their tasks under pressure without flinching.

"Again, we had a great day. A long day but we did what we needed to do and that was make it as short a playing day as possible and we did that by defeating all our opponents in two — Palco 25-18, 25-8, Logan 25-9, 25-9, Western Plains 25-20, 25-22 and for the championship Thunder Ridge 25-17, 25-21," he said.

"The team thanks the fans who traveled on this day to support us. We hope you enjoyed the day as much as we enjoyed playing. As has been mentioned before a fan stated that when these girls are on they are fun to watch — well I believe on this Saturday, this final day of the regular season — they were fun to watch." he concluded.

## Northern Valley on short end of football score

Golden Plains came away with the gold in its Friday night (Oct. 17) home football battle with the Huskies of Northern Valley. When the final second came, the scoreboard had the home team with 34 points and the visitors with 16.

**By quarters**  
Northern Valley 0-8-0-8 = 16  
Golden Plains 6-6-14-8 = 34

**Team statistics**  
The Huskies rolled up 175 yards on the ground on 39 carries and Golden Plains 264 yards on 59 carries. In the air, Northern Valley tossed 7, completed 21 for 54 yards for a total offense of 229 yards. Golden Plains threw 10 passes, completed 7 for 65 yards for a total offensive output of 329 yards.

The Huskies picked up 9 first downs vs. 12 for Golden Plains. Northern Valley was flagged 10 times for 68 yards and Golden Plains 10 times for 75 yards.

The Huskies fumbled 3 times and lost 1, Golden Plains 5 times and lost 1. The Huskies punted 7 times for 223 yards, Golden Plains 3 for 111 yards.

**Huskies individual scoring**  
2nd quarter — Drew Eagleburger was on the receiving end of a 10-yard pass from Dusty Eagleburger; PAT Callaway pass from Dusty Eagleburger.

4th quarter — Dusty Eagleburger scored on a 4-yard run; PAT run by Dusty Eagleburger.

**Individual statistics**  
Rushing — Drew Eagleburger,

1 carry, 2 yards, 2.0 average; Jeffries, 10/46/4.6; Dusty Eagleburger, 15/113/7.5; Gallentine, 8/29/3.6; Hays, 3/0/0.

Passing — Dusty Eagleburger, 20 attempts, 7 completions, 54 yards, 1 TD; Herman, 1/0.

Pass Receiving — Hays, 4 for 31 yards, 0 TD; Drew Eagleburger, 2/20/1; Callaway, 1/3/0.

Punts — Drew Eagleburger, 7 for 223 yards for a 31.9 average. Kicks Off — Gallentine, 3 for 117 yards, 39.0 average.

Kick Off Returns — Jeffries, 2 for 73 yards, 36.5 average; Hays, 3 for 31 yards, 10.3 average.

Tackles (solo, assists, total) — Herman, 1-0-1; McMillin, 4-3-7; Jeffries, 9-3-12; Callaway, 6-2-8; Gallentine, 7-2-9; Hays, 6-2-8;

Drew Eagleburger, 20-8-28; Graham, 2-3-5; Woodside, 8-13-21; Hogan, 0-2-2; Gehrke, 2-2-4.

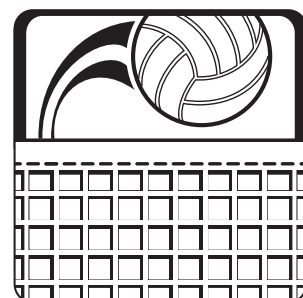
The Huskies will be on the road to Grainfield Friday night. Game time for the Cheyenne Conference kick off is 7 p.m.

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