

Championship victory in Holiday Classic

By DICK BOYD
nortontelegram@nwkansas.com

Coach Bill Johnson's Norton Community High School wrestling team completed the 2008 year with an impressive championship victory in the tough Holiday Classic Wrestling Tournament on Saturday in Goodland.

Competing in the dual tournament, in addition to Norton and Goodland, were teams from Scott City, Dodge City, Wichita County, Burlington, Hugoton, Hoxie, Garden City, Buhler, Pratt and Ulysses.

Teams battled it out in three pools to determine matchups for final placing. Norton was in a pool with Burlington, Hugoton and Hoxie. The Blue Jays set the stage for the finals by powering to a 3-0 record in their pool. They defeated Hoxie 66-9, Hugoton 47-22 and Burlington 50-27.

Goodland and Garden City won the other pools so they were matched up in duals with Norton to decide the championship. Norton took on an outstanding Goodland team first and defeated the Cowboys 40-24, then had to come from behind to edge an excellent Garden City squad 33-31 to win the team championship!

Final team placings were: Norton, Goodland, Garden City, Scott City, Burlington, Ulysses, Dodge City, Hugoton, Pratt, Buhler, Hoxie, Wichita County.

"I'm excited about our overall performance," said coach Johnson. "We overcame some adversity, especially in the Garden City dual. We had to alter our lineup a little but our guys responded and were able to get a victory.

"After the 140 pound match, which is halfway through the match, we were down 23-9. Then we won 5 of the last 7 matches to win the dual and the championship. It all came down to the heavyweight match. We moved Jordan Bebb up to heavyweight and he pinned his opponent in 41 seconds to secure the victory!

"We also wrestled extremely well in our win over Goodland.

"This is a tough tournament. We haven't won it since 2004. We see a lot of teams in this tournament that we don't get to wrestle during the season.

"I was so proud of our wrestlers stepping up individually when needed at various weights to help out the team. That brings out the team aspect of the sport.

"The fact that we have a very young team this year makes this win even more special."

For his outstanding performance in the tournament, coach Johnson awarded the "Wrestler of the Week" award to sophomore \ 145 pound wrestler Kaid McKenna. "Kaid had an outstanding tournament," said coach Johnson. "He pinned four opponents and defeated another by a technical fall. Kaid gave up just four points in the entire tournament."

Sophomore Billy Broeckelman, 119 pound wrestler for the Blue Jays, also received a special award for the fastest fall of the tournament! Billy pinned an opponent in just 11 seconds!

The vote by team coaches for the "Outstanding Wrestler" of the tournament ended in a tie between Joey Dozier, Garden City, 140 and Keegan Smith, Goodland, 152.

Norton compiled an outstanding 45-22 won-loss record and had a pin ratio of 21-8.

Ending the day with perfect 5-0 records were sophomore Troy Bainter, 112; sophomore Landon Keiswetter, 135; sophomore Kaid McKenna, 145 and senior Matt Stanley, 160.

Compiling 4-1 records were sophomore Billy Broeckelman, 119; junior Zane Perez, 152 and senior Jordan Bebb, 215 and 285.

Finishing the tournament with 3-2 records were sophomore Brett Terrell, 125 and sophomore Spencer Shirk, 140.

Ending with 2-3 marks were junior Connor Pfanenstiel, 130 and senior Brock Lauer, 171.

Junior Tyler Cook was 1-3 at 189, junior Robert Derauf was 1-0 at 285 and freshman R.J. Ellis was 0-5.

Norton 66, Hoxie 9

103 - R.J. Ellis lost a 5-2 decision to Drew Jones

112 - Troy Bainter won by forfeit

119 - Billy Broeckelman pinned Chris Heim in :11

125 - Brett Terrell pinned Donovan Schamberger in 2:38

130 - Connor Pfanenstiel pinned Colton Spresser

135 - Landon Keiswetter won by forfeit

140 - Spencer Shirk won a 6-4 decision over Cayle Taylor

145 - Kaid McKenna pinned Dylan Bainter in 3:46

152 - Zane Perez won a 4-1 decision over Clayton Schamberger

160 - Matt Stanley won by

forfeit

171 - Brock Lauer won by forfeit

189 - Tyler Cook won by forfeit

215 - Jordan Bebb won by forfeit

285 - Norton forfeited to Dillon Salmans

Norton 47, Hugoton 22

103 - R.J. Ellis lost a 13-2 major decision to Logan Livengood

112 - Troy Bainter won by forfeit

119 - Billy Broeckelman pinned Eric Knox in 1:16

125 - Brett Terrell won a 16-0 technical fall over Tyler McBride

130 - Connor Pfanenstiel lost a 7-3 decision to Derek Schnittker

135 - Landon Keiswetter pinned Russell Gurerro in 1:31

140 - Spencer Shirk lost a 7-4 decision to Cody Hill

145 - Kaid McKenna pinned Gage Soderlund in 1:09

152 - Zane Perez won by forfeit

160 - Matt Stanley pinned Ty Haller in 1:11

171 - Brock Lauer lost a 7-5 decision to Joel Livengood

189 - Tyler Cook lost a 7-3 decision to Colton Lissalo

215 - Jordan Bebb pinned Bill Holcomb in 1:23

285 - Norton forfeited to Kolter Komlofsko

Norton 50, Burlington 27

103 - R.J. Ellis was pinned in :57 by Miguel Torres

112 - Troy Bainter pinned Zach Kinder in :48

119 - Billy Broeckelman won by forfeit

125 - Brett Terrell was pinned in 1:23 by Bon Kinder

130 - Connor Pfanenstiel lost a 4-2 decision to Justin Korbelik

135 - Landon Keiswetter pinned David Bunch in 3:33

140 - Spencer Shirk pinned Trenton Rico in :58

145 - Kaid McKenna won a technical fall over Brok Rhoades

152 - Zane Perez won by forfeit

160 - Matt Stanley won by forfeit

171 - Brock Lauer pinned Cole Briegel in :49

189 - Tyler Cook was pinned in 3:42 by Michael Slatterly

215 - Jordan Bebb was pinned in 5:29 by Isaiah Churchwell

285 - Robert Derauf won a 2-0 decision over Cameron Beck

Norton 40, Goodland 24

103 - R.J. Ellis was pinned in 1:22 by Austin Avelar

112 - Troy Bainter pinned Ty

Thompson in :56

119 - Billy Broeckelman won an 18-4 major decision over Seth Miller

125 - Brett Terrell won a 3-2 decision over Kade Sheldon

130 - Connor Pfanenstiel won a 7-5 decision over Christopher Bustillos

135 - Landon Keiswetter pinned Kayler Rietcheck in 3:42

140 - Spencer Shirk pinned Hector Sarinana in 2:50

145 - Kaid McKenna pinned Lorenzo Delgado in 3:44

152 - Zane Perez lost a 5-3 overtime decision to Keegan Smith

160 - Matt Stanley won an 8-4 decision over Vance Johnson

171 - Brock Lauer lost a 3-2 decision to Ryan Taylor

189 - Tyler Cook was pinned in 5:33 by Fernando Martinez

215 - Jordan Bebb won a 6-2 decision over Tanner Oharah

285 - Norton forfeited to Cameron Beck

Norton 33, Garden City 31

103 - R.J. Ellis lost a 12-1 major decision to Anthony Calderon

112 - Troy Bainter pinned Juan Hernandez

119 - Billy Broeckelman lost a 6-4 overtime decision to Aaron Aguiano

125 - Brett Terrell was pinned by Lane Greenlee

130 - Connor Pfanenstiel lost a 12-4 major decision to Braxton Medina

135 - Landon Keiswetter won a 9-6 decision over Jonathon Heiman

140 - Spencer Shirk was pinned in 4:25 by Joey Dozier

145 - Kaid McKenna pinned Eddy Gomez in 3:45

152 - Zane Perez won a 3-1 decision over Anthony Shockley

160 - Matt Stanley won a 3-1 decision over Aaron DeLeon

171 - Brock Lauer lost a 7-6 decision to Dane Meyers

189 - Casey Robison was pinned in 3:22 by Mitch Beam

215 - Tyler Cook won by a forfeit

285 - Jordan Bebb pinned Chance Blalock in :41

Next action

Next wrestling action for Norton will be in the new year when the Blue Jays wrestle Mill Valley in a dual in Stull Gymnasium on Friday, Jan. 9, beginning at 6 p.m.

The annual J.R. Durham Invitational will be held the next day, Saturday, Jan. 10 in Stull Gymnasium, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

JV wrestlers place third

By DICK BOYD
nortontelegram@nwkansas.com

The Norton Community High School junior varsity wrestling team placed third in the varsity Alma Invitational Wrestling Tournament on Saturday, Dec. 6.

All eight Blue Jay wrestlers placed in the tournament.

Kearney Catholic won the championship with 173 points, followed by Hitchcock Co. Wauneta-Palisade, 137; Norton JV, 111.5; Eustis-Farnam, 55; Alma, 48; Wilcox-Hildreth, 40; Pleasanton, 29; Overton, 19; Loomis/Bertrand, 13.

Norton sophomore Landon "Tug" Keiswetter won the championship of the 145 pound class and was named "Junior Varsity Wrestler of the Week".

Also winning gold medals for Norton were freshman Cayleb Campbell, 152 and junior Tyler Cook, 189.

Justin Waggoner, 125 pound freshman, placed second at 125. Rylee Stanley, 140 pound sophomore and Casey Robison, 171 pound junior, each placed third.

Earning fourth place finishes were 103 pound sophomore Taylor Gordon and 135 pound freshman Trey Millan.

"It was a good start for the season with all eight of our wrestlers placing and our team finishing a respectable third," said Norton assistant coach Shane Miller. "It was good to see "Tug", Cayleb and Tyler wrestle their way to a tournament championship.

"Tug" dominated the competition with a tech fall in the semi-final round and an impressive 18-4 decision in the finals.

His steady dose of take-downs and turns proved to be too much for the competition.

"Cayleb showed a lot of determination with a come-from-behind win over the No. 1 seed and fall over an opponent in the finals.

"At 189, Tyler recorded a fall in his semi-finals match and came out strong in the finals, hitting two takedowns in the first period and holding

onto a 6-3 victory. "Rylee and Casey put together a good tournament as well.

"Each competed stronger as the tournament went on and went 3-1 for the day."

Individual results

Taylor Gordon drew a first round bye at 103, was pinned in :23 by Bryce Foutch, Kearney Catholic, drew another bye, then was pinned in 3:16 by Lukas Cox, Alma, to place fourth.

At 125, a round robin was held. Justin Waggoner placed second to M. Rogers, Kearney Catholic.

Trey Millan was pinned in 5:54 by John Leahy, Hitchcock Co., in their 135 pound opening match; pinned Amanda Tapia-Casados, UNA, in :53; pinned Garrett Kolling, Alma, in 4:13 and lost a 14-4 major decision to Leahy in their second meeting to place fourth.

At 140, Rylee Stanley pinned Michael Zern, Overton, in 1:48; was pinned in 3:50 by Scott Matson, Kearney Catholic; pinned Lukas Mills, Pleasanton, in 3:51 and pinned Anthony Donovan, UNA, in :47 to place third.

Landon Keiswetter won an 18-2 tech fall over Christian Sullivent, UNA, in 3:15, then won an 18-4 major decision over Cody Fanning, Hitchcock Co., to win the championship.

At 152, Cayleb Campbell pinned Trey Colburn, Overton, in 2:18; pinned Colten Penny, Wilcox-Hildreth, in 2:24 and pinned Myles West, Hitchcock Co., in 3:58 to win the championship.

Casey Robison pinned Colby Skelton, Hitchcock Co., in 4:36 of their 171 pound first round match. Next, Casey suffered an 18-3 tech fall to Eric Kohl, Eustis-Farnam, in 5:31.

Then, Casey won a 10-1 major decision over Trevor Sparks, Kearney Catholic, and decided Vincent White, Loomis/Bertrand, 9-6 to place third.

At 189, Tyler Cook pinned Brandon Jerred, Overton and decided Junior Miller, Pleasanton, 6-3, to win the round robin.

Merry Christmas to you and your families!

Nobody covers the Blue Jays like we do!

In Time For The Holidays

www.louisiana-grills.com

LOUISIANA GRILLS

WOOD PELLET GRILLS

Sear - Barbecue - Smoke - Grill - Roast - Bake

CS 450 CS 680 CS 570

Savor the Flavor!

FEATURES: "Convective Cooking" - (Combustion Fan Forced); 300 Watt Electric Auto Igniter - (Temp/Smoking Controls); 14 Gauge Steel Construction

BENEFITS: Eliminates the need for a rotisserie; Even cooking temperatures; Retains natural juices; Easy operation: Push button start. No more messy starters!; Full range temp. control, **200-600F** output; No preset heat outputs; Increased durability and heat retention; Wheels and leveler posts adjust for flat, even cooking conditions

We Have Pellets In Stock

Winchells Inc.

SOUTH HWY. 183 - PHILLIPSBURG, KS
785-543-2118

Black Motor Co.

Never Back Down From A Challenge!
ALL NEW DODGE RAM

2009 JOURNEY SXT ALL NEW "CROSSOVER" FROM DODGE

BLACK MOTOR COMPANY

305 S. EAST AVE, Holdrege, NE
888-966-0572

<p>2001 Ram 2500 HD, Quad Cab (SWB) 4x4, SLT, 5.9L H/O, c-dsl</p>  <p>6spd, blue book \$16,055</p> <p>\$14,995</p>	<p>04 Ford F150 XLT, 4x4 super crew, 5.4L</p>  <p>Triton V8</p> <p>\$13,495</p>	<p>2005 GMC Sierra K2500 SLE ext cab, 4x4, auto, air</p>  <p>tilt, cruise, alloy wheels</p> <p>\$17,995</p>	<p>2005 Chrysler Pacifica AWD Touring pkg, 46k, local</p>  <p>leather, loaded</p> <p>\$15,495</p>	<p>2006 Chrysler Town & Country Touring V6, auto, air, tilt, cruise</p>  <p>cloth, Stow-N-Go</p> <p>\$15,995</p>
<p>2004 Chry PT Cruiser Limited loaded, leather, one owner</p>  <p>2.4L 4cyl, blue book \$10,150</p> <p>\$8,995</p>	<p>2005 Chrysler Sebring 2.4 4cyl, auto, air, tilt, cruise</p>  <p>CD, keyless, cloth</p> <p>\$10,495</p>	<p>2003 Dodge Grand Caravan ES AWD 3.8 V6, auto, air, tilt, cruise</p>  <p>leather heated seating, DVD</p> <p>\$11,950</p>	<p>2008 Dodge Avenger SXT 2.4 4cyl, auto, air, tilt, cruise</p>  <p>CD, Sirius Sat. Radio, blue</p> <p>\$15,495</p>	<p>2008 Dodge Avenger SXT 2.4 4cyl, auto, air, tilt, cruise</p>  <p>CD, Sirius Sat. Radio, blue</p> <p>\$15,495</p>
<p>2007 Dodge Caliber SXT 2.0 4cyl, auto, A/C, tilt, cruise</p>  <p>keyless, entry CD, rear wiper</p> <p>\$13,495</p>	<p>2005 Chrysler Sebring 2.7 V6, auto, air, tilt, cruise</p>  <p>CD, keyless, cloth</p> <p>\$10,495</p>	<p>2004 Chrysler 300 M Special 3.5, V6, auto, air, tilt, cruise</p>  <p>leather, keyless, 6 disc CD</p> <p>\$14,495</p>	<p>2004 Pontiac Grand AM GT auto, air, tilt, cruise</p>  <p>power windows & locks, CD</p> <p>\$7,995</p>	<p>2007 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo 4x4 3.7 V6, auto, air, tilt, cruise</p>  <p>cruise, pw/pl</p> <p>\$15,495</p>