



Jace Ruder edged Tyus Henson to win the 9 to 10 year old boys 100 meter dash during the Kids Fun Day in Norton. Henson outran Ruder in the 400 meter dash but Ruder got his second gold medal with a win in the 200 meter dash. Henson picked up another gold in the long jump.

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Shayd Dix, right, won so easily in his heat of the 100 meter dash in the 7 to 8 year old boys division of the Kids Fun Day in Norton that, after crossing the finish line, he looked back to see what happened to everyone else!

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182 youngsters compete in annual Fun Day

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A total of 182 girls and boys from kindergarten through sixth grade competed in the annual Youth Track & Field Fun Day sponsored by the Norton Recreation Commission at Travis Field on the Jep Byrum Track on Saturday, May 9 in Norton.

The young athletes competed in the long jump, softball throw, shot put, base running, 1600 meter run, 50 meter hurdles, 400 meter dash, 50 meter dash, 100 meter dash, 800 meter run, 400 meter relay and the 200 meter dash.

5 and 6 Year Old Boys

50 Meter Dash -- Jonah Ruder, 10.46; Graeme Raburn, 11.09; Kolton Field, 11.87; Coy Kinderknecht, 12.68; Jacob Seaman, 13.50; 100 Meter Dash -- Jonah Ruder, 19.34; Tharen Cox, 19.46; Gavin Sproul, 20.78; Alex Olliff, 23.01; Bailey Sides, 25.71; Jacob Seaman, 28.20; 200 Meter Dash -- Ryan Schrum, 44.34; Alex Olliff, 46.96; Trent Moeckel, 48.03; Jonny Burger, 51.81; Softball Throw -- Jonah Ruder, 62'8"; Gavin Sproul, 61'3"; Trent Moeckel, 53'11"; Tharen Cox, 49'11"; Ryan Schrum, 40'1"; Graeme Raburn, 38'11"; Running Long Jump -- Tharen Cox, 6'8"; Bailey Sides, 3'10"; Kolton Field, 3'9"; Jonny Burger, 3'9"; Coy Kinderknecht, 2'11"; Base Running -- Gavin Sproul, 17.33; Ryan Schrum, 17.43; Trent Moeckel, 17.90; Jonny Burger, 19.81; Graeme Raburn, 19.59; Kolton Field, 20.64.

7 and 8 Year Old Boys

50 Meter Dash -- Chris Lowry, 8.71; Shayd Dicks, 9.68; Zach McKinley, 9.71; Robbie Wagoner,

9.75; Nicholas Ellinger, 9.87; Camdyn Unterseher, 10.06; 100 Meter Dash -- Chris Lowry, 16.43; Hayden Wiltfong, 16.59; Riley Sides, 16.60; Connor Haresnape, 18.37; Shayd Dicks, 18.59; Kade Melvin, 18.78; 400 Meter Dash -- Hayden Wiltfong, 1:19.78; Nick Stutsman, 1:27.84; Connor Haresnape, 1:29.09; Tucker Pfannestiel, 1:29.34; Shayd Dicks, 1:41.46; Judson Wiltfong, 1:45.00; 800 Meter Run -- Riley Sides, 3:14.37; Carter Jones, 3:31.19; Tucker Gosselin, 3:47.37; 200 Meter Dash -- Hayden Wiltfong, 40.28; 4 x 100 Meter Relay -- Lowry, Sides, Cole, Stutsman, 1:10.75; Melvin, Richmond, Pfannestiel, Jones, 1:16.21; Running Long Jump -- Ross Cole, 10'1"; Chance Kinderknecht, 7'3.5"; Camdyn Unterseher, 7'11"; Nicholas Davis, 6'10"; Raye Kasson, 6'9"; Aiden Baird, 6'4"; Softball Throw -- Alec White, 79'4"; Judson Wiltfong, 78'3"; Nicholas Davis, 74'10"; Raye Kasson, 72'8"; Aiden Baird, 72'1"; Kade Melvin, 71'11"; shotput -- Judson Wiltfong, 14'11"; Alex Howe, 12'7.5"; Weston Hayes, 10'5".

9 and 10 Year Old Boys

50 Meter Dash -- Braden Juene-mann, 7.65; Ward Hayes, 7.90; Tevin Petrie, 8.06; Kade Unterseher, 8.43; Mark Coomes, 8.46; Ryan Johnson, 8.56; 100 Meter Dash -- Jace Ruder, 15.43; Tyus Henson, 15.50; Ethan Feik, 16.03; Braden Juene-mann, 16.03; Mark Coomes, 16.37; Jacob Green, 16.81; 1600 Meter Run -- Nate Hartwell, 6:37.81; 400 Meter

Dash -- Tyus Henson, 1:13.84; Jace Ruder, 1:17.37; Ethan Feik, 1:20.75; Trenton Wright, 1:32.15; Kirk Coomes, 1:35.12; Ryan Johnson, 1:35.12; 800 Meter Run -- Ward Hayes, 3:08.81; Ethan Feik, 3:18.52; Nate Hartwell, 3:19.50; 200 Meter Dash -- Jace Ruder, 33.06; Ward Hayes, 33.37; Braden Juene-mann, 34.12; Tevin Petrie, 34.62; Mark Coomes, 34.65; Mitchell Hickman, 39.00; Softball Throw -- Jacob Green, 122'8"; Landon Porter, 109"; Trenton Wright, 101'4"; Kirk Coomes, 100"; Damian Wellman, 93'7"; Matt Vacura, 86'9"; Running Long Jump -- Tyus Henson, 11'1.5"; Ryan Johnson, 10'3.5"; Tevin Petrie, 10'1"; Kirk Coomes, 9'6"; Trenton Wright, 8'10.5"; Keegan Smith, 8'6.5"; Shot Put -- Jacob Green, 25'5"; Matt Vacura, 20'11.5; Justis Posson, 17'11"; Adam Baughman, 17'5.5"; Kade Unterseher, 17'4.5"; Owen Braun, 14'5".

11-13 Year Old Boys

50 Meter Hurdles -- Clinton Cole, 9.81; Lance Ford, 12.20; 50 Meter Dash -- Sam Sage, 7.59; Kobie Unterseher, 8.06; Mike Kasson, 8.96; Luke Keilig, 8.97; 100 Meter Dash -- Eli Lowry, 14.00; Gavin Lively, 15.75; Quinton Porter, 16.59; 1600 Meter Run -- Quinton Porter, 7:06.15; 400 Meter Dash -- Matt Stutsman, 1:11.93; Connor Cox, 1:14.84; Jesse Courtain, 1:24.53; Philip Boutwell, 1:29.15; Chandler Sumner, 1:45.75; 800 Meter Run -- Matt Stutsman, 2:46.96; Connor Cox, 3:12.40; 200 Meter Dash -- Eli Lowry, 29.65; Connor Cox, 32.90; Gavin Lively, 33.25; Dalton Pfannestiel, 39.12; Softball Throw -- Clinton Cole, 148'7";

Luke Keilig, 147'9"; Kobie Unterseher, 114"; Mike Kasson, 110'10"; Jesse Courtain, 109'10"; Chandler Sumner, 96'1"; Running Long Jump -- Sam Sage, 13'3"; Matt Stutsman, 12'4"; Gavin Lively, 12'3"; Kobie Unterseher, 12'1"; Clinton Cole, 11'3"; Jesse Courtain, 10'3"; Shot Put -- Sam Sage, 28'6.25"; Eli Lowry, 27'8.5"; Luke Keilig, 24'9.5"; Chandler Sumner, 20'11"; Lance Ford, 18'.

5 and 6 Year Old Girls

50 Meter Dash -- Chloe Robison, 9.71; Addison Brooks, 9.96; Emma Krehbiel, 10.18; Shyann Railsback, 11.09; Althea Paxton, 11.37; Rachel Johns, 11.96; 100 Meter Dash -- Chloe Robison, 18.31; Tessa Hauser, 19.25; Hailey McKinley, 20.87; Hannah Bailey, 21.21; Dru Kasson, 22.25; Althea Paxton, 23.37; 200 Meter Dash -- Chloe Robison, 36.56; Tessa Hauser, 40.51; Hannah Bailey, 45.62; Hailey McKinley, 46.28; Emily Miller, 50.81; Rachel Johns, 52.96; Softball Throw -- Shyann Railsback, 33'6"; Tamika Peters, 32'1"; Emma Krehbiel, 32"; Gabriella VanLoenen, 27'5"; Dru Kasson, 25'1"; Kennedy Yeager, 22'5"; Running Long Jump -- Tessa Hauser, 6'11"; Emma Krehbiel, 6'10"; Courtney Jones, 5'5"; Kennedy Yeager, 5'5"; Hailey McKinley, 5'2.5"; Tamika Peters, 5'2"; Base Running -- Rachel Johns, 19.99; Tamika Peters, 20.04; Haleigh Mowery, 20.99; Autumn Harvey, 21.34; Kennedy Yeager, 22.27; Raela Blecha, 24.72.

7 and 8 Year Old Girls

50 Meter Dash -- Paige Baird, 9.06; Jasmine Covington, 9.21; Tanya Peters, 9.34; Samantha

Mulford, 9.87; Hadley Hauser, 9.96; Kailey Gill, 10.46; 100 Meter Dash -- Paige Baird, 16.87; Allison Engelbert, 17.24; Jasmine Covington, 18.31; Slayton Braun, 18.59; Tayli Ruesch, 18.68; Court-nie Wegand, 18.71; 400 Meter Dash -- Allison Engelbert, 1:34.62; Taryn Kuhn, 1:37.15; Slayton Braun, 1:37.68; Lea Morel, 1:41.40; Riley Stockman, 1:42.81; 200 Meter Dash -- Paige Baird, 35.25; Taryn Kuhn, 41.53; Riley Stockman, 41.71; Courtney Wegand, 42.68; Lea Morel, 43.03; 4 x 100 Meter Relay -- Addison Brooks, Courtney Jones, Dru Kasson, Olivia Carter, 1:26.12; Softball Throw -- Ashley Karnopp, 64'5"; Courtney Wegand, 63'1"; Jasmine Covington, 62'11"; Tanya Peters, 53'10"; Tayli Ruesch, 48'4"; Zoe Cox, 48"; Running Long Jump -- Allison Engelbert, 7'7"; Tayli Ruesch, 7'2"; Hadley Hauser, 7"; Zoe Cox, 6'6.5"; Slayton Braun, 6'5.25"; Sydney Kleinschmidt, 5'8"; Shot Put -- Ricole Blecha, 9'3"; Kimberly Padilla, 8'7.5"; Lena Shelton, 7'3"; Sierra Howe, 6'.

9 and 10 Year Old Girls

50 Meter Dash -- Kirstin Georgeson, 8.53; Madison Mathes, 8.93; Jena Risewick, 9.34; Lauren Wallgren, 9.36; Brianna Johns, 9.37; Kendra Zimmerman, 9.40; 100 Meter Dash -- Kirstin Georgeson, 16.09; Kara Frack, 16.15; Caitlyn Cox, 16.71; Jessica Ambrosier, 17.25; Lauren Wallgren, 18.06; Miah Melvin, 19.06; 1600 Meter Run -- Molly Maddy, 7:11.81; Shayla Glasgow, 9:08.46; 400 Meter Dash -- Kara Frack, 1:20.21; Caitlyn Cox, 1:24.62; Baylee Miller, 1:27.03; 800 meter Run -- Kirsten

Burger, 3:00.09; 200 Meter Dash -- Kirsten Burger, 34.37; Kara Frack, 36.03; Caitlyn Cox, 37.00; Brianna Johns, 39.06; Jessica Ambrosier, 39.37; Miah Melvin, 40.21; 4 x 100 Meter Relay, Wallgren, Wagner, Mathes, Paige Baird, 1:14.31; Softball Throw -- Lexi Voss, 102'1"; Baylee Miller, 99'5"; Molly Maddy, 94'9"; Shaelynn VanLoenen, 70'2"; Leamarie Edwards, 55'9"; Morgan Wagner, 50'6"; Running Long Jump -- Madison Mathes, 10'3.5"; Baylee Miller, 9'11.5"; Kirsten Burger, 9'10"; Jessica Ambrosier, 9'1"; Miah Melvin, 8'10"; Shayla Glasgow, 7'9"; Shot Put -- Lexi Voss, 17'3.5; Leamarie Edwards, 14'; Jena Risewick, 13'9"; Morgan Wagner, 11'10.5.

11-13 Year Old Girls

50 Meter Hurdles -- Lauren Mordecai, 12.11; 50 Meter Dash -- Talia Padilla, 8.59; Hanna Brooks, 8.65; Alexis Hartwell, 9.40; 100 Meter Dash -- Talia Padilla, 16.53; Hanna Brooks, 17.37; Audrie Burge, 17.93; Alex Hartwell, 18.84; Audrey Morel, 20.12; 400 Meter Dash -- Sierra Griffith, 1:26.43; Casey Ambrosier, 1:29.31; 800 Meter Run -- Peyton Renner, 3:23.06; 200 Meter Dash -- Casey Ambrosier, 33.43; 4 x 100 Meter Relay -- Georgeson, Maddy, Perez, Mordecai, 1:12.81; Hartwell, Brooks, Burge, Renner, 1:12.93; Softball Throw -- Morgan Farber, 140"; Sierra Griffith, 101'4"; Nicole Tacha, 99"; Peyton Renner, 94'7"; Audrie Burge, 78'9"; Valery Rostek, 71'10"; Running Long Jump -- Casey Ambrosier, 10'8.25"; Valery Rostek, 9'9"; Talia Padilla, 8'5.25"; Audrey Morel, 7'6.5"; Shot Put -- Morgan Farber, 23'2".

Blue Jay golfers place 7th in 3A Regional Tourney

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The Norton Community High School golf team placed seventh in the Class 3A Regional Tournament on Monday in Goodland and Blue Jay junior Marcus Herman qualified as No. 8 medalist for the Class 3A State Golf Championships on Tuesday in Wichita.

Herman shot a 42/42-84 to lead the Norton golfers. He was followed by junior Connor Pfannestiel, 42/47-89; junior J.D. Gall, 45/46-91 and senior Kyle Mindrup, 50/53-103.

Other Norton golfers and their scores were: sophomore Cole Archer, 58/50-108 and senior Logan Kelly, 57/55-112.

Lakin won the team championship with a 328, followed by Phillipsburg, 335; Goodland, 346; Southwestern Heights, 356; Holcomb, 361; Cimarron, 367; Norton, 367; Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays, 376.

Lakin and Phillipsburg qualified as teams for the state tournament along with the five medalist

golfers not on the Lakin or Phillipsburg teams.

Medalists were: Jeff Jarvis, Phillipsburg, 74; Trenton Spect, Southwestern Heights, 79; Julian Martinez, Lakin, 80; Tanner Berning, Lakin, 81; Mauricio Rosas, Thomas More Prep, 81; Chris

Ramos, Lakin, 82; Joel Weis, Goodland, 82; Marcus Herman, 84; Alex Jones, Lakin, 85; Corey Gleason, Cimarron, 85; Mark Harmon, Phillipsburg, 85.

In addition to the Lakin and Phillipsburg teams, Spect, Rosas, Weis and Gleason joined Herman

as individual state tournament qualifiers.

"As a team, this was one of our better performances of the season," said Norton head golf coach David Stover. "We improved

on our season average and our team score today was 18 strokes lower than what we shot earlier in the season in Goodland. We just weren't able to compete with two very quality Lakin and Phil-

lipsburg teams.

"Obviously, the highlight of the day for our Blue Jays was the play of Marcus Herman. Marcus put together a career-best round to earn a trip to the state championships."

Golfers 5th in league tournament

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The Norton Community High School golf team placed fifth in the Mid-Continent League Tournament which was played on Thursday, May 14 in Hill City.

Phillipsburg won the team championship with a 310, followed by Trego Community, 346; Plainville, 355; Smith Center, 361; Norton, 363; Hill City, 383; Stockton, 388; Osborne, 395.

Norton's two-man team placed fourth. Phillipsburg also won the two-man competition with a 145, followed by Plainville, 167; Smith Center, 171; Norton, 175; Stockton, 193; Trego Community, 195; Ellis, 204; Osborne, 214; Hill City, 242.

Playing for the Blue Jay two-man team and their scores were junior J.D. Gall, 44/40-84 and junior Connor Pfannestiel, 45/46-

91. Also playing two-man golf was junior Marcus Herman with a 44/48-92.

The Blue Jays' four-man team finished in fifth. Phillipsburg also won that competition with a 344, followed by Trego, 346; Hill City, 383; Plainville, 393; Norton, 403; Osborne, 405; Smith Center, 406; Stockton, 425.

Senior Logan Kelly was low scorer for Norton with a 46/50-96, followed by sophomore Cole Archer, 50/46-96; senior Kyle Mindrup, 51/52-103 and senior Jacob VanSkiel, 53/55-108. Also playing for Norton was senior Ashley Colip with a 54/55-109.

Norton's Gall was the No. 7 medalist. Individual medalists were: Jeff Jarvis, Phillipsburg, 71; Mark Harmon, Phillipsburg, 74; Ross Copeland, Plainville, 76; Alex Hobelman, Smith Center, 79; Brock Morgan, Phillipsburg,

81; Eric Cunningham, Trego, 82; J.D. Gall, 84; Chris Ceman, Phillipsburg, 84; Scott Pfannestiel, Trego, 86; Tanner Thompson, Phillipsburg, 87.

"We simply did not play as well as we are capable of playing," said Norton head golf coach David Stover.

"Having played well earlier in the season on the Hill City course, we had high expectations entering the tournament. Unfortunately, it was just not our day.

"Once again, Phillipsburg showed their overall team strength in sweeping all individual and team honors to win the league tournament for the fifth consecutive year.

"Leading the way for us was the continued steady performance of J.D. Gall, earning All-League status with his seventh place finish."



Blue Jay senior golfer Kyle Mindrup hit a chip shot onto the green.

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Logan Kelly, senior member of the Norton Community High School golf team, was in deep concentration as he putted the ball.

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Safety first this holiday break