

Blue Jays compete in the Goldsmith Relays

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The Norton Community High School girls track team tied for ninth and the Blue Jay boys thin-clads placed fourth out of 13 teams competing in the Goldsmith Relays on Friday in WaKeeney.

Winning the girls championship was Russell with 67 points, followed by Colby, 64; Trego Community, 58; Oakley, 58; Victoria, 56; Leoti, 51; Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays, 51; Plainville, 30; Norton, 28; Holcomb, 28; Ness City, 25; La Crosse, 24; Phillipsburg, 18.

Ness City won the boys championship with 112 points, followed by Russell, 88; La Crosse, 69; Norton, 53; Holcomb, 50; Victoria, 41; Colby, 40; Oakley, 30; Phillipsburg, 27; Plainville,

24; Thomas More Prep-Marian, 19; Leoti, 3; Trego Community, 2.

It was the largest meet in which Norton has competed all season plus the Blue Jay squads were smaller due to other schedule conflicts.

"It was a little bit cooler day and we had a 30-minute weather delay, so we learned a lot about ourselves during this track meet," said Norton head track and field coach Jason Jones.

"Some of our athletes set some new personal records with some awesome performances and we certainly did get better in some spots. However, we also let the size of the meet and some uncontrollable factors bother us a little. Hopefully, this experience will give us some valuable learning

and allow us to get these things worked out before we enter our championship season.

"We took a partial squad due to conflicting commitments and other previously scheduled opportunities for our young people so we knew we would not get some points that we normally do.

"We are, though, preparing to gear up for the push leading up to the league meet in a couple of weeks.

"In addition, because of the size of this meet, we had the opportunity to compete against some athletes who we hadn't seen yet this season and that is always fun.

"Overall, we handled our challenges well and competed hard against the entire field. We were pleased once again to see individual improvements and personal records in many areas and we hope to see that to continue!"

GIRLS

Freshman Alec Melvin won a bronze medal in the shot put with a personal best distance of 34'1". Freshman Teslee Nickell placed fifth with a heave of 33'1.5".

Melvin also placed fourth in the javelin with a throw of 96'7".

Also winning bronze medals for Norton was the 4 x 800 meter relay team of freshman Regan Simpson, sophomore Erin Terrell, freshman Kamilla Jones and junior Dustyna Sprigg. They were timed in 10:57.20.

Lady Jay freshman Kamilla Jones finished fourth in the pole vault with a 7'6" clearance. Freshmen Katherine Boteler and Juliana Millertied for sixth in the pole vault by clearing 7'.

Freshman Regan Simpson placed fourth in the 3200 meter run in 13:01.48. Freshman Julia Kent placed sixth in a personal record time of 13:29.25.

Distances and times of Norton girl athletes which did not place were: Alec Melvin, 90'7", 9th; Teslee Nickell, personal best 79'9", 18th, discus; Teslee Nickell, 82'11", 11th, javelin; Kamilla Jones, 13'10.5", 12th, long jump; Juliana Miller, 4'6", 9th, high jump; senior Hannah Waggoner, 13.31, 11th; freshman Katherine Boteler, personal best 14.36, 16th; Juliana Miller, 14.64, 20th, 100 meter dash; Hannah Waggoner, 28.23, 9th; Erin Terrell, 28.98, 13th, 200 meter dash; Erin Ter-



Norton junior Terrell Lane placed runner-up in the long jump in the Goldsmith Relays in WaKeeney on Friday by leaping 20'2". He also won a silver medal as part of the Blue Jay foursome in the 4 x 100 meter relay.

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Lady Jay freshman Alec Melvin heaved the shot a personal record distance of 34'1" to earn a bronze medal in the Goldsmith Relays in WaKeeney on Friday.

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rell, personal best 1:05.99, 8th; Dustyna Sprigg, 1:06.63, 10th; Hannah Waggoner, 1:08.35, 13th, 400 meter dash; Kamilla Jones, personal best 2:45.93, 8th, 800 meter run; Julia Kent, personal best 6:25.45, 10th, 1600 meter run; sophomore Abby Bainter, 14:18.33, 10th, 3200 meter run.

BOYS

Norton sprinter senior Ashton Draper had another good meet, earning gold, silver and bronze medals. He broke away from the crowd in the last 200 meters of the 400 meter dash to win that event in a personal record time of 50.46.

Ashton was a member of Norton's 4 x 100 meter relay team which placed second in 44.91. Running with him were senior Landon Hamel, senior Zane Perez and junior Terrell Lane. Ashton's bronze medal came in the 200 meter dash where he was timed in a personal record time of 22.96.

In addition to placing runner-up with the 4 x 100 meter relay team, Terrell Lane also won a silver medal in the long jump with a leap of 20'2" and finished fifth in the triple jump with a 39'2" distance.

Landon Hamel won the bronze

medal in the 300 meter hurdles with a clocking of 42.73.

Blue Jay junior Troy Bainter ran his best ever in the 1600 meter run to place fourth in 5:00.12.

Sophomore Bryan Henry finished fifth in the 400 meter dash with a personal best time of 53.08. He was also a member of the 4 x 400 meter relay team and the 4 x 800 meter relay team, both of whom finished fifth.

The 4 x 400 meter relay team was timed in 3:39.50 and running with Henry were Landon Hamel, Ashton Draper and sophomore Tye Nickell. The 4 x 800 meter relay team was timed in 9:01.06. Running with Henry were Nickell, sophomore Zach Hartwell and Troy Bainter.

Hartwell finished sixth in the 3200 meter run in 10:55.58.

Norton junior Ryan Blecha placed fifth in the shot put with a heave of 42'9.5".

Distances and times of Norton boys which did not place were: freshman Dalton Miller, 30'2", 23rd; freshman; Dylan Sprigg, 26'3", 31st, shot put; Ryan Blecha, 117', 11th; Dalton Miller, 101'6", 18th; Dylan Sprigg, 90'3", 25th, discus; Ryan Blecha, personal best 144'7", 7th; Dy-

lan Sprigg, 81'3", 27th; Dalton Miller, 77'10", 28th, javelin; Zane Perez, 16'8", 18th, long jump; junior Billy Broeckelman, personal best 12', 8th; freshman Carson McKenna, 10'6", 9th; Tye Nickell, NH, pole vault; Landon Hamel, personal best 11.62, 14th; freshman Jacob Brooks, personal best 11.71, 16th; Billy Broeckelman, personal best 11.86, 20th, 100 meter dash; Terrell Lane, 24.08, 9th; Jacob Brooks, personal best 24.52, 11th, 200 meter dash; Jacob Brooks, personal best 55.87, 15th, 400 meter dash; Zach Hartwell, 5:12.61, 7th; junior Kegan Vanover, 5:34.92, 17th, 1600 meter run; Troy Bainter, personal best 10:57.58, 7th; Kegan Vanover, 12:10.27, 14th, 3200 meter run.

Next action

The Norton girls and boys varsity track and field teams will compete today in the 42nd annual Oberlin Invitational Track Meet. Field events will begin at 2:45 p.m. with running events set to begin at 4:15. Competing in addition to Norton and Oberlin will be teams from Goodland, Hoxie, Oakley, Phillipsburg, Atwood, St. Francis, Smith Center, Weskan and Southwest, Neb.

JV golf team wins Smith Center JV Invitational

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The Norton Community High School junior varsity golf team won the championship of the Smith Center JV Invitational Tournament on Tuesday, April 27.

The Blue Jays carded a 197 team total to win the title. Smith Center was just behind them with a 198 and was followed by Russell, 201; Belleville, 209; Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays, 209; Beloit, 231; Osborne, 244; Concordia, 251; Plainville, 266;

Phillipsburg, 275.

Norton scores were: freshman Andrew Ellis, 47; sophomore Taylor Meder, 48; junior Ashley Millan, 49 and freshman Chris Fisher, 53.

Also playing for Norton and shooting a 53 was junior Nikki McVey.

Norton had three medalists. Andrew Ellis was No. 4 medalist, Taylor Meder was No. 6 medalist and Ashley Millan was No. 7 medalist.

The total list of medalists was:

Zach Linn, Smith Center, 44; Devin Hoch, Russell, 45; Justin Gottschalk, TMP, 47; Andrew Ellis, 47; Devyn Bebermeyer, Belleville, 48; Taylor Meder, 48; Ashley Millan, 49; Terran Jennings, Beloit, 50; Luke Ball, Belleville, 50; Alex Kirmie, Smith Center, 50.

"Once again this junior varsity group continues to improve each time out, taking advantage of perfect playing conditions to earn their second team tournament title this season," said Norton head

golf coach David Stover.

"They have shown improvement throughout the season and today was no exception.

"Individually Andrew Ellis, Taylor Meder and Ashley Millan earned individual medals in what is traditionally the largest junior varsity tournament of the season.

"I am very pleased with the progress of all our golfers up to this point and look forward to seeing what they can accomplish the rest of the season."

Next action

The Norton varsity competed in the Trego Invitational in WaKeeney on Thursday but the Norton Telegram press time was too early to report results. On Monday, Norton competed in the

Thomas More Prep Invitational on the Smoky Hill course in Hays. The Norton JV Invitational will be held on the Prairie Dog Recreation Association course south of Norton today, beginning at 3 p.m.

JV golf team continues to improve

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The Norton Community High School junior varsity golfers continued to improve last Thursday as they competed in the varsity Trego Invitational tournament in WaKeeney.

Trego was the overall champion with a score of 341, followed by Plainville, 345; Ness City, 347; Ellis, 367; Oakley, 375; Osborne, 390; Norton, 391; Stockton, 401; Hill City, 405; Grinnell/Wheatland, 414.

Norton's junior varsity four-man team placed third. Plainville was low score team with a 345, followed by Trego Community, 370; Norton, 396; Ness City, 397; Oakley, 400; Ellis, 409; Hill City, 412; Osborne, 440; Stockton, 466.

Norton four-man team scores were: junior Ashley Millan, 44-

50-94; junior Tanner Morel, 50-50-100; freshman John Risewick, 54-46-100; junior Nikki McVey, 53-49-102. Also playing for the four-man team was freshman Eli Bozarth who shot a 55-52-107.

Ness City was the two-man champion with a 156 score, followed by Trego Community, 170; Ellis, 171; Oakley, 177; Grinnell/Wheatland, 178; Stockton, 181; Osborne, 185; Norton, 197; Plainville, 212; Hill City, 220.

Playing for the Norton two-man team and their scores were: freshman Treven Rossi, 48-50-98 and freshman Chris Fisher, 47-52-99.

Individual medalists were: Weston Vogel, Ness City, 76; Cameron Staples, Trego, 79; John Clarke, Ness City, 80; Tyler Compton, Plainville, 80; Cole Werner, Plainville, 81; Koby Beougher, Stockton, 82; Austin

Lopez, Ellis, 82; Blake Fritts, Trego, 85; Jake Zimmerman, Grinnell/Wheatland, 85; Rubin Sherwood, Trego, 86; Patrick Loftus, Oakley, 86; Ethan LaBarge, Ellis, 89; Eric Albers, Oakley, 91; Andrew Plowman, Osborne, 91; Brad Pfannenstiel, Trego, 91.

"Our junior varsity group improves each time out on the course," said Norton head golf coach David Stover. "We were very competitive with this group today against many varsity squads. Anytime a junior varsity squad can shoot under 400 in varsity tournament conditions, they have played very well and we were able to do that today.

"Every one of our players took advantage of excellent scoring conditions to equal or better their career low rounds.

"This has been a very hard-

working group and it is definitely starting to pay dividends for them."

Next action

The Norton varsity golfers played in the Thomas More Prep-Marian Invitational tournament on Monday on the Smoky Hill course in Hays.

Results were not available at the Norton Telegram's press time.

Today, Norton is hosting the Norton JV Invitational tournament on the Prairie Dog Recreation Association course south of Norton.

Tee off time will be 3 p.m.

Teams competing, in addition to Norton, will be Atwood, Colby, Ellis, Hill City, Hoxie, Northern Valley, Phillipsburg, Plainville, Smith Center, Stockton and Trego Community.

NORTON USD 211 MAKES ANNUAL NOTIFICATION OF ASBESTOS POLICY

Copies of the management plan have been filed with the State of Kansas and are available for free inspection or reproduction at a reasonable cost. These plans are maintained at the Unified Office, 105 E. Waverly, Norton, KS and at each of the school building administrative offices. During the summer of 1990, all friable asbestos was removed from USD 211 buildings. Floor tile in all buildings is considered to be nonfriable asbestos containing material and is treated as such. Should you have questions regarding asbestos, please contact, Mr. Ray Hillebrand, Maintenance Director, 877-3386.

**Norton
Adult
Co-ed Softball**

**\$150.00 Entry
Fee Per Team**

Deadline is May 20

Season Starts June 5

**Call Bart Brooks
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questions and to sign up**