



# Jays win title, lady Jays place fourth in Oberlin relays

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The Norton Community High School boys track and field team won the championship and the Lady Blue Jays placed fourth in the annual Oberlin Invitational track meet on Tuesday in Oberlin.

The Norton boys scored 81 points to win the title. Runner-up was Phillipsburg with 77.50 points, followed by St. Francis, 72; Goodland, 66; Oakley, 64; Smith Center, 62.50; Oberlin, 57; Atwood, 45; Weskan, 17; Wheatland, 15.

On the girls side, Smith Center won the championship with 137 points.

Runner-up was Oakley with 101, followed by Phillipsburg, 90; Norton, 64; Oberlin, 63; Atwood, 36; Wheatland, 21; St.

Jason Jones.

"On the up side, our boys won the meet and our girls finished fourth; both teams put up very solid performances. We are getting better in a number of areas and that is our goal at this point in the season.

"Our athletes posted nine new personal records in eight different events. We really hope to build on those performances and gain some more confidence from them as we prepare to enter the league meet next Friday.

"On the down side, we made some mental errors that cost us some points on both sides and we are at the point in the season where we can't let that continue to happen. We will work on that.

"We are proud of the way we competed at this meet and we look forward to the upcoming

Draper won the 400 meter dash in 51.69 and Lane won the long jump with a leap of 19'11".

Draper also won the silver medal in the 200 meter dash where he was timed in 23.86.

Draper also earned a bronze medal as a member of the Blue Jay 4 x 400 meter relay team which placed third in 3:37.87. Other members of that foursome were: sophomore Bryan Henry, sophomore Tye Nickell and senior Landon Hamel.

Junior distance man Troy Bainter won bronze medals in both the 1600 meter run and 3200 meter run. He was timed in 5:04.31 in the 1600 meters and in 11:05.44 in the 3200 meters.

Sophomore Zach Hartwell finished just ahead of Troy in the 3200 meter run to earn the silver medal in 10:57.86.

Bainter, Hartwell, Henry and freshman John Renner combined for a third place finish in the 4 x 800 meter relay in 8:59.94.

Henry also earned two points for the Blue Jays with a fifth place finish in the 400 meter dash with a clocking of 54.14.

The Norton pole vaulters scored a total of nine points. Junior Billy Broeckelman placed third with a vault of 11'6", senior Casey Robison finished fifth by clearing 10'6" and Tye Nickell placed sixth with a 10' clearance.

Landon Hamel continued to set personal records in the 300 meter hurdles. He placed third with a personal best time of 41.97.

Junior Justin Griffith also set a personal record in the shot put with a heave of 42'1", which placed him fourth.

Distances and times of Norton boys which did not place were: sophomore Damien Davis, personal record 31'8.5", 22nd; sophomore Trey Millan, 31'6", 24th, shot put; Justin Griffith, 103'8", 11th; freshman Dalton Miller, 102'3", 14th; freshman Dylan Sprigg, ND, discus; Justin Griffith, 124'3", 12th; Trey Millan, personal best 115'3", 15th; Damien Davis, ND, javelin; senior Zane Perez, 17'6", 13th, long jump; Casey Robison, 5', 11th, high jump; Landon Hamel, 12.08, 12th; freshman Jacob Brooks, 12.17, 13th; Billy Broeckelman, 12.28, 15th, 100 meter dash; Jacob Brooks, 25.24, 13th, 200 meter dash; Jacob Brooks, 1:00.60, 15th, 400 meter dash; John Renner, 2:31.96, 16th, 800 meter run; Landon Hamel, Ashton Draper, Zane Perez, Jacob Brooks, 4 x 100 meter relay, DNF.

## GIRLS

Two Lady Blue Jays earned gold medals.

Senior Alyssa Thomson won her specialty the high jump with a 5' clearance and freshman Regan Simpson hit the tape first in the 3200 meter run with a time of 13:07.97.

Freshman Teslee Nickell heaved the shot a personal best distance of 34'4" to earn the silver medal and junior Dustyna Sprigg received a silver medal for placing second in the 800 meter run in 2:40.23.

Norton's girls scored 16 points in the 800 meter run as freshman Kamilla Jones finished in third behind Sprigg with a time of 2:47.20 and senior Kendra Engelbert set a personal record of 2:47.91 to finish fifth.

Freshman Julia Kent set a personal record of 13:27.19 in the 3200 meter run to earn a bronze medal.

The Lady Jays' 4 x 800 meter relay team of sophomore Erin Terrell, Kamilla Jones, Regan Simpson and Dustyna Sprigg won bronze medals with a third place finish in 10:57.19.

Freshman Alec Melvin placed fifth in the discus with a distance of 96'2" and fifth in the javelin with a throw of 90'7". She also finished sixth in the shot put with a heave of 32'1.75".



Norton senior Alyssa Thomson is one of the premier high jumpers in the state. She is shown here during competition in the Oberlin Invitational track meet on Tuesday. Alyssa won the gold medal with a jump of 5'.

— Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

Freshman Katherine Boteler and Kamilla Jones tied for fifth in the pole vault by clearing 7'6". The height was a personal best for Boteler.

Distances and times for Norton girls which did not place were: Teslee Nickell, 72'9", 15th, discus; Alyssa Thomson, 82'1", 11th; Teslee Nickell, 78'1", 18th, javelin; Kamilla Jones, 14'7", 10th, long jump; freshman Juliana

Miller, 4'2", 14th, high jump; Juliana Miller, 6'6", 9th, pole vault; Erin Terrell, 55.22, 7th, 300 meter hurdles; senior Hannah Waggoner, 13.90, 9th; Katherine Boteler, 14.66, 14th, 100 meter dash; Hannah Waggoner, 29.02, 11th, 200 meter dash; Hannah Waggoner, personal record 1:07.95, 9th, 400 meter dash; Erin Terrell, Juliana Miller, Katherine Boteler, Hannah Waggoner, 4 x 100 meter

relay, DNF.

## Next action

The Norton varsity track and field athletes will compete in the annual Russell Relays today, beginning at 3 p.m.

On Monday, Norton will send a mixture of varsity and junior varsity athletes to compete in the Hill City Invitational track meet, which begins at 4 p.m.



Norton senior Ashton Draper is one of the best 400 meter runners in the state and proved it once again in the Oberlin Invitational track meet on Tuesday when he literally left the field behind to win the event in 51.69 seconds. Pictured behind him is Norton sophomore Bryan Henry who placed fifth in 54.14.

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Lady Blue Jay junior Dustyna Sprigg just missed a gold medal in the 800 meter run on Tuesday in the Oberlin Invitational track meet. She is shown here being edged at the tape by Raegan Vanderplas, Phillipsburg, who was timed in 2:39.93 to beat Dustyna by three-tenths of a second!

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Francis, 20; Weskan, 10; Hoxie, 6; Goodland, 2.

"The Oberlin meet went well for us overall but it was a bit of an up and down day, so to speak," said Norton head track coach

meets!"

## BOYS

Senior sprinter Ashton Draper and junior long jumper and sprinter Terrell Lane were Norton's only gold medal winners.

# Bowling

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## LADIES INTER-CITY

Results of February 1		
Team Standings	Won	Lost
Nelson Bros.	11	5
Geezeretts	8	8
Animal Health	7	9
BEB & Assoc.	6	10
HIGH SCRATCH		
Laura Leidig	170	
Beth Reeves	167	
Lynn Nelson	151	
Laura Leidig	456	
Beth Reeves	449	
Lynn Nelson	408	
WITH HANDICAP		
Jean Johnson	230	
Laura Leidig	226	
Beth Reeves	219	
Laura Leidig	624	
Jean Johnson	620	
Carol Ross	606	
HIGH SCRATCH		
BEB & Assoc.	418	
BEB & Assoc.	417	
Nelson Bros.	391	
BEB & Assoc.	1213	
Nelson Bros.	1128	
Geezeretts	1032	
WITH HANDICAP		
Nelson Bros.	608	
Nelson Bros.	605	
Animal Health	605	
Animal Health	603	
Animal Health	1792	
Nelson Bros.	1779	
Geezeretts	1758	

Results February 15		
Team Standings	Won	Lost
Nelson Bros.	18	6
BEB & Assoc.	11	13
Geezeretts	11	13
Animal Health	8	16
HIGH SCRATCH		
Laura Leidig	172	
Sharon Smith	165	
Sharon Smith	148	
Sharon Smith	457	
Laura Leidig	450	
Jackie Wright	587	
WITH HANDICAP		
Laura Leidig	227	
Dawn Risewick	223	
Vendla Tacha	223	
Sharon Smith	205	
Dawn Risewick	616	
Laura Leidig	615	
Judy Luft	595	
HIGH SCRATCH		
BEB & Assoc.	440	
BEB & Assoc.	429	
BEB & Assoc.	425	
BEB & Assoc.	1294	
Nelson Bros.	1037	
Geezeretts	936	
WITH HANDICAP		
Nelson Bros.	613	
BEB & Assoc.	591	
Nelson Bros.	585	
BEB & Assoc.	1747	
Nelson Bros.	1742	
Animal Health	1655	

Results March 1		
Team Standings	Won	Lost
Nelson Bros.	20	12
Geezeretts	18	14
BEB & Assoc.	15	17
Animal Health	11	21
HIGH SCRATCH		
Laura Leidig	175	
Beth Reeves	154	
Beth Reeves	152	
Laura Leidig	464	
Beth Reeves	438	
Jackie Wright	394	
WITH HANDICAP		
Laura Leidig	230	
Lee Mapes	225	
Judy Luft	213	
Kathleen Berlier	213	
Laura Leidig	629	
Lee Mapes	601	
Beth Reeves	591	
HIGH SCRATCH		
BEB & Assoc.	432	
Nelson Bros.	404	
BEB & Assoc.	403	
BEB & Assoc.	1223	
Nelson Bros.	1091	
Geezeretts	1016	
WITH HANDICAP		
Nelson Bros.	617	
BEB & Assoc.	606	
Geezeretts	603	
B#B & Assoc.	1745	
Geezeretts	1730	
Nelson Bros.	1730	

Results of February 8		
Team Standings	Won	Lost
Nelson Bros.	14	6
Geezeretts	11	9
Animal Health	8	12
BEB & Assoc.	7	13
HIGH SCRATCH		
Beth Reeves	176	
Jackie Wright	170	
Beth Reeves	169	
Beth Reeves	479	
Jackie Wright	429	
Donna VanKooten	404	
WITH HANDICAP		
Beth Reeves	228	
Jackie Wright	227	
Beth Reeves	221	
Beth Reeves	635	
Donna VanKooten	605	
Jackie Wright	600	
HIGH SCRATCH		
BEB & Assoc.	416	
Nelson Bros.	404	
BEB & Assoc.	403	
Nelson Bros.	1183	
BEB & Assoc.	1126	
Geezeretts	997	
WITH HANDICAP		
Geezeretts	603	
Nelson Bros.	602	
Nelson Bros.	600	
Nelson Bros.	1777	
Geezeretts	1717	
BEB & Assoc.	1648	
Nelson Bros.	1826	
Geezeretts	1746	
Animal Health	1740	

Results of February 22		
Team Standings	Won	Lost
Nelson Bros.	19	9
Geezeretts	14	14
BEB & Assoc.	12	16
Animal Health	11	17
HIGH SCRATCH		
Laura Leidig	161	
Donna VanKooten	158	
Lynn Nelson	157	
Beth Reeves	424	
Carol Ross	405	
Sharon Smith	398	
WITH HANDICAP		
Lee Mapes	243	
Helen Muirhead	231	
Donna VanKooten	225	
Helen Muirhead	636	
Carol Ross	618	
Lee Mapes	612	
HIGH SCRATCH		
Nelson Bros.	457	
Geezeretts	403	
BEB & Assoc.	394	
Nelson Bros.	1200	
BEB & Assoc.	1097	
Geezeretts	1082	
WITH HANDICAP		
Geezeretts	643	
Geezeretts	611	
Nelson Bros.	611	
Geezeretts	1802	
Animal Health	1689	
Nelson Bros.	1663	

Results of March 8		
Team Standings	Won	Lost
Nelson Bros.	23	13
Geezeretts	19	17
BEB & Assoc.	16	20
Animal Health	14	22
HIGH SCRATCH		
Kathleen Berlier	156	
Laura Leidig	144	
Beth Reeves	144	
Lauraq Leidig	408	
Lynn Nelson	406	
Beth Reeves	394	
WITH HANDICAP		
Vendla Tacha	219	
Kathleen Berlier	219	
Judy Luft	211	
Judy Luft	598	
Lynn Nelson	595	
Vendla Tacha	594	
HIGH SCRATCH		
BEB & Assoc.	442	
BEB & Assoc.	381	
Nelson Bros.	381	
BEB & Assoc.	1160	
Nelson Bros.	1104	
Geezeretts	953	
WITH HANDICAP		
BEB & Assoc.	616	
Nelson Bros.	593	
Nelson Bros.	592	
Animal Health	592	
Nelson Bros.	1740	
Animal Health	1703	
BEB & Assoc.	1682	