

# Jays 2010 track season successful

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The 2010 season for the Norton Community High School girls and boys track and field teams was another successful one under the guidance of fourth year head coach Jason Jones.

The Lady Blue Jays' season highlights were their runner-up in the annual Mid-Continent League Championships which were held

in Smith Center and their third place finish in the Norton Invitational.

The Norton girls other placings were: fifth, Smith Center JV; fifth, Goodland Freshmen/Sophomore; fourth, Smith Center Redmen Relays; 12th, Trego Freshmen/Sophomore in WaKeeney; sixth, Plainville Invitational; sixth, Phillipsburg Invitational; tenth, Hill City Freshmen/Sophomore; ninth,

Goldsmith Relays in WaKeeney; fourth, Oberlin Invitational; sixth, Russell Relays; seventh, Hill City Invitational; 13th, 3A Regional Championships in Smith Center.

The Norton boys earned three meet championships: Norton Invitational, Plainville Invitational and Oberlin Invitational. The Blue Jays were the runner-up in the Mid-Continent League Championships in Smith Center and in the Phillipsburg Invitational.

Other placings for the Norton boys were: fourth, Smith Center JV; seventh, Goodland Freshmen/Sophomore; third, Smith Center Redmen Relays; fourth, Trego Freshmen/Sophomore in WaKeeney; fourth, Hill City Freshmen/Sophomore; fourth, Goldsmith Relays in WaKeeney; third, Russell Relays; sixth, Hill City Invitational; seventh, 3A Regional Championships in Smith Center; 13th, 100th State Championships in Wichita.

High point performer for the Norton girls was freshman Regan Simpson with 122 points and high point boys athlete was senior Ashton Draper with 203 points.

Coach Jones has announced the following Norton Lady Jay letter winners for the season: Kendra Engelbert, Alyssa Thomson, Hannah Waggoner, seniors; Kaylen Rossi (provisional), Dustyna Sprigg, juniors; Abby Bainter, Erin Terrell (provisional), sophomores; Katherine Boteler, Kamilla Jones, Julia Kent, Alec Melvin, Juliana Miller, Teslee Nickell, Regan Simpson, freshmen.

Norton boys letter winners are: Ashton Draper, Zane Perez, Casey Robison, seniors; Troy Bainter, Ryan Blecha, Billy Broeckelman, Dakota Dreher (provisional), Justin Griffith, Jeremy Sproul (provisional), Brett Terrell, juniors; Zach Hartwell, Bryan Henry, Tye Nickell, sophomores; Jacob Brooks, Carson McKenna, John Renner, freshmen.



Norton senior Ashton Draper flew across the finish line to win the 200 meter dash in the Class 3A Regional Track Meet in Smith Center. Draper, who was high point season scorer for the Blue Jay boys this season, also won the 400 meter dash and anchored the 4 x 400 meter relay to a state meet qualifying time.

— Telegram photo by Dick Boyd



Norton freshman Regan Simpson was leading the field in the 3200 meter run in the Class 3A Regional Track Meet in Smith Center when this photo was taken and freshman teammate Julia Kent was also running steadily in the field. Although Regan won many medals this season and was the high point season scorer for the Lady Jays, she just missed qualifying for the State Meet in both the 3200 meter and 1600 meter runs. Both girls have three more seasons and lots of medals to look forward to in the future.

— Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

## Legion team opens season

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After just one day of practice, the Norton American Legion Baseball Team opened their season with Goodland on June 11 in the Goodland Tournament.

"It looks like we have a good bunch of players," said Norton head coach Steve Jeltz. "They have some talent but we had only one day of practice since we are just getting organized. Several of our players had not practiced with us."

"Our players look good; they just need practice. We have some capable pitchers. We mainly need batting practice."

Norton lost the game 8-0.

Goodland scored three runs in the second inning, three in the third stanza and two in the fifth inning.

Sharing pitching duties for Norton were Trey Millan and Tyler Cook.

The Cowboys had six hits, two walks and six strike outs.

Norton went hitless, had one walk and 11 strike outs.

Other Norton players, in addition to Millan and Cook were Carlos Galloway, Casey Temmel, Josh Asbury, Aaron Pulec, Trevor Winters and Vaughn Newman.

Coach Jeltz is still looking for more players to fill out the roster.

Providing the weather held out, Norton was scheduled to host

Goodland on Thursday evening in a doubleheader. Results were not available at the Norton Telegram's press time.

2010 Legion Baseball Schedule

June 22 Beloit There 6 and 8 p.m.

June 25-26-27 Holdrege Tourney There

July 5 Beloit Here 6 and 8 p.m.

July 10 Cambridge There 6 and 8 p.m.

July 13 Smith Center Here 6 and 8 p.m.

July 16 Holdrege Here 6 and 8 p.m.

July 18 Minden Here 6 and 8 p.m.

## Bowling STARDUST LEAGUE

Results of February 8

Team Standings.....	Won.....	Lost		
FSBT 1.....	21.....	7		
First State Bank JR.....	19.....	9		
First State Bank SR.....	15.....	13		
FSBT 2.....	14.....	14		
Front Range Auto.....	13.....	15		

Janet Manning.....	480
Bev Miller.....	453
Janice Russell.....	448
FSBT 1.....	933
FSBT 2.....	864
Front Range Auto.....	856

Janet Manning.....	254
Sheila Swisher.....	217
Jane Engelhardt.....	214
FSBT 1.....	425
First State Bank SR.....	406
First State Bank JR.....	400

Janet Manning.....	615
Sheila Swisher.....	610
Jane Engelhardt.....	584
First State Bank JR.....	1176
FSBT 1.....	1167
First State Bank SR.....	1162

Team Standings.....	Won.....	Lost		
FSBT 1.....	26.....	10		
First State Bank JR.....	24.....	12		
Front Range Auto.....	19.....	17		
First State Bank SR.....	19.....	17		
FSBT 2.....	16.....	20		

Janet Manning.....	604
Bev Milkler.....	603
Janice Russell.....	594
FSBT 1.....	1207
FSBT 2.....	1180
First State Bank JR.....	1143

Janet Manning.....	228
Janice Russell.....	224
Bev Miller.....	219
FSBT 2.....	431
FSBT 1.....	416
First State Bank JR.....	411

Janet Manning.....	604
Bev Milkler.....	603
Janice Russell.....	594
FSBT 1.....	1207
FSBT 2.....	1180
First State Bank JR.....	1143

Team Standings.....	Won.....	Lost		
FSBT 1.....	23.....	9		
First State Bank JR.....	23.....	9		
First State Bank SR.....	17.....	15		
Front Range Auto.....	16.....	16		
FSBT 2.....	15.....	17		

Janet Manning.....	478
Bev Miller.....	460
Cindy Linner.....	427
FSBT 1.....	894
Front Range Auto.....	887
FSBT 2.....	728

Janet Manning.....	209
Bev Miller.....	171
Janice Russell.....	160
FSBT 1.....	347

Janet Manning.....	188
Bev Miller.....	173
Cindy Linner.....	158
Front Range Auto.....	333
FSBT 1.....	311
FSBT 2.....	278

Bev Miller.....	478
Peggy Sevier.....	460
Cindy Linner.....	427
FSBT 1.....	894
Front Range Auto.....	887
FSBT 2.....	728

Janet Manning.....	209
Bev Miller.....	171
Janice Russell.....	160
FSBT 1.....	347

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## Thunder Girls play Osborne

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The Norton Thunder Girls Softball Team's scheduled games here with Phillipsburg were rained out but the Lady Jays traveled to Osborne on Wednesday, June 16 where they played a doubleheader.

Norton played Osborne closer than they did in earlier games in Norton but lost the first game 20-5 and the second contest 8-5.

In the opener, Norton took a 2-0 lead in the first inning when Audrie Burge singled, Rikele Green got on base on an error, Megan Peterson and Jessica White both walked and Burge and Green scored. Osborne had a big first inning, however, running 12 runs across home plate.

Norton was unable to score in the second inning and Osborne added four more runs in the bottom of the inning to make it a 16-2 contest.

The Lady Jays scored three more runs in the top of the third when Rikele Green singled,

Marisa Maddy walked, Jessica White singled, Shauna Gibson singled and Brandy Davis and Chalise Christensen both walked. Green, Maddy and White crossed home plate. Osborne tallied four more runs in the third inning to make the final 20-5.

Norton had four hits, five walks and two strike outs. Audrie Burge, Rikele Green, Jessica White and Shauna Gibson each had one hit. Kristen Burge was the Norton pitcher. She gave up nine hits, walked seven and struck out none.

Norton scored one time in the first inning of the second game. Kristen Burge singled, Rikele Green and Megan Peterson both walked and Burge scored.

Osborne scored three runs in the bottom of the first stanza. The Lady Jays went scoreless in the top of the second and Osborne added two to take a 5-1 lead.

Norton was scoreless once again in the top of the third and Osborne added two more to extend their lead to 7-1.

Four more runs by the Lady Jays in the top of the fourth inning cut the Osborne advantage to 7-5. Kristen Burge singled, Audrie Burge walked, Rikele Green singled, Megan Peterson gained base on an error, Marisa Maddy walked and Kristen, Audrie, Rikele and Meagan all scored. In the bottom of the fourth, Osborne scored just one time to move ahead by three runs.

Both teams were scoreless in the fifth inning and Norton was unable to come up with any runs in the top of the sixth, leaving the score at 8-5. The Lady Jays had five hits, walked ten times and had three strike outs. The Norton pitcher was Megan Peterson. She gave up nine hits, walked just two batters and had no strike outs.

**Next action**

The Norton Thunder's next games were versus Stockton at Busch Field in Norton on Monday. Results were not available at the press time. The Norton Thunder will travel to Phillipsburg for a doubleheader on Wednesday.