

Lady Jays continue to show improvement

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Coach Peggy Cox's Norton Community High School girls varsity volleyball team continued to show improvement on Tuesday night in Atwood despite losing to the Lady Buffaloes as well as the Colby Lady Eagles.

Scores versus Atwood were 6-25, 23-25 and versus Colby were 17-25, 11-25.

ATWOOD

"We just couldn't serve receive in the first set against Atwood," said coach Cox. "We gave 15 points away with the first server. We came back in the second set and played a very close game but just couldn't quite finish.

"We did a much better job of handling the ball in the second set, which made a significant difference in the score."

Erin Terrell led Norton in kills with 8, followed by Caren Thom-

son, Teslee Nickell, Baily Ambrosier, 1 each.

Kylie Nuzum had 1 ace in serving.

Terrell was also digs leader with 3, followed by Nuzum, Thomson, 1 each.

Teslee Nickell led in assists with 9.

Blocks leaders were Thomson and Ambrosier, both with 4.

COLBY

"We improved our level of play since the first time we played Colby this season," said coach Cox. "But, it wasn't enough. Hurred serves during key times hurt our chances of stringing points together. For us, it's just the mental errors that we let get us down and then we can't climb back for the win.

"I felt overall that Bekah Streck and Caren Thomson played their best matches tonight. They had quite a few touches while blocking and are really starting to read

the hitter.

"Erin Terrell is making adjustments to her swing and making better choices based on the opponent's defense."

Terrell led again in kills with 6, followed by Juliana Miller, 3; Thomson, 2; Ambrosier, 1.

Bekah Streck and Nickell each had 1 serving ace.

Digs leaders were Terrell, Thomson, Miller, 4 each. Nuzum had 2 digs.

Nickell led in assists with 12.

Streck and Miller each had 1 block.

Junior varsity

The Norton Community High School junior varsity girls volleyball team got off to a winning start on Tuesday versus Atwood and Colby in Atwood but had to eventually settle for losses.

Scores of their match with Atwood were: 25-12, 13-25, 6-15. Scores of their Colby match were 20-25, 14-25.

"Our Lady Jays came out ready to play in the first set, which is unusual for us," said Norton assistant coach Jill Lively. "We typically catch awhile to get into a match.

"Atwood did not play well in that first set and we really took advantage of that with aggressive serving, accurate passes and good net play.

"Unfortunately, we allowed the Buffaloes to gain their momentum when we started to pass poorly in the second set. They used a tip against us often and we did not respond well defensively."

ATWOOD

As a team, Norton served 88 percent with 9 aces, passed 1.33 and hit 87 percent with 17 percent kills.

Match statistics were: serving - Alec Melvin, Alexis Lively, each 100 percent, 3 aces; Chelsi McReynolds, 100 percent; Katherine Boteler, Johnnye Ruder, Rachel Slipke, 1 ace each; passing

- Boteler, 2.25 on 3.0 scale; Lively, 1.67; assists - Ruder, 4 assists leading to 7 kills; kills - Ruder 3 with setter dumps; hitting - Slipke, Kayleigh Norwood, 2 kills each; Boteler, McReynolds, 1 each; digs - Boteler, Ruder, 5 each; Slipke, Melvin, 2 each; Mariah Farber, 1.

COLBY

As a team, Norton served 81 percent with 6 aces, passed 1.12, hit 86 percent with 3 percent kills and dug 9 balls.

Match statistics were: serving - Lively, 100 percent, 1 ace; Slipke, 100 percent; Ruder, 3 aces; Boteler, Melvin, 1 ace each; passing - Farber, 1.64; hitting - Melvin, 2 kills; Ruder, Slipke, Lively, McReynolds, 1 each; digs - Farber, Boteler, Ruder, 2 each; Melvin, Lively, McReynolds, 1 each.

Norton served 81 percent with 6 aces, passed 1.12, hit 86 percent with 3 percent kills and dug 9

balls.

"Statistically, this match looks pretty poor," said coach Lively. "Our serving and passing took us out of the match.

"Defensively, we played much better as Colby is an aggressive team.

"I was glad to see many rallies continue as we covered the floor well. We can recover from a few poor passes but we allowed Colby to control us with their serve many times in a row. This soon had an effect on our overall play, especially our net play."

Next action

The Norton varsity and junior varsity volleyball teams will compete Saturday in the annual Oberlin Invitational Round Robin Volleyball Tournament, which begins at 9 a.m.

Competing schools in addition to Norton and Oberlin will be Atwood, Hoxie and St. Francis.

Northern Valley Huskies lose to Pike Valley

The Northern Valley Huskies football team traveled to Scandia last Friday evening to play Pike Valley and were still in the game in the fourth quarter until Pike Valley scored two final touchdowns to win 36-8.

"We could never put together a series of plays on offense," said Husky head coach Chuck Fessenden. "We would have a couple of good plays but we could not continue to pick up first downs.

"Their size began to wear on us as the game went on. Their back broke a couple of tackles on their first touchdown. This gave them a lot of confidence.

"Their touchdown at the end of the first half was a big killer. We cut the score to 22-8 early in the

fourth quarter but could never get any closer."

Pike Valley scored three touchdowns in the second quarter. Robert Cox ran 56 yards to pay dirt with 9:15 left and the run for PAT failed. With 3:12 remaining in the first half, Cox plunged 4 yards to score. Trevor Coons ran for two extra points.

With time running out in the first half, Cox caught a 6 yard scoring pass from Coons. Cox ran for two points, making it 22-0 at halftime.

No points were scored in the third quarter.

The Huskies got on the scoreboard with 8:07 left in the game when Colton Lowry caught a 19-yard pass from quarterback Austin

Herman. Dusty Eagleburger ran for two extra points to make it a 22-8 contest.

Northern Valley was unable to get back in the end zone and Pike Valley tallied twice more. Seth White ran 10 yards to score and Strawder ran for two extra points to make it 30-8 with 4:45 left. Clint Colson scored from 13 yards out with 1:31 remaining and the extra points run failed to make the final 36-8.

Northern Valley had a good rushing game, gaining 204 yards on 39 attempts for a 5.2 yards per carry average. Pike Valley rushed for 341 yards on 55 totes for a 6.2 yard average.

The Huskies' Herman completed 7 of 16 passes for 60 yards

and Pike Valley completed 3 of 9 aerials for 25 yards. Eagleburger had 2 receptions for 22 yards, Colton Lowry caught 2 passes for 21 yards and Phillip Compton had 2 catches for 12 yards.

Northern Valley had 264 yards of total offense compared to 366 yards for Pike Valley.

The Huskies had 5 penalties for 30 yards and the home team had 7 for 45.

Northern Valley lost 1 of 2 fumbles and Pike Valley lost 1 of 4.

The Huskies' Lowry had 7 punts for a 29.4 yard average while Pike Valley punted 4 times for a 31.3 yard average.

Eagleburger was leading rusher for Northern Valley with 81 yards on 12 carries for 6.75 yards per

carry. Herman gained 63 yards on 13 carries for a 4.8 yard average and Calen Bachran 12 times for 57 yards and a 4.75 yard average.

Herman had 2 punt returns for 21 yards.

Eagleburger had 2 kickoffs for an average of 25 yards. Hays had 4 kickoff returns for an average of 19.3 yards.

Leading tackler for the Huskies was Herman with 16 solos, 6 assists, 22 total; followed by Lowry, 8 solos, 10 assists, 18 total; Dillon Hogan, 11 solos, 6 assists, 17 total;

Eagleburger, 5 solos, 7 assists, 12 total; Matt Dole, 5 solos, 6 assists, 11 total; Bach, 5 solos, 5 assists, 10 total; Steven Brown, 4 solos, 3 assists, 7 total; Phillip Compton, 1 solo, 2 assists, 3 total; Ian Vincent, 1 solo, 2 assists, 3 total; Hunter Chandler, 2 assist; Jordan Baird, 1 solo, 1 assist, 2 total; Nate Land, 1 solo.

Next action

Today is Homecoming at Northern Valley and they will host Palco in a 7 p.m. contest.

Norton Junior Varsity football team defeats Oberlin

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The Norton Community High School sophomores and freshmen football players defeated Oberlin's junior varsity 40-6 on Monday evening in Norton.

Norton got the scoring started early on a pass from Dalton Miller to John Risewick.

In the second quarter, Jared Bohl and Tanner Furbush both ran for touchdowns.

"Our offense was led with strong blocking on the line, giving the backs holes and quarterback time to throw," said Norton assistant coach Jeremy Hawks. "Our defense held the Red Devils most of the first half before giving up a touchdown pass, making the score 22-6 at intermission," said coach Hawks.

Norton came out in the second half moving the ball on the ground. Making the most yardage were

Jared Bohl and Tanner Furbush. Miller and Furbush each scored touchdowns in the fourth quarter.

The defense even got in on the scoring when Isaac Schaefer scooped up a fumble and took it 70 yards for a Blue Jay touchdown!

The Jays kept Oberlin out of the end zone the rest of the game to finish with the decisive 40-6 win.

"Our young men played very hard tonight and were really hitting

out there," said coach Hawks.

"These guys are getting better and more aggressive with each game, which is the goal."

Next action

The Norton junior varsity's next football action will also be at home on Monday when they host the Phillipsburg Panthers at Travis Field.

Kickoff is set for 6 p.m.

Blue Jay Junior Varsity volleyball team loses to Hoxie and Hill City

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The Norton Community High School junior varsity girls volleyball team lost matches to Hoxie and Hill City on Tuesday, September 21 in Hill City.

Match scores were: 12-25, 19-25 versus Hoxie and 10-25, 19-25 versus Hill City.

"Due to being a very young team, our Norton junior varsity is having difficulty playing aggressive and confident every match they play," said Norton assistant volleyball coach Christine Thompson. "Our girls are still learning a great deal about how the game is played and how to play at a faster tempo than previous years."

HOXIE

Statistics for the match with Hoxie were: kills - Alec Melvin, Kayleigh Norwood, 2 each; Katherine Boteler, Chelsi McReynolds, 1 each; setting assists - Mariah Farber, 3; Boteler, 1; digs - Norwood, Brae Bigge, 1 each; blocks - Norwood, 1; serving aces - Rachel Slipke, 3; Norwood, Boteler, 1 each.

HILL CITY

Statistics for the Hill City match: kills - Norwood, 3; Melvin, Slipke, McReynolds, 2 each; setting assists - Boteler, 4; Farber, 2; digs - Farber, Melvin, 2 each; blocks - Boteler, Melvin, 1 each; serving aces - Farber, 3; Bigge, 2; Melvin, Norwood, Slipke, 1 each.

Sheriff's Log

August 19

5:07 p.m. Received a call about a tree that had fallen and is blocking the road on Radio Road just south of KQNK Rd. Told Under Sheriff Wenzl about tree. Called county shop about tree, no answer. Dispatch was advised that someone removed the tree and was taking it to their house and cutting it up but area still needed to be checked out. Told Under Sheriff that contact had been made about tree.

6:18 p.m. Received a call from Decatur County saying that a transient was dropped off at W14 on Highway 36, individual checks out okay and is heading to Wisconsin. Told Under Sheriff Wenzl about


transient. Called Phillips County to tell them that Under Sheriff Wenzl is en route to drop transient at Phillips County line.

9:04 p.m. Received a call from subject in Lenora reporting two missing bikes. Received a second call from Lenora reporting a missing bike. Called Under Sheriff Wenzl and told him of the two reports of missing bikes in Lenora.

August 20

6:42 a.m. Received a call reporting a deer hit on south Highway 283, didn't know exact location. Told Deputy Land about deer hit.

8:07 p.m. Received a call from Graham County about a gas skip. Called Deputy Bohl about it and then gave additional information to him as it came in.



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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The City of Alma will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 11, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall, 415 Main, Alma, Kansas, for the purpose of considering an application to be submitted to the Kansas Department of Commerce for Small Cities Community Development Block Grant funds. A specific project application to be discussed will be the purchase of a brush fire truck for the Alma Area Fire Department in an area generally bounded by the first response service area of the fire department. A map denoting the first response service area

of the Alma Area Fire Department can be viewed at the City Clerk's office, 415 Main, Alma, Kansas. The estimated project cost is \$96,550 with the grant request for \$72,412 of the project cost. Other project proposals introduced at the hearing will be considered. Oral and written comments will be recorded and become a part of The City of Alma's CDBG Citizen Participation Plan.

Reasonable accommodations will be made available to persons with disabilities. Requests should be submitted to Twila Ingram, City Clerk by Friday, October 8, 2010.



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Norton, Kansas

Wednesday, October 6th

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