



Norton freshmen Bailey Ambrosier, left, and Katelyn Engelbert scored 14 points for the Lady Jays with a runner-up and third place finish, respectively, in the 400 meter dash in the Mid-Continent League Track Meet on Friday in Phillipsburg. They are shown here hitting the finish line just 12 hundredths of a second apart! - Telegram photo by Dick Boyd



Norton junior Jordan Wahlmeier clears the final hurdle in the 300 meter hurdles event during the Mid-Continent League Track Meet on Friday in Phillipsburg. Wahlmeier placed sixth, just 61 hundredths of a second out of fourth place in the toughest race of the meet. - Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

# Blue Jays runner-up, third in MCL track and field meet

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The Norton Community High School girls track and field team was the runner-up and the Blue Jay boys track and field team placed third in the annual Mid-Continent League Track Meet on Friday in Phillipsburg. Smith Center won the girls championship with 128 points, followed by Norton, 115; Phillipsburg, 96; Plainville, 61; Hill City, 56; Osborne, 39; Trego Community, 38; Ellis, 18; Stockton, 7. The boys champion was Phillipsburg with 118 points, barely edging runner-up Osborne, who scored 116.5. Norton's third place point total was 94, followed by Plainville, 71; Smith Center, 51; Hill City, 49; Ellis, 35; Stockton, 21.5; Trego Community, 2.

"Our athletes got off the bus, competed very hard and bettered themselves in a number of ways," said Norton head track and field coach Jason Jones. "We are extremely proud of their efforts and performances. Great things happened for us throughout the day's competition. "The teams which outscored us are very solid teams. We continued to improve in many areas, setting 21 new personal records on a very windy, cool day! We love to see these performances at this point in the season and we will work to continue to improve our marks as we head into Regionals and State over the next two weeks. "We could not be more proud of our girls and boys and the manner in which they prepared, competed and conducted themselves. We are eager to enter our next competition with our best efforts and see what we can make happen at Regionals!"

**GIRLS**  
The Lady Jays had two individual gold medal winners. Sophomore Teslee Nickell heaved the shot a personal best distance of 41'1.5" to win that event and freshman Bailey Ambrosier cleared 9' in the pole vault to win that event.

Norton's 4 x 800 meter relay team of Ambrosier, sophomore Kamilla Jones, freshman Katelyn Engelbert and senior Dustyna Sprigg also won gold medals when they finished first in 10:55.96. Norton scored 22 points in the pole vault. In addition to Ambrosier's performance, Jones placed runner-up with a personal best

clearance of 8'6" and freshman Marisa Maddy cleared 7'6" to finish in fourth place.

Norton also tallied 18 points in the 3200 meter run. Junior Astrid Moen was runner-up in 12:59.59, followed by freshman Darcy Bainter, personal best 13:07.51 for third and sophomore Julia Kent, 13:51.30 for fourth. Ambrosier scored in four events. In addition to her pole vault and relay successes, Ambrosier was runner-up in the 400 meter dash in 1:05.59 and was a member of the foursome which placed runner-up in the 4 x 400 meter relay in 4:22.40. Running with her in that relay were junior Erin Terrell, Sprigg and Engelbert. Sprigg won her third medal of the day with a runner-up finish in the 800 meter run in 2:37.90 and also earned a point with a sixth place in the triple jump with a distance of 31'3.5".

Engelbert scored points in three events. In addition to her two relay medals, she finished just behind Ambrosier in the 400 meter dash to win the bronze medal with a clocking of 1:05.71. Terrell also finished third in the 300 meter hurdles with a personal record time of 54.08. Sophomore Antjelica Pfannenstiel placed fifth in the 300 hurdles with a personal best time of 55.10.

Sophomore Alec Melvin placed third in the shot put with a distance of 35'5.75" and Bainter finished third in the 1600 meter run in 6:08.86. Moen was sixth in the 1600 meter run in 6:19.58. Norton's 4 x 100 meter relay team of sophomore Katherine Boteler, freshman Marisa Maddy, freshman Johnnye Ruder and Terrell placed sixth in 57.12. Melvin placed sixth in the discus with a throw of 101'7" and Jones was sixth in the long jump with a leap of 14'6.5".

Distances and times of Norton girls which did not place were: freshman Cristine Nelson, 27'1.5"; 17th, shot put; freshman Haley Wallingford, personal best 85'1"; 14th; freshman Rikele Green, personal best 82'11"; 16th, discus; Melvin, 99'10"; 9th; Pfannenstiel, 84'6"; 14th; Wallingford, 71'4"; 18th, javelin; senior Bekah Streck, 11'9"; 15th, long jump; Engelbert, 31'25"; 7th, triple jump; sophomore Juliana Miller, did not qualify, high jump; Pfannenstiel, personal record 19.07, 8th; Ruder, 19.26, 9th, 100 meter hurdles; Boteler, 14.36, 12th; Ruder, 14.62, 13th;

Miller, 15.49, 15th, 100 meter dash; Boteler, 29.99, 12th, 200 meter dash; Wallingford, 1:14.36, 12th, 400 meter dash; Jones, 2:52.09, 7th, 800 meter run; Maddy, personal best 6:20.49, 7th, 1600 meter run.

**BOYS**  
The Norton boys also had two individual gold medal winners along with a gold medal winning relay team.

Junior Seth Antrim won the pole vault by clearing a personal best height of 13'6" and junior Zach Hartwell hit the tape first in the 3200 meter run in 10:57.23.

The Blue Jay foursome of senior Troy Bainter, Hartwell, junior Bryan Henry and junior Tye Nickell won the gold in the 4 x 800 meter relay with a clocking of 8:55.02.

Norton sophomore Jacob Brooks scored points in four events. He was runner-up in the high jump with a personal best clearance of 6', runner-up in the 200 meter dash in 23.30, fourth in the 100 meter dash in 11.50 and anchored the Blue Jays' 4 x 100 meter relay team to a fifth place finish in 46.86. Running with him were freshman Austin Hager, senior Billy Broeckelman and junior Trey Millan.

Brooks missed a gold medal in the 200 meter dash by four hundredths of a second. Smith Center's Truitt Kuhlmann won the race in 23.27.

Henry tallied points in three events. In addition to running on the gold medal winning 4 x 800 meter relay team, he placed third in the 400 meter dash in 55.08 and anchored the 4 x 400 meter relay team to a sixth place finish in 3:51.79. Running with him in that relay were Nickell, Broeckelman and junior Dillon McConney.

Bainter finished third in the 800 meter run in 2:14.06. Finishing right behind him in a personal record time of 2:14.51 was sophomore John Renner.

Broeckelman placed third in the pole vault with a personal record height of 12'6".

Freshman Alec Hager placed fourth in the 3200 meter run in 11:52.72.

Millan finished fourth in the 200 meter dash with a personal best time of 24.61 and junior Jordan Wahlmeier placed fourth in the triple jump with a distance of 38'8.75". Wahlmeier also placed sixth in the 300 meter hurdles with a personal best clocking of 45.97.

Junior Casey Temmel heaved

the shot a personal best distance of 42'2" to place fifth in that event and freshman Trever Lewis finished fifth in the triple jump with a distance of 36'11.5".

Austin Hager was also fifth in the pole vault with a clearance of 12'.

Distances and times of Norton boys which did not place were: junior Damien Davis, personal best 35'9", 18th; sophomore Lucas Engel, 31'9.5", 21st, shot put; sophomore Dalton Miller, 110'10", 11th; sophomore Dylan Sprigg, 105'5", 12th; Temmel, 98'9", 16th, discus; Davis, personal record 122'4", 13th; Nickell, personal record 121'10", 14th; Millan, 119'10", 15th, javelin; Lewis, 17'10.5", 7th; McConney, 17'9.5", 8th, long jump; freshman Travis Cressler, personal best 33'10.5", 8th, triple jump; senior Dakota Dreher, 5'4", 9th; Wahlmeier, did not qualify, high jump; Miller, personal best 21.58, 110 meter hurdles; Austin Hager, 12.08, 9th; Millan, 12.17, 11th, 100 meter dash; Austin Hager, 25.03, 12th, 200 meter dash; McConney, 57.46, 10th; Cressler, 1:02.09, 15th, 400 meter dash; Dreher, 2:17.68, 7th, 800 meter run; Bainter, 5:11.76, 7th; Hartwell, 5:16.98, 8th; freshman Drew Schrum, 5:29.83, 11th, 1600 meter run.

**Next action**  
The Norton Community High School girls and boys track and field teams will compete in the Class 3A Regional Track Meet on Friday in Phillipsburg.

Competing, in addition to Norton and Phillipsburg, will be teams from Beloit, Ellsworth, Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays, Hoisington, Holcomb, Southwestern Heights, Lakin, Larned, Marysville, Minneapolis, Riley County, Scott City and Smith Center.

Field events will begin at 3 p.m., preliminary running events at 4:30 p.m. and running finals at 6 p.m.

Plaques will be awarded to the first place girls and boys teams. Medals will be awarded to the top four places in all events.

The top four placing girls and boys in each event will also earn a berth in next Friday and Saturday's Kansas State Track and Field Meet at Cessna Stadium in Wichita.

The Kansas state meet is the largest state high school track and field meet in the nation!

Go Blue Jays!

## Norton golfers compete in Mid-Continent League

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The Norton Community High School golf team competed in the Mid-Continent League Tournament on Thursday in Osborne.

The lowest four scores totals were: Phillipsburg, 314; Ellis, 337; Smith Center, 352; Trego Community, 355; Plainville, 359; Stockton, 362; Norton, 378; Osborne, 392; Hill City, 413.

Norton placed fifth in four-man competition. Phillipsburg was

the winner with a 326, followed by Smith Center, 352; Trego Community, 360; Stockton, 374; Norton, 378; Ellis, 378; Osborne, 392; Plainville, 398; Hill City, 429.

The Blue Jays finished sixth in two-man play. Winner was Phillipsburg with a 157, followed by Ellis, 166; Plainville, 176; Stockton, 182; Trego Community, 189; Norton, 200; Hill City, 214; Smith Center, 285; Osborne, 300.

Members of Norton's four-man team and their scores were: soph-

omore Andrew Ellis, 47/47/94; sophomore Christopher Fisher, 49/45/94; senior Cole Archer, 46/49/95; freshman Marc Miller, 44/51/95.

Also playing for Norton was sophomore Eli Bozarth, who shot a 45/58/103.

The Blue Jays' two-man team consisted of sophomores John Risewick, with a 48/50/98 and Cassius Dole with a 52/50/102.

Also playing for Norton's two-man team and his score was junior Taylor Meder, 51/53/104.

Medalists were: Kyle Hoover, Phillipsburg, 75; Skyler Tebo, Ellis, 76; Zach Linn, Smith Center, 77; Michael Dusin, Phillipsburg, 78; Ryan Hoover, Phillipsburg, 80; Matt Schneider, Phillipsburg, 81; Gage Younger, Ellis, 82; Brock Morgan, Phillipsburg, 82; Cole Werner, Plainville, 85; Alex Hobelmann, Smith Center, 85.

"We did not play quite as well as we had hoped coming into today's action," said Norton head golf coach David Stover. "Osborne is a course that gen-

erally yields higher scores due to its difficulty. It is a course where penalty strokes abound and I think we found all of them!"

"Once again, Phillipsburg was able to pull away on the back nine to earn their seventh straight Mid-Continent League title.

"We need to put this behind us quickly because we have a very short turnaround before we travel to Goodland on Monday to compete in the Class 3A Regional Tournament."

**Next action**  
Norton competed in the Class 3A Regional Golf Tournament on Monday in Goodland on the Sugar Hills golf course.

Playing, in addition to Norton and Goodland, were teams from Holcomb, Lakin, Phillipsburg, Scott City, Smith Center and Southwestern Heights.

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

### BOWLING

**Ladies Inter-City**  
Week of April 4

Team Standings: BEB & Associates, won 36 1/2 lost 11 1/2; Nelson Brothers, won 28 lost 20; Geezeretts, won 25 lost 23; Logan Gals, won 25 lost 23; Animal Health, won 23 lost 25.

Individual Game High Scratch: Vendla Tacha, 147; Janet Manning, 147; Lynn Nelson, 146.

Individual Game with Handicap: Vendla Tacha, 231; Margaret Thomas, 215; Lynn Nelson, 212

Individual Series High Scratch: Kathleen Berlier, 403; Geneva Tier, 378; Janet Manning, 376

Individual Series with Handicap: Vendla Tacha, 594; Margaret Thomas, 592; Judy Luft, 592

Team Game High Scratch: BEB & Associates, 395; Animal Health, 394; Animal Health, 379

Team Game with Handicap: Animal Health, 600; Animal Health, 585; Nelson Brothers, 579; BEB & Associates, 579

Team Series High Scratch: BEB & Associates, 1129; Animal Health, 1073; Nelson Brothers, 1033

Team Series with Handicap: Animal Health, 1691; Nelson Brothers, 1687; BEB & Associ-

ates, 1681  
Week of April 11

Team Standings: BEB & Associates, won 40 1/2 lost 11 1/2; Nelson Brothers, won 29 lost 23; Geezeretts, won 28 lost 24; Animal Health, won 27 lost 25; Logan Gals, won 25 lost 27

Individual Game High Scratch: Jackie Wright, 165; Jackie Wright, 165; Jackie Griffey 158; Jackie Griffey, 148

Individual Game with Handicap: Lee Mapes, 235; Jackie Wright, 227; Jackie Griffey, 223

Individual Series High Scratch: Jackie Griffey, 446; Jackie Wright,

443; Kathleen Berlier, 399

Individual Series with Handicap: Jackie Griffey, 641; Jackie Wright, 629; Lee Mapes, 613

Team Game High Scratch: BEB & Associates, 408; BEB & Associates, 392; Geezeretts, 389

Team Game with Handicap: Geezeretts, 627; Animal Health, 598; Animal Health, 593; BEB & Associates, 593

Team Series High Scratch: BEB & Associates, 1173; Animal Health, 1094; Geezeretts, 1022

Team Series with Handicap: Animal Health, 1775; Geezeretts, 1736; BEB & Associates, 1728

Week of April 18

Team Standings: BEB & Associates, won 44 1/2 lost 11 1/2; Geezeretts, won 32 lost 24; Nelson Brothers, won 31 lost 25; Animal Health, won 29 lost 27; Logan Gals, won 25 lost 31

Individual Game High Scratch: Lynn Nelson, 190; Sharron Smith, 179; Donna VanKooten, 173

Individual Game with Handicap: Lynn Nelson, 256; Donna VanKooten, 241; Sharron Smith, 235

Individual Series High Scratch: Sharron Smith, 467; Lynn Nelson, 444; Jackie Wright, 403

Individual Series with Handicap: Lynn Nelson, 642; Sharron Smith, 635; Donna VanKooten, 602

Team Game High Scratch: Nelson Brothers, 463; Animal Health, 424; BEB & Associates, 419

Team Game with Handicap: Nelson Brothers, 681; Animal Health, 642; Geezeretts, 623

Team Series High Scratch: Nelson Brothers, 1157; BEB & Associates, 1153; Animal Health, 1105

Team Series with Handicap: Nelson Brothers, 1811; Animal Health, 1759; Geezeretts, 1729

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