

Varsity tennis team wins Phillipsburg quad

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 Coach Jim Green's Norton Community High School varsity tennis team competed in the Phillipsburg Quad on Tuesday and won the championship by two points over the host team. Finishing behind Norton and Phillipsburg with 22 and 20 points, respectively, were Concordia, 15 and Scott City, 3. "The conditions for play were not the best with a strong south wind," said coach Green. "This was the first tournament this season where the wind was a factor. Several of the players had trouble adjusting to the wind. "This was also the first time this season that we competed against Concordia and Scott City." Norton senior Tawni Griffey played No.1 singles for the Lady Jays and extended her winning, unscored upon streak. She shutout Danielle Timme, Concordia, 8-0; shutout Holly Wilcoxson, Scott City, 8-0 and shutout Arika Aiken, Phillips-

burg, 8-0. "Tawni did not seem to have any problems with the wind," said coach Green. "Tawni continues to play extremely well no matter the weather conditions. Tawni simply overpowered her opponents." Norton's No.1 doubles team of juniors Rিকে Green and Ashley Hildebrand outscored Concordia's Emily Trigg and Heather Letourneau, 8-6; lost to Callan Rice and Diana Rodriguez, Scott City, 8-4 and lost to Phillipsburg's Brooke Boyington and Kaitlyn Vogel, 8-0, to place fourth. "Rিকে and Ashley continue to improve," said coach Green. "Their points are lasting longer and the games they play are extremely close. "They gave us a big win against Concordia, which made the difference between finishing first or second." Sierra Black, Norton's only other senior on the team, continued to win as she earned a gold

medal at No. 2 singles. She defeated Amanda Lawrence, Concordia, 8-2; shutout Brianna Emahizer, Scott City, 8-0 and outscored Amy Stapel, Phillipsburg, 8-4. "It was nice to see Sierra continue to win," said coach Green. "She is very good at being consistent, winning the long points. "Sierra is also being very aggressive by moving to the net to put the ball away." Junior Jessica White and sophomore Molly Scott placed runner-up at No.2 doubles. They defeated Siri McGuire and Ashley Adams, Concordia, 8-6; shutout Leah Artz and Anna Miller, Scott City, 8-0 and were edged by Kyla Ellis and Brittini Groothoff, Phillipsburg, 8-7 (2-7). "Molly and Jessica do so many things well at No.2 doubles," said coach Green. "Their second place finish could easily have been first. In their last match of the evening with Phillipsburg, they came from behind to tie the score at 7-all and

forced a tiebreaker. They didn't win the tiebreaker but the match could have gone either way." **Next action** The Norton varsity will not play again until Thursday, Sept. 20 when they compete in the Russell Invitational. Meanwhile, the Norton junior varsity played in the Phillipsburg JV Tournament on Thursday and will play in the Tribune-Greeley JV Tournament on Tuesday, Sept. 18 in Goodland, beginning at 3 p.m.



(Right) Norton senior Sierra Black returns the tennis ball during her 8-2 win over Concordia's Amanda Lawrence in No.2 singles in the Phillipsburg Quad on Tuesday. A consistent winner in early season, Sierra won the gold medal to help the Lady Jays win the championship.

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Huskies roll over Triplains/Brewster

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 The Northern Valley Huskies varsity football team traveled to Brewster on Friday, Sept. 7 and crushed the Triplains/Brewster Titans, 44-18. The Huskies were dominant on both sides of the ball. First quarter, sophomore running back Phillip Bryant got the Huskies on the board with a one yard touchdown run. Bryant would run for the 2-point conversion as well, and the Huskies were up 8-0. Triplains/Brewster answered back with a five yard touchdown run from junior Nate Jorgensen. The conversion failed but the Titans cut the Huskies lead to 8-6. Less than a minute later, junior running back Jordan Baird punched it in from 12 yards out. Hunter Chandler would connect with Jon Compton for the 2-point conversion leaving the Huskies to lead by 10 points, 16-6. Second quarter, the Huskies defense pinned Triplains/Brewster in its own end zone for a safety, 18-6 Huskies. Baird had a huge game and added six more points to the Huskies lead with a seven yard touchdown run and Northern Valley led 24-6 over the Titans at the half. Third quarter, junior quarterback Hunter Chandler would dive into the end zone from

the one yard line and the Huskies took a commanding 30-6 lead. The Titans had a little fight left in them though and put together a scoring drive of their own. Junior quarterback Seth Smith scored on a four yard run, cutting into the Huskies lead, 30-12. Fourth quarter, the Huskies proved to be too strong for the Titans. Chandler scored his second touchdown on the night from five yards out and the lead grew to 24 points, 36-12 Huskies. Baird capped a three touchdown night with a 12 yard run through the Titans' defense. Matt Stutsman passed to fellow sophomore Clint Cole for the 2-point conversion and the Huskies had a commanding 44-12 lead. Triplains/Brewster tacked on a late score from Seth Smith on a 30 yard touchdown run, but it didn't matter as the Huskies cruised to a 44-18 win and are 2-0 on the young season. The Huskies running attack and stout defense were the keys to this victory. As a team the Huskies rushed the ball 61 times for 482 yards. Jordan Baird led the ground assault with 190 yards on 24 carries and three touchdowns. Phillip Bryant had 15 carries for 146 yards and a touchdown and Hunter Chandler rushed 18 times for 128

yards and two touchdowns. Defensively, the Huskies can flat-out tackle. They held the Titans to 154 total yards. Senior Tyson Callaway was the team's leading tackler with 16, junior Ian Vincent had 15 tackles, Bryant and Chandler had 14 tackles each, Baird had 12, Stutsman and senior Terry Shrader had nine tackles of their own. Stutsman and Chandler also had one interception apiece. Huskies head coach Chuck Fessenden was pleased with his team's dominating performance. "We had another good night rushing the football. Our backs ran hard. The offensive line did a nice job of adjusting to several different defensive fronts. We showed some improvement in the passing game," said Fessenden. But the coach also said his team had room for improvement. "We should have had several more touchdowns but we struggled with fumbles (3 lost fumbles) and mistakes inside the 10 yard line," said coach Fessenden. "Our defense had another solid game. We only gave up a 154 yards of offense. We are looking forward to next week's district game against Palco." Northern Valley will be back in action on Friday against Palco at 7 p.m. in Almena.

Norton Junior high team opens football season with victory

By Mike Stephens

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 The Norton Junior High School football team began its season on Thursday, Aug. 30 with an impressive 40-6 victory over Phillipsburg at Travis Field. First quarter, Phillipsburg got on the scoreboard first with a touchdown but failed on the 2-point conversion and the Blue Jays trailed early, 6-0. Norton was a little slow out of the blocks but in the second quarter they got rolling. Eighth grader Tyus Henson got the scoring started for the Blue Jays with a three yard touchdown run, and seventh grader Jace Ruder ran in for the conversion, 8-6 Bluejays. On the following possession, eighth grader Wilson Ellis intercepted a Panther's pass and returned it for a 30 yard touchdown, building Norton's lead to eight points, 14-6. "Will's interception was the emotional lift we needed and we never looked back from that point," said Blue Jays head coach Shane Miller. Late in the second quarter, Ruder went on a 65 yard gallop to the endzone. Kade Unterscher completed a pass to fellow eighth grader Landon Porter for the 2-point conversion and the Blue Jays took a 22-6 lead into halftime. Third quarter, the Blue Jays continued their dominance over the Panthers. Eighth grader Jacob Green got loose for a 27 yard touchdown run giving the

Blue Jays a 28-6 lead. Late in the third, Henson would score from 16 yards out and Norton took a commanding 34-6 lead into the fourth quarter. Late in the fourth, the Blue Jays gave some of the second-teamers some playing time and seventh grader Tevin Petrie made the most out of his opportunity with a 13 yard touchdown run to cap a dominating 40-6 season opening victory over the Phillipsburg Panthers. After the game, coach Miller had nothing but positive things to say about his team's performance. "I was very proud of how we responded after Phillipsburg's score. This shows me that this team is going to be very competitive and able to handle adversity during a ball game. We were able to play a lot of kids and I think our depth could be a definite advantage as we progress through the season," said Miller.

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