

# Cross country teams win MCL championship

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For the fifth year in a row, the Norton Community High School girls and boys both won the championship of the Mid-Continent League Cross Country Meet held Thursday at the golf course in Phillipsburg.

It was also the ninth straight MCL cross country crown for the boys.

The Norton girls won the league championship with 16 points, followed by Plainville, 39; Hill City, 40.

The meet was also run as an invitational with non-league teams competing and Norton also won those titles. In the invitational, the Norton girls had 36 points, followed by Lincoln, 71; Hill City, 80; Plainville, 85.

The Blue Jay boys won the league championship with 21 points, followed by Phillipsburg, 28; Plainville, 57; Hill City, 60; Stockton, 72; Ellis, 99; Osborne, 103. In the invitational, Norton won with 55 points, followed by Phillipsburg, 73; Lincoln, 79; Colby, 89; Plainville, 112; Hill City, 125; Stockton, 149; Ellis, 188.

## GIRLS

Norton junior Darcy Bainter was first across the finish line for the Lady Jays with a second place in the league and fourth in the invitational with a time of 16:45. Senior Julia Kent was second best for Norton with a fifth place in the league and eighth overall with a clocking of 16:58.

Next to place for the Lady Jays was sophomore Sierra Griffith who was sixth in the league and tenth overall in 17:08. Junior

Katelyn Engelbert was seventh in the league and 11th overall with a time of 17:09. Rounding out the five-girl Norton scoring team was senior Kamilla Jones with an eighth place in the league and 12th in the invitational with a time of 17:24.

Also running for Norton were freshman Molly Maddy, tenth in the league, 14th overall, 17:28; junior Marisa Maddy, 12th in the league, 16th overall, 17:50.

The top ten finishers in the league received medals as All-Mid-Continent League runners.

Three Norton girls ran in the junior varsity race. Freshman Raenee Patterson placed second with a time of 18:55, followed by freshman Kylie Perez, third, 19:46 and senior Steph Hager, sixth, 21:36.

"Our girls came out tonight with another fantastic effort," said Norton head cross country coach George Rossi. "The weather turned out to be very nice and our girls took advantage of that.

"Darcy Bainter ran probably the best race of her career and was not far behind Eileen Mick from Osborne, who is a very good runner. Julia Kent also had a very good race.

"Our order of finish has been different in the past, which can be a good thing as long as we are in the lead group. Every girl on the varsity greatly improved their time from last year, even though the course was different; however, the weather was much better than last year.

"It is just awesome having six girls make All-MCL.

"The next few weeks will be a tough test for our girls. The

upcoming Lakeside meet will have three of the top five teams in Class 3A and several girls in the top 10 individual times for this year."

The top ten girls finishers were: Jenna Farris, Lincoln, 15:44.01, first; Andrea Brown, Colby, 16:33.75, second; Eileen Mick, Osborne, 16:35.15, third; Darcy Bainter, Norton, 16:45.81, fourth; Cassidy Rathbun, Plainville, 16:46.60, fifth; Leslie VanLoenen, Hill City, 16:46.90, sixth; Lizzie Benoit, Palco, 16:57.32, seventh; Julia Kent, Norton, 16:58.20, eighth; Brittini Harlow, Lincoln, 17:00.12, ninth; Sierra Griffith, Norton, 17:08.51.

Four of the next six were also from Norton. They were: Katelyn Engelbert, 17:09.50, 11th; Kamilla Jones, 17:24.46, 12th; Molly Maddy, 17:28.51, 14th; Marisa Maddy, 17:50.81, 16th. Brooke Baird of Northern Valley won the junior varsity race with a time of 18:29.08. Allison Keith, also of Northern Valley, placed seventh in 22:10.06.

## BOYS

Junior Marc Miller led the way for the Norton boys, finishing second in the league and second in the invitational in 17:55. Blue Jay junior Alec Hager placed fourth in both the league and invitational in 18:16. Freshman Brendon Frack was fifth in the league and fifth in the invitational in 18:19.

Sophomore Dalton Vanover was 11th in the league and 16th overall in 18:55 and senior Ryan Bainter rounded out the five-man Norton team with a 24th in the league and 34th overall with a personal record time of 20:19.

Receiving All-Mid-Continent League medals were Miller, Hager and Frack.

Also running for Norton and their places and times were: junior Keith Sander, 27th in league, 38th in invitational with a personal record time of 20:47 and senior John Renner, 30th in league, 45th in invitational in 21:25.

Competing in the junior varsity race and their places and times were: freshman Weston Erbert, sixth, personal record 21:31; junior Kailen Kawahara, eighth, personal record 22:23; freshman Skylar Johnson, ninth, personal record 22:37; junior Chris Chambers, 13th, personal record 22:47; freshman James King, 23rd, 24:21; sophomore David Smith, 25th, 24:50.

"When the boys first came across the line tonight, we were very concerned that Phillipsburg had beaten us," said coach Rossi. "Our top three boys Marc, Alec and Brendon proved to be the difference as Phillipsburg's number five runner was ahead of our number five runner.

"Almost all of our boys greatly improved their time from last year. Our boys need to come to race with better focus and mental preparation. The next couple of weeks are going to be the deal breaker for this group. If they put their mind and body on the line, this group has the ability to make it to Rim Rock at the end of the month for the state meet.

"Lack of focus and we will be done before we want."

The top ten boys finishers were: Wyatt Ratzlaff, Phillipsburg, 17:19:84, first; Marc Miller, Norton, 17:55:83, sec-



Norton junior Darcy Bainter passes an opponent as teammate senior Julia Kent prepares to do the same during the Mid-Continent League Cross Country Championships on Thursday in Phillipsburg. Darcy and Julia were the first two Lady Jays to cross the finish line for the MCL champions

—Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

ond; Shane Jones, Hill City, 18:11.75, third; Alec Hager, Norton, 18:16:43, fourth; Brendon Frack, Norton, 18:19.66, fifth; Wynter Wiebke, Lincoln, 18:20.49, sixth; John Faber, Colby, 18:27.64, seventh; Arne Lonberger, Lincoln, 18:33.90, eighth; Reed Stephens, Stockton, 18:34.22, ninth; Hunter Kline, Lincoln, 18:34.97, tenth.

Jon Compton of Northern Valley placed 15th in 18:48.07.

Macy Kasson, Northern Valley, finished second in the junior varsity race with a time of 20:28.23. The Huskies' Camden Cox placed tenth in 22:40.64.

## Next action

Norton will compete next in the Lakeside Invitational Cross Country Meet on Thursday in Downs, beginning at 4 p.m. with the varsity girls and followed by the varsity boys and junior varsity girls and boys races.

# Lady Jay qualifies for state tennis

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The Norton Community High School tennis team competed in the Class 3-2-1A Regional Tennis Tournament on Friday and Saturday in Russell and Lady Jay senior Tawni Griffey won all of her singles matches to win the championship and qualify for the State Tournament for the third year in a row.

She will take a perfect 31-0 record into the State Tournament in Hutchinson on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 12-13.

Also playing singles for Norton was senior Sierra Black. She won one match, then lost two and was eliminated.

Doubles players for Norton were juniors Rিকেle Green and Jessica White and junior Ashley Hildebrand and sophomore Molly Scott. Both teams lost their openers and were eliminated.

Central Plains won the tournament championship with 16 points, followed by Ellinwood, 11; Ellsworth, 10; Norton, 8; Hoisington, 4; Phillipsburg, 4; Osborne, 2; Russell, 2; Beloit, 1; Victoria, 0.

Tawni defeated Brooke Schmidt, Victoria, 6-0, 6-0; shutout Jessica Schauf, Hoisington, 6-0, 6-0; beat Breanna Schartz, Central Plains, 6-1, 6-0 and outscored Rachel Herzog, Ellsworth, 6-1, 6-1 to win the championship.

Sierra defeated Sarah Kuhn, Victoria, 6-2, 6-0 but lost to Herzog 6-0, 6-0 to drop into the consolation bracket where she lost 6-0, 6-0 to Taylor Noel, Osborne.

Rিকেle and Jessica played Abby Dreher and Brooklyn Sidebottom, Russell, and lost a close 9-7 contest and were eliminated.

Ashley and Molly played Janae Hekele and Katie Hipp, Central Plains, and lost 6-0, 6-1 and were eliminated.

"We didn't exactly have tennis weather for the regional tournament," said Norton head tennis coach Jim Green. "The temperature was in the forties and moisture was in the air.

"I was happy with the seeding of our singles players. Tawni received the No.1 seed and Sierra was seeded seventh. We didn't do quite as well in the doubles. Both doubles teams were in the draw and there were several draws before the seeding would

work. Rিকেle and Jessica drew in a feeder bracket against Russell but Ashley and Molly drew in against the No.1 seeds from Central Plains.

"Tawni won easily in the first round over Broke Schmidt of Victoria.

"Sierra played well in winning against Sarah Kuhn of Victoria. We were off to a good start in the singles.

"Rিকেle and Jessica started out against Russell who we have had good success against. Today, conditions were not ideal. The temperature in the forties is definitely cold and a strong north wind didn't help either. Russell deserves a lot of credit for the way they were playing.

"Ashley and Molly were getting ready for their first match and the drizzle changed to rain. Play was suspended until 2:15 to give the rain time to pass through. By 2:15, the rain had stopped and people began to squeeze the courts. It took 45 minutes to get the courts dried out and play resumed.

"Ashley and Molly played against Central Plains, the best team in the tournament. They made a number of nice shots but the ball kept coming back over the net. Central Plains eventually won the championship. Our girls lost and were eliminated.

"Because of the rain delay, there wasn't time to play the second round of singles matches.

"Saturday was a better day. The temperature was still in the forties but we didn't have the wind to deal with. Tawni and Sierra were both on the courts at 9 a.m. Tawni was on against Jessica Schauf of Hoisington. Tawni dispatched her quickly 6-0, 6-0. Sierra was up against Rachel Herzog of Ellsworth, the No.2 seed. Herzog is a tough opponent who likes to come to the net. Sierra played well but lost.

"In the quarterfinals, Tawni met Breanna Schartz of Central Plains, the No.4 seed. Schartz is a very talented and experienced player. Tawni played well and advanced. Sierra met Taylor Noel of Osborne, the No.6 seed. Sierra played Noel four times during the season without a win. It is difficult to play someone at the regionals that you have not been successful against during the season. The match didn't go well for Sierra. Noel jumped out

to an early lead. It is difficult to come from behind and win. I felt like Sierra was playing well; it just wasn't enough.

"In the finals, Tawni competed against Rachel Herzog of Ellsworth. Herzog is a hard hitting and aggressive player. It made a good match for the finals

with lots of long points and hard hitting. Tawni showed what a strong player she is by meeting one challenge after another. The match continued with hard hitting and a few high lobs mixed in. Tawni finished strong to win the regional championship."

## •PUBLIC NOTICE•

### IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN L SCHOEN

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS  
In the Matter of the Estate of HELEN L SCHOEN, Deceased.

Case No. 2011 PR 10  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified a Petition has been filed in this Court by Melissa M. Schoen, duly appointed, qualified and acting Executor of the Estate of Helen L. Schoen, deceased, requesting that Petitioner's acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the will be construed and the Estate be assigned to the person entitled thereto; the Court find the administration of the Estate be

closed; upon the filing of receipts the Petitioner be finally discharged as the Executor of the Estate of Helen L. Schoen, deceased, and the Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before October 25, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the District Court, in Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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### ORDINANCE NO. 1627

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#### ORDINANCE NO. 1627

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER IV, ARTICLE ONE OF THE NORTON CITY CODE RELATING TO BUILDING PERMITS, AS TO THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORTON, KANSAS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF NORTON, KANSAS:

Section 1: Section 4-107 of the Code of the City of Norton is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### 4-107. PERMIT REQUIRED.

- Before beginning any building, construction, or repair work, a builder or building contractor shall apply to the building inspector and obtain a permit to do such work. Permits shall be obtained for exterior roofing work on any structure. All such work shall meet the building code requirements. An owner must also apply for a permit if the owner does the work but an owner is not subject to a late application fee.
- All applications for permits shall be made on suitable forms provided by the city.
- The application shall be accompanied by a \$5 permit fee.
- A builder or building contractor who does not apply for a permit prior to beginning the construction may be charged a late application fee. That said late fee may be assessed at \$5.00 per day for any day the permit was required and not applied for or obtained.
- Section 105.2 of the International Building Code, as in effect, shall be amended to include: "Exterior surface work of the walls of a structure, so long as the structural framework of the building is not repaired, modified or enlarged."

Section 2: This ordinance becomes effective upon publication in the official city newspaper.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the City of Norton, Kansas, this 3rd day of October, 2012.

ATTEST: /s/ Darla R. Ellis, City Clerk

/s/ David N. Corns, Mayor

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Clayton, Kansas, has filed with the Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, one (1) application to change the point of diversion pursuant to Water Right, File No. 34,101. The applicants propose to change the point of diversion for File No. 34,101 from: one (1) well located in Lot 1 of Section 6, more particularly described as being near a point 4,425 feet North and 2,080 feet West of the Southeast corner of said section, in Township 4 South, Range 25 West, Norton County, Kansas, to: one (1) existing well located in Lot 6 of Block 5, Original Town of Clayton, Kansas, more particularly described as being near a point 4,006 feet North and 2,235 feet West of the Southeast corner of Section 6, to be used as a primary well, and one (1) well located in Lot 1 of Section 6, more particularly described as being near a point 4,425 feet North and 2,080 feet West of the Southeast corner of said section, to be used as a standby well, both in Township 4 South, Range 25 West, Norton County, Kansas.

Any interested party is invited to submit to this office on or before Nov. 10, 2012, written comments as to whether the Application to Change the Point of Diversion for File No. 34,101 should be approved or not approved. Persons submitting comments should specifically indicate their interest in the application in a clear and concise manner.

The change application for File No. 34,101 is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, 109 Southwest 9th Street, Second Floor, Topeka, Kansas 66612-1283.

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