Blue Jay signs with college

Norton Community High School senior Alec Melvin has signed a letter of intent to continue her successful track and field career at Tabor College in Hillsboro.

Alec will be a four-year letter winner in track and field for the Norton Lady Jays, whom she has represented in the State Track Meet her sophomore and junior years.

Alec was the high point performer for the Norton track team last season for the second year in a row with 199 points.

She qualified for the state meet in the discus, javelin and shot the last two seasons. Last year, she placed fourth in the discus and fifth in the shot in the state meet.

A multi-sport athlete, Alec has lettered four years in basketball and two years in volleyball.

David Kroeker, head men's and women's track and field coach at Tabor, was present for her official signing of her letter of intent. "She is a wonderful young woman," said coach Kroeker of Alec.

"She is a good student and the kind of girl we already have in our program. She will fit in well in our Christian environment. We have high expectations for her. With her lifestyle, she'll be a great representative of our college. I can't wait until she gets on our campus.

"Hopefully, I can help her get better.

"She comes from a quality family with a lot of support. She's already done well but I have expectations that she'll do even better in college."

Coach Kroeker has been the head coach at Tabor for 13 years. Both women's and men's track and field teams placed third in both indoor and outdoor competition last season in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference.

Coach Kroeker is also the throws coach for the Tabor

Bluejays.

"I am very happy and excited for Alec and for her future in track and field," said Norton head track coach Jason Jones.

"She is a gifted athlete and a leader by example who has always worked exceedingly hard. She has experienced great success at the high school level because of her hard work.

'We will miss her contributions and her leadership. I have every confidence that her work ethic will continue and will lead her to additional and continued success during her competitive time at Tabor College.

"She is very goal-oriented and intrinsically driven to succeed. I fully expect her to become a highly valued asset to their program.

"I wish her the very best of luck and will be looking forward to great performances from her at the collegiate level!"

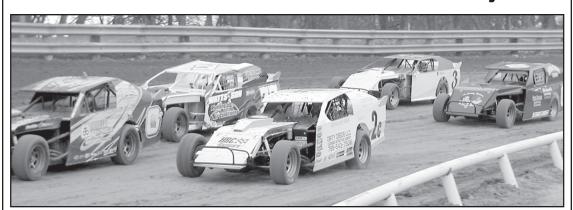
Alec is the daughter of Angela and Lucas Melvin.



Norton senior multi-sport athlete Alec Melvin is pictured signing a letter of intent to compete in track and field at Tabor College in Hillsboro. With her are, from left, her father Lucas Melvin and her mother Angela Melvin. In the back are, from left, David Kroeker, head men and women's track and field coach at Tabor and Jason Jones, head girls and boys track coach at Norton Community High School.

- Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

Rain halts first race of the year



With all but one heat race in the books, Mother Nature won the remainder of the night at Elmwood Park Speedway in Norton, KS, Saturday evening, March 30.

The remainder of the race program, including the second heat race and the feature for the Heartland Sprint Series, along with the feature races for the IMCA-sanctioned Hobby Stocks, Northern Sport Mods, Stock Cars and Modifieds, will open the race program on Saturday, April 13. That will be followed by a complete race program scheduled for that evening for all 5 classes. The green flag will fly at 6:00 p.m.

– Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Coach of the year announced

By DICK BOYD

nortontelegram@nwkansas.com George Rossi, head girls and boys coach of cross country at Norton Community High School, has been chosen as the Class 3A girls cross country

"Coach of the Year" by the Kansas Track and Field Cross Country Coaches Association.

years that coach Rossi has won

the honor.

It is the second time in three

cross country team has finished in the top three in the state championship meet each of the past four years, winning the state championship in 2010.

The Norton Blue Jay girls

Academic All-State team selected

Norton Community High School seniors Kamilla Jones and Tawni Griffey have been selected to the Kansas Basketball Coaches Association Academic All-State Team for the 2012-13 season.

In order to be nominated for this honor, a basketball player must have scored a 25 or above on the ACT and be in the top one-fourth of their high school class.



Stardust League Standings as of Feb. 4 1. The PC's - 12 wins, 8

losses 1. Team 1 - 12 wins, 8 losses

losses High Line: Cheri Brooks-195,

Carol Ross-195, Sharron Smith-154, BEB & Assoc.-481. High Line Handicap: Carol

215, AB & BB-408. High Series: Bill LaSalle-485, Rusty Miller-481, RM & DC-888.

High Series Handicap: Bill LaSalle-605, Warren Francis-

PC's-1188, Team 1-1144, FSBT 2-1140.

> Ladies Inter-City League Standings as of Feb. 18





3. FSBT 2 - 10 wins. 10 losses

4. FSBT 1 - 6 wins, 14 losses High Line: Bev Miller-203, Janet Manning-185, Cindy Linner-171, FSBT 1-388, The PC's-330, Team 1-264.

High Line Handicap: Bev Miller-241, Janet Manning-235, Norma Felsburg-223, FSBT 1-476, Team 1-424, The PC's-413.

High Series: Bev Miller-500, Janet Manning-489, Cindy Linner-488, FSBT 1-989, The PC's-900. Team 1-757.

High Series Handicap: Norma Felsburg-643, Janet Manning-639, Bev Miller-614, FSBT 1-1253, Team 1-1237, The PC's-1149.

Stardust League Standings as of Feb. 11

1. Team 1 - 16 wins, 8 losses 2. The PC's - 13 wins, 11 losses

3. FSBT 2 - 10 wins, 14 losses

4. FSBT 1 - 9 wins, 15 losses High Line: Bev Miller-206, Cindy Linner-196, Janet Manning-165, FSBT 1-367, The PC's-332, Team 1-288.

High Line Handicap: Bev Miller-244, Cindy Linner-234, Sandy Horesky-231, FSBT 1-454, Team 1-439, The PC's-415.

High Series: Bev Miller-529, Cindy Linner-481, Janet Manning-435, FSBT 1-964, The PC's-871, Team 1-783.

High Series Handicap: Sandy Horesky-646, Bev Miller-643, Cindy Linner-595, Team 1-1236, FSBT 1-1225, The PC's-1120.

Tuesday Housewife League Standings as of Feb. 12

1. Amateurs - 20 wins, 8 losses 2. BEB & Assoc. - 17 wins,

11 losses 3. Lenora Nutrition Center -

14 wins, 14 losses

4. Moffet's - 5 wins, 23

Ross-262, Cheri Brooks-22/, Deb Keiswetter-217, BEB & 604, WF & BR-1148. Assoc.-665.

High Series: Cheri Brooks-473, Carol Ross-443, Jacque Griffey-434, BEB & Assoc.-1260.

High Series Handicap: Carol Ross-644, Jennifer Miller-604, Joy Johnson-603, BEB & Assoc.-1812.

Inter-City League Standings as of Feb. 14

1. Bailey Electric - 42 wins, 21 losses 2. B & C - 37 wins, 26 losses 3. BLD's - 28.5 wins, 34.5

losses 4. Jett SS - 28 wins, 35 losses 5. Hawks Depot - 27.5 wins,

35.5 losses High Line: Nick Daniels-225, Rusty Miller-191, Mark Bailey-183, Dennis Balderston-168, Aaron Daniels-168.

High Line Handicap: Nick Daniels-286, Mark Bailey-228, Aaron Daniels-225, Rusty Miller-223.

High Series: Rusty Miller-530, Nick Daniels-513, Mark Bailey-483, Dennis Balderston-482.

High Series Handicap: Nick Daniels-696, Dennis Balderston-632, Rusty Miller-626, Abe Burk-626.

Tuesday Night Mens League

Standings as of Feb. 12 1. WF & BR - 23 wins, 12

losses 2. RM & DC - 19 wins, 16 losses

3. Norton Chiropractic Center - 17 wins, 18 losses

4. BL & JE - 16 wins, 19 losses 5. AB & BB - 10 wins, 25

losses High Line: Bill LaSalle-180, Rusty Miller-164, RM & DC-312.

LaSalle-220, Warren Francis-

Stardust League Standings as of Feb. 18 1. The PC's - 17 wins, 11 losses

1. Team 1 - 17 wins, 11 losses

3. FSBT 1 - 12 wins, 16 losses

4. FSBT 2 - 10 wins, 18 losses

High Line: Janet Manning-194, Bev Miller-177, Cindy Linner-171, FSBT 1-355, The PC's-329, Team 1-264.

High Line Handicap: Janet Manning-243, Sandra Horesky-218, Bev Miller-214, FSBT 1-441, The PC's-412, Team 1-411.

High Series: Bev Miller-486, Peggy Sevier-474, Cindy Linner-459, FSBT 1-936, The PC's-933, Team 1-700.

High Series Handicap: Peggy Sevier-612, Janet Manning-597, FSBT 1-1194, The PC's-1182, Team 1-1141.

Stardust League Standings as of Feb. 25

1. The PC's - 20 wins, 12 losses

2. Team 1 - 18 wins, 14 losses

3. FSBT 1 - 13 wins, 19 losses

3. FSBT 2 - 13 wins, 19 losses

High Line: Peggy Sevier-165, Cindy Linner-159, Janet Manning-154, The PC's- 324, FSBT 1-287, Team 1-261.

High Line Handicap: Norma Felsburg-217, Peggy Sevier-211, Natalie Linner-203, Team 1-409, The PC's-407, FSBT 2-396.

High Series: Peggy Sevier-476, Cindy Linner-463, Janet Manning-441, The PC's-939, FSBT 1-849, FSBT 2-702.

High Series Handicap: Norma High Line Handicap: Bill Felsburg-622, Peggy Sevier-614, Janet Manning-585, The

1. Animal Health - 20.5 wins. 11.5 losses

2. Nelson Bros. - 20 wins, 12 losses

3. BEB & Assoc. - 17.5 wins, 14.5 losses

4. Logan Gals - 17 wins, 15 losses

5. Geezeretts - 16 wins, 16 losses

High Line: Sharron Smith-159, Margaret Thomas-149, Jackie Wright-149, Sharron Smith-147, BEB & Assoc.-421, BEB & Assoc.-398, BEB & Assoc.-390.

High Line Handicap: Margaret Thomas-216, Lyndelle Linde-214, Jackie Wright-213, Animal Health-601, Nelson Bros.-588, BEB & Assoc.-587.

High Series: Sharron Smith-431. Kathleen Berlier-396. Donna VanKooten-390, BEB & Assoc.-1209, Geezeretts-1070, Animal Health-1041.

High Series Handicap: Donna Margaret VanKooten-609, Thomas-588, Jackie Wright-574, BEB & Assoc.-1707, Geezeretts-1685, Animal Health-1680.





