

Norton downs Oberlin Bluejays beat Devils 27-14

The Decatur Community High Red Devils lost 27-14 to the Norton Bluejays on Friday in Norton.

It was the Bluejay's Homecoming, and Oberlin tried hard to upset their long-time rivals, recovering four of five Norton fumbles.

Oberlin took the kickoff, but was unable to move the ball and punted on fourth down.

The Bluejays took the ball into the end zone on their first possession and the kick was good. With 9:15 left in the half, the home team was ahead 7-0.

Brent Juenemann took the ball on the kickoff and returned it to the Oberlin 27, but the Red Devils couldn't make 10 yards and again punted.

Norton got some yardage but was stopped on a fourth-down play at the Oberlin 18, where Oberlin got the ball. The Red Devils could still not move the ball and again had to punt.

Norton moved the ball to the Oberlin 27 as the quarter ended. On the first play of the second quarter, the Bluejays fumbled and Oberlin recovered on its own 25.

Junior Zach May picked up six yards for Oberlin and a face-mask penalty on Norton took the Red Devils to the 41. On the next play, Tyler Lewis of Norton was hurt. Oberlin was penalized for an illegal block and sent back to the 27.



OBERLIN QUARTERBACK ZACH MAY (No. 7) had the football and was moving down the field behind blocks from Kennedy Fortin (No. 44) and Chris Anderson (27) during Friday night's game against the Bluejays in Norton. — Herald photo by Dick Boyd

Again, the Red Devils couldn't move the ball and had to punt.

This time, the Bluejays passed on the first play and the receiver ran 64 yards for Norton's second touchdown. The kick was again good and the score was 14-0 with 7:32 left in the half.

Sophomore Dayton Dreher took the kickoff back to Oberlin's 25. Senior Brent Juenemann and May combined to get Oberlin up to the 41 for another first down.

Kennedy Fortin took the ball into Norton territory, but the 46 was as far as the Red Devils could go and Oberlin punted again.

Norton returned the ball to its own 30 but then fumbled. Oberlin took over on the Bluejay 38. However, the Red Devils could not get past the Norton 22 and after an incomplete pass, the Bluejays took possession.

Norton tried to move the ball but ran out of time for the half.

As the second half began, Norton

Junior varsity wins in overtime

The Decatur Community High junior varsity football team beat Oakley on the road last Monday.

After trailing 14-0 at the half, the young Red Devils came back to beat the Plainsmen 20-14 in overtime.

Konner Fortin, Kennedy Fortin and Chris Anderson all made touchdowns for Oberlin.

"That was a good game," said Oberlin activities director and junior high coach Joe Dreher. "They never quit."

The junior varsity team was to play Norton on Monday and will be in Cambridge, Neb., at 5:30 p.m. next Monday.

wasted no time taking the kickoff downfield. Several plays later, the Bluejays scored their third touchdown. Again the kick was good and with 8:26 left in the third quarter, the score was 21-0.

Oberlin again could go nowhere with the ball and punted out of bounds on the Norton 11.

Norton took the ball and headed towards the goal. However, the Bluejays fumbled again. May picked it up and ran 70 yards to put Oberlin on the board with 3:30 left

in the third quarter.

The kick failed but the score was 21-6.

The Bluejays took the kickoff but were unable to move the ball and had to punt.

The Red Devils took the punt to their own 42-yard line as the quarter ended. Then Oberlin moved toward the goal line through the air.

Three passes to May and a 6-yard pass from Juenemann to May put the Red Devils on the board again with 7:46 to go. This time, Dreher passed

to Juenemann for two points and the score was 21-14.

The Bluejays got a holding penalty as they returned the kickoff and ended up starting out on their own 15. Again Norton fumbled the football and again Oberlin took possession. This time it was on the Bluejay 26.

Oberlin couldn't move the ball this time, and Norton took over again on its own 30.

Again the Bluejays passed to an open man, who took the ball down

the field for a 61-yard play into the end zone.

This time, the Bluejays tried a two-point conversion but were unsuccessful. With 3:29 left in the game, the score was 27-14.

Juenemann returned the kickoff and Oberlin was moving the ball well in the air until Norton intercepted. This time, Norton was unable to move the ball and had to punt.

Time ran out for Oberlin and Norton won the game 27-14.

Individual statistics were not available for Oberlin.

Norton is now 3-1 and Oberlin 1-3.

This week, Oberlin will be back at home as the St. Francis Indians come to call at 7 p.m. Friday. It will be the first game of Class 2A district competition for each team.

St. Francis is also 1-3 with a win over Holyoke, Colo., and losses to Colby, Norton and Wray, Colo. Norton downed the Indians 53-8 on Sept. 9.

Oberlin swimmers take third place at league meet in Colby

The Oberlin Swim Club took third at the Northwest Kansas League meet at the end of the season.

Colby won the meet with Wray, Colo., coming in second.

Oberlin sent 26 swimmers to the meet in Colby. Two swimmers, Jakob and Keagen Blau, took first in all five of their events.

Hunter May and Kariah Castle took three firsts each; Molly Tate, two; and Danielle Rouse, one.

"The swimmers did exceptional this summer," said Coach Stephanie Blau. "We had some swimmers who had to move up an age bracket to fill some spaces in relays, and they did great filling the shoes. We had nine swimmers in high point awards."

Mackenzie Urban took sixth in girls 8 and under; Hunter May second in boys 8 and under; Danielle Rouse, first, and Molly Tate, second, in girls 9 to 10; Jakobi Blau, first, and Jenna Long, fourth, in girls 11 to 12; Kariah Castle, sixth in girls 13-14; Keagen Blau, first in boys 13 to 14; and Kiah Blau, third in girls 15-18.

Danielle Rouse, Jakob Blau and Keagen Blau were named league champions for the two-day event, as they had the most points.

Oberlin swimmers set new pool records in 20 events, Mrs. Blau added.

Swimming were:
8 and under
• Hunter May, 25-yard breast-

stroke, 24.85, 25-yard butterfly, 25.02, 100-yard individual medley, 2:05.55, first; 50-yard freestyle, 55.65, fifth; and 25-yard freestyle, 24.44, eighth.

• Mackenzie Urban, 25-yard butterfly, 31.43, and 50-yard breaststroke, 33.72, third; 25-yard freestyle, 58.58, and 100-yard individual medley, 2:32.19, fifth; and 25-yard backstroke, 32.13, seventh.

• Brynna Addleman, 25-yard breaststroke, 34.46, sixth; 25-yard freestyle, 30.44, 15th; 50-yard freestyle, 1:22.74, 23rd; and 25-yard backstroke, 39.34, 24th.

• Alana Raile, 50-yard freestyle, 1:07.57, 16th; 25-yard backstroke, 40.53, 25th; 25-yard breaststroke, 31.6; and 25-yard freestyle.

• Bryant Addleman, 25-yard freestyle, 35.75, 21st; 50-yard freestyle, 1:30.78, 22nd; and 25-yard breaststroke, 40.62.

• Alana Meitl, 25-yard freestyle, 23rd, 33.78; 50-yard freestyle, 1:28.19, 25th; and 25-yard breaststroke, 53.72.

• Mason Urban, 50-yard freestyle, 1:43.44, and 25-yard freestyle, 43.37, 25th; 25-yard butterfly, 52.97; and 25-yard breaststroke, 51.99.

• Gracie Tate, 25-yard backstroke, 43.72, 29th; 50-yard freestyle, 2:15.13, 37th; 25-yard freestyle, 57.31, 45th; and 25-yard breaststroke, 40.45.

• Jacquelyn Marshall, 50-yard freestyle, 2:03.01, 36th; 25-yard freestyle, 51.32, 42nd; and 25-yard breaststroke, 54.57.

• Madison Urban, 50-yard freestyle, 2:59.04, 38th; 25-yard backstroke, 54.69, 39th; 25-yard freestyle, 52.02, 43rd, and 25-yard breaststroke, 1:19.18.

Girls 9-10

• Danielle Rouse, 100-yard freestyle, 1:31.78, first; 25-yard freestyle, 17.28, 100-yard individual medley, 1:49.42, second; and 25-yard butterfly, 22.26, and 25-yard breaststroke, 25.4, fourth.

• Molly Tate, 25-yard breaststroke, 23.47, and 100-yard individual medley, 1:49.12, first; 100-yard freestyle, 1:36.9, second; 25-yard butterfly, 23.28, sixth; and 25-yard freestyle, 18.78, eighth.

• Erin May, 25-yard freestyle 18.22, and 25-yard butterfly, 22.85, fifth; 100-yard freestyle, 1:43.64, ninth; and 25-yard backstroke, 25.31, and 100-yard individual medley, 2:02.88, 10th.

• Madeline Johnson, 25-yard backstroke, 23.02, fifth; 25-yard breaststroke, 28.42, ninth; 25-yard freestyle, 20.33, 15th; 100-yard freestyle, 2:01.34, 22nd; and 100-yard individual medley, 2:28.11.

• Jean Soderlund, 25-yard freestyle, 18.5, sixth; 100-yard individual medley, 2:01.29, and 100-yard freestyle, 1:43.54, eighth; 25-yard backstroke, 1:25.64, 11th; and 25-

yard butterfly, 27.02, 17th.

Girls 11-12

• Jakobi Blau, 50-yard freestyle, 32.91, 50-yard butterfly, 38.95, 50-yard breaststroke, 45.72, 100-yard individual medley, 1:23.87 and 200-yard freestyle, 2:45.02, first.

• Jenna Long, 100-yard freestyle, 1:25.47, 50-yard freestyle, 36.46, and 50-yard backstroke, 45.6, third; 100-yard individual medley, 1:38.49, fifth; and 50-yard breaststroke, 51.62, eighth.

• Kyleanna Blau, 50-yard butterfly, 52.86, ninth; 100-yard individual medley, 1:47.68, 12th; 50-yard freestyle, 40.17, 13th; 100-yard freestyle, 1:33.35, 14th; and 50-yard backstroke, 52.49, 15th.

Ages 13-14

• Keagen Blau, 100-yard freestyle, 1:08.74, 100-yard backstroke, 1:25.11, 100-yard butterfly, 1:27.04, 400-yard freestyle, 5:46.37 and 200-yard freestyle, 2:43.31, first.

• Kariah Castle, 100-yard butterfly, 1:38.16, 100-yard breaststroke, 1:40.11, and 200-yard individual medley, 3:22.5, first; and 100-yard freestyle, 34.12, second.

• Kelsey May, 100-yard butterfly, 1:52.89, fourth; 100-yard breaststroke, 1:52.03, sixth; 200-yard individual medley, 3:47.47, seventh; and 100-yard freestyle, 1:31.01, and

50-yard freestyle, 38.72, eighth.

• TyLynn Peterson, 400-yard freestyle, 9:41.31, sixth; 100-yard breaststroke, 2:12.84, 14th; 100-yard freestyle, 2:01.4, 15th; and 50-yard freestyle, 52.92, 20th.

• Taylor Corbett, 100-yard backstroke, 2:09.72, ninth; 200-yard individual medley, 4:25.62, 10th; 100-yard freestyle, 1:44.37, 13th; 100-yard breaststroke, 2:22.53, 16th; 50-yard freestyle, 44.21, 17th.

Girls 15-18

• Kiah Blau, 50-yard freestyle, 30.34, first; 100-yard butterfly, 1:22.53, second; 100-yard freestyle, 1:11.41, and 100-yard breaststroke, 1:34.44, third; 200-yard individual medley, 3:14.58, fifth.

• Darbi Rouse, 200-yard freestyle, 2:48.94, second; 400-yard freestyle, 6:10.37, third; 100-yard backstroke, 1:29.24, 100-yard breaststroke, 1:41.09, fifth; and 200-yard individual medley, 3:18.18, sixth.

• Jamie Soderlund, 50-yard freestyle, 32.31, and 100-yard backstroke, 1:24.65, third; 400-yard freestyle, 6:21.02, and 200-yard freestyle, 2:53.82, sixth; and 200-yard individual medley, 3:26.46, seventh.

Relays

• Girls 9-10 medley, D. Rouse, J. Soderlund, M. Tate and E. May,

1:34.37, first.

• Girls 11-12, freestyle with J. Blau, J. Long, K. Blau and D. Rouse, 2:31.23, first.

• Girls 9-10 freestyle with E. May, M. Johnson, M. Tate and J. Soderlund, 1:21.01, first.

• Girls 11-12 medley with J. Blau, J. Long, Kyleanna Blau and M. Johnson, 3:10.54, second.

• Mixed 15-18 freestyle with J. Soderlund, D. Rouse, Keagen Blau and Kiah Blau, 2:10.22, second.

• Mixed 8 and under medley with Brynna Addleman, H. May, A. Raile and Mackenzie Urban, 2:11.18, second.

• Mixed 8 and under with Bryant Addleman, Brynna Addleman, A. Raile and Mason Urban, 2:23.87, third.

• Girls 13-14 freestyle with K. Castle, K. May, T. Peterson and T. Corbett, 2:54.15, third.

• Mixed 15-18 medley with Keagen Blau, Kiah Blau, D. Rouse and J. Soderlund, 2:33.75, third.

• Girls 13-14 medley with K. Castle, K. May, T. Peterson and T. Corbett, 3:31.24, fourth.

• Girls 8 and under with J. Marshall, A. Meitl, G. Tate and Madison Urban, 3:30.94, eighth.

Both Jakob Blau and Keagen Blau finished the season undefeated.

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