

THE OBERLIN HERALD —

Sports

Oberlin women

win league meet

The Decatur Community High girls cross-country team won the Northwest Kansas League championship in Hoxie last Tuesday while the boys came in third.

Both the boys and girls had three runners win medals. Winter Polivka broke a course record by 55 seconds and came in first to be the women's league champion.

Coach Pat Dorshorst said she thought her teams had a fantastic day even though most of the times were slower than the previous week.

"It was a tough course," she said. "All our runners, boys and girls, competed well. The girls had tough competition with Tribune-Greeley County for the team championship.

"We surprised a lot of people when we had three runners finish before their second runner. It was a fun and very successful day for both our teams."

Polivka ran the course in 16 minutes, five seconds. The former record holder was Katrina Kaus from Colby, who did it in 17 minutes in 2009.

Darbi Rouse finished in 17:14 for fifth place and Caitie Shields had 17:25 for seventh.

Matthew Helm was the top runner for the Oberlin boys, finishing the longer course in 20:25.

Ganon Henningson came in 8th in 20:28 and Caleb Koerperich 10th in 20:35 to earn medals.

As medalists, all six were named

Volleyball team

adds three wins

The Decatur Community High girls added three more wins to their record last Tuesday as the Lady Red Devils downed Goodland, Rawlins County and Hitchcock County, Neb., from Trenton, in Atwood.

"This was a good night of volleyball for the girls," said Coach Sherri Ruf. "They stayed aggressive and played well as a team. Our transitions were good and we played much better at defense then we have been doing."

It only took the Lady Red Devils two sets to beat Rawlins County, 25-19, 26-24.

Top players were:

- Miki Dorshorst, seven digs, 15 assists and four kills.
- Cassidy Shields, four digs and 12 assists.
- Jamie Soderlund, six digs, five kills and three blocks.
- Taylor Macfee, 11 digs and four kills.
- Alexis Hisson, 12 digs.
- Hannah May, three digs, four kills and two blocks.
- Molly Jansonius, one dig and eight kills.
- Keatra Fisher, an ace, two kills and three blocks.
- Demi Murray, four digs.

The girls from Hitchcock County also fell in two sets, 25-15, 25-23.

Top players:

- Dorshorst, an ace, 12 digs, seven assists, five kills and a block.
- Soderlund, two aces, six digs, an assist, two kills and a block.
- Shields, an ace, two digs and 10 assists.
- Macfee, an ace, two digs, three kills and a block.

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- Fisher, two digs, three kills and two blocks.
- Hisson, seven digs.
- Jansonius, a dig and three kills.
- May, three kills and a block.

Goodland was the hardest match. It took three hard-fought sets to down the Cowgirls, with the girls in red losing the first set: 20-25, 25-17, 25-23.

- Top players were:
- Dorshorst, three aces, six digs, 17 assists and eight kills.
 - Soderlund, 10 digs, an assist, seven kills and two blocks.
 - Shields, an ace, two digs and 10 assists.
 - Jansonius, two digs, an assist and nine kills.
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Red Devils beat Plainsmen

Nebraska teams haven't fared well when they've visited Smick Field this year.

For the first game of the season, Oberlin shut out Cambridge 26-0, and on Friday, the Red Devils beat the up-to-then undefeated Plainsmen from Perkins County, Neb., 21-12.

The teams were more evenly matched this time, with Oberlin scoring three touchdowns and the team from Grant two. One difference in the score was that Oberlin hit all three of its point-after-touchdown kicks, while Perkins County made no points after.

Oberlin won the coin toss and elected to receive. Although Kennedy Fortin was able to gain some nice yardage, the Red Devils turned the ball over with 10:30 left in the quarter.

With Channing Fortin and Zach May leading the defense, the Plainsmen could not gain any ground, and Oberlin regained the football with about nine minutes left in the quarter.

Then with about four minutes to go, Kennedy Fortin took the ball eight yards across the goal line for Decatur Community High's first touchdown.

Dayton Dreher kicked the point after and the Red Devils had a 7-0 lead over the Plainsmen.

The teams traded the football and each had a penalty. Then, with a little less than three minutes left and Oberlin on the Perkins County 41-yard line, Dreher threw the ball 22 yards to Kennedy Fortin, who ended up on the 18.

The quarter ended with Oberlin leading 7-0.

Dreher threw an 18-yard pass to May for Oberlin's second touchdown after only about a minute had expired in the second quarter.

Again, Dreher's kick was good, and with about 11 minutes left in the first half, Oberlin led 14-0.

The teams traded the ball back and forth the rest of the second quarter, but neither could score again.

Oberlin led 14-0 at the break.

Oberlin kicked off to Perkins



AT THE FOOTBALL GAME Friday night, quarterback Dayton Dreher got ready to loft a pass.

— Herald photo by Sarah Fredrickson

County to start the second half. The Plainsmen had a spectacular 51-yard run erased on a holding call and ended up turning the ball over to the Red Devils. Oberlin couldn't move the ball into the end

zone, however, and gave it back.

With 4:05 left in the third quarter, Perkins County was able to complete a 38-yard pass for the Plainsmen's first touchdown. The point after was no good and

Oberlin led 14-6.

Neither team could score most of the quarter until with 2:52 left, Dreher faked a handoff and ran the ball in for the Red Devils third and last touchdown.

Again, the kick was good and Oberlin led 21-6.

Perkins County answered back. With just 33 seconds left in the game, a Plainsmen pass connected for a second touchdown.

Tyler Bruggeman was able to block the point-after attempt and the game ended with an Oberlin 21-12 victory.

The win gave Oberlin a 3-3 record with victories over Cambridge (2-3) and Perkins County (5-1) from Nebraska and St. Francis (2-4) and losses to Norton (5-1), Smith Center (3-3) and Phillipsburg (6-0).

Top rushers were Kennedy Fortin 81 yards on 12 carries, Bryson Wesley 55 on 10, Dreher 35 on seven, Z. May 36 on 12 and Troy Juenemann 19 on five.

Dreher threw three completed passes for 60 yards to Z. May, two for 38, and Kennedy Fortin, one for 22.

Kennedy Fortin and Dreher each had an interception.

Top tacklers were Dreher, seven and five assists, Konner Fortin seven and two, Kennedy Fortin six and five, Matt Glading six and one, Bruggeman five and three, Ryan May four and four, C. Fortin four and three, Adam Zillinger four and two, Rex Diederich three and four, Z. May three and one, Grant Gillingham two and three, Bryson Wesley one and one and Juenemann, one tackle. Dreher and Kennedy Fortin each scored a running touchdown and Z. May made one on a catch. Dreher split the uprights on all three point-after kicks.

This week, the Red Devils will play Oakley in a home game at 7 p.m. Friday. This will be the second league and district game for the Red Devils. The Plainsmen have a 4-2 record with wins over St. Francis, Syracuse, Sublette and Leoti and losses to Phillipsburg and Colby.

Sports Schedule

Thursday: Oberlin high school cross country, 4 p.m. at Downs-Lakeside.

Oberlin junior high volleyball, 4 p.m. at Dundy County.

Oberlin junior high football, 4 p.m., here with Dundy County.

Golden Plains Middle School volleyball, 4 p.m., vs. Northern Valley at Rexford.

Golden Plains Middle School football, 5:30 p.m., vs. Northern Valley at Rexford.

Friday: Oberlin high football, 7 p.m. at home with Oakley.

Golden Plains High School football, 7 p.m., vs. Wallace County at Rexford.

Saturday: Northwest Kansas League Volleyball Tournament, 9 a.m., Oakley.

Monday: Oberlin junior varsity

football, 5:30 p.m., at Oakley.

Tuesday: Oberlin junior high volleyball, 9 a.m., Northwest Kansas League A Tournament at Dighton; B tournament at Sharon Springs.

Friday, Oct. 19: Oberlin high school football, 7 p.m., at Ellis.

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Saturday, Oct. 20: High school

cross country regional meet, 3 p.m., at Hill City

Substate high school volleyball tournament, 1 p.m., in Oberlin.

To add items to the community sports schedule, call The Oberlin Herald at 475-2206 or e-mail oberlin.editor@nwkansan.com.

Junior varsity football team

loses to Cambridge by two

The Cambridge Trojans edged the junior varsity Oberlin Red Devils 14-12 last Monday in Cambridge.

The boys played well enough to win, but just could not catch the breaks they needed, said Coach Caleb Howland.

"Defensively, we were able to completely shut down the Trojans running game," he said, "but they were able to hit some long passes

for scores.

"Offensively, we need to continue to improve in sustaining our blocks and protecting the football.

Both Noah Nelson and Troy Juenemann scored for the Decatur Community High team on nice runs, he added.

The boys do not play this week but will be in Oakley at 5:30 p.m. Monday for their next game.

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