

Norton junior varsity takes first loss from Smith Center

By DICK BOYD

Coach Lucas Melvin's Norton Community High School junior varsity football team lost for the first time this season on Monday when Smith Center outscored them 16-6 in a hard-fought contest in Smith Center.

"We played very hard throughout the game but were unable to stop the Redmen offense," said Coach Melvin. "We played a lot of players and they all played well."

Smith Center received the opening kickoff and took almost the entire first quarter driving the ball down the field. They scored on fourth down on a seven yard pass to the halfback.

On the Blue Jays' first play from scrimmage, quarterback Luke Pfannenstiel passed complete to Nathan Broeckelman for 20 yards to get the Norton offense going but the Jays were eventually stopped and forced to punt. The Norton defense was equal to the occasion and forced the Redmen to punt. The ball died on the Norton 1 yard line. The Blue Jays were unable to move the ball and went into punt formation. Todd Bolt mishandled the punt snap from the center and

lost the ball in the end zone. A Smith Center player fell on the pigskin in the end zone for an easy touchdown. The Redmen added the two point conversion to take a 16-0 lead and that is how the first half ended.

Norton received the ball to begin the second half and put together a nice drive with runs by Blake VanEaton, Adam Krebsbach and Pfannenstiel. The drive eventually stalled around mid-field and Norton was forced to punt. The Norton defense stiffened throughout the rest of the third quarter, holding Smith Center to few yards and no first downs. Matt Engel and Shane Pfannenstiel accounted for the first Blue Jay quarterback sack of the game.

At the start of the fourth quarter, VanEaton made many good runs, including a 15 yard gain on third down to keep the drive going. Luke Pfannenstiel again connected with Broeckelman and he ran for 15 additional yards to the Smith Center 5 yard line. A couple of plays later, Norton was on the 1 and Pfannenstiel scored on a quarterback sneak. The extra point at-

tempt was no good and Norton trailed 16-6.

William Wilhite really got his foot into the ball on the kickoff and Bryce Engelbert stopped the Redman returner with a vicious tackle on the 12 yard line. It was Engelbert's second great special team play of the night. Smith Center was driving the ball toward the Blue Jay end zone when Broeckelman hit the running back hard, causing a fumble that was recovered by Norton's Aaron Husted. On the next play, however, a Norton pass was intercepted by the Redmen and they ran the clock out, ending the game with a 16-6 victory over the Blue Jay reserves.

Next action

The Norton junior varsity is now 2-1 for the season and will play Osborne next on Monday in Norton. Kickoff is at 6 p.m.

Blue Jay cross country team takes second at invitational

By DICK BOYD

Coach Deyton Hager's Norton Community High School boys cross country team just missed their third straight championship on Thursday when they placed second to Lakin in the WaKeeney Invitational Meet.

Lakin scored 57 points and the Blue Jays tallied 61. Placing third was Brewster with 78, followed by Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays, 80; Hoisington, 102; Trego, 106.

The three Norton varsity girls who entered also ran well but were not in the running for a team score since five runners are needed for a team. Junior Amber Overlease placed sixth individually in 14-minutes, 46-seconds, her best time of the season, and junior Karlie Jones was right behind her in seventh with a 14:49 clocking. Senior Crista Rhoades placed 18th in 17:21.

Trego won the girls championship with 17 points and Dighton was second with 42.

"I was very impressed with the way our girls got out and ran," said Coach Hager. "Amber is getting back to where she needs to be and Karlie fought her way to one more strong finish. Amber improved her time for this course. She has met one more goal and that is very important to her and me."

All of the varsity boys set personal records. Senior Derek Volgamore placed eighth with a time of 18:08. Sophomore Jared Engelbert finished second best for Norton with an 18:24 for 11th. Sophomore Logan Keiswetter placed 13th in 18:31 and sophomore Kent Mann finished 15th in 18:35.6. Norton's fifth placer for team points was junior Jeremy Harding with a 19:11 for 19th.

Freshman David Counter finished in 30th in 20:26 and junior Jon Harding placed 35th in 20:56.

"I knew our boys would be a little weak coming into this meet since they laid it all on the line at Wamego the weekend before," said Coach Hager. "But, they still battled back and made things very close."

"Two boys did not run as well as they can but you are not going to get all of them to run well every time. Sometimes you just need a little luck and things can go your way."

"One boy who did run very well was Jared Engelbert. Last week, our entire team received the "Runner of the Week" award but this week Jared has the award all to himself."

Freshman Andrew Black placed seventh in junior varsity in 21:42. Junior Jake Kramer finished ninth in 21:59 and junior Nathan Morse placed 11th in 22:08.

"Our three junior varsity boys did very well," said Coach Hager.

Junior varsity tennis team wins quad

By DICK BOYD

Coach Jim Green's Norton Community High School girls junior varsity tennis team won the championship of the Phillipsburg Junior Varsity Quadrangular on Thursday in Phillipsburg.

Norton scored 25 points, followed by Phillipsburg, 14 and Osborne, 9 for third. A mixed team scored 10 points.

Norton junior Chelle Donovan compiled a perfect 3-0 record in No. 1 singles. She defeated Felicia Efken, Osborne, 6-3; outpointed

Brianna Miller, Phillipsburg, 6-1 and beat Norton junior Samantha Brasted, mixed team, 6-3.

Brasted defeated Efken 6-1 and Miller 6-5(7-5) to finish in second place.

Norton's No. 1 doubles team of sophomores Kayleigh Brooks and Brianna Nelson went 2-1 for the day to place second. They lost their first match by a score of 4-6 to Sarah Gregory and Andrea Koops, Osborne, then won their next two matches. They defeated Amie Kenney and Kali Asher,

Phillipsburg, 6-3 and outscored Norton junior Jessica Cook and Norton senior Kelli Johnson, mixed team, 6-4.

Cook and Johnson also lost 2-6 to Kenney and Asher and 1-6 to Gregory and Koops to place fourth.

Freshman Ashley Maybon played No. 2 singles for Norton and finished second with a record of 2-1. She defeated Rachel Nolan, Osborne, 6-1 and outpointed Kady Malmberg, Phillipsburg, 6-4. In her final match, she lost 5-6 (6-8) to Whitney Cole, Phillipsburg,

mixed team.

Norton senior Claudia Lacy and sophomore Lisa Jones won No. 2 doubles with a perfect 3-0 record. They defeated freshman Rachael Milnes and sophomore Rachael Engelsman of Norton, 6-1; outscored Katie Beach and Chelsy Troyer, Phillipsburg, 6-2 and beat Amanda Pack and Monique Pacheen, mixed team, 6-0.

Milnes and Engelsman defeated Pack and Pacheen 6-0 and lost 4-6 to Beach and Troyer to finish 1-2 and place third.

BOWLING

STARDUST LEAGUE

Results Aug. 23 — High Line: Cindy Linner, 192; Bev Miller, 188; Dana Knapp, 180; High Line Handicap: Dana Knapp, 216; Cindy Linner, 212; Janice Russell, 210; High Series: Bev Miller, 495; Cindy Linner, 490; Janet Manning, 444; High Series Handicap: Cindy Linner, 550; Bev Miller, 549; Janet Manning, 537

TUESDAY HOUSEWIFE LEAGUE

Standings Sept. 7 — The 4 Dots, 9-3; D/M Service, 6-6; Irene's, 5-7; Norton Co-op, 4-8; High Game: V. Kanive, 181; J. Wright, 178; D. Keiswetter, 175; High Game Handicap: V. Kanive, 242; D. Keiswetter, 214; J. Wright, 211; High Series: D. Keiswetter, 455; L. Leidig, 432; J. Wright, 427; High Series Handicap: D. Keiswetter, 582; V. Kanive, 563; K. Berlier, 553

Results Aug. 24 — High Line: L. Leidig, 204; S. Smith, 177; L. Wentz, 167; High Line Handicap: L. Leidig, 217; L. Wentz, 209; S. Smith, 206; High Series: L. Leidig, 516; S. Smith, 464; P. Sevier, 456; High Series Handicap: L. Leidig, 555; S. Smith, 542; P. Sevier, 540

LADIES INTER-CITY LEAGUE

Standings Aug. 30 — Superior Livestock, 6-2; Land Surveyors, 4.5-3.5; Mortensen Computer, 3.5-4.5; Jamboree, 3-5; Nelson Bros., 2-6; High Series: Carol Ross, 436; Laura Leidig, 416; Olivia Krehbiel, 414; Ramona McKinley, 414; High Game: Olivia Krehbiel, 197; Ramona McKinley, 168; Carol Ross, 163; High Series Handicap: Dee Wolfe, 621; Carol Ross, 580; Jackie Wright, 559; High Game Handicap: Olivia Krehbiel, 238; Dee Wolfe, 225; Ramona McKinley, 212; Dee Wolfe, 212

Results Aug. 23 — High Game: Jean Johnson, 164; Kathleen

Berlier, 157, 153; High Series: Kathleen Berlier, 445; Laura Leidig, 429; Jean Johnson, 414; High Game: Jean Johnson, 203; Ramona McKinley, 193; Olivia Krehbiel, 189; High Series: Kathleen Berlier, 538; Laura Leidig, 534; Jean Johnson, 531

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