



Norton K-18 third baseman Troy Bainter fired the baseball to the first baseman Terrell Lane for an out during

practice at John Ryan Field on Sunday evening. The K-18 nine opens their 2006 season tonight at Plainville.

— Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

K-18 baseball opens season tonight

By DICK BOYD

The Norton K-18 Baseball team will open their 2006 season this evening when they travel to Plainville for a doubleheader, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Each game will be five innings. Players on this year's squad are Terrell Lane, Kaid McKenna, Landon Hamel, Spencer Shirk, Luke Ninemire, Kyle Mindrup, Adam Myers, Robert Derauf, Zach Bainter, Troy Bainter, Landon Keiswetter, Kaenon

Keiswetter, Ryan Blecha, Dakota Dreyer, Zac Dreyer, Matt Stanley, Justin Griffith, Brett Terrell and Breyer Simmons.

Coaches of this year's team are: Ward Foley, head coach; Dave Bainter, Lamont Shirk, Mike Terrell, assistant coaches.

The Norton K-18's first home game will be at 6:30 p.m. this Friday when they host Stockton at John Ryan Field in Elmwood Park. It will be a doubleheader.

All games on the regular sched-

ule will be doubleheaders.

Other games on the season schedule are: at Smith Center, Tuesday, June 13; vs. Hays here, Friday, June 16; at Phillipsburg, Tuesday, June 20; vs. Plainville here on Friday, June 23; vs. Smith Center here, Tuesday, June 27; at Stockton, Thursday, June 29; at Phillipsburg, Friday, July 7; at Hays, Monday, July 10.

The Sub-Regional Tournament will be held Friday through Sunday, July 14-16 in Plainville. The

Regional Tournament is scheduled for Friday through Sunday, July 21-23 in Oakley.

The State Tournament will be played in Lucas on Friday through Sunday and Tuesday, July 28-30, August 1.

Wrestlers make All-American

By DICK BOYD

Recent 2006 Norton Community High School graduates Clay Madden and Lance Roe have been named to the Honorable Mention All-American Wrestling Team by Wrestling USA Magazine.

Madden wrestled at 119 pounds for the Blue Jays. He was the first four-time state champion in Norton history. His career record was 128 wins and just 10 losses. He recorded 73 falls. Madden was chosen the Most Outstanding Wrestler in the Class 3-2-1A State Wrestling Tournament.



Madden



Roe

Madden is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Madden, Norton.

Roe wrestled at 160 pounds. He was a two-time state champion and four time state medalist. His career record is 136 wins and just 20 losses. He recorded 40 falls. Roe was chosen the Most Outstanding Wrestler in the Class 3-2-1A Regional Tournament.

Roe is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Roe, Norcatour.

"Wrestling USA Magazine picks the best wrestlers from all over the nation and compiles their own high school All-American Team and an Honorable Mention All-American Wrestling Team," said Norton coach Bill Johnson.

"It is my pleasure to announce that Norton had not just one but two wrestlers selected to the honorable mention team.

"Congratulations to these two outstanding wrestlers and great young men on their selection to this elite team. I'm proud of them and happy that I had the opportunity to coach them."

Wildlife, parks stocks saugeye at Sebelius lake

The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks recently stocked 28,000 saugeye fingerlings in Sebelius Reservoir west of Norton.

The saugeye, which is a sauger crossed with a walleye, were produced and reared at the

Department's Pratt Fish Hatchery. They were produced from walleye eggs and sauger sperm collected from Kansas waters in March and early April of this year. The fish were approximately one to one and one-half inches at stocking.

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Two Husky gridgers to play in All Star football game

By DICK BOYD

Joey Copper, Almena and Clarke Nelson, Long Island, 2006 graduates of Northern Valley High School, have been chosen to play in the 21st annual 8-Man All Star Football Game Saturday at Trojan Field on North Hersey Street in Beloit.

Copper and Nelson will play for the West squad in the Division II game, which will begin at 10 a.m.

All-star players from Division I will play at 2 p.m.

The top senior 8-man players from the two divisions in Kansas are chosen by the Kansas 8-Man Football Association to play in the all-star games.

Copper plans to attend Fort Hays State University, majoring in finance/economics.

His football honors include All-Cheyenne Conference quarterback in 2004 and 2005 and All-Cheyenne Conference defensive back in 2005. Following his senior season, he was named to the 8-Man Football First Team by the *Hays Daily News* and received honorable mention in the *Salina Journal*, *Topeka Capital-Journal* and *Wichita Eagle*.

Copper was also first team All-Cheyenne Conference in basketball in 2005. He placed fourth in the 110 meter high hurdles in the state track meet in 2004 and fifth in the state meet in the triple jump in 2005.

He received the PRIDE Leadership award and enjoys woodworking. His school activities include being student council vice president and National Honor Society member with a 4.0 grade point average.

He is the son of Pam and Jim Copper. Nelson plans to attend Kansas



Joey Copper, left, and Clarke Nelson of Northern Valley are pictured here in Beloit on Sunday as they reported for practice in preparation for Saturday's 8-Man All Star Football Game.

State University and major in agriculture economics.

His football honors include being named All-Cheyenne Conference linebacker in 2004 and 2005 and honorable mention linebacker in 2003. As a running back for the Huskies, he rushed for 1,506 yards his senior year. Following his senior season, Nelson was named 8-man football honorable mention by the *Hays Daily News*, *Salina Journal*, *Topeka Capital-Journal* and *Wichita Eagle*.

Nelson qualified for the state track meet in the pole vault in 2003, 2004 and 2005.

He was FFA Northwest District Sentinel. He was on the honor roll with a 4.0 grade point average.

Nelson had I ratings in trumpet and voice solos at the state music festival, was a member of the KMEA honor band in 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 and was a member of the KMEA honor jazz band in

2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005.

He is the son of Sara and Terry Nelson.

Coach Chuck Fessenden of Northern Valley is a veteran coach with one of the best winning percentages in Kansas football history. He has served as head coach and assistant coach of the West team on numerous occasions but will be in the stands watching his two star players on Saturday.

Northern Valley was district champion in 2004 and district runnerup in 2005.

Players began practice on Sunday and will practice twice a day. They will be housed at the North Central Kansas Technical College in Beloit and will be treated to a barbecue on Friday night.

Tickets are general admission at both gates and one ticket is good for both games. Price is \$8 for adults and \$3 for children K-8th grade. Gates will open at 9 a.m.

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