

8th Grade 2-2 at Hoxie Tournament

Match 1: Norton vs. Oberlin (loss)

Game 1: loss 22-25
Game 2: loss 15-25
Team Serving: 85 percent
Serving Percentages: Kamilla Jones 6/6 100; Juliana Miller 4/4 100; Brianna Karnopp 11/12 92; Rachel Slipke 6/7 86; Teslee Nickell 4/5 80.

Aces: Kamilla Jones: 5; Teslee Nickell, Brianna Karnopp, Alec Melvin: 4 each

Kills: Teslee Nickell, Kamilla Jones, Juliana Miller 2 each; Brianna Karnopp 1.

Digs: Kamilla Jones 1.

Team Hitting Percentage 70.

Coach's quotes: "We started the morning a little sleepy, but the girls quickly picked up the pace. Oberlin was a great serving team and we had a lot of trouble receiving their serve. Our serving was the best it's been all season and that helped us, but we struggled to gain the momentum with passing and hitting, therefore we were forced to play defensively rather than attacking at them more."

Match 2: Norton vs. Hoxie
Game 1: Loss 27-29
Game 2: loss 25-27
Team Serving: 82 percent
Serving Percentages: Juliana Miller 4/4 100; Alec Melvin 11/12 92; Kamilla Jones 8/9 89; Rachel Slipke ¾ 75.

Aces: Teslee Nickell 5; Kamilla Jones, Juliana Miller, Alec Melvin 1 each.

Kills: Teslee Nickell 1.

Team Hitting Percentage: 63.

Hitting: Teslee Nickell 7; Juliana Miller 5; Kamilla Jones 4; Kaleigh Norwood 4.

Coach's quotes: "During this game, Hoxie and Norton went back and forth between serves. Neither team really gained momentum and used it throughout the entire match. Losing by 2 in both games was hard for the girls, because they fought so hard."

"I continue to impress upon the girls the importance of setting the ball up to attack at the opponents. We had a total of 22 free balls in the game. The girls have got to attack more and not settle for sending easy passes over the net. We just didn't look very confident."

Match 3: Norton vs. Trego

Game 1: Win 25-23
Game 2: Win 25-14
Team Serving: 78 percent.
Serving Percentages: Kamilla Jones 7/8 88; Alec Melvin 6/7 86; Brianna Karnopp 11/13 85.

Aces: Kamilla Jones, Teslee Nickell 4 each; Brianna Karnopp, Juliana Melvin 3 each; Alec Melvin 2.

Kills: Teslee Nickell 4; Juliana Miller, Alec Melvin 2 each; Rachel Slipke, Bri Karnopp 1 each.

Assist: Juliana Miller 4; Teslee Nickell, Bri Karnopp, Alec Melvin 1 each.

Team Hitting Percentage: 68.

Match 4: Norton vs. St. Francis

Game 1: Win 25-11
Game 2: Win 25-19
Team Serving: 88 percent
Serving Percentages: Kamilla Jones 5/5 100; Rachel Slipke 4/4 100; Kaleigh Norwood 4/4 100; Teslee Nickell 13/14 93.

Aces: Teslee Nickell 9; Juliana Miller 4; Bri Karnopp, Rachel Slipke, Kaleigh Norwood 1 each.

Kills: Teslee Nickell 1.

Team Hitting Percentage: 67.

Kills: Teslee Nickell 3; Juliana Miller, Rachel Slipke, Sierra Black 1 each.

Coach's quotes: "Our last match of the day the girls were motivated and ready to play. We subbed a lot of girls in and out and the team adjusted well on the court. Our serving was outstanding this game. We had a high percentage, with a total of 16 aces against the Indians. We were able to set the ball up and attack against St. Francis which caught them off guard and they couldn't return

our hits. I'm so proud of how far the girls have come this year, and hope that they can finish the year on a strong note."

Norton vs. Plainville
Game 1: Win 25-21
Game 2: Win 25-22
Team Serving: 73 percent.
Serving Percentages: Brianna Karnopp 14/15 93; Juliana Miller 5/6 83; Kamilla Jones 4/5 80; Alec Melvin 6/8 75.

Aces: Bri Karnopp 5; Teslee Nickell 3; Juliana Miller 2; Kamilla Jones, Alec Melvin, Kaleigh Norwood 1 each.

Kills: Teslee Nickell 5; Brianna Karnopp, Juliana Miller 3 each.

Digs: Alec Melvin 1.

Team Hitting Percentage: 77.

Coach's quotes: "Tonight the girls came out ready to win. They played strong and worked hard as a team. Our hitting was outstanding! We've worked really hard this week on transition and hitting at our opponents. That really showed in the game tonight. With our season almost at an end, I'd like to see our passing improve this week for our League Tournament."

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Aces: Teslee Nickell, Kamilla Jones 4 each; Bri Karnopp, Juliana Miller 3 each; Alec Melvin 2.

Kills: Teslee Nickell 4; Juliana Miller, Alec Melvin 2 each; Bri Karnopp, Rachel Slipke 1 each.

Digs: Kamilla Jones, Alexis Lively 1 each. Team Hitting Percentage: 68.

Coach's quotes: "The girls played really well together tonight. Our serving and passing was the key to our success. They girls continue to work hard and improve each week."

'Senior Night' winning night for Jay volleyball

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Tuesday evening was "Senior Night" for the Norton Community High School girls volleyball team and the seniors played a big role in match victories over Golden Plains and Logan in the NCHS Stull Gymnasium.

Norton defeated Golden Plains 25-22, 25-10 and outscored Logan 25-20, 25-10.

The honored Lady Jay seniors were Hayli Bozarth, Ashley Colip, Amanda Delimont, Charli Lawson. Wiyanna Paxton, Katharine Roy and Lacey Wallingford.

Prior to Norton's second match, the honored seniors exchanged gifts with their parents, who also were introduced during the ceremonies.

In the third match, Logan defeated Golden Plains 25-15, 25-21.

Golden Plains

"Aside from a couple of rallies from Golden Plains in the first game, we dominated in all areas," said Norton head coach Peggy Cox.

"We still need to work on not allowing a string of points to be made by the opposing team but

we handled the pressure of them coming at us with their serves and eventually turned it our way."

Hayli Bozarth led in kills with 9, followed by Lacy Keilig, 5; Amanda Delimont, Katharine Roy, 3 each; Bethany Roy, Kaitlyn Wolf, 1 each.

Bozarth, Ashley Colip, Katharine Roy and Shelby Jones each had 2 serving aces and Charli Lawson had 1.

Digs leader was Ashlie Stewart with 7, followed by Bozarth, 3; Colip, Jones, Wiyanna Paxton, 1 each.

Jones was assists leader with 9, followed by Katharine Roy, 6; Colip, 3; Lacey Wallingford, 1. Wallingford had 1 block.

Logan

"Playing in their final home appearance, our senior class of Lady Jays beat Logan in two games," said coach Cox.

"We let them take advantage of us with their serves before we took control of the first game.

"In the second game, we played with confidence and quickly jumped to a lead and never looked back."

Bozarth was kills leader again, this time with 8. She was followed

by Katharine Roy, 6; Paxton, Bethany Roy, 3 each; Keilig, 2; Lawson, Wallingford, 1 each.

Colip led in serving aces with 4, followed by Lawson, 3; Bozarth, 2; Jones, Stewart, 1 each.

Bozarth, Colip and Stewart each had 1 dig.

Assists leader was Jones with 8, followed by Katharine Roy, 7; Wallingford, 2; Colip, Delimont, 1 each.

Keilig had 1 block.

Next action

The Norton Lady Jays volleyball team will compete in the annual Mid-Continent League Tournament on Saturday in Ellis, beginning at 9 a.m.

Norton will begin play at approximately 10 a.m. versus Smith Center. The Lady Jays will then play Ellis and end pool play versus Trego Community. Norton's pool will be in the new high school gym. The top two teams from each of two pools will reach bracket play to determine the champion and consolation winner.

On Tuesday, Norton will travel to Goodland to play Ulysses and Goodland in the final regular season matches. They will begin at 5 p.m.

Jayvee football closes season with loss

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The Norton Community High School junior varsity football team lost their season finale 30-0 to Colby at Colby on Monday evening but played better than the score indicates.

"Although we were defeated on the scoreboard, we saw much improvement in many areas," said Norton assistant coach David Stover.

"First and foremost, this group of young men competed every snap in the ball game. Although our execution at times could have been better, our effort, intensity, enthusiasm and teamwork was at its best. Once again, we were able to move the ball offensively

but kept finding ways to keep ourselves out of the end zone.

"Defensively, our effort and execution were good but not consistent and we gave up too many big plays, especially in the passing game."

Norton took the opening kickoff and drove downfield but the Eagles held and took over deep in their territory. Colby also moved the ball and scored their first touchdown on a 31 yard pass on fourth down. The extra points run was good, making the score 8-0 after one quarter.

The Eagles extended their lead to 16-0 on a 1 yard run and two extra points in the second quarter. The Jays continued to move the ball up the field but a costly

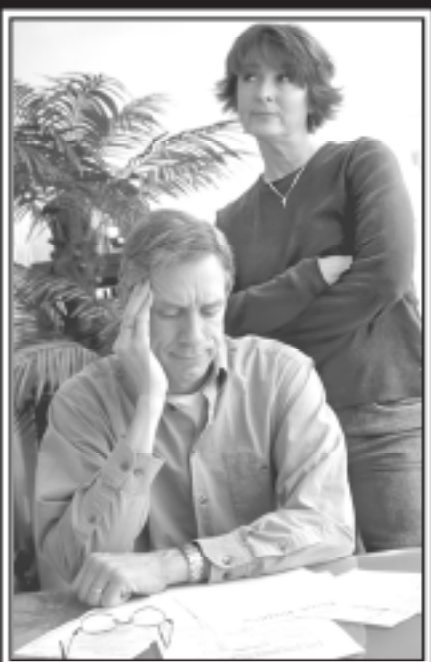
turnover gave the pigskin back to Colby. Once again, they took advantage through the air and scored on a 24 yard pass with only 8 seconds left in the half. The Norton defense held on the extra point run attempt, bringing the score to 22-0 at halftime.

The Blue Jays opened the second half strong, forcing Colby into a punt. The Jays once again moved the ball but turnovers came back to haunt them as a fumble returned the ball to the Eagles.

Colby took advantage again through the air with a 41 yard touchdown throw. A pass was good for two extra points, making the score 30-0. The contest then became a defensive battle with neither team able to score again.

Voter registration books close on Monday, October 20

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