

Norton tennis team earns runner up at Hays

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Coach Jim Green's Norton Community High School varsity tennis team placed runner-up in the Hays Invitational on Thursday.

Hays Gold won the championship with 22 points, followed by Norton, 17; Russell, 15; Hays Maroon, 13; Colby, 9; Victoria, 4.

In No.1 singles, Norton junior Tawni Griffey remained unscored on in this second tournament of the season to win the gold medal.

She was seeded No.1 and drew a first round bye. Tawni

opened with a 6-0 win over Shelby Dinkel, Hays Maroon and followed that with a 6-0 victory over Emily Wyse, Hays Gold. In the finals, she played Dinkel again and shut her out again by a 6-0 score.

"Tawni Griffey continues to dominate in No.1 singles," said coach Green. "She has not lost a single game in any of her matches. She plays the game extremely well, hitting behind her opponents and to the open areas."

Playing No.1 doubles for Norton were sophomore Haley Wallingford and junior Katie Koch. They also drew a first

round bye. In the second round, they lost 6-2 to Hayes and Bran- ick, Russell. In the consolation bracket, they defeated Schrem- mer and Schmidtberger, Victo- ria, 6-2, then outscored Basgall and Hecker, Hays Maroon, 6-4. In the semi-finals, they played Hayes and Branick, Russell, for the second time and were able to defeat them 6-4 to reach the finals, where they lost 6-1 to Pfannenstiel and McRae of Hays Gold and finished runner-up.

"Haley Wallingford and Katie Koch put on an exceptional performance," said coach Green. "Losing to Russell in their first match, they came through the

backside defeating teams from Victoria and Hays to meet the same Russell team in the semi- finals. This time the outcome was different. Haley and Katie defeated the Russell team 6-4 to advance to the finals against Pfannenstiel and McRae of Hays High. I was extremely pleased with their second place finish!"

Norton junior Sierra Black played No.2 singles for the Lady Jays. She also drew a first round bye, then played Kelli Gudenkauf, Russell, and lost 6-3. In the consolation bracket, she won by default over Sara Kuhn, Victoria. Next, she played

Keana Keck, Colby, and lost 6-1 to place fifth.

In No.2 doubles, junior Carla Jo Robinson and sophomore Rickele Green played for Nor- ton. They also drew a first round bye. Their first opponents were Hamel and Dreher of Russell and they lost 6-1. In the consola- tion bracket, they defeated Rob- ben and Bowman of Victoria 6-4. Next, they played Barnett and DeBoer of Hays Maroon and lost 7-5 to finish fifth.

"Our No.2 entries were also able to score points for fifth place finishes," said coach Green. "Sierra Black continues to put forth a strong effort in singles. At No.2 doubles, we entered a new team of Rickele Green and Carla Jo Robinson. Carla Jo was filling in for Ashley Hildebrand. Playing together for the first time, Rickele and Carla Jo were able to win on the backside to finish fifth."

Huskies compete in Rock Hill Quad

By Chuck Zimmerman

Surprise ^ Surprise -----

Well it was another surprise we were given at Mankato but this one was not a good surprise as a matter of fact the girls even described their play the best as they evaluated it as pathetic. We were defeated in all games in two sets and really didn't even put up a fight, nothing like our great effort the Friday before against state ranked and a very good team.

Our scores were:

20-25, 21-25 against Rock Hills.

11-25, 17-25 against Thunder Ridge

17-25, 18-25 against Lake-side

Our passing was not anywhere

close to being on target which meant our sets were going to be off which meant our hitters had to do what they could with the ball and they did not put it in bounds as most went deep and out.

So, needless to say we were not happy with ourselves and Dr. Jekyll is going to have to show up and leave Mr. Hyde at home in the closet from here on out.

Weskan Dual

The question in the mind of Coach Z and I,m sure the fans on this Friday, where we would play 3rd ranked Weskan at their place, was who was going to show up: the team that com- petes or the team that just goes through the motions.

Well, if winning the first set 25-20 against a very good team is any indication the competi- tive team climbed aboard the bus and started off real well giving the Coyotes a fright.

We then allowed Weskan to do what they do to earn a 3rd in the state ranking as they powered the ball to us and we just did not cover the floor well enough and lost 11-25.

In the third set (we played best 3 of 5) we gathered our- selves and started to adjust to their power and actually did a very good job of keeping their ball off of our floor we just did not "do to them what they just did to us" enough and did lose the third set 19-25.

In the fourth set we again were

competitive. We just must learn that we must return an attack whenever possible because tips and lollipop spikes are not go- ing to earn us any points against the caliber of teams we will be facing all season. We lost the fourth set 16-25.

Our serving has been a strong point all season as we are serv- ing above 90 percent in each match. We still must make ad- justments to our passes even though we were complimented on our defense against Weskan as they thought it was tough to find a hole on our side of the court. We must still work to get better.

Sudoku Puzzle #2285-M

	1			2	3	4		
	5		6		1			
	7		8			6		
8			4		6			3
	3	4				1	6	
2			9		7			8
		6		7			8	
			1		8		5	
		9	3	4			2	

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ACROSS

- Catches some rays
- Suffix with auto or bureau
- Roman Empire invaders
- "... or ___ me?"
- Bank takeback
- Come to terms
- Symbol of stubbornness
- Wallet wad
- "Maria ___" ('40s hit)
- They're tipped
- Crockett's last stand
- Poetic pugilist
- Erie Canal mule
- Subway standee's aid
- Strait of Messina monster
- Start of MGM's motto
- British nobles
- Sashimi fare
- They're tipped
- Kumquat's shape
- Boyfriends
- ___-cone (summer treat)
- Part of CORE
- Gloomy, in poetry
- Animal that bugles
- Profession, slangily
- ___ toast
- They're tipped
- Give a score to
- Cattle poker
- Nest eggs, for short
- Tosses the horsehide
- Galileo's home
- Mild-mannered
- Atlas feature
- Dummy Danny
- Mr. Potato Head pieces

DOWN

- Animated movie feline
- "The ___" (tavern order)
- Nabisco wafer
- Gets really ticked
- Moat critter, for short
- Russo of "Get Shorty"
- Gibbons et al.
- Puccini heroine
- Language that gave us "banshee"
- Look like a wolf
- Bald
- Cackler
- Ross or Sargasso
- Observer
- Two of the racing Unsers
- Green Mountain Boys leader
- Will Rogers prop
- Wet behind the ears
- Fine horse
- Practiced, as a trade
- Doorbell- answerer's word
- Be gaga over
- Hertz, to Avis
- Carnival stands
- Telephone button
- Biblical priest
- Be contrite
- Crammers' worries
- Most fit
- "___ Darlin'" (jazz standard)
- Speak from memory
- Lighter brand
- Virginia's ___ Caverns
- Former New York mayor Abe
- Chuckleheads
- Thumb-twiddling
- Saharan
- Civil rights activist Parks
- Make-or-break time
- Touch-tone 4
- Turn tail

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