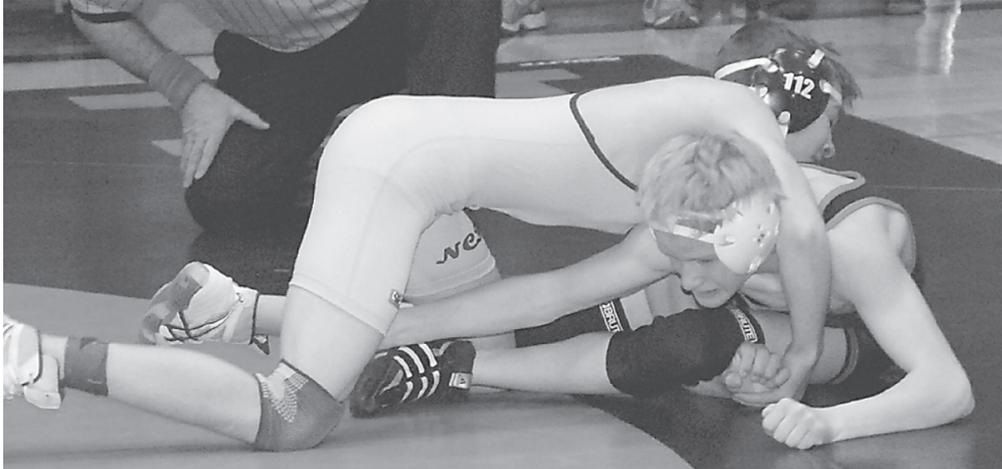


Blue Jay senior Zach Bainter pinned every opponent en route to the 140 pound championship match in the regional tournament, then shutout John Lynch, Lakin, 3-0 to win the title and extend his season record to 17-1.

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Norton's 112 pound sophomore Troy Bainter dominated Riley Hunsicker of Ellis in the regional championship finals, shutting Hunsicker out 6-0 to win the gold medal.

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the same 7-2 score after two periods. In the third period, he outwrestled Lamb and scored three more points to make the final 7-5 in favor of Lamb.

Orr placed third by pinning No.5 seed Coulter Croft, South Gray, in :57.

Keiswetter is now 27-9 for the season. Lamb extended his record to 34-5.

\*135 - Kaenon Keiswetter was seeded No.1 and is ranked No.2 in the state. He pinned his way to the championship match. He pinned Colton Spreser, Hoxie, in 1:01; pinned Jon Samson, Oberlin, in 1:41 and pinned No.4 seed Darris Keller, St. Francis, in 4:32. In the championship finals, he wrestled No.2 seed Eric Albers, Oakley. Kaenon dominated the match. He led 2-0 after one period and 7-2 after two periods and finished with a 12-3 decision to win the championship.

No.3 seed Nathan Deeds, Goodland, placed third with a 5-0 decision over Keller.

Keiswetter is now 17-3 for the season. Albers is 28-8 and Deeds is 18-7.

\*140 - Zach Bainter was seeded No.1 and is ranked No.4 in the state. He also pinned his way to the championship match. He pinned Ray Zodrow, Oberlin, in :33; pinned Seph Iman, Elkhart, in :32 and pinned No.5 seed Dalton Bell, Hoisington, in 1:54 to reach the championship match. He wrestled No.2 seed John Lynch, Lakin, for the gold medal. There was no score in the first two periods but Zach tallied three points in the final stanza to win 3-0 and earn the championship.

No.3 seed Kevin Wolters, Atwood, placed third with a 12-0 major decision over Bell.

Bainter is now 17-1 for the season. Lynch is 38-4.

\*145 - Kaid McKenna was seeded No.1. He pinned Tyler Royle, Cimarron, in 5:39, then pinned Sam Weaver, Hill City, in 3:59. Next, he won a 5-2 decision over No.4 seed Dylan Bainter, Hoxie. In the championship finals, he wrestled No.2 seed Jesse Pacheco, St. Francis. He trailed by periods 5-2 and 9-3 and lost an 11-5 decision to place second.

Bainter placed third with an 8-4 decision over No.3 seed Jarrett Stanton, Holcomb.

McKenna is now 23-7 for the season. Pacheco is 27-9.

\*152 - Zane Perez was seeded No.3 and is ranked No.3 in the state. He won a technical fall over Kyle Babcock, Hill City, then won a 6-2 decision over Clayton Schamberger, Hoxie. Next, he wrestled No.2 seed and No.5 state ranked Everett Urban, Oberlin, and lost an 8-4 decision. In the consolation bracket, Zane decided No.5 seed Brad Halbleib, Oakley, 9-4 to reach the consolation finals. He wrestled No.4 seed Dillon Kinderknecht, Ellis. Zane led 2-0 after one period and 5-0 after two and won a 7-2 decision to place third.

No.1 seed and No.2 state ranked Keegan Smith, Goodland, won the championship with a 6-2 decision over Urban.

Perez is now 30-11 for the season. Smith is 34-4 and Urban is 31-7.

\*160 - Matt Stanley was seeded No.3. He pinned Collin Wittig, Leoti, in 4:21, then won an 8-4 decision over Daniel Jordan, Oberlin. Next he wrestled No.2 seed and No.4 state ranked Chase King, Ellis, and lost a 4-2 decision. In the consolation bracket, he won a 7-2 decision over No.4 seed Vance Johnson, Goodland, to reach the consolation championship match versus John Shaughnessy, Cimarron. Matt trailed 2-0 after one period but by only 5-4 after two periods. Shaughnessy outscored him 3-0 in the third period to win 8-4 and place Matt fourth.

No.1 seed and No.2 state ranked, Corey Engstrom, Hoisington, won the championship with a 14-3 major decision over King.

Stanley is now 23-13 for the season. Engstrom is 34-3.

\*171 - Brock Lauer was seeded No.5 and had four state ranked wrestlers in his weight class. In his first match, he pinned Andy Huffman, Oakley, in 1:15, then won a 7-4 decision over No.4 seed Jon James, Trego. Next, he wrestled No.1 seeded and No.1 state ranked Ryan Taylor, Goodland, and lost a 9-1 major decision. In the consolation bracket, he wrestled No.2 state ranked Nathan Simonsen, Oberlin, and won a 3-1 decision to reach the consolation finals where he wrestled No.3 seed Clint Taylor, TMP-Hays, and lost a 10-1 decision to place fourth.

Ryan Taylor won the championship with a 14-3 major decision over No.2 seeded and No.3 state ranked Ben Brown, Leoti.

Lauer is now 14-15 for the season. Ryan Taylor is 33-5 and Brown is 29-5.

\*189 - Jeremy Sproul was seeded No.4 and drew a first round bye. He lost a 14-10 decision to No.5 seed Preston Werth, TMP-Hays. In the consolation bracket, he drew another bye, then wrestled Adam Guthmiller, St. Francis, and was pinned in 1:41 to end his season.

No.1 seed and No.4 state ranked, Fernando Martinez, Goodland, placed first with a 5-4 overtime win over No.2 seed and No.2 state ranked Carl Hickel, Hoisington.

No.3 seed Ethan Jirak, Oakley, placed third with a 9-1 major decision over Werth.

Sproul's season ended with an 11-8 record. Martinez is now 25-2 for the season and Hickel is 31-3.

\*215 - Jordan Bebb was seeded No.2 and ranked No.5 in the state. He drew a first round bye, then pinned Logan Mosburg, Lakin, in 3:06, then won a 15-2 major decision over No.3 seed Tanner Oharah, Goodland. In the championship finals, he wrestled No.1 seed Tyler White, Cimarron. Jordan led 2-1 after one period but was pinned in 4:27 to place second.

Oharah placed third by pinning No.4 seed Jared Mitchell, Hoisington, in 4:27.

Bebb is now 24-6 for the season. White is 23-2.

\*285 - No.2 seed and No.4 state

ranked Dillon Salmans, Hoxie, won the championship with a 3-2 overtime win over No.1 seed and No.2 state ranked Luke Keener, Hoisington.

No.3 seed and No.3 state ranked Ross Addison, Cimarron, placed third with a 3-1 decision over No.4 seed Jay Cotter, Goodland.

Salmans is now 38-2 for the season, Keener is 28-3 and Addison is 26-4.

**State Tournament**

The Class 3-2-1A State Wrestling Tournament will be held Friday and Saturday in Gross Memorial Coliseum at Fort Hays State University, Hays.

The first round will begin at 10 a.m. and will be followed by the second round championship quarterfinals at 1:30 p.m.

The second session will begin at 3:30 p.m. with the first round consolation on two mats and will be followed by the championship semifinals on two mats. The championship semifinals will start immediately following the conclusion of the first round consolation but not earlier than 4:30 p.m.

The third session will be held Saturday, beginning at 9 a.m. with the consolation cross bracketing. Consolation quarterfinals will begin at 10:45 a.m., followed by consolation semifinals at 12:15 p.m. Fifth place matches will be wrestled on one mat at 1:45 p.m. and will be followed by the consolation finals on one mat at 2:30 p.m.

The championship session will begin at 4:15 p.m. with the Parade of Champions. The championship finals will be wrestled on one mat, beginning at 4:30 p.m.

An all day admission ticket for Friday or Saturday will cost \$10 for adults and \$6 for students kindergarten through 12th grade. Evening session only tickets on Friday or Saturday will cost \$6 for adults and \$5 for students.

**First round opponents**

112 - Norton sophomore Troy Bainter, 23-5 vs. sophomore Diego Galloway, Stockton, 11-8.

119 - Norton sophomore Billy Broeckelman, 29-9 vs. freshman Weston Penn, Minneapolis, 26-11.

125 - Norton sophomore Brett Terrell, 30-11 vs. sophomore Kevin Taylor, Silver Lake, 28-11.

130 - Norton sophomore Landon Keiswetter, 27-9 vs. junior Jordan Miller, Atchison Community, 27-11.

135 - Norton junior Kaenon Keiswetter, 17-3 vs. junior Alan Gilbert, Immaculata, 18-11.

140 - Norton senior Zach Bainter, 17-1 vs. junior Josh Hager, Council Grove, 27-14.

145 - Norton sophomore Kaid McKenna, 23-7 vs. junior Tylor Neil, Marion, 36-8.

152 - Norton junior Zane Perez, 30-11 vs. senior Colin Loomis, Beloit, 32-6.

160 - Norton senior Matt Stanley, 23-13 vs. junior Nick Thibault, Halstead, 31-3.

171 - Norton senior Brock Lauer, 14-15 vs. senior Trent Stevenson, Ellsworth, 26-9.

215 - Norton senior Jordan Bebb, 24-6 vs. senior Braden Hager, Beloit, 22-16.

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