

Norton high school tennis team wins championship at Thursday's Hays Tournament

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 The 2010 high school tennis season is barely underway but already coach Jim Green's Norton Community High School girls tennis team is attracting positive attention with their performances. After missing a championship in the season-opening Trego Round Robin by just one point, the Lady Jays won the championship of the Hays Invitational on Thursday and the championship of the Colby Tournament on Saturday!

Results of the Hays Tournament are in this story and the Colby Tournament results will be in Friday's Norton Telegram.

Hays championship
 Norton scored 42 points to win the title at Hays, followed by Colby, 33; Hays High Gold, 32; Hays High Maroon, 20; Victoria, 15; Russell, 11; Plainville, 11; Mixed, 10.

Norton sophomore Tawni Griffey remained unbeaten in No. 1 singles. She defeated Brittini Hayes, Russell, 8-1 and shutout Hanna Pfannenstiel, Hays High Gold, 8-0, to reach the finals.

She also had an outstanding finals match as she shutout defending Class 4A state champion Caitlyn Wark, Colby, 8-0, to win the gold medal!

"Tawni had an amazing performance at No. 1 singles," said coach Green. "In the finals, she played against defending 4A state champion Caitlyn Wark, Colby, who had a record last year of 36-0."

"I can't say enough about how well she played in winning the match 8-0."

In No. 2 singles, Norton senior Morgan Baumann also had an outstanding tournament, placing third.

She outscored Desiree Branick, Russell, 8-2; lost a close 9-7 match to Shelby Dinkel, Hays High Gold; shutout Ashley Swart, Hays, 8-0 and outpointed Aubree Broyles, Victoria, 9-7 to place third.

"Morgan had a close match against eventual champion Shelby Dinkel. She was up early in the match and then got behind. She tied the match before losing 9-7."

"Working her way through the back side of the bracket, Morgan made it into the third place match. There she played Aubree Broyles, an experienced player from Victoria. Morgan gave it her all and

won 9-7. "Two of Morgan's matches were very long and exhausting. She almost defeated the first place finisher and still had enough left to win over the talented Victoria player."

Seniors Rachel Shepard and Meaghan Peterson also played well in winning the No. 1 doubles championship.

They defeated Kelli Gudenkauf and Rhett Brown, Russell, 8-3; outpointed Whitney Hickert and Bonnie McRae, Hays High Gold, 8-4 and outscored Megan Dougherty and Lauren Shoaff, Colby, 8-6, in the championship match. "Rachel Shepard and Meaghan Peterson followed up their fourth place finish at WaKeeney with the first place at Hays," said coach Green.

"Both girls made some major improvements in their play from the previous tournament. They didn't lose a single match moving into the finals against Colby. Their final match was a good one. They jumped out to an early lead that Colby could not overcome."

Lady Jay seniors Kyra Fulton and Nikki McVey had a good tournament with a third place finish in No. 2 doubles. They lost 8-7 to Taylor Hamel and Abby

Dreher, Russell; defeated Paige Roopchan and Megan Schroeder, Colby, 8-3 and played Hamel and Dreher again for third. Kyra and Nikki were equal to the task and outscored the Russell twosome 6-1 this time.

"Kyra Fulton and Nikki McVey placed third at No. 2 doubles and it was not an easy task," said coach Green.

"Losing in a tiebreaker in the first round to Russell, they battled back and won against Plainville and Colby to meet the same Russell team for third. This time the outcome was different. Kyra and Nikki easily won 6-1 to take home the medals."

Next action
 The Norton varsity tennis team played in the Phillipsburg Invitational on Tuesday afternoon.

The Norton junior varsity tennis squad will play Thursday in the Trego Junior Varsity Round Robin in WaKeeney, beginning at 1 p.m.

The Norton Junior Varsity Quad will be held this Saturday on the Norton courts in the Swimming Pool Park, beginning at 9 a.m.

Competing, in addition to Norton, will be teams from Colby, Hays and Phillipsburg.

Northern Valley Sr. High Football Schedule

Varsity
 Sept. 3 against Weskan at home at 7:00
 Sept. 10 against Stockton at home at 7:00
 Sept. 17 against Logan at Logan at 7:00
 Sept. 24 against Pike valley at Scandia at 7:00
 Oct. 1 against Palco at home at 7:00
 Oct. 8 against Victoria at Victoria at 7:00
 Oct. 15 against Thunder Ridge at home at 7:00
 Oct. 22 against Western Plains at Ransom at 7:00
 Oct. 28 against Natoma at home at 7:00
 Nov. 2 Bi-Districts - To be announced
 Nov. 6 Regionals - To be announced
 Nov. 12 Sub-State - To be announced
 Nov. 20 State at Newton - To be announced

Jr. Varsity
 Sept. 13 against Stockton at Stockton at 6:00
 Oct. 4 against Palco at Palco To be determined
 Oct. 18 against Thunder Ridge at Kensington at 6:00

Jr. High Football and Volleyball Schedule

Sept. 2 against Thunder Ridge at Long Island VB at 4:00 FB at 6:00
 Sept. 9 against Quinter at Quinter VB at 4:00 FB at 6:00
 Sept. 16 against Logan at Long Island VB at 4:00 FB at 6:00
 Sept. 23 against Hill City at Long Island VB at 4:00 FB at 6:00
 Sept. 30 against Osborne at Osborne VB at 4:00 FB at 6:00
 Oct. 7 against Hoxie at Long Island VB at 4:00 FB at 6:00
 Oct. 14 against Damar at Damar VB at 4:00 FB at 6:00
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