

Norton Blue Jays host invitational

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Coach Jason Jones' Norton Community High School 2013 track and field team opened varsity competition on Friday at the Jep Byrum Track by hosting the Norton Invitational Track Meet.

Competing on a very windy day, the Lady Jays tied for runner-up and the Norton boys placed third.

Colby won the girls championship with 121 points, followed by Norton, 94; Phillipsburg, 94; Oberlin, 76; Northern Valley, 44; Smith Center, 40; Goodland, 36; Logan, 20.

Phillipsburg was the boys champion with 201 points, followed by Goodland, 98; Norton, 76; Colby, 51; Smith Center, 36; Oberlin, 27; Northern Valley,

25; Logan, 12.

The Norton junior varsity opened their season in Smith Center earlier so many of these athletes were competing in their second meet of the season.

"Our girls and boys competed well in this meet," said coach Jones. "The wind was blowing very strongly early so we did cancel the pole vault. While that was disappointing for the pole vault athletes, both our girls and boys did an amazing job of competing throughout the day.

"A couple of things did not go especially well for us, which is normal, but we had a lot of things go much better than we could have expected.

"We got some really good times and distances for this early in the season. We are proud of our athletes and look forward to

the next meet to improve."

GIRLS

The Norton girls compiled the most points in the throwing events where four girls totaled 33 points.

Senior Alec Melvin won the gold medal in the discus with a throw of 110'8.5". Junior Christine Nelson finished fourth with a 91'3" effort. Senior Teslee Nickell and freshman Lexi Voss tied for sixth, each with a throw of 88'9". The distance was a personal best for Voss.

Melvin placed runner-up in the shot put with a heave of 34'1" and Nickell finished in third with a distance of 31'10".

In the javelin, Melvin placed fourth with a throw of 103'8".

Lady Jay junior Bailey Ambrosier won the 400 meter dash with a time of 1:04.76 and junior Katelyn Engelbert captured the gold medal in the 800 meter run with a clocking of 2:40.68.

Ambrosier and Engelbert combined with senior Kamilla Jones and sophomore Sierra Griffith to win the 4x 800 meter relay with a time of 10:50.27.

Engelbert also placed runner-up in the high jump by clearing 4'10".

Jones finished third in the long jump with a leap of 14'4" and freshman Molly Maddy placed third in the 3200 meter run with a personal best time of 13:47.39.

Fourth place finishes went to freshman Casey Ambrosier with a distance of 30'1.5" in the triple jump, which was a personal best, and Norton's 4 x 400 meter relay team of Jones, Engelbert, Baily Ambrosier and junior Marisa Maddy. They were timed in 4:29.56.

Freshman Casey Ambrosier placed fifth in the 800 meter run with a personal best time of 2:46.58.

Griffith was sixth in the 3200 meter run in 14:04.75 and junior Johnnye Ruder placed sixth in the 300 meter hurdles with a personal best clocking of 55.53.

Also competing for Norton but not placing were: Cristine Nelson, 29'8.5", 7th; freshman Lexi Voss, 27'.5", ninth; junior Sophie Manegold, personal best 18'11.5", 21st, shot put; Manegold, personal best 50'3", 19th; discus; Teslee Nickell, personal best 78'8", 11th; Lexi Voss, 73'9", 17th; Cristine Nelson, 71'1", 19th; Sophie Manegold, 67'1", 20th, javelin; Casey Ambrosier, 12'8.75", 10th; freshman Peyton Renner, 12'7.5", 13th; freshman Hanna Brooks, 12'3", 14th; freshman Shelby Mulford, 9'3", 17th, long jump; Peyton Renner, 28'4.25", 9th; Hanna Brooks, 27'6.5", 15th, triple jump; Hanna Brooks, personal best 15.01, 11th; Marisa



Norton senior Jacob Brooks won the high jump event in the Norton Invitational Track Meet on Friday with a 6' clearance. He also won the 400 meter dash and placed third in the 100 meter dash.

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Lady Jay junior Bailey Ambrosier focuses on the track ahead after taking the handoff during the Norton Invitational Track Meet from junior Katelyn Engelbert in the 4 x 800 meter relay, which was won by the team of Engelbert, Ambrosier, senior Kamilla Jones and sophomore Sierra Griffith.

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Maddy, 15.28, 12th; Shelby Mulford, 16.56, 16th, 100 meter dash; freshman Raenee Patterson, personal best 6:57, 1600 meter run.

BOYS

Senior Jacob Brooks scored 26 points with two gold medals and a third place finish. In winning the 400 meter dash he was timed in a personal best 51.50. He also won the gold in the high jump, where he cleared 6'.

Brooks also placed third in the 100 meter dash with a time of 11.59.

Junior Trevor Lewis placed runner-up in the long jump with a personal best leap of 19'5.75"

Junior Marc Miller finished runner-up in the 800 meter run with a clocking of 2:17.06. Junior Alec Hager placed right behind Miller in the 800 in third place with a personal best time of 2:20.66.

Norton's 4 x 800 meter relay team of Marc Miller, freshman Brendon Frack, senior John Renner and Alec Hager finished runner-up with a time of 9:17.12.

Norton senior Dylan Sprigg placed third in the discus with a throw of 126'9.5" and senior Lane Bigge finished fifth with a personal best throw of 113'1".

Blue Jay sophomore Stewart Whitney heaved the shot 37'10" to place fifth.

Sophomore Dalton Vanover placed fourth in the 3200 meter run in a time of 12:08.12.

Brendon Frack finished sixth in the 1600 meter run in 5:13.92.

Junior Tanner Furbush placed sixth in the triple jump with a distance of 37'9.75".

Placing fifth in the 4 x 400 meter relay was the team of sophomore Kobie Unterseher, Alec Hager, sophomore Conor Cox and Trevor Lewis with a time of 3:56.25.

Norton's 4 x 100 meter relay team of Stewart Whitney, sophomore Christian Boser, Conor Cox and Kobie Unterseher placed fifth in 48.42.

Competing for Norton but not placing were: Dylan Sprigg, personal best 35'10", 11th; Lane Bigge, personal best 35'8", 14th; senior Lucas Engel, 35'7.5", 15th; junior Cole Renner, personal best 34'3.75", 18th; junior Andre Valencia, personal best 33'1.5", 19th; freshman Cameron Heikes, personal best 32'9.5", 22nd; junior Travis Cressler, personal best 31'5", 24th, shot put; Stewart Whitney, personal best 101', 10th; Cameron Heikes, personal best 97', 15th; Cole Renner, personal best 93', 18th; Travis Cressler, personal best 86'10", 20th; Andrew Valencia, personal best 67'2", 23rd, discus; Dylan Sprigg, personal best 117'11", 10th; Stewart Whitney, 102'4", 15th; Cameron Heikes, 98'1", 18th; Travis Cressler, 93'11", 20th; Cole Renner, 93'5", 21st; Andre Valencia, 91'9", 22nd, javelin; Kobie Unterseher, 16'11.75", 10th; sophomore Derick Campbell, 16'4", 14th, long jump; Trevor Lewis, 36'5", 7th; Derick Campbell, personal best 33'5.5", 12th; freshman Weston Erbert, personal best 29'8.75", 16th, triple jump; Tanner Furbush, 5'2", 10th, high jump; sophomore Jordan Karnopp, 18.69, 8th, 110 meter hurdles; Jordan Karnopp,

48.25, 9th, 300 meter hurdles; junior Austin Hager, 11.87, 7th; Derick Campbell, 12.56, 12th; freshman Riley Hager, personal best 13.65, 20th; freshman Andrew Bashford, 14.41, 21st, 100 meter dash; Tanner Furbush, 25.23, 11th; sophomore Christian Boser, 28.77, 18th; Andrew Bashford, personal best 29.37, 19th, 200 meter dash; Conor Cox, 58.56, 9th; Christian Boser, 1:00.88, 12th; Weston Erbert, personal best 1:04.70, 15th, 400 meter dash; John Renner, 2:25.00, 800 meter run; freshman Ryan Thrailkill, personal best 5:39.00, 1600 meter run; Austin Hager, Derick Campbell, Trevor Lewis, Tanner Furbush, 4x 100 meter relay.

Next action

Norton is competing today in the Redmen Relays in Smith Center.

Next Monday, Norton will compete in the Trego Freshmen/Sophomore Meet in WaKeeney, beginning at 4 p.m.

On Tuesday, April 16, Norton will compete in the Plainville Invitational, beginning at 3 p.m.

Senior athletes honored

Honored during intermission were Norton's senior golf and track athletes and their parents. Golfers honored were Ryan Bainter, Eli Bozarth, Javen Colip, Dustan Daniels, Cassius Dole, Andrew Ellis, Christopher Fisher, Jordan Hartwell, Dalton Miller, Vaughn Newman, Hon Risewick and Treven Rossi. Track and field athletes honored were Kamilla Hones, Alec Melvin, Teslee Nickell, Lane Bigge, Jacob Brooks, Lucas Engel, John Renner and Dylan Sprigg.

BOWLING

Tuesday Night Mens League Standings as of Feb. 26

1. Norton Chiropractic Center - 31 wins, 18 losses
 2. WF & BR - 30 wins, 19 losses
 3. RM & DC - 30 wins, 19 losses
 4. BL & JE - 18 wins, 31 losses
 5. AB & BB - 12 wins, 37 losses
- High Line: Rusty Miller-227, Craig Rogers-175, RM & DC-390.
- High Line Handicap: Rusty Miller-249, Craig Rogers-239, RM & DC-464.
- High Series: Rusty Miller-577, Bill LaSalle-436, RM & DC-1006.
- High Series Handicap: Rusty Miller-643, Craig Rogers-614, RM & DC-1228.

Tuesday Housewife League Standings as of Feb. 26

1. Amateurs - 25 wins, 11 losses
2. BEB & Assoc. - 21 wins, 15 losses

3. Lenora Nutrition Center - 15 wins, 21 losses
 4. Moffet's - 11 wins, 25 losses
- High Line: Cheri Brooks-215, Margaret Thomas-202, Cayla Cox-180, Moffet's-528.
- High Line Handicap: Margaret Thomas-270, Cayla Cox-252, Cheri Brooks-247, Moffet's-722.
- High Series: Cheri Brooks-558, Margaret Thomas-482, Sharron Smith-473, Moffet's-1371.
- High Series Handicap: Margaret Thomas-686, Cayla Cox-674, Cheri Brooks-654, Moffet's-1953.

Inter-City League Standings as of March 7

1. Bailey Electric - 56 wins, 25 losses
 2. BLD's - 41.5 wins, 39.5 losses
 3. B & C - 40 wins, 41 losses
 4. Jett SS - 35 wins, 46 losses
 5. Hawks Depot - 33.5 wins, 47.5 losses
- High Line: Mark Bailey-189, Nick Daniels-168, Craig Knapp-167, Luke Bailey-162,

- Bailey Electric-611.
- High Line Handicap: Mark Bailey-232, Brock Scott-229, Nick Daniels-226, Craig Knapp-224.
- High Series: Mark Bailey-507, Nick Daniels-486, Craig Knapp-473, Rusty Miller-451, Bailey Electric-1746.
- High Series Handicap: Nick Daniels-660, Craig Knapp-644, Mark Bailey-636, Brock Scott-628.

Tuesday Night Mens League Standings as of March 5

1. Norton Chiropractic Center - 37 wins, 19 losses
 2. RM & DC - 36 wins, 20 losses
 3. WF & BR - 32 wins, 24 losses
 4. BL & JE - 19 wins, 37 losses
 5. AB & BB - 12 wins, 44 losses
- High Line: Rusty Miller-204, Bill LaSalle-169, RM & DC-336.
- High Line Handicap: Craig Rogers-230, Rusty Miller-226, WF & BR-434.
- High Series: Rusty Miller-

- 508, Bill LaSalle-482, RM & DC-929.
- High Series Handicap: Craig Rogers-647, Brad Riggins-608, Norton Chiropractic Center-1160.

Tuesday Housewife League Standings as of March 5

1. Amateurs - 28 wins, 12 losses
 2. BEB & Assoc. - 22 wins, 18 losses
 3. Lenora Nutrition Center - 16 wins, 24 losses
 4. Moffet's - 14 wins, 26 losses
- High Line: Jacque Griffey-171, Sharron Smith-169, Joy Johnson-152, Lenora Nutrition Center-426.
- High Line Handicap: Joy Johnson-221, Sharron Smith-218, Jacque Griffey-216, Amateurs-625.
- High Series: Jacque Griffey-472, Sharron Smith-448, Joy Johnson-432, Lenora Nutrition Center-1213.
- High Series Handicap: Joy Johnson-639, Carol Ross-612, Jacque Griffey-607, Amateurs-1765.

Keep up the good work
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Blue Jays!

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