

Blue Jays compete at annual Redmen Relays

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Coach Jason Jones' Norton Community High School girls track and field team placed third and the boys finished in fourth place in the annual Redmen Relays in Smith Center on Friday.

The meet was originally scheduled for Tuesday but was postponed until Friday due to inclement weather.

Beloit won the girls championship with 173.5 points, followed by Thayer Central, Nebraska, 116; Norton, 108.5; Marysville, 88; Smith Center, 56; Belleville, 29; Lincoln, 22.

Beloit also won the boys championship with 208 points, followed by Thayer Central, Nebraska, 163; Smith Center,

69; Norton, 56; Marysville, 49; Belleville, 45; Lincoln, 11; Phillipsburg junior varsity, 4.

"We had a good meet, for the most part," said coach Jones. "A lot of things went very well for us but, as always, a few things did not go so well. We had some performances that were great for this early in the year and our athletes set a lot of personal records.

"We feel good about our competition levels at this point in the season. We will continue to move athletes in and out of events to figure how we can be the most competitive.

"Our athletes have done a great job so far!"

GIRLS

Senior Alec Melvin had an-

other good day in the throws, scoring 24 points. She won the discus with a personal record distance of 125'5", placed runner-up in the shot with a personal record heave of 38'2.5" and finished third in the javelin with a throw of 115'2".

Senior Teslee Nickell added to points in throws with a fourth place in the shot. She heaved the iron ball 30'11".

Junior Cristine Nelson placed third in the discus with a throw of 89'8".

Junior Bailey Ambrosier earned a gold medal in the 400 meter dash with a time of 1:04.58. Bailey also was a member of the gold medal foursome that won the 4 x 400 meter relay in 4:32.03. Running with her were senior Kamilla Jones, junior Katelyn Engelbert and junior Marisa Maddy.

Bailey was also a member of the Lady Jay 4 x 800 meter relay team which placed runner-up in 11:01.32. Running with her were Jones, Engelbert and freshman Casey Ambrosier.

Another event for Bailey Ambrosier was the pole vault where she placed fourth with a height of 8'6".

Katelyn Engelbert won a second gold medal in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:37.24.

Kamilla Jones also placed third in the long jump with a leap of 14'4.75".

Lady Jay junior Darcy Bainter placed third in the 1600 meter run with a personal best time of 6:03.60.

Freshman Molly Maddy finished third in the 3200 meter run with a personal best clocking of 13:32.79.

Marisa Maddy placed fourth in the 200 meter dash in 29.99.

Junior Johnnye Ruder was fourth in the 300 meter hurdles with a new personal time of 54.79.

Freshman Casey Ambrosier finished fifth in the triple jump with a personal record distance of 31'3" and sixth in the 800

meter run in 2:52.50.

Engelbert scored two more points with a fifth place in the high jump by clearing 4'10".

Sophomore Kenzie Esslinger also placed fifth in the pole vault with a 7'6" clearance.

Results of Norton girls efforts that did not score points were: Cristine Nelson, 29'11.5", 7th, shot put; Teslee Nickell, 73'8", 12th, discus; Teslee Nickell, 74'2", 13th, javelin; freshman Hanna Brooks, 12'9.5", 9th; freshman Peyton Renner, 12'6.5", 10th, long jump; Peyton Renner, personal best 30'11", 7th; Hanna Brooks, 27'7.75", 12th, triple jump; Kamilla Jones, 7'6", 7th, pole vault; Marisa Maddy, personal record 14.74, 10th; Kenzie Esslinger, 15.35, 13th, 100 meter dash; Hanna Brooks, 31.18, 9th; Peyton Renner, 31.46, 10th, 200 meter dash; Hanna Brooks, 1:12.89, 11th; Peyton Renner, 1:13.22, 12th, 400 meter dash; freshman Raenee Patterson, personal record 6:42.03, 8th, 1600 meter run.

BOYS

Senior Jacob Brooks was the only gold medal winner for the Norton boys. He hit the finish line first in the 200 meter dash with a clocking of 22.93. Brooks also placed runner-up in the high jump by clearing 6' and fourth place in the 100 meter dash in 11.37.

Norton junior Austin Hager placed runner-up in the pole vault with a clearance of 13'. It was his first competition in the event this season since high winds caused cancellation of it in the season-opening Norton Invitational.

Norton freshman Brendon Frack finished runner-up in the 3200 meter run with a time of 10:56.74. Sophomore Dalton Vanover placed sixth in the same race with a clocking of 11:58.48.

Brendon Frack combined with junior Marc Miller, junior Alec Hager and senior John Renner to place third in the 4 x 800 meter relay in a time of 9:08.67.

Placing fourth in the triple jump with a personal best 38'4.5" mark was junior Tanner Furbush. Junior Trever Lewis



Norton junior Austin Hager turned in a good performance on his first day of competition this season in the pole vault, clearing 13' to place runner-up in the event in the Redmen Relays in Smith Center on Friday. He was edged for the gold medal by L.T. Meitler, Smith Center, who cleared the same height but won on fewer misses.

- Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

placed fifth in the long jump with a leap of 18'6.5".

Marc Miller finished sixth in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:15.94.

Norton's 4 x 400 meter relay team of sophomore Kobie Unterseher, junior Alec Hager, sophomore Conor Cox and Marc Miller placed fifth in 3:52.49.

The Blue Jays' 4 x 100 meter relay team of Austin Hager, sophomore Christian Boser, Unterseher and Furbush also placed fifth in 47.18.

Results of Norton boy's performances that did not place were: senior Lucas Engel, personal best 40'1", 7th; sophomore Stewart Whitney, 38'1", 9th; senior Dylan Sprigg, 35'7.5", 16th, shot put; Dylan Sprigg, 123'4", 8th; senior Lane Bigge, 104'11", 10th; Stewart Whitney, 91'8", 17th, discus; Dylan Sprigg, personal best 126', 9th; Stewart Whitney, personal best 117'6", 11th; junior Cole Renner, 92'5", 16th, javelin; Kobie Unterseher, personal best 17'4.5", 10th, long jump; Trever Lewis, 36'8", 7th, triple jump; Tanner Furbush, personal best 5'6", 7th, high jump; Marc Miller, 10'6", 8th; Kobie Un-

terseher, personal best 10', 12th, pole vault; sophomore Jordan Karnopp, personal best 18.45, 8th, 110 meter hurdles; Jordan Karnopp, 50.20, 12th, 300 meter hurdles; Austin Hager, 11.91, 7th, 100 meter dash; Jacob Brooks, 24.39; Tanner Furbush, 25.71, 15th; Christian Boser, personal best 26.12, 17th, 200 meter dash; Conor Cox, 58.67, 13th; Jacob Brooks, 58.89, 15th; Christian Boser, 1:02.63, 18th, 400 meter dash; John Renner, 2:20.37, 8th, 800 meter run; Alec Hager, 5:31.72, 8th; freshman Ryan Thraillkill, 5:44.01, 11th, 1600 meter run; Stewart Whitney, Lane Bigge, Dylan Sprigg, Lucas Engel, weight men's 4 x 400 meter relay.

Next action

The Norton junior varsity is competing today in the Trego 9/10th grade track meet in Wa-Keeney.

The Norton varsity track and field athletes will compete on Tuesday in the Plainville Invitational Track Meet.

Field events will begin at 3 p.m. with running preliminaries at 4 p.m. and running finals at 5:30 p.m.



Lady Jay senior Alec Melvin propels the shot a personal record distance of 38'2.5" to place runner-up in the event in the Redmen Relays on Friday in Smith Center.

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Huskies hold invitational

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The Northern Valley Junior High Huskies hosted the Husky Invitational in Logan on Friday. The 7th and 8th grade boys placed first out of the eight schools in the competition, despite having only one first place finish. Drake Shearer won the gold medal in the pole vault at a height of 7-feet, 7 inches.

The 6th grade boys and girls combined scores earned them a first place plaque. Paige Baird led the 6th grade girls with three gold medals in the 75m Hurdles, 200m and 400m. Three 6th grade boys won gold in an event; Caden Bach in the shot, Jesus Saenz in the discus and Nick Stutsman in the high jump.

The 7th and 8th grade girls finished in fifth place as a team. Chaylee Lowry won a gold medal in the 800m.

"It was a great team effort by the (7th and 8th grade) boys," said coach Jim Cole. "It was a pretty nice day and all the Huskies competed very hard to help their team do well."

Northern Valley 7th and 8th grade boys results - 1st place

100m - Jarell Seals (13.5), 4th

200m - Jarell Seals (28.3), 3rd

400m - Carson Wallace (1:01.1), 2nd

800m - Carson Wallace (2:33.9), 3rd

800m - John Towery (2:41.6), 4th

1600m - Damian Wellman (6:06.3), 3rd

100m hurdles - Briely Yocum (17.9), 2nd

100m hurdles - Damian Wellman (20.0), 4th

100m hurdles - John Towery (20.5), 5th

High Jump - Briely Yocum (5'0"), 2nd

Long Jump - Jarrell Seals (14'6"), 2nd

Triple Jump - Carson Wallace (32'10"), 2nd

Pole Vault - Drake Shearer (7'7"), 1st

Pole Vault - Caden Kinderknecht (7'0"), 2nd

Pole Vault - Briely Yocum (7'0"), 3rd

400m Relay - Towery, Yocum, Seals, Wallace (55.4), 2nd

800m Relay - Towery, Shearer, Wellman, Kinderknecht (2:11.5), 3rd

800m Medley - Wellman, Smith, Shearer, Kinderknecht (2:19.4), 5th

Northern Valley 6th grade boys results:

100m - Cody Sorenson (14.6), 5th

200m - Caden Bach (31.3), 5th

200m - Jesus Saenz (31.4), 6th

400m - Nick Stutsman (1:10.3), 2nd

400m - Aidan Baird (1:21.3), 6th

800m - Nick Stutsman (2:48.3), 2nd

75m Hurdles - Riley Sides (15.0), 4th

High Jump - Nick Stutsman (4'9") 1st

High Jump - Ross Cole (4'8"), 2nd

High Jump - Riley Sides (4'2"), 3rd

Long Jump - Riley Sides (12'4"), 2nd

Shot - Caden Bach (26'5"), 1st

Discus - Jesus Saenz (72'8"), 1st

400m Relay - Baird, Sorenson, Saenz, Bach (1:02.3), 2nd

Northern Valley 7th and 8th grade girls results - 5th place

100m Hurdles - Brittany

Wright (19.2), 2nd

100m - Brianna Johns (14.5), 6th

400m - Brianna Johns (1:12.1), 2nd

400m - HalLee Linner (1:13.0), 3rd

800m - Chaylee Lowry (2:48.2), 1st

1600m - Makensy Schroeder (6:20.9), 2nd

Long Jump - Chaylee Lowry (13'2"), 5th

High Jump - Chaylee Lowry (4'2"), 3rd

400m Relay - Johnson, Laurin, Schroeder, M. Wright (1:13.0), 6th

800m Relay - Kinderknecht, Schroeder, Linner, B Wright (2:18.4), 5th

Medley Relay - Johns, B. Wright, Lowry, Linner (2:19.4), 4th

Northern Valley 6th grade girls results:

75m Hurdles - Paige Baird (13.1) 1st *NV 6th grade record

75m Hurdles - Zoe Cox (16.2), 6th

200m - Paige Baird (30.2), 1st

200m - Shayna Speer (36.0), 6th

400m - Paige Baird (1:11.5) 1st

800m - Brianna Sammons (3:07.5), 3rd

800m - Sydney Brands (3:20.0), 4th

800m - Zoe Cox (3:22.4), 5th

Long Jump - Brianna Sammons (10'10"), 6th

Shot - Jaden Smith (22'11"), 4th

Discus - Jaden Smith (59'0"), 2nd

400m Relay - Brands, Cox, Sammons, Speer (1:04.3), 4th

800m Relay - Lowry, Schroeder, Kasson, Linner (2:12.8)

1600m Relay - Johns, Linner, Lowry, Baird (4:46.2), 2nd

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