

Norton golfers host Invitational

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The Norton Community High School golf team placed fifth in their Norton Invitational Golf Tournament on Friday at the Prairie Dog Recreation Association course south of Norton.

Goodland won the championship with 328 points, followed by Ellis, 340; Phillipsburg, 350; Ness City, 357; Norton, 369; Plainville, 375; Norton B, 399; Oakley, 419; Colby, 427; Atwood, 434; Norton C, 439; Hill City, 441; Hoxie, 482.

"Today's tournament was the culmination of a difficult week," said Norton head golf coach David Stover. "Weather has made it difficult to get any practice

time this week and I think our play was a reflection of that.

"Overall, we did not play as well as we had hoped but we did have some quality performances. We were led by John Risewick continuing his solid play and earning an eighth place finish individually.

"I was pleased with the rounds of Treven Rossi and Garret Otter and Mickey Hahn continues to show improvement with his best round of the season.

"Hopefully, we will be able to get some quality practice time as we start to head into the heart of the season."

Blue Jay senior John Risewick shot a 43/44-87, followed by senior Andrew Ellis, 43/49-

92; senior Christopher Fisher, 46/47-93 and senior Eli Bozarth, 47/50-97. Also playing for the first team were senior Jordan Hartwell, 48/52-100 and senior Dustan Daniels, 53/51-104.

Playing for the Norton B Team and their scores were: senior Treven Rossi, 46/48-94; junior Garret Otter, 52/44-96; senior Ryan Bainter, 52/51-103 and senior Javen Colip, 55/51-106.

Members of the Norton C Team and their scores were: sophomore Mickey Hahn, 48/47-95; senior Dalton Miller, 55/59-114; senior Vaughn Newman, 64/50-114; senior Cassius Dole, 60/56-116.

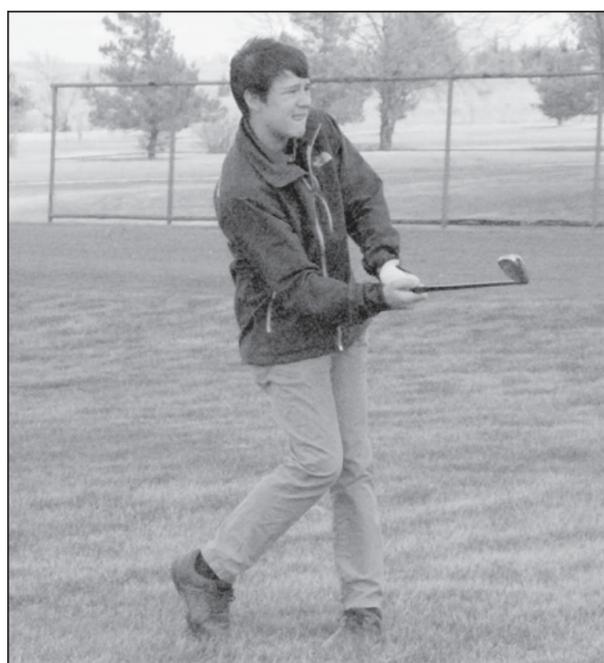
Medalists were: Skyler Tebo,

Ellis, 77; Gage Ihrig, Goodland, 78; Tanner Jones, Goodland, 79; Gannon Ihrig, Goodland, 79; Jaden Richardson, Ness City, 79; Michael Dusin, Phillipsburg, 84; Ryan Downing, Ellis, 87; John Risewick, 87; Josh Tway, Ellis, 87; Lucas Jacobs, Phillipsburg, 87.

Next action

The Norton junior varsity golfers will play today in the Smith Center JV Invitational with tee off time set for 3 p.m.

The next Norton varsity competition will test the endurance of the golfers. It will be the I-70 Invitational on Thursday of this week. Beginning at 9 a.m., golfers will play 18 holes in Ellis and 18 holes in WaKeeney.



Norton junior Garret Otter drives the golf ball during his excellent round in the Norton Invitational Golf Tournament on the Prairie Dog Recreational Association course on Friday.

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Area athletes honored by newspapers

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Norton seniors Tawni Griffey and Jacob Brooks and Northern Valley freshman Brooke Baird are among the basketball players who were honored for their 2012-13 play by the large daily newspapers of Kansas.

Brooks was chosen to the third team by the Hays Daily News and received honorable mention from the Topeka-Capital Journal and Wichita Eagle-Beacon.

Griffey received honorable mention from the Hays Daily News, Capital-Journal and Eagle-Beacon.

Baird received honorable mention in the Capital-Journal.

Girls named to the first team by the Hays Daily News were Madison Beagley, Russell; Sydney Benoit, Smith Center; Laura Dennis, Oakley; Alexcia Deutscher, Ellis and Carly Heim, a member of state champion Hoxie.

Benoit played for state champion Smith Center and was chosen "Player of the Year" by the Daily News.

Among the girls chosen for the Daily News second team were Jordan Christensen, Golden Plains; Kristina Farber, Hoxie; Heather Ruder, Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays.

Girls on the Daily News third team are Mattison Dusin, Phillipsburg; Bailey Hensley, Ellis; Kristin Huser, Victoria; Shayna Rogge, Triplains-Brewster and Gabi Spresser, Hoxie.

Those receiving honorable mention by the Daily News, in addition to Griffey of Norton, are Brittany Kirchoff, Thunder Ridge; Fallyn Handley, Palco; Brooke Flax, Quinter; Kristin Berger, Thunder Ridge; Jessica Princ, Osborne; Trenna Cox, Smith Center; Brittany Plummer, Triplains-Brewster; Rachael Kuhlman, Sharon Springs; Colbie Decker, Smith Center; Caitlyn Miller, Osborne.

Boys named to the first team by the Daily News included Colin Foes, Ness City; Hadley Gillum, Plainville; Sam McKinney, Weskan and Kade Spresser, Hoxie.

Gillum was named "Player of

the Year" by the Daily News.

Players on the Daily News boys second team included Josh Keltz, Cheylin; Eli Kuhlman, Sharon Springs; Sean Newlan, Phillipsburg; Clayton Riedel, Trego.

Named to the boys third team by the Daily News with Jacob Brooks were Justin Wiltfong, Stockton; Shane Jones, Hill City; Chase Kennedy, Hoxie and Stephen Llewellyn, Oakley.

Those players receiving honorable mention included: Austin Baalman, Oakley; Jaden Williams, Stockton; Koby Beougher, Stockton; Dalton Gantz, Ness City; Nolan Weiser, Plainville; Jordan Gottschalk, Thomas More-Prep of Hays; Payton Buckmaster, Smith Center; Gavin Mote, Sharon Springs; Seth Derr, Phillipsburg; Chase Newell, Palco and Tyler Walters, Ellis.

Receiving honorable mention in Class 4A in the Capital-Journal was Halleigh Shull of Colby. Named to the second team in Class 3A by the Capital-Journal was Madison Beagley, Russell.

Named honorable mention along with Griffey of Norton in Class 3A were Dusin of Phillipsburg, Ruder of TMP, Janessa Lowenthal, Scott City and Janna Schulte, Russell.

In Class 2A, the Capital-Journal named Benoit of Smith Center to the first team, Dennis of Oakley to the second team and Deutscher of Ellis to the third team. Those receiving honorable mention in Class 2A from the Capital-Journal included Trenna Cox, Smith Center; Colbie Decker, Smith Center; Miki Dorshorst, Oberlin; Bailey Hensley, Ellis and Shelby Stewart, Hill City.

Kristina Farber of Hoxie was named to the Class 1A girls first team by the Capital-Journal. Jordan Christenson, Golden Plains and Carly Heim, Hoxie, were named to the third team.

Receiving honorable mention in Class 1A from the Capital-Journal along with Baird of Northern Valley were Brooke Flax, Quinter; Kelsey Hale, Weskan; Fallyn Handley, Palco; Kristin Huser, Victoria; Brittany Kirchoff, Thunder Ridge; Ra-

chel Kuhlman, Sharon Springs; Caitlyn Miller, Osborne; Brooke Ostmeyer, Wheatland-Grinnell; Brittany Plummer, Triplains-Brewster; Jessica Princ, Osborne; Shayna Rogge, Triplains-Brewster; Gabi Spresser, Hoxie and Katie Withington, Atwood.

Haileigh Shull of Colby received honorable mention in Class 4A by the Wichita Eagle-Beacon. Madison Beagley, Russell, was named to the Class 3A first team by the Eagle-Beacon. Receiving honorable mention in Class 3A along with Tawni Griffey were Mattison Dusin, Phillipsburg; Heather Ruder, TMP of Hays and Jenna Schulte, Russell.

Sydney Benoit of Smith Center was chosen for the Class 2A first team by the Eagle-Beacon along with Laura Dennis of Oakley. Receiving honorable mention were Trenna Cox, Smith Center; Colbie Decker, Smith Center; Alexcia Deutscher, Ellis; Miki Dorshorst, Oberlin; Bailey Hensley, Ellis; Alexis Ryan, Smith Center; Shelby Stewart, Hill City.

Kristina Farber, Hoxie, was named to the Eagle-Beacon Class 1A first team. Receiving honorable mention were Kirsten Burger, Thunder Ridge; Stephanie Buss, Cheylin; Jordan Christensen, Golden Plains; Carly Heim, Hoxie; Shayla Hubbard, Cheylin; Kristin Huser, Victoria; Brittany Kirchoff, Thunder Ridge; Caitlyn Miller, Osborne; Brittany Plummer, Triplains-Brewster; Jessica Princ, Osborne; Jackie Renberg, Thunder Ridge; Angela Ritter, Golden Plains; Shayna Rogge, Triplains-Brewster; Gabi Spresser, Hoxie.

Gage Ihrig of Goodland received honorable mention in Class 4A from the Topeka Capital-Journal. Named to the first team in Class 3A were Austin Budke, Beloit; Drew Kite, of state champion Scott City; Brett O'Neil, Scott City and Cody Stetler, Hoisington.

Sean Newlan of Phillipsburg was selected to the third team by the Capital-Journal along with Trey O'Neil of Scott City.

Receiving honorable mention along with Jacob Brooks were

Seth Derr, Phillipsburg and Payton Vetter, Beloit.

Hadley Gillum, Plainville, made the Class 2A first team. Receiving honorable mention in 2A from the Capital-Journal were Austin Baalman, Oakley; Payton Buckmaster, Smith Center; Shane Jones, Hill City; Stephen Llewellyn, Oakley.

Named by the Capital-Journal to the Class 1A first team was Kade Spresser, Hoxie. On the 1A second team was Eli Kuhlman, Sharon Springs and Sam McKinney, Weskan was named to their third team in 1A.

Receiving honorable mention in Class 1A from the Capital-Journal were Koby Beougher, Stockton; Josh Keltz, Cheylin; Chase Kennedy, Hoxie; Jared McKinney, Weskan; Gavin Mote, Sharon Springs; James Peterson, Atwood; Clayton Riedel, Trego Community; Mason Schiltz, St. Francis; Hayden Walker, Weskan; Justin Wiltfong, Stockton.

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Named to the Class 3A first team by the Eagle-Beacon were Austin Budke, Beloit; Drew Kite, Brett O'Neil and Trey O'Neil, all of Scott City and Cody Stetler, Hoisington.

Chosen for honorable mention in Class 3A along with Brooks of Norton were Seth Derr and Sean Newlan, both of Phillipsburg. Hadley Gillum of Plainville was named to the Class 2A first team. Receiving honorable mention in Class 2A from the Eagle-Beacon were Austin Baalman and Stephen Llewellyn, both of Oakley; Payton Buckmaster, Smith Center; Shane Jones, Hill City.

Honored on the Class 1A first team by the Eagle-Beacon were Kade Spresser, Hoxie and Eli Kuhlman, Sharon Springs. Receiving honorable mention were Kody Beougher and Justin Wiltfong, both of Stockton; Josh Keltz, Cheylin; Chase Kennedy, Hoxie; Jared McKinney, Sam McKinney, Hayden Walker, all of Weskan and Gavin Mote, Sharon Springs.

Four Blue Jays medal in JV golf tournament

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The Norton Community High School junior varsity golf team competed in the Hill City JV Invitational Golf Tournament on Friday, April 12.

No team scores were kept but Norton had four of the 15 medalists.

Norton individual scores were: senior Javen Colip, 44; junior Garret Otter, 46; senior Treven Rossi, 50; senior Ryan Bainter, 50; sophomore Chance Uehlin, 55; senior Dalton Miller, 58.

Medalists were: Jaron Kellerman, Phillipsburg, 42; Matt Stutsman, Northern Valley, 43; Javen Colip, Norton, 44; Tanner Crist, Phillipsburg, 45; Tanner Townley, Trego, 46; Garret Otter, Norton, 46; Bailey Jones,

Hill City, 48; Riley Juenemann, Phillipsburg, 48; Kyle Pfeifer, Hill City, 48; Tanner Keithley, Ellis, 48; Nathan Schoepner, Ness City, 50; Treven Rossi, Norton, 50; Ryan Bainter, Norton, 50; Larissa Howard, Trego, 51; Blake Vrbas, Phillipsburg, 52.

"I was pleased with our performance today," said Norton head coach David Stover.

"Our play for these players was good for the season opener, especially considering the lack of practice due to weather we have had up to this point.

"Javen Colip and Garret Otter both played solid rounds today.

"We are looking forward to the improvement this group of players will show in the upcoming weeks."

Weather conditions difficult for scoring

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Norton Community High School golfers competed in the Goodland JV Invitational Golf Tournament on Tuesday, April 16.

No team scores were kept but the Blue Jays had three of the ten medalists.

Senior Javen Colip had the best individual score for Norton, shooting a 49. He was followed by senior Cassius Dole, 50; senior Ryan Bainter, 50; sophomore Mickey Hahn, 53; senior Dalton Miller, 55; senior Vaughn Newman, 58.

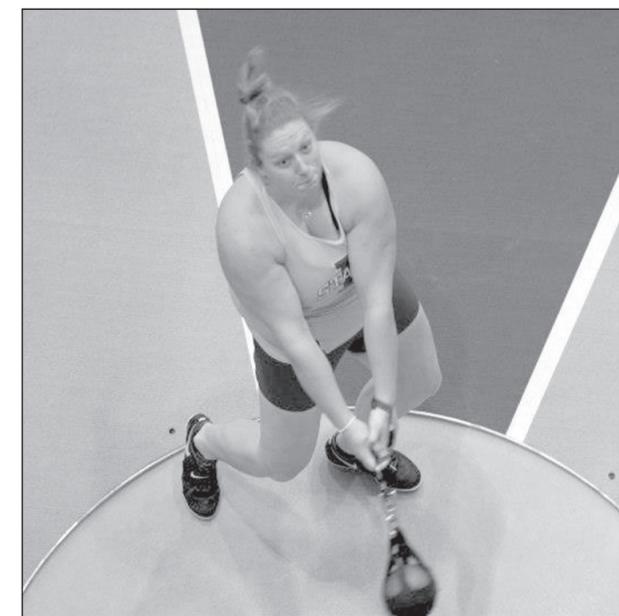
The medalists were: Kaleb Wonderley, Dundy County, 47; Michael Peterson, Dundy County, 47; Gabriel Castillo, Dundy

County, 48; Tim Fugleberg, Goodland, 49; Javen Colip, Norton, 49; Jonah McClung, Goodland, 50; Bobby Reuther, Dundy County, 50; Cassius Dole, Norton, 50; Will Allen, Burlington, 50; Ryan Bainter, Norton, 50.

"Although the scores weren't as low as we had hoped coming into the tournament, I think we played well," said Norton head golf coach David Stover.

"The breezy, cool conditions were difficult for scoring and the overall results were higher than usual for all competitors in the tournament.

"We have many players at the same level at this time and I am looking forward to some breakout performances from them in the near future."



Hayli Bozarth is pictured competing in the weight throw in the Holiday Preview in Ames, Ia., home of Iowa State University, during the recent indoor track and field season.

- Courtesy photo

Lady Jay progresses in college

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Hayli Bozarth, a junior in eligibility at Iowa State University, continues to make progress in throwing the weights for the Cyclones' track and field team.

During this fall's indoor competition, she placed fifth in the weight throw and seventh in the shot put in the Big 12 Conference Indoor Meet in Ames, Iowa on February 22-23.

She qualified for the U.S. Indoor Championships held in Albuquerque, N.M on March 2 and 3. In this national competition, she placed tenth in the weight and seventh in the shot put.

Her personal best marks for the indoor season were a 62'4" in the weight throw in the Big 12 Conference Indoor Meet and a heave of 52'6.5" of the shot put in the Iowa State Classic in Ames.

"I had some accomplishments this indoor season but I still have a lot of work to do," said Hayli.

"Our focus for Hayli in the outdoor season will be to con-

tinue to progress and scoring points for the team at both the Big 12 and NCAA meets," said Grant Wall, her Iowa State throws coach.

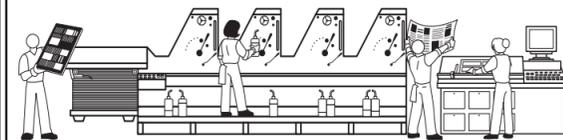
"Consistency in training and continuing to improve upon technique will allow her to reach these goals. Hayli is an extremely hard worker and dedicated athlete, so her ability to continually improve is an easy process."

Hayli was a state track medalist all four years in high school for the Lady Blue Jays. Her senior year, she won the gold medal in both the shot and discus and placed fifth in the javelin, just a few inches out of third.

Haley is the Norton Community High School record holder in the shot and discus. She is also a former all-Mid-Continent League performer in both volleyball and basketball.

Hayli is the daughter of Marla and Curt Bozarth. Her grandparents are Bozie and the late Delores Bozarth and the late Rose and Leo Uhrich.

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