

Jays lose to Phillipsburg

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The Norton Community High School boys basketball team battled an excellent visiting Phillipsburg team evenly on the boards but was unable to outshoot the Panthers from either the field or the line on Thursday evening in Stull Gym in Norton and the result was a 53-41 loss in Mid-Continent League play.

Norton actually outrebounded Phillipsburg 28-25 but the visitors hit 37 percent from the field compared to Norton's 31 percent and 58 percent from the charity stripe compared to Norton's 50 percent. Incidentally, the Panthers went to the free throw line 26 times while Norton took just 10 charity tosses. The Blue Jays had 26 fouls while the Panthers had only 14 fouls.

Still, Norton head coach Doug Reusink was unhappy with his players' performance. "We struggled early offensively and got in foul trouble," said coach Reusink. "We were not mentally tough enough to fight through it."

"We got away from running our offensive system and defensively did not play very smart, especially on blocking out on rebounds."

Norton trailed by quarters in the game 11-5, 28-17 and 44-23.

To their credit, the Blue Jays did not give up and had by far their best scoring quarter in the fourth period when they outscored the visitors 18-9. In fact, Phillipsburg scored only one field goal in the final stanza.

Leading scorer for Norton was Tyus Henson who hit 10 points. He hit 1 of 3 from long range for 33 percent, 3 of 6 two-point attempts for 50 percent and 4 of 9 overall for 44 percent. He was also 1 of 2 from the free throw line.

Tanner Crist led the Panthers with 14 points; Grant Wickham added 13 and Trey Ellis hit 11.

As a team, Norton hit 4 of 15 three-point tries for 27 percent, 12 of 36 two-point attempts for 33 percent and 16 of 51 overall for 31 percent. Phillipsburg missed all six three-point tries, hit 19 of 45 two-point attempts for 42 percent and was 19 of 51 overall for 37 percent.

From the free throw line, the Blue Jays swished 5 of 10 for 50 percent and the Panthers hit 15

of 26 charities for 58 percent.

Norton pulled down 6 offensive and 22 defensive rebounds for 28 total. Phillipsburg grabbed 13 offensive and 22 defensive boards for 25 total.

Tanner Furbush was leading rebounder for Norton with 8, followed by Tyus Henson, 6; Breven Sondergaard, 5; Drew Schrum, 3; Kobie Unterseher, 2; Trever Lewis, 2; Conor Cox, 1; Jordan Karnopp, 1.

Norton had just 5 steals but Phillipsburg stole the ball only 3 times. Sondergaard led Norton in thefts with 2, followed by Quinton Porter, Furbush, Lewis, 1 each.

The Blue Jays had 10 offensive assists. Quinton Porter, Henson and Furbush each had 2 assists, followed by Sondergaard, Marc Miller, Schrum, Cox, 1 each.

Cox blocked 4 shots.

Norton had just 9 turnovers and Phillipsburg had only 10.

Junior varsity

Norton lost the boys junior varsity game by a score of 41-21.

The young Blue Jays led 10-7 after one quarter but trailed 17-14 at halftime. Phillipsburg outscored them 12-6 in the third period to lead 29-20.

Leading scorer for the young Blue Jays was Landon Porter with 7 points, followed by Jordan Karnopp, 5; Breven Sondergaard, 4; Tyus Henson, 4; Derrick Campbell, 1.

Leading scorer for the Panthers was Matt Blair with 14 points. Kameron Tweedy added 10.

C-team

The boys C-teams played only one half. Phillipsburg led 15-5 after the first quarter and 20-12 at the end of the game.

Scoring for Norton were: Koby McEwen, 5; Mitchell Hickman, 3; James Berry, 2; Cruz Leon, 2.

Brock Means, Conner Weinman and Kameron Tweedy each scored 6 points for Phillipsburg.

Norton boys

Breven Sondergaard 1 0 0-0 2, Quinton Porter 0 0 4-7 4, Tyus Henson 3 1 1-2 10, Marc Miller 0 3 0-0 9, Kobie Unterseher 1 0 0-0 2, Drew Schrum 1 0 0-0 2, Conor Cox 2 0 0-0 4, Tanner Furbush 2 0 0-0 4, Trever Lewis 2 0 0-1 4; Totals 12 4 5-10 41.

Phillipsburg boys

Sam Sage 1 0 2-4 4, Trey Ellis 4 0 3-6 11, Tristan Ratzlaff 2 0 2-3 6, Jaron Kellerman 0 0 2-2 2, Stephen Sage 1 0 0-0 2, Conner Weinman 0 0 1-2 1, Tanner Crist 6 0 2-3 14, Grant Wickham 5 0 3-4 13; Totals 19 0 15-24 53.

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Norton post Conor Cox takes advantage of his 6'5" height to score a basket over a Phillipsburg defender during basketball action in the Stull Gym on Thursday evening.

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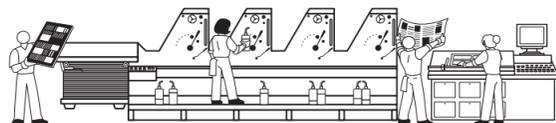
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varsity will play Trego at 4:45 p.m. in the Wilmeth Kirk Memorial Gym. Beginning at 4:45 p.m. in the Stull Gym will be the junior varsity girls, varsity girls and varsity boys contests.

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		7	1		8	
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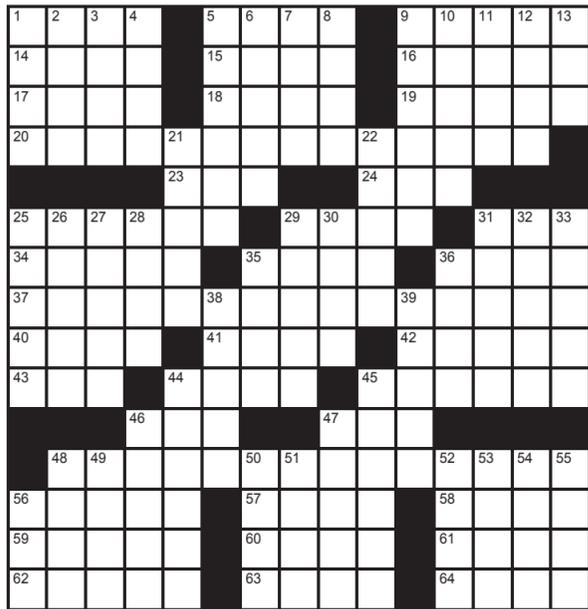
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Medium

"Made in the Shade"

Across

- Fellow
- Simple boat
- In a good mood
- Be in possession of
- Singer Brickell
- North of a 1980s scandal
- Guitarist Clapton
- "___ the Explorer"
- Thing in a pot
- Tom Clancy book
- Word after Quality or Days
- ___ Trapp (family name in "The Sound of Music")
- "___ Bovary"
- Actor Arkin
- Its T stands for "teller"
- "You ___ Beautiful"
- Part of, as a plot
- Land amount
- Dr. Seuss book
- "A Doll's House" heroine
- Job for an actor
- "Old MacDonald" chorus
- Leave amazed
- Hard to find
- They may have drawers
- Used your teeth
- "Thanks ___ asking!"
- Alice Walker book
- Request to a restaurant hostess
- Put an end to
- Eye part that's also a flower
- Make ___ of (remember)
- "Look ___!"



- Give free food to
- Tyson and Myers
- Frog's cousin
- Garden of ___
- Shakespeare's "___ of Athens"
- The Donald's mate, once
- ___ Carta
- Weapon for Robin Hood
- John who makes tractors
- Sailing, poetically
- Slant
- Go down in flames
- Aspirin targets
- Characteristic
- Office notes
- Dr. Frankenstein's assistant
- Roll ___ (take your turn, in many games)
- One of the Muses
- India's first prime minister
- Rags to ___
- ___ a plea
- Midler or Davis
- "Kiss ___ Rose"
- Tennille or Collette
- Captain in "Peter Pan"
- Test for future attorneys: abbr.
- "The Simpsons" bus driver
- Paella ingredient
- Egg on
- Margarita flavor
- Sporty cable letters
- Emeril Lagasse's shout

Down

- One-named singer/actress
- He loses to the tortoise in a race
- Enthusiastic
- Bodybuilder's muscles
- Completed again
- Decorate
- Like a good mattress
- Crying drop
- Boards, as a bus
- Poker statement
- Scheme
- ___-pong
- Up to now

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