

Huskies roll in openers

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The North Port Huskies had a successful spring season opening Saturday, winning three of four games and tying the other against host Lions in Tampa.

The youth football organization, which doesn't have weight limits, has re-branded itself the Huskies — formerly spelled "Huskys" — according to operations director Darlette Bartolotta. The 10-year-old-and-under team cruised to a 22-0 victory over the Lions. The Huskies led 15-0 at halftime and never allowed the Lions to threaten offensively. Sean Silverberg scored on a 44-yard touchdown run for the winners. Kaleb Felty had a 30-yard run and Dylan Almeida scored on a 20-yard touchdown run. The Huskies also had two one-point conversions and a safety.

Head 10U coach Scott White praised the play of defensive standouts Frank Santos and Woods Jennings. They both had a lot of tackles and were constantly around the ball. "We generally played pretty well," White said.

"We did have a lot of fumbles. We had one fumble at their one-yard line and another at the five-yard line. Otherwise, it would have been a lot more one-sided. The field was dirt and the rain probably made it even worse."

14-and-under

Huskies 28, Lions 6: The Huskies found themselves in an unusual situation at halftime, trailing 6-0. But North Port put it all together in the second half, outscoring the hosts 28-0 for a convincing victory.

Chris Butler ran for two touchdowns, one on a 40-yard run and the other a 15-yarder. Zach Ward added a 22-yard touchdown spurt, and Kanon Coleman, a new player on the team, ran for a 15-yard touchdown run.

Courtney Stewart, one of the top players on last fall's 14 and under team, showed he's as good or better than ever. He intercepted a pass that set up a Huskies touchdown, and was in on many tackles. Alex Jaghab and Coleman also played well on defense, making their presence felt all over the field.

"We had five turnovers in the first half," said Huskies 14U head coach Dana Haynes. "But we calmed down in the second half and played much better. The field conditions were terrible, but both teams had to play on it."

8-and-under
Huskies 24, Lions 24: Both teams played hard in a close, well-fought game.

12-and-under

Huskies 35, Lions 0: North Port completely dominated the game, as it did in last week's pre-season 56-6 victory over the Cypress Lake Hornets.

The Huskies will resume action with home games at Butler Park April 11 against the Buc. They are taking this Saturday off because of the Easter holiday. Bartolotta said Monday players' jerseys still have the organization's old (Huskys) spelling because "we already had the Tiny Mite jerseys and we wanted everyone to be spelled the same."

All of the printed and promotional information should have the correct Huskies spelling, she said, and everything will be consistent in the fall.



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No joke: Youth basketball team on top

The Jokers team placed first for 2015 in the North Port Youth Basketball 12-13-year-old division, coached by Scott Bielik. The Jokers beat the team coached by Telxaira Saturday at the Morgan Family Community Center in North Port, with a score of 48-44. Pictured, from left, are No. 2, Sam Whittington; No. 13, Maisei Hays; No. 5, Kayson Burns; No. 1, Anthony Khweiss; No. 11, Justin Bruno; No. 15, Zack Bielik; Coach Bielik; and at center, No. 14, James Byrne. Not pictured: Trey Rivers, Devonne Davenport and Austin Watkins.

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Disaster training offered

If an emergency or natural disaster occurred, would you respond as a volunteer? Would your agency need volunteers?

If you answered yes to either of these questions, you should attend Volunteer Reception Center Training. The training will take place from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. April 7 at the Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd., North Port.

VRC volunteers are important to help Sarasota County quickly process and direct spontaneous volunteers to areas where help is most needed in a disaster or emergency situation, organizers say. The training includes an interactive volunteer reception center exercise where participants experience the VRC model and practice managing spontaneous volunteers.

If you would like to be involved in your community, attend this free training. Food will be provided by Jimmy John's Subs. To register or for more information about disaster volunteer needs, call Cindy Underwood at 941-595-5965, email cindy@vccflorida.org or visit www.connectingvolunteers.org.

Quarter auction set

The North Port Area Women's Club is hosting a quarter auction April 7 at the Gene Matthews Boys & Girls Club, 6851 S. Biscayne Drive, North Port. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. All proceeds benefit the group's scholarship fund. Have a hot dog or meatball sandwich, chips and soda for \$3. Brownies and cookies also served. Bring a roll of

quarters, your friends and be prepared to have fun. All are invited.

'Tea It Up For Kids' golf tourney set

The North Port Marine Corps League Detachment 948 and the Kiwanis Club of North Port are sponsoring the 16th annual "Tea It Up For Kids" Golf Tournament at Bobcat Trail Golf Club on May 2, with proceeds to benefit local programs. The tourney is a foursome flight scramble.

Entrance fee is \$65 per golfer (\$60 if paid before April 11). Sign-in is at 7:30 a.m. May 2, with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Entrance fee includes a continental breakfast, refreshments during play, lunch, goody bag, 50/50, door prizes, raffle, and putting and hole competitions. Make checks payable to: Kiwanis Club of North Port, P.O. Box 7222, North Port, FL 34290. For additional information, call event chairman Sam McClurg at 319-533-4920.

Market Place at North Port Feed Supply

Visit The Market Place at North Port Feed Supply, 1470 Nestor Court, on the first and third Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a farmers market. Sample and buy fresh produce, unprocessed honey, maple syrup, fresh baked goods and eggs, and jams and jellies. Also perse handmade quilts and jewelry, wood signs, arts and crafts, pet items and more. For more information, call 941-423-3988.

Newsday Crossword

OUT LIKE A LAMB by Sally R. Stein
Edited by Stanley Newman
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ACROSS	1 "Dear sir" or "..."	6 Store want	10 When planes are due in:	14 Support's story	15 Pivotal point	16 Marathon, for instance	17 Eyeglasses, normally	18 Farmland measure	19 Visa card alternative	20 Baked meat-and-potatoes dish	23 Crafty	26 Fannie _____ (mortgage agency)	27 Doggie rewards	28 Mountain lion	30 With 2 Down, the Matterhorn, for one	32 Pinnacles	33 Sound in a canyon	34 Buddy	37 Make something very clear	41 Go last, as time	42 Shril bark	43 Made angry	44 Turned loose	46 Becoming hard to see	47 Film star Meryl	50 Veterans Day mo.	51 Poem of tribute	52 Daydreamer	56 A big fan of	57 "With this ring I ___ wed"	11 West Florida	12 Do great on a test	13 Male and female	21 What a hoop ring may hang from	22 AMA members	23 Neck cloth	24 From the neighborhood	25 "It's delicious!"	29 Obtain	30 Take to task	31 Prepare, as dessert cream	33 Fencing sword	34 Jonas Salk's conquest	35 Make a change to	36 Narrow shelf	38 Pirate-costume part	39 Person on a voyage	40 Kept secret	44 Serious criminals	45 Rule: Abbr.	46 On behalf of	47 Pigs and hogs	48 Copier powder	49 Spinning machine part	50 Requirements	53 Ten C-notes	54 Roll-call response	55 Performer's portrayal	59 Shout like a lamb	60 And so on, for short	61 Fully prepared
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Answer to previous puzzle

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

ACROSS	1 Dash paugue	5 Pawn at a shop	9 Vague shapes	14 Height Pref.	15 Slightly glow	16 Spontaneous rundown	17 "Pest-control device	19 Hershey's ball town	20 Like paradise	21 Go round and round	23 "Tao Te Ching" poet ___tzu	24 "Yummy!"	25 "Off-the-wall game?"	27 Grant-granting gp.	29 Soul automaker	30 "Simple garment	36 Aerobic exercise aid	40 Woodlands mar-goat	41 Campus URL suffix	42 Serious	43 Old Russian ruler	44 "One given to flights of fancy	46 Short-lived Egypt-Syr. alliance	48 Drunkard	49 "Hidden explosives activator	54 Overthrow	59 Farm female	60 "___ of your throat": "Measure for Measure"	61 Phobic	62 "Aas and ___"	64 Figuratively, where some wild ideas come out of; literally, a hint to a word and its position when paired with the starts of the answers to 66 in need of a chill pill	67 Mystery writer Gardner	68 Colombian city	69 Beer holder	70 Ear piece?	71 ___slapper	11 Got under control	12 Words after "crack" or "live"	13 Pileless	14 Mubarak of Egypt	15 Came out of one's shell?	16 "Days of ___ Lives"	17 Attend uninvited	18 Letter after iota	19 Chastity of woman's soccer	20 Guided	21 City NW of Orlando	22 Unoriginal	23 Thread dispenser	24 Ex-Disney CEO	25 Pinter cartridge contents	26 Iraqi port	28 Neighborhood	30 FDR's last vice president	31 Western defense gp.	32 Actress Hagen	33 HCP's commitment	34 Ice cream maker	35 Joseph	36 Brewski	37 Bagpiper's topper	38 December 24 or 31	39 Each	42 Exit the bus	44 Top concern	45 Went round and round	47 Greet the day	48 "___ Life": Sinatra hit	50 Rented again	51 Silly	52 Romeo and Juliet, e.g.	53 Apply, as pressure	55 Puncture with a pin	56 Song of praise	57 City in northern France	58 Comic lizard	63 TV forensic drama	65 ___shot
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By Jerry Edelstein 3/31/15

Monday's Puzzle Solved

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