

An Official WELCOME

Welcome Families and Players to the 2014 season. We are extremely excited to officially say that we are 88 days away from the start of a new season and that thought carries all of us through the snow and bitterness of the winter months. Looking forward into 2014 there are already whispers and a "buzz" circling throughout the basketball community about the high expectations and success North Tartan is going to bring to the court in 2014.

It is quite difficult to continuously surpass all of the previous success in and out of state that our club has enjoyed. This success was not only duplicated in the winning column but the individual growth of athletes that

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Instructions for Registration

It's not just online...

Registering is completed online, but you are not done yet! WE still need to have three hard copy forms sent to the NorthTartan office. The three important forms:

1. Copy of Birth Certificate

2. AAU Card*

3. Front and Back of **Insurance Card.** There is a specific form that was sent to you in the Welcome letter. If you did not get a welcome letter, check your spam mail.

Any questions please contact Lynelle Peterson. Lynelle is presently in the office Mondays and Thursdays. She does answer emails throughout the week.

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*AAU AAU AAU AAU AAU AAU AAU CARD

Parents make sure to sign up for your daughter's AAU card. This card is essential to cover any incidents / injuries that may occur during the AAU season. You will need to enter the North Tartan club code: WW3A9E. The code is essential to link your child with our club and the extra insurance that is carried in and out of state. Also, (and this is a must) <u>make sure to pay the extra</u> <u>\$2 coverage</u>. The extra \$2 will cover athletes at all tournaments whether they are AAU sanctioned or not. continued from page 1

is seen from the youngest ages of 10U-13U and to the oldest of 14U-17U. Our vision has not changed in providing athletes an opportunity to practice and develop their skills. As always this "vision" expanded as Skills Nights continue as a staple in our identity and now a regular part of our spring / summer schedule. For 2014 the anticipation rises once again. The entire North Tartan family remains dedicated to our motto: WE SUPPLY THE NAME, and the athletes for 2014, YOU SUPPLY THE GAME!

More Than a Scorer

Kali Peschel was a special part of the North Tartan program for many years. As many of you know, her two younger sisters play for the program as well, making it a family affair. We loved having her as a part of the program because she was a great kid, but she made an impact because she was a complete player. She was not only a threat offensively, but a tough, floor-diving defensive athlete. These attributes are helping her make a splash at the next level. In her sophomore season at Iowa playing for the Hawkeyes, she is making an impact. In a recent article her teammates and Coaches praise her for her toughness, hustle plays, rebounding, and defensive capabilities. Her abilities continue to gow and improve at the next level. Kali has earned a starting spot this year and we wish her luck with the rest of her season!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SPECIAL EVENT

PLACE THE BARN TIME 2:00 SUNDAY, JANUARY 11TH Minnesota Golden Gophers vs Nia Coffey and Northwestern.

SPECIAL EVENT

PLACE THE BARN 8PM THURSDAY JANUARY 23RD Minnesota Golden Gophers vs Tessa Cichy and Wisconsin.

SPECIAL EVENT

PLACE THE BARN 7PM WEDNESDAY JANUARY 29TH MINNESOTA GOLDEN GOPHERS VS KALI PESCHEL AND IOWA

HUGE THANK YOU!

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE NORTH TARTAN FAMILIES WHO HAVE ALREADY SENT IN PAYMENTS. THIS HELPS TO PAY FOR TOURNAMENT ENTRY AND REGISTRATION FEES AS WELL AS COVERS THE COST OF UNIFORMS. EVERYTHING YOU DO HELPS THIS PROGRAM TO BE SUCCESSFUL! WE APPRECIATE YOU ALL BEING ON TOP OF IT! LOOKING FORWARD TO A GREAT SUMMER.

FOLLOW US ON TWITTER... OVER 1300 ALUMNI, ATHLETES, COACHES, FAMILIES, AND THE BASKETBALL WORLD ARE FOLLOWING US TO DATE!



Alwal leads Mississippi State past Bison

FARGO – Tuesday night didn't feel like a road game for Mississippi State center Martha Alwal even though her team wasn't playing anywhere near Starkville.

Alwal scored 25 points and grabbed 15 rebounds to spark the Bulldogs to a 72-62 victory against North Dakota State in nonconference women's basketball at the Bison Sports Arena.

Alwal, who is from Worthington, Minn., estimated as many as 60 friends and family were in Fargo to show their support, many wearing maroon Mississippi State T-shirts.

"It was exciting for me," Alwal said. "I had a blast out there."

The Bison hung with the Bulldogs, who play in the Southeastern Conference, into the second half before Alwal and her teammates started to pull away.

"It's a quality opponent that I thought our kids really kept their composure," DeHoff said.

Alwal scored 19 points and grabbed 10 rebounds in the second half. Her point total tied her career high. Alwal's cheering section, which was located behind the Mississippi State bench, chanted her name in the final minute of the game.

"It's really neat playing in front of my family," said Alwal, who said a large group of her fans took a charter bus from southern Minnesota to Fargo. "I am really glad I had the chance to do that."



Coaches Corner

Getting to know Coach Coury

- Q: How long have you been with NT?
- A: 9 years
- Q: What is your favorite quality in a player?
- A: Toughness

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS WITH MATT STUEBER

Q: How long have you been with North Tartan and what is your role?

A: THIS IS MY 4TH YEAR WITH NORTH TARTAN AND I HAVE MANY ROLES WITH THE CLUB. I HELPED DEVELOP AND INITIATE THE NT WEST PROGRAM 4 YEARS AGO. THIS HAS BEEN A HUGE SUCCESS WITH 2 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR OUR CLUB ALREADY. I ALSO COACH A WEST TEAM EACH YEAR, RECRUIT ELITE COACHES FOR THE WEST TEAMS, AND AM RESPONSIBLE FOR SCHEDULING WEST PRACTICES. THIS YEAR I JOINED THE NORTH TARTAN BOARD, TOOK OVER SOME OF THE WEBSITE RESPONSIBILITIES, HELP WITH RECRUITING, HELP WITH SCHEDULING, AND HELPED INITIATE AUGUST WORKOUTS.

Q: AFTER FAMILIES HAVE THEIR DAUGHTER(S) REGISTERED, WHAT ARE THEIR NEXT STEPS?

A: THEY SHOULD FIRST CHECK THEIR "SPAM" AND MAKE SURE ALL EMAILS ARE GOING TO THEIR INBOXES. AFTER THE INITIAL REGISTRATION PROCESS IS COMLETED, WE WILL EVALUATE EACH KID AND ACCEPT THEM. A SECOND EMAIL IS THEN GENERATED FROM OUR WEBSITE WITH Q: Why do you like coaching for the program?

A: Coaching high character kids who are committed to basketball

Q: What makes NT different than other programs

A: Playing against high level talent, coaching extremely driven kids, and playing in prestigious tournaments that are invite only.

Q: What's your favorite thing to do outside of coaching?

Travel

Q: What is your favorite North Tartan Tradition?

A: After warm-ups, watching the girls from all over the state of Minnesota with arms around each other under the basket huddling and coming together.

Inside scoop: Gerard Coury is the head girls' basketball coach at Stillwater Area High school. He has coached various levels within the program and has helped guide much of North Tartan's success on a national level. We are lucky to have him as a part of our program!

"NEXT STEPS". IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL DOCUMENTS ARE FULLY FILLED OUT AND MAILED TO LYNELLE AT: 6230 10TH Street North, Suite 320A, OAKDALE MN 55128

Q: WHERE SHOULD FAMILIES SEND AN INDIVIDUAL PICTURE OF THEIR DAUGHTER FOR THE WEBSITE?

A: SEND PICTURES TO NORTHTARTANREGISTRATION@HOTMAIL.COM **PLEASE INCLUDE THEIR TEAM AND NAME

Q: WHAT IF PARENTS WANT TO EMAIL THEIR COACH?

A: PARENTS CAN GO TO THEIR ATHLETE'S TEAM PAGE AND CLICK ON "COACHES"

Q: HOW DO PARENTS MAKE PAYMENTS?

A: THEY CAN MAKE PAYMENTS RIGHT THROUGH OUR WEBSITE BY CLICKING ON "REGISTRATION PAYMENTS"

PLEASE FOLLOW THE PAYMENT SCHEDULE EMAILED TO YOU TITLED, "2014 WELCOME LETTER". THIS DOCUMENT IS ON OUR HOMEPAGE UNDER DOCUMENTS AND FORMS. PAYMENTS MAY ALSO BE MAILED TO THE OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS LISTED ABOVE

WARM WELCOME TO THE NEW FAMILIES ENTERING OUR NORTH TARTAN FAMILY Grades 9-12

Madison Guebert	Hannah Stewart	Arike Ogunbowale
Jenna Doyle	Lyndsey Robson	Abby Scheid
Karly Murphy	Taylor Wangerin	Maria Douville
Rachel Ranke	Miranda Crenshaw	Lydia Rutten
Allie Pinkrain	Kristin Scott	Gabrielle Potthoff

Have a great season!

With a Bounce,

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