

JV Girls Win Close Over Titans

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains JV girls won a close game 46-43 over the Triplains/Brewster Titans on February 16 in Rexford.

The Bulldogs had a great first quarter with a 17-5 lead. The girls continued to control the game in the second, but the Titans rallied and added 9 to make the score 28-14 in favor of the Bulldogs at half time.

The second half was a bit more of a struggle for the 'Dogs as the Titans never backed down. The 'Dogs added six points in the third as the Titans narrowed the spread to 34-23.

The Titans continued to push in the fourth bring the game within 4 before the Bulldogs could score. Baskets by Brittany Fringer and Morgan Ritter expanded the Bulldog lead to 7. The Titans answered, but a pass from Morgan Ritter to her sister, Noel, for a bucket regained the 7 point lead. Baskets by Kaylie Schaben and Fringer to increased the spread to 11.

The Titans were not giving up and battled their way back as they went on an 8 point run. The 'Dogs finally scored again with seconds remaining. A final free throw from Maggi Nieman clinched the Bulldog win 46-43.

Points were scored by Kaylie Schaben-9, Noel Ritter-8, Sierra Finlay-6, Carmen Sepulveda-6, Morgan Ritter-5, Maggi Nieman-5, Jennifer Esparza-4, and Brittany Fringer 3.

The JV girls improved their record to 6-6 with this win. "I think we've been working harder," said Noel Ritter-freshman. "Our conditioning has helped us run harder in the games. We've improved on working together as a team and our shooting has improved with experience." The girls played a half game against Wheatland/Grinnell on Friday and will finish their season in Cheylin on February 26.