

MS Girls Sweep Cheylin in Season Opener  
By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Middle School volleyball team won all three of their games in the season opener against Cheylin in Bird City on September 3.

The day started out with the A-team winning in three close sets. They lost the first set 27-29. "We gave up and got frustrated," claimed Karri Schaben and Sable Finlay, 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Schaben added, "We needed to work on passing to the setter." The girls came back in the second to win 25-10 and won the third in a closely contested game 21-19. "We had a hard time in these close games," said Mabel Lugo, 8<sup>th</sup> grade. "Karri had an awesome spike," added Finlay, "that helped pump up the team."

The B-team girls had to go to three sets for their win after losing the first set 19-25. "We got down by 22 in the first set but came back with some good serves," said Candace Taylor. The girls stayed strong and held on for a 27-25 win in the second and easily won the third 15-7.

The C-team girls also played finishing the night off with a final set, winning 25-16. Although the girls won all three games, Carli Nieman admitted they still have work to do and need to practice their hits and work on calling the ball.

"It was Awesome! Amazing!" exclaimed Lauren Patmon, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, of their three wins. The girls will play again next week as they travel to Triplains/Brewster.