Bulldogs Battle it Out in Rexford By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Bulldogs played a close game against the Quinter Bulldogs in Rexford on January 23. It was a tightly contested battle throughout with Quinter coming out on top 57-55 after four quarters of exciting basketball action.

Golden Plains started out strong with a 14-8 lead by the end of the first quarter. The continued to hold the lead throughout the second spreading to a 25-12 lead midway through. Quinter rallied to close the gap to 29-24 by the half.

Quinter persisted in the third and tied the game up at 35 midway through but baskets by Caleb Korte and Harley Weese extended the Golden Plains lead to 41-37 by the buzzer.

Nolan Ritter hit two quick shots to start the fourth only to have Quinter match his buckets. Tied up again at 47, both teams kept up the pace and worked hard. Quinter hit another two baskets to lead to extend their lead. Jacob Ritter and Korte each added Bulldog baskets as the clock ticked down, but Quinter answered and held on for the two point win 57-55.

Golden Plains had three boys in double figures with Korte leading with 19. Weese added 15 and Wade Rush put in 13. Nolan Ritter added 4 with 2 each from Jacob Ritter and Dylan Spresser.

"We played well as a team," said Nolan Ritter. "It was a fun game...just too bad we couldn't get the win." The Bulldogs will play again in Winona on Friday, January 26 as they travel to face the Triplains/Brewster Titans.