MS Boys Improve at Northern Valley By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Middle School Basketball teams showed improvement at Northern Valley on December 14, but both A and B teams are still looking for a win this season.

The A-team had played Northern Valley in the Preseason losing by 45 points. This last game before Christmas break was much closer as the boys showed considerable improvement and played consistently throughout the game with only a 20 point loss 29-49.

The 'Dogs fell behind 8-12 in the first and added another 7 in the second. The third was their best quarter with 9 and 5 were added in the fourth. The Huskies scored 12 each of the first three quarters along with 13 in the fourth to win the game 49-29.

"This was one of the better games we've played," said eighth grader Fabian Cepeda, who led the team with 14 points. "We worked better as a team and made more shots. We still need to work on our defense." Also scoring for the 'Dogs was Ashton Schiltz 8, Alex Gonzalez 3, Roberto Loya 2, and Jovanny Infante 2.

The B-team boys had a difficult time getting their offense going against the Huskies. They only managed a single basket from Joshua Yanez-Perez in the first half falling behind 20-2.

Yanez-Perez added another basket in the third to lead the team with 4 total. Adding 3 points in the fourth was Jerrit Koerperich with another basket by Tayten Barnett as the 'Dogs lost 42-9 to the Huskies.

"They were a good team," said Memo Aragon, 7^{th} grade. "We had a lot of bad passes...we need to work on our passes and on making our free throws." The boys will be back on the road as they travel to McDonald to play Cheylin on January 4.