Second Quarter Costs Bulldogs By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Bulldog basketball team played a hard fought game against the Triplains/Brewster Titans on January 25 in Rexford. The Bulldogs played a close game with the Titans but a dismal second quarter cost them the game as they lost 48-64.

The 'Dogs started off strong in the first jumping out to a 10-3 lead. The Titans answered but the 'Dogs held tough to lead 16-9 at the end of the quarter. The Titans tied the game up at 18 as the boys from Golden Plains made only the one bucket in the second while the Titans took over and pulled ahead 27-18 by the half.

Following the break, the Bulldogs came back to the court with determination. They worked together to put in another 14—including 8 by Harley Weese—while the Titans added 17. Not giving up, the boys played with full blown intensity throughout the fourth as Jacob Ritter and Wade Rush hit repeated shots to put in another 16 to finish the game. The Titans added 20 for the win 64-48.

"We matched the Titans 46-46 other than the second quarter," said Jacob Ritter. "We just couldn't get our shots to fall in the second which hurt our score." Putting in Bulldog points were Harley Weese 12, Wade Rush 11, Jacob Ritter 10, Caleb Korte 6, Nolan Ritter 3, Kole Butts 2, Dylan Spresser 2, and Colby Lathrop 2.

The Bulldogs will face the Titans again in the first round of the WKLL tournament on Monday, January 28, in Grinnell.