Bulldogs Deliver Exciting Game By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Bulldog team hosted the Logan Trojans on February 7 and gave the full house crowd an exciting night of basketball action as they captured their seventh win of the season with a 57-48 victory. "This was a good win for us," said senior Shane Ryburn. "We worked well as a team. The younger players stepped up and played well with the team."

The Trojans pushed in the first four points of the game, but Bulldog senior Shane Ryburn quickly tied it up. The Trojans regained the lead and Tristan Schwarz answered with another tied score. This trading of baskets continued throughout the first with the game being tied at 14 at the end of the quarter.

The second quarter saw much of the same as the teams traded buckets with the Bulldogs adding 9 and the Trojans 10 to make it a one point game at the half. As both sides of the gym cheered for their team, the boys continued to swap scores in the second half tying it up at 31. A three point shot from Tristan Schwarz put the Bulldogs back on top with two minutes to go in the third quarter. The Trojans answered, but Grant Spresser made a layup with an and-one and the Bulldogs led by 4. The Trojans hit a couple of free shots of their own and Ryburn added another basket to lead 39-35 going into the fourth.

The Trojans closed the gap to start the fourth, but as the fouls mounted, the boys stepped to the free throw line. Sophomore Koi Wessel hit four for four and Zach Spresser and Schwarz each claimed both of their attempts. The boys fought it out to the very end with the Bulldogs finishing out an evening of four wins over the Trojans.

Ryburn finished the game with 21 points for the Bulldogs. Schwarz added 15 inlcuidng three 3-pointers, and Grant Spresser contributed 10. Additional scores came from Koi Wessel-6, Kade Wessel-3, and Zach Spresser-2. The boys are now 7-7 on the season having won 6 of their last 8 games. The Bulldogs turned around to play again on Saturday with a make-up contest with Cheylin.