

Lady Bulldogs Host Final Home Matches By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs hosted their final home matches of the season on Tuesday, October 7, as Northern Valley and Triplains/Brewster came to town.

This was the first time the Lady Bulldogs had faced the Lady Huskies from Almena. Both teams stepped onto the court with a 12-7 record. The girls kept the first set close throughout most of the game, but the Lady Huskies claimed the first win 25-17. In the second set, the Lady Bulldogs fell behind, working their way back in, but lost to the Huskies 25-18.

The Lady Huskies easily defeated the Triplains/Brewster Lady Titans before Golden Plains came back to the court to face the Lady Titans. These two teams had faced off twice before with the Lady Titans claiming the first win and the Lady Bulldogs the second.

“After we lost to Northern Valley, we really wanted to show our home crowd what we are capable of,” said junior Kynndra Rush. The floor was full of energy and enthusiasm as these two Thomas County team met once again.

The Lady Bulldogs pulled ahead early in the first set gaining a six-point lead. The Lady Titans were not about to give up easily and fought their way back to close the gap to three. The Lady Bulldogs were on fire as they extended their points for the 25-20 win.

The fierce battle continued into the second set. The Lady Bulldogs once again jumped to an early lead. The Lady Titans rallied to bring the game to within one at 12-11. Maddy Walz stepped behind the line and spread the game out. A kill from Kynndra Rush gave the Lady Bulldogs an advantage and Kami Miller served out a few more points for the Lady ‘Dogs.

The Titans continued to claw their way tying the game up at 20 and keeping the spectators on their feet. The girls were hitting on all cylinders as they battled it out to the very end as freshman Jennifer Esparza served the final points to give the Lady Bulldogs the 25-22 win. “We worked well together and communicated well on the court,” continued Rush. Brianna Stoll added, “This was our most fun game this season!”

The Lady Bulldogs will be tested over the weekend as they head to the Hill City Tournament in preparation for League and Sub-State play to wrap up the season.