

JV Boys Finish Season with a Win By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains JV Boys Basketball Team finished their season with a win on their home floor on February 17 in Rexford. The Bulldogs played a full game against the Goodland Cowboys claiming the 47-45 win.

The Bulldogs started off the first quarter with a basket from Ethan Weiner and two from Joshua Yanez-Perez. The Cowboys posted up 15 for the first quarter lead. The Bulldogs added another 7 in the second quarter as Kole Butts, Rojelio Loya, and Garrett Carter got in on the action. The Cowboys matched the Dogs with 7 of their won to maintain a 22-13 half time lead.

The game began to turn around to the Bulldogs favor in the third quarter thanks to a couple of threes and additional baskets from Weiner. Butts added a couple of baskets along with Ethan Shea and Adrian Grontvedt as the Bulldogs outscored the Cowboys 18-14.

The Cowboys had a 36-31 lead heading into the fourth but the Bulldogs were not about to give it up. Shea closed the gap with a three to make it a two point game early in the quarter. The Cowboys answered with a couple of their own threes to extend their lead.

The Bulldogs then went on a 13 point run with baskets from Rojelio Loya, Mason green, Shea, and Toby Korte to gain a 5 point lead 47-42 with just 30 seconds remaining in their season. The Cowboys hit a late quarter three but it wasn't enough as the Bulldogs won the game 47-45.

Every player on the Bulldog team contributed to the final win of the season while on the court. Ethan Weiner led the Bulldog offense with 12 points. Ethan Shea added 9, Kole Butts 7, Rojelio Loya 6, Joshua Yanez-Perez 4, Mason Green 3, Adrian Grontvedt 2, Toby Korte 2, and Garrett Carter 2. "This game was a good team effort," said Ethan Weiner. "Everyone did their part to get the win.

The JV boys finish their season with 3 wins and 8 losses. "It was a good season," continued Weiner. "We had our ups and downs, but we improved a lot overall. We came together as a team as the season progressed and we learned how to use everyone's strengths.

"As the season progressed, we each got better," added Ethan Shea. "Practice was a struggle at the beginning but everybody got better both in skill and attitude. We learned that if we do something wrong, it's just an opportunity to fix it and get better. This was my first year of basketball and I learned a lot as the coaches helped me to get better. I'm looking forward to next season."