

JV Boys Gain Win Over Oakley

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains JV Boys basketball team gained their second win of the season over Oakley 46-29 on January 27 in Oakley. "It was good that the JV got to play this game," said Adrian Grontvedt, junior. "It was exciting for the team to get another win."

The Bulldogs got off to a slow start in the first allowing the Plainsmen to pull ahead 15-5 by the end of the quarter. The boys hustled after the ball in the second and steals by Toby Korte, Roberto Loya, and Rojelio Loya brought the Dogs back into the game. Back to back baskets from Kole Butts near the end of the quarter put the Bulldogs on top by one. Oakley hit a late quarter three pointer to take the lead 22-19 at the half.

The Bulldogs defense played aggressive in the third to hold the Plainsmen to three points while Rojelio Loya and Ethan Shea each scored a three and a basket to take over the lead 29-25. The Dogs stayed strong on defense allowing the Plainsmen only four more in the fourth. The offense remained aggressive to add 17 for the 46-29 win, including the final basket from Grontvedt. "I'm enjoying playing American basketball," added Grontvedt who is spending this school year at Golden Plains High School. He is from Norway and this is his first year of playing basketball. "This was my first ever basket scored in a game. We don't have basketball in Norway and I'm enjoying being part of the team."

Rojelio Loya led the team with 13 points along with 6 apiece from Toby Korte and Jovanny Infante. Ethan Shea added 5 and Kole Butts and Roberto Loya contributed 4 each. Ethan Weiner, Mason Green, Joshua Yanez-Perez, and Adrian Grontvedt each scored 2.

The JV boys hosted Quinter on Tuesday, January 28, and will play a full game against Triplains/Brewster in Winona on January 31.