

Volleyball Teams Play in League

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Middle School volleyball teams played a set of league games in Grinnell on October 22. These games were held in place of the league tournament with three sets of games held in various locations throughout the league schools.

The A-team played two games winning both. The first game was against Western Plains/Healy. The Bulldogs easily won the first set 25-14. They had to work harder in the second set as the Bobcats gave them quite a battle, but the Dogs came out on top with a 25-22 win.

The second game for the A-team girls was against Grinnell/Wheatland. The Bulldogs took the first set 25-18 and won the second set 25-11. "The first game was kinda rough," said Siena Vargas, 8th grade. "We were down on ourselves. The second game, we had lots of fun and a whole bunch of energy."

The A-Team ended their season with 6 wins and 3 losses along with a split set of games against Weskan. "I'm kinda sad that middle school volleyball is over," continued Vargas, "but I'm excited to start something new next year."

"We started pretty rough this season not talking too much," added Anette Hernandez-Lopez-8th grade, "but once we got it together and started talking we worked as a team. It was a pretty fun season. I enjoyed playing with my friends." "Our team grew, developed and improved this season," continued Jaqueline Manriquez-8th grade. "This was our last year of middle school and I'm going to miss playing volleyball."

"It was most fun being able to play with the A-Team girls," said Mariah Barnett-8th grade. "We learned to support each other on the team. My goal in high school next year is to work on my timing to be able to hit better and to continue the success we had in middle school and maintain the success the high school has had."

"It was a good season," added Madi Green-8th grade. "I was glad to be able to help the team by helping the younger girls understand the game and improve. Thanks to the coaches for all their help this season. They explained the drills and helped us develop our skill."

The B-team girls played one set against Grinnell/Wheatland. The Thunderhawks claimed a two set win 25-9 and 25-18. They had four wins and 5 losses this season. "We played pretty well this season," said Emma Carter, 8th grade. "We did good in the beginning and got better as the season went on. We could have done better in the tournament, but we weren't talking or moving like we should. I'm proud of our team and am going to miss volleyball."

"I think we played extremely well," added McKinzie Horobik-8th grade. "We had good serves and kept our energy up. We had great energy throughout the season and stayed as positive as possible. We kept each other up through the tough times. I'm sad middle school volleyball is over but excited for high school."

The C-team played just one set against the Thunderhawks with Grinnell/Wheatland claiming the win 25-10. They won two games this season.