Middle School Girls Open Season at Home By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Middle School girls basketball team opened their season in Rexford on November 9 when they hosted the Rawlins County Lady Buffaloes. The girls played some tough games winning all three-A-Team, B-Team, and C-Team.

The B-Team girls opened the night with a 19-16 win. The game was close all night as the Buffs led 7-6 at the end of the first. The Dogs put in four, holding the Buffs to 2 in the second to hold a 10-9 lead at the half. The third quarter was also close with the Dogs edging out the Buffs 6-5. The Dogs put in 3 to the Buffs 2 in the fourth to claim the win. Myah Ritter put in 6 for the Dogs with Jade Dible putting in 4. Makenlea Focke, Elizabeth Romero, and Estrella Aguilar each scored 3.

"I feel like we had a lot of improvement from the first day of practice," said Estrella Aguilar. "We had good offense and defense. We do need to improve on supporting our teammates."

The C-Team played one 6-minute quarter. They, too, worked hard to claim the win 2-0. The only basket was scored by Makynslee Vargas.

The Bulldogs dominated the first half of the A-Team game. Although the Buffs scored an early free throw, the Dogs pushed hard to lead 7-1 at the end of the first quarter and 13-1 at the half. The third quarter was all about defense as each team only added one basket for a 15-3 Bulldog lead going into the fourth. The Buffaloes were determined and never gave up as they gradually worked their way to the basket. They added another 9 while the Dogs added 4 and held on for the 19-12 win.

Points were scored by Brenlynn Rath-11, Elizabeth Weiner-4, Adilyn Meier-2, and LakinWark 2. "It was good that we got a win," said Brenlynn Rath, 8th grade, "but we definitely didn't play to the best of our ability. I think everyone was nervous since it was our first game."

The Dogs move forward in their season with two games before the Thanksgiving break. They travel to Oberlin on November 14 and to Damar on November 16.