

Lady Bulldogs Face Difficulty at Victoria By Amanda Cheney

The Golden Plains High School volleyball team played two varsity matches against Victoria and Northern Valley on September 12 in Victoria. “These games showed us what we need to improve on,” said Jennifer Esparza. “I think after some tough practices we’ll all learn from our mistakes.”

The girls faced off against Northern Valley first. The ‘Dogs had a slow start, letting the Huskies get a 2-9 lead early in the game. The girls struggled to get their heads in the first set, ending with an 11-25 loss. The Lady Bulldogs started the second set strong with a serving run from senior Maggi Nieman, forcing a Husky timeout at 10-5. The girls couldn’t hold onto their short lead, losing the second set 24-26.

The last game of the night was GP against Victoria. The Lady Bulldogs kept it close at the start with a score of 8-5. The girls continued to keep the set close, but ended the first set with a loss of 19-25. The second set was back-and-forth from the start with a score of 9-8 at the first timeout. Both GP and Victoria went on long serving runs for the score to be tied 19-19. The ‘Dogs kept fighting, but couldn’t hold on for a lead, ending the game 22-25.

“Tuesday was a tough night, but good learning experience,” added Esparza. “We know what we need to work on most as a team and as individual players.” The Lady Bulldogs will take on Quinter, Heartland Christian, and Cheylin at the Colby Community Building on September 19.