Lady Bulldogs Win With Last Second Shot Over Trojans By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs won a very close game 39-37 with a last second shot over the Logan/Palco Trojans in Palco on January 12.

The Bulldogs won the tip and senior Jordyn Fleckenstein quickly scored. The Trojans hit a three for an early lead. The Dogs answered with a three of their own from sophomore Anais Cepeda to regain the lead. They held on for an 8-3 first quarter lead.

The Dogs continued to hit their shots as freshman Kadalen Unrein made an early second quarter basket along with 5 from Fleckenstein. The Trojans also upped their game adding 9 but the Dogs held onto the lead 15-12 at the half.

The Bulldogs came into the second half ready to score as they added 15 points in the third quarter. The Trojans added 10 giving the Dogs a 30-22 lead. The Trojans were not ready to give up as they pushed in 8 to start the fourth tying the game up at 30.

Hayden Wark put in a free throw for the Bulldogs but another 3 pointer—the third since the quarter started gave the Trojans their first lead since the start of the game 33-31 with three minutes left to play.

Two free throws extended the Trojans lead even further. Wark hit a 3 for the Bulldogs and Fleckenstein made a free to close the gap to 35-37 with just under a half minute on the clock. Wark hit two free throws to tie the game up at 11 seconds. As time ran out, Fleckenstein put up a last second shot for the Bulldog win 39-37.

Fleckenstein finished the game with 17 points for the Dogs. Wark added 9, Cepeda 8, Unrein 3, and Siena Vargas 2. Fleckenstein also led the Dogs in rebounds with 11, along with Kailee Wessel 7, Unrein 4, Wark 3, and Cepeda 2. Fleckenstein also had 4 assists and 2 steals, Wark 2 assists and 4 steals, Cepeda 2 assists and 1 steal, and Wessel 2 steals.

"We played well and didn't freak out when they came back and tied the game," said Jordyn Fleckenstein. "We stayed calm and played the game we knew could play. I'm glad that last shot went in!"

The Bulldogs have a 7-2 records so far this season and are 3-0 in league play. The will continue their season on January 19 when they host Triplains/Brewster in Rexford.