Lady Bulldogs A-Team Beats the Undefeated Cheylin Cougars By Emma Weiner

The Golden Plains Middle School Lady Bulldogs A-Team competed against the Cheylin Cougars on January 4th in their first game of the New Year. They won 22-20 knocking off the previously undefeated Cougars extending their own record to 6-0.

The A-Team girls came out strong offensively, putting up 9 points in the first quarter. On the defensive end, the girls capitalized and held the Cougars scoreless, giving the Dogs a 9-0 lead to end the first quarter. In the second quarter, the Dogs struggled to put the ball in the basket, only adding one more bucket while allowing the Cougars to score 8 more points. Going into halftime, the Dogs held the lead with a score of 11-8.

After halftime, the Dogs faced tough pressure from the Cougars, but were able to add 5 more points to their lead. Defensively they held the Cougars to only 4 points of their own. The Dogs were up by 4 with a score of 16-12 with one quarter left to play.

The Dogs came out in the fourth quarter determined to hold their lead to the end. They were able to put up 6 more points, while allowing the Cougars to add 7. Their hard work was enough to give them the 22-20 win over the previously undefeated Cheylin Cougars.

Leading the Bulldogs was Brenlynn Rath with 11 points. Lakin Wark added 6, Adilyn Meier 3, and Elizabeth Weiner with 2. "It was a tough game, but it was good to play better games to prepare ourselves for games later in the season," said 8th grader Lakin Wark. "Our crowd was really loud and it helped us stay focused the whole game."

The GPMS Lady Bulldogs' next game will be on January 11th in Rexford to face off against the Quinter Bulldogs.