



Joshua Keltz, junior, blocks the ball on defense during the Cheylin verses Rawlins County game. Also pictured is Jeremiah White, senior.

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Lady Cougars lose games to three good basketball teams

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The Lady Cougars hosted the Greeley County Jackrabbits on Jan. 20. The Jackrabbits built a gradual lead in the first half, then outscored Cheylin by 17 points in the third quarter alone. The deficit increased and the Lady Cougars lost 63-39.

Stats for Cheylin were Shayla Hubbard with 18 points and eight rebounds, Marlene Dehn with nine points and six rebounds, Susannah Jones with six points and six rebounds, and Allie Frisbie with four points and two rebounds. Kalin Richey got three rebounds, Dani Possamei got two and Manda Barnett got one.

vs. Rawlins County
Cheylin traveled to Atwood

on Jan. 24 and took on the Buffaloes. Rawlins County created a big lead for themselves early on, ending the first half 41-15. The Buffaloes created an even bigger deficit and ended the game 63-26.

"We faced a strong, experienced Rawlins County team on their home court," Coach Greg Jones said. "We just couldn't seem to get anything going on offense. Injury and illness continue to be an issue."

Stats for the Lady Cougars were Jones with 13 points and five rebounds, Frisbie with six points and one rebound, Dehn with five points and three rebounds and Hubbard with two points and one rebound. Richey, Barnett and Turner all got one rebound.

vs. Wheatland-Grinnell

The Cougars hosted the Wheatland-Grinnell Thunderhawks on Jan. 27. It was a close game, both teams tied up at the end of the first quarter, the Thunderhawks leading by two points at the end of the first half. The Lady Cougars pulled ahead in the third quarter for the lead, but the Thunderhawks outscored Cheylin in the fourth quarter to win 43-40.

Stats for Cheylin were Jones with 12 points and four rebounds, Dehn got ten points and 11 rebounds, Hubbard scored six points and got four rebounds, Stephanie Busse got six points and 14 rebounds, Frisbie got four points and four rebounds, and Richey got two points.

Young team traveled to Grinnell

By Dan Carson

The Cheylin Junior High basketball team traveled to Grinnell on Jan. 19 to take on the Grinnell-Wheatland Thunderhawks. In the B-team girls game, Cheylin fell behind at halftime with a score of 4-22, but in that, held the Thunderhawks to only four points in the second quarter. The Cougars outscored the Thunderhawks in the fourth quarter 4-2, but lost the game 11-35. Elsa Craig Burr led the Cougars with four points and had two rebounds. Kelsey Miller had three points, also with two rebounds. Gracie Glass and Rachel Keltz both scored two points, while Gracie had four rebounds and Rachel had seven. Alex Hazuka also had two rebounds in the contest. We fell way behind in the first quarter because of their press, but played pretty well afterwards. We have to be careful of our passes and to keep the ball moving on offense.

In the A-team game, Cheylin came out very ready for the game, with good pressure defense and passes, but had trouble scoring. At halftime the score was Cheylin seven, Grinnell-Wheatland 25. The second half was similar, in that the Cougars only scored two more points, and so the final score was 9-48. The effort was definitely there in the game, but as we only shot 11 percent, it was tough to get much else going. Dana Mag-

nani scored five points and had three steals. Diana Garcia scored four points with three rebounds and three steals. Elizabeth Keltz grabbed eight rebounds and had two steals, Kelsey Miller had three rebounds and four steals, Elsa Craig also had three rebounds, and Haleigh Rucker had two steals.

The next day, Jan. 20, the Greeley County Jackrabbits came to McDonald to take on the Cougars. The B-team game was back and forth the whole game until the fourth quarter. At halftime, the Jackrabbits led 8-5. Cheylin took the lead in the third quarter, but was outscored in the fourth 15-4. Greeley County won the contest 26-17. Rachel Keltz scored eight points for the Cougars and had six rebounds and four blocked shots. Haleigh Rucker scored four points with two rebounds and three steals. Amber Manners scored two points and had three steals. Janet Granados scored two points while Gracie Glass scored one point. Stephanie Alvarado had three rebounds and two steals.

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watch. It is so great to see the players step up and to see how much they have improved.

In the A-team game, it was much like the B-team in scoring. At halftime, the Jackrabbits led 12-6. Cheylin caught up to one point at the end of the third, but was outscored by four points in the fourth quarter. Cheylin lost 23-28. The really heartbreaking thing about this game was shoot percentage. Cheylin shot 19 percent from the field and 14 percent from the free throw line. We were only five of 34 free throws. That was tough to see so many misses. Again, the Lady Cougars played a very tough game, but couldn't hit the shots. Dana Magnani scored eight points and had 10 rebounds and four steals. Elizabeth Keltz had five points with 10 rebounds and two steals. Elsa Craig Burr and Diana Garcia both had four points. Elsa Craig had five rebounds and six steals with Diana had four rebounds. Haleigh Rucker had two points with three rebounds and two steals.

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Boys plays hard and come up short

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The Cougars hosted the Greeley County Jackrabbits on Friday, Jan. 13. Cheylin got into trouble early, ending the first quarter trailing. The last quarter found Cheylin fighting back, scoring 19 points, but the deficit was too great, the game ended 59-46 for the Jackrabbits.

Stats for Cheylin were Kenan Reeh with 21 points and two rebounds, Jeremiah White with seven points and two rebounds, Adam Orten with seven points and two rebounds, Ty Carmichael with six points and five rebounds, Walker Janicke with two points and two rebounds, Joshua Keltz with two points and nine rebounds, and Ethan Young with one point and ten rebounds. Wil Orten got one rebound.

vs. Wallace County

On Saturday, Jan. 14, Cheylin hosted the Wallace County Wildcats and despite a strong start, Cheylin leading 23-14 at the end of the first half, they fell apart completely in the third quarter, scoring no points. The Wildcats won 41-34.

Stats for Cheylin were Young with 13 points and 10 rebounds, Carmichael with seven points,

Keltz with six points and five rebounds, White with four points and four rebounds, Janicke with four points and eight rebounds.

vs. Greeley County

Cheylin again hosted Greeley County, this time on Jan. 20. This game started out different than the last, the Cougars leading at the end of the first half 27-21. The Jackrabbits came back strong in the third quarter and ended up pulling out the win, 42-41.

Stats for Cheylin were Keltz with 16 points and 10 rebounds, Reeh with 10 points and five rebounds, Young with nine points and 12 rebounds, White with three points and four rebounds, and A. Orten with three points and four rebounds. Carmichael got two rebounds.

vs. Rawlins County

The Cougars traveled to Atwood on Jan. 24 and faced the Rawlins County Buffaloes. Trailing by 10 points at the end of the first quarter, Cheylin turned it around in the second, bringing the score to 27-26 at the end of the first half. The Cougars again outscored the Buffaloes in the third quarter, but Atwood rallied back in the fourth to win the game 50-47.

vs. Wheatland-Grinnell

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Grinnell Thunderhawks on Jan. 27. The Cougars came out strong in the first half, heading into the locker room with a 26-13 lead. Cheylin kept the lead the rest of the game, winning 48-26.

With the win against the Thunderhawks, the high school boys' basketball team has brought their record to 6-6 and will travel to Weskan on Friday.



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