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The Perkins County Lady Plainsmen had a busy week of volleyball beginning with a home game against Haxtun Monday, Sept. 26, a triangular at Chase County Tuesday and finishing with tournament in Gothenburg on Saturday.

The week started on a high note as the Plainsmen handily defeated Haxtun in three sets, 25-6, 25-15 and 25-14.



Twenty-two ace serves by the Plainsmen was key to the win, nine by Kristin Beck, and five each by Matisyn Humphrey and Shania Metcalf.

“It’s always good to get a win,” said Coach Penny Hite. “The girls played through a lot of adversity and focused hard on what they needed to do to keep powering.”

### **PC vs. Haxtun**

#### **25-6, 25-15, 25-14**

Kills: T. Metcalf 8, T. Osler 6, S. Metcalf 5, M. Humphrey 3, G. Patrick 2, M. Prante 1, K. Beck 1

Blocks: T. Metcalf 3 (2 ace) T. Osler 1, G. Patrick 1 (ace).

Set assists: K. Beck 21, M. Humphrey 2, S. Metcalf 1.

Ace serves: K. Beck 9, M. Humphrey 5, S. Metcalf 5, S. Pollard 2, M. Prante 1.

### **Chase Co. Triangular**

The Plainsmen finished in the middle in the Chase County Triangular Tuesday, Sept. 27 on the Lady Longhorn’s court, beating Gothenburg in the second match of the night and losing to Chase County in the final game.

Chase County had defeated Gothenburg in the first match of the evening.

Perkins County wrapped up the first set against Gothenburg with a decisive 25-14, but fell apart in the second, losing 13-25. They found their groove again in the third, winning 25-19.

“At times we were really aggressive at the net, but really had to work hard to get ourselves mentally ready to play,” said Coach Penny Hite. “We did what we had to do to win, but really needed to find some rhythm in the next game.”

Leading offensively for the Lady Plainsmen was Tanya Metcalf with four kills and five ace blocks.

Shalee and Tanya had perfect serving, said Hite.

Chase County proved to be a formidable opponent for Perkins County, and overtook the Lady Plainsmen 23-25, 25-20 and 19-25.

“We didn’t have the spark tonight to get things done,” said Hite. “We let ourselves down and couldn’t get back up. We really are going to have to work on intensity still and finishing with

power and playing smart.”

Making the numbers look good were Tanya Metcalf with 11 kills and 10 blocks and Gabrielle Patrick who played aggressively at the net with seven blocks and six kills.

### **PC vs. Gothenburg**

**25-14, 13-25, 25-19**

Kills: S. Metcalf 7, T. Metcalf 4, G. Patrick, M. Humphrey and T. Osler 3 each, K. Beck 2.

Blocks: T. Metcalf 8 (5 ace), S. Metcalf 5 (1 ace), T. Osler 4 (2 ace), M. Humphrey 4 (1 ace) G. Patrick 3 (1 ace), K. Beck 1.

Set assists: K. Beck 15, T. Metcalf, M. Prante, S. Pollard, S. Metcalf 1 each.

Ace serves: S. Metcalf 4, M. Prante 2, S. Pollard 1

### **PC vs. Chase County**

**23-25, 25-20, 19-25**

Kills: T. Metcalf 11, S. Metcalf 9, M. Humphrey 7, T. Osler 6, G. Patrick 6, K. Beck 1.

Blocks: S. Metcalf 10 (1 ace), T. Metcalf 10 (1 ace), G. Patrick 7 (2 ace), T. Osler 1.

Set assists: K. Beck 35, M. Humphrey 2, G. Patrick 1, S. Metcalf 1.

Ace serves: K. Beck 4, T. Metcalf 1, M. Prante 1.

### **Gothenburg Tourney**

Lady Plainsmen momentum seemed to hit the brakes as the week wore on, as they finished last in the Gothenburg Tournament Saturday, Oct. 1.

The tournament included Perkins County, Ord, Gothenburg and Holdrege.

Winning the tournament was Ord.

In game one against Holdrege, the Plainsmen came up short in two sets, 18-25 and 14-25.

“Holdrege is a very strong serving team,” said Hite. “They did an excellent job of keeping us out of rhythm. We just struggled with finding any team spirit.”

Ord also shut down the Lady Plainsmen in two sets, 17-25, 12-25.

“We found a little more excitement in the next set and at one point had a 10-3 lead, but they took us out of system and stopped our attack,” said Hite.

Their third opponent, Gothenburg, took revenge on the week’s earlier loss to the Lady Plainsmen, winning in three, 26-24, 17-25, 16-25.

“We fought hard to win the first set and I was proud that they finished,” said Hite. “Shania and Mati, along with Tanya and Gabby found key times for kills, but it wasn’t enough.”

### **PC vs. Gothenburg**

**26-24, 17-25, 16-25**

Kills: S. Metcalf 10, T. Metcalf 6, M. Humphrey 6, G. Patrick 5, T. Osler 4, M. Prante 2.

Blocks: S. Metcalf 8 (3 ace), T. Metcalf 5, M. Humphrey 5, T. Osler 4, G. Patrick 3, K. Beck 1.

Set assists: K. Beck 27.

Ace serves: S. Pollard 2, M. Humphrey 1.

### **PC vs. Ord**

**17-25, 12-25**

Kills: S. Metcalf 4, M. Humphrey 4, T. Osler 3, T. Metcalf 3.

Blocks: G. Patrick 3 (1 ace), T. Metcalf 3, S. Metcalf 2 (1 ace), T. Osler 2, M. Humphrey 1, K. Beck 1.

Set assists: K. Beck 12, T. Osler 1, S. Metcalf 1.

Ace serves: S. Metcalf 2, M. Humphrey 1.

### **PC vs. Holdrege**

**18-25, 14-25**

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Kills: S. Metcalf 6, T. Metcalf, M. Humphrey, T. Osler 4 each, G. Patrick 2.  
Blocks S. Metcalf 6, T. Metcalf 4, G. Patrick 3, M. Humphrey 2, K. Beck 1.  
Set assists: K. Beck 18.  
Ace serves: S. Metcalf 2, M. Humphrey 1.

### Next Action

The Lady Plainsmen will host the Lady Longhorns tonight (Thursday, Oct. 6) and a triangular with Hershey and Dundy County on Tuesday, Oct. 11. Conference action will take place next week.

