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The Wallace Wildcats competed in the Wallace Triangular on Monday, Oct. 10. The Cats first opponent was the Coyotes of Potter-Dix. The Wildcats dominated the Coyotes to win, decisively, in straight sets 25-14 and 25-20.

In the first set the Lady Cats took the lead early and refused to relinquish it to the Coyotes. Junior Chelsea Sowle served five points to end the set 25 to 14.

In the second set the Wildcats once again took the early lead, but the Coyotes rallied back to tie the Cats at nine. They continued to build momentum and took the first lead from the Cats 12 to 17. Junior Anna Griffiths put together a run of three service points to bring the Cats back to within one, 16 to 17.

The Coyotes got a rally point, but then it was Sowle, again with five points, to give the Cats the lead 22 to 18. Finally, Junior Katelyn Melton served three to end the game 25 to 20.

Leading the team offensively against the Coyotes was junior Chelsea Sowle with 10 points (two aces). Junior Anna Griffiths and sophomore Sara Hubbard each had five points (one ace), junior Katelyn Melton (one ace) and senior Brooke Hochstetler each had three points, and seniors Emily Hasenauer had two points.

Leading the team with set assists was Griffiths with 10, followed by Hasenauer with nine.

Defensively, Hochstetler led the team with seven kills and one block, followed closely by Hubbard with six kills, and Sowle with five kills and one block. Melton had three kills, and setters Griffiths and Hasenauer each had one kill.

Wallace vs. Garden Co.

The Lady Cats then had to face the Eagles of Garden County. The Eagles were ready for a tough fight, but the Lady Cats were just too tough. The Wildcats won the match in straight sets, 25-19, and 25-19.

When asked about the match, coach Kory Rohde said, "We played well tonight." He added, "We had a pretty good passing game, and really played like a team."

Leading the team offensively against the Garden County Eagles was Hasenauer with 10 points (one ace), followed by Griffiths with seven points (one ace). Hubbard (two aces) and Hochstetler (one ace) each had three points, Sowle (one ace), Melton, and senior Danica Messersmith each had one point.

Leading the team with set assists was Griffiths with 10, followed by Hasenauer with six.

Defensively, Hochstetler led the team with eight kills and one block, followed closely by Sowle with six kills and one block. Hubbard had four kills, Melton had one kill and one block, and seniors Hasenauer and D. Messersmith each had one kill.

Wallace vs. Brady

12-25, 20-25, 7-25

The Wallace Wildcats travelled to face the Brady Eagles on Friday, Oct. 14.. The Eagles were a formidable foe for the Wildcats. The Lady Cats wanted revenge, but the Eagles were just too tough. The Lady Cats lost the match in straight sets, 12-25, 20-25, and 7-25.

When asked about the game, coach Rohde said, "We hustled well, we just didn't execute."

Leading the team offensively against the Brady Eagles were Sowle and Hubbard each with three points (one ace). Hasenauer (one ace), sophomore Katherine McClintock (one ace), and

Hochstetler each had two points, and Melton and Griffiths each had one point.

Leading the team with set assists were Hasenauer and Griffiths each with seven.

Defensively, Hochstetler led the team with five kills and one block. Sowle had three kills and one block, Hubbard had three kills, Melton had one kill and one block, and Griffiths and junior Rachel Marquardt each had one kill.

### Next Action

The Lady Cats began conference play on Monday, Oct. 17 in Paxton against the Hayes Center Cardinals. If the Cats made it past the Cards they would then have faced the Tigers of Paxton later in the evening.

The Lady Cats will also play host to Eustis Farnam for their "Dig Pink Rally" to support breast cancer awareness.

Results will appear in next week's issue.