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Friday night, the Wallace Wildcats traveled to face the Maywood Tigers.

In the first quarter it appeared that the ladies were ready to battle, staying neck and neck with their opponents 17 to 18.

The second quarter, the Lady Cats were determined to continue the fight and they headed into the locker room at the half, leading 28 to 27.

The third quarter saw the Wildcats a little frustrated, and the Tigers were relentless. As the buzzer sounded at the end of the third quarter, the Wildcats trailed 32 to 46.

In the fourth quarter, however, the Wildcats began to really build some momentum, outscoring the Tigers by six. Unfortunately, time was their enemy, and the Lady Cats lost their first match of the season, 44 to 52.

Offensively, senior Chelsea Sowle led the Cats with 18 points, followed closely by junior Sara Hubbard with 17 points. Leading the team with assists was sophomore Christina Daniels with five.

Defensively, Hubbard led the Cats with eight rebounds, followed closely by Sowle with seven rebounds, and senior Katelyn Melton with six rebounds.

Coach Messersmith said, “It’s good to have the first game under our belt. Our effort was very good. Maywood has two very physical posts that gave us some trouble, but overall, I am very proud of how we took care of the ball, and we ended the game with 16 team turnovers.”

Wallace vs. W/P

The Lady Cats played host to the Broncos of Wauneta-Palisade on Saturday night. The

Wildcats were ready for the Broncos, but the Broncos came to play. At the end of the first quarter the Lady Cats trailed 5 to 8.

In the second quarter the Cats tried to rally, but the ball just refused to fall. As the buzzer sounded, the Lady Cats headed into the locker room behind by 11 points, 13 to 24.

The third quarter saw a renewed effort in the Cats, but the shots still weren't falling the Lady Cats way. At the end of the third quarter the Broncos had extended their lead by 16 and the score was 21 to 37.

In the fourth quarter, the Lady Cats began to show some wear. They continued to battle, but the Broncos lead was insurmountable. The Lady Cats lost their first match at home 24 to 47.

Offensively, Sowle led the Cats with 10 points, followed by Daniels with seven points.

Defensively, Daniels led the Cats with six rebounds, and sophomore Morgan Messersmith had six steals, followed closely by Katelyn Melton and senior Anna Griffiths each with five rebounds.

"The girls worked extremely hard, and I'm very proud of their effort," said Messersmith. "We had some issues on Friday night that we took care of tonight, and it was good to see improvement in certain areas."

Next Action

The Lady Cats will face Maxwell this Friday, Dec. 7 in Maxwell with girls junior varsity starting at 4 p.m.