

Girls fall apart in second half at Lex

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LEXINGTON—Gothenburg's girls got the 2012-13 basketball season off to a running start at Lexington on Thursday.

The Swedes out-scored the Minutemaids 12-8 in the first quarter and continued to push ahead in the second quarter, carrying a six-point advantage into the halftime break.

Then the proverbial wheels fell off, according to coach Chris Lecher.

"We did a really nice job in the first half," Lecher said. "We were taking shots that were given rather than forcing anything and it all seemed to be working pretty well."

But Gothenburg's scoring went dry in the second half as the Swedes managed only a pair of field goals and one free throw in the whole third quarter, followed by only two buckets in the fourth period.

Lexington held on to win 38-31.

"It's going to be pretty tough to win a ball game when you only score four points in the fourth quarter," Lecher said. "We didn't shoot well at all the whole second half."

Six of Gothenburg's nine second-half points came from junior post player Emily Franzen.

"I thought we did a good job of breaking the press and we moved the ball pretty well," Lecher said. "We just couldn't score points."

Franzen finished with eight points in the game, as did senior Jacey Wiggins who added seven

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Lexington had two girls in double figures. Casey Seberger, a senior, led the way with 13 points, followed by junior McKenzie McKeone with 10.