

Girls finish regular season with solid win at Ainsworth

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GOTHENBURG 55		AINSWORTH 37			
	FG	FT	FF	RB	PT
A. Abramson	2-10	4-6	2	3	8
A. Clark	1-2	1-4	1	2	3
S. Eggleston	2-4	1-2	3	3	5
M. Gibson	0-1	0-0	2	0	0
J. Haake	0-0	1-2	1	1	1
E. Mack	10-14	6-8	4	12	26
B. Munster	0-0	1-2	0	0	1
K. Nelson	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
T. Prall	1-2	1-2	1	4	3
K. Peterson	0-7	0-0	1	5	0
P. Prall	0-0	1-2	0	1	1
Jacey Wiggins	0-1	0-0	0	0	0
Shane Wiggins	0-2	0-0	0	0	0
T. Wolf	2-3	1-4	2	7	7
TOTALS	19-64	17-32	25	41	55

Three-pointers: Gothenburg, 0; Ainsworth, 2.
Field goals: Gothenburg, 19-64, 29%; Ainsworth, 10-48, 20%.
Free throws: Gothenburg, 17-32, 53%; Ainsworth, 15-32, 47%.
Fouls: Gothenburg, 25; Ainsworth, 22.
Rebounds: Gothenburg, 16 offensive, 25 defensive, 41 total; Ainsworth, 7 offensive, 11 defensive, 18 total.
Turnovers: Gothenburg, 17; Ainsworth, 23.
Scoring by quarters:
Gothenburg.....14 12 15 14—55
Ainsworth.....3 5 12 17—37

Swedes down Bulldogs 55-37.

AINSWORTH—Gothenburg girls coach Tim Peterson challenged his players Friday night to finish the regular season strong and set the tone for the team as it heads into C1-11 sub-district action.

They did both.

The Swedes handled the Ainsworth girls easily 55-37 but it wasn't the runaway some fans might have expected.

"They've struggled," Peterson said of the 1-17 Bulldogs, "but they're not the kind of team that you expect to have won only one game."

Gothenburg pressured Ainsworth defensively from the start, allowing only three Bulldog points in the first quarter and just eight for the first half.

"We put the clamps on them defensively and were adequate on offense throughout the night," Peterson said.

Gothenburg led 26-8 at halftime and maintained through the third and fourth periods.

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“I would have liked to have seen us shooting better,” Peterson said of the Swedes’ 30% field goal percentage. “Emily (Max) is always going to get her shots but I told the other girls we need to get production out of them as well to make our opponents respect us as a team.”

The Swedes got plenty of attempts, the coach said, but made only 19-of-64 overall.

“They were open shots for the most part,” he said. “We’ve got to shoot with confidence. At this point, that’s the difference between missing and making.”

Max finished with a game high 26 points and 12 rebounds.

Gothenburg ends the regular season with a 9-11 record.

Peterson said the team added a few wrinkles to the offense to prepare for the C1-11 sub-district game with Cozad on Monday.

“It worked at Ainsworth,” he said. “Hopefully it will work against Cozad.”