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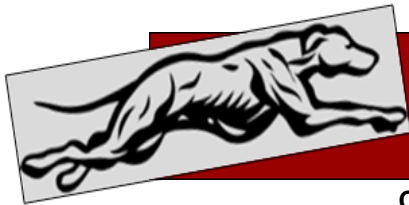
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Cathedral opens with win

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By Michael Gassett Journal Sports Writer

NEW ULM - Maybe it was first-match jitters.

Whatever it was it didn't last much past the opening set. New Ulm Cathedral dropped its first game of the season 25-22 but rallied back to take the final three as it beat Cleveland 25-13, 25-17, 25-19 to open the volleyball season Tuesday night.

"We lost it and we knew we had to come back," senior Val Lux said. "We knew that we didn't want to play all five games. We wanted to just get it over with in the next three."

Cathedral coach Stef Dietz was glad to see her team was able to come back after losing the first set.

"It just shows a lot about the girls," she said. "They have a lot of fight in them. It shows that they never gave up. That first game was close and maybe it was because it was the first game of the year. Once we put it together we played really well."

The first set was close throughout with neither team building much of an advantage and Cleveland won 25-22.

The second game was all Cathedral. A Lisa Helget kill broke a 4-4 tie and Hallie Kuelbs dropped a pair of aces to build an 11-4 lead. The Greyhounds kept adding to that lead and eventually made it double digits and that's where it stayed as they won 25-13.

In the third game, Cathedral built a solid lead again. Cleveland put on a late rally and got as close as 19-16 but never got any closer as the Greyhounds won 25-17.

The final game showed the Clippers in control early. They built a 16-11 lead when Dietz called a timeout to set her team straight.

"We just got comfortable in that last game," Dietz said. "We just can't do that because Cleveland showed that they have some good hitters. We needed someone to step it up."

That someone turned out to be Lux. She stepped to the line and served for nine straight points and put Cathedral up 21-16 and the Greyhounds held on for the 25-19 win.

"Our coach was just telling us to focus, settle down and get the serve over," Lux said. "I just had to calm my nerves and try my hardest to get the serve over. We were down and we knew we didn't want to play a fifth game. We knew we had to come back and we did."

Kuelbs was 16-for-18 serving with three aces and 11 digs. Helget had nine kills and five blocks. Anne Giesen was 17-for-19 serving with an ace and 15 set assists. Lux was 21-for-22 serving with nine kills and eight digs.

The win was the first of the season and a good way to start for a team that was 9-12 last year.

"We are trying to start something new at Cathedral," Lux said. "This is the perfect way to start it."



Staff photo by Steve Muscatello
Cathedral's Anne Giesen hits a dig shot during the first game of the Greyhounds' match against Cleveland Tuesday at CHS in New Ulm.
For more photos of this event, go to cu.nujournal.com

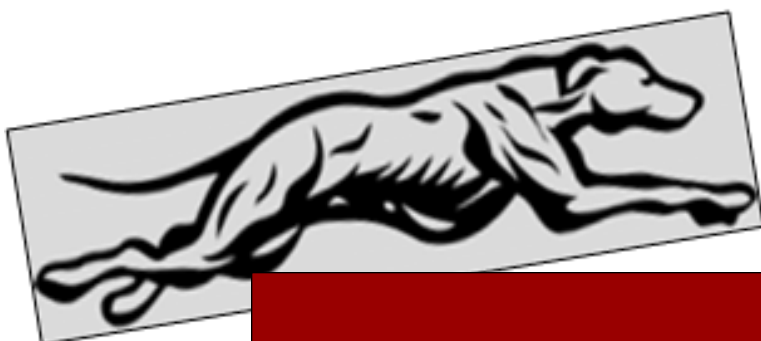


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