Record reaches 12-8 with SPVA next week

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Chase County got a look at several of the SPVA conference teams at a pair of triangulars last week, where the Lady Longhorns split 2-2.

Three of the four teams they played last Tuesday and Thursday represented half of the SPVA teams who'll be in Imperial next week for the conference tournament.

Coach Jodie Schuller and her 12-8 team got a look at undefeated St. Pat's Tuesday this week, where they traveled for a triangular that also included Southwest.

St. Pat's will likely be the favorite to win the SPVA tournament, but Schuller said it's anyone's game after that.

The Lady Longhorns have just one match tonight (Thursday) against Perkins County on the Chase County court before the SPVA tournament Oct. 11 and 13.

Tonight's best-of-five matches start at 5:30 p.m. with the C games, followed by JV and varsity.

Perkins County's varsity had a 4-13 record early this week.

Perkins Co., Gothenburg

At a triangular in Grant Sept. 25, Chase County's varsity defeated Perkins County but lost the Gothenburg match.

It was over in two against Perkins County, but scores were close, 29-27 and 25-18.

Schuller said her team got off to a slow start, but then got going and played a nearly errorless game.

They had just two errors at the serving line, 51-53, for a 96 percent showing that included five aces, four from Kaycee Bubak.

It was one of Chase County's best nights at the net with 25 kills on just four errors for a .488 hitting efficiency, led by Paige Spady with 10 kills and Bridget Langin with seven.

Schuller said the coaches are still trying to find the right combination at the net. She moved Langin, who had some good performances, into the middle hitting position the past week.

Perkins County had 19 kills and nine errors for a .263 hitting efficiency.

Chase County lost in three to 14-3 Gothenburg by scores of 25-22, 14-25 and 16-25.

Schuller said her team had a good start, but had difficulty against some strong hitters.

Chase County had 25 kills and 15 errors for a .134 hitting efficiency, as Gothenburg finished with a .365 hitting efficiency.

MaKenna Ketter had eight kills, Spady seven and Langin, five.

Missing just two serves in three games, Chase County was 96 percent on serves. Five aces were tallied, three from Emma Bauerle.

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