

Rothsay Girls Basketball Wrap Up Their Season

By: Wylie Brenden

On February 27, the Rothsay girls wrapped up the 2022-2023 basketball season in a game against the Ada-Borup-West Cougars. The final score of this game was 52-44 with Bethany Danielson leading the Tigers with 17 points. They finished the regular season right at .500 with a 12-12 record.

Head Coach Anita Heier said, "These girls played with a lot of heart this year. They worked hard every day and were rewarded with success along the way. I am truly blessed to have the opportunity to work with such an outstanding group."

It was also Senior Night, so after the game Rothsay's four seniors were recognized for all the work they put in over the years. Kenadi Carlsrud, Madison Tillman, Katie Reber, and Hayden Emery all concluded their high school basketball career with this game.

Katie Reber said, "We played very well this season. I'm glad I got to spend my senior year with this group of girls and I'm proud of how far we came."

Despite losing four seniors, the Tigers head into next season still retaining a strong core. With incoming seniors Elli Meyer and Kinsey Heier, juniors Lisa Kjelgaard, Allison Phillips, and Brooklyn Weiers, and sophomores Savannah Sullivan, Bethany Danielson, McKenzie Tillman, and Grace Carlsrud.

Elli Meyer had this to say regarding next season "We've got some big shoes to fill, but so long as we work hard and come together as a team, we'll be golden."



Senior Madison Tillman going up for a layup.



Senior Katie Reber and Freshman Bethany Danielson defending the basket.

Tiger Boys Basketball Comes To An End

Rothsay's eighth grade boys TiBoys Basketball Comes to an End

The Rothsay Tigers Boys Basketball team wrapped their season up on Monday, March 7th. The Tigers finished with a 4-22 record finishing with a loss in the section 6A play-in game. The Tigers had traveled to Underwood to take on the Rockets and fell short losing 69-58. The Tigers were led in scoring by Karson Jensen (16), Preston Curtis (14), Matthew Danielson (13), and Peyton Christensen (9). Head Coach Taylor Fuhs had this to say about the boys' season: "As we have finished the season, I thought the entire team really battled throughout the year. It did not necessarily go the way we had hoped, but I feel there was significant improvement throughout the season. A special thank you to our lone senior Peyton Christensen. He continually had a positive attitude down the stretch and will be missed within the program."

The Tigers have a strong team for next year. Rothsay only loses Senior Peyton Christensen to graduation. We asked Christensen what his favorite memory from basketball this last season was. He replied with, "Getting our first win of the season was nice. We played Ortonville at home and had a very loud and excited gym. It helps playing when the crowd is rooting for you." We also asked Sophomore Landon Messerschmidt how he thought the team would be next year. He responded by saying, "I think that this team had a lot of potential. This upcoming summer will play a big role in how we do next year. I think we have the ability to do great next year if everyone works hard for it."



Landon Messerschmidt securing a rebound



Matthew playing defense.



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Tigers Eighth Graders Wrap Up Basketball Season



The Tigers eighth grade boys basketball team are, from left, front row-Trey Holland, Kellan Simmers, Mason Heidecker, Mavin Peterson, James Stockinger, Chase Pourrier; back row-Tripp Meyer, Cory Opsahl, Wyatt Irish, Wesley Phillips, Brayden Morey and Ben Metzger.

By Dana Holland

Rothsay's eighth grade boys Tigers basketball team won three games and beat undefeated Parkers Prairie in the championship game at the Little Eight Conference Tournament, held on Saturday, February 25 in Ashby.

In their first game, the Tigers came back from being down 10 points with two and half minutes to go to tie Brandon-Evansville in regulation. Rothsay was behind the whole game but stepped up their pressure defense and timely shooting to go into overtime. Brandon-Evansville scored first in OT but Rothsay surged to a six point lead. B.E countered with a three, but Rothsay held on to win 34-31.

Having to play an extra game before they played Rothsay, Ashby would win both games before playing them. Riding the momentum of their first win, Rothsay came out strong and cruised with a 43-13 win.

In their previous two meetings vs. Parkers Prairie, the Tigers had lost by two and five points during the season. Parkers Prairie started out strong with two very good shooters but the Tigers fought to a 17-16 lead at halftime. Rothsay's defense would help them build a seven point lead late in the game but Parkers Prairie fought back and hit another three to pull within two points as time was running down. Rothsay would hold on in another exciting flurry of action to win 41-39.



By playing tough defense, the Tigers were able to cause multiple turnovers throughout the tournament. The players are Mason Heidecker, Wyatt Irish, Ben Metzger and Tripp Meyer.

Rothsay Junior High Musical 2023



The entire cast at the closing of the musical.

By: Hayden Emery

The 7th and 8th grade students have been working hard on their production of Wooing Wed Widing Hood by Charlie Lovett. Wooing Wed Widing Hood is the story of the trials that the three princes of Wychwood-under-Ooze faced in order to earn the right to woo Red Riding Hood. Many of the students participated in different aspects of the musical. Director, Heather Reber, said "The students and I do all the props, backgrounds, lighting, and

costumes," so needless to say, they are all very much involved in the production. Community member, Terri Larson, also contributed to this year's JH musical. She helped by making the dragon and Elvis/Wolf costumes. "She did a great job!" said Heather Reber.

On Tuesday, March 7th, the students performed their play for the school. After the performance, senior Jacob Christenson said, "I thought it went really well. The kids were very into their roles and did a

great job." When asked about his thoughts on this year's production of Wooing Wed Widing Hood, Wise Prince Jason played by Ben Metzger said, "We had a slow start and struggled in the beginning, but we are doing well now and I am proud of how it has turned out." The students also performed on Thursday, March 9th, as their last showing for parents and relatives. Overall, it is a great musical that has a lot of work and talent behind it.



Evil Queen Vanessa Sullivan performing one of her songs.