

Ozaukee, CG-B sail in CLC volleyball openers

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It was not much of a contest when the Ozaukee girls' volleyball team opened its Central Lakeshore Conference season against visiting Stockbridge on Sept. 3.

After nearly shutting out the Indians in the first game, 25-2, Ozaukee capped a three-game sweep with 25-15 and 25-11 wins.

The Warriors got strong serving from Melissa Wilcox, who was 25-for-25 with six aces, and Erin Hartnett, who had 13 aces in a 20-for-20 effort.

Hartnett also had 11 kills on offense, and Wilcox finished with 23 assists.

Kaitlyn Thill led Ozaukee's defense with eight digs.

The Warriors' Hillary Johnson continued her early-season prowess at the net with three solo blocks and three assisted blocks.

The sweep improved Ozaukee's season record to 4-2 in match play and 12-6 in games, including a close loss to Grafton on Sept. 1 (see related story).

This week, the Warriors faced New Holstein in a nonconference match Tuesday and will travel to Random Lake on Thursday for a CLC meet.

All conference matches have been moved up 30 minutes from the original schedule. Freshman and junior varsity games now begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by the varsity match at 7 p.m.

CG-Belgium 3, Elkhart Lake 0

The Rockets powered their way to an easy road win in their Central Lakeshore opener Sept. 3, scoring a 25-8, 25-9, 25-12 sweep.

Cedar Grove-Belgium was led by senior Rachel Slotman, who had five kills and two blocks.

Steph Ruppel contributed 13 assists, and Ashley Turnquist had a 10-for-12 serving efforts that included seven aces.

"They played very well," Rockets coach Tabitha Weavers said of her players. "They hustled and kept the intensity up."

This week, Cedar Grove-Belgium will host Howards Grove in a 7 p.m. meet Thursday and play in the Sheboygan County Classic at 9 a.m. Saturday.