

## **Lady Arrows Suffer Fourth Defeat**

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**The Tecumseh Lady Arrow Soccer Team suffered its fourth defeat of the season to the Kenton Ridge Lady Cougars by a final score of 1-0 on Monday. Kenton Ridge entered the game having 7 wins 2 ties and no losses on its resume. With wins over Troy Christian and Greenon and ties to Northwestern and Graham the Cougars were looking to add to their win total. Tecumseh on the other hand was searching for answers as it had suffered disappointing ties to Urbana and Springfield and was looking to turn around a once promising season.**

**The game was evenly matched from beginning to end. The cool and windy conditions were in favor of the team with the wind at their back throughout the match. Tecumseh had the wind advantage the first half but was not able to generate much offense. The Arrows were held to four total shots during the half and their best opportunity came at 8:30 when Jessica Boggs was fouled in the box and was given a penalty shot. Unfortunately for the Arrows her attempt was easily defended.**

**Kenton Ridge on the other hand did not fare much better however they were kicking into the wind. They had 6 shots the first half but four of them were either high or wide of the mark. For the half the Arrows had 97 intercepts but they won only 6 of 15 50/50 balls and had 47 loss of possession plays that severely limited their scoring chances.**

**Coach Jim Paxton was upset with the team for not launching more shots from long distance when those chances presented themselves. He overall was pleased with his team's effort but warned them that they had to step in front of their mark and prevent the Cougars from taking any shots from the midfield in.**

**Tecumseh's shooting woes continued throughout the second half. There was very little sustainable possession in the midfield and when the ball was played forward there was little communication amongst the players up front and little support from behind. As such the Arrows had no shots the second half.**

**The Arrow defense on the other hand played well and held Kenton Ridge to five shots and four of them were well off the mark. The lone goal for Kenton Ridge was scored by Liz Matthews off a pass from Brooke Sizemore at 16:24 on a shot from the left side about 12 yards out.**

**Credit Nicole Snyder for solid play throughout the match. She got injured late in the game in addition to Allison Denton, Guadalupe Mendoza, and Jaela Coffey. All of these players demonstrated great courage in trying to play thru their injuries.**

**Kellie Gruber had only three saves in the match but handled her position well throughout the game in making several stops that denied the Cougars other scoring chances. The Arrows will face another tough CBC opponent on Wednesday as they face the Tipp City Lady Red Devils at Spitzer Stadium in a 7:30 start.**