

SD S.D. PREP VOLLEYBALL

ALCESTER-HUDSON

COACH: Linda Thompson (5th year)
ASSISTANTS: Vicki Ahart
VITALS: Class B, Region 4, Tri-Valley Conference

LAST YEAR: The Alcester-Hudson Cubs finished last season with a 17-12 mark, falling to Parker in the Region 4B championship.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Ivy Pearson (Sr.), Alyce Johnson (Sr.), Sarah Haisch (Sr.), Lexy Schempp (Sr.), Beth Gustner (Sr.), Britanni Liston (Sr.), Jessica Wegh (So.)

ALSO RETURNING: Alexis McConnell (Sr.), Rie Barnes (Sr.), Matayica McConnell (Sr.), Ashlin Scotling (So.)

NEWCOMERS: Shonia Doering (Fr.), Jamie Jansen (Fr.), Skylar McConnell (Fr.)

ASSESSMENT: The Cubs lost four players from last season, including Emily Schreuer who will be playing volleyball at Mount Marty, but they are going to be relying on the other key players returning to get back to regions.

"We lost height, but this group will hustle after everything," Thompson said. "Our goal is to make it past regions and head on to the state tournament."

ANDES CENTRAL

COACH: Rocky Brinkman
ASSISTANT: Tracey Chytka
VITALS: Class B, Region 6B

LAST YEAR: The Andes Central Lady Eagles found success last year by having a young team posting a 21-12 record. They made it to the state tournament last year and are looking to build off that experience.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Araya Cournoyer (Sr.), Darci Johnson (Sr.), Brieanne Johnson (Sr.), Christin Pavel (Sr.), Jenna Winckler (Sr.), Latasha Dion (So.), Morgan Flying Hawk (So.), Sierra Svatos (So.), Kellie Winckler (So.), Krista Winckler (So.), Dakota Goode (So.)

ALSO RETURNING: Maria Dvorak (Sr.), Lauren Bryant (Sr.), Joy Kirkpatrick (Sr.), Janai Braun (Sr.)

NEWCOMERS: Tierra Axdahl (So.), Dennisha Johanneson (Fr.), Jo Marie Garcia (Fr.), Dimera Dvorak (Fr.)

ASSESSMENT: The Lady Eagles bring back of core letterwinners from last season and are looking to pick up where they left off.

"We have good height on our team, we are quick on defense and have a strong offense," Brinkman said. "We are going to have success this season if we



WAGNER: Devon Brecke (12), Breanna Cuka (6)

maintain our quickness, have good serves and good passing."

AVON

COACH: Tina Cameron (2nd year)
ASSISTANT: Connie Gretschman
VITALS: Class B, Region 6

LAST YEAR: The Avon Lady Pirates went one win over .500 with a 13-12 record. Despite not winning a game in their conference during the regular season, they managed to get to the district championship but was then ended by Ethan.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Lanae Van Gerpen (Sr.), Voni Finck (Sr.), Lexi Halvorson (Sr.), Shayna Nagel (Sr.), Cheyenne Zimmerman (Sr.), Lexi Jurrans (Sr.), Alyson Roth (So.), Caitlyn Meiers (Sr.), Kari Rucktaesche (Sr.)

ALSO RETURNING: Emily Van Gerpen (Sr.), Paige Vilhauer (Sr.), Emily Mudder (So.), Kayla Mudder (Fr.)

NEWCOMERS: Chesney Nagel (Fr.),

Events To Watch

AUG. 31: Platte-Geddes at Wagner. Matchup of '09 state big-time tourney, including 11 area teams.

OCT. 5: Harrisburg at Elk Point-Jefferson. Battle of top Class A powers, also a 'Dig for the Cure' match.

Athletes To Watch

Devon Brecke, Wagner: OH, All-State Tourney
Brieanne Johnson, Andes Central: OH/S: All-Conf. in both LMVC and SCC

Athletes To Watch

Jessica Kleinsasser, Parker: MH, All-State Tour., HM All-State Selection, 344 Kills, 63 blocks
Raquel Sutura, Bon Homme: MH, All-Conf.

is Chrissy Strassburg, who was All Region MVP and part of the Elite 15.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Reanna Bertram (Sr.), Cassie Hilbrands (Sr.), Kelly Reed (Sr.), Kelsey Leif (Sr.), Cayla Hilbrands (Sr.), Emily Zeller (Sr.)

ALSO RETURNING: Lexie Branson (Sr.), Tory McCreary (Sr.), Brittany Paulsen (Sr.)

ASSESSMENT: The Huskies might be taking a little bit of an offensive hit after Strassburg, Shelby Larsen and Allyson Murphy graduated, but they are looking to their strong group seniors to lead the way.

"We are a well-rounded team and have many talented players," Kollbaum said. "We need to push ourselves to the next level."

"There is many great teams on our schedule this year and we are excited for a good year of volleyball."

GAYVILLE-VOLIN

COACH: Natalie Selchert (11th year)
ASSISTANTS: Jennifer Goettertz, Becca Miller, Kelsey Anderson

VITALS: Class B, Region 4, Tri-Valley Conference

LAST YEAR: The Gayville-Volin Raiders went 8-17, finishing sixth in the TVC. The Raiders lost two all-conference players to graduation.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Taylor Anderson (Sr.), Natalie Harkness (Sr.)

ALSO RETURNING: Maggie Bertram (Sr.), Ashley Sloan (Sr.), Meghan Rice (So.), Cassandra (Fr.), Vanessa Ryken (Fr.), Rachel Pokorney (Fr.), Rachel Haas (Fr.)

ASSESSMENT: Gayville-Volin only has the two returning letterwinners, so they are going to rely on them to pick up the other returning players on the team to have a successful season.

"We have experienced players helping out the younger players," Selchert said. "They are setting a good example and providing positive leadership."

IRENE-WAKONDA

COACH: Roxanne Olson (1st year)
ASSISTANT: Kelly Bye

VITALS: Class B, District 8B, Tri-Valley Conference

LAST YEAR: The Eagles finished with a 7-14 record, 3-4 in the TVC.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Ann Brockmueller (Sr.), Elizabeth Nutley (Sr.), Amanda Eli (Sr.), Rachel Olson (Sr.), Haley Hinseth (Sr.), Melissa Hessman (Sr.), Lexy Schnek (Sr.)

ALSO RETURNING: Pearl Gaidelis (Sr.), Dana Schenk (Fr.), Bailey Hinseth (Fr.), Holly Schenk (Sr.), Trisha Kathol (So.), Morgan Lee (Sr.)

ASSESSMENT: The Eagles only lost one senior from last season, so they are looking to continue with the progression of their volleyball program and with the solid core of seniors on the team this season.

"Our team strength is going to be that we have the experience at the varsity level," Olson said. "We need the girls to stay positive at all times and work

hard on keeping a clear head."

MENNO

COACH: Rachel Stokes (1st year)
ASSISTANT: Kristin Heckenliable
VITALS: Class B, Region 6B, Combelt Conference

LAST YEAR: The Menno Wolves won two matches on the season. Kelsey Walloch, who had 47 aces, 281 kills and 91 blocks, and Elizabeth Sayler, who had 98 aces, 255 kills and 114 blocks, both graduated from that squad.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Courtney Kessler (Sr.), Emily Schnabel (Sr.), Julie Stoebner (Sr.), Michelle Zeeb (Sr.), Tessa Goehring (Sr.), Katelyn Kotalik (Sr.), Shelby Huber (So.), Courtney Schaeffer (So.)

ALSO RETURNING: Alicia Kulish (Sr.), Hannah Wollmann (Sr.), Erika Hauck (Sr.), Ashton Diede (So.), Brittany Haberman (So.), Allie Zanter (So.)

NEWCOMERS: Madison Huber (Fr.), Kylee Kessler (Fr.), Christina Herrboldt (Fr.), Kelsey Walter (Fr.), Emily Massey (Fr.)

ASSESSMENT: The Wolves might be faced with a little bit of a hole this season, but one thing they can rely on is the strong leadership of their seniors and juniors and the available depth of their team.

"We have eight returning letterwinners, but we are overall a young team," Stokes said. "We have strong servers and defensive players."

PARKER

COACH: Jill Christensen (28th year)
ASSISTANTS: Jennifer Schmitz, Roger Knecht, Mindy Whisler

VITALS: Class B, Region 4B, Big East

LAST YEAR: The Pheasants had a solid year, posting a 27-6 record and advancing to state.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Jessica Kleinsasser (Sr.), Emily Hanten (Sr.), Mollie Cole (Sr.), Andrea Duncan (Sr.), Kelsey Boese (Sr.), Anna Leloux (Sr.), Alycia Pesicka (Sr.), Tessa Weeldreyer (So.), Micalanne Hanten (So.), Amber Dysthe (So.)

ALSO RETURNING: Taylor Nugteren (Sr.), Courtney Buchholz (Sr.), Erin Harms (Sr.), Jess McKenney (So.), Jamie Haase (So.), Kim Leber (So.), Katie Lukes (So.), Tricia Pastian (So.)

NEWCOMERS: Morgan Hay (Fr.), McKenzie Cole (Fr.), Shanya Burt (Fr.), Haley Holzworth (Fr.), Kayla Preheim (Fr.), Dakota Clites (Fr.), Kaitlin Ochs (Fr.), Olivia Melber (Fr.), Lexi Levene (Fr.), Courtney Graham (Fr.), Meghan Harold (Fr.)

ASSESSMENT: The Pheasants don't appear to be shaken by the six senior losses from last year, because of solid group of seniors on their current roster.

"We hope to develop depth as the season progresses," Christensen said. "Our goal is a conference title and once again reaching the state tournament as they enjoyed the experience from last season."

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PARKER: Anna Leloux

Ariana Oorlog (Fr.), Mallory Cihak (Fr.), Shay Mednansky (Fr.), Amanda Kocmich (So.)

ASSESSMENT: The Lady Pirates have a strong group returning letterwinners and after only losing three players from last season, Avon might be looking at an improved season with their host of experienced players.

"We have very talented girls with varsity experience," Cameron said. "We should get stronger as the season progresses."

BON HOMME

COACH: Lindsey Fatkhe (1st year)
ASSISTANT: Alissa Ailts
VITALS: Class A

LAST YEAR: The Bon Homme Cavaliers finished with a 13-15 record.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Raquel Sutura (Sr.), Kayli Adam (Sr.), Kate Koch (Sr.), Jackie Wiesler (Sr.), Camille Hajek (Sr.), Jamie Etta (Sr.), Sara Burbach (Sr.)

ALSO RETURNING: Brittany Tycz (Sr.), Amanda Putnam (Sr.), Tara Ronke (Sr.), Shelby Jelsma (Sr.)

ASSESSMENT: The Cavaliers might be take a dip in their win total this season without All-Conference player Cassie Schuurmans, but they are looking to put up the experience of their young players.

"We have a lot of young players returning this year," Fatkhe said. "We have a strong middle hitter and setter. We need to work together as a team and focus on the little things," she added.

BERESFORD

COACH: Rob Wilson (10th year)
ASSISTANTS: Jim Nelson, Lisa Watkins

VITALS: Class A, Region 8, Big Sioux Conference

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Alison Klostergaard (Sr.), Molly Kennedy (Sr.), Karmen Klostergaard (Sr.), Haley Peterson (Sr.), Megan Olson (Sr.), Kirsten Ustad (Sr.)

ASSESSMENT: The Beresford Watchdogs have an experienced team coming into this year and they are hoping that the experience gained will help them get on an early win streak.

"We have an experienced front line this year, so I am looking for a good hitting squad," Wilson said. "Our backline will be a little inexperienced but we have a couple girls that we are hoping to fill those spots and mature into good players back there."

CENTERVILLE

COACH: Doug Edberg (1st year)
ASSISTANT: Emily Sitter
VITALS: Class B, Region 4B, Tri-Valley Conference

LAST YEAR: The Centerville Tornados finished with a 2-19 record.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Rebecca Steadman (Sr.), Haley Ellis (Sr.), Alyssa Larson (Sr.), Samantha Blake (Sr.), Courtney Knudson (Sr.), Megan Hilt (Sr.), Stacy Hecht (Sr.), Nicole Steadman (Sr.), Brittany Austin (So.), Kieran O'Malley (So.), Mikayla Abbas (So.), Logan Wieseler (So.)

ALSO RETURNING: Raelyn Hunnicutt (So.), Adriana Schubeck (Sr.)

ASSESSMENT: The Tornados have a solid group of letterwinners coming back and with only losing three seniors from last year, they are looking to have a solid season on the court.

"We have matured and increased their strength," Edberg said. "We need to avoid injuries, work as a team and avoid any controversy."

"A key to a good season is going to be win early games to build confidence."

DAKOTA VALLEY

COACH: Don Craig (4th year)
ASSISTANTS: Tracy Klein, Kristen Hansen

VITALS: Class A, Region 4A, Big Sioux Conference

LAST YEAR: The Dakota Valley Panthers had success last season, going 19-8 before falling to Elk Point-Jefferson in the district finals.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Shelbi Westover (Sr.), Elizabeth Green (Sr.), Shyler Funck (So.), Kylie Martin (So.)

NEWCOMERS: Erica Johnson (Fr.), Jayde Bergmann (Fr.), Ellie Bohan (Fr.), Shelby Olson (Sr.), Piepre Tweed (So.), Katie Barbee (So.)

ASSESSMENT: The Panthers lost seven starters from last season, so they are going to have to find some winning chemistry with the returners.

"We have to be confident and we have to have the belief in our abilities and our teammates," Craig said. "We are very young, so the girls will need to step up and believe in themselves."

ELK POINT-JEFFERSON

COACH: Traci Kollbaum (3rd year)
ASSISTANTS: Aubrey Mayer, Emily Witte, Megan Kahler

VITALS: Class A, Region 4, Big Sioux Conference

LAST YEAR: The Elk Point-Jefferson Huskies had an outstanding season last year, finishing 23-7. Gone from that team

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8/27/10	Viborg/Hurley	H	9/24/10	Menno	H
9/3/10	Alcester-Hudson	A	10/1/10	Irene-Wakonda	A
9/10/10	Centerville	H	10/8/10	Baltic	H
9/17/10	Marion	A	10/15/10	Scotland	A

Gayville Volin Raiderettes Volleyball

8/31/10	Marion	H	10/2/10	Tournament Centerville	
9/2/10	Alcester-Hudson	H	10/5/10	Irene-Wakonda	A
9/7/10	Scotland	H	10/7/10	Irene-Wakonda	H
9/7/10	Centerville	H	10/7/10	Menno	H
9/9/10	Freeman	H	10/9/10	Tournament GV Invite	
9/14/10	Viborg/Hurley	A	10/19/10	Omaha Nation, NE	H
9/16/10	Baltic	H	10/19/10	Marty Indian	H
9/16/10	Freeman Academy	H	10/23/10	Tournament Andes Central	
9/21/10	Canistota	A	10/25/10	Avon	H
9/30/10	Tournament Freeman Academy				

Avon Pirates Football

9/3/10	Hanson	A	10/1/10	South Central	H
9/10/10	Scotland	A	10/8/10	Corsica/Stickney	A
9/17/10	Andes Central	A	10/15/10	Marty Indian School	H
9/24/10	Viborg/Hurley	H	10/21/10	Tripp-Delmont/Armour	A

Avon Lady Pirates Volleyball

8/28/10	Bon Homme	H	10/7/10	Emery/Bridgewater	A
8/31/10	Parkston	A	10/14/10	Freeman	H
9/2/10	Andes Central	A	10/18/10	Ethan	A
9/7/10	Tripp-Delmont-Armour	H	10/19/10	Corsica/Stickney	A
9/9/10	Centerville	A	10/22/10	Menno	A
9/14/10	Wagner	A	10/25/10	Gayville-Volin Gayville	
9/16/10	Hanson	H	11/2-5/10	District Tournaments	
9/18/10	Emery/B-water Tourney	A		Freeman Academy	
9/23/10	Irene/Wakonda	A	11/9/10	Region Championship	
9/25/10	Beresford	A		Neutral Site	
9/28/10	Scotland	A	11/18, 19, 20	State Tournament	
10/2/10	Marion Tourney	A		Huron	
10/5/10	South Central	H			