

NEBRASKA HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Players To Watch

KYLIE ABENHAUS, BLOOMFIELD. The 6-foot middle hitter earned honorable mention all-conference honors.

AMY PRITCHARD, LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE. The honorable mention All-State hitter had 392 kills last fall.

JADE CUNNINGHAM, LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE. A first team All-State setter had 544 assists and 230 kills last season.

MAGGIE SCHULTE, WYNOT. The 6-foot sophomore could be primed for a breakout season.

Allen

COACH: Cheryl Greve (3rd year)
ASSISTANTS: Joy Bock, Shay Tullberg
LAST YEAR: Allen High School volleyball competed tough with a young team in last year's campaign. They finished 9-20 overall with a 1-1 post-season record.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Sam Johnson (Sr., 5-7, RH), Vanessa Klug (Sr., 5-8, MH), Hannah Finnegan (Sr., 5-7, S, All-Conference Honorable Mention), Brittany Sullivan (Sr., 5-7, OH, All-Conference Honorable Mention), Lindsey Jones (So., 5-8, MH), Morgan Bathke (So., 5-0, DS), Nikole Stewart (So., 5-5, DS), Olivia Schneiders (Sr., 5-5, DS)

TOP PROSPECTS: Sammy Sullivan (So., 5-8, RH), Cortny Surber (So., 5-8, OH), Rachel Finnegan (Fr., 5-7, OH), Lindsey Sullivan (Fr., 5-5, S), Candice Rastede (Fr., 5-6, OH), Brooke Hingst (Fr., 5-7, MH), Mollie Bertrand (Fr., 5-8, MH), Carly Burke (Fr., 5-8, MH), Courtney Reuter (Fr., 5-3, S), Alexis Johnson (Fr., 5-4, RH), Marissa Brentlinger (Fr., 5-7, OH), Jennifer Moore (Fr., 5-8, MH)

Bloomfield

COACH: Kris Schmeckpeper
ASSISTANTS: Robbin Beckmann, Terri Mlady
VITALS: Class D-1, Sub-District D1-8, Lewis and Clark Conference
LAST YEAR: The Queen Bees had trouble replacing what was lost from two years ago and ended the year at 4-16. They lost four players, two of which were starters.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Kylie Abbenhaus (Sr., 6-0, MH, Honorable Mention All-Conference), Rebecca Broders (Sr., 5-10, OH), Emmalea Johnson (Sr., 5-7, S), Autumn Luger (Sr., 5-9, MH)



WYNOT: Haley Gowery

Creighton

COACH: Tracy Tyler
ASSISTANTS: Jenny Bauer, Katrina Kruse
LAST YEAR: The Lady Bulldogs finished the year with a final record of 8-13.

TOP PROSPECTS: Abbey Schwindt (Sr., 5-7, S), Kashmir Stanley (Sr., L), Hannah Zimmerer (Sr., RH), Elizabeth Powell (Sr., MH), Siara Fritz (Sr., OH/DS), Whitney Fritz (Sr., OH), Maddi Oltjenbruns (So., OH), Jessica Zimmerer (So., S/DS)

Crofton

COACH: Susan Johnson (3rd year)
ASSISTANT: Micayla Anstine
VITALS: Northeast Nebraska Activities Conference
LAST YEAR: The Warriors finished the year with an 11-15 overall record. They look to improve on this record as Susan Johnson returns to coaching after a two year absence.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Kelsey Foxhoven (Sr., OH), Rachel Leader (Sr., S)
TOP PROSPECTS: Bridgette Arens (Sr., MH), Missy Kleinschmit (Sr., OH), Sadie Erdmann (Sr., RH)

Hartington

COACH: Julie Schrieber (2nd year)
ASSISTANT: Melissa Mainquist
LAST YEAR: The Wildcats battled to a 13-14 overall record and a 0-1 record in the post-season. Hartington will have to work to find a way to replace four starters and one other letterwinner.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Taylor Dybdal (Sr., 5-10), Megan Wolfe (Sr., 5-9), Courtney Hochstein (Sr., 5-6), Michaela Dendinger (Sr., 5-9), Ashley Morten (Sr., 5-7), Justine Fischer (So., 5-7)
TOP PROSPECTS: Whitney Driver (Sr., 5-6), Kaitlin Pedersen (Sr., 5-8), Monta Melrose (Sr., 5-6), Whitney Dowling (So., 5-7), Amanda Troubaugh (So., 5-8), Shelby Hochstein (Fr., 5-7), Sam Huss (Fr., 6-1), Bailey Jones (Fr., 5-7), Ria Pedersen (Fr., 5-9), Savannah Scoville (Fr., 5-5), Miki Fortha (Fr., 5-5)

Hartington Cedar Catholic

COACH: Adam Kuntz (2nd year)
ASSISTANT: Lora Wiebelhaus
LAST YEAR: The Trojans wrapped up a very successful year on the court as they compiled a 26-6 record.
RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: McKae Pinkelman (Sr., OH), Lexi Steffen (Sr., MH), Emily Schrempf (Sr., S)
TOP PROSPECTS: Siera Becker (Sr., OH), Katelyn Dickes (Sr., OH), Briana Becker (Sr., RH), Erin Hochstein (Sr., OH), Natalie Arens (Sr., OH), Karly Noecker (So., RH), Kallie Leise (So., DS)

Laurel-Concord-Coleridge

COACH: Patti Cunningham (19th year)

VITALS: Class C2
LAST YEAR: The Bears had a 24-7 overall record for the year and lost in the Sub-District finals to end the season. L-C-C only lost one starter off of that team.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Amy Pritchard (Sr., 5-9, OH, 392 kills, 18 ace blocks, 39 ace serves, 155 digs, NENAC All-Conference, NDN Elite 8 and All-State Honorable Mention), Audrey Kastrup (Sr., 5-6, L, 255 digs, 19 ace serves, 37 assists, NENAC All-Conference), Dani Huss (Sr., 6-0, MB, 17 kills and 8 ace blocks), Jade Cunningham (Sr., 5-11, S/MB, 230 kills, 544 assists, 62 ace blocks, 49 ace serves, 221 digs, NENAC All-Conference, NDN Elite 8 and C-2 All-State first team), Kiley Thompson (Sr., 5-8, OH, 31 kills, 8 digs), Mandy Nelson (Sr., 5-9, S/MB, 145 kills, 287 assists, 27 ace blocks, 27 ace serves, 144 digs, NENAC All-Conference Honorable Mention and All-State Honorable Mention), Taylor Linn (Sr., 5-11, RH, 38 kills, 12 ace blocks, 11 digs)

TOP PROSPECTS: Nicole Nitz (Sr., 5-6, DS), Kelsey Dietrich (So., 5-8, MB), Cameron Eddie (So., 5-7, S)

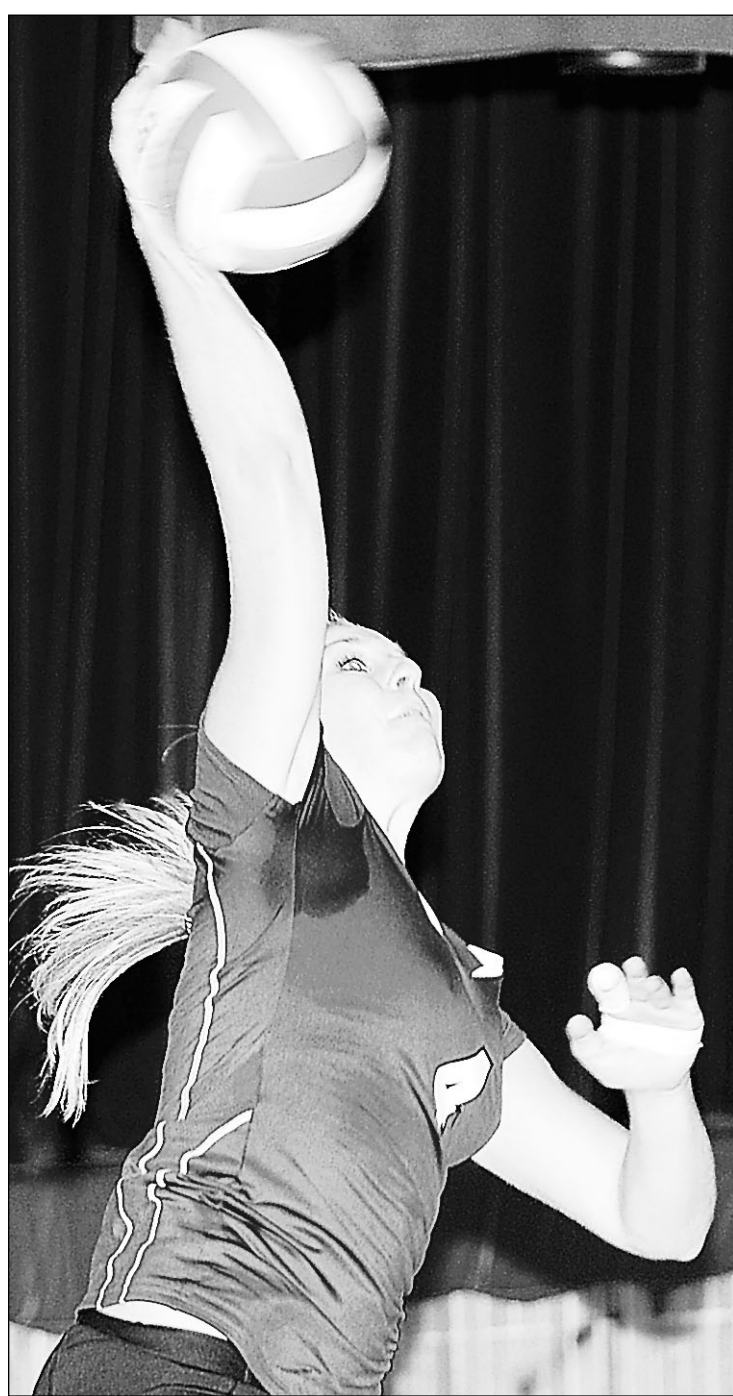
Newcastle

COACH: Robin Mohr (15th year)
ASSISTANT: Jennifer Tanderup
VITALS: Class D2, Lewis and Clark Conference
LAST YEAR: The Raiders lost in the District semifinal game to Elkhorn Valley. The loss dropped them to 6-13 on the year.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Shelby Olson (Sr., 5-3, OH, All-Conference), Devin Jacobs (Sr., 5-11, MH), Lauren Metzger (Sr., 5-6, S)
TOP PROSPECTS: Brook McCluskey (So., 5-6, OH), Brittany Bruening (So., 5-6, RH/OH), Marti Carlson (So., 5-9, MH/RH), Kylie White (So., 5-5, RH), Katie Knieff (Fr., 5-5, MH/OH), Melissa Schram (Fr., 5-5, S/RH)

Niobrara-Verdigre

COACH: Kandi Eisenhauer (12th year)



WYNOT: Bailey Kuchta

ASSISTANTS: Jennifer Pritchett, Paige Randa
VITALS: Class D1
LAST YEAR: The Cougars finished 5-19 in the first year of the new co-op. Gone from that team are three starters.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Crystal Coultts (Sr., OH), Mackenzie Rettig (Sr., Libero), Tessa Ives (Sr., MH), McKayla Eisenhauer (So., OH)

Ponca

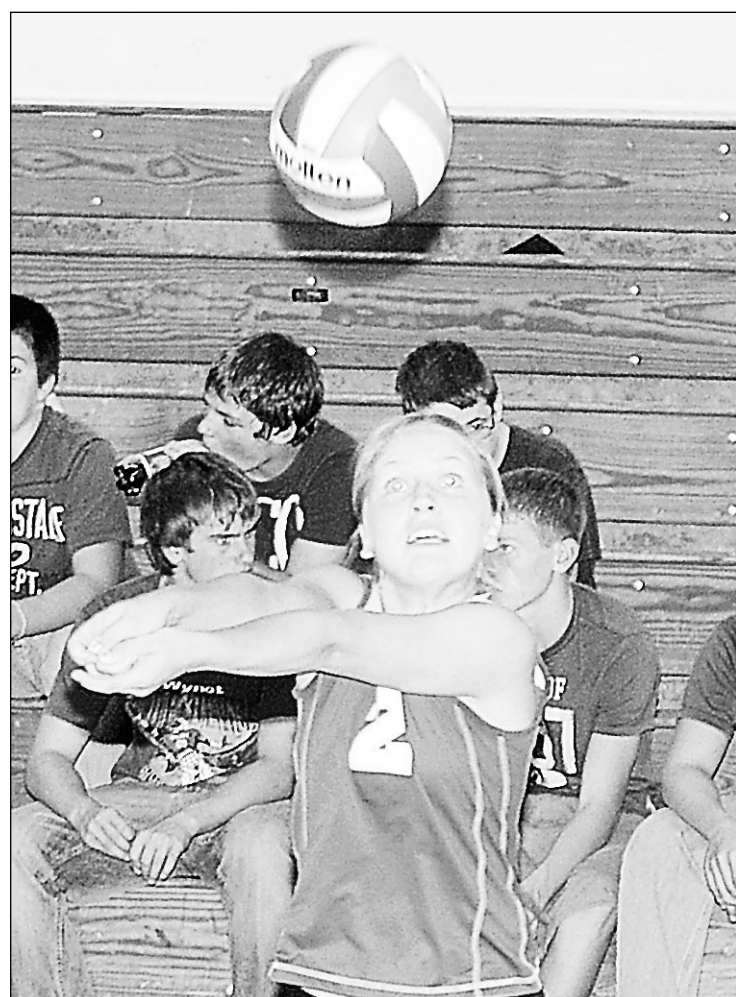
COACH: Meagan Pieper (2nd year)
ASSISTANT: Deb Krause
VITALS: Class C2, Lewis and Clark Conference
LAST YEAR: The Indians ended the season with a 7-15 record. Ponca looks to build on that record by returning four starters, including two First Team All-Conference selections.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Sam Gill (Sr., 5-11, MH), Stacy O'Neill (Sr., 5-5, OH, First Team All-Conference), Megan Pollard (Sr., 5-6, OH, First Team All-Conference), Krystal Richards (Sr., 5-6, S, All-Conference Honorable Mention.)
TOP PROSPECTS: Nellie Logue (Sr., 5-5, RH), Megan Rager (Sr., 6-0, MH), Haley Pollard (Fr., 5-3), Kianna Krampfer (Fr., 5-3), Hannah Albrecht (Fr., 5-8)

Randolph

COACH: Tara Hillman (4th year)
ASSISTANT: Mary Miller
VITALS: Class D-1, Sub-District D1-5
LAST YEAR: The Cardinals improved last year ending the year with a 10-15 record. Randolph lost in the sub-district finals after a very competitive season that featured a tough schedule.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Kirsten Fink (Sr., 5-11, MB, 255 kills, 52 Blocks, All-Conference Honorable Mention), Brenna Thies (Sr., 5-5, OH, 41 kills), Emily Schnoor (So., 5-4, L)



ALLEN: Brittany Sullivan

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9/16	Tripp-Delmont-Armour	Tripp	10/14	Menno	A
9/23	Avon	H	10/20	Marty Indian	H

Scotland Lady Highlanders Volleyball

8/29	Canistota	A	10/4	Wagner	A
9/6	Gayville-Volin/ Centerville	10/6	10/8	Parker	H
9/10	Platte Tourn.	10/11	10/11	Gayville-Volin Tourn.	H
9/12	Freeman	H	10/13	Bon Homme	H
9/13	Andes Central	A	10/17	Tripp-Delmont-Armour	Tripp
9/20	Marion	H	10/21	Hanson	H
9/27	Avon	A	10/22	Irene-Wakonda	H
9/29	Parkston	A	10/24	SESD Tourn.	Wagner
				Menno	H