

## **Lady Broncos looking for more in 2013**

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### **The Wauneta Breeze**

After a disappointing end to the 2012 season, the Wauneta-Palisade volleyball team is loaded with experience in 2013.

The Broncos return seven letterwinners and have added two letterwinners who have transferred to W-P.

Junior Sydnee Harchelroad was 2013 first team All-RPAC West Team and senior Tailor Lee was named to the All-RPAC West Second Team.

Senior Brooklyn Nordhausen and Abbie Fanning return as starters at the middle blocker and outside hitter positions, respectively,

Senior Cassidy Rathe and junior Leiauna Alberts were often interchangeable in the Broncos' offense and bring valuable experience.

Junior Brianna Einspahr returns as libero.

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Junior Lesley Stehno was also named to the All-RPAC West First Team as a member of Hitchcock County.

Coach Harchelroad said Stehno has fit in well and adds a new dimension to the team.

Junior Kian Jones was a letterwinner for Eustis-Farnam in 2012.

The team will try a few new things, according to Coach Harchelroad, while not getting too complicated.

“Simple can be effective, but we are able to run more quick stuff and be a little more creative on offense and defense,” she said.

After running a 6/2 offense last year with Emma Skelton and Sydnee Harchelroad sharing the duties, Coach Harchelroad says she plans on starting the season with a six hitter/two setter offense, using S. Harchelroad and Alberts. Depending on how the season goes Coach Harchelroad wants to keep the option open of switching to a 5/1 offense as the season progresses.

“The setter is the quarterback of the team so they have a big responsibility to step it up and perform at the next level,” said Coach Harchelroad.

While the team wants to have fun, Harchelroad added that team unity will be important. She said the team has good senior leadership and it’s an important part of the team.

On the court the team hopes to speed up its game and put itself into Wild Card contention for a State Tournament berth in November.