

# Netters seek out new heights



Valerie Diede goes for a kill in practices.  
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In 2014, the McNary High School varsity volleyball team was in the enviable position of being the dark horse.

The Lady Celts finished the season with a 13-3 record, and the only Greater Valley Conference team it didn't beat at least once was West Albany High School. After finishing second in the league, McNary progressed all the way to the state's Elite 8 in the playoffs and the team is returning many from that roster.

"We're talking a lot about teams gunning for us, but I think some teams are still overlooking us and thinking it was a one-time, great season," said Kellie Scholl, McNary head coach.

"We've been working hard the past three weeks with the same high expectations," added senior Kaelie Flores. "The younger girls we have on the team are also working hard to carry forward the goals we accomplished last year."

Kylie Gilmour, Madi Cloyd, Madi Hingston, Reina Strand and Vanessa Hayes round out the team's returning seniors.

One thing the team has working in its favor this year, and for the first time in quite a while, is its height. Five members of the team top out at 6-foot or taller, another three are 5-foot-10 or better.

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#1	JR	Katelyn Lester	DS	5'6
#2	JR	Jaylene Montano	DS	5'3
#3	SR	Kylie Gilmour	DS	5'5
#4	JR	Haley Debban	DS	5'6
#5	JR	Sydney Hunter	OH	6'0
#6	SO	Valerie Diede	MB	6'0
#7	SR	Madison Cloyd	S	5'8
#8	JR	Shaylee Williams	OH	5'11
#9	SO	Sam Van Voorhis	S	5'6
#10	SR	Kaelie Flores	OH/MB	6'1
#11	SR	Madi Hingston	OH	5'10
#12	FR	Caiya Ewert	MB	5'11
#13	SR	Reina Strand	MB	6'2
#15	SR	Vanessa Hayes	MB/OH	6'0

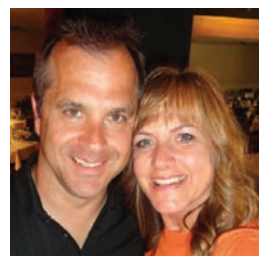
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