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Brooklyn Nordhausen stuffs the Dundy County-Stratton attack. (Diane Stamm | The Wauneta Breeze)

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Coming off a tough stretch of games, the Wauneta-Palisade Bronco volleyball team had a relatively easier week, splitting matches with Hitchcock County and Dundy County-Stratton.

The Broncos opened the week with a victory Tuesday, Oct. 1, over winless Hitchcock County.

Eleven players saw action in the contest.

Taylor Lee led the Broncos with 10 kills, hitting at a clip of 0.348. She added four service aces.

Brooklyn Nordhausen and Leiauna Alberts each had four kills and hit 0.273.

Alberts and Sydnee Harchelroad had 10 and 15 assists, respectively.

Thursday the team traveled to Benkelman to take on 8-11 Dundy County-Stratton. In W-P's five set loss, the Broncos led in each of the first four sets.

In set one W-P was ahead 7-4 before DCS came back to take a 14-10 lead. Tied at 18, the Broncos went on to win the set 25-21.

W-P got off to another hot start in the second set, opening up a 12-4 lead. With the Broncos

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leading at 17-11, DCS came roaring back, using nine kills and three aces to take the set 25-22.

The third set started off with W-P opening up a 12-6 lead. The Tigers nibbled away until tying the game at 15 and 17. W-P allowed five DCS kills down the stretch, losing 23-25.

The Broncos were on fire in set four, hitting 0.435. W-P had four service aces and nine kills in the set, cruising to a 25-11 and taking the momentum heading into the deciding fifth set.

W-P fell behind 1-5 right off the bat. Pulling to within two at 8-10, the Broncos were never able to get over the hump, losing the match 11-15.

Abbie Fanning led the Broncos with 12 kills on 51 swings. Lee had eight kills in 33 attempts and Harchelroad had five kills on 24 swings. Nordhausen hit 0.353 in the match with eight kills. The Broncos finished with an 0.119 hitting percentage.

Harchelroad added five services aces.

The Broncos played the week without Lesley Towery who injured a knee at the Brady Tournament. The injury should keep her sidelined until the RPAC tournament Oct. 21.

W-P's next game will be Oct. 15 against 2-10 Medicine Valley.