

2022 BALDWIN-WOODVILLE GIRLS SOFTBALL Klatt believes past experiences will fuel Blackhawk softball

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How does the Baldwin-Woodville softball team top its 2021 season?

A Middle Border Conference championship, a regional title, its fourth sectional title since 2010 and an appearance in the Division 2 State Championship.

The dream season had a sour ending as Waukesha Catholic Memorial defeated B-W 5-4 in the title game by scoring two runs in the top of the seventh inning.

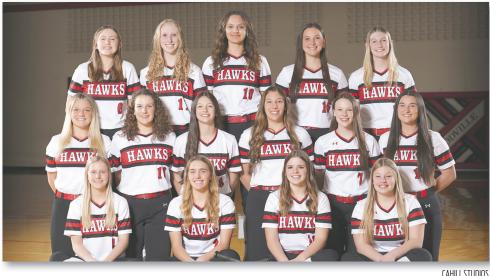
The Blackhawks now begin the road back to the state tournament. With six returning starters, they like their chances.

"One of the strengths that the 2022 team hopes to build on is our experience in big games," said coach Tim Klatt. "Many of these multi-sport athletes have competed at high levels in different sports."

For example, the volleyball team advanced to the sectional final, the girls' basketball team fell in the regional final and the girls hockey team won its conference.

"The girls on this year's team aren't afraid of the big moment and we hope to provide more big moments for the fanbase to enjoy," Klatt said.

In softball, if you have an elite pitcher that takes care of a lot of worries for a team.



The Baldwin-Woodville softball varsity team: Brooke Klatt, Marin Nygaard, Marney Roemhild, Hailey Cota, Jenna Livingston, Sara Groskreutz, Trinity Mittl, Jordyn Letter, Ryeah Oehlke, Ella Sorenson, Morgan Smetana, Hailey Maurer, Kate Groskreutz, Abby Nilssen, Kayla Bonte.

Baldwin-Woodville has one of the best around in Winona State recruit Morgan Smetana. Smetana is a twotime all-conference performer, who in addition was named all-district and all-state. In the state semifinal against Marinette last year, Smetana struck out 18 batters.

Brooke Klatt returns at second base. Klatt was an all-conference, all-district. and all-state performer last year. The final senior starter is Kate Groskreutz, who played outfield last year, but will man first base this year, replacing the graduated Morgan Hable. Groskreutz was an all-conference selection in 2019.

Returning junior starters are Marney Roemhild and Trinity Mittl. Both were named all-conference and all-district last year. Roemhild will split her time between third base and right field, while Mittl will be at catcher or outfield. Jordvn Letter earned an all-conference selection last year in the outfield.

Other returning letter winners include junior Kayla Bonte, sophomores Jenna Livingston, Abigail Nilssen, Marin Nygaard and Ella Sorenson. Tim Klatt is also high on sophomore transfer student Ryeah Oehlke and freshmen Hailey Cota, Sara Groskreutz and Hailey Maurer to replace the departed seniors Tyann Mittl, Ashley Furrer, Olivia Dumond and Hable.

There is one noticeable change for the 2022 Blackhawk season. They

were bumped down to Division 3 for playoff action this year. That means the Blackhawks could contend with Prescott in playoff action as well, as the Cardinals advanced to the Division 3 State Championship game before losing to Dodgeville.

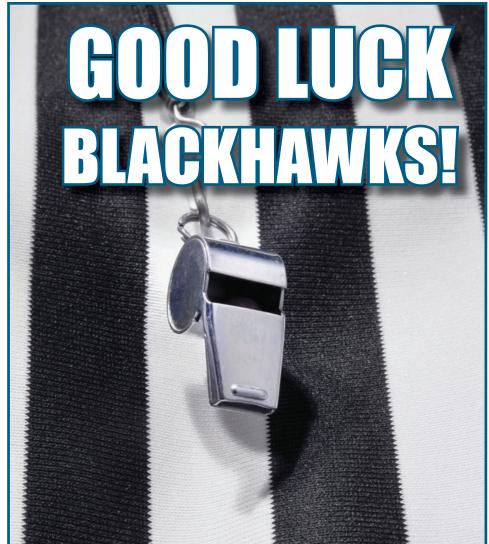
Besides the Cardinals, Tim Klatt predicts Somerset, Ellsworth, and Altoona as teams to watch in the conference. Sectional contenders include Bloomer, Northwestern, Neillsville, Arcadia, and G-E-T.

2022 BALDWIN-WOODVILLE GIRLS SOFTBALL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	GR.	POS.
2	Brooke Klatt	12	ZB
3	Marin Nygaard	10	OF
4	Marney Roemhild	11	3B/RF
б	Hailey Cota	9	OF
7	Jenna Livingston	10	OF
8	Sara Groskreutz	9	P/INF
9	Trinity Mittl	11	C/OF
10	Jordyn Letter	11	OF
11	Ryeah Oehlke	10	SS
12	Ella Sorenson	10	INF
13	Morgan Smetana	12	P/INF
14	Hailey Maurer	9	C/1B
15	Kate Groskreutz	12	1B
16	Abigail Nilssen	10	OF/C
18	Kayla Bonte	11	OF

Head Coach: Tim Klatt · JV Coach: Jeff Newton Assistant Coaches: Jason Klopp, JR Dachel, Charlie Tobin Manager: Angela Nilssen









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