

ATHLETES OF THE MONTH

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★ ★ ★ JED KIZZIAR ★ ★ ★ REBECCA RUBBERT ★ ★ ★

A tennis ace, a hard-working rider shine for Outlaws

Junior Jed Kizziar ran through the month and the Outlaws league tennis schedule undefeated, 8-0, earning the number-one singles seed into the district tournament. In doing so, Jed won several close, tense matches. He had to come from behind several times.

His strength helped the boys tennis team record a winning league record: 4-3-1.



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Jed has been a distinguished leader of our tennis team. He often helps focus the team, and he helps foster an inclusive environment. Even though he's the best player on the team, he will often start practice hitting with some of the weaker players to make them feel a part of the team, and help them improve.

Rebecca Rubbert is a hard-working team member, senior and captain of the OHSET team. She has participated in OHSET since she was a freshman. She recently competed at the state meet in the events of Trail and In-hand Trail.

Rebecca is an accomplished rider who is able to compete in a variety of

events. She is an educated competitor as well. In preparation for practice and competition, she reads the rule book and learns complicated patterns, which has paid off with high scores from the judges. In her four years on OHSET, she has been able to compete in a variety of disciplines such as: Western Horsemanship, In-hand Trail, Trail, Showmanship, Working Pairs, Team Flags, Bi-rangle, Poles, Keyhole, Figure-8 and Barrels.

Rebecca showed great leadership skills as the team captain this year. She assisted with leading practices, helping new team members to learn patterns and improve their



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horsemanship. She was always quick to assist, to encourage her team members and helped to make sure athletes were ready during the meets. She is an excellent student, an accomplished rider, diverse equestrian athlete and compassionate leader. She will attend a four-year university upon graduation, majoring in journalism.

PILOT: Chladek has plans for professional aviation

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practical exams to earn his private license when he turns 17 next year. After graduation, Chladek intends to enroll in the aviation program at COCC (Central Oregon Community College) to take advantage of the incentives offered by Horizon and Sky West airlines to fill the pending pilot shortage. After college, Chladek wants to become a commercial pilot doing international flights or as a bush pilot.

Chladek's parents, Rima Givot and Gabe Chladek, are very supportive of his passion for aviation.

"We are thankful that we have, right here in Sisters, such a great aviation program that teaches good reasoning and responsibility to the students that they can not only use in flying, but carry into every other area of their lives. Kudos to everyone that makes this possible, from Jon Renner who first introduced George to flying, to Sheryl Yeager at Sisters High School, and Sam Monte and Walt Lasecki with Outlaw Aviation. It really is a team effort," said Givot.

Givot is looking forward to utilizing the free flight benefits that family members of commercial pilots enjoy.

"I'm excited to fly on an airliner with George at the controls," she said.

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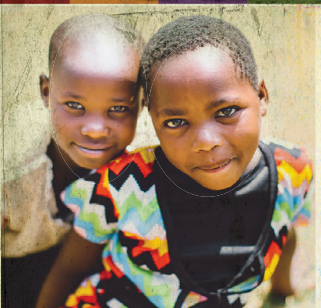
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