

Cheer squad notches win

Outlaws skiers compete in slalom race

Outlaws cheer battled injury and adversity as they headed into their weekend competitions. They competed with only seven girls instead of nine against tough 4A teams.

On Saturday at the Scotsman Rumble competition they placed first, and on Sunday at the West Linn Welcome to the Jungle they placed second.

The Outlaws are looking great as they prepare for state and nationals. They are led by seniors Abbey Busick, Roy Gannon and Errin Hongel. Juniors AriAnne Griffy and Victoria Shellswell-White; sophomore Rachelle Dale; and freshmen McKenzie Shells-well-White, Ana Cole and McKenna Brinkman make up the rest of the squad.



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An injury-hobbled Outlaws Cheer squad nevertheless managed to win one competition and take second in another last weekend.

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The Outlaws competed in a slalom race on the I-5 run at Mt. Bachelor under calm, sunny conditions on January 12.

The boys varsity team scored 14 points for a combined time of 4:05.24, which resulted in a fourth-place finish. They were within reach of Mt. View, who took third with a time of 4:01.70.

Evan Palmer led the Outlaws with a two-run combined time of 1:21.02, and an overall eighth-place finish.

Coach Gabe Chladek said, “Evan’s focus on running gates over winter break and his aggressive approach to skiing the race course paid off for him.”

Colton Seymour finished 10th (1:21.18), Kincaid Smeltzer was 20th (1:26.48), George Chladek 24th (1:29.06), and Simon Rhett finished 42nd with a time of 1:36.14.

The girls varsity squad

had a combined team time of 5:21.72 and finished seventh overall.

Skylar Wilkins had Sisters’ top time at 1:42.96 and finished in 31st place. Remaining girls times were: Hollie Lewis, 34th with a time of 1:45.98; Sydney Wilkins, 41st (1:52.78); Grayce Williver, 47th (2:08.67); and Piper Adelt, 51st (2:32.51).

Chladek said, “Overall, the level of competition on the team is up, and it’s pushing everyone to improve.”

The boys JV squad earned a fifth-place finish with a team time of 5:40.82, behind Corvallis who had 5:27.28.

Assistant Coach Rima Givot said, “The team members are really competitive this year, and they’re doing a great job of pushing and supporting each other.”

The Outlaws’ race on January 19 was canceled due to rain and will be rescheduled later in the season. They will compete in a Giant Slalom at Mt. Bachelor on January 26.

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