

Skiers race on Leeway at Mt. Bachelor

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The Outlaws raced on the Leeway run at Mount Bachelor on Saturday, February 8. Weather conditions were quite windy, which delayed the start of the race, and only allowed time for a one-run race.

The varsity girls were short two racers, but still finished fourth overall, which according to Coach Gabe Chladek was an outstanding finish. Hollie Lewis skied a great slalom run and took eighth place (32 points).

“Hollie implemented some new techniques she learned in practice on Thursday, and skied a more dynamic fast line,” said Chladek.

Sydney Wilkins finished 23rd (eight points), Piper Adelt was 43rd, and Amy Cohen took 48th.

The varsity boys Tied for third place with Summit High School. George Chladek logged the fastest run for the Outlaws with a fifth-place finish (45 points).

“George skied a really clean and fast line on the course,” said Chladek

Colton Seymour took 14th (18 points), Corbin Fredland 15th (16 points), and Bela Chladek 19th (12 points). Evan Palmer fought through tough early course conditions and had a slight technical issue on the course. Evan still managed to place 23rd (eight points), and Simon Rhett took 32nd.

The JV boys had a strong race and finished third. Christopher Lundgren skied the fastest JV run and came in 36th overall. Remaining scores were: Connor Petke 46th, Ethan Eckert 56th, Oscar Rhett 59th, Vicente Rebolledo 65th, Ian Cash

69th, and Ilya Goheen 79th. Mitchell Griffin raced competitively, but unfortunately crashed on the course. Freshman Aiden Eckert skied a fairly clean run, but had a technical disqualification late in the course.

“Overall, the Outlaws teams are still very competitive this season,” said Chladek. “The top four varsity teams from the league will advance to the state championships, which will be held in Ashland, March 4-6. Both the girls and boys teams have a good chance of making it this year!”

A week earlier on Friday, January 31, the boys ski team raced in their first giant slalom race on Cliffhanger at Mt. Bachelor. The skies were sunny, but surface conditions were a bit rough. The Outlaws finished fourth overall, and the team’s fastest combined time of the day came from freshman Bela Chladek, who scored 62 points and finished fifth.

Remaining scores were: Senior Evan Palmer 10th place (45 points), senior George Chladek 14th place, and freshman Corbin Fredland 16th place. Simon Rhett placed 33rd. Cole Seymour scored 22 points on his first run and disqualified on his second.

On Saturday, February 1, both the boys and the girls teams raced in a one-run giant slalom. A normal race day consists of two runs, and a single run race can be difficult to prepare for mentally. The conditions were stormy and wet, and the Sisters teams were able to ski consistently and stay the course.

The varsity girls came in fifth behind the three Bend schools and South Eugene. Hollie Lewis had the fastest

run with a 22nd-place finish. Sydney Wilkins came in 30th, Skylar Wilkins was 33rd, Piper Adult was 53rd, Tatum Cramer 56th, and Annie Cohen 58th.

The boys varsity took fourth, and two freshmen finished with the fastest times; Bela Chladek sixth (40 points), and Corbin Fredland 11th (24 points). Remaining scores were: Evan Palmer 14th (18 points), Colton Seymour 15th (16 points), George Chladek 21st (10 points), and Mitchell Griffin 32nd.

Next up for the Outlaws is a girls-only race, which will be a giant slalom at Willamette Pass on Saturday, February 15.



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