

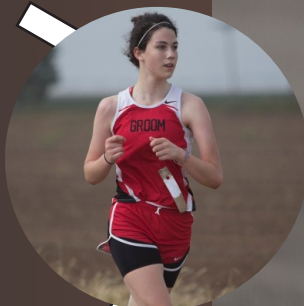
Sisterly Support...

Sophomore Leslie Germany runs at the district meet and finishes with a time of 20:59. Her season ended at the district meet in Groom placing 16th. "I don't really enjoy Cross Country, but it's a somewhat good experience. It helps get ready for basketball season," Germany said.



First Trip to Regionals...

Sophomore Caroline Britten pushes for seventh place at the district meet. She qualified for regionals where she ended her season placing 98th with a time of 15:09. "Cross Country is definitely not on the top of my list of favorite things to do, but it was a great way to start getting ready for basketball," Britten said.



Regionals as a Freshman...

Jamey Germany passes the competition to claim tenth place at the district meet. She ended her first high school season this year at regionals, placing 103rd with a time of 15:16. "Cross Country was hard to do, but it taught me that nothing ever comes easy, and you have to work for what you want," Germany said.



Pushing the Pace...

Junior Andrew Ingle pushes for a new fastest time. His season ended at regionals this year, placing 40th with a new best time of 19:19. He was only 24 places away from qualifying for state. "This year didn't go as planned, but I was still happy to improve my time," Ingle said.

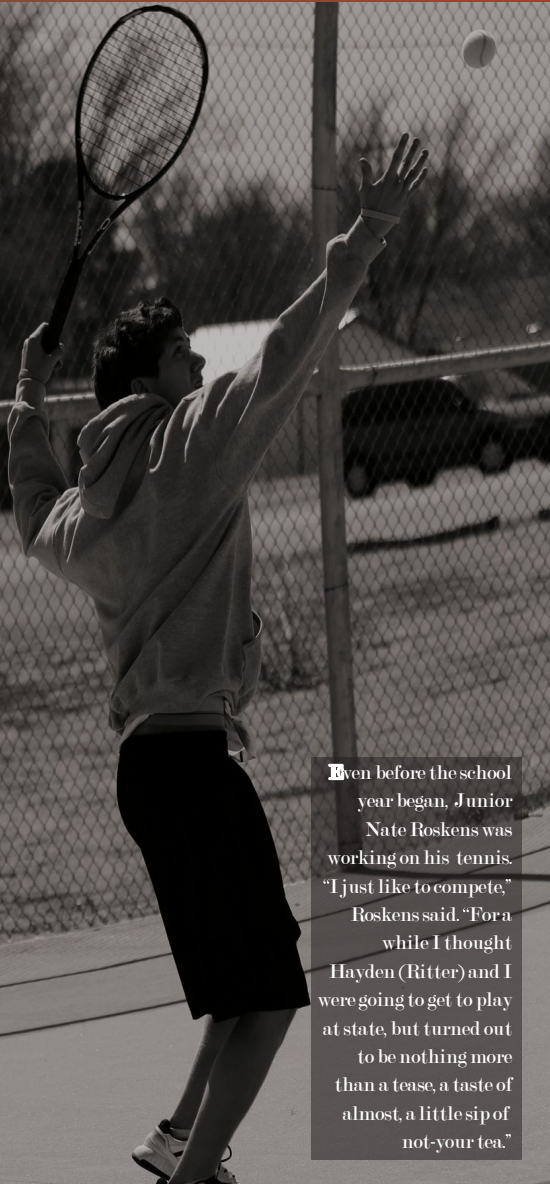


Cross Country

Runners set pace for regional race ...

Tennis

Players advance to regionals ...



Even before the school year began, Junior Nate Roskens was working on his tennis. "I just like to compete," Roskens said. "For a while I thought Hayden (Ritter) and I were going to get to play at state, but turned out to be nothing more than a tease, a taste of almost, a little sip of not-your tea."



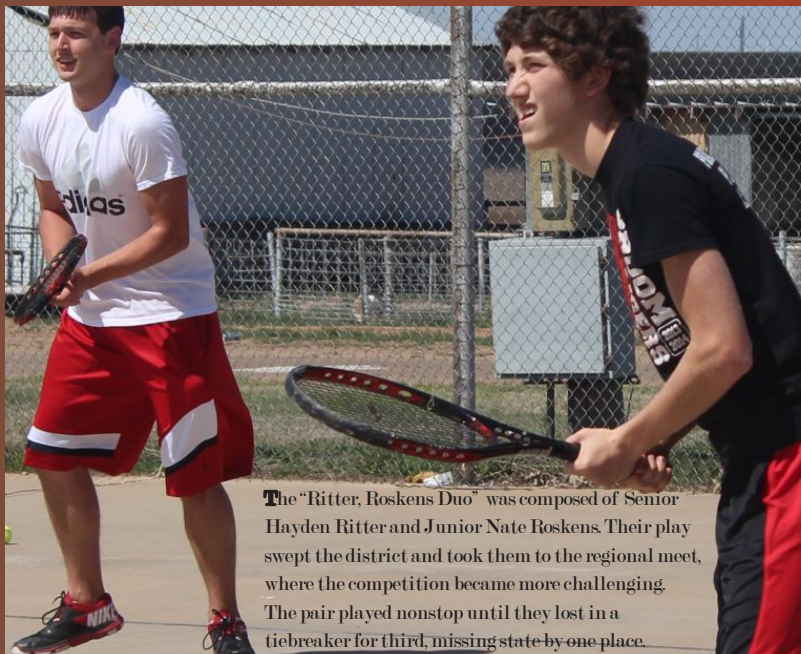
Garet Rocha and Alan Bush competed in singles. Rocha and Wesley Froese began as doubles partners. When Froese couldn't attend the district meet, Rocha competed in singles instead. "I did better in singles than I did in doubles," Rocha said.



While Morgan Trevino and Jamey Germany didn't advance, they still had a "fun" season. "My most memorable moment was when Morgan got smacked in the face with a tennis ball!" Germany said. "When we got to eat pizza was fun, too."



Nathan Ruthardt and Logan Siler played boys doubles. "Our tennis season wasn't very good because we were a lot smaller than the other teams we played," Ruthardt said. "I don't know if I'll play tennis again, but if I do I hope to play better."



The "Ritter, Roskens Duo" was composed of Senior Hayden Ritter and Junior Nate Roskens. Their play swept the district and took them to the regional meet, where the competition became more challenging. The pair played nonstop until they lost in a tiebreaker for third, missing state by one place.



Bradie Dodson and Renee Payne played girls doubles. "Tennis was short, but good. I'm glad I got to play. It was fun," Dodson said. "Tennis was a fun experience, and I'm glad I got to play with Bradie," Payne said.



Senior Christy Painter was the only tennis player to compete in girls' singles. Painter played to earn second and continued on to the regional tennis meet, where the senior won her first match, but lost the second in a close battle.

