

April Members of the Month



River Cities Tennis Player of the Month Spotlight

Henry Dollar is an unstoppable force on the pickleball courts. He participates in adult open play and adult pickleball tournaments as an eighth grader. He is also involved in the Junior Excellence Tennis Program at River Cities Tennis and Pickleball.

Henry first learned how to play pickleball in DeWitt, at the outdoor courts on his own. Watching videos really helped him with the rules and scoring also. People were always kind and willing to play with him even though he was new to the sport of pickleball. Henry really appreciated their help.

Henry hopes to play varsity tennis one day, and that the Iowa Boys Union adds pickleball to school sports programs soon. He loves the people he plays with in tennis and pickleball. Those people are great, and they make these two sports so much fun! He wants to thank everyone for helping him become a better player.



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Elizabeth Grinnal is part of the elite 16 who qualified for state competition in 2025. Elizabeth, who was unseeded, finished sixth in the Iowa State Singles Competition. This was a defining moment in her tennis performance to date.

Elizabeth discovered her passion for the sport of tennis, at age four through the then Clinton Parks and Rec program, which later became the River Cities Tennis Association. Through her lessons there, she has grown into an accomplished player winning local and sanctioned USTA tournaments.

She is known for her exceptional court coverage. She has amazing power on her groundstrokes considering that she is a whole 5'2" tall. Her overhead is so huge that opponents run off the court when she lines up to hit that overhead smash in doubles. Elizabeth and Josie Srp were undefeated this past season in doubles play.

Elizabeth loves to watch Aryna Sabalenka. She is a role model for Elizabeth, her biggest role models though, are her mother and grandmother who she loves dearly. She thanks them for all the wonderful things they have done in her life, plus she loves her other family members too.