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Grant County Fair and Rodeo Queen Reitta Wyllie earns a third place ribbon at the June 12 Eastern Oregon Livestock Show Parade. Grant County's fair and rodeo is scheduled for Aug. 5-8.

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# Special Olympians find joy in competing

Team looks forward to Summer State Games

> By Angel Carpenter Blue Mountain Eagle

MILTON-FREEWATER Grant County Special Olympics athletes put their best foot forward at the June 20 Regional Summer Games

The event, at Mil-Shockton-Freewater's man Field, drew Special Olympics groups from Baker, Hermiston/Pendleton, Milton-Freewater, Union, Mitchell, Harney County and Washington State.

Coaches Anthony and Sharon Busch led the Grant County team of 11 athletes for track and field events, ranging from softball throw to pentathlon.

"I thought they all did really well," Anthony said. "We practice at Grant Union High School, and almost invariably they beat their time in practice."

He said he appreciated the other volunteers who attended: Deronda Lallatin, Jannet Hoeffner, Kodi Bremner and Karla Colson.



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The Grant County Special Olympics athletes, coaches and other volunteers gather for a group picture after the Regional Summer Games in Milton-Freewater. Coaches Sharon and Anthony Busch are in back, second and third from left.

"You can't do it without your helpers," he said.

Charley Fronapel competed in pentathlon for a second time, earning second place behind Baker City's Robert Dean Martinez.

Fronapel said the race was good, and he feels ready for the upcoming Summer State Games set for July 11-12 in New-

Sharon added all the athletes had fun.

"We encourage them to do their personal best," she said.

The oath the athletes take at the events reads: "Let me win, but if I cannot win let me have the joy of competing."



Regional Summer Games results: Rodney Brunson: 50-meter walk, 2nd; softball throw, 1st Jay Colson: 400-meter race walk, 5th; 4x100 relay, 1st; shot put, 3rd Charley Fronapel: 4x100, 3rd; pentathlon, 2nd Josiah Hoeffner: 100-meter dash,

4th; 4x100 relay, 3rd, softball throw, Katie Latham: 100-meter dash, 5th; 400-meter race walk, 4th

Caleb Madsen: 200-meter dash, 4th; 400-meter dash, 3rd; 4x100, 3rd Brian McKrola: 100-meter dash, 1st; 4x100, 1st; shot put, 3rd Bill Pauley: 100-meter dash, 5th; 400-meter race walk, 3rd; 4x100 relay, 3rd

Katie Shockley: 50-meter walk, 2nd; softball throw, 6th Elizabeth Swarthout: 100-meter dash, 4th; 4x100 relay, 1st; softball throw, 3rd Crystal Wimberley: 400-meter race

walk, 2nd; 4x100 relay, 1st; shot



The Eagle/contributed photo Caleb Madsen sports a medal he earned.

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