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SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEAM OKLAHOMA BEGINS COMPETITIONS

Team Oklahoma is competing in 8 sporting competitions in USA National Games in Lincoln, Neb.

TULSA, Oklahoma- Team Oklahoma is currently competing in the 2010 Special Olympics USA National Games during the week of July 19 through 23, 2010. As of 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 21 Special Olympics has started posting results from Team Oklahoma athletes' competitions. There are plenty of competitions yet to begin.

Samantha Cooper, Ponca City

Powerlifting

Bench Press – 1st GOLD

Combination All Lifts – 3rd

Dead Lift – 2nd

Squat Lift – 3rd

Jordan Duncan, Tulsa

Athletics Pentathlon

100 M Run – 3rd

Long Jump – 3rd

Barry Hemphill, Tulsa

Athletics Pentathlon

100M Run – 4th

Erin Henke, Guthrie

Athletics

50M Walk – 2nd

James Holder, Jenks

Athletics
10,000M Run – 3rd
5,000M Run – 4th

Alan Chris Holmes, Poteau
Athletics
100M Run – 5th

Jennifer Horton, Broken Arrow
Bowling
Doubles – 3rd
Singles – 2nd

Yulanda Danae Hubert, Catoosa
Powerlifting
Bench Press – 4th
Combination All Lifts – 2nd
Dead Lift – 3rd
Squat Lift – 1st GOLD

Katy Lew, Tulsa and James McGowan (Unified Partner), Tulsa
Bocce
Unified Team – 3rd

Joe Pankonin, Enid and George Pankonin (Unified Partner), Enid
Golf
Level 2 Alternate Shot Team Play – 2nd

James Price, Edmond
Bowling
Doubles – 3rd

Megan Riddle, Pauls Valley
Athletics
Shotput – 4th

Jeff Rowe, Ponca City
Powerlifting
Bench Press – 3rd
Combination All Lifts – 3rd
Dead Lift – 3rd
Squat Lift – 3rd

Nikki Schilling, Edmond and Perry Sneed (Unified Partner), Edmond
Bocce
Unified Team – 3rd

Brandon Underwood, Heavener
Athletics
100M Run – 2nd
Long Jump – 1st GOLD

Kristie Wainwright, Tulsa
Bowling
Doubles – 3rd
Singles – 2nd

Amy Wollmershauser, Tulsa
400M Walk – 1st GOLD

Jeff Wright, Tulsa
Bowling
Doubles – 3rd

Team Oklahoma has 55 athletes competing in Aquatics, Athletics, Bocce, Bowling, Golf, Powerlifting, Soccer and Volleyball. Accompanying the athletes are 15 coaches and 3 delegates. The USA National Games will be held in Lincoln, Neb., July 18-23 and include 13 different sporting competitions for almost 3,000 Special Olympics athletes from across the United States.

Competition photo attached:

Jordan Duncan, Team Oklahoma, completes his first jump in the long jump portion of the decathlon at Ed Weir Stadium on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Campus during the 2010 Special Olympics USA National Games.

Photo: Brandon Kusek, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

About the Special Olympics Oklahoma

More information about Special Olympics Oklahoma can be found at <http://www.specialolympicsoklahoma.org/NationalGames.html>. A list of athletes and their hometowns, biographies and photos can be found here. For more information, please contact Donna Ham at 918-481-1234.

About the 2010 Special Olympics USA National Games

The 2010 Special Olympics USA National Games in Lincoln, Nebraska will showcase and celebrate the Special Olympics movement and athletes from across the United States, while illustrating the power of sports to educate and inform about the true abilities and achievements of people with intellectual disabilities. From July 18-23, 2010, nearly 3,000 athletes will compete in 13 Olympic-style sports, with the support of 1,000 coaches, 8,000 volunteers and an estimated 15,000 family and friends. In addition to sports, the USA National Games will offer various programs in health, wellness and education. To learn more, please visit www.2010specialolympics.org

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