MS Boys Compete at Hill City By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Middle School boys track team competed at the Hill City Invitational on April 24. The eighth grade boys scored 17 points for the Bulldogs.

Roberto Araux scored many of the team's points as he placed first in the 100m run with a PR time of 5:52.60. He placed fourth in the 200m hurdles running in 34.06 seconds, and fifth in the 100m dash with a PR time of 13.19. He just missed out of points with a seventh place run of 1:04.82 in the 400m.

Also scoring for the Bulldogs was Jose Rios who placed sixth in Shot Put with a 32' 3" throw. This is the first year the WKLL has allowed middle school athletes to compete in javelin. Rios established the school record in this event by throwing 76' 6.5". "I plan to keep working to throw farther to set a good record to challenge others," said Rios. He threw the discus 59' 10.5" and set a PR in long jump of 12' 9/75".

Javier Romero set a PR in the 100m of 19.83 and a PR in Discus of 71' 6". He also threw shot put 23' 0.5" and javelin 53'1". "I'm proud of and excited for everyone setting PR's," added Rios. "It's never enough; we need to keep setting PR's."

The seventh and sixth grade competed together in the 7th grade division. Cristian Garcia score the only team point by placing sixth in the 400m dash with a PR run of 1:14.25. He set another PR in the 800m run of 2:55.84 just missing out on points in seventh place. Cristian long jumped 12'4" and threw the discus 46' 10".

Koen Schaben set three Personal Record in 200m 36.40, Long Jump 9' 5.75", and Triple Jump 22' 6.5". Additional PR's were set by Parker Vahling 800m 3:01.23, Nash Ziegelmeier Shot Put 20' 5", and Tannor Todd Discus 57' 3".

Results of other events included: 200m-Vahling 34.13; 4 s 100m Relay (Amlong, Schaben, Zeigemeier, Todd) 1:10.53; Long Jump—Ziegelmeier 7' 2.5", Brandon Karnes 5' 4.5"; Shot Put—Owen Amlong 21' 9"; Discus—Karnes 29' 0"; Javelin—Ziegelmeier 61' 4.5", Todd 57' 8", Amlong 55' 8.5".

"We've improved a log since last year," said Tannor Todd. We got bigger and stronger. Our goal is to continue to improve to set additional PR's." The team will compete again at Quinter on April 28.