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Visalia PAL boxing program participates in the 2017 Desert Showdown in Hanford, CA

The Visalia Police Activities League boxing program traveled to Hanford with 8 boxers to compete in the 2017 Desert Showdown World Amateur boxing tournament. The tournament was held July 28th through July 30th, and drew in more than 200 participants. The boxing tournament brought boxers throughout the nation to compete for a championship in their weight division. During the three day tournament, Visalia PAL had six boxers win their weight division and bring home a championship belt. These champions showed heart, dedication, perseverance and proved hard work wins championships.

The six champions from the tournament are Angel Archuleta 14 years old, Jennah Creason 11 years old, Richard Garica 14 years old, Gilberto Ortiz 10 years old, Jacob Rodriguez 10 years old, and Matthew Andrade 11 years old. Visalia PAL boxing club as well as the Visalia Police Department, is proud of all their boxers who competed in this tournament.



