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Team walking in the opening ceremony Photo Sally McKay Diablo Valley Track & Field Club (DVTFC) captured four medals at the 2009 USATF National Junior Olympic Championships held in Greensboro, North Carolina, July 27th to August 2nd.

Ian Stuertz was a double medalist, finishing 7th in the Midget Boys (11-12 yr. age group) pentathlon with 2,116 points overall and he placed 5th in the Midget Boys high jump at 4'9" (1.45 meters).

Adler Faulkner took 4th place in the Youth Boys (13- 14 yr. age group) 800 meter run, with a time of 2:04.08 which was less than 0.5 seconds off the Pacific Association record.

Amy Hollshwandner, Kelli Berge, Haley McKay and anchor Amy Ingram captured 8th place in the Youth Girls (13-14 yr. age group) 4x800 meter relay setting a new DVTFC club record of 10:20.34.

In addition to the DVTFC medal winners, other National Junior Olympic qualifiers competing in Greensboro, NC included Grace Brown in the Bantam Girls (9-10 yr. age

group) 400 meter run, and 800 meter run capturing a new 800 meter DVTFC record with a time of 2:36.89), Raea Gragg in the Midget Girls long jump, and Amy Ingram in the Youth Girls high jump. The athletes were coached by Darrin Neutz and Harlan Lopez.

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