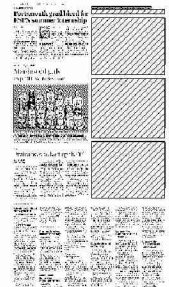


SPECIAL OLYMPICS STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT Portsmouth teams win 2 gold medals



The Clippers faced the Storming Hawks and the Merrimack Tigers in pool play, and then went on to beat Merrimack in the championship game. Pictured, back row, from left: Scott Rutherford, coach Kati Pesaresi, Bryan Rogers, coach Andrea Rogers, Abby Salvador and Erika Waterbury; middle row: Brynn Van Dorn, Darryl Date, Lindsay Veilleux and Derek Baer; and front row: left Zack Mason, Ryan Cummings, Kevin Cummings and Luke Devins. COURTESY PHOTOS





The Pirates played the Nashua Mavericks and the Salem Junior Devils in pool play, and ended up beating Salem in the championship game. Pictured, back row, from left: Rob Munson, coach Melissa McDonald, Coach Billy Baer, Joslyn Mulkern and Rayna Pappas; middle row: Erika Bissonnette, Kasey Darnell, Michael Nowak, Ally Johnson, Marquis Messina and Mariah Gauthier; and front row: Chris Anders and Michael Clayburgh.



The Buccaneers faced two tough teams, the Merrimack Tigers and the Concord Golden Eagles, but played extremely well and still won the bronze medal in the Unified Level 3 Division. Pictured, back row, from left: Scott Nichols, Kristen Anderson and coach Bob Herold; middle row: Brian Miller, Erin Kotkowski, Patsy Brinkley, Destiny Higgott, Austin House, Marissa Brawn, Alex Gladu, Roman Cottonham and Ellis Guijarro; and front row: Faith Poirier and Clair Sargent-Herold.