The inaugural **Battle of the Rexes – T-Rex Racing for Charity** was conducted on a beautiful, fun-filled afternoon of racing at Fonner Park on Saturday, April 16.

The first T-Rex race was the Male Division, and the race was won by Cody Rush, who earned \$100 with his fleet feet and earned \$100 for his designated non-profit, Choice Family Healthcare of Grand Island.

In the Female Division, Alissa Harris was a runaway winner of her heat and she too earned \$100, plus earned \$100 for her designated non-profit, the Crisis Center of Grand Island.

The two preliminary races provided for the *Battle of the Rexes*, which was comprised of the top finishers of each division. In the big finale, Louis Kaelin was chasing in second-place when the leader, Cody Rush, tripped over his tail and fell. Kaelin assumed the lead and sprinted home safely to victory. Louis earned \$100 for his win and \$300 will be donated to the GISH Touchdown Club. Brandon Rohr finished four T-Rex lengths behind in second to earn \$200 for Compass of Kearney. And young lad, Johnny Price, closed with a torrid threatening late rush, but fell just before the finish line and recovered to secure a third-place finish. His effort was worth a \$100 donation to the Heartland Events Center.

The event was presented by Equitable Bank, which provided the funding and the charity/non-profit donations and prize allocations to the participants. Brian Gallagher of GI Family Radio was the emcee.



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