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(Above) Hundreds of people lined Crosby Street in downtown Tekoa on Saturday afternoon, June 19, to participate in the annual egg toss competition. (Below) Dressed as a cowboy, a youngster expressively awaits an egg tossed his way during the annual Slippery Gulch Celebration on Saturday, June 29, in Tekoa.

## Monroy, Carren repeat at Slippery Gulch egg toss



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TEKOA — Brothers-in-law Shane Monroy and Sander Carren won the 28th Slippery Gulch egg toss after fending off a new Tekoa graduate and a visiting videographer.

The annual spectacle returned to Crosby Street on June 19 after no festival in 2020.

“Three years in a row, man,” said Carren.

His wife then informed him there was no event last year. So, it was after their victory in 2019.

Carren and Monroy won \$50 each “and a trip to Tilma,” as called by an-

“I was actually pulling for her, but we couldn’t give it to her”  
— Sander Carren,  
about competitor Ava Rambo

nouncer Chris Smith.

In second-place were crowd favorites Ava Rambo, of Tekoa, and Gabe Grende, of Big Fork, Mont., the grandson of city councilman and former mayor John Jaeger. On a previous visit, Grende shot the video for Rambo’s senior project.

“I was actually pulling for her, but we couldn’t give it to her,” said Carren.

Plans for the winnings leaned to the short-term.

“Give it to the kids (for the park),” Carren said.

The egg toss began with hundreds of pairs lined up and down the street, whittling down to an “elite nine,” and continued until two people remained.



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Candy is thrown to spectators from a tractor during the parade.



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Two young ladies enjoy the view from the tractor during Slippery Gulch.



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## Parade Royalty

(Above) Riding in two classic chassis, members of the Spokane Valley royal court participated in the annual Slippery Gulch Celebration Grand Parade in Tekoa on Saturday, June 19. Two of the princesses rode in one vehicle while Valleyfest Queen Hayli Sanders (right), who attends University High School, rode in a second vehicle.

(Right) Tekoa was represented in the Slippery Gulch Celebration Grand Parade by its royal court, from left, Princess Hannah Rinehart, Queen Elise Wilkins and Princess Audra Kliewer. The float was driven by Rob Wilkins.

