

Hot air balloon show a huge success

(KLZA)-- Despite concerns about weather on Saturday, the return of the hot air balloon show to Falls City this past weekend was successful beyond all expectations.

Falls City Chamber and Main Street Director Amber Holle said it was a huge success and the crowd estimated at 4 – 5,000 in attendance was beyond anybody's wildest dreams.

While only two balloons were able to lift off because of the wind Saturday evening, the crowd at Brenner Field was understanding.

Holle says the large crowd did catch them off guard, but said plans are being made for next years event. Food and beverage vendors ran out of products to sell, parking was at a premium for the event and traffic was backed up all the way back into Falls City.

All the balloons lifted off Sunday morning and it was estimated the fly-in breakfast drew a crowd of around 200.

The photo was taken by balloon passenger Lori Gottula.

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