

Mount Isa Athletics



PRESS RELEASE

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Seventeen dedicated Cloncurry athletes trekked to Mount Isa last weekend to join in on the Mount Isa Athletic Clubs fifth Club day of the season.

Vice President of the Mount Isa Athletics Club, David Scott, said “they picked a great time to come down as we were running hurdles this week which is something they don’t get to experience in Cloncurry as yet, there were a couple of spills but everyone survived the day unscathed. As an added bonus for the older athletes we were also conducting triple jump and hammer throw so they got heaps of new experiences on their trip.”

Cloncurry Club has been opened up as a wing of the Mount Isa Athletic Club to ascertain the viability of creating a Club in its own right in the future. The Cloncurry PCYC has been instrumental in allowing the Curry residents the opportunity to experience athletics by supplying all the equipment and administration and even marking the track. Sergeant Mick Hughes and his band of helpers need to be congratulated on their efforts thus far.

At this point Cloncurry athletes are recognised as Mount Isa athletes, they are vying for the same end of year trophies and they are on the same points system. The only thing that has been kept separate are the Club records so that when Cloncurry does go out on its own they will have their own set of local records.

Sergeant Mick provided the PCYC bus and transported the seventeen athletes and their parents to Sunset Oval, they joined 101 Mount Isa athletes in a day of enjoyable competition. He said “I have already had a few of the kids asking when we were coming back again, so on that note alone I am guessing that they had a good time”.

As the day progressed it became a virtual PB fest with no less than 183 Personal Best’s recorded for the day. Three determined athletes Jaxon Constantinou, Kirra Horsnell and Patrick Baker even managed to achieve the coveted Perfect 5 from 5 Personal Bests and will receive Medallions noting their success in the coming weeks. The feat was particularly sweet for Jaxon finally getting 5 from 5 after falling one short in each of the previous two weeks. It could have proved to be an expensive weekend for the Club with another nine athletes all finishing with 4 from 5. The athletes Mackenzie McCulloch, Ashlee Toms, Rhyley Wilson, Rico Waerea, Max Mills, Brianna Waerea, Jonah Donovan, Jakarra Carney and Coach Awesome (aka, David Scott) all were tantalisingly close with their fifth or hadn’t competed in one of the events thus far. Jorja Carney was also close with three PB’s and an equal time. But condolences must go out to Ben Horsnell who also achieved four PB’s in the two previous weeks and again managed three this week with the other two very close, only to have his sister Kirra come through and beat him to the Perfect 5 from 5.

Sam Scobie from Cloncurry will receive this week’s “Top Tot” award after overcoming his fears and doing a great job.

CLUB VENUE

Sunset Oval
Able Smith Parade
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Nine more Legend Certificates will be awarded to Memphis Waerea, Sam Riddle, Jace Fraser, Katidjah Fraser, Rico Waerea, Jade Scott, Phoenix McMillan and Jakarra Carney.

Two more Development Squad qualifying performances were put in by Jade Scott (11) in High Jump 1.10m and Brianna Waerea (10) in Shot Put 6.80m.

Records however were a scarce commodity with Paul Smith the only one to set a new mark, beating his own Hammer Throw record with a distance of 21.17m in the 50-54yrs age group.

Best performers for Cloncurry were 11yr old Emma Cursio and 12yr old Daniel Grant. Daniel set a new All Comers record in the 90m hurdles and adapted very well to his first ever attempt at Hammer throw. All Comers records can be set by any visiting or local registered athlete that competes at Mount Isa's home ground.

Athletics continues this Saturday at Sunset Oval commencing at 2.00pm and at the Cloncurry PCYC starting at 10.00am.