

Mount Isa Athletics

PRESS RELEASE

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Athletes of the Mount Isa Athletics Club were nothing short of spectacular at the ANQ Championships in Townsville last weekend. As a whole the Club achieved 10 Championship Records, 35 Club Records, 92 placings (46 firsts, 24 seconds and 22 thirds) and managed to score a personal best in every second event they competed in.

While it is nearly impossible to single out any one particular outstanding performance eight year old Denzil Perkins is definitely a contender. Perkins continuing his record breaking ways from 2011 took out another three Championship records this year. Most impressive was his smashing of the 8 years 800m record in a time of 2m 49.90s. Perkins was 120 metres clear of 2nd place and slashed a full 3 seconds from the previous record which was set 18 years ago in 1994. The speedy eight year old also bettered the decade old 60m hurdle in a record time of 11.17s and 100m in a time of 15.12s. Perkins' five PB's and an equal also helped him net three Club records in the process.

Denzil's little sister, Trinity, was not going to be outdone by her brother and accomplished a perfect 6 from 6 PB's at the Championships as well as Club records in the 60m and 80m races.

The six athletes aged under 8 years, Kai Fraser, Jace Fraser, Hailee Kokles, Trinity Perkins, Katidjah Fraser and Denzil Perkins, amassed 26 personal bests between them over the weekend ensuring everyone at the Carnival knew Mount Isa was in town.

The Club multi-eventers were also in fine form with new Championship records being set in the Decathlon by David Scott and Ken Dickson and in the Throws Pentathlon by Brianna Smith, Estelle Smith and Maureen Sweeney. Dickson had a particularly good weekend also snaring 6 PB's and 7 Club records. Thirteen year old Erin Faithful put on a fine showing in her first ever Heptathlon, definitely holding her own against her 17 year old counterpart. As well as the Heptathlon she included five extra events into her programme finishing the Championships with 6 PB's and breaking the High Jump, Triple Jump and Shot Put Club records.

The recent purchase of pole vault poles has paid off with all athletes gaining heights. Fifteen year old Jacqui Keily will get her name into the ANQ Record Books being the first 15 year old girl to attempt Pole Vault at the Championships. Arnold Sorina took to the event on his first ever attempt finishing with a height of 2.90m and Liam Sweeney equalled his previous best height. Ian Faithful and Ken Dickson will share a Club record of 2.00m and David Scott broke both the Championship and Club pole vault records for his age clearing 2.60m.

Other Club record breakers over the weekend were Jacqui Keily 15 years 3000m, Brianna Smith 16 years Hammer, Holly Johnstone Under 18 100m, 200m & 400m, Catherine Hannell Open Long Jump, Arnold Sorina Open Long Jump, Triple Jump and 100 yards and Paul Smith 50-54 years Hammer.

CLUB VENUE

Sunset Oval
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Championship Summary

29 Athletes Competing
 10 ANQ Championship Records
 35 Club Records
 92 Placings
 46 First
 24 Second
 22 Third
 Personal Bests in every second event competed in

10 Championship Records

Denzil Perkins (8):	60m Hurdles –	11.17s
	100m -	15.12s
	800m -	2m 49.90s
Brianna Smith (16):	Hammer -	48.33m
	Throws Pentathlon-	2827pts
David Scott (35-39):	Pole Vault -	2.60m
	Decathlon -	3798pts
Ken Dickson (45-49):	Decathlon -	4472pts
Estelle Smith (50-54):	Throws Pentathlon-	1909pts
Maureen Sweeney (55-59):	Throws Pentathlon-	1682pts

35 Club Records

Trinity Perkins (6):	60m -	11.70s
	80m -	15.79s
Denzil Perkins (8):	60m Hurdles -	11.17s
	200m -	31.95s
	800m -	2m 49.90s
Erin Faithful (13):	High Jump -	1.36m
	Triple Jump -	9.62m
	Shot Put -	9.92m
Carmen Preston (14):	Heavy Weight -	12.71m
Jacqui Keily (15):	3000m -	13m 02.89s
Brianna Smith (16):	Hammer -	48.33m
	Heavy Weight -	14.75m
	Throws Pentathlon-	2827pts
Holly Johnstone (U/18):	100m –	13.24s
	200m -	27.31s
	400m -	1m 01.89s
Cat Hannell (Open):	Long Jump -	5.45m
Arnold Sorina (Open):	100 yards -	10.51s
	Long Jump -	6.29m
	Triple Jump -	13.32m

David Scott (35-39):	Pole Vault -	2.60m
	Decathlon -	3798pts
Iain Faithful (45-49):	= Pole Vault -	2.00m
Ken Dickson (45-49):	110m Hurdles -	22.49s
	400m-	1m 03.23s
	Long Jump -	4.46m
	High Jump -	1.39m
	= Pole Vault -	2.00m
	Javelin -	38.77m
	Decathlon -	4472pts
Estelle Smith (50-54):	Throws Pentathlon-	1909pts
Paul Smith (50-54):	Heavy Weight -	14.75m
	Hammer -	21.67m
	Throws Pentathlon-	1687pts
Maureen Sweeney (55-59):	Throws Pentathlon-	1682pts

Personal Best's: 50% or better

Trinity Perkins -	6 from 6
Holly Johnstone -	3/3
Carmen Preston -	3/4
Jace Fraser -	4/6
Andrew Preston -	3/5
Paul Smith -	3/5
Denzil Perkins -	5/8
Katidjah Fraser -	5/8
Erin Faithful -	6/12
Ken Dickson -	6/12
Kai Fraser -	3/6
Hailee Kokles -	3/6
Arnold Sorina -	2/4
Kathy Hujanen -	2/4