

Mount Isa Athletics

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Let the Games Begin!

It's all go at the Mount Isa Athletics club as they prepare to once again host the athletics segment of the Xstrata Great Western Games on Saturday the 20th July at Sunset Oval, This will be the clubs third Western games and they are hopeful of once again attracting over one hundred athletes for the one day carnival. Athletes from as far away as Normanton have already indicated their intention to compete as well as many locals. Budding athletes that are not registered with a club can also compete by simply filling out an additional Day Registration form along with their event nomination form. The day will commence at 8.30 and conclude sometime after 4.00pm. Participation medals will be available for competitors aged between 4 and 7yrs and place medals for 8yr olds right through to Masters. Masters have an added option of also competing for only a participation medal if preferred.

Club officials have organized to have Longreach's photo finish and electronic timing equipment present at the Games to give the event that 'little something extra' and one of the Athletics North Queensland (ANQ) admin staff will be flying out to Mount Isa to operate the Meet Manager computer programme.

Nomination forms are available for download from the club website www.mountisaathletics.com.au or can be picked up from Paint & Décor on Camooweal Street. Alternately forms will be available at the Club day on the 13th July which is only one week prior to the Games. However the nomination forms will need to be returned that day (13th July). If possible, nomination forms should be dropped off, with payment at Paint & Decor before the 13th of July to enable club officials to get a head start on getting the nominations onto the computer.

The clubs athletes will then be well and truly into Carnival mode with six major athletic events on between July and September. One week prior to the Games will be the Mount Isa Primary Schools District Athletic Championships on the 12th July at Sunset Oval and the Secondary Schools will have their District Carnival on the 24th, also at Sunset Oval.

Just two weeks later 4 of the clubs master athletes are heading off to Cairns to compete at the inaugural Barrier Reef Masters Games. Fast forward one more week and a swag of club athletes will be joined by a number of qualifying school athletes on a trek to Longreach to compete at the Outback Sunset Carnival on the 17th and 18th of August. The Longreach carnival also incorporates the Primary and Secondary Schools Regional Championships. Then on the 27/28/29th of September the club athletes will head to the biggest event on the athletics calendar the ANQ Championships which will be held on the synthetic track at the Townsville sports reserve.

For further information or to volunteer your services please contact David Scott on 0402 219039 or Ken Dickson on 0415 338944

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