

Mount Isa Athletics

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Mount Isa Athletics Club was greeted with near perfect conditions for their fourth club day of the season. It was not too hot, not too cold and had virtually no wind making for a big day of personal bests.

The 149 athletes amassed a staggering 245 PB's between them with nearly all eligible athletes getting at least one. Another astounding result was that five athletes managed to net themselves the prestigious 'Perfect 5 from 5' PB's on the day. The athletes to execute this difficult task were Tamara Harrison, Scarlett Zielinski, Caleb Simpson, Jude Mullins and Joshua Scott. Almost as impressive were a further nine athletes Sarah Goodger, Chloe Batrachenko, Hailee Kokles, Abigail Constantinou, Gabriel Wood, Shyniah Henness, Aaliyah Harrison, Terri-Anne Knight and Teaghan Goodger who all achieved 4 PB's from their 5 attempts. One of the nine however could not have come any closer to the perfect score with Hailee Kokles running an equal time in her 60m race which sadly doesn't count as a Personal Best.

The lack of wind was particularly evident with three of the five club records being broken on the track. Nine year old Denzil Perkins is back in his blistering form taking a full second off the long standing 200m time for his age group finishing in 31.4 seconds. Erin Faithful ran a one second personal best time of 13.3s in the 14yrs 100m to claim the record of past champion Tara O'Brien. And Cat Hannell is looking good for the Oceania Championships in 2 weeks with a 100m time and new record of 12.7s, Cat also extended her Open Shot Put record to 9.42m. 14yr old CJ Brice-Houseman topped of the day with an exciting 1.58m clearance in High Jump.

Two more ANQ Development Squad qualifying performances were put in by Erin Faithful with her 13.3 second 100m time and Cloncurry's 14yr old Dan Grant with his impressive 1.39m High Jump.

The club recorder has been busily trying to organize extra Legend Certificates to be printed as the massive amount of qualifying performances over the preceding weeks have depleted stocks to zero. This week saw another 17 athletes, Tamara Harrison, Trinity Toby, Rhylee Douglas, Terri-Anne Knight, Erin Faithful, Shyniah Henness, CJ Brice-Houseman, Byleah Cullen, Ethan Roberts, Rico Waerea, Dan Grant, Channai Hall, Sapphire Osborne, Scarlett Zielinski, Lucas Spitzner-Lewis, Luke Hales, Sina Tafia and Aaliyah Harrison all surpass the legend level.

And not to be forgotten the 'Top Tot' of the week, will be awarded to Jordy Muir for always stepping up to have a go and using great technique.

During the presentations Club President David Scott applauded the parents and helpers for how smoothly the days are running considering the rather sizeable turnout each week. "If we didn't get the amount of help that we are getting there is no way we could handle these kind of numbers, it's like having 14 soccer teams all playing at the same time on one field." Mr Scott said "Yet somehow of the seven years I have been with the club this seems to be the easiest one yet. I put it down to a great committee, great parents and a great attitude by all"

CLUB VENUE

Sunset Oval
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