

# Mount Isa Athletics

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Mount Isa Athletics Club is celebrating yet another record turnout for their club days with 155 competitors hitting the track for the first hurdle day of the season.

It was also the clubs first opportunity to break out their brand new hurdles which have been purchased as a result of a hugely successful 'hurdle drive'. Individuals, parents and businesses were given the opportunity to purchase a hurdle for the club at a cost of \$140 and have their name displayed across the back side of the hurdle for all to see. As an added bonus to the club JW Signs generously donated the sign writing for the hurdles.

As of next Saturday athletes will finally be able to vie for the prestigious "perfect score" medallions. All the athletes need to do is achieve a personal best in all 5 of their events to receive the award.

If last Saturday was to be an indication of what is to come the club may have to raise the budget for the perfect score PB medals as six athletes managed to net themselves 4 PB's at last Saturday's comp. The athletes as a whole totalled 144 PB's. As hurdles were run for the first time this season no-one has yet had the opportunity to achieve the perfect 5 from 5. Athletes to achieve four personal bests were Jaxon Constantinou, Chloe Batrachenko, Serena Gowland, Hailee Kokles, Abigail Constantinou and Sienna TeWani. All is not lost for these athletes however, their high count of PB's has given them an early lead for the end of season points tally. Athletes are awarded 1 point for every event they attempt and 2 points for every PB achieved.

Athletes to surpass the Legend Certificate level were once again aplenty with another twelve athletes qualifying for 16 certificates. Receiving Legend certificates this Saturday will be Trinity Perkins, Jace Fraser, Rhylee Douglas, Rico Waerea, Erin Faithful, Ethan Roberts, Memphis Waerea, Luke Hales, Charlize Osborne, Emma Cursio and Shyniah Heness. A few of these athletes are well on their way to receiving the "Total Legend" trophy which is awarded if an athlete can achieve Legend level in all events available to them.

Another to receive an award this Saturday is Will Cursio. Will is a part of one of the two families that travel all the way from Cloncurry to compete as part of the Mount Isa Athletics Club. He will be awarded the 'Top Tot' award for giving everything a go in his first week and doing so well in the throwing events.

Brianna Smith has once again reset the Record books with a 49.76m throw in the U/18 Women Hammer. Frustrating on the day but encouraging for the lead up to the Oceania Championships in Tahiti was her 51.70m throw which landed just out of the sector for a foul. Other athletes to re-write the record books are 14yr old Erin Faithful with a 17.8s time in the 90m Hurdles and a 24.17m Hammer throw and Daniel Simpson equalled the Open Hammer record.

Club officials are expecting another bumper turnout for Saturday's club day and again encourage people to arrive early at Sunset Oval to get paperwork done and pay registration fees before the 2.00pm start.

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### CLUB VENUE

Sunset Oval  
Able Smith Parade  
Mount Isa, Queensland

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