

Mount Isa Athletics

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The Mount Isa team that travelled to Townsville for the athletics of the North Queensland Games may have been small but it was by no means weak.

The three athletes Denzil Perkins, Trinity Perkins and Janus Grobler competed in 20 Events between the at the one day carnival and returned with 8 first, 5 second and 3 third placings and three games records.

The top performer was once again Denzil "Lightning" Perkins. Denzil effectively performed a decathlon in a day when he contested 10 events in a gruelling 9 hour day. He amazingly medalled in all events coming home with 6 gold, 3 silver and 1 bronze. His standout event would have to have been the 10 years 200m that he completed in a Games Record time of 30.80 seconds. Just to assert his authority as a gun sprinter he also took out the 100m and 400m Games Records with times of 14.68s and 1.09.34s respectively. He also cleaned up on club awards surpassing the Legend Certificate levels for an incredible 8 events. The club records 200m and 400m also took a tumble to the Lightning fast 10 year old.

"It was a great way to start the season and I am really happy to have broken 3 NQ Games Records and I thought my performance for the start of season was pretty good. I am actually really happy with my 400m result because we raced with the 11yr olds and I still managed to come in first" Denzil said.

Denzel's little sister Trinity Stepped up in the throws taking out first place in the 8 years Shot Put – 3.68m and Discus - 8.85m. She also fared well in High Jump clearing 80cm to take out 2nd place and came home with a 3rd in the 800m

Proud parents Justin and Vanessa commented "As always we are both extremely proud of Denzil and Trinity's athletic achievements. With 17 events between them in one day and to post such wonderful results, we are certainly looking forward to the season ahead"

The other Isa athlete to compete at the games was 12 yr old Janus Grobler. Janus prefers the sprints and competed in the 100m, 200m and 400m and came home with a silver and bronze in 200m and 100m. Janus's mother complemented the organizers of the event saying that "everything ran like clockwork".

Club President David Scott commented "The guys that competed at the games should be extremely pleased with their performances, they posted amazing results considering our club season doesn't start until after the school holidays"

"Who knows what they will be capable of by the time we get to the ANQ championships in October"

NQ Games Results for the Isa Athletes are as follows:

CLUB VENUE

Sunset Oval
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Denzil

100m – 14.68s
200m – 30.8s
400m – 1.09.34m
800m – 2.48.72m
1500m – 6.13.97m
60m Hurdles – 12.08s
High Jump – 1.09m
Long Jump – 3.68m
Discus – 17.00m
Shot Put – 6.53m

Trinity

100m – 18.91s
200m – 42.75s
800m – 4.40.55m
High Jump - .80m
Long Jump – 2.04m
Discus – 8.85m
Shot Put – 3.68m

Janus

100m - 15.28s
200m - 30.76s
400m - 1.13.82m