

# Mount Isa Athletics



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There were mixed emotions for the two Mount Isa Athletics Club athletes that attended the Australian Junior Track & Field Championships on the weekend.

Cieron Cuthbert-Botha kicked off with a blinder of a run in the 15yr boys 200m finishing in a time of 24.08s. Cieron placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the heat and was outside the top eight and sadly didn't make the final, he does however have the bragging rights as the 11<sup>th</sup> fastest 15yr old in Australia over 200m. The time was a Personal Best for Botha and shaved 0.23s from the Mount Isa club record which was set by local track star Zac Raymond back in 2008.

A second club record of Raymond's fell in the 100m when Cieron shaved a mere 0.01s off the old mark with his time of 11.68s. This new PB time was also the equal 8<sup>th</sup> fastest time of the heats giving Botha an opportunity for his first ever National Final. Unbeknown to him though was that during the race he had torn a Quad muscle and didn't realize this until he started coming down from the adrenaline high he was on from the race. The tear was bad enough for him to be forced to withdraw from the final. But in true Isa'n spirit he acknowledged that he had reached two of his championship goals in that he had made it into the top 10 and had qualified for a National sprint final.

A regular to the National arena Brianna 'Thor' Smith left the championships just a little disappointed that she never quite got herself "in the zone". Her best throw of 43.13m while not too shabby by any means was not enough to get her into the top eight and there for she didn't get the extra three throws to hopefully improve her distance. 18 year old Brianna's entry into the Under 20 age group sees her pitted against 19yr old as well as fellow 18yr olds some of which had opening throws in excess of 50m.

Both athletes can now have a few weeks rest and recovery while waiting for the commencement of the clubs winter season which starts late April.

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### CLUB VENUE

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