Magnificent March 2011- Girraween's athletes show the way

What an amazing month, Girraween's athletes once again showed great versatility across a number of events, in at times, extraordinary conditions. From the Sheargold's sterling efforts in the world renowned Six Foot track early in the month through to our distant specialists battling unbelievable wind and heavy rain at SMC later on in the month. From our many club members who tackled our pre season cross country with great gusto at CV Kelly on two Saturdays at the end of March through to our small and brave group of athletes who tackled the NSW Track and Field Championships at Sydney Olympic Park at the end of March. It was also nice to welcome back one of our long time members, Gary Micallef, who has been absent from seniors for a few years due to injury and work commitments, although he has still been very busy with Girraween Little A's. We hope to see you over the winter season, Gary if time & remaining injury free permit. They all deserve tremendous accolades. However, I would like to mention two of our athletes in particular who competed so very well at the recently concluded NSW Championships at Homebush. Taylor Doyle continued her great form in the lead up to representing Australia in the Special Olympics in Athens later on this year by achieving two 2nd's and a 4th place in her events. One of our newest and youngest members, Gordon Allan, achieved three 2nd placings in his three events, a wonderful achievement. One of my spies who was competing out at Homebush and had the opportunity to watch Taylor and Gordon compete advised me that their efforts were amazing. We are indeed fortunate as a club to have Taylor and Gordon representing us so well. All in all, March was a great month of athletics. Results follow:

5-3-11 Sydney Striders North Head 10km

325th Andrew Free 50:09

355th Terry Rose 52:23

12-3-11 Six Foot Track- Katoobma- Jenolan Caves

331st Geoff Sheargold 5:27:44

767th Graham Sheargold 6:40:02

19-3-11 Sydney Track Classic- Sydney Olympic Park- Homebush

100m Ambulant Women

3rd Taylor Doyle 15.19

19-3-11 Girraween Pre Season Cross Country- CV Kelly Park Girraween

2km

1st Michael Grogan 8:23.92

2nd Jamie Bratovic 9:38.72

3rd Ed Bratovic 9:39.49

4th Robyn Smith 9:58.38

5th Michael Christie 10:45.46

6th Heidi Juhart 12:13.43

7th Liliana Busic 12:59.00

4km

1st Michael Grogan 18:35.65

2nd Michael Christie 23:30.69

Heidi Juhart 10:41.27 (nb ran 2km)

20-3-11 SMC Smithfield

30km 33rd Mark Ingram 2:43:16 43rd Suresh Raju 3:00:06 44th Keith Mayhew 3:01:20 45th Rachel Ingram 3:01:23 10km 31st Greg Sargeant 50:36 41st Roger Mar 55:59 5km 4th Nicholas Hanna 18:53 5th Michael Grogan 21:08 11th Michael Christie 25:19 15th Joe Butler 30:35 25-3-11/27-3-11 NSW Track and Field Championships- Sydney Olympic Park-Homebush Men 15 & U Shot Put AWD- amb 2nd Gordon Allan 6.83m Men 100m Open- Heat 4- Open 9th Paul Tleige 12.07 Men Hammer Throw- Open 6th Matt Stenning 34.50m Women 16-19 200m AWD- amb 3rd Taylor Doyle 36.33 Men 3000m Steeplechase- Open 8th Nicholas Hanna 12:35.43 Men 10,000m - Open 5th Brad Milosevic 31:25.43 Men 15 & U Discus Throw AWD- amb 2nd Gordon Allan 16.75m Women 16-19 100m AWD- amb 4th Taylor Doyle 14.87 Men 15 & U Javelin Throw AWD- amb 2nd Gordon Allan 10.56m Women 16-19 Long Jump AWD- amb

2nd Taylor Doyle 4.02m

Girraween Pre Season Cross Country- CV Kelly Park Girraween

2km
1st Ed Bratovic 8:12.64
1 st Peter Matthews 8:12.64
3 rd Michael Grogan 8:38.77
4 th Greg Sargeant 8:53.64
5 th Steve O'Donnell 9:05.22
6 th Jamie Bratovic 9:20.12
7 th Roger Mar 10:11.99
8 th Stephanie Russell 10:13.15
9 th Heidi Juhart 10:28.25
10 th Katrina Russell 10:57.68
11 th Renee Juhart 11:21.38
12th Imogen Falzon 11:54.13
13th Gary Micallef 11:55.87
14 th Fred Daniels 11:58.40
15th Kaitlyn Free 12:56:33
16 th Sharon Free 13:05.19
4km
1st Danny Martins 19:21.33
2 nd Michael Grogan 19:28.45
3 rd Andrew Free 20:03.91
4 th Terry Rose 20:23.62
5 th Michael Christie 21:07.36
6 th Robyn Smith 21:31.16
7 th Jean Davis 22:35.13
8 th Stacey Argent 24:09.18
9 th Katrina Russell 24:15.94
10 th Joe Butler 24:54.74
11th Fred Daniels 26:26.57
8km
1st Peter Matthews 37:26.00
2 nd Stephen Parkins 41:24.54
3 rd Viv Manwaring 42:06.51
4th Greg Sargeant 47:43.58
5 th Roger Mar 48:18.43

27-3-11 Sri Chinmoy Centennial Park

7km Male 50-59

6th Terry Rose 36:02

9th Roger Mar 40:27

Michael Christie GAP