February 2016- Girraween athletics truly amazing!

First of all, GAP would like to sincerely apologise to those athletes whose results were missed last month. The staff at GAP must also have been in holiday mode through January when composing those results and we have included them in this month's report. The staff at GAP try their best, but occasionally from time to time material gets missed. Thanks for your understanding.

February saw yet again a number of very fine performances across a variety of events and usually in very hot and steam conditions. Our athletes stuck to their task well throughout the month.

One of the highlights of the month was Brad Milosevic's great win in the NSW 10,000m championships held at SOPAC towards the end of the February. This event was held in warm and steamy conditions and Brad prevailed over a stellar field including Australian Olympic Games marathon representative Jeff Hunt, England Commonwealth Games marathon representative Ben Moreau and UTN's Matthew Cox to name a few. A very good field, yet Brad's effort in the conditions was superb. He continues to train and race at a very high standard and all at Girraween wish him well over the next couple of months.

In the NSW Junior Championships held early in the month, Brendon Neich, Teagan Neich and Nathan Moffit all competed well. As can be seen by the results listed below both Brendon and Teagan picked up well deserved medals in some of their events with Brendon been crowned NSW champion in the U16 Hammer, a very fine achievement indeed. Both Brendon and Teagan were also selected in the NSW team to compete in the Australian Junior championships to be held in Perth in March, a great recognition of their excellent form over the summer. Congratulations from all at Girraween on their achievements.

The remarkable Raminder Singh competed in the NSW Masters Championships held at SOPAC towards the latter part of the month on a very warm weekend. Yet, across the two days Raminder competed in an extraordinary eleven events, picking up five medals in the process. Raminder was the only Girraween athlete at these championships this year, but he certainly made his presence felt. Raminder is a great role model to all Girraween athletes across the summer season with his smiling face and positive attitude, wherever he competes, whether it is down at C V Kelly for Girraween's weekly All-Comers meets or when competing further afield. He will certainly have earned a rest over the winter. Well done Raminder.

Parkrun, once again proved incredibly popular throughout February for our members, with a strong Girraween presence at a number of venues throughout the month. There were yet again a number of fine performances. Michael Grogan, Keith Mayhew, Lisa Grant and David Perry ran pb's, a remarkable effort by these athletes given the conditions at times. Stephen Parkins, Wayne Thurlow, David Perry, Michael Grogan and Lisa Grant's consistently quick times were other highlights across the month. The parkrun concept continues to grow and Girraween members are amongst the strongest supporters of these events.

A small contingent of Girraween athletes were also spotted at SMC out at Greystanes in February. Ed Bratovic's great time in the 5km was a highlight as was the ongoing consistency of Mischelle Otte in the 10km event and David Otte in the 5km event, as both Mischelle and David have been running very well throughout this series.

It would be most remiss of me not to mention the effort of Taylor Doyle who is continuing to compete across a series of meets as she endeavours to put qualifying marks down to enable her selection for the Australian team for the 2016 Rio Paralympic Games. The next couple of months will be crucial for Taylor and all at Girraween wish her all the very best as she continues this amazing quest to fulfil a dream.

All in all it had been a great month of athletic achievement by Girraween's athletes and the headline for this newsletter got it right, Girraween's athletes are truly amazing! Results follow:

2-1-16 Yamba parkrun 5km

16th Steve Clark
41st Karen Short
16-1-16 Penrith Lakes parkrun 5km

125th Robert Eager 28:51

16-1-16 Shellharbour parkrun 5km

22nd Lisa Grant 23:19 (first female home)

23-1-16 Rhodes parkrun 5km

26th Lisa Grant 22:25

5-2-16-7-2-16 NSW Junior and Youth Championships SOPAC

5-2-16

Women's Hammer U14

3rd Teagan Neich 29.15m

Men's Shot Put U16

8th Brendon Neich 12.13m

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	400m U16- Heat 2	
7th		65.00
6-2-16		
	n's Javelin U14	
7th	S	36.55m
	Hammer U16	
	Brendon Neich	49.15m
	n's Shot Put U14	
	Teagan Neich	10.11m
7-2-16		
Wome	n's Discus U14	
5th	Teagan Neich	26.95m
Men's	Discus U16	
12th	Brendon Neich	37.08m
6-2-16 The Ponds parkrun 5km		
10th	Wayne Thurlow	20:00
49th	Michael Grogan	23:43 (new pb)
101st	Greg Sargeant	26:43
6-2-16 Rhodes parkrun 5km		
53rd	Carly Eager	26:20
6-2-1	6 Mosman parkrun 5km	
41st	Michael Free	27.41
6-2-1	6 Campbelltown parkrun	5km
67th	Mischelle Otte	27:35
69th	David Otte	27:46
6-2-1	6 Parramatta parkrun 5kr	n
34th	Stephen Parkins	22:48
50th	Terry Rose	24:30
92nd	Michael Christie	28:50
6-2-16 The SMH Sun Run Dee Why- Manly		
7km		
9th	Nicholas Hanna	27:06
10km		
675th	Stephen Mifsud	49:31
13-2-16 Rhodes parkrun 5km		
	Lisa Grant	21:37
	Carly Eager	29:42
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95th Andrew Free

13-2-16 The Ponds parkrun 5km

24th	David Perry	59:59 (timing failed)
40th	Nicole Mantarro	59:59 (timing failed)

13-2-16 Parramatta parkrun 5km

34th	Stephen Parkins	23:23
48th	Terry Rose	24:29
87th	Michael Christie	29:41
90th	Katrina Russell	29:56

13-2-16 Curl Curl parkrun 5km

115th Michael Free 27:04

13-2-16 Campbelltown parkrun 5km

5th Wayne Thurlow 19:43

13-2-16 NSW Open 5000m Championships SOPAC Homebush

Race 'C' Open

21st Nicholas Hanna 17:38.95

Race 'A' Open

5th Brad Milsoevic 14:29.34

20-2-16 The Ponds parkrun 5km

8th	Wayne Thurlow	19:40
27th	David Perry	22:37
74th	Greg Sargeant	25:43
291st	David Otte	42:25
292nd	Mischelle Otte	42:27

20-2-16 Parramatta parkrun 5km

37th	Stephen Parkins	23:12
57th	Terry Rose	24:53
107th	Andrew Free	30:07
110th	Michael Christie	30:17

20-2-16 Rhodes parkrun 5km

14th Lisa Grant 21:3	Grant 2	21:39
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20-2-16 Penrith Lakes parkrun 5km

27th Wayne Jeff 24:03

20-2-16 Cronulla parkrun 5km

35th Michael Free 30:05

20-2-16-21-2-16 NSW Masters Championships SOPAC Homebush

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Hammer 5kg 65-69	
Raminder Singh	20.68m
Long Jump 65-69	
Raminder Singh	2.46m
Weight Throw 65-69	
Raminder Singh	8.20m
Javelin Throw 600g 65-69	
Raminder Singh	19.35m
100m 65-69	
Raminder Singh	19.51
Triple Jump 65-69	
Raminder Singh	5.47m
Shot Put 65-69	
Raminder Singh	7.44m
High Jump 65-69	
Raminder Singh	NH
Discus Throw 65-69	
Raminder Singh	24.52m
60m 65-69	
Raminder Singh	11.55
400m 65-69	
Raminder Singh	DNF
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arathon	
Carol Adams	2:13.52.6
Rod Zammit	48:32.8
Mischelle Otte	59:47.0
Ed Bratovic	21:27.1
Michael Grogan	23:51.9
Terry Rose	25:15.1
David Otte	27:47.3
Andrew Free	30:09.5
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25th Michael Christie

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26-2-16-28-2-16 NSW Open, U23 & Para Championships SOPAC Homebush

26-2-16

Women's Long Jump Para- amb

3rd Taylor Doyle T38 4.20m

27-2-16

Men's 10,000m Open

1st Brad Milosevic 29:46.66 12th Nicholas Hanna 36:48.94

28-2-16

Women's 100m Para-amb

3rd Taylor Doyle T38 14.46

27-2-16 Parramatta parkrun 5km

35th Stephen Parkins 23:23 48th Terry Rose 25:36

80th Keith Mayhew 29:29 (new pb)

83rd Michael Christie 29:40

27-2-16 Rhodes parkrun 5km

17th Lisa Grant 21:29 (new pb)

27-2-16 Curl Curl parkrun 5km

126th Michael Free 28:21

27-2-16 The Ponds parkrun 5km

7th Wayne Thurlow 19:44

19th David Perry 22:04(new pb)

32nd Nicole Mantarro 23:21 65th Greg Sargeant 25:39

28-2-16 Sri Chinmoy Iron Cove

7km Male 60-69

4th Terry Rose 36:00

Michael Christie (GAP)