



Glenwood High School students (from left) Aaron Crews, Patrick Gleeson, Jacob Crews and Elijah James. Picture: Peter Kelly

ATHLETES MAKE THEIR MARK

PATRICK Gleeson and Elijah James, of Glenwood High School, are training for their biggest athletic challenges this year.

Gleeson and James will be competing at the Australian Athletics Championships on March 26 at Sydney Olympic Park, after being selected for the state team following compelling performances at the NSW junior and youth championships.

In addition, their schoolmates and twins, Jacob and Aaron Crews, 16, impressed against older rivals in 3000m event in the under-18 NSW junior championships.

Gleeson saved his best for the last at the recent NSW youth and junior cham-

pionships. The senior sports person of the year competed in the under-17 shot put, digging deep on his final attempt throwing 13.70m to clinch silver.

"I feel an overwhelming sense of achievement," said Gleeson, who thanked his coach Jörg Probst for his success.

James picked up bronze in the 3km event (9:02.00 secs) and fourth in the 800m (2:00:44). He will compete in the 800m and 1500m at the nationals.

Aaron Crews finished eighth in the under-18 boys 3000m at the NSW junior championships, just ahead of his twin Jacob who came in ninth in the same event.