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According to our latest reports from the North, the Burnt Bridge youngsters seem to be outstanding in football, cricket and athletics. The teacher-in-charge, Mr. J. Stirling, has been devoting a great deal of his time to coaching the children, with excellent results.

Last season the boys were most successful in football and athletics and there is every indication that they will be as equally successful in cricket.

The 5-stone football team won the Mid-Coast Carnival as well as going through the school competition undefeated.

The 6-stone team was unlucky to lose the final by the toss of a coin after a 3-all match.

At the end of the season both teams went to Bowraville and scored two more wins.

These Bowraville games were arranged by Constable Bird and Mr. Stirling, and cups were donated by Dick Kelly, a well-known aborigine who was a champion footballer in his day. These cups will be competed for each year.

Burnt Bridge was also successful in the athletics carnival, winning the Barsby Cup for the points aggregate and the Mervyn Duke Cup for the Captain Ball.

In the first cricket match of the season, young Charlie Woodlands took five wickets for 6 runs.

It is hoped that this year it will be possible to form a basketball team among the girls for participation in local competitions.



The Minister for Education, Mr. Heffron, with some of his young aboriginal friends at La Perouse School.

The Cabbage Tree Island Cricket Club is getting along smoothly. Cricket gear, which is the main problem at present is slowly, but gradually coming in. (All through private subscription.) Outside matches have not been arranged because of the lack of proper gear. This has not deterred the team—practice in the nets still goes on, and the spirit of the team is very high.

Cabbage Tree Island School is extremely lucky in getting so fine a teacher as Miss Evelyn Robinson. Miss Robinson is also delighted to teach in this school and, above all her own people.

It will be recalled that Miss Robinson is the daughter of Tracker Robinson of the New South Wales Police, Grafton.



A bevy of beautiful Nambucca girls: Ida Williams, Phyllis Drew, Emily Walker, Shirley Marshall, Maureen Buchanan and Valma Mansell.

The Inspector, Aboriginal Welfare, Mrs. I. English, paid Cabbage Tree Island a visit last month. It had been a long time since Mrs. English had had the time to spare for this station and everyone was delighted to see her.

She visited each home in turn, spending a long time discussing problems and old times, and generally, had a very busy day on the station.

To An Enquirer:

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