

## TENNIS COURT FOR BOGGABILLA

The new tennis court was publicly opened one day recently. Thirty-two pounds worth of tennis, deck tennis and badminton equipment was also presented to the residents of the Station.

Presentation of this equipment was made by Mrs. R. F. Brown, President of the Boggabilla Branch of the Country Women's Association. The Boggabilla Branch contributed one half the money towards the purchase of the equipment as a donation, the balance being met by the Board in the promotion of sporting and social activities among the people.

The presentation was followed by a short address from Reverend Ludlow from Goondiwindi. Tea was laid on by the members of the Toomelah Branch of the C.W.A., after which an adjournment was made to the tennis court which was declared open by Mr. J. Winter, President of Goondiwindi Rotary.

Construction of the court over a long period was finally achieved in time for the season and the actual marking was only done half-an-hour before the official opening. Thanks go to the voluntary work by willing hands, though the handymen have been responsible for a considerable part of the job. Poles for the enclosure to the court were kindly donated by Mr. N. Danes, of Yetman. Wire netting and fencing wire were provided through the Aborigines Welfare Board.

Many loads of ant dirt were collected by kind permission of Mr. T. Cook, of Turkey Lagoon. Roller and other implements and advice by Mr. Albert Smith were fully used.

Other visitors to the opening were Mrs. K. Sutton and sister, Mrs. Kellett, Mrs. Brown, Jr. and Mrs. Gow, Mesdames Zacka from Goondiwindi, Mr. Bluett of Goondiwindi Rotary and Mrs. Bell.

The manager has asked *Dawn* to thank those who, one way or another, have assisted and made this project possible.

## MOREE NOTES

by Mrs. Jim Gillon

Aboriginal Observance Day was a very hectic day for us here on the Moree Reserve, when a fun fair was held in aid of our P. & C. Association of the Aboriginal school.

Parents volunteered to help run the stalls, and donated a variety of goods.

It was wonderful to think that right throughout Australia we were remembered, and had a place on the Australian Calendar as the first people of this country.

At Moree, invitations of welcome were extended to and accepted by Mr. Walker of the Aborigines Welfare Board, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Manager of the Reserve, Captain and Mrs. Klienschmidt and family, of the Aboriginal Inland Mission, Mr. and Mrs. Willis, Mrs. Davis, and our distinguished guest and speaker, Mr. Harvey (School Inspector). The fair was most successful and very profitable.

Our children attending high school are now settled in. A few of our boys and girls won bursaries and are now looking forward to furthering their education.

High School student Robert Stanley recently broke the high jump record of 4 ft. 7 in., by lcaping 4 ft.  $10\frac{1}{2}$  in.

All the homes will soon be repaired and electricity installed in every house on the reserve.

We have a beautiful big swimming pool and a small pool here on our reserve. The Apex Club made it possible for us to have the swimming pool, and the men of the reserve offered their assistance in building it.

The Premier of N.S.W., Mr. Heffron, officially opened the swimming pool and made available the rest of the money for its completion.

## **CAROONA NEWS**

The wedding of Helen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Swan of Moree, and Norman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Porter, of Caroona, took place at Caroona Station Church on 29th July.

Reverend Flinter, Vicar of Quirindi, performed the ceremony.

Helen wore a dress of white net and chantilly lace, with bridesmaids Julie Slater and Irene Smith wearing ballerina frocks of mauve lace and net. The two charming flower girls, Roma Porter and Janet Tighe were frocked in lemon.

Best man, John Porter, and Groomsman, Alan Swan, brother of the bride, ably supported the lucky bridegroom

A delightful wedding supper was held in the Station Hall, where Terry Allan proposed the toasts, and dancing continued until midnight with music provided by Mr. Herb Smith on his accordion. A thoroughly enjoyable evening was had by all.

Three-year old Jimmy Brennan, of Caroona, has started football young and recently broke his arm, but after a few days at Quirindi Hospital is well on the way to recovery.

Caroona Football Team, competitors in the Country Group 4, B Grade competition, is the leading team for points before the semi-finals, and all being well, hope to go on to be the premier team again.

The team played the curtain raiser at Tamworth on 30th July, against West Tamworth, winning 8-3.

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