DUBBO GIRL

FINDS JOB DURING BEACH HOLIDAY

Fourteen lucky Dubbo Aboriginal boys and girls went to Newcastle for their holidays this year, and one of them, 14 years old Vivian Ryan took the opportunity to work out a career for herself.

Vivian was interviewed by the Matron of Newcastle Hospital and hopes to start work learning to be a nurse next year, when she is old enough.

Vivian, and two other children, Peter and Pauline Chatfield, stayed in Newcastle for a month, but the other 11 spent only a fortnight there.

The children’s visit was sponsored jointly by Dubbo Rotary and the Newcastle branch of the Waterside Workers’ Federation.

The Dubbo Rotarians paid the cost of transport to and from Newcastle, and the Waterside Workers’ Federation donated £100 to buy new clothes for the children specially for their visit.

All their parents had to do was to provide pocket money.

In Newcastle, the children were billeted with private families, many of whom invited their guests back another time.

The trip followed personal contact between the Rev. J. Mason, the Methodist Minister in Dubbo and friends of his in Newcastle.

The children who made the trip were Garry and Terry Taylor, of Coolabah Street, West Dubbo; Anthony Dunn, of Taylor Street, South Dubbo; Janice and Kathleen Benton, of Fitzroy Street, North Dubbo; Gail and Ann McGuinness, Janice Benton, Anne McGuinness, Helen Reynolds and Kathleen Benton.