The champion baby on our cover, is pictured here with his mother, Mrs. Gordon

BOURKE SHOWS OFF ITS BABIES

The first Aboriginal baby show at Bourke was held last April, and attracted children and parents from more than 100 miles away.

It was a most successful event. Altogether, 51 children were entered for it.

People brought their babies from as far away as Brewarrina, Weilnorringle and Goodoogam for the show, which was held in good weather in Bourke Central Park.

The show was organised by a local Aboriginal women's committee. Prizes totalling £80 were donated by the people of Bourke and by Heinz and Co.

One of the most popular sections was the "snappy nappy race" for fathers. This was won by the deft hands of Tom McKellar, of Bourke. Seven brave fathers entered the contest, and it was no walkover by any means.

The judge for all events was Mrs. M. Reid, of Bourke.

The show attracted a very large attendance of white and Aboriginal people from Bourke and surrounding areas.

The full list of results is:

New born to 3 months: Joanne Howlett, Bourke (girl); Brian Reed, Bourke (boy).

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