



SPORTS DAY

Our Yarrabah Foundation Day Sports was held on Saturday the 22nd of June at the Yarrabah Sports Field, Reeves Creek, though our Foundation Day was on the 17th of June, 1892, 93 years ago.

As people started pouring in, kids events were run first, with adults events last. Events included: sprints, 3 legged race, lemon race, sack-bag race, threading-the-needle race, and long distance races for adults and high school students. Prizemoney was given to first, second and third place-getters — \$10, \$8, \$6. Stalls were held to raise money for various organisations, for example, the Church Youth Centre.

Even though everyone enjoyed themselves, a couple of things spoiled it for some competitors. Some careless persons lit a fire where the competitors were going to run, and also a fight broke out, which is not pleasant. But all this was ignored, mainly because the Sports Committee was determined not to let anyone spoil a

good day. After all the events were run and the day got to an end, a presentation night was held at the Rev. James Noble Sports Centre. Trophies were given to winners of various events. These were: Foundation Race (150 yd) — D. Miller, 220 yd — A. Barlow, 440 yd — B. Cedric, 880 yd — D. Murgha, Women trophy winners were Davida Schrieber, Paula Burns and kids, S. Bulmer, S. Burns and Lewis Burns. The Sportsman of the Year Trophy went to D. Miller (Editor).

A big thanks should go to all members of the Sports Committee: Mrs Christobel Yeatman, Mr Allan Yeatman (Cr), Mrs Stella Bulmer, Mr Saul Burns, Robyn Canendo and Karen Yeatman who gave out the prizemoney. Thanks must also go to the Council for donating the \$1000 for trophies and prizemoney.

I personally would like to thank them on behalf of the Community of Yarrabah for their time and effort in keeping the tradition alive.

THE BEGINNING

A STORY FROM THE FIRST YARRABAH NEWSLETTER:
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A WEDDING

A marriage of great importance and interest to the people of Yarrabah was celebrated on Wednesday August 26, when Albert Maywee, eldest surviving son and heir of John King of Yarrabah was joined to Lottie in holy wedlock. To mark the special character of the event the bride was attended by eight bridesmaids, who in white dresses trimmed with ribbons of various colours with wreaths of flowers and fern on their heads looked fit for any royal wedding. Good wishes from everybody were given to the young royal couple. Prince Albert is now acting lay-reader at Bukki-Creek and he promises to fulfil his future high duties well as he is always kind and thoughtful ever remembering those little acts of politeness which show the real gentleman. We wish Prince and Princess Albert many many years of happy wedded life, and we feel sure they are very suited to each other, when (though it may be a long time yet) they become King and Queen of Yarrabah we expect Albert and Lottie to fill that honoured and responsible position right well. The King was very pleased with the wedding and at the Corroboree held that night made a speech describing how he first came to the Mission when Albert was a little boy. It was a touching sight to see dear old Maggie I greet her son and new daughter-in-law.



Wedding photo from S. Garrett.

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