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SPORTING COMPLEX

With the development of the Yarrabah Community in a promising stage, the construction of the Sporting Complex out near the Yarrabah State Secondary School has portrayed the Council's capabilities to supervise large Community projects and manage the Community at the same time without any real visible problems.

The Sporting Complex now in it's first stage of construction is another Commonwealth funded project for the people of Yarrabah to take advantage of, not only to have fun in but also to encourage people to pursue sporting activities and participate as a group from the Community against people such as the Palm Islanders' Rugby League team. As many of the people in this Community know there are many good sportsmen and women among us. It is not only the lack of money but the lack of participation and eagerness. There are a lot of ways to raise money but people need to find out for themselves.

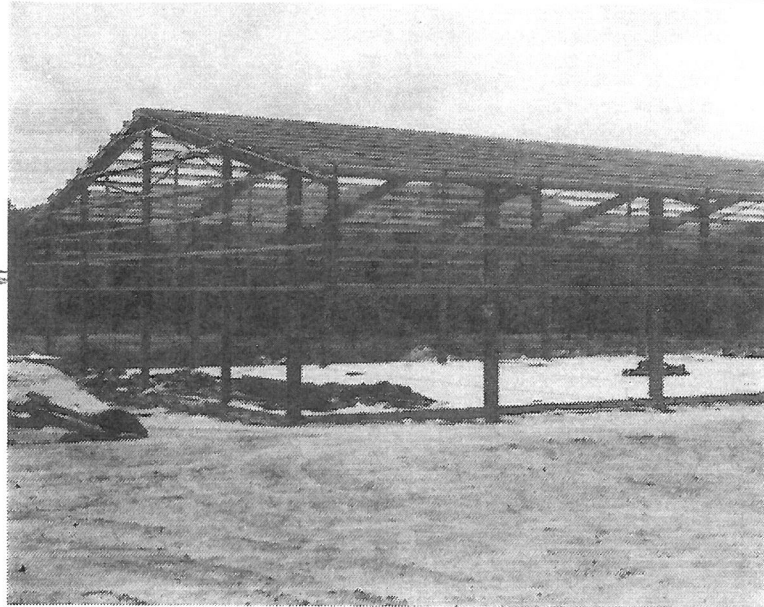
The cost of the project is \$352,000.00. and is funded by the Department of Aboriginal Affairs. The completion of stage one will be in approximately one month and will consist of a stadium, change room, and a kiosk.

The complex is being built by P. Bushnell & Company, contractors. They sub-contract for the steel frames, block laying, electrical acilities and plumbing.

"It is the biggest and most expensive building ever built at Yarrabah and is all part of the process of self-management," said Mr Tony Cooke, Project Officer.

The sporting complex will go through two stages before it is fully completed. Stage two will consist of two swimming pools.

Mr Cooke stated that it is a good thing that such a project is taking place under the guidelines of the Yarrabah Community Council.



Stage one of the sporting complex during construction.

Christmas Activities at the Yarrabah Library

In December, the Librarian at the Yarrabah Community Library will be holding Christmas craft activities sessions for the children. These sessions will include story reading, making Christmas decorations for the library Christmas tree, and there will also be Christmas videos for the kids to

see. Kids of all ages are welcome to come along. These sessions are free, and all materials are supplied by the Yarrabah Library. If there is anything more that you would like to know about the Christmas activities, please enquire at the Library which is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday.

S.C.A.N. COMMITTEE

The S.C.A.N. Committee is a team of local people who look into suspected child abuse and neglect and any type of cases involving this at Yarrabah.

The Committee consists of Father Wayne Connolly, Senior Sergeant Lloyd Fourmile (who just returned from a Jaycees Youth voyage to Canada and the States), the Chairman of the Yarrabah Council, Mr Roy Gray, the Health Workers,

Mrs Violet Mundraby, Mrs M. Thomas, Mr Barry Cedric and Mr Stephen Packs from Children Services.

The Committee talks about cases and then calls on resource people if necessary.

This local committee has solved a lot of social problems in Yarrabah and they would like to ask people to contact any of the above members if they can help anybody in any way.

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