

MOREE NADOC CELEBRATIONS

Pastor Sir Douglas and Lady Nicholls were the guests-of-honour at this year's National Aboriginal Day celebrations in Moree.

They attended the civic reception on the evening of their arrival, Friday, 6th July; the special Service the following morning; and the football competition and ball later in the day. On Sunday there was a girls' basketball competition and the weekend's activities concluded with a barbecue at the Daughters of Charity Mission.

The photos on this and the following pages tell the story of the celebrations which were completely organized and successfully carried out by Moree Aboriginal Advancement Committee.

Sir Douglas and Lady Nicholls were not the only visitors to Moree for the festivities. Also present were former Moree people from Sydney and other areas, football teams from nearby districts, basket-

The debutantes: Diane Cain, Selena Munro, Cynthia Fernando, Debra Swan, Pam Creighton, Denise French, Aileen Porter, Julie Munro, Jacqueline Cain, and Louise French



Mr Eric Craigie (President of Moree Advancement Association), Mr Perry James (Mayor), Lady and Sir Douglas Nicholls, and Mr Bill Towney (Secretary, Advancement Association)

(Photo courtesy Moree Champion)

ball teams from Cowra and Sydney, and a group from the National Black Theatre.

The football knockout was won by the Shamrocks, a local team, who defeated Ashford. In the semi-finals the Boomerangs had been defeated by

Sir Douglas Nicholls receives one of the debts, with Mrs Swan on the left and Lucy Hammond, the flower girl

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