

GARDEN COMPETITION AT BOGGABILLA SETS SPLENDID EXAMPLE

The Spring garden competition at Boggabilla, for prizes donated by the Aborigines Welfare Board, brought out the strong community spirit of residents on the Station. No fewer than 22 entries were received and the contest led to the establishment of many new gardens which will now be permanent.



First Prize Lloyd Dennison



Second Prize Eileen McIntosh

Third Prize Mavis Dennison



Not a prize winner but good effort in the most improved section

Some of the newcomers to gardening displayed a good deal of enterprise and transformed their grounds while keeping up a running battle with stray dogs, chickens and on one occasion wandering horses.

The judges, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Grimes, horticulturists of Goondiwindi, praised the effort put in by the residents and expressed the hope that the competition would become an annual event.

The system of judging was based on points for the size of garden, layout, tidiness, variety of flowers and vegetables. Other points were awarded for pot plants, trees, shrubs, seedlings and lawn. A bush house collected eight points.

The first four prizes were donated by the Welfare Board. A consolation prize of £1 was donated by Mrs. R. F. Brown of Boggabilla, a business organiser and member of the local branch of the C.W.A., who takes a great interest in the activities of residents.

First prize (£6 cash) for the best garden was won by Lloyd Dennison with 63 points. Second (£3 for a garden tool) went to Mrs. Eileen McIntosh with 60 points. Third prize (£2) was won by Mrs. Mavis Dennison with 57 points. Walter Duncan won a £1 garden tool for fourth.

The consolation prize of £1 went to Mrs. Evelyn Binge for the most improved garden.

The judges distributed a number of packets of seeds as consolation prizes to several good triers whose gardens could be something to be reckoned with next year.