



# Walgett Show



Although much needed rain had been forecast, this didn't deter the people of Walgett and surrounding areas attending the Walgett Show, which was held on Saturday 7 & Sunday 8 May 2016.



The Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service Limited (WAMS) again invited 'Showgoers' into their pavillion on Saturday to take part in a health check which included Blood Glucose Level (BGL) and Blood Pressure (BP) readings and a chat to the medical students if desired. Clients with dangerous levels were advised to consult their GP.



WAMS had to wrap up earlier than expected as only one hundred registration forms were printed and these ran out at about 1.30 pm.

Staff, instead of the usual red shirt, wore the purple and white shirts from the 30 Year Celebrations held in April. These were a hit with the visitors, many wanting to purchase one.

Visitors were horrified when they saw how much sugar and fat was in their everyday food when they studied the cards on display, depicting how many teaspoons of sugar and fat were in each meal. Some tried the goggles which gives one the feeling of being under the influence of alcohol when worn and the simulation dolls that portray a baby who is born as an 'addict' and/or with Foetal Alcohol Syndrome were on display, to discourage expectant mums from drinking and taking drugs whilst pregnant.





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Show bags were given to the children and these consisted of caps, Rid insect repellent, cow bells, note pad and calculator.

Side Show Alley had a large assortment of rides and stalls which were a hit with the children and younger people and the police had a very noticeable presence with cars, wagons and even a helicopter for people to look at and sit in.



A sculpture made of sand was created in the form of a fire breathing dragon which looked quite realistic, real fire coming from the nostrils.

Although the Show was a success with attendance up from previous years, it was very disappointing that only eight millimetres of rain fell over the whole weekend.

## Staff Attendance:

Jessie Richardson  
 Sarah Dowse  
 Phillip Dowse  
 Elisabeth Ineke  
 Toni Bunch  
 Danielle Graves  
 Reg Rutene  
 Eileen Byers  
 Jill Murray  
 Marissa Walford  
 Alyssa Walford  
 Falko  
 Eric  
 Cherin Singh  
 Katherine Cran

Clinic Manager  
 Dental Team Leader  
 Senior Aboriginal Health Worker  
 Midwife  
 Healthy for Life Registered Nurse  
 Dietitian/Exercise Physiologist  
 Murdi Paaki Network D & A Co-ordinator  
 Public Health Worker  
 Chronic Disease Manager  
 Midwifery Aboriginal Health Worker  
 Dental Assistant  
 Medical Student  
 Medical Student  
 Clinic Enrolled Nurse  
 Medical Receptionist



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