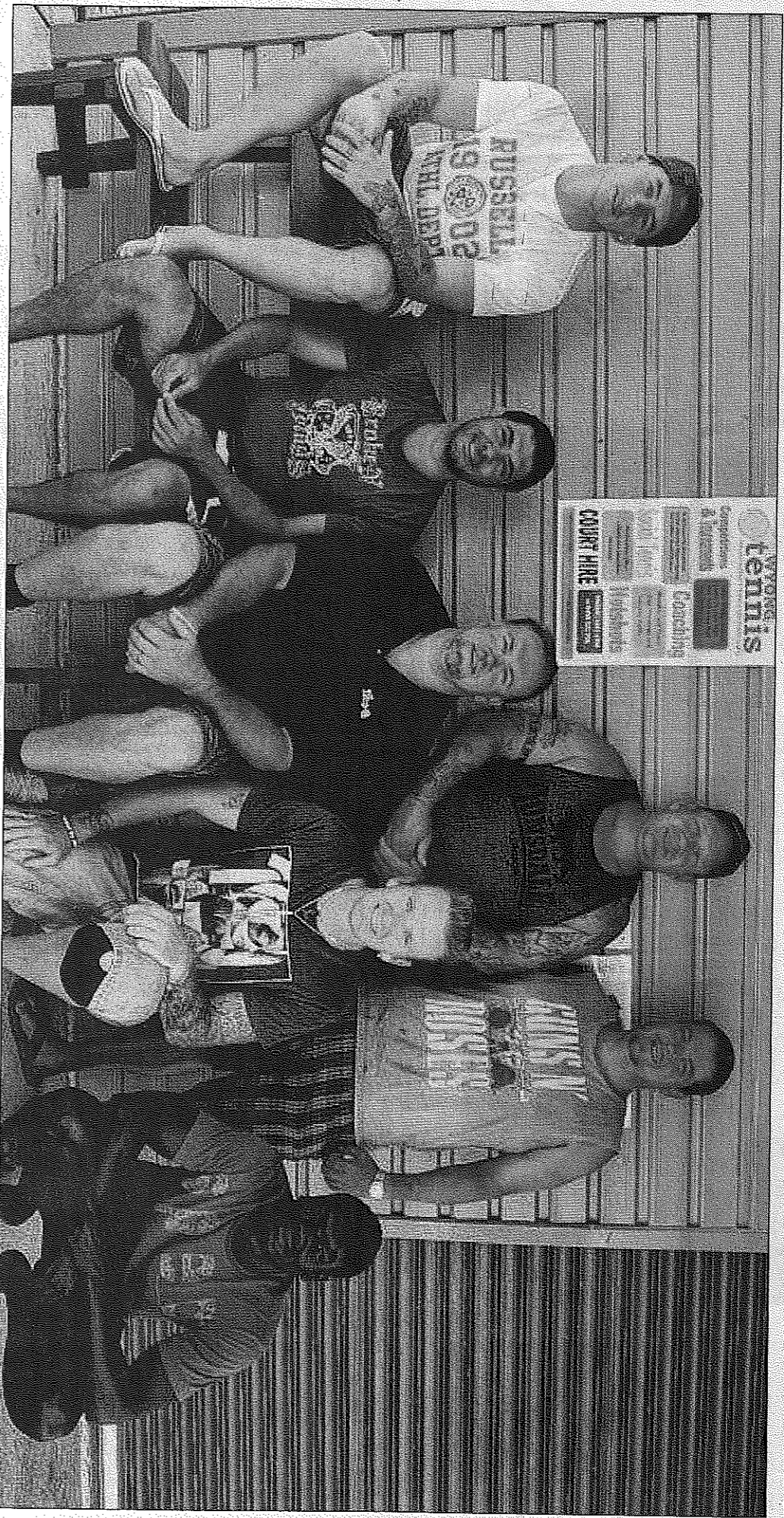
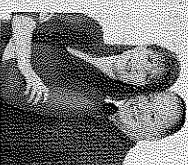


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The winning team, from left Luke Johnson, Al Ahoy, Neil Haworth, Steve Hayes, Kenn Markham, Steve Clark and Akol Akol.

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TEAM ACCESITS ASSIGNMENT

Denice Barnes

AS A newly formed organisation, Wyong District Tennis Association needed all the help it could get.

That's before The Glen Centre came to the rescue and all concerned are delighted with the result.

The new association gained the lease for the Wyong courts from Wyong Council early last year.

"The courts needed a lot of work to get them to a decent playable position," association president

Leonie Baldwin said. That's when she called on the generosity of The Glen Centre clients.

The Glen was formed by the Ngaimpe Aboriginal Corporation in 1994 specifically to help men in the treatment for their drug or alcohol addiction.

The centre's programs are focused on empowering people to take control of their lives, to live a good fun life, and to become active members back in their families and the community.

An important component is helping community organisations

such as the Wyong District Tennis Association.

For five days in late November, volunteers from the centre worked their fingers to the bone repairing the courts and surrounding grounds.

They dug rubble drains, paved, moved and painted to give the courts a complete overhaul.

The tennis association was delighted with the end result, but not as much as the volunteer workers including Kenn Markham, Luke Johnson, Al Ahoy,

Steve Haynes, Steve Clark and Akol Akol.

The team worked under the supervision of The Glen's maintenance manager Neil Hayworth.

"We do a lot of projects like cleaning the waterways and picking up rubbish," Mr Hayworth said.

"The boys get a lot of out of it."

Mr Markham said he enjoyed giving something back to the community.

"I really liked being given the opportunity to give something back to the community and to be able to better myself," he said.

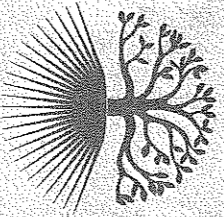
SENSE OF PRIDE

The Glen's chief executive office officer Joe Coyte said the work gave the boys a real sense of community pride.

"To see how much their work is appreciated is a real joy to them," Mr Coyte said.

"We are very happy to work with community organisations like Wyong District Tennis Association."

Any community group interested in talking to The Glen about community programs can write to Mr Coyte at joe@theglencentre.org.au



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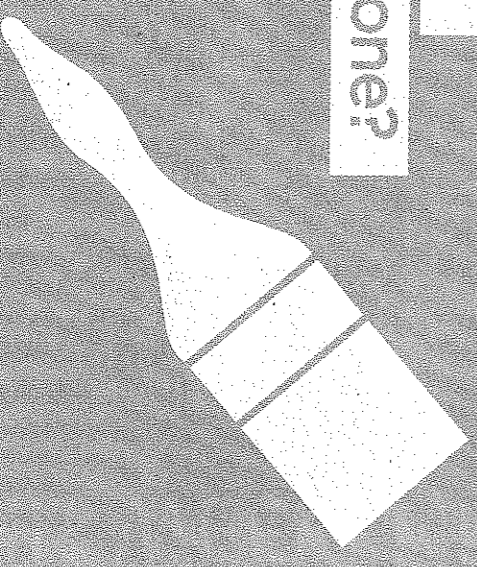
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