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gilinggal junaaygam – Saltwater Freshwater Festival

Three Nambucca Valley Gumbaynggirr Artists – Cathy Duckett, Lizzy Jarrett and Valerie Quinlin represented gilinggal junaaygam with a stall at the Saltwater Freshwater Festival event held at Port Macquarie on Wednesday January 26th. 428 hand crafted objects including felt and painting artworks, greeting cards, silk screened T-Shirts, designer flags and banners, hats and felt jewellery were available for sale at the event and that made the gilinggal junaaygam stall one of the most popular stalls on the day.



Nambucca Valley Artists (left to right)
Valerie Quinlin, Cathy Duckett
and Lizzy Jarrett.



The 3 artists worked long hours in the weeks leading up to the event to ensure that their first opportunity to sell their artworks and other products at a regional festival paid off and it did! Their beautifully set up stall attracted thousands of people all day and out of the 428 objects for sale, the artists sold 110 objects amounting to sales of more than 25% of all the stock taken to the event.

Led by Lizzy Jarrett the artists also did hair braiding for more than 60 festival goers in the Koori and Australian colours.

Valerie Quinlin said of the day -

"It was a great event and fantastic to see so many Indigenous people selling so much great product. We were busy all day going non-stop selling our product and developing our sales skills. I would like to say a big big thank you to Lizzy and Cathy for all their good work".



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Saltwater Freshwater Festival 2011 photo gallery

Clockwise from left - Valerie with her art, customers in the stall, Cathy taking a break, Georgette dreaming & Lizzy working hard.



Digi hub - News

Digi hub leader Shayne Johnson won the tender to document the 2011 Saltwater Freshwater Festival with Simon Portus and trainee Jesse McEwen. The digi hub team documented the festival including the lead up events over 2 days. Shayne is seen getting a quick grab from Bruz Designs with young assistant Lachlan Ahoy.



Bowra Boys up to the beat

The Saltwater Freshwater Festival also had its share of our Bowraville musical talent with Taz, Zicko, Sam & Uncle Dos being asked to perform a second time after their first performance at the festival. Photograph courtesy – Jo Davidson

A big thank you goes to Fred Monroe who generously drove children from Bowraville to the Saltwater Freshwater Festival & to NSW Transport for providing the bus for the children to attend the event

