

***Riverine Herald*, 31 March 1941, p. 2, Death of Former Athlete**

Billy Cooper, believed to have been the oldest half-caste at the Cummeragunja Mission Station, died at the Mooroopna Hospital, and was buried at Cummeragunja yesterday. He was about 80 years old. The deceased was a famous athlete in his younger days and won many sporting events, including a £50 hurdle race match over 150 yards against a Shepparton athlete named Lyons in the early nineties. His son, Lynch Cooper, is an outstanding athlete today and has competed at sports meetings all over the State, scoring some notable wins. The whole of the Cooper family have been noted for their fine bearing and personality and have gained the respect and esteem of all sections of the community.