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Noah - Mungindi's Christmas baby

Mungindi Ambulance Officers Kevin Hobday and Vaughan Hansford had an exciting journey in the early hours of Christmas morning when they were called to Mungindi Hospital for the transportation of Crystal, a young mum in labour.

Coincidentally it was also the patient's eighteenth birthday, who in the past has enjoyed celebrating Christmas with her grandfather who also shares his birthday on this day. Now they are joined by a third family member, Noah the Christmas baby.

The early morning trip to Moree Base Hospital for maternity cases is not uncommon for the staff of the small remote ambulance station of Mungindi.

Accompanying Crystal to Moree was her mother Kerry, as well as midwife escort and Queensland Health Nurse of the Year Mary Montgomery.

Paramedics managed the 130 kilometre trip to Moree through roo, pig and emu countryside arriving with 10 minutes to spare. Noah was born at 0706 hours.

What a wonderful early morning Christmas gift, especially as the birth of Noah at Moree now qualifies him to represent New South Wales in the State of Origin!

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Paramedic Kevin Hobday with Crystal, baby Noah and Nurse Mary Montgomery.