

Giving back: Sonia Bennett and Max Gregory (front) lead Loosely Woven in song at the Tamworth Hospital on Wednesday.

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One good turn for band deserves another

A CHARITABLE offer led to a free concert to cheer up and encourage residents of Tamworth Hospital's rehabilitation ward.

Members of Sydney-based modernist orchestral band Loosely Woven received an offer to stay at the home of a Tamworth woman who is currently staying in the rehabilitation ward.

Band member Vicki Harbison said the band had been encouraged by the generosity shown to them, and wanted to help the residents of the ward. The band had already arranged to travel to Tamworth and had arranged to play at the Southside Uniting Church with local musicians.

When they received the offer of a house, they also decided to perform a free

concert for rehabilitation ward patients.

The group attracted a large crowd for the performance, all of whom clearly enjoyed the music.

Rehabilitation ward nursing unit manager Sue Simpson said activities and events such as the concert could help people in the rehabilitation ward.

Performances and activities helped to provide mental stimulation to patients, which could assist them through often long and difficult recovery times.