

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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Thank you.....

I must say how pleased I am to be told by many readers that they are enjoying Idle Chatter Mark II each week. I'm only human and it certainly feels good to know people are actually reading their I.C. So thank you guys for those positive remarks.

THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

Report on our History Book Get Together Weekend

John and I did not make the sausage sizzle as we had to go to Grenfell to pick up the school bus but it certainly smelt nice when we arrived. Things got started almost on time. Numbers were less than I was hoping for but we had quite a few apologies due to sickness and prior engagements.

President Robert introduced Val Noone to everyone and I was poised with pen and paper waiting for Val to tell us what to do, and bug--r me dead he turned the tables on us and proceeded to ask each person there what they wanted to see in our history book. Things started to move along nicely, there was a very good discussion about type of book (we had a few local history books on hand for some references), lists were made from all our suggestions of what we wanted for content, then we added and deleted to fine tune those ideas.

Stopped for a cuppa and chat, everyone was very happy with the progress we had made. Back to work and it was time to organise a timeline, there was a bit of toing and froing with dates etc. but we hope to

have all our information gathered by 30th March 2013 then compile everything into book form ready to be edited by 30th March 2014 and then hopefully to the printers by 30th June 2014. Sounds easy peasy?????

Now the hard part, we needed co-ordinators to gather the information. This part was a bit slow going but then we got our second wind and we filled most of the jobs. The Post Office will be the central collection point for all information and photos etc. where they will be filed ready to be put into book form or copied to disc for future references. So when you have finished writing your article that you would like to submit, just leave it with me at the PO and I will file it for safety.

More information will be made available (hopefully next week) about how you might go about writing a piece for our book. This guideline will assist those who don't know how or where to start or what to include.

At this point I would like to say Mr Val Noone was a fantastic help, he didn't tell us how we should do anything but helped us in his very calming manner to decide what we wanted. All the decisions were made by "us" and this book is "our project" with the guiding hand of Val. And I'm pleased to report that on Sunday morning Val told me that we had made a lot of sound decisions and with enough information we should end up with a very good book.

Our list of content is not set in stone but for the moment this is what we are working on and who has put their hand up to co-ordinate information so far.

Chronology (time before settlement) – Steve Doney

Geology (why the land was farmed) – Steve Doney

Farming & Family History – Robert Reeves

Town and Commerce – John & Sue Priestley

Social (sport & organisations) – Bill Deery

Railway History (for our village) – Betty McCabe

Services (hospital, police etc.) - ?

Schools - ?

Overall the weekend was very successful. Now the work begins!!!!!!!!!!

NOW

Wedding Congratulations to Jessica Slade (daughter of Ken & Michelle) and Jason Grocott who will tie the knot this Saturday in Young. Everyone from Quandialla wishes them all the best.

Heidi Kay: Last week I mentioned the safe arrival of a daughter for Bronwyn and Warrick Morley. This week I'm pleased to report they have brought their little one home from Canberra where she was born. Welcome home Bronwyn and your little bundle of joy Heidi Kay.

"Vintage" Melbourne Cup Afternoon with High Tea: I have just had a preview of Mr & Mrs Murray Anderson's attire for this function and what a stunning couple they will make. My expert opinion was asked and of course freely given as to what colour tie he should wear. They will certainly have to be in the running for Best Dressed Couple at this Event. But I must say I was very disappointed that I was not invited to the pre mini fashion event that Bev A & Bev K held so they could select their outfits. I would have liked to been a fly on the wall while those two strutted their stuff around the lounge room reliving the old days when yellow stockings and big shoulder pads was the in thing (hope I haven't given too many clues away about your outfit). So.... if you wish to enjoy a delicious High Tea served in a vintage trio with silver spoons, select your vintage attire (you don't want to stick out like a sore thumb in 21st century gear) and be at the Quandialla Bowling Club on Tuesday 6th November.

Melbourne Cup Calcutta: While I am on the topic of the Melbourne Cup let me tell you that this year's Melbourne Cup Calcutta tickets are now available at the Bland Hotel, Post Office, Café plus various members of the Cricket Club and Swimming Pool. Horses will be drawn on Saturday 3rd November and the Auction will be held on Monday 5th November at the Bland Hotel.

On a Sadder Note: Our Heartfelt Sympathy is extended to Judy McAlister and Family on the passing of Judy's mother last weekend.

Quandialla Bowling Club

Friday Night Meat Raffle and Members Jackpot Draw - \$4800 this week.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

This same day in 1956

Extract from IDLE CHATTER NO. 25

THURS. OCT. 11TH 1956

FUTURE POLICE COMMISSIONER? *Only the scrape of a tin opener could be heard as Mrs McInerney commenced to open the kid's money box. It was Show day and the contents had been saved for just that occasion. The operation was far from complete, when up piped young Brian. "You can't do that Mummy, that's breaking, entering and stealing".*

Get out of that one Mum

GIFT EVENING. *The Quandialla CWA Younger Set will hold a gift evening in honour of Miss Dimity Troy and Mr Ross Causer, who are to marry shortly. The date of this function is Tuesday October 16th in the rest room. The usual request to the Ladies for a plate is made.*

DRAPERY AND CHILDRENS WEAR. *No doubt the activity at the shop facing Second Street has been noticed by you, and knowing the speed at which news travels in this place, I suppose you also know that Mrs Fred Armour is going to open the place shortly for the sale of the above articles. A more popular person than Mrs Armour to open a business would be hard to find. She should do very well. She certainly deserves a pat on the back for the enterprise she is showing. If we go on like this, we'll have a town yet.*

Talking of a Ball. *May I remind you that on Friday the 19th of this month the Annual Memorial Hall Ball will be held. The Skyrockets orchestra has been engaged, and this together with a Belle of the Ball Competition and other novelties assures a great night's fun and dancing.*

ROLL UP ROLL UP *for the Church of England Flower Show on Saturday Oct 13. I am informed by the Secretary that further schedules are to hand and may be obtained from Charlie Broben. We'll be seeing you.*

POOR MRS PENFOLD. *My heart bleeds for Mrs Penfold. Every week I am getting meaner and meaner, but if I was to have printed everything given to me this week I could have filled another page, which would never do. Now don't forget the Flower Show on Saturday or the Ball next Friday, and look for some good news about the new Hospital.*

It was certainly very busy in 1956.....**Cheers Sue Priestley**