

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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FAREWELL

There comes a time in every family when hard decisions regarding retirement need to be made for various reasons. Sadly, Barry and Maribeth Keir have had to make that decision.

Barry was born and raised in Quandialla and was always going to be a farmer. A major event in Barry's life was when he met his soon to be bride Maribeth while visiting America. After their wedding Maribeth quickly made Quandialla her new home and they raised their three daughters on the family farm "Kinnard". Barry and Maribeth supported each other in their farming ventures and community commitments, which they were both passionate about.

However, the time has come for Barry and Maribeth to move to Wagga. It is always hard to see friends leave the district and when this particular couple leaves next week they will be sorely missed.

On behalf of all Idle Chatter Readers I would like to wish Barry and Maribeth all the best in the next chapter of their lives and hope to see you both when you return to Quandi to catch up with family and friends.



THANK YOU to the Quandialla Football Club

It gives me great pleasure to announce that the Quandialla Football Club has made the generous donation of \$5000.00 to the Quandialla Swimming Pool. I certainly know that this donation would be very much appreciated and will be well spent on what the Committee requires to keep the pool maintained for our community.

ST MARKS ANGLICAN CHURCH service will be held on Sunday 6th November at 6pm.

ALL WELCOME

QUANDIALLA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE:

Dr Wail El Waili will be visiting Quandialla next on **16th & 30th November**. Please phone West Wyalong Medical Centre 69722866 to make an appointment.

FLOODBUSTER CONCERT/TALENT QUEST

This event was the brain child of Robert Reeves and he worked very hard to bring everything together, organising sponsorship, assistance from the Grenfell Lions and most importantly the acts for the evening.

*On behalf of everyone that attended I would like to say –
‘Thank You Robert – you did a Great Job’.*

It was a great family get together. Cars parked everywhere, kids enjoying themselves, parents and friends having a chat or watching the talent that was on show and enjoying the Lions BBQ who were serving delicious sausage sangers.

There is nothing like the sound of a band belting it out to the accompaniment of the squeals of delight emanating from the littlies on the Jumping Castle or seeing a stand-up comedian swatting mozzies as he goes through his routine. The atmosphere was very festive and relaxed with the aroma of Fried Onions and Aerogard wafting through the air and bringing back happy memories of picnics past.

Due to family commitments in Wagga we arrived late but were happy to see a good crowd in attendance and we were still able to catch most of the acts. Congratulations to those who braved the stage, it was an interesting mix of acts and talent and, no names of course, there were quite a few surprises. There was one young man who had so much poise and talent and I was so surprised when they said he was only 14, but not surprised when I heard he was the evenings winner.

Once again this event was a wonderful idea and thank you Robert.

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

The Bland Hotel Joker Draw will be \$300 and the Quandialla Bowling Club Members Draw will jackpot to \$2200 this Friday night.

Good Luck Everyone!!!!

Baby Congratulations

CONGRATULATIONS and Best Wishes go to Kellie and Garreth Brose on the safe arrival of their newest family member, a son Max Joseph on Friday 28th October, a brother for big sister Annabelle.

Best Wishes are also extended to proud grandparents
Bruce and Donna Slade.

CONGRATULATIONS.,

*I'm very pleased to report the engagement of Kayla Troy and Bradd Stokes.
Congratulations also go to proud parents Wayne & Cheryl Troy
and grandparents who are all very excited with the news.
On behalf of I.C. readers I would like to congratulate Kayla & Bradd
on their engagement.*

SEWING GROUP:

Our next sewing day for 2016 will be Saturday 12th November at Quandialla Public School commencing at 10 am and finishing at 3 pm. Come along and have a great day, just remember to bring along your mug, lunch and a project. If you are interested in learning to sew there will be people that can help. There are some machines which you can use however most people bring their own. Remember your project does not have to be needlework. Bring along any craft project you like, or simply drop in and say hello. Everyone welcome. Hope to see you there.

MELBOURNE CUP IN QUANDIALLA

I hope you enjoyed the biggest race in Australia!!

I must report that he who thinks he is boss in our house had his work cut out with 4 ladies all talking at the same time asking whose horse is winning.

I had to laugh when I heard his dry tone say "who could hear!!!!"

This year, Quandialla's Calcutta was supported by an enthusiastic crowd, who all had one thing on their mind - to try and buy a horse that they thought might win the cup. I will be the first person to admit I know nothing about horses and often choose my favourite by the name, and that's what happened this year.

But sadly, we were nowhere near the front, but on the bright side, we did make a donation to the Quandialla Pool and Hospital Auxiliary along with all the other horse owners. Congratulations must go to Vicki Troy who was successful in drawing Almandin and then purchased him in the auction – a very smart move on her part.

I'm sure the Swimming Pool Committee and Ladies Hospital Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who supported the Calcutta by buying tickets or attending the auction - so on behalf of both organisations

Thank you for supporting this Annual Fundraising Event.

Please accept my apologies re: the following belated report.

SAD NEWS: Helen Sykes late of Young, and formerly a resident of "East Bland" Quandialla, passed away and was interred at Cootamundra Cemetery. Deepest Sympathy is extended to Helen's children George, David, Jane and families at this sad time.



RAINFALL IN QUANDIALLA

October's rainfall recorded at the Quandialla Post Office was 47.2 mm over 10 days bringing the yearly total to 620.8 mm.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Friday 11th November 2016

This year 11th November marks the 98th Anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18). Each year on this day Australians observe one minute's silence at 11 am, in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts.

Quandialla Public School will be holding a Remembrance Day Service beginning at 10.30 am at the school. Members of the Community are Invited to attend.



THANK YOU

The Quandialla Hospital Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who helped to make our Cup Luncheon such a successful day, financially and socially.

We had many fashionable outfits and hats on show. Thank you to those who attended, all who donated goods for the Raffle, the Bland Hotel Staff and Lisa Causer who had her 'Fashion & Bags' on display. The money raised from the raffle, sweeps and entry fee was the grand total of \$567. Raffle winners for the day: 1st 'Bones', 2nd Flo O'Connor 3rd Jillian Causer, 4th Elaine Troy & 5th Pat Potbury.

We also wish to express our appreciation for the very generous donation of \$812.00 from the Melbourne Cup Calcutta Auction.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Last week I received the following email that I would like to share.....

Hello Sue

I always look forward to opening my emails on Friday evenings and scrolling through looking for my weekly Idle Chatter. My favourite read is the Blast from the Past, and this week has a personal touch for me, dated 14th March 1966. Pattie Dawes and baby daughter arrived home this week. That baby girl is me, I was born March 6th 1966, celebrating my 50th birthday this year.

Thank You Sue, you've made my week. Regards Leanne Bush

On behalf of I.C. readers I would like to wish Leanne a belated Many Happy Returns for turning the big 5 - 0. – and thank you for the lovely email. Cheers **Sue Priestley**