

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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COMMUNITY MEETING REPORT

Our Community Meeting was held last night and was well attended with 16 present and half a dozen apologies. All issues were tabled and then discussed in more detail. The outcome of the evening is that we now have a concise agenda with a list of main topics with items that relate to that issue. Example – “Tidiness of the Town” covers vacant blocks, burnt structures (asbestos), weed eradication, mowing, drainage etc.

All the other concerns that were tabled have been addressed and are included in our agenda of issues to be discussed.

The Quandialla representatives are now well prepared for our meeting with the Rural Works Committee which will be held on Tuesday 9th April at 5pm.

QUANDIALLA CENTENARY HISTORY BOOK

As the D-Date of first submissions for our history book is getting closer I am very pleased to report that there is movement at the station. We have drafts from the Dougall Family, Hanstock Family, Kelly Family, Railway History, Bloomfield Family and Gault Family to name a few.

We do know of a number more that are definitely in the pipeline as we speak, which is what the committee needs to be aware of. So please let us know where you are up to or if you need assistance.

THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

CAN ANYONE TELL ME?

This week Ross Causer solved the mystery of who Sam was and what happened to his fence (re: Blast from the Past IC 30).

The story went like this:

A baker (not sure if it was the actual Baker or someone working for him) was on his way home from delivering bread to Caragabal. He was driving over the hill and down the stretch from Payne’s Hill and missed the turn in the road and went straight through “Sam Fuge’s” fence turned around in the paddock and went back out the way he went in and continued on his way home to Quandialla.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Centenary Meeting – 27th March 2013 at 7.30pm, Bland Hotel
History Book Draft D-Day – 31st March 2013

CENTENARY RECIPE COOKBOOK

Our goal for this cookbook is to set it out in a “Generation Format” so we will be having Family Pages - an example of this is as follows

PRIESTLEY FAMILY – Start with a recipe that was a favourite of Peg Priestley followed by a recipe that Margaret Priestley has submitted, I could add my famous tuna casserole, then Anne Dixon might include her favourite slice and hopefully Courtney will have a recipe and Emma might like to be included with her own favourite.

So get talking to Mum, Nana, Sisters, Sister-in-laws, Daughters and Grandchildren we still need recipes from Family Members.

NOW

“MIGHTY DUCKS” INTO GRAND FINAL SHOWDOWN.

Congratulations to all the Quandialla players – they will now play Ariaiah Park this Saturday at McAlister Oval -West Wyalong. It was reported in the West Wyalong Advocate that our boys produced an upset 53 run win over the more fancied White Tank Bandits. I would be upset too if I got beaten by 53 runs. After making only 130 runs the Ducks dismissed the Bandits for just 70 runs with Christian McAlister taking 5/19.

GOOD LUCK from every I.C. reader for this Saturday.

“GO THE MIGHTY DUCKS”

QUANDIALLA DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE - GENERAL MEETING

Will be held on Thursday, 28th March 2013 commencing at 7.30pm at the Bland Hotel, Quandialla. *ALL MOST WELCOME* – N Gault, Secretary

SENIOR CITIZEN’S MORNING TEA & BINGO will be held on Wed 20th March at 10am at the Quandialla Health Centre. *ALL WELCOME*

QUANDIALLA WEDDIN WELL BEING: Week 2 will be held on Wed 20th at the Quandi Hall (NB: change of venue) starting at 9.30 till 11am. It is not too late to join the group. Wear comfy shoes and bring your water bottle.

For more info contact Belinda Wilson – 6349 1777

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS: Bland Hotel Joker Draw is still going and is \$320 this week. The Bowling Club Members jackpot went to some lucky lady in another town I did hear but forgot so it will start again at \$600 this week.

QUANDIALLA BOWLING CLUB NEWS: Better news on the Pennant front this week, with a 6 - 0 win over Binalong to get the locals back in the race. This Sunday they take on Young at Quandi.

PLEASED TO RECOMMEND: As it was John’s turn to cook last Thursday we took the opportunity to sample Jeremy’s Thursday “Steak Night” at the pub with friends. It is well worth a visit, his Diane Sauce is to die for.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

This same day in 1957

Extract from IDLE CHATTER NO. 46

THURS. MAR 14TH 1957

A Quandialla football club has been formed and they will hold the first official meeting on Monday night at 8pm in the lounge of the Bland Hotel. Whether you are a player or an intending player or just mildly interested, you are asked to attend for the purpose of electing the necessary Officers. After that, the details of affiliation etc. can be dealt with. Neil Rogan attended a meeting at Koorawatha last Monday night and he has all the particulars which you will want to hear.

It was decided at a meeting last Saturday that the Bland Rodeo will be run this year in aid of the Hospital Auxiliary. Members of the Auxiliary will be asked to assist with the catering. The Rodeo will be held on October 7th and will be followed by a hill-billy dance at night. The arrangements for the dance will be in the hands of Mrs Richards. Additional yards are required and for the purpose of obtaining the necessary rails, a working bee will be held on Sunday March 17th. By getting the rails whilst the weather is good, work can be carried out throughout the Winter without delays by shortage of materials.

The first thing you hear on the golf course is “keep your head down”. You hear it from your teachers and you get it from your mates. It is a necessary instruction if you are to play golf well. It is certain that there will be eight golfers who will play exceedingly well if keeping your head down has anything to do with it. Messrs Mick Timmins, Jim McAlister, Jack McAlister, Cam Edgerton, Os Kelly, Ian Reeves, Clive Hazell and myself, had the temerity to challenge the bowlers to a match. At this stage let me tell you that we fancied ourselves. I will pass very hurriedly over the horrible result, but you can bet that eight golfers will keep their heads down. They will keep them down in shame for their bowling ability. They will keep them down so none can see their utter misery. Golfers take heed. There is amongst us, white ants, fifth columnists and saboteurs who worked with the bowlers to our discomfiture. I won’t mention their names but if it is at all possible, their heads will be bowed lower, or should be.

Until next week.....Cheers **Sue Priestley**