

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

Newsletter No: 34

Thursday 21st March 2013

This newsletter is an initiative of the Quandialla Centenary Committee

Sponsored by Michael & Lucy Kemp

CRICKET GRAND FINAL

**Quandialla "Mighty Ducks" V Arian Park
We Went, We Played and We Conquered**

I'm sure everyone would know by now that the "Mighty Ducks" and I do mean Mighty won the Grand Final last Saturday and are probably still celebrating - as they should be.

I use the word "We" in my heading because I am speaking for all the Duck's supporters – there were a lot of very proud family members and friends in the crowd clapping and cheering you on to that fabulous win.

The atmosphere was fantastic, expectation was high, a good size crowd had gathered to watch the game. Quandialla fielded first and everyone was settling in for a great game and then Smithy and his short little legs ran a mile to catch a fantastic highball at deep square leg in the sixth over. Arian Park were 1 down for 6 runs, this set the tone for the rest of Arian Park's batting. Smithy's catch was just what the doctor ordered and Quandi went into overdrive. Spectators were now on the edge of their seats as wickets started to tumble.

The bowling and the fielding from the Quandialla players would put the Australian squad to shame. Christian McAlister finished with 3/9, Justin Boyd 2/6, Sam Broomby 2/16 and David Armitage who was just back from New Zealand 2/4. Brett Causer also bowled well but he made his presence felt with a direct hit from cover to run out Arian Park's captain. A whisper went along the crowd "you don't run on his arm".

Arian Park - bowled out for 90 runs.

Simon Nowlan's wicket keeping was superb saving many runs. The other players for Quandi who played their part to perfection in keeping the run rate so low was Trevor Ryan, Tom Deery, Johno Baker and Adam Slater. Andrew Yerbury was 12th man for the game, Brendon McAlister and Dylan McAlister played their part for the team as scorers and Josh Curry was there lending his support, unable to play due to an injury.

Quandialla's opening batters Trev Ryan and Tom Deery did us proud, they survived some very intense bowling from the Arian Park young guns. Many appeals were made but thankfully their batting technique or luck played in Quandi's favour. Hitting a series of boundaries the Ducks were 61 from 9.5 overs. Trevor lost his wicket for 50 runs and I must say he was the happiest batter I've seen leave the field for a long time. With only 10 runs to win the premierships, Tom Deery 36 not out and Johno Baker 2 not out did the job, mind you Dave Armitage could not sit still - that last run seemed to take forever.

Personally I thought it was not fair that the other batters did not get a go but I'm sure they were very happy with the outcome. Celebrations commenced straight away and continued at the S & C Club where the presentation was held. Dave Armitage looks very dapper in the photo where he is presented with the 2012/13 Cooper-Templeman Shield. Trevor Ryan was awarded the Jim Prentice Medallion for player of the grand final.

Not bad for a small town who were struggling to field a side at the beginning of the season and especially as 9 players out of 15 are on the plus side of 30, now known as "Dad's Army", it just goes to show it can be done and you should be very proud of your achievements – WE ARE.

THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

CENTENARY MEETING

**Wednesday 27th March at 7.30pm at the Bland Hotel
ALL WELCOME**

CAN ANYONE TELL ME?

The following questions have been asked by Margaret Jones nee: Nowlan

What year did electricity come to the area?.....

When was the Quandialla – Bimbi Rd sealed?.....

Was the Hodge Shearing Contractor from the Quandialla district?.....

NOW

QUANDIALLA BOWLING CLUB NEWS: The Quandi side suffered an unexpected setback in their 2013 Pennant campaign when they were defeated by Young 5 points to 1 last Sunday. With 3 rounds gone and 3 to go they will need to win every game to have any chance of winning the Pennant. This Sunday Quandi will play Coota Ex Services at Quandialla.

ST BRIGID'S CHURCH NOTICE: Mass – 10.00am 2nd Sunday of the month & Liturgy – 10.00am 4th Sunday of the month. The services will be held at St Mark's Anglican Church until further notice while necessary repairs are being carried out at St Brigid's.

TALL POPPIES GARDEN CLUB will be holding a meeting on Saturday 13th April at Clare & Simon Nowlan's property "Glenesk" Bimbi.

Alex Dalglish will be the guest speaker. EVERYONE WELCOME

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS: Bland Hotel will be \$340 this week and the Bowling Club's Members Draw has jumped to \$1200 this Friday.

REMINDERS

SCHOLARSHIP MEETING -Thurs 28th March at the Bland Hotel at 7.30pm.

WEDDIN WELL BEING - Week 3 on Wed 27th at the Hall starting 9.30am

BLAND HOTEL - "Thursday Steak Nights" – 6.30 to 8.30pm

2013 SCOTS DEB PRACTICE – Friday's at 7pm until the Ball (27.04.13)

HISTORY BOOK 1st DRAFT – Due date 31st March 2013

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

This same day in 1957

Extract from IDLE CHATTER NO. 47

THURS. MAR 21ST 1957

I know of one agent in the town who had the misfortune to be bucked off a wooden horse with sad results. It is now the turn of Arthur Watts to be tossed off a grader and to let the thing attempt to flatten him out. It is no occasion for mirth because no one realises more than myself the hurt that could come from an accident such as this but nevertheless I can't 'elp laughin'. Hopalong Wattsy they call him.

A Mr JC Goodsell will be the new Station master at Quandialla. No date has yet been fixed for the transfer, but a long delay is not expected. Mr Goodsell is at present, Station master at Captain's Flat.

It's awfully dear and you have no redress. One light burning for an hour or so some days, never at the weekend and never at night for 6 pound 15 shillings & 10 pence per quarter. When you write quite nicely and ask for an explanation you are told in a curt manner that it is right, and if you doubt it you can put in a pound for a meter test. Tell me of any privately controlled business where such discourtesy and stand over tactics would be condoned. I suppose I will pay and have to like it. Heil! Remind me to click my heels and lift up my hand in salute next time.

Congratulations to Councillor Captain Landy Harris. A word of advice. Don't let it harass you Harris

As you are no doubt aware the Bowling Club members have donated the rinks and all facilities to the Hospital Auxiliary on Saturday March 30. Don't think for one moment that you have to be a member of either body to enjoy this day's outing. I have been asked to let the ladies know, that Mrs L Penfold has donated a trophy to the value of a guinea for "The best sponge sandwich with jam filling and iced top". There is no entry fee but please note that the cakes are to become the property of the Auxiliary.

You can alter the seven to "Eight" wonders of the world. I had occasion to ring Mrs Dixon about the above item, and she in turn had to ring Mrs Richards. I told Mrs Dixon I was in a hurry, and I got the return ring in exactly 4 min. 17 sec. Just fancy. Two connections to break and two to make and also included in the time was a conversation between two ladies. I'm still very much dazed by this performance, so much so that I feel as though I cannot go any further on this page. You couldn't call that "Idle Chatter"

Cheers **Sue Priestley**