

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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QUANDIALLA DEBUTANTE BALL

*Two young ladies made their Debut last Saturday.
Shantelle Troy was partnered by Ben Kelly and
Caitlin Verde was partnered by Matthew Thain.*

As Matron of Honour this year I would like to congratulate both Debs who were absolutely radiant in their lovely gowns and their partners who looked very sharp in their black suits. It would be very remiss of me if I did not mention our gorgeous flower girl Dana Yerbury and her very handsome escort for the evening Hugh Nowlan. I was so proud of our young attendants, it would have been overwhelming for them when those doors opened – even I had butterflies.

Everyone in the Debutante Party strutted their stuff to the Blues Brothers “Shake your Tail Feather” to the delight of family and friends and danced a short version of “Swing Waltz” to perfection. I was extremely pleased by the dedication they all put into the rehearsals and the actual presentation on the night.

There is a lot that goes into organising a Deb Ball whether we have 2 or 10 Debs. A theme of some sort has to be decided on, so many weeks of practise for the presentation and dancing for the Deb party, organising the official party, find an MC for the evening, flower girl dresses need to be made, bouquets organised, cake made and decorated, tickets, advertising and programme organised, hall cleaned before and after the ball, shopping or making the accessories required for decoration, the hall has to be decorated for the big night and this can only be done on the day of the ball and doormen for the night. (Hope I haven't forgotten anyone)

Marlene Taylor and I would like to thank everyone that helped with any of the above jobs, without your support we would not have been able to hold our ball. We hope everyone had a fabulous evening and thank you to those who attended or made a donation. Ticket sales and donations at the time of printing is

\$3465.00, expenses approx. \$1900.00, we raised approx. \$1500.00 to help cover our insurance expenses of \$2400.00.

A Ball Report with photo will appear in The Grenfell Record in the next week or two. Once again the Hall Committee would like to thank everyone for their support for the 2013 Deb Ball.

THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

CENTENARY FUNDRAISING

As reported in last weeks' newsletter the Centenary Committee will be holding a few functions to help raise funds to assist with financing the Centenary Celebrations.

The 1st function will be our “Mothers' Day Dinner”
The President and Committee hope you will be able to attend and support this fundraiser while having an enjoyable evening out.

29th May – Centenary Meeting at the Bland Hotel at 7.30pm

NOW

MOTHERS' DAY DINNER

Where: *Quandialla Bowling Club* When: *Friday 10th May 2013.*
Time: *6.30 – 8 pm* R.S.V.P. *7th May - Ph: 6347 2160*
Cost: *\$15.00 main meal only or \$20 main & dessert - per person*
Menu: *Butter Chicken, rice & veg or Stroganoff, rice & veg*
Sticky Date Pudding or Fruit Salad
Bookings appreciated as this would assist the committee with catering.

The Scholarship Presentation will be held on this night also.

FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS: The Quandialla Bowling Club Members Draw has jackpotted to \$4750 this Friday and the Bland Hotel Joker Jackpot is \$180. You have to be there to have a chance of winning.

QUANDIALLA DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION EVENING will be held at the Bowling Club on Friday 10th May. Scholarships will be presented at 7.30 pm. All Welcome.

HOT OFF THE PRESS: Quandialla Fire Brigade was called out at 4.30am this morning (Thursday) to a house fire in Glasson Street. With the brigades' fast response (admittedly they didn't have to go far) and the home owners' quick thinking the fire was quickly contained. BUT - we all know how easily it could have been a different story. Now is the time to check your smoke alarms and update your fire extinguishers, it certainly paid off in this instance.

DATES TO REMEMBER

4th May – Euchre at Bribbaree – 6.30pm BBQ followed by cards
10th May – Mothers' Day Dinner & Scholarship Presentation
12th May – Mothers' Day
12th May – St Brigid's Mass at 10 am – St Marks Anglican Church

FRIENDS OF THE CENTENARY: The Centenary Committee need some willing helpers to assist with cooking etc. for our Mothers' Day Dinner, if you are free and can assist please ring Marlene. Ph: 6347 2160

WEDDIN WELLBEING GROUP: On Wednesday 8th May - Sally Bourne who is a Landscape Designer will be attending this group's get together.
All Welcome

BINGO & BIGGEST MORNING TEA in aid of the Cancer Council will be held at the Bribbaree Hall on Wed 8th May at 10.30am start. All Welcome
Good Food – Good Prizes – Good Friends – Lucky Door Prize
Come Along – Socialise and Have Some Fun
For more information call Vesna Gregory (secretary) Ph: 6347 1330

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

This same day in 1957

Extract from IDLE CHATTER Vol. 2 No. 1

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KIDDIES CORNER. "The Melody Makers' is the name which the members of our orchestra chose as being the best submitted. Two children submitted this name so the prize has been divided. Adele Causer and Jean Dixon will each receive 5/- and the thanks of the orchestra members goes to all that entered the competition.

PROMOTION. The many friends of Stan Smith (late of the Quandialla school) will be pleased to hear that he has been appointed Deputy Head of the Inter High School at Moruya. Jolly good luck to you Stan, and so say all of us.

FOOTBALL. Quandialla played its first match against Burrangong last Sunday. They were only able to field twelve men but they put up a fine display. They lost, it's true, but were not disgraced. They held their rivals to a scoreless first half but lack of experience as a team told its story and they went down fighting 16 points to 5. For Quandialla a nice try was scored by Trevor Curtis and was converted with a good kick by Noel George. Next Sunday gives you the chance to see the Quandi team in action. They play Binalong and play will commence at 3pm. Neil Rogan says that he is more than pleased with the local lads' showing.

PROGRESS (or otherwise) It was a very poor turn up for the monthly meeting of the Progress Association. The President was unable to be there due to the effects of an accident which has put him to bed for a short time. The Secretary was also absent on business in Sydney and Ron Dibbs took over his duties for the night. Bill McDonald as a vice President took the chair. The proposed water supply of the town was the main topic. To the very small minority who opposed the scheme, I have some good news for you. The matter has been shelved for a time, due to no small measure to your activities. The Association will no doubt tackle the problem from another angle. Questions were also asked about three blocks of land which have been set aside for use as a town common. This is something which is badly needed and if the land is there for that purpose it should be utilised. May 28th is next Progress night. Will you please make a special effort to be there?

Cheers for another week **Sue Priestley**