

# IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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## THE QUANDIALLA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION PUT THE FOLLOWING IN THE 1938 QUANDIALLA SHOW SCHEDULE

J.W. LIND, President     DR. W.E.M. BLAMEY, Hon. Secretary

QUANDIALLA is the main township on the Forbes-Stockinbingal railway line having a supply of electricity available to the residents and is growing rapidly. Centre of an excellent agricultural, pastoral and grazing district, known as the Bland which is famed for its stock fattening qualities. It is equipped with 90,000 bushell silos, stock saleyards, trucking yards. Trains to and from Sydney daily, via South and West. Centre of a district population, comprising about 1500.

### COMMERCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY

**Banks:** The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Ltd, and Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia.

**Public Buildings:** Post Office, Police Station, Court House, Public School and Hall, St Brigid's Convent and School.

**Magistrates:** R. Penfold, M.J. Goonan, A.S. Dixon, W.R. Steele, P. Coelli, A. Olsen, M. Keir

**Medical:** Dr. W.E.M. Blamey, **CWA Emergency Hospital**, Sister Jennison

**Stores:** Agricultural Bureau Co-operative Society, Ltd. (J.W. Lind Manager) and A.O. Olsen; **Stock & Station Agents:** G.A. McDonald, M. Keir; **Machinery Depots:** Massey Harris, H.V. McKay and International Harvester Co. Ltd; **Motor Garages:**

Quandialla Motors, Gordon's Garage; **Baker:** R. Guy; **Butchers:** J. McDonald, M. Dundas; **Billiards Room:** W. Dempsey; **Barbers:** W. Dempsey, A.R. McDonald;

**Newsagents:** C. Anderson; **Blacksmith:** D.C. Gordon; **Plumber:** W.H. Smith;

**Refreshment Rooms:** C. Anderson; **Hotel:** Bland Hotel (Geo. Bell);

**Builders:** C. North, C. Sellen, J. Martin; **Sawmills:** F.J. Schaefer, C. Caldwell;

**Carriers:** J.R. Olsen, W. Bailey, F. Causer, S. George, G. McCabe;

**Petrol & Oil Depots:** Shell, Vacuum, C.O.R. Union, Texaco; **Picture Show**

**Proprietors:** D.E. & S. Hope; **Churches:** Methodist, Church of England, Roman

Catholic; **Lodges:** M.U.I.O.O.F. (L. Chamberlain, sec), G.U.O.O.F. (H. Andrews, sec)

Inserted by the Quandialla Progress Association which meets the first Tuesday in every month, and welcomes any suggestion or requests in keeping with the progress of the town and district.

*I love finding these Directories they help paint a picture of what was here in the earlier years. I hope you find them interesting too.*

## THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

### History Book Report

The Editors have been meeting each week and slowly working their way through the pile of notes that have been submitted. I would like to report that all 4 Editors are very excited with the response and depth that has been contributed. Naturally there is a little more to the job than just reading them, the editing part will take the time but we are very confident that the job will be done to everyone's satisfaction.

With all the researching I have been doing for the various articles that I am working on I am finding out that our district has a very interesting history and it definitely needs to be told by you, everyone has a story to tell and our Centenary is the perfect time to do the job. But, sadly we still have a few gaps and as Editors we cannot let that happen. Robert, Bill, Lucy or myself, will be speaking to you (you know who you are) regarding this matter at some stage soon, so please consider putting pen to paper sooner rather than later.

Please speak to an Editor if you have any questions or need any help – Robert Reeves, Bill Deery, Lucy Nowlan-Kemp or Sue Priestley.

## NOW

### WHAT GREAT NEWS

We, by "We" I mean Quandialla will be hosting a Wedding in town on Saturday. It has been quite a while since there has been a wedding reception held in the Soldiers Memorial Hall. The bride's family and friends will work their magic and it will look very grand for this special occasion. I'm sure a wonderful day will be had by the lucky couple, family and friends.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations must go to Emma Reeves and her fiancé Justin who will be getting married this Saturday. The ceremony will be held on the family property at the base of the mountain, with the reception following at the Quandialla Hall.

Mr and Mrs Andrews will be making their home in Lavington Albury.

Everyone from Quandialla wishes Emma and Justin all the best.

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS: The jackpot at the Bland Hotel is building up and you have a chance this week of finding the "Joker" on the board and winning \$400. At the Quandialla Bowling Club this Friday you will have lots of chances to win something, the usual Friday night "Meat Draw" will be held, followed by the "End of the Month" meat draw. Throw into the pot the possibility of just maybe the "Badge Draw" coming to Quandialla. If it does and your number comes out and you are there to claim it you could go home \$1950 richer. Good Luck Everyone.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

4<sup>th</sup> Sept – Darts at the Bland Hotel – 7.30pm start – All Welcome

7<sup>th</sup> Sept – Euchre at Bribbaree Bowling Club

9<sup>th</sup> Sept – CWA General Meeting – 7.30pm, CWA Rooms – All Welcome

12<sup>th</sup> Sept – NSW Partners in Grain meeting, 2-6pm@QBC enq: 0411015825

25<sup>th</sup> Sept – Centenary Meeting – Bland Hotel at 7.30pm – All Welcome

SAD NEWS: Mr Bill Nowlan formerly of "Uliwah" Bimbi passed away last week. Our sympathy is extended to Pat, Justin, Shaun and families.

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

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THURS. 31<sup>st</sup> JAN 1957

*TENNIS PLAYERS. There will be a meeting in the CWA rooms on Wednesday February 6<sup>th</sup> at 8pm, It matters not whether you prefer the day or night variety. The meeting is open to all who care to attend. Officers and working committee will be elected for the management and control of both day and night tennis. The time is ripe to form what could be one of the best tennis clubs in the district. So, if you are a tennis fan or just mildly interested, roll along to this meeting and say your piece.*

*When Dr. Blamey resigned from the Shire council, it was felt that some difficulty might be experienced in filling the vacancy. However at the time of writing it is rumoured that we already have two contestants for the vacant seat. They are Mr Ian Reeves and Mr Vic Harris. If this is true, and I have no reason to doubt my informant, I would like to offer the use of this sheet to both of these men. For myself, I have no wish to enter into any controversy as to the relative merits of these men, but I will accept and print, any statement which they write and sign.*

*Rodeo enthusiasts will be delighted to learn that the local lad Bernie Minogue carried off the coveted title of Open bare-back Champion at Young rodeo last Monday. When you see men like Max Hillier and Barry Crawford running second and third to him you can imagine the quality of his victory. This title was earned the hard way because it was after three gruelling rides that it was accomplished. The Wagga newspaper gave Bernie's residence as Queensland. This was a graceful tribute even if it was not accurate.*

*Mr and Mrs Ned Kelly from the Post Office left today for their Annual vacation. We welcome back to the fold for a few weeks, Miss Stokes who will control the destiny of the mail.*

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I like the sound of that job description - controlling the destiny of the mail.

Cheers .....**Sue Priestley**