

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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SEPTEMBER CENTENARY MEETING

Our September meeting was held last night and a good crowd attended. It was a long meeting but worth it as we addressed all the items on our agenda.

History Book: The editors' reported that they are reading through our submissions and that there are some families that will need to be chased. It was moved by the meeting to have a separate day for the launch of our History Book. The date will be decided at a later time but it is proposed for early September 2014.

Rail Motor Train: Prices for the train rides were decided. To travel to either Caragabal - return or to Bribbaree - return will cost \$10 per adult, \$2 per child under 15yrs. Children must be accompanied by an adult. A few questions were raised and Narelle will get back to the meeting and hopefully a timetable will be organised in the New Year. The committee are planning to take bookings for the rides with tickets being picked up either before or on the day. More about this at a later date.

Settlers & Fettleers Wall: More research is required before any decisions can be made.

Programme: There was a fair amount of discussion on this item and it was pointed out that we all want to enjoy the celebrations without putting too much pressure on ourselves. We will start the Celebrations with our Book Launch in early September. Saturday will be left free because of the Bribbaree Show but Quandialla will be hosting a Family Bush Dance on Saturday evening. On Sunday we are hoping to have stalls and static displays up and running by 9am, Official Opening / Unveiling around 11.30. The Centenary Raffle will be drawn at 3pm. Monday morning there will be a breakfast organised.

I just re read the above and I can hear you ask is that it, but this is where the committee is hoping that the community will help us fill the gaps. For example one of the Churches will organise a Church Service on Sunday and that can then be included in the programme.

Has anyone noticed that there is no mention of a parade, this was discussed at length and the meeting decided that we would not pursue it due to the small number of organisations, size of the village etc. It was felt that the time would be better spent catching up with friends and helping support the organisations you are a member of with their fundraising ventures.

The Centenary Committee will be hosting a tent on the Sunday where train tickets, history & cook books will be sold and any other souvenir items. Plus it will act as an information booth where programmes etc will be.

At this stage we only have one local organisation that has put their hand up to hold a food stall and some other activities with the view to raise funds for their small group. Our Committee is hoping that all our local groups will step up and take this opportunity to raise much needed funds from all the visitors that will be here on the weekend. Everyone has to eat and drink and we all like to browse and buy something, so put your thinking caps on, there is a thousand ways you can make some money from this event.

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FUNDRAISING REPORT

Last week I reported that we held a very successful picnic at Robert and Lynell's, and today I can say it was also a financial success. All expenses have been paid and I have written a receipt for \$474 which is money raised by Robert cooking lunch and dinner plus some donations on the day. Again thank you to all that supported the day.

I would also like to report that the Centenary Committee ran a very efficient catering tent at Robinson's Clearing Sale. Marlene Taylor had everything and everyone so organised that the day ran very smoothly. Thank you to everyone that donated their time and helped by cooking biscuits, making sandwiches, cooking on the b-b-q and the willing band of ladies that served throughout the day. All expenses have now been paid and I can report that we raised \$1577 to go towards our Centenary Celebrations. A special thank you to Marlene Taylor who organised everything (she must have been a sergeant major in a past life), if it was left up to me I would still be dithering over how much meat to order.

Once again thank you to everyone that has supported our fundraising.

NOW

QUANDIALLA HOSPITAL AUXILIARY: General meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th October at 9.30am in the Health Centre. All Welcome

RICHMOND MERINO RAM SALE: The Ryan Family will be holding their Annual On Property Ram Sale on Tuesday October 1st commencing at 1.30pm. Inspections can be made from 10.30am, for further information call Trevor on 6347 1166.

QUANDIALLA BOWLING CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held next Wednesday 2nd October at the Quandialla Bowling Club at 7.30pm.

2013 MELBOURNE CUP: Due to the success of last years' Vintage Melbourne Cup, the Quandialla Hospital Auxiliary will again be hosting a Vintage afternoon with Devonshire tea at the Quandialla Bowling Club on Tuesday 5th November at 1.00pm. Guests are invited to come dressed in fashion from their favourite era and Lisa Causer will be presenting the latest Veducci Clothing and Doranne Shoes and Accessories. Bring your friends and enjoy a great day out!

A LITTLE BIRDIE let it slip that Trevor Taylor had a birthday on Wed 25th Sept. That same little birdie will be taking him out for Dinner this Saturday. Many Happy Returns Trevor you only turn 60 once.

QUANDIALLA JACKPOTS: The Quandialla Bowling Club Badge Draw went to some other lucky person last Friday, so we will start all over again this week at \$650. The Bland Hotel Joker Draw will be \$480 (I think).

WOULD YOU BELIEVE I am off to my first "Hen's Night" this weekend. I am taking some support troops from Quandi to make sure I return for work on Monday. I have no idea what to expect but I'm hoping to learn a thing or two, however my better half thinks it is probably too late. Well I will just have to show him.!!!!!!

BLAST FROM THE PAST

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NATURE STUDY. My dear (sometimes very dear) friend Ken McLean invited me into the backyard of the Bank to have a look into one of his fowl's laying boxes. In it was, one new born kitten and one egg. What I want to know is, who is sitting on which? There will be some bitter arguments in that box shortly.

GOLF. There must be a special Saint presiding over the golfers. Last Sunday was a near perfect day, and as a result there was a very good roll up. An 18 hole Stableford point competition was arranged, and closely contested. Peter Powderly was successful after a count back from Jim McAlister both with 32 points. Perhaps the most meritorious performance was that of Alan Kelly. This pint size player returned a score of 30 points, which in view of the conditions, was exceptionally good. Have we got a potential "Champ"? Line up next Sunday boys for an 18 hole stroke. Time 1.30pm.

I'LL POT 'EM. The bowling trophy for the Presidents versus Vice-President's teams is donated by Ken McLean. It is called the "Quandi Pot" and knowing Ken you can well imagine what sort of trophy it is. The part that amuses me is that Charlie Broben was deputed to purchase the "thing". Charlie barges into a Grenfell store only to find it staffed by females. If only we could have had a microphone and television, what a show it would have been. The red on Charlie's face is NOT sunburn, it is a heritage from this trying experience.

GOOD BYE)EE. Mr Ken (Curl curl) Manly, teacher at the Quandialla school has been transferred to Harden. He left for his new post last Saturday and commenced his duties on Monday morning.

During the week I received a piece of poetry? Written by W.T. Causer, he thinks the T stands for Tennyson. I think it stands for terrible. So terrible that I won't print it. That will nark him. Howdy Bill.

Cheers Everyone and Thank You for your I.C. Sponsorship - **Sue Priestley**