

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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QUANDI TOWN TOPICS - 1957

Not sure what happened but somewhere after the Idle Chatter dated 1st August 1957 until the next one in my collection dated 10th October 1957, the newsletter name was changed to

“QUANDI TOWN TOPICS”

The reason for the new name is unknown by me, if anyone can shed some light on the matter, please contact me and I will let our I.C. readers know. However the new name was short lived because the next newsletter I have is dated 7th November 1957 and we are back to the name of Idle Chatter.

When reading the “Blast from the Past” pages you can see that Mr Jack Mitchell had quite a sense of humour and when he got riled about something he didn’t sit on his hands and do nothing he let everyone know what he thought and most times he had a valid point.

This front page article concerns the one and only

“QUANDI TOWN TOPICS” newsletter in my possession.

It is four pages long and has some interesting articles that I wish to share with you. I have included some of the smaller items on this weeks’ back page and I will write up the article on the 1957 Rodeo next week, but this week I wish to share with you the following, which in my opinion was one of Jack Mitchell’s pet peeves.

S.O.B STUFF

The Grenfell Record, as it has been known for years, is now to be known as “The Grenfell Record and the Bland Advertiser”. Such a belated and touching recognition of the potentialities of the Bland brings tears to my

eyes. The fact that occurs at a time when business is not too good, is of course, purely coincidental. Newspapers survive by the amount of revenue they receive from selling of advertising space. Because of this, it is sound common sense for an editor to increase the circulation of his paper. The larger the circulation, the more he can charge for that space. So the Editor of the Record is justified in going further afield for custom, but why all the maudlin sentimentality about “Ties” with Grenfell etc? A few years back an effort was made to get a Quandialla paper printed, or failing that, a supplement to be inserted in the Record. This little idea received little or no encouragement from the then Chamber of Commerce, so that it appears that these so called “Ties” have only just become apparent..... My my, to think we have been loved all this time by Grenfell without knowing it.....

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THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

Can You Help

Who can tell me about Thel Armour’s Shop? Did you shop there? What did you buy? It was still open when we arrived in Quandialla, and I can remember going in there once, for what reason I have no idea. But I do remember the floor to ceiling shelves.

NOW

CWA QUANDIALLA BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on Monday 14th October at the CWA Rooms at 7.30pm. "All Welcome"

EXERCISE CLASSES: Quandialla Memorial Hall, 9.00 – 10.00 am Friday's \$7 per class, required - a water bottle, comfy clothing and appropriate shoes. Enquiries please phone: Kim 63472152.

CLAIMING THE DATE:

*Quandialla Pre-School "Octoberfest – Twilight Fete"
Saturday 26th October 2013. 4.00 – 8.00pm at the Memorial Hall*

QUANDIALLA JACKPOTS: I must have been talking too much last Friday night, I have no idea what happened with the Club Draw. Sorry about that, I will be more observant this week. You could win \$1300 or \$650 (depending on if it was won last week), either amount is still worth winning. The Bland Hotel Joker Draw will be \$520 this Friday.

CHURCH NOTICES:

St Brigid's – Mass 10am – 2nd Sunday, Liturgy 10am – 4th Sunday of the month. These services will be held at St Mark's Anglican Church until further notice.

St Mark's Anglican – Services held at 5.00pm – 4th Sunday of the month.

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BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

Extract from QUANDI TOWN TOPICS

THURS. OCT 10TH 1957

IANDRA INSPECTION. "Iandra" which is now a Methodist home for boys, will be open for inspection on Saturday October 19th. It will be a gala day and there will be stalls, competitions and entertainments etc., which will include the Grenfell Marching Girls. Luncheon will be available and the gates will be open at 11 am. Admission will be Adults 2/-, Children 1/- which includes the inspection of the home.

WEDDING. As this paper is being printed, the marriage is taking place at Bribbaree of Miss Kathleen Ellen Rae to Mr David Neave Harris. May I in common with all your friends, wish you both a very happy married life. I am quite sure that my wish will come true. Good luck, Kath and Dave.....

DEPUTATION. Messrs Ward and Trounson represented the Progress Association at an interview with the Commissioner of Railways on Monday last. A ramp to be used for the unloading of stock brought to the railway by motor transport, was asked for. The Commissioner made the offer of all necessary materials, if the local farmers and Agents would erect same. If advantage is not taken of this offer, a long wait will result. This ramp is very badly needed and the offer will be discussed at the next Progress meeting to be held on Tuesday October 29th. Will you be there? A matter of importance to fire fighters on railway property was also discussed but not finalised.....

P.A.H. & I. Will members please note that there will be a meeting on Saturday afternoon October 12th. One of the main items of business will be that of deciding what day the show will be held next year. Wednesday or a Saturday. If you have any views on this subject, please make an effort and attend.

Hope Everyone had a relaxing long weekend - Cheers.....*Sue Priestley*