

# IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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## NEWS FLASH

Due to Christmas Day and Boxing Day being mid-week and then Australia Post Picnic Day on the Friday, there will be no mail deliveries. Therefore I have made an editor's decision and there will be

## NO IDLE CHATTER NEXT WEEK.

So this week's newsletter is a special edition numbered 73 & 74, not that you will get anymore news than normal but I just wanted to keep my newsletter numbers corresponding with the number of weeks etc.

*Now that I have that sorted we can get down to the news and waffling!!!*

QUANDIALLA CRICKET: I apologise to I.C. readers for not having any reports on Quandialla's "Mighty Ducks" Cricket Team. The local Cricket Season has snuck up on me, I only realised it was that time again when I saw some players heading to the hotel for drinks after a game the other week, and I have been trying to find out what is happening ever since. They have played a couple of games I think? And have won at least 1 game that I know of. With harvest over and hopefully after Christmas & New Year one of the players will take pity on me and let me know who and where they will be playing or at least how they are going.

Come on guys – help me out and keep me posted please. I need to know if I have to dust off my pom poms!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

*I would like to take this opportunity to let everyone know the winners of our 2013 Christmas Competition – Mailbox & Town Scene.*

### The Quandialla Town Scene

*1<sup>st</sup> Sponsored by Weddin Shire*

**Rhonda Bennison**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sponsored by Quandialla Fire Brigade*

**Murray & Bev Anderson**

### The Decorated Mailbox

*1<sup>st</sup> Sponsored by John & Sue Priestley*

**Wayne & Cheryl Troy**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sponsored by Quandialla Progress Association*

**Ken & Judy McAlister**

*John and I would like to thank our judges and co-sponsors for their support and a special thank you to all those families who joined in. What wonderful imaginations you all have.*

## THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

LOCAL HISTORY BOOK COMPETITION: The President & Committee would like to Thank Kay and Dennis Burns for donating the book – The Story of an Australian Family "The Old Bailey to Bimbi" written by Bruce Robinson.

Their generous donation helped our Committee raise \$221 for the Centenary. This competition was drawn on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec and was won by Ruth Penfold of Quandialla.

Thank you to all who supported the Centenary by purchasing tickets.

**The Quandialla Centenary Committee**

*Wishes Everyone  
A Merry Christmas & Happy New Year*

## NOW

CHRISTMAS AT THE QUANDI POOL: Don't forget the fun day organised for Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December at the Quandialla Swimming Centre at 3.30pm for some fun and games to celebrate the holidays. Bring the family & friends.

Cost: \$3 a swimmer or a season ticket. Don't miss a great time!!!!!!!!!!!!

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS at a Reading and Carols Event at the Quandialla Community Church on Christmas Eve at 7pm.

Supper to follow – All Welcome

### CHURCH SERVICES:

ST MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH: *A Christmas Service* will be held on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December commencing at 6pm – All Welcome.

Please Note: There will be NO SERVICES during the month of January

ST BRIGID'S CHURCH: Please Note: There will be NO Liturgy this Sunday at 10am. We are all invited to attend the Christmas Service at St Mark's at 6 pm. NO SERVICES during the month of January

CENTENARY RECIPE BOOKS on sale NOW – A new batch just off the printing press – *A Great Christmas Gift Idea*. Available at Quandialla Post Office Ph: 6347 1305 or Quandialla Café for the tiny price of \$10 each.

JACKPOT DRAWS ON FRIDAY NIGHT: The Quandialla Bowling Club Members Draw came to Quandi last week but unfortunately for that unlucky person he was not there and the jackpot will increase to \$1300 this week. The Bland Hotel Joker Draw is still going strong and some lucky person could win \$720 this Friday night.

HEADER DRIVERS V TRUCK DRIVERS CHALLENGE: Everyone is invited to play in the Annual End of Harvest Bowls at the Quandialla Bowling Club on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December starting at 4pm. The knowledge of how to bowl or be a header or truck driver is not necessary. It's a fun afternoon for everyone - a sausage sizzle will be supplied - be there by 4pm and someone will point you in the right direction. Bowls will be available bare feet, thongs or flat soled shoes please.

*2014 will arrive before our next newsletter – All the Best & have a safe and enjoyable New Year Celebration.*

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

Extract from IDLE CHATTER NO. 42

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*If you are not a bowler you will be well advised to pass on to the next item. This bit of nonsense concerns only me and the bowlers who were present last Sunday.....My Dad used to say "Jack lad (that's me) if you ever achieve something good don't swank (that's pommy for skite) about it. Always be modest", and modest I've been. I know of nothing more sickening than a winner of a trophy blowing in everybody's ears about how it was accomplished. No sirs, modesty for me every time. Modesty for instance, prevents me from telling you how I met Ted Rae in the first round of Sunday's bowls competition and beating him, although I still think Teddy boy let me win the last end. Modesty prevents me from telling you how I met and battered the dour Scot Bill Graham. Modesty prevents me from crowing about my victory over the redoubtable Viv McKenzie. Modesty stops me from boasting about beating Fred Armour even if he was a sick man, and nothing on earth will get me to tell you how Lionel Pearse slowly and methodically ground me down until I did my block and gave him ten points at the one end. Not content with that, someone decided that I must play Ian Reeves and once again that modesty thing stops me from skiting about another win. Tired and beginning to hate the sight of bowls, the powers that be put on a final with Lionel Pearse, President Reg, Jackie McAlister and Myself. Naturally I can't tell you who won but when President Reg presented me with the trophy he said it was a popular win. My oath it was popular, with me if no one else. Now you can see what modesty means to IC. If it had not been for modesty I could have filled half a page with that news, but no, I must hide my doughty deeds from the public.*

*Joking on one side I venture to state that the competition played on Sunday was one of the most popular held for some time. "Possum" Sommerville started something which I'm sure will be continued. Mistakes which were made can easily be rectified and a full and pleasant day's bowls can be had with this type of competition.*

*Thank you "Possum" for the nice trophy and for the idea.*

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Cheers Everyone - "Merry Christmas & Happy New Year" - **Sue Priestley**