

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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This newsletter is an initiative of the Quandialla Centenary Committee

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ONE MORE SLEEP

When you receive this weeks' newsletter we have one more sleep until our Celebrations officially start.

Two years in the making for three days of activities over the October long weekend. There has been a lot of hard work putting everything together and I feel we have a great programme to honour our 100th birthday.

When we first started down the road of a Centenary Celebration I did not realise there would be so much work involved for so many people as well as the commitment that would be required. It's wonderful to think we are almost there.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my ever understanding husband John, Robert's secretary Lynell and Marlene's man behind the scene Trevor. Along with the committee members they have supported us every step of the way towards this weekend.

So many people have given their time and have worked very hard to make this weekend possible whether it was in the early preparations or now by making Quandialla presentable, the Committee thank you very much for your efforts. For a small village – we scrub up okay!

Please join us - Take that train ride, enjoy the bush dance, catch up with friends, have a chat about those early years, enjoy all the activities that have been organised for the occasion, purchase some memorabilia.

Basically have a great time

We will only get one chance to Celebrate turning 100

So don't miss it.

THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

THE CENTENARY COLOURING COMPETITION WINNERS

Congratulations to the following children who were prize winners in this competition.

Pre-school 1st Prize – Matilda Penfold, Quandialla age 4
Encouragement Prize – Cate Curry, Quandialla age 3

K/1/2 1st Prize – Jake Troth, Caragabal Year 2
Encouragement Prize – Wyatt Durham, Caragabal Kindergarten

3/4/5/6 1st Prize – Billie Durham, Caragabal Year 3
Encouragement Prizes – Angus Troth, Caragabal Year 4
Aleira Scott, Young Year 6

This competition was an initiative of the Centenary Art Show and all pictures are on display in the Quandialla Delta Agribusiness window where you can see how talented our young people are.

CENTENARY RAFFLE

The Committee would like to thank the following for their generous donations to this major fundraiser.

1st Prize – Framed Painting by Jennifer Causer donated by Jennifer & Noel Causer

2nd Prize – Garden Art – Kangaroo donated by Ross Causer

3rd Prize – Patchwork Quilt made from fabric donated by locals made by the Quilting Group

4th Prize – Garden Art – Emu donated by Ross Causer

5th Prize – Knife Block – donated by Judy Johnston

6th Prize – Garden Art – Spider donated by Ross Causer

7th Prize – 2015 Calendar designed and donated by Ruth Penfold

You can purchase tickets for your chance to win one or more of the above prizes. Tickets will be available at the Bush Dance on Saturday evening and at the Information Tent on Sunday and will be drawn at 3pm during the "Pavlova in the Dust" Races.

NOW

I hope you are all pleased to hear that our newsletter will continue next week and beyond. The Hall Committee is happy to continue supplying the A4 paper and if you are willing to sponsor a week I'm happy to continue reporting the exciting news of Quandialla.

The format will change a little, as I still have a number of old Idle Chatters to report from, the BLAST FROM THE PAST page will remain and the other three pages will be informative reporting from yours truly. An advert here and there, a joke if needed and if required I will resort to waffling.

HENCE the following advert

WANTED

News items, please tell me about special birthdays or occasions, meeting notices, etc (that I can repeat)

WANTED – SPONSORSHIP

You can sponsor this newsletter again for the small amount of \$25.00. Your support will help continue Idle Chatter Mark II and will be greatly accepted by yours truly at the Quandialla P.O.

ON A SADDER NOTE

Many of our older residents would remember Stan Smith and his contribution to our community via sport and education.

Stan was first a teacher at Harridale School on the Driftway and in 1948 moved with the school and students to be part of the Quandialla Central School.

Stan was looking forward to attending our 100th Birthday and to a ride on the "Tin Hare" with his good friend and fellow teacher Gwen Lind.

Unfortunately, two weeks ago Stan passed away suddenly.

He will be sadly missed at our Celebrations and our thoughts and condolences go to his family and friends

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

Extract from IDLE CHATTER NO. 200

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LOTTERIES - A staggering number of tickets must be purchased in Quandialla each week and perhaps some of you are not aware that these tickets can be purchased from Mrs Armour. Mrs Armour as an agent has already bought tickets which have won for their owners over £200. So when you want a ticket and you feel lazy, proceed to the "Gossip Shop" where you will receive the latest news and your ticket for a nominal charge.....

TIGHT – At the Bowling Club last Sunday, E Quine, U Mainwaring, B Kelly and A Penfold met M Sinclair, E Trounson, E Maley and A Edgerton in the final of the Fours. It was true final will all its thrills and no result had been attained at the end of the stipulated 25 ends. Only the extra end was able to produce the winning team which was led by A Edgerton and so ably supported by her team-mates. Whatever the result, it was a stirring battle and the losers deserve a pat on the back for putting up such a battle. The winners, as can be expected are absolutely thrilled and earned their victory the hard way. All eight ladies should ne thanked for putting on such a good final.....

INSULTS – I had occasion to ring Rex Penfold, but his good wife answered the phone and informed me that he was away. Later in the day Rex saw me and asked if I had rung his place that morning. When I said that I had, he said "I just wondered because my wife said that some man was ringing for me this morning and when I suggested it could have been Mitch she answered 'Oh no, he was much too polite! Isn't that lovely, I ask you....."

Message from the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to say that I have very much enjoyed putting out this weekly newsletter for the last 2 years. I also think it has brought the community together, letting everyone know what is happening when and where. A perfect example of this was the working bee held last week to prepare the Hall for our Celebrations. The attendance was overwhelming and greatly appreciated. It certainly showed the community spirit that is in abundance in our small village.

Cheers Everyone - See You at the Celebrations - **Sue Priestley**