

# IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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This newsletter is an initiative of the Quandialla Centenary Committee

**Sponsored by The Quandialla Bowling Club**

## MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT ROBERT

*What a tremendous crowd and fitting celebration for the Quandialla Centenary.*

Congratulations to everybody who was involved from the towns folk who presented their property in its best via a coat of paint, grass mowed etc. Quandialla was looking at its best.

To those community groups or individuals who had enough volunteers or helpers to present some type of display or service, I trust your day was well rewarded.

Visitor numbers were certainly at the top end of all expectations around 2500 over the weekend and what a diverse crowd we had from train enthusiasts, to groups who arrived out of respect for ancestors, others who just thought Quandialla seemed like a nice place to be for a Centenary Celebration and of course those for whom Quandialla was or is home.

Testimonial to all of this has been an avalanche of positive comments for the Committee and Community efforts to:-

- Record District & Family History via the book Quandialla "The First 100 Years"
- Recognition of families past and present via the Fettle's & Settlers Wall.
- Displays of village history with the Hall, School, Hospital and Pool records.
- Provided crowd entertainment, buskers, helicopter, Cobb & Co Coach, The Great Pavlova Race and of course the "Tin Hare" Motor Rail.

- Also to cater for such a large crowd with the hotel, café, bowling club, volunteer groups and some private stalls providing refreshment and meals.

Our small Committee is just overwhelmed with the support. It truly is refreshing to know the place we call home is so well regarded by so many.

Special thanks to Marlene & Sue for the fantastic job and also thank you to my wife Lynell for your continued support. I would also like to thank everyone else who helped in any way – you can pat yourself on the back.

We all did well, Congratulations and Thank You  
Robert Reeves

The Centenary accounts are almost completed and the following windup meeting / get together for the Committee and Community has been organised. If you helped in any way prior to or on Quandialla's special weekend please accept the following invitation.

*The Executive of the Centenary Committee extends an invitation to **ALL** to attend*

## **"THE END OF CENTENARY CELEBRATION BBQ"**

When: Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2014

Time: 7.00 pm

Where: Bland Hotel

Cost: Purchase of your own refreshments

RSVP: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December (for catering purposes)

Special Request: Ladies please bring a Salad to share – The Centenary Committee will supply meat etc for the evening.

Hopefully harvest will be winding down by the 6<sup>th</sup> and we all can start thinking about relaxing.

Starting with our BBQ!

ST MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH would like to welcome all to our "Christmas Service" on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December, 6 – 7 pm.

#### CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICES

Mass at Quandialla 10.00am December 14<sup>th</sup>  
Liturgy at Bribbaree 6.00pm 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month  
Liturgy at Quandialla 10.00am 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month

**Please Note:** A Christmas Vigil Mass will be celebrated at Bribbaree on the 24<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm

#### AQUA FITNESS CLASSES

Friday 9.00-10.00am during November  
December times and days will be advertised ASAP  
Suitable for all fitness levels  
Do not have to be a 'swimmer' to join in.  
Must have water, hat, sunglasses and sunscreen  
\$7 per class - Enquiries Ph: Kim 0427 472 152

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS: The Bland Hotel Joker Jackpot will be \$320 this Friday. The Quandialla Bowling Club Members Draw was won by a lucky lady from Quandialla (not me) so it will start again at \$550.

#### NEWS from the QUANDIALLA BOWLING CLUB

AGM – The Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 8 pm. All members welcome.

CLUB PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS – 1<sup>st</sup> round is to be played on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2.00 pm start.

CHRISTMAS TREE & COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY – The annual Christmas Tree for members children and Community Christmas Party will be held on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 6.00 pm. All welcome. Ladies a plate to share please.

ANNUAL DRIVER v TRUCKIES BOWLS CHALLENGE will be held on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December.

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

Extract from IDLE CHATTER NO. 209

THURS 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov 1963

*MOBILGAS – Wally Anderson has been appointed Mobilgas agent for Quandialla and District. Telephone Quandi 72 for all your requirements and leave the rest to Wally. Ample stocks of oils and greases will be carried and remember one thing ... You can turn off Mobilgas and that's something you can't do with Mitchogas .....*

*INVITATION – The Rev WE Hall together with the church wardens and the vestry, invite YOU to be present at the opening and dedication of the St Mark's Memorial Church at Quandialla. The ceremony will be carried out by the Right Reverend KJ Clements B.A; Th.D; Lord Bishop of Canberra-Goulburn on Saturday November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2.30 pm.*

*WELCOME – I.C. makes a point of bidding welcome to most of the arrivals to our small community, but owing to pressure of business (they always say that) I was unable to bring out a copy last week. However, I take the opportunity to greet Constable Middlemiss, his Wife and three children. I speak for many when I say that I hope your stay with us will be a pleasant one and that when promotion comes and you have to leave us, you will do so with some measure of regret.*

*JEFFRIES – DAWES WEDDING – "Happy is the bride upon which the Sun shines". We all hope that Pat Jefferies who became Mrs Peter Dawes last Saturday whilst the Sun shone down upon her, will prove no exception to the rule. I.C. wishes both Pat and Peter a long and long life together. The frocking at an affair such as this wedding is quite beyond my humble powers of description, but I can say the Bride and Maids looked beautiful. The array of gifts was simply amazing and it was nice to see proof of the reward and respect that these two young people are held. The 140 guests enjoyed themselves immensely and were loath to leave which was yet another tribute to the popularity of Mr and Mrs Peter Dawes .....*

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