

# IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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## **“The Quandialla Spirit is Still Alive and Kicking”**

***The response to the call for a fundraiser for Daniel Smith was wonderful.***

The day was a “little” warm but 40 unlikely bowlers hit the green. Our sergeant major, who we will call Ken, marshalled the troops in and out for 3 short fun games of bowls plus a spider and corner to corner which captured everyone’s interest for the afternoon. There were a few slightly burnt faces but everyone enjoyed the format and of course it was very easy to slip in for a drink or two, some visitors even went for a swim.

A large crowd arrived for the meal and again the ladies of Quandialla did not let the side down with an amazing variety of salads. The cooks showed their skill with the BBQ and everyone enjoyed their meal. Thank you to everyone who wandered into the kitchen and gave a helping hand with the clean-up and two very tall men deserve medals for doing a stint at the very very low sinks – I’m too tall for them and I’m an average height.

The club was full when the raffle was drawn, everyone had waited to see if they were going to take a prize home. It took a little while to get through all the donated goodies but I’m pleased to report we found an owner for each and every item, with Daniel drawing out each winner. A very natty guessing competition was organised, which caused me great stress, there were 2 glass jars one with jaffas and the other with snakes. The one with the closest guess won the jar of lollies, and the lucky winners were Darcy from Young and our local youngster Quade with a little help from Mum. I’m sure I was robbed I felt there was closer to 449 not 126 snakes.

A small presentation was then made to Daniel where he was presented with a very nice biscuit tin filled with all the money raised from the day. We were very proud to announce to the crowd how successful the day and raffle had been, with the meal making \$1070 and the raffle raising \$5093 and there was some private donations made amounting to \$3040.

I’m only an Aunty to Daniel but I was very proud of this young man who has managed his illness with dignity over the years. He has a hard road to travel again while he waits for a new kidney and I’m sure he will carry himself in the same vein as when he thanked everyone for all their support. I even got a little emotional along with President Bevan who chaired the raffle and said that it was wonderful that Quandialla could show their support to Daniel in the way that they have with such an extraordinary turnout.

The following says it all:-

*Thank You to everyone who supported the fundraiser held for Daniel. The generosity shown by all has been overwhelming. Thank you to those who purchased raffle tickets donated a prize or attended the day by playing bowls or enjoying the delicious BBQ dinner. This was truly a heart-warming event that will help Daniel with his Medical expenses. Special thanks to Chris Causer for his tremendous organisation of this day, to Sue Priestley, Marlene Taylor, Ken McAlister, Businesses who sold raffle tickets and to The Quandialla Bowling Club for providing the venue.*

*Once Again a Very Big Thank You – Kathy & David Smith*

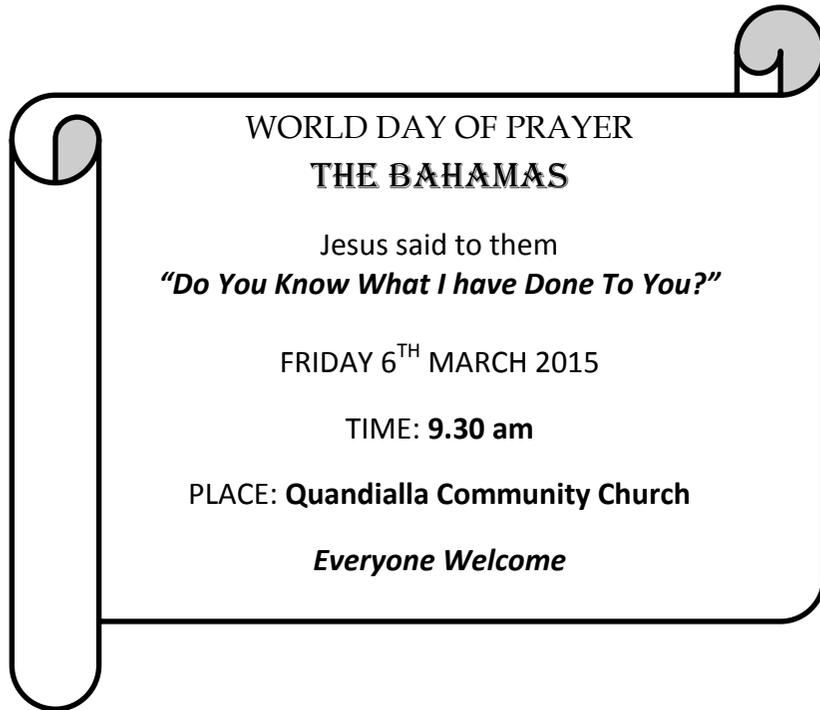
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QUANDIALLA SEWING GROUP: Hello ladies and welcome to 2015. Sewing group is starting up again on Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup> commencing at 10am at Quandialla Central School and finishing around 3.30pm. Everyone is welcome, just bring along a project, machine if necessary, coffee cup and lunch. Come and share a fun day. See you there.

ST MARK’S ANGLICAN CHURCH SERVICES: St Mark’s service will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month at 6pm.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March - “Wellbeing in the Weddin”  
Swimming Pool Fundraiser – An afternoon full of hints and tips on staying well through all life stages. More information to follow.....

QUANDIALLA SPORTS & EVENTS COMMITTEE: Will be holding a meeting on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm at the Bland Recreation Ground. All welcome - A sausage sizzle will be provided and please bring a chair. For further information ph: Ruth Penfold 63472130



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

**THE BAHAMAS**

Jesus said to them

***"Do You Know What I have Done To You?"***

FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2015

TIME: 9.30 am

PLACE: **Quandialla Community Church**

***Everyone Welcome***

CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICES: Mass will be celebrated at Quandialla every Sunday during the month of March at 8.00 am

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS: A very lucky member of the Quandialla Bowling Club went home with the money last Friday or he will when the cheque arrives. This week the draw starts again at \$500 – Congratulations to Smithy..... The Bland Hotel Joker pick will be \$560 this Friday – could be your lucky night.

QUANDIALLA COMMUNITY CHURCH: Services are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays each month in the church on Third Street at 4.00 pm. Details or enquiries to William Morrow ph: 63431224

CHEERIO CALL to Percy Pfeiffer who is spending a few days in Mercy Care - Young and will hopefully be home soon.

CONGRATULATIONS to Alyssa Troy who turned 21 on the 17<sup>th</sup> February.  
Alyssa celebrated with family and friends last Saturday.  
*Many Happy Returns on your 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday*

## **BLAST FROM THE PAST** Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

Extract from IDLE CHATTER No: 229

THURS 31<sup>st</sup> May 1966

*MEET ROSS QUINTON – As you have already been told, Mr Ross Quinton will be coming to take over from Clyde Lamb at the C.B.C., so let's meet him. Ross will be remembered by many as the teller/accountant at Quandialla from June 1949 until September 1950. For the past five years he has held the position of Accountant at the Gunning Branch. He is a keen bowler and a fisherman of some note and likes to take an interest in local organisations. He was Treasurer for the Gunning branch of the RSL and of the fishing club. He acted as auditor for the Women's Bowling Club and the local Pony Club. He has two sons and both Ross and his wife are looking forward to their stay in Quandialla, which, it is to be hoped, will be a very happy one.....*

*BUSH FIRE BRIGADE – With the assistance of a grant from the Shire, a Bedford truck has been purchased for the use of the local brigade. It appears to be in excellent condition and should serve its purpose without many troubles. Two new tanks and a new pump will be attached to the truck and the whole unit will be ready for action should an occasion arise. Private use of the unit will be forbidden and rightly so.....*

*CONGRATULATIONS – I.C. and its readers extend to Margaret and Garry Causer their congratulations on the arrival of a SON. At the time of writing Mother and Son are doing well.....*

*SICK LIST – Now lets' see who we have. Firstly Viv McKenzie is home again. Not yet his usual cheery self but on the mend..... Mrs Walter Troth who has a couple of broken ribs (or so I am told), this was due to a fall. Bill Graham is still in the local hospital with his leg showing some slight improvement..... Ted Sommerville also in the local with an injury received whilst playing football. I have no report as to his condition improving or otherwise.... Allan Pearse (not A.T.) who is at Quandialla with a bronchial complaint and on the mend..... Robyn Slavin slowly but surely recovering and wanting desperately to get home again. Jack Mitchell, he's not so hot either.....*

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