

# IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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### WHAT HAPPENED IN TOWN OVER THE WEEKEND?

*Every Monday morning someone usually asks me the above question and my response is 'NOTHING that I know of'.*

*But this time I can say the old village saw some activity last weekend, unfortunately not the sort that you want.*

The Quandialla Bowling Club did a roaring trade over the weekend and was opened to the wee hours of the morning on Monday. Nothing unusual about that you might say but these guests were very much not invited.

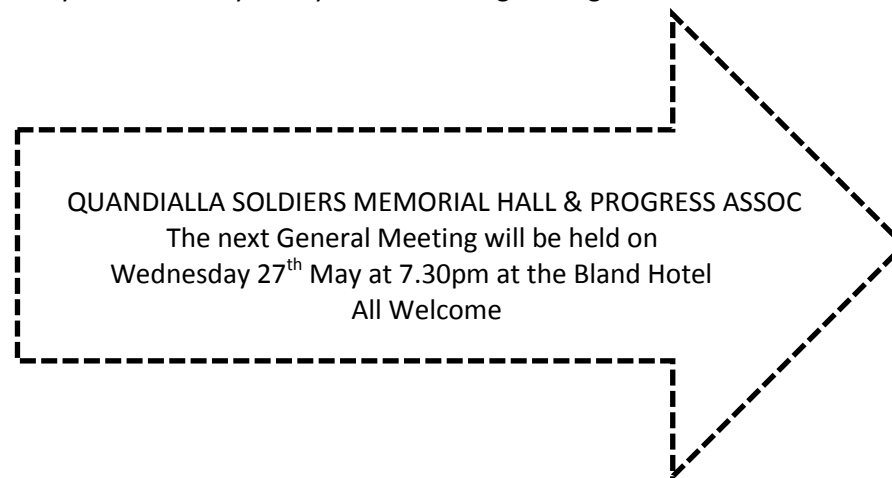
They decided to sneak in the back door at 1am to partake of some refreshments – they took it and ran, carrying all types of drinks and even a quantity of glasses. Then the (little?) beggars returned at approx 3am for another visit. After their two excursions they had cleared out all the spirits, bottles, cans and soft drink from the fridge shelves and of course they forgot to leave the money on the bar.

With a second visit so soon after the first you would have to think this little party was organised by someone who knew the layout to say the least. I do hope that it wasn't locals BUT it does make you wonder. I'm sitting here, shaking my head because I just don't understand how someone thinks it is okay to enter a locked premises and remove items that definitely do not belong to them. Unfortunately it is happening everywhere, but I'm not happy that it is happening in Quandialla.

Naturally the police were called and at the time of writing this I am unaware of their findings. However reporting this break-in allows everyone to be aware of what has happened and reminds us that we need to keep a sharp eye on our own and neighbouring property and belongings.

Plus it wouldn't hurt if we all take note of anything out of the ordinary as it's often the smallest things that lead to a criminal's arrest.

LAST CHANCE: Organise your friends and support the P & C Trivia Night this Saturday. I can assure you – 'you will have a great night'.



### CHURCH SERVICE NOTICES:

St Brigid's Catholic Church: Mass will be celebrated at **Quandialla** every Sunday during May at 8.00am

St Marks Anglican Church: **Please Note:** There will be NO service during May. Sorry for any inconvenience

Quandialla Community Church: Services will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in May at 4.00pm. All Welcome

### DON'T FORGET:

The Cancer Councils Biggest Morning Tea  
at Dorothy & Bryson Troy's  
"Kaloola" on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 10am.

### DID YOU KNOW?

You can pay your Weddin Shire or Bland Shire rates at the Quandialla Post Office!!

*Quandialla Village still has a lot to offer –  
Please don't drive past if you can utilise any of the  
businesses in town.*

WE SURVIVED: *John and I enjoyed our first stint of babysitting.*

While in Wagga last Saturday we offered to look after Stella so Mum & Dad could enjoy a couple of hours and have a baby free meal. I was a little nervous as it has been many moons since I've looked after a baby but it all came flooding back and we had a fabulous time. Stella was a good little girl and was very happy watching TV with her 'Pop'.

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

The Quandialla Bowling Clubs' Draw will be \$6000 this Friday but you must be there to win. If you get the chance to choose a card and you find the joker you could win \$780 this Friday at the Bland Hotel.

S#\*TBOX RALLY UPDATE: Bevan and Danette are still driving and so far have raised \$6397.94, and when you read this they should be on the last lap of the rally heading into Townsville. From articles found on the internet the rally enjoyed a 'Priscilla' themed evening at the Silverton Hotel on day 2. I hope Danette has some photo proof of Bevan as Priscilla. On day 5 rally drivers enjoyed breakfast at the Birdsville Bakery where morning treats were on offer of curried camel-claret pies, kangaroo-sav blanc pies, rabbit pies, spicy chook, brew & roo pies and roadkill (emu, wallaby, kangaroo & croc) pies. I wonder if Bevan was tempted to try a pie – by the sounds of some of the articles Bevan and Danette will have some interesting tales to tell when they get home.

BIRTHDAY WISHES are extended to Bernie Rodda who will be celebrating his 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May. Many Happy Returns Bernie!!!!!!

CONGRATULATIONS and Best Wishes go to past Quandialla-ites Don and Leonie Pollock who will be celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary this weekend at Shoalhaven Heads where they now reside. Both Don and Leonie were born and raised in Quandialla. They married in 1955, farmed on "Spring Valley" where they raised their family while both made a big contribution to the community.

*I.C. Readers wish Don and Leonie a Very Happy 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary*

WONDERFUL NEWS:

I am very pleased to report that Barry Keir is making slow but steady improvement.

While reading this weeks' I.C. Maribeth could you please let Barry know that everyone back home sends their best wishes to you both.

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

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THURS 20<sup>th</sup> Sept 1966

*SPRAY & PRAY: Of all the people involved in the spraying of their crops, it was left to Marcia Nowlan to evince enough interest which in turn prompted the pilot to invite her for one run. With the aplomb of a veteran she boarded the aircraft and away she went. On the return, she stepped from the plane calm and collected after what would have been to most of us, a hair raising experience. Ned Kelly was no gamer than you Marcia.... Still on the crop spraying theme, most of the folk that had crop sprayed North of Quandialla owe thanks to the Mainwarings, Father and Son, for the time they put in together with the use of their truck and that brand new pump. Without their aid the job would not have been completed so easily. The same service was rendered south of the town by the Russells, Hughie and Lawrence. It is time like this that the true spirit of "Help thy neighbour" becomes so evident. ....*

*BOWLS: Last Sunday a triples match was played over 25 ends, I can't remember who won it, not for the life of me I can't. One thing for certain though --- I didn't. I wasn't going too bad until Norm Quine with a new set of bowls (with daffodils on 'em) proceeded to demolish any hopes of registering a win over Max Ballard. Nevertheless a good game was had and enjoyed by all. It was a pleasure to see on the green for the first time (not the last I hope) Eric Heinjus. Methinks he would be a bit stiff on Monday. He was a bit stiff on Sunday because he was picked to play in my team. Pennant's games are in the offering, and a headache for the selectors is coming up. A list is in the clubhouse asking for names of those who will be able to play pennants this year. Quite a few members have expressed their inability to play but they are asked to reconsider their decision and to do their best to become one of the forty players which will be required each week.....*

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Until next week - Cheers ..... **Sue Priestley**