

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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YOU GUESSED IT!!!!

YES I'M DEFINITELY

GOING TO MENTION THIS AGAIN

Hopefully for the last time – so please bear with me.

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

This week I would like to highlight everything that I haven't already mentioned over the last few weeks. I know I can be very annoying when I get on my high horse (just ask my husband), but Quandialla is our home, we have a business here and I strongly believe it is a great area to live and work in, so I'm very keen to spruik about it and maybe, just maybe you might not by-pass Quandi next time.

What's good about Quandialla? - We have a Central School for only a few more months but we will have a very good Primary School for the future and school buses available for your children's further education at a choice of High Schools. Another plus we have is a fantastic Swimming Pool, Swimming Club for our young ones and also Aerobic Classes. Our small village is very lucky to have three Churches that still hold services at least once a month. A Community Health Centre that supplies a range of medical services and Community Nurses who make organised home visits. Plus we have available the services of a local Bowen Massage Therapist and a Remedial Massage Therapist who visits monthly.

Quandialla has a Memorial Hall available for functions etc, a well-equipped park called Blamey Park. CWA Rest Rooms for rental, meetings and playgroup attends once a week. The CWA Lodge has four one bedroom units for rental (at present they are fully occupied).

There are a number of organisations that help to make our small village which as well as bringing people together while working for the same interests also help to grow and maintain friendships.

Off the top of my head we have the following groups that would welcome new members if you feel that it is time to take up a new interest.

Quandialla Progress Association, Soldiers' Memorial Hall Committee, Quandialla CWA Branch & Lodge Committee, Hospital Auxiliary, Quandialla Pool Committee, Quandialla Swimming Club, Men's Shed, Quandialla P&C, School Canteen, Scholarship Committee, Pre-School Group, Playgroup, Showground Trustees, Coffee & Cake Group, Library Depot, Sewing Group, Quandialla Fire Brigade and surrounding Brigades, Aerobics & Aqua Group, Bowls, Darts, Cricket Club, Garden Club, Quandi Horse Sports Group, Quandialla Sports & Events Committee, 3 Church Groups – St Brigid's, St Marks' & Community Church. (I do apologise if I have missed an organisation / group)

I would like to take this opportunity to say that we do have a grocery store hoping to open their doors soon and Idle Chatter will certainly let you know when that happens.

My next comment is a plus and a negative - Quandialla is surrounded by a number of larger towns that makes it easy to travel for those necessary things like a job, medical, major shopping, sport, higher education, etc. The negative of that point is that we forget that a couple of those jobs you just did in town could have been done in Quandialla. However I do realise it is not always convenient to stop or come this way. This article is a gentle reminder to all that Quandialla is still here even though circumstances and progress / technology has changed our town over the years.

*So the point of this whole segment of highlighting Quandialla is to say
"Please make use of what Quandialla has to offer".*

*It's a great little town and we hope it will be still here with all the
above amenities, and hopefully a few more in another 50 - 100 years, but to do
that we need our residents from the village and surrounding farms
to support what is here now.*

Introduction to YOGA

Narelle Hunter will be running yoga classes once a month beginning with
"Intensive Introduction to Yoga"

on Tuesday 23rd June – 6.00 to 8.00pm at the Quandialla Pre-School Room.

To register or for more information – Ph: Sarah Curry 0400 906 758

SEWING GROUP: Ladies our next sewing day has been changed to Saturday the 27th of June because of a clash with the CWA day being held at Caragabal. The time and location is still the same, 9.30am to 3.30pm at QCS. Everyone is welcome so please come along and join us. All you need to bring is a project, coffee mug, lunch and perhaps your machine. There are machines at the school you can use however most of us prefer to use our own as we are more at ease using a machine we are familiar with - Looking forward to seeing you there.

CHURCH SERVICE NOTICES:

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

St Marks Anglican Church: Our June Service will be held on Sunday 7th June at 5pm. All Welcome

Quandialla Community Church: Services will be held on the 1st & 3rd Sunday in June at 4.00pm. All Welcome

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

It's getting very exciting in Quandialla as both jackpots have reached a substantial amount for this Friday. The Quandialla Bowling Club Members Draw will be \$8500 and the Bland Hotel Joker Draw has jackpotted to \$880.

It could be your lucky night!

A CURRIED CARAGABAL CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Please come and join the Caragabal P&C for a 3 course Indian inspired Christmas Feast.

Where: *Caragabal Country Club*

When: *Saturday 18th July 2015* Time: *6.30pm*

RSVP: *10th July – Hollie: 0427475391*

Dress: *A touch of Christmas* Cost: *\$40 per ticket*



There will be light entertainment provided - Raffles and prizes to be won!

BABY CONGRATULATIONS are extended to Justin and Emma Andrews on the safe arrival of a 7lb bouncing baby boy on Sunday 14th June. This little fellow has been named Logan Reeves Andrews.

Congratulations also to very proud grandparents Lynell and Robert Reeves.

BLAST FROM THE PAST Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

Extract from IDLE CHATTER No: 250

THURS 15th May 1966

MEDICS – We must welcome Doctor Michael Sefray who has with him his wife and two sons. His stay will be more enjoyable if we extend to him the type of friendliness for which the folk of this district are noted. He speaks quite good English and plays a fair game of tennis so me thinks he will settle down well. To the women of this district I would ask to place themselves in the same circumstances as Mrs Sefary. In a country so utterly different to her own and with little or no knowledge of the language, just think along those lines and extend to her a cheery smile and a nod of understanding when next you meet.....

CHANGES – And now a note of sadness. The “Gossip Shop” has ceased its activities and no longer does the street ring with the chattering natter of numerous females but one thing that I am sure of, the blokes that get on the seat of knowledge outside my office are making a valiant effort to keep the gossip to its usual high standard. I can't remember what Mrs Armour told me when she decided to close. It was something about being tired or perhaps it may have been retired but I venture to say that she bore in mind the old saying that if bowls interfere with your business - - give up business - The best of luck so say all of us. Our good wishes must also go to “Chum” and Francis Hopley who are carrying on the business formerly run by the Armours. Please give them your support. This community of ours cannot stand too many knocks. Now let me see, what else. Oh Blimey! Yes, the pub has changed hands and we extend a hearty welcome to Brian and Betty Morris. It is easy, even at this stage to foresee a profitable future for these two young folk. If good wishes can help you on your way - - You have em’

Cheers everyone **Sue Priestley**