

# IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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## AUSTRALIA DAY IN QUANDIALLA

Quandialla was lucky enough to have the pool open free of charge during the day for those who wanted to cool off with a swim giving some relief from the hot weather. Thank you to the Quandialla Swimming Centre and Committee for making that possible. We didn't get to the pool (still no swimmers) but headed to the Bland Hotel late afternoon and I'm pleased to report that 70 - 80 Quandialla-ites plus a number of visitors enjoyed our Australia Day Celebration in Quandialla last Thursday. Mind you taking a head count was a little testing as people were moving around chatting & catching up with friends, so I did a small subtraction in case I had already counted them, and NO I didn't have a wine until after the meal.

Our Progress President Robert Reeves welcomed everyone, then rallied the troops to sing the Australian National Anthem. Continuing with the proceedings, President Robert, with the assistance of Councillor John Niven, presented a Junior Youth Award to Lucas McAlister. Quandialla Public School nominated Lucas for this award for his determination and improvement in all areas of his schooling for the 2016 year. Well done, Lucas and congratulations from all I.C. readers.

A lovely BBQ meal was enjoyed by all who attended and I would like to compliment the ever so handsome cook, and the very talented ladies who supplied a variety of delicious salads. I must also congratulate Dan on his 'to-die-for' lawn, it was so, so lush, and very green, making the area feel cool for everyone. After the meal, the Yabbie Races started with a lot of cheering going on, special thanks to Geoff Edgerton who organises this part of the evening.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Secretary Marlene for organising all our supplies for the evening and overseeing the night. Thanks also go to Dan, Jeremy, Gaye and Les for all their work in getting the back lawn, marquee, and table & chairs ready for the BBQ, and making their facilities available to the Quandialla Community.

*I hope everyone in Quandialla enjoyed their Australia Day.*

QUANDIALLA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE:

Dr Wail El Waili will be visiting Quandialla next on **8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017**.  
Please phone West Wyalong Medical Centre 69722866 to make an appointment

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

Sadly, the Riverina Club Draw went to a very lucky Lockhart Club Member, so this Friday the Bowling Club Members Draw will start again at \$550.

However, the Bland Hotel Joker Draw is still going and you have the chance to take home \$560 this Friday. *Good Luck Everyone!!!*

ST MARKS ANGLICAN CHURCH service will be held on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb at 6pm.

ALL WELCOME



You are invited.....

***A Wedding Shower is being held for Samantha Causer on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February commencing at 2pm at the Quandialla Bowling Club.***

Join the bride-to-be Samantha in helping her style her home with beautiful linen, soft furnishings and decorator items from Lorraine Lea.

On the day, your personal shopping will contribute towards the lovely items Samantha can choose. There is no need to bring a gift, but you can choose to simply place a donation in the hope chest on the day and sign the card. You are asked to please bring a plate of goodies to share for afternoon tea.

*We hope you can come along and help wish Samantha well as she prepares for her big day.*

***Please RSVP by the 15<sup>th</sup> Feb to Melissa Causer 02 63471365 or Marlene Taylor 02 63472160***

QUANDIALLA SOLDIERS MEMORIAL HALL & PROGRESS ASSOCIATION will be holding their General Meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 7.30pm at the Bland Hotel Dining Room. All Welcome

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### RAINFALL IN QUANDIALLA



January's rainfall  
recorded at the  
Quandialla Post  
Office was 23.6mm  
over 4 days.

## SAD NEWS



*It is with deep regret that I advise the passing of Jan Nowlan  
late of "Moroak" Bimbi on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January.*

*Deepest Sympathy is extended to Jan's Family and Friends, our thoughts and  
prayers are with you all at this sad time.*

**Jan's Memorial Service will be held at  
St Joseph's Catholic Church in Grenfell at 11am on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February.**

# BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER No. 202

Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> September 1963

*SISTER SULLIVAN – When the Matron in charge of the Grenfell Hospital was granted a week's leave, a very competent person was sought to take over the responsibilities attached to such an institution. Who do you think was chosen? Sister Sullivan. Sister was at Quandi for many years and it is pleasing to note that she was still able and willing to perform the many duties involved in such a job....*

*FIRE BRIGADE – The Annual meeting of the Bush Fire Brigade will be held in the CWA Rooms at 8pm on Monday September 30<sup>th</sup>. One of the items of business on the agenda is the election of officers. Officers have to be registered with the Weddin Shire Council and until that is done no permits can be issued for burning. Since fire restriction come into force at the end of this month, it is to your benefit to attend this meeting. This could be a bad year for fires, so adopt the Boy Scout's motto and "Be Prepared"*

*THE END – Somebody suggested that I call the last bit, "The Looney Bin", but I treat that with disdain. My only excuse for the last bit of I.C. is that I am a bit dilly, I like myself that way and I will go to any lengths to scrounge, pinch or diddle out of Mrs Penfold the space which she wants each week to write to her friends. Others have to buy writing pads and if she wants more space, she must do the same. Having got that off my chest we will continue with a little heart to heart talk.*

*Did you see what they did to me at the Show? They put me in the middle of the ring and let me talk to myself all day. What did I do to deserve such punishment I'll never know? One thing for sure, they won't put me in the ring at the Rodeo. I did offer my services but after the Show they seemed a bit dubious of my sterling abilities. They did suggest that I went on the gate, but I said No ruddy fear you're not going to bruise my lily white legs with a ball and chain and that's what they would have to put on me to stop me getting away with the boodle.*

*I give up Mrs Penfold, you can grab the rest of the page.*

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