

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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OLD NEWS WEEK

*I have some more old newspaper articles for you to read this week.
Once again I hope you find them interesting.*

REFRESHMENT ROOM BURNT printed in The Sydney Morning Herald
On Saturday 7th May 1927

A fire at Quandialla destroyed premises occupied by Mr Priestley as a refreshment room. Everything in the room was consumed. Fire-fighters did splendid work in saving an adjoining building.

FIRE DESTROYS WOOLSHED printed in The Sydney Morning Herald
On Saturday 29th September 1934

QUANDIALLA. Monday A woolshed on Mr HN Conn's Richmond property four miles southwest of Quandialla was burnt down yesterday. The cause of this fire is unknown but there was nothing to indicate that it was other than an accident.

FIRE DESTROYS WOOLSHED printed in The Sydney Morning Herald
On Thursday 4th October 1934

When the woolshed on the property of Mr H Conn of Quandialla was destroyed by fire, 31 bales of wool the property of Mr G McNamara were burnt. The damage through loss of machinery, wool and the building is estimated at 1,000 pounds. The loss was partly covered by insurance.

OUR 2,000 POUNDS COOKERY CONTEST

Printed in The Australian Women's Weekly

On 24th August 1955

First Progress Prize:

The first weekly progress prize in our contest has been awarded to Mrs Elsie Balderston of "Edgeroi" Quandialla. NSW
Mrs Balderston's entry is a delicious recipe for roast ham with cider sauce. It wins 10 pounds.

Roast Ham with Cider Sauce

Not so fast - if you would like to see this recipe you will have to buy our Centenary Cookbook as we will be including this winning recipe.

THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

CENTENARY COOKBOOK: Thank you to those who have given me recipes for our book, but we still need a lot more. This is not me begging I'm just trying to ask nicely, please pretty please give me your favourite family recipes soon, yesterday soon.

HISTORY BOOK: Our History Book is going to be a goer, whether it is a thick or thin book all depends on you guys. 1st Drafts of Families, Groups/Clubs, Farming, Businesses etc are to be in by 31st March.

CAN ANYONE TELL ME?

I have been told the first post office site was where George McDonald's business was built. Can anyone tell where this was?.....

Where was W Bailey's Vacuum Oil Depot?.....

Where was Doctor Perkin's surgery / home?.....

Who cut Sam's fence? re: I.C. No 30 Blast from the Past Page.....

NOW

FIRST ITEM ON THE NOW PAGE MUST BE:-

CONGRATULATIONS to the "Mighty Ducks"

They have made the final of the local cricket competition and will be playing Alleena this Saturday in West Wyalong. You don't have to thank me - I know my pom poms and short skirt was just the thing to get you on the path to the final. On a serious note "Congrats to every member of the team - win or lose you all should be very proud."

GO THE MIGHTY DUCKS

BIRTHDAY WISHES must go to two young ladies who will be celebrating a very special birthday this weekend.

Happy Birthday Maureen and Veronica

The one hundred and one plus I.C. readers wish you both a wonderful 80th Birthday on Sunday 3rd March.

QUANDIALLA JACKPOTS: The members draw at the Bowling Club was not claimed so \$1200 will be on offer this Friday. At the Pub the Joker remains on the board, my husband picked a 2 of spades for a pint of beer last week, so now the jackpot is \$280. Did anyone notice that I had written the Hotel "Poker" Jackpot in last weeks' I.C? Mind you I didn't pick it up until I was writing this and my proof reader also missed it, if I wasn't already paying him nothing I would have to reduce his wages.

BLAND HOTEL will be offering Thursday "Steak Nights" starting next week. Rump steak for \$10 and T-bone steak will cost \$12. Jeremy's usual evening menu will also be available.

POOL NEWS: Early morning lap swimming has now finished for the season. Weekend Opening Hours will be reduced to 3.30pm – 6.30pm for March.

The Pool will close for the season on Sunday 17th March at 6.30pm.

Sad News: Deepest Sympathy is extended to Narelle Gault and Family on the passing of Narelle's father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

This same day in 1957

Extract from IDLE CHATTER NO. 44

THURS. FEB 28TH 1957

PROGRESS ASSOCIATION: It was pleasing to see a better than average attendance at the Annual meeting of the Quandialla and District Progress Association. The election of officers resulted as follows. President - Mr H Russell, Secretary - Mr S Hope and Treasurer - Mr R Dibbs. In his report the President made reference to the poor attendances during the past year. He pointed out that the new Councillor, whoever he may be, would require a lot of support from the Association, and he made a special appeal to the local people to join and support the Association. It was also pointed out that the business men of Quandialla stood to gain a lot from the activities of this body and especially asked for their support.

The older residents of this district will no doubt remember Mr Dave Gordon the A1 blacksmith. He has left Melbourne to take up residence at Eastwood near Sydney.

Being Editor of IC is no sinecure. Burly Possum Sommerville breathing fire and nearly choking with rage waved a copy of IC under my nose and demanded to know when and where Jimmy McAlister had beaten him in the Club Singles. As is usual I was wrong. It was Os Kelly whom Jimmie had beaten, and so to Possum I apologise but I hope the white ants eat all the bias from his bowls.

CRICKET. Quandialla met West Wirrinya at Quandialla. Wirrinya won the toss and decided to bat. They were all out for 118 runs with R Dunford top scoring with 37. Bowling for Quandi was a two man affair, W McDonald 6/41 and A McCabe 5/50. In reply Quandialla made 174 runs for a win. Top scorer for Quandi was D George 29 retired. The scoring was most even with six players scoring in the 20's. They were J McAlister 20, A McCabe 24, W McDonald 20, L Russell 25, W Bloomfield 20 and of course D George.

From the "Girls" at Coolangatta comes a funny postcard with the message "Having a super-duper, colossal, fantastic, fabulous, scrumptious, terrific time" I have not got the time to get out the dictionary but I bet they are enjoying themselves.

Cheers for now **Sue Priestley**