

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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THE FOLLOWING ALMANAC ITEMS WERE GIVEN TO ME BY AN I.C. READER

*I found them very interesting, as they give us a glimpse of how
Quandialla grew in those early years.*

Moore's Australian Almanac – Country Directory – 1924

QUANDIALLA

320 miles South. Rail direct.

Bank: - Comm. Of Sydney

COMMERCIAL – Auctioneer: G McNamara. Agents: T Macaulay, W King.

Baker: W Bush. Hairdresser and Billiard Saloon: TJ Irvine. Builders: HD

Daridge, C North, C Sellen. Butcher: J Crosbie, Motor Garage: Hope &

Talbot. Refreshments: Miss King. Stores: L Waterson & Co, N King, G Fenn.

Saddler: L Rowland. Skin Buyers: W Bush. Stock & Station Agents: L Hoad.

Moore's Australian Almanac – Country Directory - 1925

QUANDIALLA

320 miles South. Rail direct. Population 120

Bank: - Comm. Of Sydney

COMMERCIAL – Accommodation House: Mrs King. Auctioneer: AE Barnes.

Agents: L Hoad, AE Barnes, N King, M Keir. Baker: J Pettit. Hairdresser and

Billiard Saloon: TJ Irvine. Builders: C North, C Sellen, A Andrews.

Butcher: FE Morcom. Motor Garage: Hope & Talbot. Refreshments: J

Poulos. Stores: L Waterson & Co, F Charlton, M Fenn. Saddler: Roy Austin.

Skin Buyer: W Bush. Stock & Station Agents: L Hoad

Moore's Australian Almanac – Country Directory – 1929

QUANDIALLA

County – Bland

Police District – Grenfell

Population: Town 250, District 1,500. Growing rapidly. Centre of the Bland, the famous stock fattening and excellent wheat-growing district. Trains to and from Sydney daily, both by south and west. Grenfell 29 miles; Wyalong, 36 miles; Young, 40 miles; Temora, 40 miles. Facilities include stock-trucking yards, grain elevators, watering places. "Euroka" just subdivided into 14 farms adjoining town.

MAGISTRATES: - L Hoad, WT Jones, EWC Pryce

Station Master: AB Clarke and Porters

Post Office and Telephone Exchange: D Terry, PM and Assistant

Public School: WE Bruce and AK Goodacre

Banks; - Govt. Savings of NSW – LC Onley (Storekeeper),

Agent Commercial of Sydney: EWC Pryce, Mgr and two assistants.

Commonwealth Savings: D Terry, Postmaster.

PROFESSIONAL: - Medical: Dr. Alfred WJ Stocks. Solicitor: WH Ryan.

Private Hospital: MM Hogan, Matron.

This particular almanac entry seems to be missing the Commercial Section but this is where it finished on my copy.

THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

CENTENARY MEETING REPORT

Last nights' meeting was well attended and we got through a lot of business. Editors for the History Book were nominated and will be meeting after the long weekend to start work on our History Submissions. To those parties that are still working on their contribution please get them to Sue P at the Post Office ASAP. A Centenary Logo was selected from the half doz. entries and this will be announced after the very talented young lady is notified. Discussions were held on the Bush Dance, ideas for more fundraising ventures, grants, patchwork quilt, web page and much more.

NOW

SAVE THE DATE!! – Sunday June 23rd

Quandialla & Grenfell Community Health invite you to Celebrate Men's Health Week with a "BBQ & BOWLS" Day at the Quandialla Bowling Club 12pm – 4pm. Social Bowls, FREE lunchtime sausage sizzle, kids entertainment, guest speaker & MORE. Dinner will be available from 4.30pm. Watch this space for more information!

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 1st June – Caragabal Memorial Hall Fundraiser – enquiries 63475230
- 1st June – Quandialla CWA General Meeting – 1.30pm CWA Rooms
- 1st June – Euchre at Bribbaree Bowling Club – 6.30 BBQ then cards
- 5th June – Wellbeing Program at the Hall – 9.30am, enquiries 63471200
- 5th June – Dart Night at the Bland Hotel – 7.30pm start
- 9th June – St Brigid's Mass at 10am – St Marks Anglican Church
- 11th June – Quandialla Swimming Club AGM – 7pm at the Bland Hotel
- 13th June – Quandialla Scholarship Committee AGM, 7pm at Bland Hotel
- 27th July – Quandialla Central School Centenary Celebration

QUANDIALLA JACKPOTS: The Bland Hotel Joker Jackpot will be \$140 this Friday. Great news – the Member's Draw at the Club is now \$6950 and this Friday is the end of the month meat draw. You have to be there to WIN.

2013 SCOTS DEB BALL photos are now available to view at the Post Office

FIREWOOD RAFFLE: Starting to feel the cold this winter? The Quandialla Catholic Community are holding a raffle for a box trailer load of wood to help raise funds for repairs to our church. Tickets are available for purchase at the Quandi Café or from members of the congregation. If you don't have a wood fire, but would like to help out, there is a donation tin at the Quandi Post Office. Thank you for your support.

The Armitage family extends a heartfelt thank you for your condolences, flowers and well wishes following Stan's passing. We wish to thank our wonderful friends and family, from Bribbaree and Quandialla districts, for the assistance given at "Belvedere's" clearing sale.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

 Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

This same day in 1957

Extract from IDLE CHATTER NO. Vol 2 No THURS. MAY 30TH 1957
QUANDIALLA & DISTRICT PROGRESS ASSOCIATION. Another well attended meeting took place on Tuesday night. The water supply for the town could not be discussed due to the lack of information regarding the visit of a delegate from the County Council to this town some while back. However a sample of water taken from the bore on Mrs SV Smithers' property has been sent to Blaney and a report is eagerly awaited. One bright ray of sunshine was the letter received by Mrs Richards from the Dept of Public Works, in which it states that a scheme is still being investigated for Quandialla. Evidently the matter is not closed as far as the government is concerned. The Bush Fire Brigade is to be asked to install a fire warning bell in the town. From information received, this is not a very expensive job and should prove good insurance, It was also decided to ask the railway authorities to provide a level path and a special outlet which would enable the brigades to fill water tanks rapidly and safely. Discussion took place as to the advisability of closing business houses from 12.30 to 1.30 instead of 1 to 2, but no motion was carried in this direction. The completion of the Park was mentioned but nothing was done officially in the matter. However Clive Hazell said that he would be responsible for watering any trees which may be planted. Jack Causer has offered to give a hand towards this job and if anyone else would like to help, just turn up next Wednesday. Mr Les Troth per medium of Len Trounson, has offered the block at the corner of Third and Margaret Sts, for the purpose of parking the school buses. It was decided to write to the Bus Committee notifying them of this offer. Remember that the last Tuesday in every month is Progress night.

APOLOGY. To Eric Baume for using his well known expression "This I believe". The closing of the Co-operative Store will be a body blow to the township of Quandialla, but recriminations will not help in the matter one iota. The reason for its downfall is in the past and it is to the future we must look. There is a rumour that a body of local folk are interested enough to consider tendering for the "Assets". This would mean the end of a co-operative type of business, but would be much better than a total eclipse. The passing of this store as a co-operative business is a retrograde step. "This I believe".

FOOTBALL. Quandialla defeated Koorawatha by 19 points to 7 in a game played here last Sunday. Particulars of the game are not to hand other than the score stated. I would like to report the games more fully, but unfortunately I cannot be in two places at once.

Cheers **Sue Priestley**