

# IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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## MINI MELT DOWN

My first melt down!!! It is 6.30pm Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> and I am just starting this week's newsletter and we are enjoying a storm with hail and it is raining inside at the Quandialla Post Office residence and I am looking at no newsletter. Usually I am 99% finished by now and have a printed copy for my proof reader to cast his eye over on Thursday while I am away at work. However this week things have been very hectic, more than usual with work, histories, ball preparations, newsletter and life.

So I took a moment to relax (okay 45 mins) and ended up browsing the internet. Now don't ask me how I got to the funny sites - you click on one thing and then another and voila!! It was just what I needed -some light relief. Clarification is needed here, by funny sites I mean jokes, funny stories and cartoons. That's where I got my mojo back and I found my front page article.

*The following gem is a look at "then and now" - just like we are doing with our history. Hope you see the funny side.*

## 1945 VERSUS TODAY

*"Jack and Bill get into a fight after school."*

1945 – A crowd gathers and Bill wins, they shake hands and become best friends.

Today – Police are called, both are arrested and charged with assault. Both are then expelled even though Jack started it. Both must go to anger management classes for 6 months and the school implement a bullying prevention program.

*"George breaks a window in his neighbour's car and his father gives him a whipping with his belt."*

1945 – George is more careful next time, grows up normal and becomes a successful businessman.

Today – George's father is arrested for child abuse. George is placed in foster care, joins a gang and ends up in jail.

*"Jenny gets a headache and takes some aspirin to school."*

1945 – Jenny gets a glass of water from the teacher to take her aspirin, passes her exams and becomes a doctor.

Today – Police are called, Jenny's car is searched for drugs and weapons. Jenny is expelled from school for drug taking and ends up as a drop out.

*"Robert takes apart leftover fireworks from Cracker night, puts them in a paint tin and blows up a wasp's nest."*

1945 – Wasps die

Today – Police & Anti-Terrorism Squad called. Robert charged with domestic terrorism, investigate parents, siblings removed from home, computers confiscated. Robert's Dad goes on a terror watch list and is never allowed to board an airplane again.

## THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

### CENTENARY MEETING

Will be held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2014, 7.30 pm  
at the Bland Hotel  
All Welcome

Please Note: Prior to the meeting at 7.15 pm The Centenary Committee will be meeting at the Soldiers Memorial Hall block to look over and discuss where, how etc the proposed plans for the Fettle's & Settlers Wall.

## NOW

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: The Quandialla Community will be celebrating World Day of Prayer on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 9.30am in St Mark's Anglican Church. This year's theme is "Streams in the Desert – Egypt" and our guest speaker will be Joan Smith. Morning tea will follow the service.

DON'T FORGET: The Pool will NOT be open on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March – we apologise for any inconvenience.

CATCH UP & COFFEE: At Quandi Café, every second Sunday (not Mass / Liturgy Sundays). A chance to get together & also support our café  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday -10 am..... "ALL WELCOME"

QUANDIALLA JACKPOTS: A lucky member of another Bowling Club was present last week and won the draw so this Friday the Quandialla Bowling Club Members Draw will be \$650 again. The Bland Hotel Joker Jackpot is still up for grabs and if you do get the chance to pick the correct card you could win \$920 this Friday.

SENIOR CITIZEN'S AFTERNOON: The Quandialla Hospital Auxiliary will be hosting an "I Remember When" afternoon at the Bland Hotel on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March. Join us for lunch at 12.00pm followed by stories from yesteryear and finishing with complimentary afternoon tea. Come and share your special memories from days gone by as we celebrate Senior Citizen's Week in the year of Quandialla's Centenary. All Welcome.

GRAINCORP BARLEY TO BEER: "Invitation Food and Beer Matching Evening". It's your chance to learn how to correctly match beer with food. Throughout the evening you'll hear exclusive insights on the coming harvest while enjoying a variety of boutique and different styles, each matched to your food. Event details: Quandialla Bowling Club on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2014, 6pm start with cost \$20 per person. Bookings essential. Further info: contact Central West Farming Systems on 02 68951015 or Brian Piefke (Club Secretary) on 6347 2148

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

Extract from IDLE CHATTER NO. 92 THURS. JUNE 19<sup>th</sup> 1959

*WARNING....If the youths who have broken into the Show Pavilion on at least three occasions and caused some damage, do not cease their activities, they will be dealt with by law irrespective of person. There is no need for such vandalism. The keys of the pavilion can be obtained from the Show Secretary, and no person or body of persons has ever appealed in vain to the Show Committee for the loan of any of its property.....*

*ALLERGIC...Young Garry Troth is allergic to sharp axes. He went to great lengths to put a razor edge on the axe and then foolishly tested its keenness on his own foot. Trimming branches, he made contact with his big toe and did his best to amputate same. It was a very nasty wound, and he was lucky in a way that more serious damage was avoided. It was thought at one stage that we would have to go to Sydney for special treatment. The latest report is, that he is progressing favourably.....*

*CONGRATULATIONS...to WO (Bill) Mainwaring and Mrs Mainwaring on the 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. I am sure that I express the good wishes of all readers.....*

*FUNNY PEOPLE..We are a funny mob there's not a shadow of doubt. General Motors Holden have just completed the year's trading with a profit of £15,291,732. Since they sold 119,205 vehicles this amounts to approx. £128 profit on each. The return to the American shareholders is in the region of 425% and that is only half the profit distributed. This is paid to Americans, the people whose country restricts the imports of YOUR wheat, YOUR wool, YOUR lead, YOUR Meat and scores of other things which are the life blood of your country. Built in Australia, by Australians, for Australians....Oh! you nice kind Americans... Yes, we are a weird mob for sure....*

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11.36pm and mini melt down is over  
Cheers until next week.....**Sue Priestley**