

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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WHAT A BUSY LIFE.....

Take the Centenary out of the equation and we could all still use another pair of hands. This month alone – whether you are working/farming, attending monthly meetings, school holiday activities, Easter and all the trimmings – maybe having a break (we are painting the outside of the P.O), working at the Grenfell Picnic Races, Anzac Day, possibly working for the Deb Ball, attending the ball, cleaning up the next day and then it will be the month of May and we will start all over again with another round of activities to support.

I don't think I have been this busy "ever" – even back in the dark ages when we were running around after 4 children, plus working, it didn't seem so hectic then. I know you are going to say that's because we were younger and yes that is so true. But looking back - everything just goes at such a hectic pace today. With all the new mod cons we have at our disposal, plus the added bonus of all the children having left home you would think we would have all that spare time to take it easy – not true.

Put the Centenary back into all our lives and we have just upped the busy stakes again. Whether, you are on the committee, writing a history, working towards a stall, preparing to help on the big day. You would know what I am talking about.

Or maybe you are working towards having your property looking its best like we are this weekend. I have this Easter break planned to the very last minute. Friday morning - up and going I will be the gopher and the head of

the family will be in control of the paint and the spray gun that he hasn't used yet (this will be interesting). We are not stopping for lunch because we must watch the 'Dogs' play the Bunnies – you can't do too much on the first day you have to pace yourself and we are getting older.

There will be more painting on Saturday, Sunday and if we have to Monday, but I have it worked out on paper that we should be down to the trims etc by then. Hopefully everything goes to plan and on Tuesday the old place will have a new face lift. Then all we have to do before our big day in October is work on the yard, garden and fences etc in between all the other jobs. It never ends! Stay tuned and I will let you know how the head of the household gets on with this super dooper spray gun we bought.

Oh!!! I almost forgot - I will also be enjoying my Easter eggs on Sunday, we bought them 2 weeks ago and they have been haunting me ever since but I have been so strong. I hope everyone enjoys their Easter break.

THE FUTURE – CENTENARY NEWS

REMINDER:-

Quandialla & District DVD and History Book – Don't forget to look for photos, film etc for our DVD and think about that paragraph on "Things people did, memorable or iconic moments" for our history book.

Please drop them into the Post Office or email to suepcenary@gmail.com

QUANDIALLA CENTENARY MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 30th April 2014
at 7.30pm at the Bland Hotel

ALL WELCOME

NOW

PLEASE NOTE:

Your newsletter will arrive again next Thursday due to Anzac Day

COMMUNITY CHURCH NOTICE

There will be an Easter Service in the Community Church at Quandialla on Sunday 20th April at 4.00pm.

ALL WELCOME

QUANDIALLA – ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE

Friday 25th April 2014 at the Quandialla Memorial Hall, commencing at 11 am. School and Ex-Service Personnel to be at Blamey Park by 10.45am

Please Note: All school students are encouraged to participate in the ANZAC Day Service and are requested to wear full school uniform.

Descendants of Servicemen and Women may wear Service Medals.

FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS: The Quandialla Members Draw has jumped to \$1800 this Friday and the Bland Hotel Joker Draw will be \$140 this week.

SEWING DAY: The next sewing class will be held at QCS on Saturday 3rd May commencing at 10am. Everyone is welcome so please bring a project and some lunch and come and join us. The Centenary Quilt group will also be joining us on the 3rd.

ANZAC DAY and QUANDIALLA BALL CLEAN-UP: We will be cleaning the hall on Thursday the 24th prior to Anzac Day commencing at 9.30am. The hall will need to be swept, cobwebs knocked down and bathrooms cleaned. The chairs will also need to be put out for the 25th, so if you have some free time come and lend a hand as we want our hall to look it's best for these 2 important occasions. Please bring a broom or a cobweb broom with you. Remember many hands means we can all get home sooner.

SCOTS DEBUTANTE BALL, 26TH APRIL 2014

Hope to see you there

REMEMBER – When recycling – do it RIGHT!!!!

BLAST FROM THE PAST

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EMU. The Emu according to nature students is a curious bird in as much as it is attracted by brightly coloured objects or for that matter any strange looking thing. At the expense of being called "Emu" Mitchell, I have to report that I was going to Causer's woolshed, when I noticed the familiar green car parked at the side of the track. My first thought was that I could not get over the creek because of water but when I topped the rise, lo and behold there was an absolutely clear track. Somewhat puzzled I glanced once again in the direction of the car and thought I saw a movement in a crop nearby. That, Ladies and Gentlemen was where I got caught. I stopped and cautiously backed toward the car when once again I caught sight of this moving object. On "its" third appearance I recognised "it" as Mrs Causer, Bobbing up and down in a wheat crop seemed foolish to me so like the Emu I could not resist entering the crop to solve the mystery. When I got there Mrs Causer was picking peas. Apparently the boys had sown them with the crop and believe me there are thousands of plants. I stopped to help in the picking and until I had eaten more than my share. STOP PRESS--- after suffering for 48 hours with the tummy ache, I now have a very dim view of raw peas, the people who sow them and the people who by their erratic behaviour catch suckers such as me. Pull your head under your feathers Mitch, and mind your own business in future.

TRAINS: As and from November 20th there will be an alteration in the time table for the Quandialla service. From that date there will be no passenger coach on the goods train although accommodation will be available in a compartment of the guards van. The greatest change will be the time of departure of the steam train on Tues and Thursday which will be approx. 3-50. On Saturdays it will leave about 2-30. Any further particulars may be obtained from S.M. Goodsell.

Cheers and Happy Easter.....**Sue Priestley**