

BLAST FROM THE PAST Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

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PROGRESS – Despite a fair amount of publicity, the attendance at the Annual meeting of the Progress Association was not as good as it could have been. Mr Bill Mainwaring in the chair disclosed that the Memorial Hall was free from debt and the guarantors released from their obligations. A bold announcement, that does not do justice to the prodigious effort of Association and Ladies Auxiliary who so ably assisted. I think that if we really got down to brass tacks we would find the Ladies effort the main factor in the freeing of the Hall of debt. Considering that all this has been accomplished in a matter of ten years, I think it can be described as a satisfactory and rewarding effort.

CONGRATULATIONS – To Mr & Mrs Bevan McAlister (nee Sellens) a daughter, both Mother and child are doing well and to the time of writing no name has been chosen. Last Wednesday to Mr & Mrs Ken Harris also a daughter, again Mother and child are doing well and expect to be home again by the time you receive this sheet. Rumour has it that the name will be Anne. I hope that I am right.

BITS & PIECES – Nice to see “Bull” Graham out of hospital and apparently a much improved man. He is even talking of playing bowls on Sunday.... If the working bees of the Golf club are any indication, a very good year is in store for the members. The course was a hive of activity on Sunday..... Once more a reminder of the Catholic Ball to be held on Friday April 1st I am not quite sure without walking up the street, but I believe there is a debutante’s ball organised by the C of E to be held on Friday 22nd.

Cheers everyone – “Merry Christmas & Happy New Year” - **Sue Priestley**

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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This newsletter is an initiative of the Quandialla Centenary Committee

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It's that time of year again

With Christmas and New Year being celebrated over the next two weeks I will be taking a small break from Idle Chatter and will return with Newsletter No: 127 on Thursday 15th January.

Are you ready for Christmas?

The countdown is on – I hope you are further advanced with your preparations than I am. I still need to wrap gifts, get those last minute items I forgot to purchase for Christmas lunch and we won't talk about those Christmas cards I haven't sent, looks like I will be ringing everyone this year.

If you are travelling over this break, drive safely and enjoy your visit. If you are staying home and cooking for the family, delegate jobs and share the work load for a stress free day.



I would like to take this opportunity to let everyone know the winners of our 2014 Christmas Competition – Mailbox & Town Scene

The Quandialla Town Scene

1st - Sponsored by Weddin Shire

Delta Window – Narelle Gault & Bev Kelly

2nd - Sponsored by Quandialla Fire Brigade

David & Kathy Smith



The Decorated Mailbox

1st - Sponsored by John & Sue Priestley

Shawn & Catia Nowlan & Family

2nd - Sponsored by Quandialla Progress Association

Robert & Diane Piefke

John and I would like to thank our judges and co-sponsors for their support and a special thank you to all those families who joined in.

What wonderful imaginations you all have.

A few people, 11 to be exact took my advice and organised a bus and braved the weather on Monday evening and took a tour around the mailbox sites. I have been informed by more than one passenger that they had a fabulous trip and enjoyed every xmas mailbox that they saw. Thanks go to Tom and Margaret Priestley for making their bus available.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

A Christmas Eve Service will be held at the Quandialla Community Church on Wednesday 24th December at 7.30pm

Everyone Most Welcome to Attend - William Morrow

CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICES

A Christmas Vigil Mass will be celebrated at Bribbaree on the 24th December at 7.00pm

Liturgy at Quandialla 10.00am on Sunday 28th December.

QUANDIALLA BOWLING CLUB: The club will be open on Boxing Day Friday 26th at 5pm. The Members Draw will jackpot to \$2750 and the end of month draw will be held. An important date to remember – 18th January 2015 – 30th Annual Quandialla v Barmedman 'Bland Trophy Pennant Trial'

ANNUAL HEADER DRIVERS v TRUCKIES BOWLS CHALLENGE

Everyone is invited to play in the Annual End of Harvest Bowls at the Quandialla Bowling Club on Sunday 28th December starting at 4pm. The knowledge of how to bowl or be a header or truck driver is not necessary.

It's a fun afternoon for everyone - sausage sizzle to follow the 'bowls'.

Bowls will be available, bare feet, thongs or flat soled shoes please.

A DATE TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDARS: Australia Day BBQ – 26th Jan 2015

More information in our next newsletter

BIRTHDAY WISHES: Congratulations must go to Mrs Nell Battenally currently of Temora but formerly a resident of Quandialla for many years. Nell will be celebrating a very special birthday with family and friends on Wednesday 24th December.

Best Wishes on turning 90 years young

*2015 will arrive before our next newsletter
All the Best & have a safe and enjoyable New Year Celebration*