

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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Sponsored by Trevor & Marlene Taylor

IDLE CHATTER Mark II is BACK for 2017

I hope everyone enjoyed their Christmas & New Year Celebrations.

John and I enjoyed a 2nd Christmas with some of the family on Christmas Day and of course our gorgeous grand-daughters were there and we had some more special time with them. The Man of the House "Christmas List" consisted of bowls clothing, so we had a trip to Canberra to fulfil his 'Christmas I Owe You' vouchers he received. Unfortunately, there are no longer any bowls supply shops left in Canberra, that we could find.

Apparently, internet shopping has made them all close their doors. Now he will have to go online himself and hopefully get his trousers and shoes without too much trouble. I felt so bad for him, coming home empty handed, but I made myself feel better and updated my mobile phone while we were there – nothing but a considerate wife!!!!

We enjoyed the New Years' Eve BBQ at the Bland Hotel with friends, some went home but we stayed on and saw in 2017 in style. The rest of our days off were spent very quietly, taking it easy.

Well, that's enough chit chat about us – I need to get back to keeping you all up to date with all the news of what is happening in Quandialla.



A LETTER FROM PRESIDENT ROBERT – Quandialla Progress Assoc.

Following on from my invitation to community members to contact me re: Australia Day venue, I wish to thank those who took the opportunity to do so. The previous two years have seen a substantial increase in numbers and the atmosphere of last year's BBQ at the Bland Hotel, following on from the afternoons activities at the pool, proved to be a successful combination and utilisation of the excellent facilities available at both venues.

We wish to thank President Steve and the Pool Committee for their offer of the pool as the sole venue for this years' celebrations. However, with the success of last years' event, the Progress Executive felt that on this occasion the community as a whole would be better served by continuing with last years' format.

ie: Afternoon activities at the Pool

followed by the BBQ, Presentations and Yabbie Races at the Bland Hotel.



AUSTRALIA DAY
CELEBRATIONS IN QUANDIALLA
Thursday 26th January 2017

Yabbie Competition – Get out early and
secure your entrant in this years' competition.



*Quandialla Swimming Pool will be open - entry free
A fun afternoon of activities is planned for your enjoyment.
Join in for a relaxing time in or by the pool with a dash of fun!!!*
Quandialla Pool Committee



The Annual Yabbie Competition at the Bland Hotel
Register, Weigh In – 6pm
Races – 8pm
For more information contact the Bland Hotel or Geoff Edgerton



Next on the festive agenda:

Family BBQ – 7 pm
at The Bland Hotel on the “back lawn”
No BYO – Hotel Facilities Available.
Ladies please bring a salad to share.
Meat etc. for the meal will be provided
Courtesy of Weddin Shire & Quandialla Progress Assoc.

*Come along and enjoy
part of or all of what is on offer
in Quandialla and
Celebrate Australia Day with Family & Friends*

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

The silly season has passed and I'm pleased to report that both JACKPOTS are still growing.

The Bowling Club Members Draw will be \$4950 this week and the Bland Hotel Joker Draw will be \$500 this Friday. Either jackpot would be a welcome sum to take home if lucky enough to win. *Good Luck Everyone!!!*

*Congratulations
Sarah and Trevor Ryan & Family*

If you haven't seen it yet, buy the January 2017 edition of "Country Style" magazine, where you will find a wonderful article and photos of the Ryan Family.

This article is about country life, their 100 year old homestead, Sarah's successful candle making business called Quandialla Candle Company and Trevor's growing Merino Stud and breeding enterprise.

The article also showcases Sarah's passion and love for her family, candle business and all things old.

On behalf of Idle Chatter Readers I would like to congratulate Sarah and Trevor on achieving this recognition, highlighting life in the country, raising a family, while still achieving your dreams.

CONGRATULATIONS.....

QUANDIALLA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE:

Dr Wail El Waili will be visiting Quandialla next on **25th January 2017.**

Please phone West Wyalong Medical Centre 69722866 to make an appointment

PLEA FROM ANNE at the GRENFELL LIBRARY

Four of the eleven long missing library items at the end of 2016 went missing from the Quandialla Deposit Station.....

If you have used the Deposit Station in the last few years, please check whether you have any of the following and return them – no questions asked

"Back of Beyond" by Freda Marnie Nicholls (Outback biography)

"The Panther" by Nelson de Mille

"The Survivor" by Vince Flynn/Kyle Mills

"Queen of the Night" by Judith A. Jance (large print)

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2016 RAINFALL

December's rainfall recorded at the Quandialla Post Office was 54.4 mm over 8 days.

**The total rainfall for 2016 was
710.6 mm over 119 days.**

BLAST FROM THE PAST Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

Extract from IDLE CHATTER No: 206

Thurs. 18th Oct 1963

TENDERS – The Quandialla Show & Recreation Ground Trustees are calling for tenders for grazing rights of the reserve. Tenders will close on Saturday October 26th and the highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. Since there are certain conditions attached to this lease, you would be well advised to obtain full particulars from C.M. Russell, President of the Trustees or L.N. Penfold the Secretary before tendering.

DEFINITIONS – Aurora Borealis.....A luminous phenomenon usually seen in the Arctic regions. Aurora Australis.....A luminous phenomenon usually seen in the Southern Hemisphere. Aurora Keirus.....A luminous phenomenon usually very green in colour and to be seen over the Bowling Clubhouse on Committee meeting nights. It is caused, thank goodness, by the democratic right of every man in this country to speak in defence of his convictions. The fact that that conviction may be wrong or may be right does not enter into the scheme of things, but what does emerge from these clashes is a picture of men prepared to do the job for which they were elected at the expense of their personal popularity. Thank heavens for democracy.....

FOR SALE – A two horse float built of steel throughout and conforming to all regulations. Hydraulic braking, flashing lights, reflectors and the whole job built by a craftsman. This is not registered but the owner guarantees certification will be available. It weighs 7 1/2 cwt and the price asked is £200. Cheap!!!!

Cheers for another week **Sue Priestley**