

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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WHEN THINGS ARE QUIET – Waffling Moves to the Front Page

When I put my hand up to take on the job of putting out a weekly newsletter to keep everyone up-to-date with preparations for our Centenary Celebrations, I was very nervous at first. Mainly I did not wish to make a fool of myself or offend anyone while trying to keep you interested and so continue to read my efforts.

Four years later and no more Centenary bits and pieces, I'm not so nervous. It's okay to be a bit foolish every so often and I still hope I haven't offended anyone but the big objective is to keep it interesting and of course give you a full newsletter.

I will admit I've got into the habit of having a story, function spiel, an important notice, or at a last resort my waffling to fill the front page followed by what is happening, adverts etc. So why stop now – when there is no news I waffle. This week, I'm going to write a very serious report on the dangers of driving a car while texting or talking on my mobile phone – or NOT.

I have lost count of how many people I see with a mobile phone attached to their hand &/or ear while driving. I will agree that it is definitely a big "No No" but I also know that a mobile is not the only thing that can cause you to wander across the road while driving on our country roads.

To name a few - opening one of those stupid squishy water bottles while trying to keep one hand on the wheel, stay on the road and not wear the water. Or trying to get the air conditioner to work right, changing a CD that you need to get out of the console. Read that GPS thingy because you didn't understand what was said, drop hot food in your lap, chasing that pesky fly, mozzie while trying to open the window to let it out.

Another is when you feel or think you feel something crawling up your leg and you are worried it's a nasty spider. A goodie but an oldie when you have a passenger that likes to include you the driver in the conversation and says "Look at that gorgeous guy" or something similar and you automatically turn around giving yourself whiplash and of course veering across the road.

This one I haven't done for ages, when you turn to address the children in that very stern mother voice and you think you have finally got through to them because of the scared look on their faces only to turn back and see what they were looking at, the car going bush.

So, the moral of this tongue in cheek piece is.....

“hire a very good looking young chauffeur”
then you can gawk, scratch, text, basically whatever without the chance of an accident.
P.S. I’m sure you all can relate to those driving incidents and would even have a few of
your own adventures, to tell – thankfully they are not fineable offences.
So, let’s not add using your mobile either calling or texting while driving to that list.

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

Quandialla Jackpots – still growing for some lucky person!
The Bland Hotel has reach the grand amount of \$700 this week, that would buy a lot of
Easter Eggs. While the Quandialla Bowling Club Members Draw has jackpotted to \$3850
this week. I think I can raise the bar a bit higher than Easter Eggs if I was lucky enough to
have my badge number drawn this week, maybe a new lounge setting. A girl can
dream!!!!!!!
Good Luck Everyone!!!

QUANDIALLA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE:

Dr Wail El Waili will be visiting Quandialla next on **Wednesday 5th & 19th April**.
Please phone West Wyalong Medical Centre 69722866 to make an appointment

QUANDIALLA SOLDIERS MEMORIAL HALL & PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting will be held on
Wednesday 29th March at 7.30pm at the Quandialla Soldiers Memorial Hall.
All Welcome

Quandialla Sports & Events Committee Inc.

Annual General Meeting

11am Sunday 2nd April 2017 – Quandialla Bowling Club

All Welcome

Contact – Ruth Penfold 6347 2130 for further information

ST MARKS ANGLICAN CHURCH service will be held on Sunday 2nd April at 5pm.

ALL WELCOME

Having a Birthday in **MARCH** and a member of the
Quandialla Bowling Club?

Then Fill out your Birthday Voucher, available at the Bar, and drop it in the barrel
on Friday 31st (last Friday of the month) before 8.00pm, when the lucky winner
will be drawn. You must be in attendance to collect your birthday win.

You could win \$50

Dinner at the Club

Tania Mooney will be cooking at the Club on Friday 31st March from 6.00pm.

Quandialla District Scholarship Committee – 2017 Scholarships

Applications are now open for the following scholarships:

- # Year 10 Scholarship (for students commencing Year 11)
- # Quandialla District Further Studies Grant – TAFE Scholarship (Full time & short term course)
- # Quandialla (District – University Scholarships (1st year of study & 2nd or further year of study)

Applications close: **Monday, 10th April 2017**

For further information or application forms,
please contact Narelle on 63471294 a.h. Narelle Gault – Hon. Secretary

FIRST AID CERTIFICATE

Saturday 15th April 2017

You only have until the 31st March to register to up-date your First Aid Certificate which will be held on Saturday 15th April 2017 at the Quandialla Bowling Club.

Online Theory & 1 Day Practical to be held at the Quandialla Bowling Club

Cost: \$170 (depending on numbers) – further numbers are required

To register or more information contact: -

TAFE N.S.W Ph: 02 69539650 or email lynne.pygram@tafensw.edu.au

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BELATED BIRTHDAY WISHES go to Lleiton Purdie who turned 18 on February 28th.

Lleiton celebrated this special occasion with family and friends.

HAPPY 18th BIRTHDAY – Lleiton

QUANDIALLA SCOT'S DEBUTANTE BALL
Saturday 22nd April 2017 – Debs presented at 8pm

BLAST FROM THE PAST Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

Extract from IDLE CHATTER No: 196 Thurs 7th August 1963

BUTCHER'S HOURS – To avoid confusion will you please note that the butcher's shop will be open for business during the hours of 1-30 pm and 5-30 pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday only. Help to keep this business going because you will probably find it most useful during the coming hot weather.

COP THIS MITCHO – I only have to put out one issue of Idle Chatter after my break and Hey Presto! I'm in strife. I was accosted by a very irate lady who, while waving a finger in my face, demanded to know by what right I had for saying that the bowlers returned from Wyalong with their tails between their legs. "I'll have you know that my husband brought home a trophy, so there!" As you well know (or do you?) I never divulge the name of any person concerned in these little incidents, but there is nothing on earth to prevent me from saying that a certain Victor George Harris DID win a trophy.....

POLOCROSSE – Here is an opportunity to help a worthy cause and a method of expressing your thanks, to the many Caragabal folk who patronise our show and other functions. On Saturday, the 24th of August some of the best teams in the state will compete and since the entries are large the carnival will continue on Sunday the 25th. On the ground. will be a publican booth and luncheon will be catered for. At night, there will be a dance in the local Hall, so turn up and help those who help you.

THE END – This is the portion of Idle Chatter that by hook or by crook has to get filled to prevent those lazy letter writers from using the space for the purpose of writing a very short note. I don't drink very much and after my nasty experience yesterday, I think I will sign the pledge. After walking into the street, I just could not believe my eyes. (There was more to the story but space does not allow me to re-print it but I'm sure you get the gist, ending with) – and now my dear Mrs Penfold, I surrender the rest of this page to you. Generous Jack they call me amongst other things.

DON'T FORGET
Daylight Saving will finish on Saturday 1st April

Cheers everyone **Sue Priestley**