

# IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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### PORT-A-COT STRIKES AGAIN

John and I were looking forward to a break away, after the fiasco with Telstra last week. Stella and Macy's parents had a wedding to attend, so Nanna put her hand up and volunteered our services to go to Canberra and look after our gorgeous granddaughters.

On Saturday we met and swapped over cars, had a quick lesson on how to put up and put down the twin pram and we were on our own. As it was still very much overcast we opted to have some lunch so off to the Civic Mall, parked under cover as it takes me half an hour to get the girls in and out of today's fancy car seats and I didn't want to worry about rain.

The afternoon just flew past, I started off pushing the pram and then Pa took over. I finally found out why, he admitted that while he was pushing the pram he had so many ladies smile at him. I didn't have the heart to tell him they were smiling at the girls and hoping he was their grandfather. Some serious Christmas shopping was done with Stella's help, telling us what she liked, and what Macy wanted, which was everything. Macy is the silent type, only speaks when she has something to say, where Stella would talk to a pole and still say "excuse me I said.....". She is very polite but vocal about getting her point across, until I taught her the finger rule. When the finger went up she had to stop talking until the finger went down, I'm proud to say Stella is a quick learner.

Before I knew it, it was dinner time. I didn't realise how far fried rice can go, but I'm pleased to say they enjoyed it. Back at the motel while the girls played we put two port-a-cots up without too much trouble and only a few swear words, that hopefully the girls did not hear. Bathed, teeth cleaned and we all went to bed, a little later than normal for the girls and a lot earlier than the norm for us, but in our defence, we did do a lot of walking for old folks. It was so much easier to walk everywhere than to get everyone in and out of the car.

We must have tuckered the girls out because they woke up at a respectable hour on Sunday. It was all action go, when I was told very strongly by both that they were hungry, I concentrated on dressing the girls and packing while the man of the house dressed himself and tackled the port-a-cots.

With a little help from moi' we got the first one packed up. The second port-a-cot was the one that broke the camel's back and I have to say it was at this point that Pa had a meltdown which caused him to swear as if he was still in the sheep yards. As the air was turning very blue I called it quits and suggested we have a break and take a load to the car. On the way past the reception desk I asked was there someone who could help us dismantle the bl\*\*dy thing or maybe take it away and throw it out. I would have paid \$100 for someone to help but thankfully there was a lovely receptionist who had it packed up in 2 seconds flat.

All I can say is John and I absolutely hate port-a-cots and both girls better be sleeping in beds next time we babysit in a motel.



QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

*Who couldn't use a windfall, with Christmas just around the corner!!  
Visit the Bland Hotel and then the Quandialla Bowling Club  
where you have the chance to win some extra cash.*

The Bland Hotel Joker Draw is still going and has jackpotted to \$540 this week, plus you have the chance to win 4 meat trays.

The Club's Members Draw will jackpot to \$3500 this Friday, plus the end of month meat draw will also be held, as well as the November Birthday Draw.

*Good Luck Everyone!!!!*

QUANDIALLA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE:

Dr Wail El Waili will be visiting Quandialla next on **29<sup>th</sup> November**.

Please phone West Wyalong Medical Centre 69722866 to make an appointment.

QUANDIALLA  
SOLDIERS MEMORIAL HALL & PROGRESS ASSOC

November General Meeting

The next General Meeting will be held on  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017  
at 7.30pm at the Bland Hotel

AGENDA

Hall & Progress General Business

ALL WELCOME

ST MARKS ANGLICAN CHURCH service will be held on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 6pm.  
ALL WELCOME



## QUANDIALLA & DISTRICT LOCAL TELEPHONE BOOK

***Local phone books are NOW on sale***  
Books can be purchased for \$7.00 each  
at the Quandialla Post Office.

### Having a Birthday in **NOVEMBER** 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 24<sup>th</sup> (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**

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## UPDATE ON THE QUANDIALLA SWIMMING CENTRE

for those who are not on Facebook.....

I have been keeping an eye on the pool FB page for any updates and the following was downloaded on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November.....

**Thank you Quandialla and local communities for your understanding as we work towards opening the pool ASAP. Unfortunately, things are moving slowly. Jeremy, myself, and our amazing committee are very dedicated to the Quandialla pool. Please continue your support. We will definitely need you all for a long time to come. Any enquiries please PM Quandialla Swimming Centre Facebook page.**

Thank you 🙌

*I would like to congratulate Kim, Jeremy and Quandialla's dedicated Committee for all the work and time they have put in, working very hard, trying to get our pool up and running. Unfortunately, the problem is major and requires professional attention. Your efforts are very much appreciated, and we know that you are doing everything in your power to get the problem fixed.*

*Hopefully we will be open soon.*

## Hair @ Quandialla

Sam's Mobile Hairdressing visits Quandialla at the Bland Hotel.  
Please phone 0458 140 308 for further information or to make an appointment.

### **BLAST FROM THE PAST** Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

Extract from IDLE CHATTER Vol 2 No. 34

THURS. 30<sup>th</sup> JAN 1958

*ENGAGEMENT: The engagement is announced of Lillian, second daughter of Mr & Mrs C Horne of Grenfell to Raymond, the eldest son of Mr & Mrs W Anderson Of Third Street Quandialla. Congratulations to you both.....*

*PROOF: Many years ago, I was told by Les Troy that his Father used to call the Northern end of the Weddin Range, "Provider's Corner". He used to say that when you could see a cloud formation over this spot, rain would not be far away. Cloud could be seen nearly everyday last week, and on Sunday it was so pronounced that I told a few people of Mr Troy's belief. We laughingly agreed to watch developments. On Wednesday Quandialla registered 306 points and falls of over 200 points were quite common. These signs which meant so much to the old-timers should not be forgotten. They, were often wrong, but not more so than some of our recent forecasts.....*

*BAC-POOL: A competition held at the Bland Hotel resulted in a win for Charlie Broben and "Coogan" Cole. They also took the trophy for the best team's score and to finish off the job in a business-like manner, Charlie won the trophy for the best individual score. A single competition is being organised and entries are invited. How about putting up the rules under which it will be played????*

*FOR SALE: An Electrolux kerosene refrigerator. This is to all intents and purposes as new. Price and particulars from the office.....*

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Cheers for another week ..... **Sue Priestley**

### DINNER at the CLUB

Tania Mooney will be cooking at the Club on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November from 6.00pm