

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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10 Days till Christmas

As my heading indicates we are all getting to the busy part of our preparations for Christmas. Rechecking our gift list to make sure we have a present for everyone under the tree. Christmas cards written and posted, (still need to do this job). House and yard need to be tidied ready for family and visitors and the most important thing on the list is food for everyone, first shopping then cooking. Even for those who are not hosting, a lot of planning still goes into joining your family for the event.

As you all know Christmas is a very important time for the Priestley Family. John seems to have caught my addiction for everything Christmacy. Usually I decorate the house inside to the extreme, but the family will not be home for Christmas Day this year, so we have taken the house decorations down a notch and stepped up our game outside for 2017. The man of the house took my ideas for our yard decorations this year and ran with them, even adding his own ideas, some I had to say No to. But what you see is a combined John and Sue production, something we are both very pleased with.

However, the best thing about Christmas is getting together with family and friends, as well as catching up at the various Christmas gatherings that are held. So far, I've attended the CWA Xmas Party, West Wyalong Girls Party, Grenfell Group and the one I'm now looking forward to is on this Sunday, the "Quandialla's Community Christmas Party". Hope to see you there!!!!!!

2017 COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY

*You are invited to get into the Festive Season
with family and friends on
Sunday 17th Dec at the Quandialla Bowling Club
starting at 6.30pm.*

There will be Lucky Door Prizes.

The Mailbox & Town Scene winners will be announced.

Come along and enjoy a chance to catch up after another hectic year.

Ladies a plate to share please.

EVERYONE WELCOME



QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

*It's the silly season and "Ho! Ho! Ho!"
you still have the chance to win one or possibly both Quandialla draws –*

The Bowling Club Members Draw has jackpotted again this week and will be \$1000.
While at The Bland Hotel Joker Draw, you have the chance to win \$580 this Friday.

Good Luck Everyone!!!

QUANDIALLA BOWLING CLUB NEWS:

Christmas Ham Draw: A special draw of 3 half hams will be held this Friday 15th December. YOU must be there to win!!!!

Annual Christmas Tree for Members children will be held on Sunday 17th. Santa will be arriving at 6pm.



SINCLAIR EARTHWORKS

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FRONT-END LOADER GRADER and TRUCKS

Available for all General Earthworks including:

Gravel Supplies - - Clearing - - Drainage Dam Construction
- - Grading and Road Works - -

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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.

ST BRIGID'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

QUANDIALLA'S FINAL Mass will be held on Sunday 31st December 2017 at 8am.

Mass in the Bribbaree Parish will cease at the end of December
and the Parish will be amalgamated with Young Parish.

Christmas Mass will be held at Bribbaree on Christmas Day 25th December at 8am.

Please Note: There will be NO Mass at Bribbaree on Sunday 24th December.



CONTRIBUTE TO PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLING ACTIVITY

Have your say on walking, running
and riding in the Weddin.

Weddin Shire Council will be developing a new Active Transport Plan for the Weddin Shire, aimed at improving the bicycle and pedestrian network. A major focus of the Active Transport Plan is to encourage greater participation in walking and cycling activities throughout the Shire, which can also lead to benefits in community health and wellbeing.

The formation of the Active Transport Plan is an important step in improving our pedestrian and cycling networks. The Strategy will aid Council in applying for grants and funding in the future. Interested groups and individuals are invited to complete a survey and / or attend workshops to help deliver new and improved bicycle and pedestrian facilities in the Weddin Shire towns, villages and region.

ATTEND A WORKSHOP

Share your ideas -Tell us how you walk, run or ride - Be Informed

COMPLETE A SURVEY

Surveys can be completed online from within Council's website www.weddin.nsw.gov.au
Copies are also available to collect from Council's Administration Centre

WORKSHOP LOCATIONS, DATES & TIMES

Quandialla Village on Monday 18th December 2017 at 12.30 -2.00pm at the Quandialla Soldiers Memorial Hall.

Caragabal Village on Monday 18th December 2017 at 6.00 -7.30pm at the Caragabal Community Hall.

Greenethorpe Village on Tuesday 19th December 2017 at 6.00 -7.30pm at the Greenethorpe Community Hall.

For more information contact Weddin Shire Council on 6343 1212 or visit the website www.weddin.nsw.gov.au PLANNING CONSULTANTS

Alternately if people are not able to attend the community sessions we request that they fill in an online survey. This will be able to be found on Councils webpage or at the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Weddin>

DON'T FORGET – go to the meeting on Monday 18th and have your say on walking, running and riding in Quandialla.

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.

BLAST FROM THE PAST Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

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XMAS STOCKING – The giant Xmas Stocking presented by Jack Orphanos was won by Mr Fred Dixon.....

HOLIDAYING – Mr Ron Dibbs of the CBS commences a month's holiday on Saturday Jan 4th. Accompanied by his wife and family he will make to a fairer climate. His place during the period of his holiday will be taken by Mr Claude Callow who I hope, will enjoy his stay amongst us.

NEW YEARS EVE – The organisers of the New Year's Eve dance and euchre party are to be complimented. It appears as though the art of making our own fun has been lost with the result, that a well organised function is sure of support. There was a very good attendance which included many visitors from Caragabal and Bribbaree. Over £70 was paid for admittance and the crowd was as good, if not better, than most of the past year's balls. The fun went on into the wee small hours of the morning, and even then, many were disinclined to leave.

ODDS & ENDS – 165 points of rain was officially recorded at Quandialla. At the time of writing, the town is deserted. This is no doubt due to the fact that most farmers are taking advantage of the shower to work up a bit of ground. It is remarkable what a few points of rain will do for the morale of the people. Even Dobber Bailey is walking around with a smile on his face. Os Kelly was on holiday but made a quick return when getting the news of the rain.

Talking of holidays, Mr & Mrs Sid Ward are off today for an extended holiday leaving Garry in charge no doubt. Pat Kelly has also gone for a holiday to the North Coast area, and the voice you will be hearing at the exchange will be that of Marie Penfold.

Cheers for another week **Sue Priestley**