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50th Birthday Celebration for Quandialla Pool

A fine and sunny morning, the smell of coffee in the air, a sizzling BBQ, sounds of kids having fun in the pool. Just some of the atmosphere at the Quandi Pool last Sunday as the Community came together to celebrate the Pools 50th Birthday.

A good crowd of Mums & Dads, Grandparents & kids, including old and new residents of the district made for a great get together as the catch ups and stories from the past flowed among the groups scattered around that most wonderful feature of our town; The Quandialla Pool. After a well catered brunch was enjoyed the official proceedings got under way with everyone gathering in the shade near the kiosk.

President Angela welcomed everyone and gave a comprehensive history of the pool's development from the initial idea of a pool for Quandi to the day only a few years later when the dream was finally realised, and the pool was officially declared open.

Bryson Troy, an original committee member and continual worker and supporter of the pool was presented with a plaque to honour his contribution over all the years since.

That plaque was inscribed

**BRYSON TROY
In acknowledgment for
56 years
of voluntary service and dedication
to the
Quandialla Swimming Pool
1965 – 2021**

Bryson spoke of the hard work and dedication of many of our past residents to make the pool a reality 50 years ago, and of the ongoing support of the region's families over the decades since, and the need for that to continue.

Bryson and Ross Causer were then invited to cut "The Pool Birthday Cake" which looked terrific and tasted even better, before a demonstration swim by our current pool stars was enjoyed and appreciated by all, it was a great crowd including quite a few former residents who made the special trip to be part of the special day.



**Quandialla Hospital Auxiliary
Celebrating Seniors Week in Quandialla**

*Seniors Week Morning Tea will be held on Tuesday 29th March at 10am
at the Quandialla Community Health Centre.*

*Join us and our Guest Speaker Helen Denovan,
who will be talking on Fall Prevention and other topics of interest.
A lovely morning tea will follow the discussion.*

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

Bland Hotel Joker Jackpot Draw

The Joker Jackpot was not claimed and this week the jackpot will be \$580, and you have 6 chances to win a meat tray and a chance to choose the Joker Card.

Quandialla Bowling Club Draws

The Riverina Club Draw and Members Draw was claimed by a lucky Ardlethan Club member last week so this Friday the Riverina Jackpot will start again at \$500 and the Members Club Draw will jackpot to \$100.

Remember if your badge number is drawn for any of the jackpots
YOU MUST BE AT THE CLUB to claim your prize when it is announced.



Good Luck Everyone

QUANDIALLA SOLDIERS MEMORIAL HALL & PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of the Hall and Progress will be held
on Wednesday 30th March at 7.30pm
at the Bland Hotel Dining Room. All Welcome



BLAND HOTEL

Open: 12 Midday – Monday to Saturday
Meals available from the Bistro
Lunch 12 to 2pm & Dinner 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Dine In or Take Away & Don't Forget – Pizza Night on
Wednesdays.

ST MARKS ANGLICAN CHURCH SERVICE

Next Service will be held on Sunday 3rd April at 5pm.
Everyone Welcome



QUANDIALLA BOWLING CLUB NEWS

Friday 25th March opening at 6pm –

*Don't forget our Friday Night 12 Tray Meat Raffle and the Members Draw,
Riverina Jackpot - \$500 & Members Draw - \$100 plus Members Birthday Draw - \$50*

Sunday 27th March opening at 10 am – Sunday Papers available.

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 25th (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**

Don't Forget

Betty McCabe's Family

have put a book together of Betty's notes and memories.

An invitation is extended to I.C. Readers who might be interested and would like to join the McCabe Family at their book launch.



You are invited to the Book Launch

At the Temora Railway Precinct on Saturday 26th March 2022 at 11.00am

For further information please phone Peter McCabe on 0458 554 868

QUANDIALLA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

Walk In Clinic

Opening Hours: 9am – 10am Monday, Wednesday & Thursday

CLOSED Tuesday & Fridays.

We will re-open on a fortnightly basis on Tuesday in the coming months.

If it is an emergency dial 000 or alternatively ring the health centre on 63471200 and leave a message with your name and contact number. Or call/text 0427 410 086 (please leave your name and contact number) and we will get back to you.

Sorry for the inconvenience - Thank you, Elle and Catia

GROCERIES AVAILABLE

in QUANDIALLA at the BLAND HOTEL

Fresh Bread – Papers – Hot coffee!!!!!! Fruit / Veg & other necessities.

Best meat pies (available frozen as well)

& Car and Truck Batteries & Oil.

My Apologies

My apologies to the Swimming Pool Committee as I was unable to attend the Pool's Birthday Celebrations. I wanted to be there as from past experiences I do know that a lot of preparation is always put into organising an event like this, especially with COVID delaying the celebrations. Having a well-attended event makes all those meetings and hectic moments well worth it

Thankfully my wonderful husband represented the Priestley family, took photos, and then wrote a piece for the front page, which I appreciated very much. John's photos turned out great and I had included a selection on this page, but sadly they did not photocopy well enough for our readers to enjoy. However, I have seen a very nice selection of photos that Annette Katona has downloaded on the Facebook page for Quandialla Matters.

The Importance of History

Because my mother was an orphan and didn't have any papers for us to follow her heritage, it made me realise that my family history would be starting with my mother as the head of our family and I'm okay with that, but the centenary made me think that we need to keep records for our future family members. As the history of where and how and who, whether it be family history, our heritage or where we live. It is so important to keep and hand that information down to our children etc.

Congratulations must be given to the past and present Swimming Pool Committees for maintaining the Pool History and adding to it as time passes. That history is the corner stone of our community's heritage it tells a tale of the people who settled, lived, worked and raised families in our district.

Well Earned Congratulations

I would like to take this opportunity to Congratulate today's Committee on a job well done for both the 50th Birthday Celebrations but also working tirelessly to maintain and keep our pool available for our community and surrounding districts. Bryson did say that we needed to continue to support / use our pool. Sadly, today our population is no longer what it used to be in the past, and in today's society everything is a numbers game, use it or lose it. I believe we are a resourceful group, and maybe we can overcome this with more social gatherings at the pool next year.

Once again Congratulations to the current Swimming Pool Committee on a job well done.

I love the Vision Statement that the Committee has for our Pools future



QUANDIALLA SWIMMING POOL VISION

**To have a village facility for now
and into the future
to welcome community, joy, activity and growth.**

Cheers until next week Sue Priestley