

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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IDLE CHATTER Mark II – BACK for 2021

Considering what is happening around the world, with COVID – 19 running amuck in so many countries, Trump and followers going troppo in America, reports of extreme weather situations and disasters across many countries and so much more – all I can say is “Life is good in Australia”.

Everyone has their opinion on this Virus and how we should be handling it etc. But under the circumstances I take my hat off to all the decision makers who have had some very hard calls to make since last March. Unfortunately, they cannot please everyone, but on the whole Australia has handled COVID-19 extremely well, compared to what is happening around the world.

I hope everyone enjoyed their Christmas & New Year Celebrations.

The Priestley household had a very enjoyable Christmas with our family with only one member, Craig not being able to make it due to living next door to one of the Sydney cluster hotspots. However, there were lots of phone calls, photos and video taking.

I do not know who was more excited waiting for Santa? Stella and Macy of course, but I was a close second as it was the first time that we have had three out of four children and partners home on Christmas Eve, making it a very full house to watch the girls open their gifts on Christmas Day.

Stella was a mini me of her mother who loved ripping into her gifts until there was none left with her name on, but Macy was the perfect lady, she needed prompting to open her next gift. I am pleased to report all presents were received with hand clapping and shrieks of delight, even the boring old clothes that Nanna had wrapped. But alas, one little vegemite was looking for his gift.

Remember last year when I reported that my darling hubby surprised me with an early Christmas gift, and I mentioned that I did have one for him too. Well, I am a little bit embarrassed to say this, but when I went to wrap his gift, I could not find the bl#dy thing, I had hidden it so well. I looked for days and ended up organising him a gigantic bag of all his favourite treats that he loves to eat, and I am even more embarrassed to say I am still looking for it. Hopefully, I will be able to give it to him for our wedding anniversary in February and my last hope is it is amongst the Christmas decorations which I have just started to take down. Wish me Luck!!!!!!!

P.S. We had a marvellous New Years’ Eve and Day!!!! We enjoyed a delicious meal, drinks and then cocktails at the Bland Hotel on New Years’ Eve, and along with a great crowd we celebrated the start of 2021.

Plus, to top it all off, we received some very exciting and happy news

Our daughter Tammie got engaged to her partner Troy on New Years’ Day.

A great start for the year!!!!



Belated Birthday Wishes

*On Tuesday 5th January 2020 Hazel Allen
celebrated her 70th Birthday with family and friends.
On behalf of John & I and IC readers' we would like to wish Hazel
all the Best and Many Belated Happy Returns on her special day.*

AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS IN QUANDIALLA Tuesday 26th January 2021

The Annual Yabbie Competition at the Bland Hotel!!!!
Will there be races this year? Are there yabbies out there?
For more information contact the Bland Hotel or Geoff Edgerton



Next on the festive agenda:

**Ceremony & Family BBQ – 7 pm
at the Bland Hotel on the “back lawn”
No BYO – Hotel Facilities Available.
Ladies - NO need to bring a salad to share (due to Covid regulations)
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*



ST MARKS ANGLICAN CHURCH SERVICE

Next Service will be held on Sunday 7th February at 6pm.
Everyone Welcome

NEED HELP TO TIDY UP YOUR YARD

Do you need help with **GARDENING, RUBBISH REMOVAL ETC.**
Ring Trevor Grenfell “Rothsay” Quandialla – Phone: 0409 969 224

In case you missed the flyers that were sent out just before Christmas.

2020 Christmas Competition Mailbox & Town Scene

The Quandialla Town Scene

1st - Sponsored by Weddin Shire

Mary & Bill Deery

2nd - Sponsored by Quandialla Fire

Brigade – Lyn & Ian Gardner



Decorated Mailbox

1st - Sponsored by John & Sue Priestley

Nowlan Family “Uliwah”

2nd - Sponsored by Quandialla Assoc

Causer Family

John and I would like to thank our judges and co-sponsors for their support and a special thank you to all those families who joined in and help spread some Christmas Cheer.

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

Bland Hotel Poker Jackpot Draw

Last week the Jackpot was not claimed so this week you have 4 chances to win a meat tray and a chance to choose the Joker Card and you can take home \$260.

Quandialla Bowling Club Draws

The Riverina Club Draw was not claimed last Friday, so, this week it will jackpot to \$1000. While I.C. was on holiday the jackpot came to Quandialla and that person was at the club. So, a shout out of belated congratulations go to “Carp” Edgerton who took home the Riverina Club Draw of \$4150. The Members Club Draw of \$125 went to members’ number 16 which I am pleased to say was me!!!!!!

So, this week it will start again at \$50.

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



‘CLAIMING the DATE’

Great Handicraft Sale at Milvella Hall

on Saturday 27th March 2021. 8am to 4pm.

Lots for all - Handicrafts, Patchwork, Embroidery,
Knitting, Crochet.

Enquiries to Shirley 0437 333 867

Having a Birthday in January 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 29th (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**

Please Note: Unfortunately Tania will NOT be cooking at the Club this month.



BLAND HOTEL

OPENING – 12 midday

Monday – Saturday

Phone: 63471253

The Bistro is operating for Dine In or Take Away Meals from the normal Bistro's Menu
Lunch 12 midday to 2pm & Dinner 6.30pm to 8.30pm, Mon – Sat

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL FOR MEALS when Dining IN

Pizza on Wednesday nights

PLUS Groceries

Fresh bread 3 x week – Papers – Hot coffee!!!!!!

Fruit / Veg & other necessities – Best meat pies (available frozen as well)
& Car and Truck Batteries & Oil

Are you thinking you want to be more active for 2021!!

**Or maybe you enjoyed Christmas a tad too much and could do with some exercise
along with enjoying some good company.**

For whatever reason Kim Broomby could help you.....

Aqua Fitness

Tuesday @ 6pm

Friday @ 9am

Sunday @ 9am

Active Farmers

Wednesday @ 6am

Pilates

Thursday @ 4.15pm

Thursday @ 5.15pm

For more information contact Kim on 0427 472 152



2020 RAINFALL

December's rainfall recorded at the Quandialla Post Office was 32.2mm
over 4 days. **The total rainfall for 2020 was 683.0mm over 96 days.**

RALPH RICHARDS SEPTICS:

Call for a Quote: Phone 0457 821965 or 0477 094193

We are back into the routine of our weekly newsletter,
so please contact me with any meeting notices, interesting news,
family announcements, etc.

Have a great Australia Day – Hope to see you at the BBQ!!
Cheers until next week **Sue Priestley**

