

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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This newsletter is an initiative of the Quandialla Progress Association

Sponsored by Tom & Margaret Priestley

2021 PENNANT

Finally, some bowls news to report.

Due to COVID, bowls was cancelled mid games last year along with everything else. Now that 2021 Pennant games have started again, Quandialla have their eye on this years Pennant.

12 eager Quandialla players travelled to Boorowa to play the Boorowa Rec Club on Sunday 28th February. All hoping for a great afternoon of bowls with the possible, bonus of a win. I believe there was some good bowls played by both sides during the afternoon, along with some okay ones, and a few bad ones of course.

Fortunately, when the last bowl was delivered Quandialla had achieved a win for the day with 70/55 score. Celebrative drinks were enjoyed when our victorious team arrived home. How do I know that? Because my mighty bowler arrived home later than normal, which is usually a good sign that they had something to celebrate, and I was not wrong. I had one happy camper on my hands, pleased that Quandialla had won their first outing for 2021 and he was positive there was a lot of good bowls yet to be played.

Good Luck for this coming Sunday where they will go into battle against Young Bowling Club at Quandialla for their 2nd game for 2021.



OFFICIAL OPENING BLAND CREEK BUSH FIRE BRIGADE

The Bland Creek Bush Fire Brigade are having the Official Opening of the new Fire Shed on the 18th March at 1pm.

Everyone Welcome

RSVP **essential by 11th March** for catering and Covid purposes.

Phone/Text: Wayne Troy – 0428 194 180 or Garry Penfold – 0427 472 119



SAVE THIS DATE

'Seniors Week Morning Tea' on Tuesday 16th March 2021 at 10am

At the Quandialla Health Centre.

Guest Speakers and Morning Tea will be provided.

Everyone Welcome to Attend.



Annette K passed on the following good news via messenger to be shared with IC readers.
Thanks Annette.....

CONGRATULATIONS

*Congratulations to Peter and Donna Feuerstein
on the birth of their 8th great grandchild, born in Canberra,
a great grandson named Ari Henry.*

*Ari arrived the day before Peter and Donna's 58th Wedding Anniversary
on the 27th February 2021.*

What a lovely surprise and anniversary gift.



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 \$380.

Quandialla Bowling Club Draws

The Riverina Club Draw was not claimed last Friday, so, this week it will jackpot to \$4000. The Members Club Draw was claimed by David P, so it will start again this week 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



**QUANDIALLA SOLDIERS MEMORIAL HALL
& PROGRESS ASSOCIATION**

The Annual General Meeting of the Hall and Progress will be held
on Wednesday 31st March at 7.30pm
at the Bland Hotel Dining Room.

All Welcome



FOOTY TIPPING COMP at the BLAND HOTEL

It's that time of year again – join our local Tipping Comp.

**First round gets underway on the Thursday evening 11th March,
so get your name in soon.**

QUANDIALLA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

Opening Hours: 9am – 2pm Four Days a Week

Walk In Clinic from 9am – 10am on Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

Appointment ONLY on Wednesday (Phone: 6347 1200)

The Health Clinic will be CLOSED on Friday



ST MARKS ANGLICAN CHURCH SERVICE

Next Service will be held on Sunday 7th March at 6pm.

Everyone Welcome

A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY



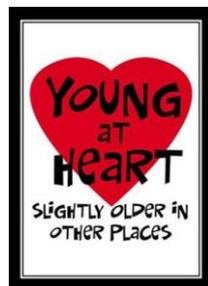
Congratulations and Best Wishes go to John Priestley who will be celebrating his 70th Birthday on Saturday 6th March, with family who have organised a special dinner party at the 'Old Post Office' Manor Restaurant. On behalf of I.C. Readers I would like to wish John Many Happy Returns on turning the big '7' '0'.
HAPPY 70th BIRTHDAY JOHN

Another Special Birthday to Report



It gives me much pleasure to report that Margaret Penfold, who is currently living in Burrill Lake but also, still calls Quandialla home, will be celebrating her 80th Birthday with family and friends at a lovely winery in Ulladulla on Sunday 7th March.

On behalf of John and myself, friends from Quandi and IC Readers I would like to wish Margaret the Very Best and Many Happy Returns on your Special Birthday.
HAPPY 80TH BIRTHDAY MARGARET



But Wait – there is more.....



Birthday Wishes

Congratulations are extended to Samantha Grandi (nee: Casuer) who is celebrating her 30th birthday on Monday 8th March. An early party was held last weekend where family and friends travelled to Griffith to help Samantha celebrate this special occasion.
Happy 30th Birthday Samantha.



2021 RAINFALL

February's rainfall recorded at the Quandialla Post Office was 68.6mm over 6 days. Total rainfall for the year is 132.4mm over 15 days.

RALPH RICHARDS SEPTICS: Call for a Quote: Phone 0457 821965 or 0477 094193



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

STEP BACK IN TIME

BLAST FROM THE PAST: From Quandialla 'The First 100 Years' Memories Memories of Dave Gordon (a Blacksmith in Quandialla)

Dave went to Sydney to say goodbye to a good friend who had enlisted and was being sent overseas. This young man was so certain he would not make it back and Dave wishing him all the best ensured him that if anything happened to him, he would enlist and go over there and 'get them for him'. Unfortunately, Dave's friend died soon after, and true to his word Dave enlisted. He was in the light horse as a farrier and went to England. There were 4000 black mules that Dave and his colleagues shod ready to be transported across the English Channel.

Dave used to tell of his time in England and how the discipline was much stricter than the Aussie way and it took a while to get used to. Another memory was when he would work on the front foot of a mule and they would crack him on the skull with their back foot. A not so fond memory of his duties was that those same 4000 mules were loaded onto a ship and sunk in the English Channel and the lot drowned.

Dave went through his service without any major injuries until his last day in England when he was walking back to the huts someone yelled "look out" and a mule rushed past and kicked him in the leg and lifted his knee cap.

Doc Blamey cut a cyst off his lip without any anaesthetic and when he had a toothache, he would make his own pliers and take the tooth out himself.

Submitted by Max Penfold

So Many Special Birthdays in March and we are only one week in.

This week it was a little strange wishing my own husband, Many Happy Returns – but celebrating his 70th Birthday is a big deal. So, it was a must to include a notice for him along with the others this week. Then I had the big decision to make, low key or be myself!!!! Normally I would be taking the mickey out of the situation and I am sure the birthday boy is wondering when the other shoe is going to drop, because his notice was way too polite.

With that said, I cannot disappoint him!!

Because I personally know of at least another 4 people celebrating Birthdays this week plus our special ones I would like to wish everyone having a birthday now, "Happy Birthday".

Cheers until next week Sue Priestley



**Don't panic.
At least not quite yet!**

You are still younger than Tom Jones, Helen Mirren, Mick Jagger, Rod Stewart, Debbie Harry, Donald Trump, Eric Clapton, Ikea, Dolly Parton, Mars Bars, Bevan McAlister & Margaret Penfold

