

# IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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**Sponsored by Harry & Narelle Gault**

## **2021 MELBOURNE CUP CALCUTTA IN QUANDIALLA – QUANDIALLA STYLE**



*I hope everyone enjoyed the biggest race  
in Australia on Tuesday.*

The Swimming Pool Committee and Quandialla Soldiers Memorial Hall Committee would like to thank everyone who purchased tickets for the 2021 Calcutta. \$2300 worth of tickets were sold, which started the Calcutta Pool.

This year's Calcutta Auction was attended by a small but very enthusiastic crowd of keen punters. The Auctioneer for the evening was Robbie Anderson from Grenfell and was assisted by Craig, Principal of Bribbaree Public School, who entertained the crowd with his concise and teacher like approach of his thoughts on each horse and their prospect of winning or not winning the cup. With Robbie and Craig working together they helped achieve an exciting pool amount of \$8300 at the finish of the night.

Both Committees would like to thank Robbie and Craig, plus all those spirited bidders at the Calcutta for their generous support, at the end of the evening, each organisation received \$1245. A very big thank you goes to Jeremy who organised a delicious supper of a sausage sizzle which was offered to everyone and appreciated by the punters.

Thanks go to the Swimming Pool Ladies who did all the book-keeping for the evening, Carp who organised the board ready for the auction and special Thank You to Dan and his helpers from the Bland Hotel for a wonderful venue, especially with COVID-19 regulations still in place.



### **THE WINNERS are GRINNERS**

Congratulations go to the "Sunday Sesh" Gang who took out 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Calcutta with Verry Elleegant, 2<sup>nd</sup> place went to a very excited Anne Dixon with Incentivise and Adam Slater took home 3<sup>rd</sup> place with Spanish Mission. Commiserations to all the other punters who will now have to wait till next year for their chance for a win.

P.S. Dan was very excited with his last place winnings of \$10 for his horse Ocean Billy.

***Once again, 'Thank You' everyone for supporting Quandialla's 2021 Calcutta.***

# REMEMBRANCE DAY

Thursday 11th November

## *The Ode*

*They shall grow not old,  
As we that are left grow old;  
Age shall not weary them,  
Nor the years condemn;  
At the going down of the sun  
And in the morning  
WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.*



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The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month marks the moment the guns fell silent on the Western Front after the bloodshed of World War I.

Over the past century, this moment has been adopted across the globe as a time to remember those who served and sacrificed in all wars and conflicts.

This Remembrance Day, RSL is asking all Australians to Remember to Remember – to commit to pausing for just one minute to remember those who gave their lives in service to their country, those who returned home injured or ill, and those who bravely serve our country today.

## Lest We Forget



### **ST MARKS ANGLICAN CHURCH**

St Marks November Service will be held on  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm.

## Happy Birthday

Congratulations go to Zoran Gregory who turned 18  
on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

On behalf of John and myself and IC Readers I would like to  
wish Zoran all the Best on celebrating his 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Many Happy Returns.



**QUANDIALLA SOLDIERS MEMORIAL HALL**  
**& PROGRESS ASSOCIATION**

The next General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm  
at the Bland Hotel Dining Room. All Welcome

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**QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:**

**Bland Hotel Joker Jackpot Draw .....**

The Joker Jackpot was not claimed and this week the jackpot will be \$160, and you have 6 chances to win a meat tray and a chance to choose the Joker Card.

**Jackpot!**

**Quandialla Bowling Club Draws .....**

The Riverina Club Draw was claimed last week by a local from Quandi Bevan Mc, so this week the jackpot will start again at \$500. The Members Club Draw was not claimed and will jackpot to \$75 this Friday.

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*

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**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.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to COVID restriction of one person per 4 sqm rule inside venues -

**BOOKINGS are essential for having a Drink and/or Dining as seating is limited.**

*Call 63471253 and make your booking.*

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**QUANDIALLA BOWLING CLUB NEWS**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November opening at 6pm –**

*Don't forget our Friday Night Meat Raffle and the Members Draw.*

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November opening at 10 am & CLOSING for LUNCH at 2pm Opening again at 3pm**

Sunday Papers available.

*See you at your Local Club*

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**2021 RAINFALL**

October's rainfall recorded at the Quandialla Post Office was 55.2mm over 9 days.

Total rainfall for the year is 628.4mm over 92 days.

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**GROCERIES AVAILABLE in QUANDIALLA at the BLAND HOTEL**

Fresh bread 3 x week Papers – Hot coffee!!!!!! Fruit / Veg & other necessities.  
Best meat pies (available frozen as well) & Car and Truck Batteries & Oil.

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

***AN INVITATION***

Quandi Community Spirit, the original local facebook group,  
invites you to join as we feature beneficial and valuable articles and pertinent,  
progressive happenings.

Locals – join in November for an opportunity to win a jar of “Gran’s Lemon Butter”.  
Spread the news far and wide.

Together we can make Quandialla more than a dot on the map. - Lyn G

*Where has this year gone?*



*I know you do not wish to hear this,  
but when you are reading I.C. on Friday there is  
“Only 50 days till Christmas!”*

*and*

*The Quandialla Post Office MAILBOX*

*&*

*TOWN SCENE COMPETITION*

*Will be held again this year!*

As reported over the past few years I do not shy away from being called a Christmas Tragic, I’m actually addicted and love making Christmas a happy and beautiful time of year for my family especially when our grandchildren arrived. I love dreaming up ideas for tree decorations, looking out for new items each year that would make a wonderful addition to my collection.

Another thing I love about Christmas is that it can bring small communities like Quandialla together with groups having parties, Xmas Tree functions for children, Xmas drinks with friends, and of course Christmas with family. And don’t forget our Mailbox and Town Christmas Displays, John and I have appreciated the effort that residents have put into their projects over the years and we thank you all. We would love to see them again this year because we know they do bring a smile to everyone that drives past your mailbox or home. If you haven’t done anything in the past, please join in this year - it certainly doesn’t have to be an expensive project, just something that symbolises Christmas for you. Tell your story with tinsel, baubles a sign, whatever takes your fancy. We all have different ideas about life etc and even Christmas, which ends up making it special.

You might think it is too early to be talking about this but I am putting the idea out there for you to think about. Actually I have already started my decorating, my first tree is up and ready to be decorated and waiting for the others. I am also thinking about ideas for the block, my goal this year is to be finished decorating by 1<sup>st</sup> December so we can sit back and enjoy the Festive Season.

Cheers until next week ..... *Sue Priestley*