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REMEMBRANCE DAY

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Lest We Forget



Village Community Consultation for the Weddin Shire Tourism Rebrand

9.30 - 10.30am Tuesday 7th December 2021

Bland Hotel 4 Second St, Quandialla NSW 2721

Residents from all Weddin Shire villages are invited to attend a community consultation session to have input into the rebrand of Weddin Shire as a tourism destination.

Destination branding is about identifying the destination's strongest and most competitively appealing assets in the eyes of its prospective visitors, building a story from these that makes the destination stand out above its competitors, and running this narrative consistently through all marketing communications.

The brand will provide direction for destination marketing, tourism and events and articulate the unique offerings, experiences, and competitive advantages of the Weddin Shire.

For people unable to attend the in-person session, an online survey will also be developed to ensure all residents can have input and be heard.

For any enquiries, please contact Auburn Carr 0263432855 or edo@grenfell.org.au

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POST OFFICE CHRISTMAS MAILBOX & TOWN SCENE COMPETITION

John & Sue would like to invite you to join in and display those great ideas by turning your mailbox or front lawn into a Christmas Themed Display.

Judging dates will be announced next week.



WALKING FOR WUBANCHI

Ex-resident Anne Gault is planning a 20 km charity walk to raise money for the Hamlin Fistula Hospitals in Ethiopia. These hospitals do a remarkable job finding and treating fistula patients, providing curative surgery and follow-up care, yet depend entirely on donations to meet all costs.

Anne will walk from the 25 km sign on the Bimbi Road towards Grenfell on Monday, 29th November (or the following day if rain is an issue) and invites either donations or per km sponsorship - even a small amount will help this worthy cause. Any support can be left with Sue at the Post Office, and donation / sponsorship money will be delivered to Grenfell by John at the end of the month.

Fistula is an injury of childbirth and results in incontinence, which leads to issues that can make the women social outcasts. They typically lose their baby, their marriage, their opportunity to work and mingle with other people and have to hide away in a hut during the day.

Some women have suffered from fistula for decades. It is estimated that some 60,000 fistula repair surgeries have been performed since the establishment of the first fistula hospital in Addis Ababa, with a record 1,567 last year. As well as the surgeries, midwives are being trained so that fewer fistulas occur, and counselling and retraining offered to assist the women to reintegrate into their communities.

Wubanchi, the face of Walking for Wubanchi, is a young Ethiopian woman who was near death after three days of obstructed labour, a situation in which fistula is almost inevitable. The women in her village carried her over 25 km on a home-made stretcher to reach medical help. Eventually her fistula was healed, and she received counselling and skills training. You can read Wubanchi's story at Hamlin.org.au/wubanchis-story-life-restored/

Congratulations Anne for organising this walk to raise money for this wonderful cause.

I hope Quandialla will rally and support a local lass born and bred in Quandialla. Anne has travelled to many places around the world, visiting and experiencing the many different lifestyles of those countries. Today Anne has made her home in Grenfell however I feel confident when I say Anne still calls Quandialla home.

Over the years Anne has always shown her support to Quandialla when possible, and over that time has been a member of many local organisations, but sadly most have disbanded due to the decrease of our population. However, Anne is still currently a member of the Quandialla CWA Branch and supports them whenever possible.

I know your donation will be greatly appreciated by Anne and the Walking for Wubanchi Fund. Please support this charity walk and your donation can be left at the Quandialla PO and will then be forwarded on to Grenfell.

When you learn about the conditions of other countries, you realise what a wonderful country we live in. By making a donation to this worthy cause you will be helping someone have a better life.

Sue Priestley

BIMBI PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Will be holding their General Meeting next Monday 15th November at 11am
at the Bimbi Fire Shed Verandah. Followed by a Cuppa

All Welcome

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

Bland Hotel Joker Jackpot Draw

The Joker Jackpot was not claimed and this week the jackpot will be \$180, 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 was not claimed last week so this Friday the jackpot will be \$1000. The Members Club Draw was claimed by Dot Mc and will start again at \$50 this week.

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



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.

QUANDIALLA SOLDIERS MEMORIAL HALL **& PROGRESS ASSOCIATION**

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

QUANDIALLA BOWLING CLUB NEWS

Friday 12th November opening at 6pm –

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

Sunday 14th November opening at 10 am

& CLOSING for LUNCH at 2pm Opening again at 3pm

Sunday Papers available.

See you at your Local Club

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.



What a great initiative!
If you want to help – then get your 'bags' organised and
drop off to Bunnings in November.
Share the Dignity – 'It's in the Bag' Event
It's In the Bag, will be on from 19 – 28 November 2021.

"It's In the Bag" is Share the Dignity's Annual Event where everyday Australians are encouraged to donate a handbag to someone in need for Christmas. The bags are filled with essential items and are distributed to 3,000 Australian charities.

Choose a bag, it should be large, brand new or pre-loved, like-new condition and ideally can close with zipping or clasp. Then fill your bag with essential items and possibly a luxury item or two, something that would make a woman feel special, pop in a thoughtful note or Christmas card and show her someone cares. Take your bag or bags to your local Bunnings Store in November. All stores are participating.

Share the Dignity workers will then distribute the bags directly to charities across the country to give them to those living in crisis who are experiencing tough times, homelessness or fleeing domestic violence.

For more information and all enquiries please visit the [Share the Dignity website](#).

**If you think you are
smarter than the
previous
generation...50
years ago the
owners manual of a
car showed you
how to adjust the
valves. Today it
warns you not to
drink the contents
of the battery.**

Cheers until next week **Sue Priestley**