

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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This newsletter is an initiative of the Quandialla Progress Association

Sponsored by Quandialla Bowling Club

AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS IN QUANDIALLA Sunday 26th January 2020

The Annual Yabbie Competition at the Bland Hotel!!!!
For more information contact the Bland Hotel or Geoff Edgerton



The Quandialla Swimming Pool will be open on Australia Day.
Bush Nippers 8 – 10am & Aqua Fitness 9 – 10am
Breakfast 10am – 12 midday
CLOSED 12 – 2.30pm
Open 2.30 – later on!!!!
Enquiries 63471304 or 0427472152



Next on the festive agenda:

Ceremony & Family BBQ – 7 pm at the Bland Hotel on the “back lawn”

Australia Day Ambassador for Weddin Shire

Mr. Andrew Lock OAM – Mountaineer, will be attending our Celebrations.

No BYO – Hotel Facilities Available. - Ladies please bring a salad to share.

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*

For your information and mine I had to look up who Andrew Lock was. He sounds like a very interesting man and we will have the chance to meet and have a chat with him on Australia Day, this Sunday at the BBQ which the Progress Association hosts each year.

A brief Bio of Andrew Lock.....

Andrew Lock OAM is the most accomplished high-altitude mountaineer in Australian history. He is the only Australian, the first person in the entire British Commonwealth, and just the 18th man in the world, to climb all fourteen of the world's 8000 metre mountains. His achievements encompass 18 summits of those 8000 metre peaks, including Mt Everest (twice), three times that of any other Australian, placing him in a select group of the world's best alpinists. Additionally, Andrew accomplished the first Australian ascent of 6 of those mountains, a record that can never be broken. His continuing mountaineering successes include:

- The only Australian in history to climb all fourteen of the world's 8000 metre peaks, including Mt Everest.
- The first Australian to lead a commercial expedition to the summit of Mt Everest.
- The **first** Australian ascent of six of the world's 8000 metre peaks
- Solo ascents of four 8000 metre peaks: Broad Peak, Lhotse, Shishapangma Central and Cho Oyu
- Climbs *without* oxygen or Sherpa support
- 18 individual ascents of 8000 metre peaks, with double ascents of Mt Everest, Cho Oyu and Shishapangma Central
- Lived at high altitude, on the mountains themselves, for over 4 years

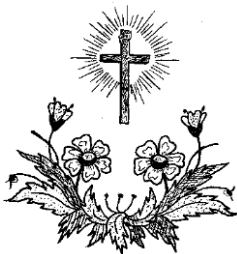
Andrew was featured in the DISCOVERY CHANNEL 6 part mini series – Everest: Ultimate Survival and is the published author of SUMMIT 8000 and MASTER OF THIN AIR.

He was an Australian of the Year nominee in 2010 and the Adventurer of the Year in 2009 and 2010. He is listed in the Who's Who of Australia.

"What Andrew has done is outstanding and should not only be seen as an Australian first but more importantly puts him in the running for the international top ten for reaching the toughest grand slam on the planet – the fourteen 8000ers." Peter Hillary, Everest summiteer, author and son of Sir Edmund Hillary.

SAD NEWS

Last week I reported the very sudden passing of Michael Johnston, it was only a brief statement due to not knowing more information. Family & Friends attended his funeral to say goodbye and I would like to include the following notice in this weeks' I.C.



Mr Michael Vincent Johnston.
Late of 'Glenrock' Bimbi, aged 70 years.

Passed away suddenly on 13th January 2020.

Much loved husband of Judy. Devoted father and father in law of Nicole, Janelle & Clay, Brad & Emily. Cherished grandfather known as 'Johno' of Jack, Mary, Jane, Kate and Luke. Loved brother of Maureen Dixon.

Sadly, missed by extended family and his many friends.

Rest In Peace

A Requiem Mass was held on Thursday 23rd January to celebrate Michael's life.

Deepest Sympathy is extended to Judy, Nicole, Janelle, Bradley and families. Condolences are also extended to Michael's sister Maureen Dixon and extended families and friends.

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

Quandialla Bowling Club Draws

The Riverina Club Draw was not claimed last week, so, this Friday the Riverina Jackpot will jackpot to \$3000, and the Members Club Draw was not claimed and this week it will jackpot to \$125.

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.

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.

Good Luck Everyone

QUANDIALLA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE:

Dr Wail El Waili will be visiting Quandialla on **Wednesday 5th & 19th February 2020**.
Please phone West Wyalong Medical Centre 69722866 to make an appointment.

*A Belated but Warm Welcome to Quandialla's
Newest Residents*



CONGRATULATIONS and Best Wishes

go to Kacie and Andrew Yerbury on the early but safe arrival of their precious twins.

Oliver Dane and Amelia Jade were born on Friday 20th December 2019 in Wagga.

Congratulations are also extended to older sisters Dana, Sienna and Macey who are very excited on the latest additions to their family.

My apologies to the Yerbury Family for this late notice.

Oliver and Amelia's early arrival was during I.C.'s break and I am embarrassed to say I had misplaced the vital information I had collected earlier.

However, it is never too late to congratulate a family who has just welcomed twins especially when it is a mixed bag – a Boy and a Girl.

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 31st (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**

DINNER at the CLUB

Tania Mooney will be cooking at the Club on *Friday 31st December.*

SMORGASBORD

At the BLAND HOTEL on Saturday 1st February 2020 starting at 6.30pm.

Main Meal & Sweets: Adults \$25 ea. & Children under 16yrs \$10 ea.

If you were unable to partake of the smorgasbord on New Years Eve, you missed out on some great food. John & I would strongly recommend coming, you will enjoy yourselves.

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Mini Loader Hire

Enquiries: please call Adam Slater – 0418 272465

MASSAGE THERAPIST

coming to **QUANDIALLA**

Peter Young Massage Therapist

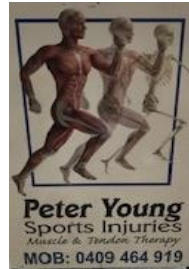
will be practising in Quandialla

at the Anglican Church Rest Rooms

On the FIRST MONDAY of each Month

next visit will be Monday 3rd February 2020

To make a booking contact Peter on 0409 464 919



DON'T FORGET

Every Monday Night – \$15 Schnitzel & Steak Night

At the Bland Hotel Bistro 6.30 – 8.30pm

\$15.00 per meal.



**Have a safe Long Weekend and
a Great Australia Day Celebration
Cheers Sue Priestley**