

# IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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*Congratulations to Rex and Margaret Penfold who celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July.*

*After their marriage in 1962 the happy couple made their home on "Emohruo" Quandialla where they raised their two children Garry and Robyn. Both Margaret and Rex were very active in the community, and you would find them working for and supporting various organisations. Just to name a few, Rex contributed to the Bland Rodeo, Quandialla Bowling Club, a Foundation Member of the Quandialla Swimming Pool and a volunteer working for the Quandialla Soldiers Memorial Hall when it was being built. While Margaret supported the Quandialla Women's Bowling Club, where she was made a Life Member, St Mark's Anglican Church, Foundation Member of the Quandialla Women's Swimming Pool Committee, Steward at the Quandialla Show, school canteen and Golf Club.*

*Today Garry now farms "Emohruo" with his wife Leanne and family, and Robyn resides in Temora with her husband David Armitage and children. Rex and Margaret retired to Burrill Lake and are now enjoying fishing, playing bowls, time with friends, and most importantly visits from their children and seven grandchildren. The coast is a great spot to live but I'm sure they still call Quandialla home.*

On behalf of Idle Chatter Readers and all your friends in the district including John and myself I would like to pass on our Best Wishes on celebrating this wonderful milestone.



*Congratulations – Happy Anniversary  
Margaret & Rex*

*Wonderful News for the*  
**Quandialla Soldiers Memorial Hall from**  
**FRRR, Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal,**  
**Strengthening Rural Communities Program.**

*The Quandialla Soldiers Memorial Hall's diligent Secretary Mrs Marlene Taylor has worked her magic when she applied for a grant to assist the Hall Committee's dream of producing a mural on the southern wall of the Hall. Marlene received notification early this week that we were successful.*

The FRRR for Rural Regional Renewal, Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) program aims to give the thousands of small remote, rural and regional communities across Australia an opportunity to access funding to support broad community needs. The funding scheme that applied to us was: -

- **Small & Vital:** grants up to \$10,000 for broad initiatives that strengthen local people, places, and climate solutions with a preference for smaller communities (populations under 15,000).

These grants are available for a broad range of grassroots initiatives, run by organisations led by local people that will strengthen their communities and have direct benefits for those living in them.

***Quandialla Soldiers Memorial Hall Mural application*** was based on enticing tourism to our village and district and commemorate history within the local community by painting a large mural on the hall depicting the area's history, development, and attractions.

Anyone that has looked at a grant application will know the paperwork can be daunting. Then add working to a due date while trying to supply all the relevant information that is required of plans, quotes, obtaining supporting letters for the project etc. would know it is so time consuming.

I thank Marlene for her perseverance in applying for grants when they become available for the Hall and Progress Associations now and in the past as this is not her first submission for a project on behalf of our community, with much success over the years.

You might not know but the Hall and Progress are separate bodies but have the same executive and committee that also have the same objectives for both organisations. Those objectives are to maintain and improve facilities wherever possible for the betterment of our village and residents. For the Hall we need to maintain the structure, insurance etc for the present and future residents. By doing this we are also impacting on the progress of our village as a Hall is a vital part of any community. While the Progress Assoc. works tirelessly in obtaining improvements of footpaths, drainage, recycling etc.

Currently the mural project has been on the top of the Hall's & Progress "To Do List" and one we have been very keen to get off the ground. Mainly with the hope of including our small village on the map for travellers to visit and enjoy. This could be the steppingstone for residents, organisations and businesses to build on with the hope of making our community a better place to live.

***Once again congratulations and thank you go to Marlene on the success of this application.***

## QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

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

The Joker Jackpot was not claimed and this week the jackpot will be **\$880**, 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 and Members Draw was not claimed last week so this Friday the Riverina Jackpot will jackpot to **\$4500**, and the Members Club Draw was claimed by Sue G last week and 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



## **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.

## **QUANDIALLA BOWLING CLUB NEWS**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July opening at 6pm –**

*Don't forget our Friday Night 12 Tray Meat Raffle,*

*Also, the Riverina Jackpot & Members Draw.*

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July opening at 10 am –** Sunday Papers available

## **Quandialla Bowling Club SUBS are NOW DUE**

**Please Note:** You must be a member to be in the running to win any of the club jackpots.  
New members welcomed.

## **QUANDIALLA CWA BRANCH**

The next Quandialla CWA Branch meeting  
will be held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 10am in the CWA Rest Room.

ALL WELCOME

## **BIMBI PROGRESS MEETING**

The next Bimbi Progress Meeting will be held on  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 11.00am at the Bimbi Fire Shed.  
Followed by a cuppa and light lunch. Please bring a plate to share.  
Any interested persons welcome.

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

The next General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm  
at the Bland Hotel Dining Room.  
All Welcome

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

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




**2022 RAINFALL**

June's rainfall recorded at the Quandialla Post Office was 24.2mm for 10 days.  
Total rainfall for the year is 416.2mm over 48 days.

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

When you see small  
businesses raising their  
prices today and over the  
coming months,

it's not to make more money,  
it's to stay open, keep their  
employees working & to  
continue to serve their  
customers.

Please  
continue to shop local  
& support small  
businesses during  
these very difficult  
times. Thank you. 

***In Quandialla***

We don't have many businesses in  
our village but what we have are  
very important for the survival of  
our community.

The Bland Hotel with meals,  
groceries and petrol,  
Delta Agribusiness,  
Quandialla Bowling Club,  
and local Post Office.

Please continue to support them,  
because when a door closes it is  
extremely hard to have that door  
open again.

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