



# Quandialla Central School



*"Together we provide opportunities to succeed"*

**Newsletter** Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2011 (Week A No. 38)

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## Diary Dates – Term 4

**DECEMBER:**

Wed.	7 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	'Flippaball' at Pool – Whole School - 2.00 p.m.
Friday	9 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Thank You Morning Tea – 11.00 a.m.
Monday	12 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Pre-school Graduation and Christmas Party – (K/1/2 students attending).
Wed.	14 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	<b>PRESENTATION EVENING - 6.00 p.m.</b> Buffet Dinner to follow presentation evening.
Thurs.	15 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Year 6 Graduation Disco and Years 3/4/5/6 Sleepover.
Friday	16 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Last day of school for Term 4.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PRIMARY DEBATING TEAM

on winning the 2011 Western Challenge – Debating Competition



Back Row: L-R: Tiffany, Caitlin and Grace Front Row: L-R: Shea and Britney

### Last day of student attendance

The last day of student attendance at school for 2011 is Friday 16 December.  
Term 1 2012 begins with a School Development Day for staff and the first day of student attendance at school for 2012 is Monday 30 January.

### **Recommendation - viability of the secondary school**

At the meeting held on Wednesday 30 November, at Quandialla Central School, Mr Denis Armstrong, School Education Director Lachlan, presented the following information. The consistent decline in secondary enrolments over the period 2004 to 2012 has resulted in the viability of the Secondary school to be questioned.

The Regional Director and the SED Lachlan will advise the Deputy Director General Schools of the concerns about the viability of the Secondary provision at Quandialla Central School. The school will be placed on review for 2012, during which the enrolments will be monitored and reviewed by the Regional Director and SED Lachlan.

Mr Armstrong thanked people for attending the meeting.

### **Debating**

The Quandialla CS Primary debating team debated Middleton Public School in the Final of the Western Debating Challenge competition, at Mulyan Public School, on Wednesday 30 November. The team was successful, and won the debate, and are the competition. The team consisted of Grace Kelly, Caitlin Dixon, Britney Troy, Shea Broomby and Tiffany Penfold. Congratulations to all team members!

To reach the final in this competition is an excellent achievement, and to win the competition demonstrates that Quandialla CS students achieve at levels that match and exceed the levels achieved by other students.

Sincere thanks are extended to Mrs Granger for coaching the team, and parents for their strong support.

Please read the full report, which appears separately in this newsletter.



### **Morning Tea for helpers and supporters of the school**

A special Morning Tea to acknowledge and thank the many people who have helped and supported the school throughout the year will be held on Friday 9 December at the school, beginning at 11.00am.

This is an opportunity for the school to acknowledge all of the assistance and support provided by our committed parents, carers, volunteers and community members.

We look forward to an enjoyable morning tea with you all.

### **Presentation evening**

The annual Quandialla Central School Presentation evening will be held on Wednesday 14 December, beginning at 6.00pm. The venue is the Quandialla Soldiers Memorial Hall.

Our special guest speaker for the evening is Ms Genevieve Jacobs. Genevieve is a distinguished reporter and journalist with ABC Radio, and is an ex-student of Quandialla Central School.

A buffet dinner will be held at the school following the Presentation ceremony, and parents/community members are asked to bring a salad to share.

Parents, family members and community members are cordially invited to join with students and staff for our Presentation ceremony and dinner.



## Seasons Greetings

This is the last Quandialla Central School Newsletter for 2011. I am looking forward to our Presentation Ceremony, which will conclude the school year by acknowledging the excellent achievements of our students, in academic, co-curricula and sports areas.

2011 has been a very successful year for our students, and I wish to sincerely thank all members of the school staff, parents/carers and families, and community members for their contributions to our students' successes. Your hard work and support for students and the school is invaluable.

On behalf of the school, I extend Seasons Greetings to you, and wish you a relaxing, happy and safe holiday.

### Enrolling children at school

*Quandialla Central School is a very well resourced school, with excellent teachers and staff, where students consistently achieve excellent results. The school works closely with parents, families and the community.* Parents and families are invited to contact the school for further information on enrolling children in Kindergarten and Years 1 to 12 at Quandialla Central School for the 2012 school year.

### Contacting the school

Please contact the school for further information. I am always available to meet with parents, provide further information and answer questions.

Kind Regards

Phil Foster - Principal

# CANTEEN ROSTER

**2 DAYS PER WEEK**

## TERM 4 – 2011

**Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2011**

A. Dixon

**Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2011**

M. Kessey & V. Gregory

**Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2011**

K. Broomby

*Time of Arrival is 10.00 a.m.*

President: Cheryl Troy – 6347 2126

Secretary: Leanne Penfold – 6347 2119

## QUANDIALLA CENTRAL SCHOOL

### SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2012

#### All Community Members Please Note:

If you wish to continue to receive a weekly copy of the Quandialla Central School Newsletter in 2012, please call into the front office during school hours, and pay \$30.00 for your yearly subscription.

Newsletters will not be sent out until subscriptions are paid for.

**Our first newsletter for 2012 will be  
Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2012.**

*Thank you for your  
assistance.*

## Holiday Reading is Rad

During Week 10 every child from K-6 will be receiving a Holiday Reading is Rad pack. This will contain some magazines and books, student diary, stickers, bookmark, pencil, parent pamphlet and K-6 reading list. The school has covered the cost of each kit. The aim is to encourage students to keep reading during the summer holidays. This will help their reading level to be maintained or improve during the break from school.

I would encourage all parents to help their child to fill in the diary each day. They might read a book, postcard, travel brochure, TV guide, magazine, recipe, newspaper etc. They will then need to return their diary first thing next year and they will receive a certificate and School Award.

The Sun Herald is a sponsor of the program and the kit includes a letter to parents giving them the opportunity to receive a complimentary subscription to the Saturday Sydney Morning Herald and Sun Herald.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs Harvey.

# Special Awards

STAR FISH OF THE WEEK  
- K/1/2 -

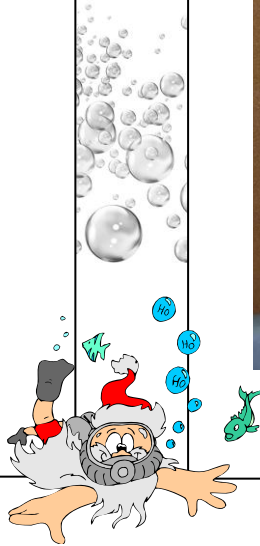


Ellie Kessey-Francis

STAR FISH OF THE WEEK  
- 3/4/5/6 -



Jessie McKeown



# Merry Christmas

from the  
Students & Staff at Quandialla Central School.

Wishing everyone a safe an enjoyable holiday break

*Christmas is forever, not for just one day,  
For loving, sharing, giving, are not to put away  
like bells and lights and tinsel, in some box upon a shelf.  
The good you do for others, is good you do yourself.*

*Norman W. Brooks*



# "SPECIAL AWARDS"

at  
Quandialla Central School

## K/1/2 Awards



*Above - Left to right:*  
Zachary Broomby (Helping Hands Award), Acacia Huxtable (Star of the Week Award)  
and Sarah Blackwood (Good Attitude Award)

## 3/4/5/6 Awards



*Above:*  
Caitlin Dixon (Star of the Week Award) and Britney Troy (Good Attitude Award)

## Quandialla Debaters - Grand Final Winners



Back row: Debating Coach - Barbara Granger  
Left to Right - Middle Row: Tiffany, Caitlin and Grace  
Front Row: Shea and Britney

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November was an important date for Quandialla Primary Debaters – it was the day when they travelled to Cowra and defeated Middleton Primary School from Parkes to become the Western Challenge Debating Competition Champions for 2011. This competition is open to all primary departments from Broken Hill to Lithgow, and from West Wyalong to Tamworth. It is truly an outstanding effort that a small Central School should take on the might of the whole Western Region and win!

The team consisted of five debaters: Shea Broomby, Caitlin Dixon, Grace Kelly (all in year 6) and Tiffany Penfold and Britney Troy (year 5). During Term 2, they took part in four debates to be Zone 5 winners, and four more debates to capture the final. All debaters have taken active speaking roles and non-speaking positions as team adviser.

They competed against teams from Grenfell, Forbes, Oberon, Coolah, Tullamore, and Parkes, some on multiple occasions. Because of the great distances between schools, some competitions were held half-way at neutral venues, like Peak Hill and Cowra for the final. Topics varied greatly, from school canteens, TV news, animals in zoos, politicians as role models and the republic debate, to the final, “that all Primary Students should have a Facebook page”.

This debate took place on a stormy morning after hours on the road from Parkes and Quandialla. The adjudicator was Mrs Margaret Brown, former Principal of Molong and experienced English teacher. Middleton had the affirmative case, and opened their argument with the team line that life is about communicating with others and Facebook is a gift for all. After a list of its advantages, they proposed a modified, adult-monitored 'junior format' to enable universal safe usage. Shea responded with the social problems of time wasting, lack of real relationships and lack of physical activity, which affected young users.

Their second speaker enlarged on Facebook benefits, safe for children because of their provisions. Britney showed how children could get around restrictions and showed the dangers of bullying and predatory adults in particular. She reinforced that no ease in communication is worth risking the safety of our children. After the affirmative's case summary, Tiffany strongly demonstrated that the positives of Facebook are undermined by the proven dangers to naive and inexperienced users and it is better to experience Facebook when you have more life experience. The adjudicator gave the debate to Quandialla on the strength of their refutes and clarity of argument.

The town and whole region should be very proud of these students and the teachers and parents who assisted them in this wonderful result.

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## **REMINDER:**

### **COMMENCEMENT OF 2012 SCHOOL YEAR**

**All students** are to return to school for Term 1 - 2012  
on  
**Monday, 30 January, 2012.**

*We look forward to seeing everyone back on this day.*



# K-6 NEWS

## THREE DAYS OF SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME TO BE MADE UP THIS WEEK

As the School Swimming scheme was postponed on three occasions due to lightning and cold temperatures these days are being made up this week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Students will go around to the pool at 9.45am each day and return at 11.15am.

## FLIPPER BALL FOR ALL K-6 WEDNESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

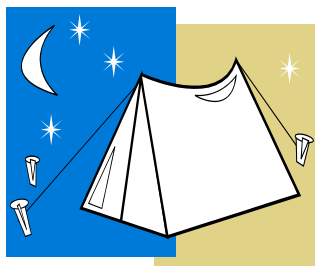
All Kindergarten to Year 6 and Secondary will be involved in Flipper Ball instruction on Wednesday. Mrs Forde has organised a coach to come to the pool to show us how to play the game. K/1/2 should have returned their permission notes. **All students including K-6 will need swimmers on the 7<sup>th</sup> December.**

## YEAR 6 GRADUATION

The Year 6 Graduation will be held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 6.00 pm – 8.00pm. This is the night after the School Presentation night. The Graduation is in the form of a social with dancing and games in the Assembly Room and all Kindergarten to Year 6 are invited to attend. Parent volunteers will be required on the night to help with food preparation. If you can be of assistance please let us know through the School Office.

## YEARS 3/4/5/6 SLEEPOVER

The Big Sleepover is on again. This year it will follow the Year 6 Graduation on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December. The Sleepover is a reward for the class for following the FISH Philosophy. The students all bring their sleeping bags, swags etc and take over the classroom. We watch movies and have fun and some of us try to get some sleep.



## NOTES HOME:

- 3/4/5/6 Sleepover permission
- Requirements for Presentation Night Play
- Year 6 Graduation Social for all K-6

## HOMEWORK FOR PRESENTATION NIGHT PLAY

All students K-6 and secondary will be involved in rehearsals each day for our Presentation Night Play. Students will be learning three songs. Some students have speaking roles and have been given lines to learn. All students need to learn the words to the three songs we will be performing. Students have been given information about the costumes they will require on the evening and we seek the assistance of parents in ensuring that students have everything they need.

## THIS WEEK IN 3/4/5/6

Students have not been receiving spelling homework because we are studying our spelling words at school each day using the whiteboards.

Homework is to learn any lines for those with speaking parts in the play and also learn the words to the songs for Presentation Night.

In Maths, the focus is on fractions and decimals.

## THIS WEEK IN K/1/2

This week we are having three more days of swimming lessons on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday to catch up for the days we missed. Hopefully the weather will be better.

We also begin intensively working on the Presentation Night play. Scripts and costume requirements are going home on Monday. As soon as you have your child's costume please label it and send it to school in a plastic bag with your child's name on it.

We also begin getting into the spirit of Christmas. We will be having a Secret Santa and notes explaining this are going home on Monday.

Wendy Robinson (3/4/5/6)  
Assistant Principal

Melissa Blackwood (K/1/2)

# Quandialla Central School



## Presentation Evening

Wednesday, 14th December, 2011

Quandialla Memorial Hall

Commencing at 6.00 p.m.

All Students are required to wear their school uniform.

A Buffet Dinner will be held on the night after the Presentations have been completed.

Quandialla Central School will be supplying the meat.

**Please bring a salad to share.**

Salads may be left at the school by 5.00 p.m.

Soft Drinks will be on sale at the Dinner.

**No alcohol allowed on school premises - DET Policy requires this to be an alcohol free event.**

**Thank you for your co-operation.**

**We look forward to seeing you at our  
2011 Presentation Evening.**

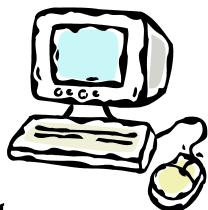
*The Students & Staff of Quandialla Central School  
would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a*

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**



# Quandialla Community News

## CLIVES'S COMPUTERS



**Computer Sales,  
Repairs and Installation**

*30 years experience, for personal service  
phone Clive or Kim:*

**(02) 6383 3570 or 0428 351336  
WE WILL COME TO YOU!**

## QUANDIALLA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

**DR FERGUS McGEE -  
DATES FOR 2011**

07/12/2011

The Quandialla Community Church  
invites you to a

## Christmas Service

at 4.00 pm on Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> December  
to be followed by a 'cuppa' and cake.

*Presenter: Grenfell university student,  
Mitchell Walker.*

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR 2011

### DECEMBER:

- 14<sup>th</sup> Dec. Quandialla Central School –  
Presentation Evening and Buffet  
Dinner. Commencing at 6.00 p.m.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Dec. St. Mark's Anglican Christmas –  
Christmas Service – 6.00 p.m.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Dec. Quandialla Community Church –  
Christmas Service – 4.00 p.m.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Dec. Quandialla Bowling Club –  
Member's Childrens Christmas  
Party & Member's Christmas Party
- 24<sup>th</sup> Dec. St. Brigid's Christmas Mass –  
7.30 p.m. – Bribbaree Church.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Dec. Quandialla Bowling Club – Header  
Drivers -v- Truckies Bowls  
Challenge

## 2012

### FEBRUARY:

- 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. Quandialla Hospital Auxiliary  
General Meeting – 9.30 a.m.



# QUANDIALLA BOWLING CLUB

Phone: 6347 1209

## Friday Night Jackpot Draw, this week \$1,200.00

(Must be a financial Member and present to win). Meat draw every Friday night

### General News:

The Friday Club Draw didn't go off last week, so there is now \$1,200.00 in the draw for this week, plus the meat raffle.



## MEMBER'S CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY

SUNDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2011 - 5.00 p.m.

*Followed by Member's Christmas party.*

*Please bring a plate of nibbles.*



## Header Drivers -v- Truckies

### BOWLS CHALLENGE

Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2011

Names in by 3.00 p.m.



*Come and enjoy good friendship and atmosphere at your Club.*

**Bar Duty:** for weekend starting 9<sup>th</sup> December: John & Sue Priestley,  
Garry Penfold and Glen Millar  
Paper Roster - 11<sup>th</sup> December: Paul Harris

## QUANDIALLA CENTRAL SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - 2012

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*Thank you for your assistance.*



## ST. BRIGIDS NEWS - MASS TIMES -

Monteagle, Koorawatha & Caragabal  
will be closed as Mass centres, but  
may be opened when required.

There will be no Vigil Mass at Grenfell.

### **Mass Timetable Young & Grenfell**

**Young:** Vigil Sat 6:00pm. Sun 9:30am

**Grenfell:** Reconciliation 7:30am. Sun 8:00am

### **Village Masses**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday - Wombat 7.30am

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday - Quandialla 10:00am

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday - Bribbaree 10:00am

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Quandialla - Liturgy 10:00am

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Murringo 7:30am

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday - No Village Masses

No Baptisms outside of Mass.

No Country Masses in January.

### **Christmas Mass**

**24th December, 2011**

*commencing at*

**7.30 p.m. - Bribbaree Church.**

## QUANDIALLA SWIMMING POOL NEWS

### **Pool News:**

The Quandialla Swimming Pool will be opened on Mondays during the school holidays. The Pool will be closed on Christmas Day, opening hours will stay as normal for the remainder of the holiday season.

### **Quandi Pool Swim Skool:**

The Quandialla Pool Swim Skool will be conducting lessons on 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December for Preschool age and up. \$50.00 for 4 lessons.

**To enrol please call the Pool  
on 6347 1304 or Robyn on 6347 1356.**



## ST. MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH Quandialla

### **Christmas Church Service**

**Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2011  
6.00 p.m.**

*Supper will be served after the service.*

**ALL MOST WELCOME**

# **Attention:**

## **Community Members**

At the Progress Association meeting held on Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> November the issues of policing in Quandialla was raised yet again.

It has come to our attention that we are actually still entitled to have a physical police presence in Quandialla. After the public meeting held on the 14th October 2009, area command agreed that "the officer from Caragabal would be tasked to be in Quandialla township **for at least** half a day per fortnight to service the policing needs of your community".

Now that a new policewoman has been appointed to Caragabal we would expect this routine to resume. However we should consider what the benefits for our community would be if we had a policeman in residence, especially if we are entitled to have one. One issue relating to this is that the housing section of the police department has condemned the residence in Quandialla. But as was pointed out at the progress Meeting why should Quandialla be without a policeman simply because the department has failed to do appropriate maintenance over the years on the Quandialla residence?

Katrina Hodgkinson who was also present at the public meeting stated that when her party got into government she would do everything possible to ensure that police presence in communities such as ours was increased by providing more finance.

Therefore in light of what we have been told we are suggesting that now is the time for community members to write to Katrina reminding her of her commitment and the Superintendent at area command in Cootamundra questioning, firstly, our entitlement to a police officer in residence at Quandialla and secondly, pointing out the inadequacy of a police presence only half a day per fortnight.

### **Your letters can be directed to the following addresses:**

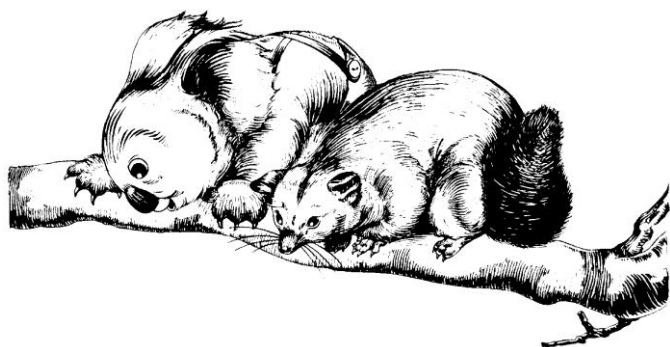
Katrina Hodgkinson - **Postal Address:**  
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YASS NSW 2582

**Email:**  
[Burrinjuck@parliament.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Burrinjuck@parliament.nsw.gov.au)  
**Parliament**  
Phone 02 9230 3540

Superintendent Peter Wanczura  
Cootamundra Local Area Command  
PO Box 121  
Cootamundra NSW 2590

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*Please Note: This notice has been submitted by the:  
Quandialla Memorial Hall & Progress Association – M. Taylor (Secretary)*



## AUSTRALIA DAY Quandialla District 2012

- All Day Yabbie Competition:**  
Yabbie catching all day  
Weighing, measuring 7.30 pm  
Races after the BBQ at 8.30 pm  
**Contact Geoff Edgerton for further information**
- Pool** The Quandi Pool will be open from 3.30 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.  
  
Entry Free
- 7.00 pm** Community gathering at Blamey Park for Welcome, National Anthem and Awards.
- 7.30 pm** BBQ
- Each family is asked to bring a salad to share please.**

**Further details will be advertised early January, 2012.**



# Quandialla Centenary News

## **Attention:** **Community Members**

The Quandialla Centenary subcommittee will be holding their next meeting on Wednesday, 1st February, 2012, at the Bland Hotel, commencing at 8.00 pm and they are looking for new members.

All community members are invited to come along and offer ideas on how we should celebrate our Centenary or get involved in organising particular events. We would like this to be a truly memorable day so come along and lend a hand.

We are looking for potential committee members who would be interested to help coordinate some of the following:-

- Web site / Face book page coordinator
- Publicity officer
- Events coordinators
- Heritage coordinators
- Family History/ History Display coordinator

Some of the activities suggested for the Centenary are:-

- Macca as the Official Guest of Honour
- Heritage Train
- Function Saturday night
- Family reunions
- Market
- Publishing a History Booklet
- Movie Night - 1915
- Street Procession
- Vintage Car Clubs
- Car Rally
- Pioneer Wall
- Time Capsule

**The October long weekend 2014 is the chosen date.** Now we need to make decisions regarding events and activities. The subcommittee will report back to the Progress Association where final decisions will be made.

## **A MEDICAL RELATED EDUCATIONAL GRANT From CWA – SOUTH WEST GROUP**

Cowra Branch of the Country Women's Association of NSW, South West Group, is looking for applicants for our Medical Educational Grant, to be taken up for 2012. This grant is open to those students who live in the South West Group area and are in their SECOND year or further, in any health-related tertiary studies.

Any student who desires to apply needs to obtain an Application Form from the Secretary of their local CWA Branch in the South West Group. The Branches are as follows: Binalong, Boorowa, Canimbla, Cowra, Cowra Evening, Galong, Grenfell, Grenfell Evening, Harden, Milvale, Morongla, Quandialla and Young.

The Grant is for \$4,000.00 and applications must arrive at Cowra by the third Wednesday in January, 2012, complete with relevant documents. No late entries will be accepted.

The successful student will be notified by the first week in March.

Cowra Branch was delighted with the response last time and believes the ongoing grant will be beneficial to the students and the community.

Any queries may be directed to Cowra Branch, Secretary, Mrs Josephine Cochrane 6345 3155. Email: [theabbey@westnet.com.au](mailto:theabbey@westnet.com.au) or Mrs P. Hewitson – 6342 1204. Application forms are also available on our website: [www.cowracwa.com](http://www.cowracwa.com)

# Summer Reading Club at the Grenfell Library

The Summer Reading Club will be an all-age affair this year because 2012 is the National Year of Reading and that's definitely worth celebrating! Everyone is challenged to read ten books (or as many as you can) between 16<sup>th</sup> December and 30<sup>th</sup> January with prizes after reading three, six and ten books including a cash prize for those aged fifteen and under reading ten books.

Register and collect your reading kit from the library from 14<sup>th</sup> December or contact the librarian for more information.

The theme for this year's Summer Reading Club is "The Amazing Read" and there are many books which will give you that .....

*GRENFELL PUBLIC LIBRARY – 88 Main Street, Grenfell 2810  
Phone/Fax: (02) 6343 1334*





## COUNCIL NEWS 7/12/11

Work has commenced on the new doctor's house with preparations for the concrete slab currently underway. Council will be pushing for an early finish were possible, but if the doctor arrives before the house is completed, then temporary accommodation will be arranged for the necessary period.

Renovations of the Burrangong Street surgery are nearing completion with various local tradesmen hard at it. Some services such as air conditioning and computer cabling will be installed shortly, and a proper disabled entry will also be available. Former patients of Dr Varejka will appreciate the many improvements.

Council has been notified that the Federal Department of Health and Ageing has opened another round of infrastructure grants, so Council will again apply for funding for a medical centre. A professional advisory firm has been engaged to help prepare the application and hopefully improve our chances of success. Of course, should the application be approved, Council will then have to build or buy a second house.

It is understood the Grenfell Citizens Health Action Committee Inc is undergoing changes of personnel. This is an important time for health matters as everyone would be aware. Council is happy to continue to liaise with the committee where appropriate for the overall benefit of the community.

The Federal Government has launched a new initiative through the Department of Health and Ageing, called Rural and Regional Health Australia. This is a service aimed at giving rural people information about health and aged care programs and services in their local area.

The information may be accessed on the web at [www.ruralhealthaustralia.gov.au](http://www.ruralhealthaustralia.gov.au), or by telephone at 1800 899 538

The Division of Local Government has released its report on Comparative Information on Councils for 2009/2010. This report compares information on a wide range of activities for all councils in the State, and is meant to give an indication of how efficient a council may be.

Weddin Shire fares quite well on most counts. The full report can be found on the Division's website at [www.dlg.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dlg.nsw.gov.au).

Also last week the Grenfell TAFE College was the venue for the launch of a new high tech initiative named TAFE Western Connect. By using advanced technology including videoconferencing, students in Grenfell will be able to participate in classes at bigger centres without having to travel to those centres.

This has the potential to be of great value to local students and the local TAFE College, and should result in courses being taken which were not available here before. If you have a child or a grandchild who might benefit from this, urge them to contact Brian Johnson at TAFE – Phone 6343 1786.

At this stage no Grenfell streets have been nominated for the Christmas lights competition. Please let Auburn know (Ph 6343 2855) if you are entering.

The prizemoney has doubled this year, thanks to sponsorship from Essential Energy and the Grenfell Car Club, which should be a bit of encouragement. Regardless of this, the lights create an impressive spectacle over Christmas and always attract a stream of traffic as families do the rounds.

### **Dates to Note**

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| 9 December  | - Recycling Collection (eastern run)          |
| 11 December | - Carols by Candlelight, Taylor Park, 6.30 pm |
| 12 December | - Recycling Collection (western run)          |
| 12 December | - Town Works Committee Meeting, 5.00 pm       |
| 15 December | - Ordinary Council Meeting, 8.30 am*          |
| 16 December | - Christmas Carnival, Vaughn Park, 6.00 pm    |
| 20 December | - Lawson Festival Meeting, 7.30 pm            |
| 26 January  | - Australia Day Ceremony, Taylor Park         |

## **Advertisements**

### **ANNUAL REPORT 2010/2011**

Landowners and residents are advised that the following documents are now available:-

- Annual Report 2010/2011
- Supplementary State of Environment Report 2010/2011
- Financial Statements 2010/2011

Copies of these reports are available at no charge from the Council Chambers or can be downloaded from Council's website at [www.weddin.local-e.nsw.gov.au](http://www.weddin.local-e.nsw.gov.au) .

### **CHRISTMAS LIGHTS – GRENFELL**

Council is conducting the 2011 competition for the best Christmas lights display on the following basis:-

- cash prizes of \$200, \$100 and \$50 for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> respectively,
- judging to be performed by passengers on the Loader's Christmas lights bus tour on the 19 December 2011 departing from the Grenfell Library at 8.30 pm,
- winners to be announced at the Australia Day ceremony in Taylor Park.

Participating households are requested to contact Auburn Carr (ph 6343 2855) to ensure their street is included in the tour.

### **CHRISTMAS DISPLAYS – VILLAGES**

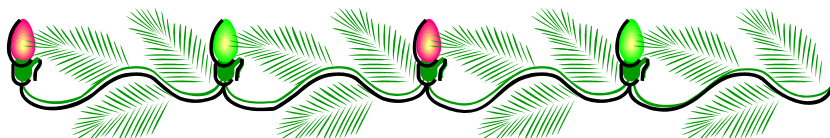
Council is sponsoring the 2011 competitions for the best Christmas display in the villages of Bimbi, Caragabal, Greenethorpe and Quandialla.

Competitions are being coordinated by local community organisations in conjunction with Ward Councillors.

## **AUTHORISATION**

All notices in this insert authorised by

**T V LOBB**  
**GENERAL MANAGER**



**WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL**

**POSITION VACANT – TRAINEESHIP (MECHANIC)**

Council is inviting applications from motivated and enthusiastic persons to enter into a school based traineeship for a Mechanic (minimum 100 days with employer).

Appointment to the position will be in accordance with the Local Government (State) Award and Grade T1-T4 (Trainee) under Councils current Salary structure, with a salary range of \$8.68421 - \$14.90526 per hour plus Industrial Allowance of \$0.34/hour, depending on age.

Further information and job description can be obtained by contacting Nichola during business hours on (02) 6343 1212, email [mail@weddin.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mail@weddin.nsw.gov.au) or visit Council's website at [www.weddin.nsw.gov.au](http://www.weddin.nsw.gov.au)

Applications for this position close 4 pm Monday, 19 December 2011 and should be forwarded to the undersigned.

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## *News from the Quandialla District Scholarship Committee*

### **Year 10 Scholarship:**

After a consultative meeting on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2011, the Quandialla District Scholarship Committee decided on the criteria for the awarding of the 'Year 10 Scholarship'.

*Any child that meets the following criteria can apply for the Year 10 Quandialla District Scholarship.*

### **Year 10 Scholarship Criteria:**

- *Minimum of 6 years schooling at Quandialla Central School;*
- *Year 10 School Certificate results will need to be supplied when applying for this Scholarship, and will be used in determining the successful candidate;*
- *Behaviour and effort will be considered;*
- *Current Year 10 School Report must be included with the student's application.*

**Due date for applications:      Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2012**

Applications should be sent to: Mrs N. Gault, Secretary, Quandialla District Scholarship Committee, "Blue Hills", Piney Range, Grenfell NSW 2810

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## **FURTHER SCHOLARSHIPS**

*available from the Quandialla District Scholarship Committee*

### **Quandialla District Further Studies Grant – Tafe Scholarship (Full time Tafe course):**

*(This course is defined as one that is part of an apprenticeship or a course that runs for a period of two years or more)*

This Scholarship is available to any student who is leaving Quandialla Central School from Year 10 onwards and continuing further education in the following year in a full time Tafe approved course.

Applicants attending full time Tafe/Apprenticeship courses can apply for money to the value of \$400.00. Payments to be made in two (2) payments. One payment at the commencement of the course, and the second payment to be made in the final year/or second year.



**Quandialla District Further Studies Grant – Tafe Scholarship (Short term course):**

This Scholarship is available to any student who is leaving Quandialla Central School from Year 10 onwards and continuing further education in the following year in a short term Tafe approved course.

Students completing short courses can apply for a one off payment of \$150.00.

**Criteria for Tafe Scholarships (Full time or Short term courses):**

Resume to be submitted to the Scholarship Committee comprising:

- Course name and outline;
  - Duration of course;
  - Written submission outlining why you are an appropriate candidate for this Scholarship;
  - Proof of enrolment.
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**Quandialla District University Scholarship:**

Applicants must have completed at least 6 years of schooling at Quandialla Central School to be eligible for this scholarship, and should be 21 years and under to apply.

The Quandialla District Scholarship Committee will pay a one-off payment of \$200.00 to the successful applicant.

**Criteria for University Scholarship:**

Resume to be submitted to the Scholarship Committee comprising:

- University course name and outline;
- Duration of course;
- Written submission outlining why you are an appropriate candidate for this Scholarship – (500 words);
- Proof of enrolment.

**Due date for all Scholarships:****Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2012**

Please contact the Secretary on 6347 1294 for application forms or for further information.

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Many local community organisations and businesses, together with community members, are wonderful supporters of our Scholarship awards each year. Without this continued support we would not be able to offer our scholarships. We thank all donors for their generous support.

If there are any other interested organisations/businesses or individuals, who would also like to become a supporter to these scholarships, it would be greatly appreciated by our Committee and in turn by our scholarship recipients.

A Presentation Evening will be held in 2012, to present the above scholarships.

The Quandialla District Scholarship has been running since 1967, and has helped many of our local students to further their education. We, as a Committee, will endeavour to continue this wonderful community program.

*Garry Penfold (President)*

*Narelle Gault (Secretary)*

*Marlene Taylor (Treasurer)*