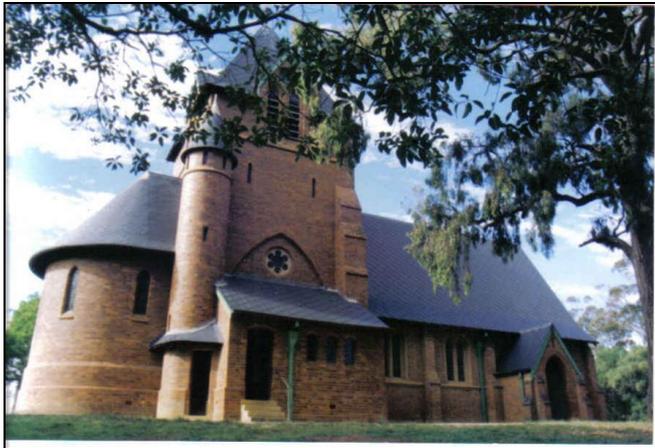


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St James – *the light on the hill*



Enquiries: Ph. 4633 8594

SUNDAY Church Services

8.30am: Traditional Service
10am: Family Service and Sunday School
5pm: Evening Service

Kids Club: 4:30pm Fridays
Youth Group: 6:30pm Fridays

What's On at St James

BELL RINGING PRACTICE
Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8 PM
New members welcome.

Contributions welcome:

email: bpeacock@virginbroadband.com.au
or charlesksmj@bigpond.com
or leave written articles at 10 Station St

You can also elect to receive a copy of the Menangle News by email.

St. Patrick's Church

Mass: 1st Sunday of each Month at 6pm.



Birthdays

3rd Coopa
4th Samuel Black
8th Mitchell Holz
10th Doug Worthington
11th Taylor Haines
12th Sue Peacock
17th Yvonne Anderson
23rd Meredith Cross
24th Megan Ashton
25th John Rowells
26th Karen McFarlane
26th Lilian Borg
26th Jasmine Haines



A21 ZUMBA FUNDRAISER

The A21 Campaign exists to abolish injustice in the 21st Century, specifically focused on rescuing girls who have been sold into the sex slave industry.

Human trafficking is the world's number one crime, and is driven by the appalling poverty that much of the world experiences.

As well as supporting fundraising efforts, or donating directly to the A21 Campaign, Australians are encouraged to purchase fair trade products.

Our next Zumba/A21 Campaign Fundraiser will be held on Saturday August 13th at 5pm in Camden High School Gym. This time we will have BECAUSE armbands available for a small cost.

SEE YOU THERE



A21 Campaign FUNDRAISER

ZUMBA CLASS (easy)

13th August at 5pm.

Camden High
300 Cawdor Rd Camden

COST: \$10

Contact Sue 0425 203 429

RAINBOW REFLECTIONS

Our wet July produced a few rainbows... hope you were able to enjoy them!

A speaker I heard recently referred to Christians as the "Rainbow Coalition".

He was referring to a song being sung to Jesus: "You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals; for You were slain and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of **every tribe and tongue and people and nation.**" (Rev 5:9)

After the big flood God made a covenant with Noah that waters would never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the rainbow is seen in the cloud, God Himself is reminded that He has made an everlasting covenant between Himself and all peoples on the earth.

The speaker's comment was that the range of skin colour of those whom Jesus has redeemed from sin and its consequences, will include every possible shade of skin colour – the full spectrum of skin colour!

That cuts off all racial prejudice doesn't it?! Imagine the flags and the national costumes of all the gathered nations: it will look stunningly colourful! Imagine the music, with voices raised in every language to sing praises to the One True God!

I had a measured taste of this at an Aglow World Wide Conference I attended almost two years ago. Aglow has a presence in 172 nations in the world (figures vary but the total number of nations seems to be about 220). A representative from all of the 172 nations takes part in the flag parade, many wearing national costume. It is amazingly beautiful... can't wait to see it again soon! (All the Aussies attending 2011 Conference in Houston, Texas, will be walking, [maybe dancing!] with our flag bearer – how exciting!)

God's highest value is unity – not uniformity, but unity of purpose, and passion. He calls people to align with His values – to respect all people as His Image Bearers, and to live in peace with one another. I have witnessed peace in Jerusalem between Jew and Arab – it is found amongst followers of Jesus. I know of a discipleship school in Jerusalem for Arab Christians run by Messianic Jews – brothers and sisters in Christ.

There is a very interesting sentence in the bible: "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus." (Galatians 3:28) This describes people from all aspects of the vast spectrum of culture; economic status; language; educational level and skin colour; all ONE in Christ Jesus!

The Rainbow Coalition indeed!

Blessings and love

Sue Peacock

LOCAL NEWS

Sad News: David Maine, former operator of Menangle Store, died of cancer in June.

WELCOME SIGN

The Menangle Community Association has been examining a more accurate alternative for our "Welcome" sign on the Campbelltown side of Menangle. As you know there is no detail to reflect Menangle's historic past. Given the endorsement of our polls and the recent Council Asset Questionnaire, the committee thinks it is appropriate to make the change to reflect the importance of Menangle's history. The Committee have considered many options and below is the best alternative we have found. The wording and the accuracy of the claims has been confirmed by local historians and a member of the Dharawal community who are well versed in Menangle and Camden History. We also have a sign supplier who is prepared to donate a sign to the village, so if there are no better suggestions or any objections we initiate the change.

WELCOME TO HISTORIC

MENANGLE

1795:

Mt Taurus and the "COWPASTURES"

1805:

The MACARTHURS' CAMDEN PARK ESTATE

"Birthplace of Australian Agriculture"

Traditional Dharawal Country

MENANGLE HALL

Council have notified the committee that they have received confirmation that the hall land has now been reclassified by the NSW Planning Dept, and Council are now in the process of finalising the legals for the transfer of the hall back to the community. It's also great to see volunteers offering to help. So far we have two engineers, two electricians, a carpenter and we are looking for a brickie, if anyone knows one who can help out with the front steps and small brick wall. Also we need a fencer to design a fire exit gate and after approval of St Patrick's build it between the properties. This will ensure no one is trapped in the hall by a fire at the front. Work is expected to start in the summer months.

MCA.

Stampede to examine automated 21st century milk maid at Camden

by DENNIS CLOUGH

NEW technology for the dairy industry developed in the Camden area was on display last week.

More than 200 dairy farmers and industry figures from across Australia gathered at the University of Sydney's Camden campus and Elizabeth Macarthur Agricultural Institute at Menangle last Wednesday and Thursday for the 2011 Dairy Research Foundation Symposium.

High on the list of attractions was a new robotic milking system developed by researchers at Camden.

Dairy Research Foundation chairman Sergio (Yani) Garcia said the system had been in development for three years before its launch last November.

Assoc Prof Garcia said the system could automatically milk 24 cows at a time.



"This means farmers don't have to spend so much time turning taps on and off," he said. "They then have the chance to spend more time managing other aspects of their farm." Assoc Prof Garcia said the symposium also featured presentations to dairy farmers on other research developed by scientists at Camden and their students.

Bringelly dairy farmer and Dairy Research Foundation vice-president Michael Perich said it was good to see a significant investment in agricultural research in Camden.

"With this sort of investment hopefully the dairy industry in Camden will hang around a bit longer," Mr Perich said.

DURHAM GREEN HOLDS CHRISTMAS IN JULY

115 residents and guests attended a Christmas In July dinner at the Club House. Organised by the President (Now referred to as the Laird of Durham Green), Peter Matlock and a number of willing volunteers. The theme was to be Scottish, as many residents have Scottish ancestry and many family heirlooms were dug up to adorn the attendees.



Pictured is well known local identity, Graham Noyes in his Scottish regalia. A large butt of beef was produced and entertainment was provided by the Picton Choral Singers. We are now considering what the theme will be for Christmas.

Leon Warren

DURHAM GREEN AND ALL THAT JAZZ

The Management of Durham Green wishes to promote community relations with the residents of the surrounding district. A Jazz concert will be performed at the Durham Green Club House on Sunday afternoon, 21st August 2011 between 2pm to 4pm. This will be performed by C'est Si Bon (a well known Sydney band). This French name means 'It is good' in English.

C'est si bon, plays the relaxing sounds of French songs as well as Jazz classics. A band with a big sound but a small footprint.

Attendance is free but by invitation only and those wishing to take the opportunity to get to know Durham Green better may apply for an invitation by ringing Susan Salter or Valeska Valenzuela on phone number 46339200, press option 2. Free afternoon tea will be served.

MCA NEWS

Check out the Menangle website:

<http://www.menangle.com.au>

for Menangle Community Association news.

LOCAL NEWS

Narellan Rd upgrade in fast lane

by DENNIS CLOUGH

WORK on an upgrade to the congested Narellan Rd could start at the beginning of next year.

NSW Roads Minister Duncan Gay visited the road last Thursday and said the RTA's investigation into options for the upgrade would be done by the end of the year.

"In line with the NSW Government's pre-election promise to provide \$15.4 million to improve traffic access from Camden Valley Way to the F5 freeway, the RTA has started investigating an upgrade of Narellan Rd," he said.

Camden State Liberal MP Chris Patterson, who called for Narellan Rd to be improved during the election campaign, said work should start on the long-awaited upgrade in the new year.

"The Premier said, when he was opposition leader, this upgrade would be something for the first term ... that is still the case," Mr Patterson said.

Wollondilly State Liberal MP Jai Rowell said Narellan Rd was often used by commuters and freight vehicles accessing the F5.

"This is a main route from the growing residential areas in the southwest growth centre to Campbelltown and Leumeah railway stations and associated commuter car parking," he said.

The Chronicle reported in May that frustrated drivers were travelling from Camden to Campbelltown via Menangle Rd - 20km out of their way - to avoid the peak hour congestion on Narellan Rd. Camden Mayor Greg Warren said he welcomed the upgrade but he was "disappointed it was not starting sooner".

"I'd like to see it happen faster, I do get frustrated with the length of time some of these processes can take," he said.

Cr Warren said an upgrade must improve the intersection of Narellan Rd and the access road for the TAFE and University of Western Sydney campus.

ADVERTS

BABYSITTING

Laura Howard - Menangle Area

Hourly Rate: \$8

Contact number: 46338543

Adverts



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CAMDEN AGLOW

AUGUST MEETING

**FIND OUT WHAT WILL REALLY
HAPPEN AT THE END OF THE AGE**

9.45 for 10am start Wednesday 17th August

"Ironbark Room" upstairs at **Narellan Library**

\$10 cover charge includes morning tea

RSVP Sue Peacock 4633 8261

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