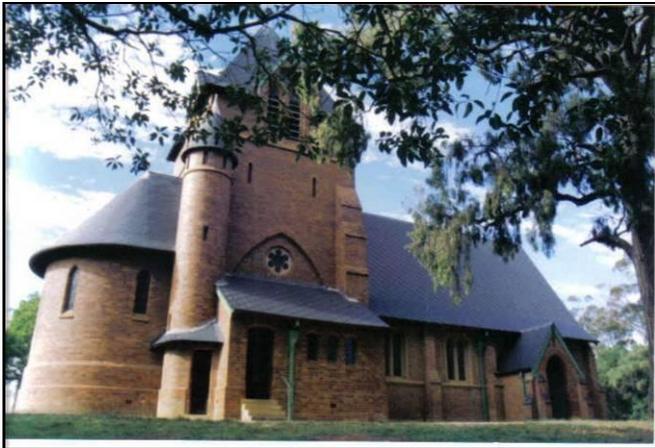


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St James – *the light on the hill*



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SUNDAY Church Services

8.30am: Traditional Service
10am: Family Service and Sunday School
6.15pm: Evening Service

Kids Club: 4:30-5:30pm Fridays
[yrs 2-6]

At the Rectory – 5 Sulman Place

Youth Group: 6:30-8pm Fridays

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

EVE: 6:30PM, 11PM
DAY: 8AM, 9:30AM

QUIZWORX PUPPETS

@ ST JAMES

6:30pm 24th December

Especially for families

All welcome

You can view the church website to see a calendar of all events, listen to the weekly sermon, see photos, read the history and catch up with the latest news from our missionary families:

www.menangle.anglican.asn.au

St. Patrick's Church



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

BIRTHDAYS

1st Bradley Warner
1st Simone Collison
2nd Charlie Culpan
2nd Ethan Green
3rd Laura Howard
5th Jason Jeffree
6th Sam Ashton
6th Shane Halfpenny
7th Sara McNevin
9th Paige Robertson
11th Vanessa Perentin
18th Rosemary Tedesco
19th Neave Burt
21st Shane Koeford
21st Luke Campbell
26th Helen Robertson



Add your special dates to our list by sending an email to: bpeacock@virginbroadband.com.au or by dropping a note to 10 Station St.

Carols on the Hill

Sausage Sizzle

Glowstix

St James' Reserve

7pm 9th Dec

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RAINBOW REFLECTIONS by Sue Peacock

My attention was arrested by a statement made by Graham Cooke – a well known Bible teacher.

“There were two creations.”

We love the story of Creation in Genesis: “In the beginning”.... and we listen with awe to the way our God spoke Light, and Life into being. Through His amazing power of partnership as Father, Son and Holy Spirit the physical universe took shape – spoken words transformed into physical things! When Adam was formed by God’s hands from the clay, the very breath of God Himself – life-giving breath – inflated Adams’s lungs and awakened him as a living soul.

But the new creation is even more astonishing.

Jesus, the very Son of God – the infinite, absolute, holy, all-knowing Son of God, begotten not created – the “clone” if you like of God the Father, was made into a seed, a tiny, tiny seed, (a spiritual “sperm cell” if you like) literally The Word. Carried by the holy angel Gabriel, and spoken into earth’s atmosphere – into Mary’s ears, as these words: “Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and you will call His Name Jesus.” Mary received this message, these words, by faith, and God was able then to produce the miracle of the virgin birth of Jesus over 2,000 years ago. The Creator, literally entering into His creation, to rebirth it!

All miracles follow this pattern – words from God, spoken in the hearing of a person who is able to respond with faith. The bible is full of words that are pregnant with promise. All that is required is a heart willing to respond with faith.

In the New Creation, to those born again by the Holy Spirit, God Himself even supplies the faith – consider afresh these words “I have been crucified with Christ – therefore I no longer live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live BY THE FAITH OF THE SON OF GOD, who loved me and gave Himself for me.”

We are invited to partner with God to see His kingdom, the Kingdom of Light, Life and Love established firstly in our own lives, then into all that concerns us. To see God’s kingdom come, and His will be done on earth, as it is in heaven!

May the Miracle of Christmas really touch your heart this year!

Blessings and love

Sue Peacock

LOCAL NEWS

Menangle's Melissa Corby honoured for swim teaching excellence at Mary Brooksbank

by Evin Priest



Melissa Corby with her own children, thinks it's important for people of all ages and abilities to know how to swim.

LEARNING to swim is much easier when winner of the 2012 NSW AUSTSWIM Teacher of Aquatics for People with a Disability, Melissa Corby, is the instructor.

The Menangle mother-of-four was recognised by the national organisation for her outstanding work with special needs students at Mary Brooksbank School in Rosemeadow.

"When I started with Mary Brooksbank the Parents and Carers paid to lease the pool. After them the Heart Foundation took over," Mrs Corby said. "I wouldn't have won the award without their support; I'm so grateful they've placed importance on water safety."

Mrs Corby said learning to swim was important for Australians of all ages.

"I was ecstatic when I was nominated, not for myself, but because it will bring awareness to the importance of swimming," she said.

"Swimming is such a useful skill and all Australians should learn when they are young."

When she's not teaching students, Mrs Corby runs a seniors class at Aquafit Aquatic and Leisure Centre.

"After the age of 30, you lose 10 per cent body mobility each year so it's important to maintain fitness. I love that I'm able to help people of all ages," Mrs Corby said.

MISSING CAT

My Birman Cat is missing, his name is Halo, he is 5 years old, he went missing 12th October early on Saturday morning. He is loved and we want him back, I think maybe a local may be looking after him. We are happy to offer a reward. We live at 4K from the Menangle Village. At 485 Menangle Road. Please contact:
Brenda Kyle-Brown on 0418 606 082



MCA NEWS

www.menangle.com.au

In November the Council held a forum at Durham Green for those residents who objected to the May Station Street development proposal of 450 houses. We have now been informed that State Heritage listing will not stop the development. We also presented the 550 signatures calling for a Moratorium to the Mayor and the General Manager.

Recapping.

21st May 2012. On the announcement of the proposal we wrote to all Councillors and the General Manager asking how they plan to treat two proposals for housing at different levels of government. We received no reply and the JRPP has still not yet reached a decision and their web site still lists the proposal for the housing at the station and industrial park, which is very confusing.

30th May. We wrote to all Councillors and the General Manager, following a meeting with the new planning team Mr. David Smith and Mr. Luke Johnson that we still objected to both proposals and that our position was as per the Gateway decision in 2011, requiring “further investigation into the special heritage curtilage investigation area confirms that a better coordinated research effort is required before any developments can be considered.” We wrote, the community association is committed to researching this information and achieving either a concrete curtilage, or either:

1. The State Heritage Council’s preferred option of listing the “Menangle Village Precinct”
2. Adding Menangle to the Camden Park Estate NSW State Heritage listing.

Again no reply was received or discussed.

June. The Landscape Heritage Assessment was received and sent on to the Department of Planning, which was also announced at last night’s meeting that it has been approved, however it may be modified and no details are as yet available about any of this. It was also confirmed that this landscape Conservation area will not stop the development, just control it.

September. Council elections

November/ December. Campbelltown Council will be exhibiting their plan for 3,500 homes in Menangle Park, that includes roads to the freeway and from Camden to Menangle Rd near Broughton School. Also the Wilton housing development proposal for thousands of homes is also still being supported by Wollondilly Council.

As a result of the information given in last night’s forum, our committee has unanimously agreed that in order to save the 1970 approved 17 lots along Station Street and Menangle Road, we need to continue to call for a Moratorium, an Interim Heritage Order and we need to begin to negotiate to save the whole Rotolactor paddock by agreeing to housing on the eastern side of the station, perhaps also out on the proposed site of the business park on Moreton Park Road, past Gilbulla. We intend to ask for the Rotolactor paddock and the flood area to the east of the railway to be given to the community for grazing and an educational dairy, as part of developer contributions. The Education Hub is part of a master plan to bridge the gap in Agricultural Education detailed recently by three NSW Ministers, of which the Rotolactor forms part of the major marketing strategy and campus.

The committee believes that despite our 500 signature petition, you also need **to write to the General Manager and ring every Councillor**, details over page. 1. Stress the importance of the Rotolactor and its paddock to NSW and Australia heritage and the newly identified major Education Hub to bridge the gap in City Country agricultural education. 2. Stress that Council has not written to all Menangle Residents even though this development will more than treble the number of houses in Menangle. 3. Ask how they can be deciding on a housing proposal that still at the JRPP?

Next we will formally present our case to Councillors on the 3rd December. Councillors will make a decision on the 17th. The full council report is available on council web site: Go Council, Council Meetings, Ordinary Meetings, then go to the bottom and click on “ordinary Meeting Agenda-15th October 2012 Pt1.

MENANGLE EDUCATION HUB -

Sydney Community Educational Need

500,000 children (and 5m adults) in the wider Sydney area have no immediate access other than at Wollondilly to rural space and exposure to rural role models for career opportunities. Wollondilly is uniquely agricultural and Menangle uniquely historically and together they consist of currently primarily rural innovative enterprises. The 50,000 children in the more immediate vicinity will be a priority. Children's issues can be seen in stark reality as close as 16 km away in Claymore. It will anticipate and provide unique services to career related education in advance, as more new houses means more young children, more issues. Sydney has an issue requiring the Wollondilly Model as a solution.

Menangle Educational Solution

Food its Source and Human Health

Menangle village is currently educational with tourist appeal because of its uniquely historical living rural village surrounded by historical rural landscapes. It has a history of rural innovators, innovators of industries; dairy, wool and horticultural. The Rotolactor is an historical symbol to Sydney-siders of cows, milk, agriculture, history and rural innovation. The revitalisation of this site will display the best of the past and present of the dairy industry; production, processing and marketing along with science, technology, biology and machines, all adapted to and engaging for youth of all ages providing an unparalleled educational opportunity for all Sydney. Surrounded by open gardens reflecting Sir William Macarthur's solution for Sydney's needs (at that time) for vegetables, fruit, flowers and nurseries as a showcase for modern commercial gardens, it collectively provides a International showpiece linking food and human health, both mental and physical.

Commercial 'Not For Profit' Management and Viability

Designed to be commercial will ensure its sustainability both environmentally and financially. Unique living dairy production will generate niche, high margin revenues supported by detailed dairy educational exercises and exhibits that revive and extend the proven commercial draw card of the Rotolactor to ensure financial viability. Commercially run gardens to maximise the profits from production, coupled with tourist appeal to the 1m Australian gardeners and Asian visitors will engage education with financial viability of the site. The science of land, biology, machines and human management will be a feature.

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MACARTHUR LEARN TO SWIM

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ph. 4655 7735

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