

THE MENANGLE NEWS

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St James – *the light on the hill*



Photo by Steve Braiding

Minister: Steve Davis

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES

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

What's on at St James

BELL RINGING PRACTICE

Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8 PM
New members welcome.

ANGLICARE – ST JAMES FOOD AND CLOTHING DRIVE

During May you should receive a flyer and clothing bag that we would like you to put any surplus clothing in for collection. We will also be collecting packaged and tinned food for the needy in our region.

www.menangle.anglican.asn.au

MENANGLE RURAL FIRE SERVICE AGM

Tuesday 27th May at 7:30pm
All welcome

St. Patrick's Church



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

Birthdays

- 1st Steve Charles
- 2nd Troy Mealing
- 4th Lauren Bell
- 4th Stuart Leigh Baxter
- 5th Siobhan Burt
- 7th Ernie
- 8th Lily Margin
- 8th Kate Porteous
- 10th Tiarne Holz
- 12th Rowan Shiner
- 12th Nicholas Lamrock-George
- 16th Christine
- 16th Cameron Halfpenny
- 16th Sky Samantha Kyle
- 17th Edward McDonald
- 21st Abe Peacock.
- 27th Ethan Campbell
- 29th Kerry Charles
- 30th Steve



Anniversary

- 7th Robert & Debra Malone

Add your special dates to our list by sending an email to: byp257@gmail.com

Articles and contributions welcome:

email: byp257@gmail.com
or leave written articles at 10 Station St

RAINBOW REFLECTIONS

I was able to spend a few days visiting my Mum and my youngest sister and her family in the north of Tasmania during April. As we neared the lovely valley in which they live a beautiful rainbow welcomed us. One end of it sat in front of the hills bathing the trees in pretty rainbow shades. A magic experience! I have been reading a book about a Retreat Centre in Wales, in a similar setting. As I was reading it on the train yesterday one statement made by the Director of the centre stood out: "We choose not to throw stones".

I was reminded of the Bible story of the woman caught in adultery by the religious leaders, who brought her to Jesus intending to trap Him into breaking the Law, and then to stone her to death. His classic words "Anyone of you who has never sinned, throw the first stone" caused everyone of them to drop their rocks, and walk away.

Those stones represented righteous judgement – under the Law of Moses stoning was the legal penalty for men and women caught in adultery. The people God had rescued from slavery in Egypt were chosen to live lives of covenant faithfulness, lives pleasing to God. Marriage is a covenant entered into between one man and one woman for life.

So even though these accusers had the Law on their side, Jesus showed the way of Grace. When everyone had departed He said to the woman "Has no-one condemned you?" she replied "No-one Lord." Then Jesus, the only one who HAD never sinned said "Neither do I condemn you. Go your way, but don't sin anymore."

Sadly, those self-appointed, self-righteous judges later conspired together to have Jesus crucified. What might "stones" represent for us? We usually don't take up rocks and hurl them at people, at least not since we've grown up out of our playground years!

May I give a few suggestions of "stones" that I have thrown over the years?

Comments I have made about another person with whom I have disagreed, or who has simply disappointed me.

Unkind words I have spoken, angry words.

Expressions of impatience with myself or other people.

Words spoken when I have been offended by someone.

Critical, condemning words about someone else's behaviour.

Nowadays "stones" are judgemental, critical, gossiping words – words that have the power of death in them.

Will you join with me and choose, from now on, not to throw stones?

Your family and friends will KISS you!

Blessings and love,

Sue Peacock

MEN @ SHOP

Men@Shop is simply an opportunity for men to relax, with other men, over a cup of coffee or tea in a friendly atmosphere once a week at 10.30 a.m. on Thursdays at the Menangle Store. Meetings of Men@Shop first started in February 2006 at Exeter, where four men met for coffee to chat and enjoy some male company. There had been no Men's Ministry in this area for over 20 years. Since then, a further group has commenced at Katoomba, both groups being an offshoot of the local Anglican Church.

The men share in discussions of personal trials, tribulations and current events and express their opinions on them and their implications and make suggestions about what might or should be done about them. Care is taken to make sure all present have an opportunity to contribute and no one's opinion is left out. Men are therefore encouraged to remember that they are not alone and that Christ cares for them personally. The meetings usually last about an hour and if you would like further information, please contact Warren de Montemas on 0410 689 474 or Graham Noyes on 4633 8810.

Menangle Social Golf Club

Round 4 - 4th May, 2014

Kiama Golf Club Kiama Downs

Only 4 players for this round, possibly due to the forecast not being very encouraging, but they had fine weather for the game. The winner on the day was Steve Ellery, longest drive was Rob Malone, and the nearest the pin winners were Mark Mathews, Steve and Ben Files. Our next round is at Jamberoo on the 1st June at 8am. I hope to see a few more in attendance.

David Howard

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PENTECOST

What is Pentecost?

Pentecost is the festival when Christians celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is celebrated on the Sunday 50 days after Easter (the name comes from the Greek *pentekoste*, "fiftieth").

It is also called Whitsun, but does not necessarily coincide with the Whitsun Bank Holiday in the UK. Pentecost is regarded as the birthday of the Christian church, and the start of the church's mission to the world.

The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the third part of the **Trinity** of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit that is the way Christians understand God.

Pentecost Symbols

The symbols of Pentecost are those of the Holy Spirit and include flames, wind, the breath of God and a dove.

The first Pentecost

Pentecost comes from a Jewish harvest festival called **Shavuot**.

The apostles were celebrating this festival when the Holy Spirit descended on them.

It sounded like a very strong wind, and it looked like tongues of fire.

The apostles then found themselves speaking in foreign languages, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

People passing by at first thought that they must be drunk, but the apostle Peter told the crowd that the apostles were full of the Holy Spirit.

Pentecostal Christianity

Pentecost is a special day for any Christian, but it is emphasised particularly by **Pentecostal churches**. Pentecostal Christians believe in the direct experience of the Holy Spirit by believers during all of their services.

10 things you should know about Pentecost.

1. Pentecost Sunday marks the day when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles.
2. Pentecost Sunday occurs 50 days after Easter.
3. The Bible records the Pentecost in Acts 2:1-13.
4. Pentecost comes 10 days after the Ascension of Jesus Christ.
5. Pentecost is also known as "the birthday of the Church".
6. Pentecost fulfils Jesus' promise to send the "Counsellor" and "Spirit of Truth" in John 16-5-15.
7. Pentecost launches the large-scale spreading of the Gospel after Jesus' ascension. Acts 2:41 records that after Peter spoke to the crowd after receiving

the Holy Spirit, some 3,000 people were baptized.

8. The Pentecostal movement derives its name from the New Testament event in Acts 2.

9. Jews also celebrate Pentecost, but not for the same reason as Christians. The celebration by Jews of Pentecost is to observe God giving the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai 50 days after the Exodus. The Pentecost in Jewish tradition takes place 50 days after Passover.

10. In Western Churches, Pentecost is usually represented with the colour red, which symbolizes the fire of the Holy Spirit.

MCA NEWS

Residents should have received a copy of the Association's letter to Wollondilly Shire Council outlining the decision to alter the application for an Interim Heritage Order.

The Association's new application is to include only the Menangle paddock in the Camden Park Estate State Heritage listing. This excludes the existing houses in the village and is in response to the Council's decision not to support the Association's original IHO on the grounds that it would, "adversely impact on land owners who will need state heritage approval for relatively minor developments".

Residents were also provided with a response slip to indicate whether or not they support the application.

Keep up-to-date with all things related to Menangle on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/MenangleCommunityAssociation>

www.menangle.com.au

PUZZLE + ANSWERS

This month's puzzles:

Divide 470 marbles between three boys so that Andrew gets 120 more than Bill, who receives 70 more than Chris. How many does each boy receive?

If a man spends one fifth of what is in his wallet and then spends one fifth of what remains and has spent a total of \$72 what was the amount originally in his wallet?

Last month:

If a man walks due south for four kilometres and then due north for three kilometres, what is the maximum distance he can be from where he started?

Answer:

7km - if he starts 4km from the South Pole and continues walking past it he is now walking north and continue a further 3km.

If four knitters can knit four stitches in four seconds how many stitches can twelve knitters knit in twelve seconds?

Answer:

Every 4 seconds each group of 4 knitters knit four stitches: $3 \times 4 \times 3 = 36$ stitches

ADVERTS

Pet Care

My name is Sarah Howard; I am 13 years old and a lover of animals. I am offering the following services in Menangle Village:

1. Feeding your pets while you are away. For a negotiable fee
2. Walking your dog for 20 mins. Fee \$5.00

Please contact me on 4633 8543

The Forbidden Dance Company

We currently provide fun private dancing classes to suit every individual. Salsa, Bachata & Merengue. Currently held in our personal studio in Haines Pl, Menangle or at your home. Private lessons: 1.5 hour basic classes: \$30.00 per person or \$50.00 per couple. Discount for groups or multiple pre-booked lessons. Call Claudia on 0430 460 205 to book in or email: Forbiddendancers@hotmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/forbiddendancecompany>

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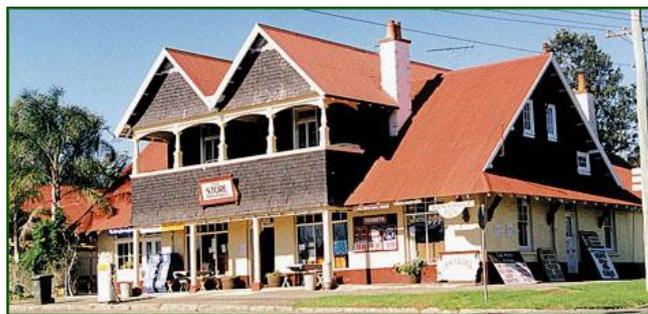
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at Onslow Park
[next to Camden Showground]
Ph: 0417 230 418

ADVANCED COMPUTER TECHNICIAN

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CAMDEN AGLOW MEETING

10am 3rd Wednesday each month except Dec
in the **Red Gum Room** at Narellan Library
\$10 cover charge All Welcome
Contact Sue Peacock 4633 8261

MACARTHUR LEARN TO SWIM

2/53 Cawdor Rd Camden
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BABYSITTING

Laura Howard - Menangle Area
Hourly Rate: \$8; ph 46338543
References available

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