

# THE MENANGLE NEWS

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## St James – *the light on the hill*



*Photo by Steve Braiding*

**Minister: Steve Davis**  
**Locum Minister: Chris Clerke**

### 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.  
[www.menangle.anglican.asn.au](http://www.menangle.anglican.asn.au)

#### ANGLICARE

#### ☺ TOYS-N-TUCKER APPEAL ☺

During November the church will be collecting packaged food and Christmas gifts for those in local communities who are less well off.

If you would like to help out you can leave a contribution at the church. It would be most welcome!

### MEN @ SHOP

...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. 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.

## St. Patrick's Church



Mass: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each Month at 6pm

### BIRTHDAYS

2<sup>nd</sup> Jessica Foulks  
5<sup>th</sup> Jonathon Koeford  
6<sup>th</sup> Shirley Maher  
6<sup>th</sup> Pauline Peretin  
13<sup>th</sup> Kim Koeford  
15<sup>th</sup> John Redmond  
16<sup>th</sup> Conner McFarlane  
17<sup>th</sup> Peter Foulks  
18<sup>th</sup> Laura Taylor  
23<sup>rd</sup> Indyana Worthington  
24<sup>th</sup> Maree Holz  
25<sup>th</sup> James Collison,  
26<sup>th</sup> Melissa Lamrock  
26<sup>th</sup> Frances Warner  
30<sup>th</sup> Jacqueline Bell  
30<sup>th</sup> Jessica McNevin



### ANNIVERSARIES

9<sup>th</sup> Meredith and Stephen Cross  
24<sup>th</sup> Peter and Sharon Foulks

Add your special dates to our list by sending an email to: [byp257@gmail.com](mailto:byp257@gmail.com)

New Free Library/Book  
Exchange  
12 Station St  
Menangle

## RAINBOW REFLECTIONS

I am so thankful that Australia has arranged her holidays as she has. I hope you too have enjoyed the first Monday morning of daylight saving with your alarm turned off!

I've only been working the morning shift at our Curves gym on Mondays for the last couple of months, just long enough to appreciate the holiday!

### REMEMBER THE LIGHT HORSE

October is a good time to remember the remarkable WW1 exploits of our ANZAC Light Horsemen. October 31st, 1917 at sunset was the occasion that allowed these daring young soldiers to display their suburb horsemanship, their outstanding courage, their ingenuity and their military discipline.

Months of desert warfare in the Middle East had resulted in huge allied losses, and an impenetrable stalemate against the Turkish Army. Unless a water supply could be accessed, defeat was inevitable. The only water nearby was the strongly defended water wells at Beersheba, including Abraham's "Well of the Oath" mentioned in the bible.

As a last-ditch effort, General Chauvel gave permission to Brigadier-General William Grant to mount a desert charge across 5 kilometres of open ground, into the fire of 35,000 Turkish soldiers in trenches that stretched out along a 40km line.

The 800 soldiers from the 4th and 12th Light Horse Regiments formed long lines across the plain of Beersheba. They moved in formation, firstly walking, then trotting, then at Grant's signal they leapt together into full charge, galloping wildly towards the blasting machine guns. They charged so fast that the guns could not be adjusted quickly enough to hit them - they galloped under the sights of the guns. When they came to the trenches, the light horsemen leapt over the Turkish gunners taking many captives.

Even though the Turkish soldiers had laid explosives into the wells ready to blow them up, the light horsemen were able to intercept them, preventing their detonation, and saving the precious water supplies for the 88,000 British, Australian and New Zealand troops in the Desert Campaign.

Sadly 30 soldiers lost their lives that day, but 770 survived a headlong plunge into and over artillery fire from an experienced, entrenched, enemy army.

It was an amazing, unexpected, unlikely victory, taking less than an hour, won by brave mounted soldiers on their courageous war horses.

Blessings and love,  
*Sue Peacock*

## Beersheba Day Breakfast

**New South Wales Harness Racing Club invites you to save the date Friday 31st October 2014 for our Beersheba Day Breakfast to commemorate the history changing Australian Light Horse charge that occurred on that day in 1917.**

Armed with sheer bloody audacity 800 ANZACS defeated 4,000 Turks against the most fearful odds, and liberated the wells of Beersheba. This remarkable and decisive victory unlocked the Turkish stranglehold of the Desert Campaign, turned the tide of WWI in the Middle East and created the Legend of the Australian Light Horse.

Within a month of the charge, ANZAC troops had entered Jerusalem, and following a 6 week battle liberated it from 400 years of Ottoman rule and opened the way for the Modern State of Israel to be established.

Menangle Park was a training ground for the Australian 12th Light Horse Infantry Regiment based at Holsworthy. From here many young riders, bonded to their trusty Walers, would leave our shores for the battle lines not realising the magnitude of their destiny. It is to these gallant men and their steeds that we wish to pay tribute.

The Beersheba Day Breakfast Commemorative Service with Special Guest Speaker Col Stringer Author of "800 Horsemen" will reflect on the battle as we highlight the importance of The Australian Light Horse Association preserving the history, tradition and customs of Light Horse Regiments for future generations.

**Friday 31st October 2014 6.30am for 7am - 9am at the Menangle Park Function Centre, Racecourse Ave, Menangle Park. \$45 per head full buffet breakfast, or table of 10 for \$400**

**For reservations, table bookings and enquiries please email [reception@nswhrc.com.au](mailto:reception@nswhrc.com.au) or call Erica 02 4645 2200**

### **PUZZLES + ANSWERS**

Frank has \$200 and Tom has \$96. Take money from both so that you take twice as much from Frank as from Tom and leave three times as much to Tom.

How much money should you take from each?  
\$48 from Frank and \$24 from Tom (leaving Tom with \$72 which is 3 x \$24)

A teapot and strainer cost \$31 together. If the teapot costs \$30 more than the strainer what is the price of each? \$30.50 & 50 cents

When I was 14 my father was 41 and she is now twice as old as I am.

How old am I? 27 (add 13 years to both ages)

## **Menangle Social Golf Club**

Round 9, 28<sup>th</sup> September 2014

Kiama Golf Club 7:10am Tee off

We had a good roll up for today's round with 12 players in total, very nice conditions for a great game of golf. A shame that there so little great golf, but that was my group.

The winner on the day was Rob Malone and he also picked up a nearest the pin prize. The other nearest the pin winners were Mark Matthews, Jimmy DiMarco, Patrick Clarke, Gordon Riley, Mark Haines, and the longest drive was Rob Petrovski.

The next round will be at Picton, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November teeing off at 6:32am, then the final round for the year will be at Campbelltown on the 7<sup>th</sup> December, teeing off at 7:30am. I will need to get a clear idea about 2 weeks before this round of the numbers who will be attending. The event will be "Ambrose" and the cost will be \$50 per head, which includes a golf cart.

I have made some bookings for next year, but there will likely only be a round every second month. Numbers have been down all year, so I am trying something different to see how it goes. See you next round.

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## **Menangle Community Association**

### **Minutes MCA AGM Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. 2014, 2pm Durham Green Club House.**

Welcome to everyone from Maurice Blackwood, Chairman.

Special welcome to Cns Kate Terry and Paul Hume, Acting Dept GM Wollondilly Council.

Membership is \$2 and \$1 annually. Please complete the attendance sheet.

Apologies Allan Hobbs and Jason Burt.

Previous Minutes accepted. Proposed: Brian Peacock and seconded: Lesley Traverso

### **Chairman's Report**

The hall has not progressed this last year due to our other activities. The next step is drawings and to submit a DA to Council. \$25,650 is preserved still in the MCA's bank account. Rates Council has again organised to pay and we are grateful for their support. The photo exhibition has been duplicated thanks to Selina Thompson and has been in all local libraries, Wollondilly Council Foyer and one now resides at Belgenny Farm and the other is at the General Store. I would like to thank all the committee for their work and support this past year and earlier. Proposed Brian Peacock and Lesley Traverso seconded

### **Treasurers Report**

Income \$115.57 and Expenses \$178.50, with cash at bank \$25,652.15.

Proposed Lesley and Brian Peacock seconded

### **Elections**

There is no chorum set in the Constitution, only 5 members for General Meetings, but we need seven people if possible.

### **Nominations**

Jason Burt, Maurice Blackwood, Matt Deeth, Lesley Traverso, Allan Hobbs, Brian Peacock

**Minute:** The committee will decide on positions at the next meeting, as some are shared. There was no objection.

Both Kate and Paul were thanked again for attending. AGM concluded at 2.30pm.

### **Part 2 – Discussion about the current IHO and implications for the developer**

The following had previously been circulated to the community:

Background for Item 3 for discussion: Interim Heritage Order Application (IHOA).

You will recall that earlier this year Council called for submissions about supporting the association's IHOA. 180 replies were received with 173 'for' and 7 'against'.

Council's heritage advisor and the previous landscape heritage advisor both supported the IHOA. However while Councillors' Terry and M Banasik voted to support it, this was insufficient numbers to pass and therefore, Council's position is not to support our application.

Council's report states "the heritage of the Menangle locality is adequately protected by the existing heritage listing of items, the local Heritage Conservation Area and the Menangle Landscape Conservation Area." They also made the point that if state heritage listing occurs the extra layer of State Heritage control will exist "for all owners of the paddock" forever, which could be a great imposition on

them, just as it would have been for existing house owners in a heritage precinct. It is also unclear if listing will actually stop the housing on the paddock at all, and even the local planners are uncertain, as this is a matter for State Heritage to decide.

The latest detail from the developer is that the planned houses on the paddock will generally follow the flood line (not be in a square), and that they will not encircle or deemphasize the big shed, the Creamery, and the Rotolactor buildings. The plan is that the three buildings be the defining items of the paddock. Also the developer is voluntarily proposing only single storey dwellings on minimum 550m2 lots in Lot 201, in spite of the government's wishes to achieve higher densities.

While the submissions give your committee a clear mandate, we believe the community needs to be given the opportunity to ask questions and be more involved, so we invite all sides to come along for the discussion to put their view.

Paul Hume from council planning is able to attend and we hope you will be able to come to this important meeting, so we can discuss the issue.

Minuted points after much discussion:

1. Ray Smith put the point to the new committee that the St James development and the common were of equal significance to the Menangle paddock.
2. Cameron Halfpenny confirmed the compromises above and stated again they had compromised to not allow two stories on the 19 linear lots approved in the 70's.
3. Both Paul Hume and Cameron Halfpenny stated the public exhibition is expected this year.
4. The point that no confirmation of the actual plans has been received makes it difficult to make any decisions about the IHO.

The new committee will review these points at the next meeting.

## ADVERTS

### **CAMDEN AGLOW MEETING**

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

### **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](mailto:Forbiddendancers@hotmail.com)

## ADVERTS



### **THE MENANGLE STORE**

Phone 46338101 Fax 46338686

### **Pet Care**

My name is Sarah Howard; I love animals and 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

### **LIONS CLUB OF CAMDEN MARKETS**

from 7:30am 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month  
at Onslow Park  
[next to Camden Showground]  
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### **BABYSITTING**

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

### **AVON CALLING**

Antonia 0411 602 400

### **NUTRIMETICS**

If anyone is interested in getting a Nutrimetics Brochure delivered to your door please contact Katie on 0404140659

### **Articles and contributions welcome:**

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or leave written articles at 10 Station St