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St James – *the light on the hill*



Photo by Steve Braiding

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SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES

8.30am: Traditional Service
10am: Family Service and Sunday School

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What's on at St James

BELL RINGING PRACTICE

Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8 PM
New members welcome.

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Reservations ph 4633 8261

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Mass: 1st Sunday of each Month at 6pm

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

5th Terry Swanson
7th Doug McDonald
8th James Tedesco
16th Victoria Foulks
19th Bianca Peretin
20th Rheannen
21st Joshua Bond
28th Paul Thompson



ANNIVERSARIES

29th Harry & Francis Warner
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AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST

8AM TUESDAY 26th JANUARY

AT THE FIRE SHED

\$5 PER HEAD/\$10 PER FAMILY

BACON – EGGS – DAMPER

JUICE – TEA – COFFEE

RAINBOW REFLECTIONS

Happy New Year!

There is something special about “new”. New books for school were always a favourite moment in my life. They were clean, flat and lovingly covered in brown paper, all labelled neatly with my name and sitting beautifully on top of each other in a delightfully tidy way.

Because of my natural tendency to rush, they quickly became untidy, outwardly and inwardly, and lost their thin veneer of newness within just a couple of weeks. The novelty quickly wore off!

I think our hearts are built with an internal longing for “new”. Somehow new will be better. How many businesses exploit that longing to sell us more and more stuff?

But what if it is not new things that will satisfy that longing? We know they don't, because after just a little while they require effort on our part to maintain them, and the novelty (newness) begins to wear off.

What if it is NEWNESS of LIFE that we really long for? Going even deeper than attitude, newness of life engages with our beliefs. Does it matter what we believe? Absolutely – what we believe is the foundation upon which our lives are built. What we believe shapes our attitudes, and is expressed in our thoughts, words and actions.

And what you believe about God is the most important thing about you – it is your core belief.

At times I am shocked by unkind words that I speak, resentful thoughts that I think and impatient ways I behave.

They are all revealing something about what I really believe about God.

If I say unkind words to you, then I am criticising God's workmanship, and making myself a judge over you. This reveals that I think I know better than God does! (ouch!)

If I harbour resentment (un-forgiveness) towards another person, then I don't really believe that God is good to me, and He has allowed that person to hurt me somehow, so I can grow in grace, and learn to forgive others as He has forgiven me. I think He is holding out on me, which was exactly the thought that tempted Eve to eat that poisonous apple way back in the beginning!

If I behave impatiently, then I don't really believe that God is love, because love is patient. I don't really

believe that God will work all things out for my good – I believe I need to rush about getting things done!

Newness of Life connects our souls every day with God and all the qualities of His Divine Nature: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Newness of life helps us find our identity as a human being instead of a human “doing”. And we learn to do our work well, but restfully, enjoying the process and celebrating the outcome. Newness of Life actually teaches us to think new – and once our minds are renewed, our lives are transformed.

Newness of Life is only a prayer away... ask God the Father of Jesus to begin the process of renewing your life today.

Happy Newness of Life!

Blessings and love,

Sue Peacock

Harry and Frances Warner – Congratulations on your Golden Wedding Anniversary

Frances tells the story:

The Warner family came from Queensland via Tenterfield to work on Camden Park Estate in 1951. Harry was 7 years of age.

All the family ended up working for the Macarthur family at Camden Park House.

Harry has been a gardener, chauffeur for Lady Stanham (in her Bentley), dairy hand, tractor driver, delivered bulk milk to the Milk Depot at Menangle, and built many dams, roads and building sites on Camden Park with a D7 Caterpillar. Overhead protection was a large beach umbrella.

I came to Camden to do my Nursing training at Camden District Hospital in 1964, a city girl in the country. I was living in the Nurses Quarters opposite the hospital and home was in Eastwood.

I saw my first flood that year.

A patient organised a blind date for Harry and myself. Four of us set off in a VW beetle to Browne Street Cinema in Campbelltown to see a Beatle movie.

We were engaged for a year and married at St Kevin's Catholic Church, Eastwood on a very hot 29th January 1966 – the year Australia changed to decimal currency.

One of my bridesmaids, Pamela, was a friend from St Brigid's Girls' Home, Ryde, where my sister and I had spent our early years.

My other bridesmaid was Judith Pell from Cobbitty, a Trainee Nurse at the Hospital.

We are parents of Bradley, Penny Anne and Amy, and best of all grandparents (Poppy and Nanna) to Aaron: 6 years, Bryce: 4 Years and Aston: 6 Years. The boys enjoy a visit to the farm. Aston wants to milk cows, but only in the afternoon. They all love to go on the "Gator" with Poppy and walk around the gardens bird watching.

We hope to be enjoying the quiet Camden Park lifestyle for many more years to come.

Interested in a playdate?

Calling any mums with young kids-- If you are interested in a monthly catch up for morning tea/ a playdate I'd love to meet up with you!

I have a 10 month old and I know there are a few mums with bubs/ toddlers around Menangle at the moment. Lisa at the store informs me Menangle has a history of a fabulous playgroup so if you were around for that and would also like to come along and share your wisdom with us we'd love to have you for a cuppa! If we fit in my cosy home I'm happy to provide morning tea otherwise if it's nice we can go down to the park for a play.

I'm flexible with dates but thought we could try for the first Fridays of month beginning 4th September 11am

If you can't make that day/time please also get in contact and we can see about changing the day for majority of people.

Sarah Deeth sarahdeeth@me.com

Ph 0403550692 - 6 Station St (next to old hall)

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.

If you would like further information, please contact Warren de Montemas on 0410 689 474 or Graham Noyes on 4633 8810.

Chinese-based company buys up big in Menangle Park land

By Ben Chenoweth

A Chinese-based developer has purchased enough land at Menangle Park to build a neighbourhood centre and 2300 homes — about 30 times the number of dwellings recorded in the suburb in 2011. Last week UrbanGrowth NSW — the organisation who oversaw the sale — announced the Shanghai-based Dahua Group had won the tender to purchase and develop land at Menangle Park and Edmonson Park, north of Denham Court. Details such as the size, exact location and previous owners of the land were not disclosed, however, Campbelltown Council confirmed the sale did not include any of the 130 plus hectares of land it owned at Menangle Park. An UrbanGrowth NSW spokeswoman also refused to reveal how much the developer paid.

Despite the tender including the "purchase and development of the land", the spokeswoman said the Dahua Group would still need to submit "all the normal" development applications to Campbelltown Council. NSW Planning Minister Rob Stokes recently announced a 7700 hectare land release in Menangle Park, Mount Gilead and Wilton — in the neighbouring Wollondilly local government area — to accommodate 35,000 new homes.

More than half of those homes have been earmarked for the rural suburbs of Menangle Park and Mount Gilead. A proposal — still yet to be determined — that would see up to 1700 homes built at Mount Gilead, has been strongly opposed by several councillors including Cr Fred Borg.

Cr Borg has repeatedly refused to support any development that would "add one extra car onto Appin Road" before it was upgraded to two lanes each way.

Campbelltown Council's director of strategy Jeff Lawrence said as part of the land release, there were plans to convert Appin Road to dual carriageway from Rosemeadow to the southern extremity of Mount Gilead.

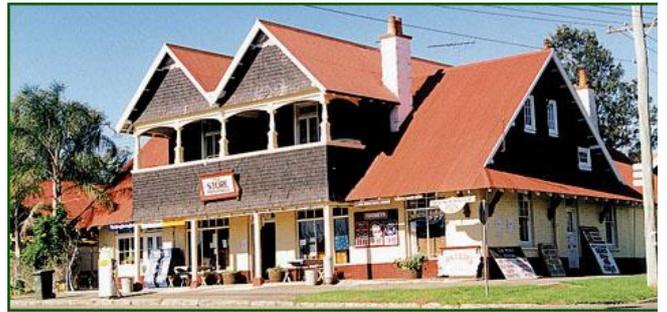
However, Cr Borg said widening "a third" of the road between Appin and Rosemeadow was "not going to stop accidents or improve traffic flow".

(From the Wollondilly Advertiser)

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