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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

www.menangle.anglican.asn.au

What's on at St James

BELL RINGING PRACTICE

Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8 PM
New members welcome.

Columbarium Niches

Reservations ph 4633 8261

MUSIC TIME

for mums with pre-schoolers

9.30am Tuesdays Oct 18 - Dec 6

Looking forward to you joining us at the
Rectory
5 Sulman Place



Library

The Wollondilly mobile library visits Menangle every Friday between 11am and 12noon. You will find it parked in St James Ave.

St. Patrick's Church



Mass: 1st Sunday of each Month at 6pm

BIRTHDAYS

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



ANNIVERSARIES

- 9th Meredith and Stephen Cross
- 24th Peter and Sharon Foulks

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

Library

... don't forget the Little Library at 12 Station Street; available whenever you're passing by!

RAINBOW REFLECTIONS

THE MARRIAGE EQUALITY DEBATE

All fair minded Australians support equal rights for all – regardless of race, colour, creed or gender.

So far as I can tell, Australia ALREADY offers this legal standing to all her adult citizens!

This debate is not about equality.

Every adult person's right to make choices about relationships and lifestyle is already respected now.

This debate is about legalising the destruction of a Sacrament held very dear by thousands upon thousands of people in this nation.

It is very important that these ordinary, everyday Aussies be considered. People who agree with the research that their children will thrive in a stable, traditional family environment. People who believe in the covenant relationship of marriage as one man and one woman joined together for life.

Our ANZAC forbears fought for freedom. How ironic that during this four year Centenary of WW1 our moral freedom has been mercilessly attacked. At present we are one of the last developed nations in the world still to possess this hard-won freedom. But it is being undermined by vocal minority groups who believe they will gain from liberalising and destabilising our society.

The ANZACs first displayed our national character of courage, mateship, sacrifice and endurance at Gallipoli, in the Middle East and on the Western Front. They fought for freedom and for a safe, secure future for their families. It's our turn, in our day to hold onto that freedom.

“Unlike the US, Britain, New Zealand, South Africa and many other nations, Australia is holding onto the true meaning of marriage.”
Richard Lutwama “Arise O Man of God” 2016

Grace and blessings

Sue Peacock

The Story of the Light Horse Charge at Beersheba October 31st 1917

The desert was as dry as dust. *Khamseen* desert winds swirled the sand into the eyes, noses and mouths of the men and their horses.

The ANZAC soldiers and their horses were very thirsty - they had been on these barren hills a long time. Many times they had ridden out to fight against the Turkish troops. Each small Section of 4 soldiers rode out to the battle line. Then one soldier took all the horses back to safety while the other 3 advanced on foot, shooting their rifles.

Many ANZAC and British soldiers had been killed and injured in this type of battle, but the Frontal Attack was the way war was fought in the desert. Unless water could be found for the huge army of 88,000 British, Australian and New Zealand soldiers, they would certainly die.

The water supplies had been cut off by the Turkish Soldiers, and the nearest water was in wells 5 kilometres across open ground that was guarded by Turkish soldiers in trenches with many machine guns.

On October 31st, 1917 Australian General Sir H. G. Chauvel had been ordered 'to capture Beersheba today, in order to secure water and take prisoners'. Beersheba was protected by 35,000 Turkish soldiers stretched out along a 40km line.

The need for water was so desperate that General Chauvel gave permission for Brigadier-General William Grant to mount a charge with the Mounted Desert Troops he commanded. “Put Grant straight at it” he directed.

The sun was just sinking on the horizon, and dusk had arrived. The 800 soldiers of the 4th (from Victoria), and 12th (from New South Wales) Light Horse Regiments formed into long lines across the plain of Beer Sheba.

They moved in formation: firstly walking, then a slow trot, then at the General's signal they leapt together into full charge galloping wildly towards the blasting machine guns. They charged so quickly that the Turkish machine gunners could not change the aim of the guns 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 so fast, that the Turks had no time to detonate them.

Once the Light horse regiment had captured the wells of Beersheba, all the British soldiers and the rest of the ANZAC troops were able to drink as much water as they wanted and also water their horses.

It was an amazing unexpected, unlikely victory, taking less than one hour, won by brave mounted soldiers on their courageous war horses. 800 men and horses took part in the charge and 30 soldiers died as heroes that day. It is sad that lives were lost, but truly a miracle that 770 soldiers survived that headlong plunge into and over, the machine guns of the Turkish Army.

MENANGLE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

CONGRATULATIONS to Matt Deeth on his election to Council [East Ward] and for achieving the highest number of primary votes.

Due to Matt's election to Council he resigned his position as chairman of MCA. At the Extraordinary Meeting new elections were held and the results were:

Chair – Lesley Traverso

Vice Chair – Hans-Lothar Huhn

Secretary – Laura Egan-Burt

New members of MCA, Hans and Michel are welcome and both have much to offer in terms of professional expertise.

A hall sub-committee has been formed and has undertaken to commission plans for the hall's replacement incorporating as many existing features as is practical. Sources of funding are also being pursued.

MCA remains active in lobbying for the best possible outcome for the village and surrounds of any future development. A submission has been lodged with the Greater Sydney Commission.

Other items under discussion include: a "Menangle Milkshake" event for September 2017; a garden competition; traffic concerns on Menangle Rd (including the school bus stop); pedestrian pathways in the village; and requesting Council to attend to the old Menangle Public School toilet block.

Membership of MCA is \$2 to join and \$1 per year. If you are interested in becoming a member keep watching for notice of the next meeting in the Menangle News or on

the Menangle Facebook page (an excellent source of current Menangle affairs moderated by Laura).

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. Contact Chris 4633 8594 /Graham 4633 8810.

PRAYER REQUESTS

A dedicated group of 4 women have been meeting to pray for Menangle for over 7 years. If you have any specific prayer needs that you would like to bring to the attention of these women you can leave them in my letterbox at 10 Station St and I will pass them on. Your privacy will be respected.

LOCALS IN THE NEWS

Wollondilly Advertiser recently published two articles about local residents in one issue.

There was a story covering Matthew Deeth's election to Wollondilly Council and a comprehensive article about Dave and Cathy Williams. Dave and Cathy have been foster parents to many children over recent years and have been able to perform the particularly difficult task of caring for young babies at risk. You can read the full story at: <http://www.wollondillyadvertiser.com.au/story/4152543/the-important-work-of-foster-carers/>

ANGLICARE

 **TOYS-N-TUCKER APPEAL** 

During November the church will be collecting tinned and 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 your contributions at the church on Sunday or on my verandah at 10 Station Street.

They would be most welcome!

Email Copies

Did you know you can receive the Menangle News via email? It has functional links to enable you to explore some articles further.

To subscribe email me at:

byp257@gmail.com and I will include you on our email distribution list.

Past editions can be viewed at www.menangle.com.au

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- Fitness program for women of all ages and abilities
- A curves coach at every circuit to teach and motivate
- Personalised workouts with Curves Smart
- Personalised weight loss programme
- Welcoming and supportive environment

House Cleaning

My name is Malaika Hall [13yrs old]; I am working to earn extra pocket money by cleaning houses

If interested, please contact me on:
0451-142-947 (Price negotiable)

Unsolicited testimonial:

I would highly recommend this person to anyone thinking of using her services .
She does a VERY GOOD JOB!

Babysitting Services - Macarthur Area

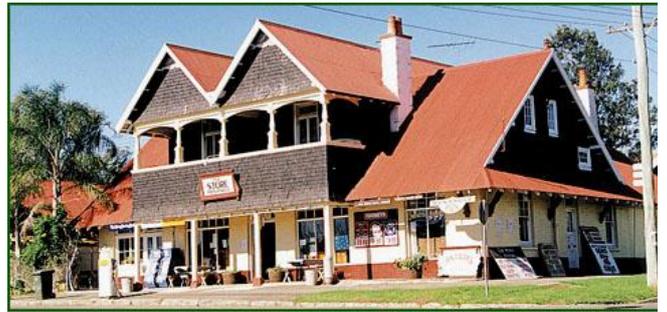
Laura Howard 18yrs, experienced with all ages from 6 months +

Currently holds: Police Check, WWCC, Senior First Aid, Cert 2 in Children's Services, P2 Driver's License with own transport
Price negotiable upon first meeting, offering homework help and flexible hours
Please contact me on 0418 963 291

CAMDEN AGLOW MEETING

10am 3rd Wednesday of the month
Upstairs at Narellan Library
All Welcome
Contact Sue Peacock 4633 8261

ADVERTS



THE MENANGLE STORE

Phone 46338101 Fax 46338686

LIONS CLUB OF CAMDEN MARKETS

from 7:30am Saturday
at Onslow Park

[next to Camden Showground]

Ph: 0417 230 418

MACARTHUR LEARN TO SWIM

2/53 Cawdor Rd Camden
ph. 4655 7735

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

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

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