

THE MENANGLE NEWS

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St James

Minister: Rev Chris Moroney
Enquiries: Ph. 4633 8594

8.30am: Traditional Service

10am: Family Service and Sunday School

Families are welcome to join us on Sundays. We run a children's program while the 10am service is on. This caters for children 3 years old to year 6. Under 3's are welcome in church and the service is live streamed to the adjacent room – The Stables



www.menangle.anglican.asn.au

BELL RINGING PRACTICE 7 to 8 PM

1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesday evenings
New members welcome.

Menangle Music Time

for children 0-5 and their carers

Tuesday at 9.30 for 9.45am start

We meet in the lower room of
5 Sulman Place

Cost is \$3 /child or \$5/family
Contact Michelle 0405 677 281

Columbarium Niches

Reservations can be made
with a deposit of \$200
contact Brian - 4633 8261

St. Patrick's Church

Mass: 1st Sunday of each Month at 6pm

REMINDER

Walkers, joggers and bike riders
Please wear flouro or reflective clothing
especially at dusk and dawn.

BIRTHDAYS

3rd Coopa
4th Samuel Black
8th Mitchell Holz
10th Doug Worthington
11th Taylor Haines
12th Sue Peacock
17th Yvonne Anderson
23rd Meredith Cross
24th Megan Ashton
25th John Rowells
26th Karen McFarlane
26th Lilian Borg
26th Jasmine Haines



THE MENANGLE STORE

Phone 46338101 Fax 46338686

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.
Contacts: Chris 46338594 Graham 46338810

Probus Club

Menangle district Probus Club is a club specially catering for retirees in our community. It joins clubs in United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand designed for fellowship, friendship and fun for retirees. A large number of the members live in the Durham Green Village, but from retirees in the district area of Menangle and Menangle Park would be eligible to join – applications welcome. If interested, it is suggested that contact could be made with the President, Pat McDonall (46339203) or Secretary Leon Warren (46338989) for further information.

RAINBOW REFLECTIONS

AMAZING GRACE

Freedom is knowing you are enough, and you have enough.

Apparently the deep needs in our souls are for significance and security.

Until we know that we matter, and we know we are safe, we will strive to find our place

One of my favourite sayings in the Bible is "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and don't rely on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge God and He will direct your paths."

Recently I was lamenting that there are still aspects of my life (areas of my heart) in which I don't fully trust God - the things I worry about. What a blessed relief to realise that even whole-hearted trust in God is a gift He gives us!

"By grace you have been saved through faith - and that is not from yourself, but is a gift from God" God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called!

The life of faith is very simple: believing and receiving. Choosing to believe that Jesus is who He says He is, and that He has done what the Bible witnesses report that He has done.

I have never regretted my decision to choose to trust that Jesus is the Son of God. As I have stayed with that choice, I have learnt that living life independent of God is sin. I didn't know that till after I came to know God. We can be very good sinners, or very bad sinners, but it is our independence that separates us from God - not our good or bad behaviour. Sometimes good people are the hardest ones for God to reach, because their need is not so obvious. God has made just one way to be right with Him - through Jesus His Son, who lived righteously, and died as a substitute paying the death penalty for all people.

"We all, like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way, but the Lord has laid on Jesus the sin of us all."

Once we trust in Jesus our sin is forgiven, we become Children of God and we receive the gift of Holy Spirit - the indwelling power, wisdom and grace of God.

Amazing grace indeed!

Blessings and love,
Sue Peacock

What is your dream for the old school site at Menangle?

Wollondilly Shire Council wants to create a plan for the old Menangle school site to help guide any future work or improvements to the space. We want to hear your ideas so we can create a plan for the space that the whole community can enjoy and be proud of.

How to have your say:

- Jump online to www.engage.wollondilly.nsw.gov.au
- Come and visit us at the old Menangle school site on 25 August 2018 from 10am
- Give us a call on 4677 1100

Please tell us your ideas before 7 September 2018

Our History and our Christian Connection Alfred Deakin – 2nd, 5th and 7th Australian Prime Minister

Two men were walking down a street in Melbourne CBD late one afternoon in 1878, deep in conversation. The older distinguished looking man, David Syme founder of the Age newspaper was serious and quite determined, but the younger one, Alfred Deakin an up and coming Age Journalist, was quite brilliant and was putting up a good fight as they debated one of the most important issues of that day.

The two men had been grappling with the issue for weeks, the question was "Should Australia be a country that protects its merchants by having trade protection in the form of tariffs or should it have open borders and allow free trade between the colonies and ultimately the entire world?"

Syme finally managed to convince his young protégé to become a trade protectionist and Deakin later said he felt he had crossed the Rubicon. Syme became Deakin's greatest supporter for many years and was the main reason why Alfred was given the opportunity to enter politics in 1879.

By the end of 19th and most of the 20th Century trade protection and tariffs was the accepted standard, but in 21st Century the world has moved on to embrace free trade and globalization.

At only 22 years old, Alfred Deakin stepped into the political limelight only to resign on his very first day in Parliament because of a mistake made at the polling booth. The polling booth had run out of

voting forms and had to close with forty more people still to vote.

Deakin's decision to resign on principle, even at the cost of his own career, gained for him the colonies admiration, but it caused shockwaves for Premier Berry's Government.

For 10 years from 1890 to 1900 Deakin decided not to accept a better paying ministerial position, but rather as a colonial back bencher, he worked tirelessly promoting federation believing he had a duty to encourage Australia to fulfil its divine destiny and become a great unified nation.

He loved books and during his youth would often get lost in adventure stories like Robinson Crusoe and Aladdin in Arabian Nights. It was said that he would read 100 books per year, which gave him an amazing breadth of knowledge and insight. He could converse with anyone on any subject and speak with amazing power and grasp of the English language.

Concerned for Deakin's preoccupation with his imaginary world, his high school teacher inspired him to apply himself to his studies, which eventually caused him to go on and pass a law degree at Melbourne University.

Alfred had grown up during the time of the gold rush, when it seemed everyone in the world wanted to come to Australia to start a new life and maybe strike it big on the Victorian gold fields. All this amazing new wealth (\$100 Billion in today's money) and immigration caused a massive land boom that eventually ended in an economic bust in the early 1890's as the gold ran out. Along with many others, Deakin was caught up in the land speculation and lost his and his father's savings, but unlike others he kept his promise and paid off all his debts. An interesting fact of history is that Abraham Lincoln was also a lawyer who got into financial trouble, but he also was very diligent to pay off his business partner's debts.

Once Federation was secured Deakin became Australia's first Attorney General and served under Edmund Barton Australia's first Prime Minister. In those early years as Attorney General and later the 2nd 5th and 7th Prime Minister, Deakin was instrumental in introducing important legislation that established the High Court, the Australian Navy, copyright laws, animal protection, Customs, Tariffs and Quarantine laws plus the Bureau of Meteorology.

All of Alfred's life he had a keen desire to understand spiritual truth. He knew God was enabling him to do his work and fulfil his duty to his country. In a letter

to his children in 1890 he said "Christ himself is the central figure of humanity and marks the greatest height yet attained in moral insight in religious feeling. No character in history no founder of a religion, no moral philosopher, no religious teacher, can be placed beside him."

And as Prime Minister in 1905 he said: "Jesus Christ is the life of the present, the light of the future and the hope of the world." In his private journal between 1884 and 1913 he wrote down over 400 prayers to God.

Alfred Deakin was loved and appreciated by the Australian people and was respected by many leaders home and abroad. He was a great ambassador for Australia in world affairs and his contribution to the foundation of the country is profound. He gave his life to the service of the nation he loved and Australia was the beneficiary.

The editorial in the Brisbane Daily Mail at the time of his death stated:

"It is perhaps quite safe to say that no great leader in Australian public life has been gifted with the attractive personality, instinctive courtesy and innate gentlemanliness that characterised Alfred Deakin. None amongst us could be named more worthy of respect."The Daily Mail Brisbane - 9th Oct 1919

"He harmoniously combined all that goes into the making of a fine man. He held and sustained the highest ideals with high standards and worthy practice in all the relations of life."

Deakin was offered many titles like Sir and Lord but he rejected them all, preferring to simply be known as Mr. Deakin but many who loved him knew him as "Affable Alfred".

He died on 7th October 1919 and is buried in the St Kilda Cemetery in Melbourne.

By Alan Currie

www.alfreddeakin.com



ADVERTS

CURVES CAMDEN 4655 7702

Healthy living includes eating well! Start your day with a nutrient packed breakfast!

Bircher Muesli – serves 2

Prepare the night before.

Ingredients

¾ cups low-fat natural yoghurt

½ cup rolled oats

1 medium apple, core removed, grated, skin left on

¼ tsp cinnamon

1 tsp chia seeds

Juice of 1 orange (75mL)

Method

1. Combine all ingredients together in a bowl or plastic container.
 2. Cover and refrigerate until the liquid has been absorbed and oats are soft.
 3. Serve topped with blueberries and slivered almonds
- Sue Peacock

Owner/Manager Curves Camden

4/82 Argyle St, Camden

www.curves.com.au

CAMDEN AGLOW MEETING

10am 3rd Wednesday of the month
Upstairs at Narellan Library
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

NUTRIMETICS

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

AVON CALLING

Antonia 0411 602 400

LIBRARY

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

ADVERTS

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

House Cleaning

My name is Malaika Hall [15yrs old]; I am working to earn extra pocket money by cleaning houses

If interested, please contact me on:

0451-142-947 (Price negotiable)

AFTER SCHOOL CREATIVE ART CLASSES

1A/31 Cawdor Rd, Camden



Local Macarthur artist Hannedora has teamed up with professional art therapist Julie Finch to produce an arts based after school program that will foster creativity, imaginative thinking problem solving skills and self confidence. They will deliver a range of stimulating creative activities that will encourage interaction and relationship building, while developing one's own unique visual language for self expression and self exploration.

The fun and creative program will cultivate the imagination through the exploration of a range of artistic modalities and mediums.

Classes:

Primary School

Monday & Wednesday 3.45pm – 5.15pm

High School

Monday & Thursday 5.45pm – 7.15pm

Limited to 8 students per class

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