

THE MENANGLE NEWS

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St James

Minister: Rev Chris Moroney

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8.30am: Traditional Service

10am: Family Service and Sunday School

**On-line services can be seen
on the church website**

www.menangleanglican.com.au/services

you can also listen to previous sermons

EASTER SERVICES

8.30am and 10.00am Good Friday

8.30am and 10.00am Easter Sunday

St. Patrick's Church

Not meeting at this stage

BIRTHDAYS

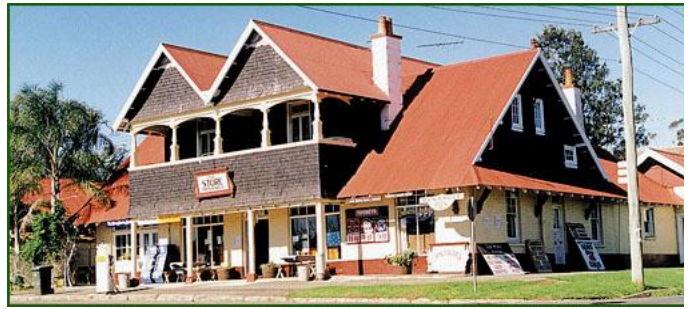
- 2nd Ben Black
- 3rd Ivan Green
- 4th Elliott Margin
- 5th Bev James
- 5th Beau Kent
- 6th Mark Robertson
- 9th Dave
- 9th Matthew Tedesco
- 12th Graham Noyes
- 14th Jethro Margin
- 19th Lucy
- 20th Christine Butler
- 21st Indigo Margin
- 22nd Cindy Haines
- 30th Brett Warner



ANNIVERSARIES

- 14th Steve and Simone Collison
- 15th Steve and Kerry Charles
- 18th James and Karen McFarlane
- 20th Steve and Vicki Blight
- 22nd Brian and Sue Peacock

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



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.

Contact: Chris 46338594

MENANGLE MEN'S SHED ASSOCIATION

Men's Shed meets in the old Whiteman's Shed in Stevens Road, Menangle. We are a small group in a huge shed. We have made a good beginning with some generously donated items. The Men's Shed operates on Mondays from 9am till 12noon. New members are always welcome. Donations of good quality tools, timber and machines would be much appreciated. Contact Allan Webb 0409 246 117 or Greg king 46339898.

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 Marion Marriott (4633 9229) or Secretary John Currie (4633 9918).

BLESSINGS

Autumn blessings to you! I hope you have time for enjoying the pleasantly warm days, and cooler nights – the kookaburras seem to be! As the days shorten and the trees start changing colour the magic of this lovely season will be on show once again.

There is very familiar blessing (or benediction) to churchgoers, found at the end of Paul's second letter to the church in Corinth: "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion (fellowship) of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen"

The words are simple, but there is a very rich meaning in them.

Firstly: the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Grace can be understood as "God's empowering presence."

The kind of grace that Jesus demonstrated was the strength of Almighty God flowing through His weak human body. The strength to forgive those who betrayed Him; to wash the feet of those who denied Him; to touch and heal the untouchable; and to remain unoffended when those around Him were treating Him with malicious injustice, and murderous intent. A steadfast trust is God to see Him through it all.

Secondly: the love of God.

God's love is described as an undefeatable benevolence and unconquerable goodwill that always seeks the highest good of the other person no matter what. It is a self-giving love that gives freely without asking anything in return, and does not consider the worth of its object. It is a love by choice, referring to the will rather than the emotions.

God's love is displayed through the beauty of creation and demonstrated in His giving of the gift most precious to Him – His own life in the life of His Son Jesus. It is an outrageously extravagant gift – given to meet the need for forgiveness and reconciliation of a humanity blind, ignorant and careless of its need.

Thirdly: the communion or fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

This is the oneness that all followers of Jesus have with Jesus, and therefore with each other. It is brought about by the Holy Spirit – the third person in the Godhead. The Holy Spirit, or Breath of God, actually takes up residence inside Believers and makes the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ operative within them.

He administers the love of God to us and through us

– the love that is patient and kind, unselfish and graceful under pressure. The love that finds the good in hard circumstances, the love that believes the best and produces resilience.

If we really let this blessing define our lives, we will experience heaven on earth!

Blessings and love

Sue Peacock

MENANGLE SCHOOL OF ARTS COMMUNITY HALL

When we first moved to Menangle in May 1977 the Menangle School of Arts was kept in good repair and used frequently by the Menangle community. We can remember it being used as the Polling Booth; Playgroup ran there as well as Barn Dances and Line dancing. It was a venue for parties and trivia nights. We held Australia Day celebrations there, which also included our own version of Australia day Awards (i.e. dob in a neighbor for a good deed!).

There was a small library in the front room on the left as you entered, and a meeting room on the right. Basic kitchen and toilet facilities were located at the rear of the building.

The School of Arts was built around 1890, and was a centre for the village. Film nights were held, as were weddings, birthday parties and Christmas parties.

From the Campbelltown News September 1930

Menangle School of Arts

The thirty-third annual meeting of the Institution was held recently. The annual report and balance sheet showed that a satisfactory year had been experienced, and the membership a slight increase from the previous year.

About 80 books had been added to the library, which brings the total to over 1700 volumes. The financial position is sound, the year closing with a credit balance of £30 after building an operating box to allow a continuance of moving pictures, and painting the library, in addition to the usual expenses of conducting the Institution.

Wollondilly Council undertook renovations during the Work for the Dole program in the 70s.

Recent Developments

The Menangle Community Association has engaged the services of an architect to draw up plans and to submit a DA to Council.

The plans include expansion of usable area, improved toilet and kitchen facilities, and provision of meeting spaces. The original facade will be reproduced to maintain an historical link, and building materials will be sympathetic to the original.

On the following page there is a plan of the proposed rebuild of the Menangle School of Arts Community Hall.

Thommo's Corner

A tour bus driver is driving with a bus load of seniors down a highway when he is tapped on his shoulder by a little old lady. She offers him a handful of peanuts which he gratefully munches up. After about 15 minutes she taps him on his shoulder again and she hands him another handful of peanuts. She repeats this gesture about 5 more times. When she is about to hand him another batch again he asks the little old lady, "Why don't you eat the peanuts yourself?" "We can't chew them because we have no teeth" she replied. The puzzled driver asks "Why do you buy them then?" The old lady replied "We just love the chocolate around them."

Sudoku

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5				4			7	8
			1	9	7	2		
8				3	4		2	6
2		1					9	7
	7		9	2			5	
								2
6	5	2	4					

Passover 2021

begins at sunset on March 27 and ends Sunday evening, April 4. The first Passover seder is on the evening of March 27, and the second Passover seder takes place on the evening of March 28.

What is Passover?

Passover is a festival of freedom. It commemorates the Israelites' Exodus from Egypt, and their transition from slavery to freedom.

From "My Jewish Learning"

ADVERTS

LIBRARIES

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

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

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

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By Malaika Hall

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CAMDEN AGLOW

21st APRIL BRANCH MEETING

At "Macarthur Indigenous Church"

19 Lysaght Rd, Wedderburn AT 10am

ON Wednesday April 21

Enquiries Sue: 0425 203 429



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