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ST JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH

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10am services will recommence on

Sunday 7th November,

10am service is live-streamed at

www.menangleanglican.com.au

You can also listen to previous sermons

8.30am Service will recommence

on Sunday December 5th.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

NOT MEETING AT THIS STAGE

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

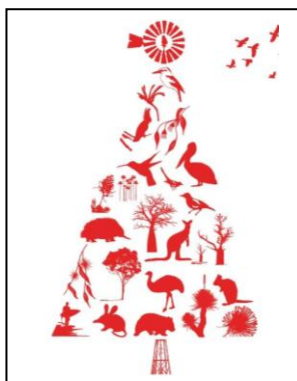


ANNIVERSARIES

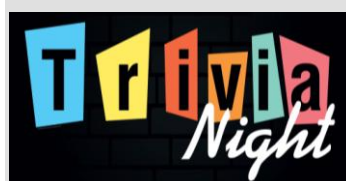
- 9th Meredith and Stephen Cross
 - 12th Natalie and Sean McMullen
 - 24th Peter and Sharon Foulks
- Add your special dates to our list by sending an email to: byp257@gmail.com

MENANGLE CHRISTMAS CAROLS

The Evening of
December 12th
At the Amphitheatre
in the New Reserve.
More details
next month.



MENANGLE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



Well done everyone who joined in the Trivia Night. We enjoyed our gourmet cheese platters from The Store, and had lots of good laughs. The rounds were very evenly contested with the winners being Dave and Sue Black, only one point ahead of Matt and Fiona Mansell, only one point ahead of Steve and Jenny McGrath! Dave believes the winning point came from knowing that the name of the river crossing prior to a bridge crossing the Nepean was "Archie's Crossing". All kinds of goods were transported by wagon across the river to North Menangle, (now Menangle Park) and beyond, from The Store back in the 40s.

First prize: the gourmet hamper generously donated by Shane and Marcel at The Store was transported home - round the corner and across the road - by Dave Black!

THE MENANGLE STORE

Phone 46338101 Fax 46338686

Great coffee, delicious pies, pastries and sandwiches

OPENING HOURS

MONDAY – FRIDAY: 7.00am – 2.30pm

SATURDAY: 8.00am – 2.00pm

SUNDAY: 8.00am – 12.00am

POST OFFICE open 9 – 5 Monday to Friday

BLESSINGS and LOVE



Another quarter of 2021 is over! And we are emerging from the weight of restrictions. I don't know about you, but I have felt lighter since receiving "the road to freedom" info. That is probably because I love to celebrate. (Don't we all!) Even this month we can look forward to gathering together in the ways that have not been permitted up to now.

There have been treasures in the darkness: Many of us who thought internet technology was beyond us have achieved basic competence with zoom and teleconferencing because the desire to connect with our tribe has been stronger than our fear of looking incompetent. And we have had the time and opportunity to connect with our worldwide tribe!

All of that said we long to be with those we love, and iso contact is a poor substitute.

I heard a statement recently from a bible teacher named Karl Martin "It is time to stop doing things FOR God, He doesn't need that, and time to start doing things WITH God". This elevates us from servant status, to friendship status, and even more than that – we are in **partnership** with God! When Jesus returned to Heaven, God the Father sent the Holy Spirit to administer His Kingdom on the earth. He loves us and wants to do everything with us. This is big.

Some of the tasks that Brian needs me to help with fall into the "nursing" category. Hats off to all the nurses – but I am not wired that way. Years ago when I took one of our sons to have the tip of his finger stitched up, I was the one who ended up on the floor.

Anyway – as I pondered this concept "The Holy Spirit wants to do everything with me" I have found that doing the nursing tasks with Him removes the worst of the cringe factor from those tasks.

I have often remarked: "If you have a friend sharing the job, you can do pretty much anything." Tasks that are burdensome when done alone, become a joy when we are working together and have a friend to chat to.

I haven't quite got to the "joy" stage yet with the nursing tasks but I am achieving basic competence in maintaining peace.

May you be blessed!

Sue Peacock

THE FIRST CHURCH RESTORED – an invitation Ancient truths for joyful discipleship today.

There is an explosion of growth in the house church movement around the world.

Mac Fields Salvos have caught hold of this vision, and are providing local oversight

Please join me for coffee on Sunday 7th November 10.00am at my place (10 Station St) if you would like to start a conversation about establishing a First Church in Menangle. (Enq Sue 0425 203 429)



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CAMDEN AGLOW

2021 BRANCH MEETINGS

At 10 Station St, Menangle at 10.00 am

Wednesday 20th October

Wednesday 17th November

Enquiries Sue: 0425 203 429



Wayne Mulholland - Hawk Carts

Phone: 02 4632 7233

Mobile: 0431 674 890

Website: hawkcarts.com.au

BEERSHEBA DAY Oct 31st

WW1 The Middle East Campaign 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.



Beersheba continued

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 has 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 31 soldiers died as heroes that day. It is sad that lives were lost, but truly a miracle that 769 soldiers survived that headlong plunge into and over, the machine guns of the Turkish Army.

MENANGLE DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB

Menangle District Probus Club especially caters for retirees in our community. It joins clubs in the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand designed for friendship, fellowship and fun. A number of the members live in Durham Green Village but retirees and semi-retirees in the district area of Menangle and Menangle Park are eligible to join – applications welcome. If interested, please contact President Marion Marriott (4633 9229) or Secretary Rosemary Munday (4633 9901).

ADVERTS

Wanted: mature cleaner for elderly gentleman living in Menangle. Please phone Kay 0408 486 990

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

HOUSE CLEANING IN MENANGLE

By Malaika Hall
If interested, please contact:
0451-142-947 (Rates negotiable)

DANCE LATINO

We currently provide fun dance classes to suit every one:

Salsa, Bachata & Merengue.
Group Classes and
Private Lessons available.
Call Claudia on 0430 460 205
Or book through the website
www.dancelatino.com.au

MENS SHED

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

MEN AT SHOP

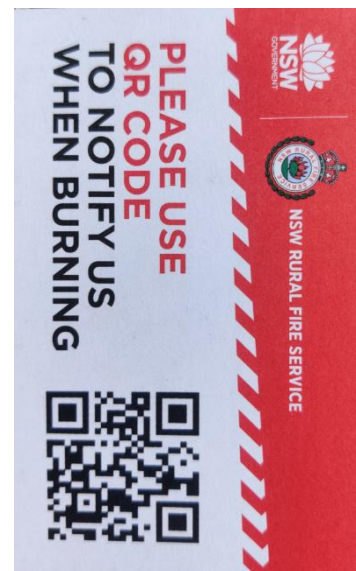
...an opportunity for men to relax, with other men, over a cup of coffee or tea in a friendly atmosphere once a week at 10.30 a.m. on Thursdays at the Menangle Store.
The meetings usually last about an hour.

MENANGLE RFS

September was a very busy month for Menangle RFS with a number of Hazard Reduction/ Agricultural burns and several call outs.

A number of our recent callouts have involved pile burns that have become out of control. There are several steps you can take to reduce the risk of a pile burn escaping or becoming out of control. These include:

- Ensure you have the necessary permits from both the NSW RFS and Wollondilly Shire Council. You must then ensure that you meet the requirements of these permits.
- Select a suitable location to conduct the burn: clear at least 5 metres around the pile, ensure grass in the vicinity of the fire is well maintained, ensure there are no power lines overhead and that the pile is a suitable distance from your home, other structures and fences.
- You are required to have a water supply on hand during the burn and a sufficient length of hose in order to control the pile burn.
- The pile burn must be supervised at all times.
- Call 000 immediately if the pile burn escapes or becomes out of control.



Welcome to our two newest Fire Fighters!

Congratulations to our two newest fire fighters Paul and Unchalee who passed their Bushfire Fighter course in September, 2021. We're so excited to have you both officially onboard.

If anyone is interested in joining the brigade as a fire fighter or support volunteer please message our Facebook page or drop-in to one of our monthly meetings after lockdown restrictions lift. New members are always welcome.

Donation

The brigade would like to thank Benedict Industries for the donation of a fridge for our Category 1 Fire Tanker. The fridge was donated as a thank you to the brigade for their efforts during the Black Summer Bushfires. The fridge was recently installed by Matt Smith from Hills Auto Electrics & 4WD Accessories and brigade member Cameron Scott who donated their services to install the fridge.

Having cold water on the truck has been amazing during our recent brigade activities and will be invaluable during fire season.

Our sincere thanks to Benedict Industries, Matt Smith and Cameron Scott. The fridge is very much appreciated by the whole brigade.