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Ron Shepherd ronaldshepherd@y7mail.com

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MUSIC TIME

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Venue: Rectory, Lower Room, 5 Sulman Place, Menangle

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6.00pm on 1st Sunday each month

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Sue Peacock 0425 203 429



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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1st Maddie Clifton

4th Clayton Butler, Micah Lau

5th Andrew Black, Michelle Campbell

6th Carol Redmond, Yasmin Luke

11th Nancy Caffyn

12th Margaret Ritchie

14th Christine Hughes, Jenni McGrath

19th Vicki Blight

21st Brittne McFarlane

23rd Emily McFarlane,

23rd Monica Symons (nee Charles)

24th Nikita Reece

27th Paul Shipley

29th Katie Mealing

30th Peter Gordon



Add your special dates to our list by sending an email to:

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I rely on readers to help me keep this accurate. Please call me if you pick up any mistakes! 0425 203 429

THOMMO'S CORNER

Your fingers have fingertips, but your toes don't have toetips, yet you can tiptoe, but not tipfinger.

EDITORIAL

Love is patient and kind.

Dear Reader,

Another flood – who'd have thought!

Well done the RFS having sand and bags available ahead of time!

I hope your dwelling place survived well. Having been in my home here for many years, I find the only issues that arise come from any recent changes made to the landscape of my yard. I need to just keep adapting!

Life is like that – We need to keep adjusting as the seasons of life change. If we take three months as the length of a climate season, then Betty and I are about half way through this season of adjusting to living together.

One awakening I had was following an "I'm hard done-by" thought. As I tracked that thought down, I was able to label it "resentment" and from one of my favourite authors Brene Brown identify "resentment" as "envy". Brene explains that when **we don't feel worthy to ask for what we need**, we inevitably envy those who do seem to be getting what they need.

I had been driven along by the urgency to get things ticked off: e.g. doctor, hairdresser, optometrist etc, and had booked appointments that squeezed out activities I enjoy, just to get it all done.

The learning outcome for me is to challenge my life-long attitude from: "I have to **get** this done" to "I choose to **go through** this."

The underlying motivation is impatience, something with which many of us are all too familiar. As St Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 13, "Love is patient and kind." Place that into the beautiful words of Jesus concerning the greatest commandment: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart (emotions), soul (all your thoughts) and strength (in all you do), and love your neighbour as yourself" (Luke 10:27) we can say:

"Be patient and kind towards the Lord your God, and towards your neighbour, and towards yourself."

Along with this commandment is the empowering to

The Fruit of the Spirit



obey - there is a "Patience" available to followers of Jesus that is produced by the Holy Spirit. It grows in us every time we say "No" to the impatient urgency to rush and get things done and say "Yes" to the Holy Spirit and go through things with Him.

The greater your battle with impatience, (or any other

shortcoming), the greater your opportunity to partner with God to grow more like Him!

Blessings and love, Sue



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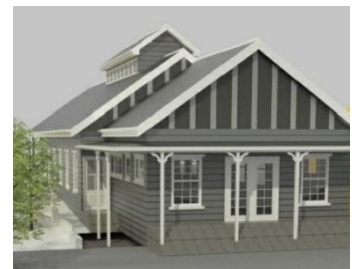
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MENANGLE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

SCHOOL OF ARTS REBUILD.

Our biggest ever project is progressing well.

The frame and steel work are up, and we can now see the shape, size, and height of this future Menangle Centrepiece!



M.C.A. MEETINGS are (normally) held on the **4th Thursday EACH MONTH** at **7.00pm** at **THE FIRE SHED**

Because of **ANZAC DAY** our **NEXT MEETING** will be **Thursday May 2nd** at **7.00 pm**

ANZAC SYMBOLS AND TRADITIONS



Slouch Hat

SLOUCH HAT By 1890, State military commandants had agreed that all Australian forces, except the artillery corps, should wear a looped-up hat of uniform pattern that was turned up on the right side in Victoria and Tasmania, and on the left side in all other States to allow for different drill movements



Rosemary for Remembrance

ROSEMARY Since ancient times this aromatic herb has been believed to have properties to improve the memory. Perhaps because of this, rosemary became an emblem of both fidelity and remembrance in literature and folklore.

Traditionally, sprigs of rosemary are worn on Anzac Day and sometimes on Remembrance Day and are usually handed out by Legacy and the RSL. Rosemary has particular significance for Australians, as it is found growing wild on the Gallipoli peninsula



ANZAC Biscuits

ANZAC BISCUITS Previously known as an ANZAC wafer or ANZAC tile, the ANZAC biscuit we know and love today is a far cry from what the ANZACs ate one hundred years ago. The ANZAC biscuit was originally intended as a bread substitute for soldiers fighting in hostile conditions. The biscuit was made

to have long shelf life, meaning it was notoriously hard; in fact, they often adopted the affectionate nickname of 'bullet-proof' biscuits!

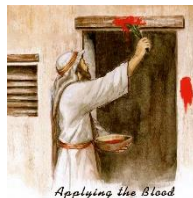
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PASSOVER for CHRISTIANS



This month, beginning on Monday April 22, and going for eight days, the Biblical Feasts of Passover and Unleavened Bread will be held – heralding the Biblical New Year. This is a celebration of freedom from

captivity, and Jewish people have come up with hundreds of recipes for using the flat, hard unleavened matzah bread! For Christians, Passover and the Last Supper of Jesus are synonymous – it was in fact, a Passover meal or "seder" (meaning "order") that Jesus shared with His disciples on the night He was betrayed. A beautiful sacrament of remembrance that is so rich in meaning and would have comforted them when they were in shock and numb with grief from witnessing their Rabbi Jesus so brutally murdered. It's not just the bread – but The Lamb that is crucial to the story of both Passover and Easter. The blood of the Lamb. In the original Passover the blood had to be gathered into a basin and painted on the doorpost and the lintels, so that God's Destroyer Angel would not enter the house and kill the firstborn son.



In the Easter Story, Jesus, both the Son of God and the Lamb of God would surrender His blood as a sacrifice on behalf of every human being, so that, as we apply it to our lives by faith in Him, God's Destroyer Angel must pass over our lives. Just as the early Israelites were slaves to Pharaoh in Egypt, so we are all born slaves to sin. Sin can be understood as self – rule, self – reliance, living as though God is optional. None of us can save ourselves from sin.

When we apply the Blood sacrifice of Jesus to our lives, by faith – we are "born again". We are given a new nature – God's nature so we can acknowledge that God is in charge, and we learn to rely on Him alone. (An ongoing process I might add!)

ALIGNMENT BOOK CLUB

3rd Tuesday each month

At 10 Station St, Menangle at 2.00 pm

TUESDAY 9th April, 14th May

We will be reading a chapter each month of this wonderful book written by Asher Intrater, a Messianic Jew living in Jerusalem. The Jewish approach to the Bible is such a big - picture view of God's Kingdom: God as Creator – the Fall of mankind in the Garden – Redemption through Jesus as Saviour – the Return and Rule of Jesus as King. Asher brings the Old and New Covenant promises into a wonderfully rich, integrated whole that helps us understand these end-times days we are living in.

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MEN'S SHED

Open on Mondays and Thursdays 8.30am to 12noon in the old Whiteman's shed, Stevens Rd, Menangle. (Public holidays excepted.)

Contact Allan Webb: 46339886; 0409 246 117

MOBILE LIBRARY

The Wollondilly mobile library visits Menangle every Tuesday between 9.30 am and 11.30 am.

Dean McGrath Park Station St.

MENANGLE DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB

Menangle District Probus Club especially caters for retirees in our community, and is designed for friendship, fellowship and fun.

NEXT MEETING Monday April 15 (then May 20) at 10.00am at Durham Green

April Speaker: Peta Gillis and Christine Roberts from Youth off the Streets.

If interested, please contact

President David Llewellyn 0407 105 520

Or Secretary Sue Peacock 0425 203 429

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Menangle Rural Fire Brigade Update April 2024

Menangle Rural Fire Brigade has had a busy month, attending a number of call-outs including motor vehicle accidents, a structure/ grass fire and automated fire alarms. One fire we attended was caused by an un-supervised pile-burn which escaped damaging a shed and causing a grass fire. This fire escalated quickly and six RFS brigades and NSW Fire and Rescue were paged to attend.



The Bush Fire Danger Period (BFDP) ended on the 31st March 2024 in Wollondilly Shire. However, as NSW RFS Southern Highlands Superintendent Daniel Osborne reminded us- the local community should not become complacent to the danger of bush and grass fires, even during autumn and winter months.

“All members of the public must still abide by the law when conducting their own hazard reduction burns as well, including complying with requirements of their local Council with regard to backyard burning”.

- You must obtain a ‘General Approval to Burn’ from Wollondilly Shire Council. For more information visit: <https://www.wollondilly.nsw.gov.au/home/features/burning-off/> or call 4677 1100.
- You must also notify the NSW RFS at least 24 hours before undertaking the pile burn by visiting: www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/notify
- Finally, please notify your adjoining neighbours at least 24 hours before undertaking the pile burn. This will help people with chronic health conditions and also prevent unnecessary calls to 000.

Some important things to keep in mind to ensure you are ‘burning off’ safely include:

- Check weather conditions including the Fire Danger Rating, wind and temperature. Permits may be suspended during bad conditions. If there is a total fire ban, no fire is allowed out in the open.
- Make sure you are using fire safely. Check your permit for any special conditions.
- Ensure you have a cleared area around any material you’re burning and monitor conditions closely.
- **If the fire gets out of control, or you have any problems call Triple Zero (000) immediately.**
- It’s important that you monitor the fire and have firefighting equipment on hand.
- After the fire, extinguish the fire and monitor it. Keep an eye on the material or area you’ve been burning and call Triple Zero (000) if the fire causes any concern.

If you would like assistance from the brigade to conduct a pile burn on your property, please message us via our Facebook page or email: rfsmenangle@hotmail.com. You can also call the local Fire Control Centre on (02) 4677 7000.

More information is also available at www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/BFDP

Safe burning is your responsibility - don't be the fire risk to your community!

