The Valley & East Coast Voice



PRESENTATION TO HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

On Monday June 25th, 4 staff members from Rio Tinto at Bell Bay visited our Hospital to present a cheque for \$2000 to the Auxiliary assisting their project to provide a new "Heart Monitor" for use at our Centre.

This together with the wonderful generosity of our surrounding community has brought this project to fruition and the unit, shown in the photo is now in frequent use.

Rio Tinto generously make funds available each year to communities, for projects considered worthy by their adjudging panel, of being beneficial to the community in which the "not for profit" organisations initiate such projects.

INSIDE TODAY:

REPORTS ON THE ACTIVITIES FROM LAST WEEKEND'S CAR SHOW AND AIRING THE QUILTS.



Pictured l/r: Kevin Faulkner, Karen O'Shea [Centre Manager], Matt West, Brett Maurer, Ricky Sherriff, (all from Rio Tinto) Jill Faulkner, John McGiveron [Councillor], Len Miles.

Sitting l/r: Heather Lodge, Shirley Munday, Marj Spilsbury, Colleen McGee.

Photo taken by Amy Grover. [Rio Tinto]





<u>Please note</u>: Deadline for articles to be included in the next Valley Voice is: 5 pm <u>Tuesday</u>, July 17, 2007. <u>New email address</u>: judith.spilsbury@bigpond.com

Community news

St Marys Hospital Auxiliary

meets the first Monday of every month at 2pm at the **St Marys Community Health Centre.**

The Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild Inc. meets the last Saturday of the month at 4pm at the goods shed behind the St Marys Railway Station.

Grassy Bottom Regional Arts are holding General meetings on the first Tuesday of every month at 2 Story St, St Marys at 6pm. Come along to share your creative ideas and help Grassy Bottom maintain an artistic culture in our community.

The **Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre Inc.**, holds meetings every 3rd Monday of the month at 10 am at the St Marys Community Health Centre.

St Marys Yoga Room, Wednesdays 5.30pm—7pm. 7 Storey Street. Inquiries to teacher Jack Foreman. 6372 2034. All welcome to come and try. \$10 per class.

HISTORY MEETING

A follow up meeting will be held at the St Marys Railway Station on

Sunday July 15th at 2.30pm.

If you would like to be involved in the caretaking of our valley history, please come along.

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MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE

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(phone 6372 2724 Tues-Fri, 11-4, or mobile 0409 289 997).

Doodle With Your Sewing Machine -

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A LITTLE BIT OF HERITAGE: by Jim Haas "The Tiger"



On the 4th May 1804, the Reverend Robert Knopwood, the then magistrate of Hobart Town, sat and listened as five convicts, who had been captured after a brief escapade in the nearby bush, told a story of seeing a strange looking tiger. They described the animal as being like a long, large, sandy coloured dog, with black stripes on its back, a stiff tail and a large head.

Little did the convicts know that, although Able Tasman in 1642, had recorded strange tiger like footprints on the beach at Marion Bay, and a midshipman from the French ship "Naturaliste" had reported strange yipping sounds coming from the bush at Maria Island in 1802, this was the first recorded European sighting of what we now know as the Thylacine, or more commonly called the Tasmanian Tiger.

It was almost a year later, however, before a European actually touched the strange animal. This was in York Town on the Tamar River on the 30th March 1805 where one was brought into the settlement after being killed by dogs in the nearby hills. Colonel Paterson, who examined the carcass, said it reminded him of a hyena, and immediately sent it to the botanist Joseph Banks in Sydney. Banks too, was intrigued by the carcass and began an extensive study into this unusual animal.

Over time it was revealed that the animal, although at the time, only found in Van Diemens Land, did exist on the Australian Mainland and parts of New Guinea a few thousand years ago. It was a marsupial, and its tiny hairless newborn babies would climb into the mother's rear opening pouch and attach themselves to one of four teats. It could carry up to four young at a time.

Despite the common name "tiger" the thylacine was secretive, with a shy, quiet and nervous temperament. It avoided contact with humans whenever possible and was able to do so with its powerful sense of smell. When they were found and captured by the settlers, usually by snaring, they generally gave up easily, indeed many died suddenly, apparently from shock. It was also said they were easily tamed as William Cotton proved one morning when he walked through the main street of Swansea with a thylacine on the end of a lead, tamed like a dog.

But sadly the thylacine was a carnivore and the introduction of sheep to Van Diemens Land provided them with a new diet and one that was much easier to run down from their normal diet of kangaroos, wallabies and possums. The settlers already had a fear for the tiger and when their sheep began to disappear it gave them the perfect excuse to declare war on them, so much so that bounties were introduced.

The first bounty was introduced in 1830 by the Van Diemens Land Company who owned Woolnorth in the far North West and was establishing it as a sheep property. In 1888 John Lyne, the member of parliament for Swansea, introduced the bill that saw a bounty of one pound per adult and five shillings per pup placed on the thylacine. Lyne wrongly claimed that there were hundreds of "tigers" in the Glamorgan area and were causing untold damage to the livestock.

The bounty lasted for 21 years in which time 2184 claims were made. By 1910, through the bounty and a distemper like virus, the thylacines were rare and sort after by zoos around the world. The leading exporter of the animal was Professor Thomas Flynn, Er-

rol's father, who had Maria Island made into sanctuary. But if any were taken there, they died quickly and by 1936 the last known survivor was in captivity in a Hobart zoo. Benjamin, who in fact was female, died on the 7th September 1936. Corinna, meaning Brave One, was the Aboriginal name for the thylacine and like the Tasmanian Aborigine it had fallen victim to the greed of the white man.

The Tasmanian tiger was one of the most fabled animals in the world, yet despite its fame it is the least understood. The early European settlers were not only puzzled by it, but feared it and killed it whenever they could. David Owen, who has studied the Tasmanian tiger at length, estimates there were up to 4,000 thylacines in Van Diemens Land when the first settlers arrived in 1803. But in a little over a century it was pushed to extinction and now even those few folks with a memory of one, are almost gone.

Today we are faced with a similar dilemma, of the one facing the Tasmanian devil, the thylacine's cousin. The devil too is unique, with a reputation for being the strongest animal in the world, pound for pound. We can only hope through its strength, modern technology and the grace of God, that in the not too distant future, we are not left with only memories of little black and white Tasmanians whose screeching screams each night reminded us of their presence.

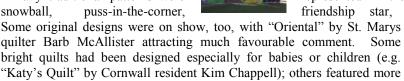


Airing of the Quilts

Two intrepid quilters and their husbands braved the fog colourful outdoor display of quilts, organised by & Gallery, St. Marys. Twenty-five works of art in fabric in the Lions Park which was clearly visible from the



Many traditional patterns were snowball,



masculine designs. Several quilts were made with family members in mind, such as "Holden On" and "Lilac That" by Elizabeth Death of Fingal and the "Fish Design" quilt by Marj Aulich of Scamander.

and frost early on Sunday, 24th June to set up a Rita Summers of Gone Rustic Quilt Studio were hung that day, providing a splash of colour Main Street.

represented in the quilts, such as log cabin, friendship star, evening star and more.



A wallhanging made by Susie Pike of St. Helens, entitled "Mariner's Compass", celebrated her family's sea-going traditions. There was even a quilt made from old jeans by Ali Kettle, who recently left St. Marys for the UK.

Most of the quilts were machine-stitched, although two quilts by Rita Summers ("Pizzazz" and "Folk Art Quilt") incorporated hand quilting and handstitched appliqué, as did the "Down Sized" quilt by Barb McAllister.

> Some guilters, such as Ruth Spencer and Liz Rice (both of St. Marys), displayed their very first guilts, showing that even beginners can achieve beautiful results! A very large quilt featuring lovely machine

quilting was a white and black quilt made by Barbara Mellor of St. Helens.

At lunchtime, the fog lifted and the sun shone, which warmed the chilled volunteers considerably! Many people came to see the quilts, which were pegged out on old-fashioned clothes lines held up with bush poles. The park, with its lovely trees, lush grass and flowing rivulet, made an ideal

setting for the event. Many people lingered to chat and enjoy the long-awaited sunshine.

Many thanks to the volunteer quilters who helped out on the day: Barbara Mellor, Liz Rice, Ruth Spencer, Annette Lutherus and Marj Aulich. To the men who assisted, thank you also! The "airing" could not have occurred without the valuable assistance of Ian, Alan, Reon and Neil.

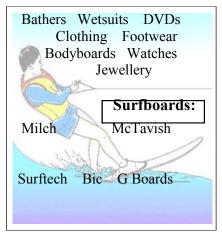
Plans are already underway for another Airing of the Quilts in 2008. More news on that in the not-too-distant future ...













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Register your interest so we can determine what size bus to provide, and afternoon tea requirements. Cost will be minimal, and we are looking for residents of any age or mobility to contribute to the running commentary.

Please feel free to suggest a route/itinerary if there is anything you want to know about your town's history. We may take in Cornwall or Mt Nicholas if there is interest - please contact 6372 5060 or text your details to 0412 803 027 and we'll add you to the list!

OUT OF THE WOODWORK

by Reon Johns. President 6372 2094

Our Patron, Marg Osborne is helping the Guild in its quest for a lease, and this is good stuff.

The workshop is back to normal and we have already had inquires from a resident from Fingal about joining up. John will be starting work on the Sesquicentenary seat soon and we hope that the High School will become involved.

The Guild was fortune enough to make a few hundred dollars on the sale of snags at the car show, good thing these cold and foggy mornings. We will donate \$40.00 to help cover some of the costs incurred.

The Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House notice board should be completed this week. So look out for it when you travel through Fingal.

A reminder to all members that your membership fees are due by the 30 June 2007, and the AGM will be at the August meeting, with a BBQ to follow the AGM. Only \$10.00 a member.

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Over the course of June, SMACD made a profit of \$296.00 after expenses. This was from the donations of patrons who viewed the display. We have estimated that in excess of 400 people visited the

hall. However, only a very centage felt that they donation and one visitor

foreign currency would suffice. This type of event is from people who view the display and realise that

small contributions are an

As we all know, money abundance and there are always expenses to be paid, eg insurance,

beautiful display of all the handmade quilts.

advertising, organising costs etc. Most of this is met by the rganisers whose pay back is not monetary, but satisfaction from a job well done.

small need not make a decided that only made possible by the kind donations for it to continue,

job both in the set up and break down, but well worth it. Especially with the added bonus of the

enormous help.

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The big winners are the town, and local businesses who benefit by increased patronage and

the spread by word of mouth of our great little town. The feedback from this month long event was great and a number of car clubs who could not attend have sent word that they are interested in coming next year.

SMACD would like to thank all the volunteers and the Woodcraft Guild for the donation of the two trophies.

Already there are plans for next year.

Reon Johns, President.







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Krisha Cyn Escanilla or KC for short, came to America with her mother Dinah Escamilla when she was only 6 years old.

Dinah, is an exceptional educator whose accomplishments include: Conference for Advancement of Science Teaching (CAST) presentation, Science/Technology training for teachers and creating campus websites.

In addition to teaching students she helps to develop science curriculum. She has received the Excellence in Education Award for the last two years, sponsored by the Asian-American Chamber of Commerce.

The proud mother and grandmother lives in St Marys: Fe Gillies.



TONIGHT



Photo shows Fe (centre) surrounded by friends at the Online Centre. Irene Smith, (left) and Val Spencer. Inserts are magazine and Fe's granddaughter.

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Police Report



Over the past few weeks, your local police have been called to a number of dog attacks on sheep and chickens. These have been in St Marys and Fingal. It is very upsetting to have to put down animals that have been savaged by dogs.

The Dog Control Act 2000, places responsibilities on the owner of the dog, even if it is not registered. We will prosecute, if we can locate the owners of these dogs.

We have received more complaints about cars speeding through the road works between Avoca and Fingal. The road is slippery and there is sometimes a lot of activity here, with workers and machines. Please obey the temporary speed restriction signs.

Recently there has been some petty vandalism in the area. The St Marys wood yard was entered and the offenders smashed some windows and tried to set fire to a plastic chair. A paddock near Fingal was also entered and the offenders stole a water float and ball and left an irrigation tap running. Whilst is sounds like kids, these are still serious offences.

We have been told about several incidents of drinking alcohol in the streets and underage drinking in public. Police can issue on the spot \$100.00 fines of possessing an opened or unsealed container in the street. Throwing the can or stubbie away as you see police is not going to get the person out of a fine.

Anyone who moves rocks, trees or debris from the St Marys Pass is asked to let us know. We are providing this information to D.I.E.R.

St Marys Police now has a mobile radar, which is used to detect speeding motorists. We can detect vehicles for several kilometres away, often even before we can see the oncoming vehicle and before they see us.

There have been some substantial diesel thefts recently in the Valley. There has been over 1000 litres stolen from machinery at logging sites. Please report any suspicious activity to us.

Congratulations to organisers of the "Winter Solstice". Police did attend and observed generally good behaviour. We have since been advised of some underage drinking. We will keep a closer eye on it next time.

Tony ROUGHAN Sergeant

St Marys Police Phone Number 62721010
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Urgent and Life threatening 000

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The Say. by Cagerattler

First up, a special thank you to the Valley Voice for the 40th Anniversary issue just released. Our editor's countless long hours to put it all together, and for all those who assisted made it a very enjoyable read, and will certainly be looked at time and time again. Now just imagine what 50 years might bring.

It seems that our Council is about to introduce tip fees in the near future. This will of course take a bit of getting used to. One council staff member told me that the costs will be reasonable and effective.

I truly hope that she is right, and that we accept them in the correct way. Fair and equitable fees also, hopefully, will not be too hard on frequent users of the tip, such as those in business who have to dispose of more than usual rubbish. Cardboard (etc) in particular.

Perhaps our council should consider a year-round weekly wheelie bin collection to offset the need to use local tips as much, unless of course you have green waste, car bodies or white goods to dispose of.

Maybe council has already considered this as well.

What worries me, and most responsible residents alike, is that even small user fees might encourage some people to find alternative ways of disposing of their rubbish when their bin is already full.

Anyone walking in our bushland reserves regularly, would have seen unlawful dumping of rubbish here and there. It is not a pretty sight.

We definitely don't want this to become an even more regular practice, just to save a dollar or two here and there. Let's keep it cheap and affordable for all.

What do you think?

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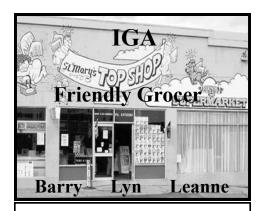
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WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE PART OF AN EXCITING THEATRE PRODUCTION TO BE HELD IN THE BREAK O'DAY REGION?

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Letters to the editor.

It appears that the hospital is under threat yet again. Just when this community was getting over the recent fires we are hit with this nonsense.

The staff and doctors are doing a great job, and under stressful conditions. All praise to them. However, the Minister for Health has seen fit to cast a shadow over this facility. We have been advised that there would be community consultation about the Hospital, but when ?????

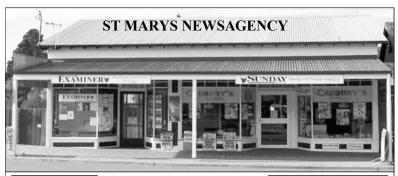
The new medical centre in St Helens is a step in the right direction and I am sure that it will ease the pressure on the coast.

But the question of the Valley and surrounding areas remains. If the St Marys Hospital should be down graded, St Marys is still a half hour run to St Helens and if you live past St Marys then you can add on an extra minute a kilometre travel time. A long time to wait for treatment if you are in a critical state.

I think that this is an issue that NEEDS attention now.

Reon Johns.

St Marys.



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Many years ago in Scotland , a new game was invented. It was ruled 'Gentlemen Only...Ladies Forbidden'...and thus the word GOLF entered into the English language.





Break O Day Council

Waste Transfer Stations & Animal Control

Fees & Charges for 2007/2008.

Waste Transfer Stations	2007/2008
Domestic Waste (minimum charge \$2.00)	\$2.00 m ³
Green Waste (minimum charge \$2.00)	\$2.00 m ³
Tree lopping material requiring chipping (contains branches greater than 40mm diameter)	\$11.00 per m ³
Heavy stumps and oversized timber (contains material greater than 150mm diameter)	\$20.00 per m ³
Commercial Business Waste	\$15.00 m ³
Cardboard (compacted)	\$15.00 m ³
Clean Fill Material	\$5.00 m ³
Unsecured loads (additional charge)	\$5.00
General Builders Waste & Rubble	\$11.00 per m ³
Car bodies/Scrap steel (St Marys, Scamander & St Helens only)	Nil
White goods	Nil
Waste oil	Nil
Bulk Waste – delivered to Scamander WTS	\$100 per tonne
Asbestos disposal – delivered to Scamander WTS	\$50 m ³
<u>Tyres, etc.</u>	
Motorcycle tyres	\$2.50 each
Radial car tyres	\$3.50 each
Light Truck/RV Tyres	\$6.00 each
Standard Truck	\$11.00 each
Heavy Truck	\$16.00 each
Small Tractor	\$26.00 each
Medium Tractor	\$40.00 each
Large Tractor	\$55.00 each
Tyre on Rim	\$3.00extra

Domestic Waste = Waste arising from households Commercial operators may enter into agreement with Council by negotiation No asbestos disposal without prior arrangement and approval from council Note Green Waste only disposal is available at Binalong Bay

Animal Control			2007/2008
Description	If paid before 31st July 2007	Selected Owner (approved by Council)	If paid after 31st July 2007
Spayed/Neutered Dogs	15.50*	12.00*	24.00*
Entire Dogs	31.00*	22.50*	55.00*
Newly Registered Dog (purchased through year)	July Rates	N/A	Pro-rata full rate
Newly Registered Dog (up to 6 months of age - need to demonstrate age)	July Rates	N/A	Pro-rata July Rate
Approved Guide/Hearing Dogs	Nil	N/A	Nil
Registered Breeding Dogs	20.00*	15.00*	30.00*
Approved Working Dogs	10.00*	N/A	20.00*
Declared Dangerous Dogs	80.00*	N/A	100.00*
Microchipped Dog (not including Declared Dangerous Dogs)	15.50*	12.00*	24.00*
Dogs owned by a pensioner (1 dog per property)	7.00*	N/A	12.50*

Brian Inches

General Manager

Handmade in St Marys

Are you an artist or maker living in or around St Marys? A:

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Or creator of handmade things, interested in marketing your products? Handmade objects are increasingly popular in a mass-production world. St Marys artists could combine arts and tourism for people interested in buying or making art and craft.

I am developing a **register of local artists** to participate in activities like: Handmade in St Marys markets; brochures; giving art and craft courses; or even a book showcasing local talent (*Handmade in Melbourne*, a book on the same theme recently sold out).



LLEWELLYN INCAPABLE OF ANSWERING VITAL CHMEMICAL QUESTIONS No Action on Atrazine & Simazine Despite Science

The Tasmanian Greens today slammed the Minister for Water, David Llewellyn for failing to act to eliminate chemical contamination of Tasmania's water supplies, despite Atrazine having been found in the Duck, Jordan and Rubicon Rivers and the Launceston water supply, and Simazine having been detected in the Brid, Montague, Prosser, Rubicon and South Esk Rivers, as well as being detected in the Launceston

water supply on four separate occasions since 2001, and called on the Minister to ban outright Atrazine and Simazine immediately.

Greens Shadow Water spokesperson Tim Morris MHA said that Professor Hayes, who recently spoke in Tasmania, said that his research had shown that Atrazine and Simazine are the most dangerous chemicals he had studied, based on their potency and prevalence in the environment, citing that Atrazine had been found to cause chemical castration in frogs even in ircumstances where the chemical was in the environment at 400 times below the level set by the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.

"It is glaringly obvious and frightening that Minister Llewellyn does not have an acceptable grasp on the critical issue of the ongoing contamination of Tasmania's rivers by Atrazine and Simazine, members of the Triazine group of chemicals that are not permitted to be used in Europe and have been shown to have serious consequences once in the environment even when it has been in the environment in low levels, such as recent evidence that the chemicals can cause chemical castration in frogs," Mr Morris said.

"Instead of answering my serious question about these two dangerous chemicals the Minister chose to waste Parliament's time talking about the Government's Sewerage and Water Taskforce; in order to avoid to address this serious public

health issue."

"The Government's own testing continues to show that Atrazine and Simazine are being found in a number of our rivers, and tests by Esk Water also reveals that these chemicals are showing up in the Launceston water supply."

"These chemicals should not be detected in our water supplies at any level."

"I call on the Tasmanian Government to move to have these two unsafe chemicals banned immediately in Tasmania, across both public and private lands, or Tasmanians will continue to be exposed to risks associated with these chemicals, because clearly they cannot be kept out of our drinking water," Mr Morris said.

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Thurs	12th	Gail Gamble	Jan Marshall
Fri	13th	G & M Derbyshire	Robyn Miller
Mon	16th	Trish Pike	Sharon Hall
Tues	17th	Dawn Lodge	Robyn Holder
Wed	18th	Ruth McGiveron	Alana Johns
Thurs	19th	Heather Griffiths	Maureen Hall
Fri	20th	Claire Bean	Julie-Ann Claridge

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1st Week:

St Helens	Vigil	6.00pm
Bicheno		9.00am
St Marys		9.00am
Fingal		9.30am
Swansea		9.30am
Campbell T	own	5.00pm

2nd Week

St Helens	Vigil	5 00pm
St Marys		9.00am
Bicheno		9.00am
Fingal		9.30am
Swansea		9.30am
Campbell	Town	5.00pm

3rd Week: MASS

St Helens Vigil 5.00pm St Marys 9.00am Bicheno LITURGY 9.00am Swansea 11.30am Campbell Town 5.00pm

Week 4

Liturgy of the Word

St Helens Vigil	5.00pm
St Marys	9.00am
Bicheno	9.00am
Fingal	9.30am
Swansea	9.30am
Campbell Town	5.00pm

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FEDERAL LABOR HOLDS BROADBAND FORUMS IN LYONS

Dick Adams, Federal Member for Lyons, and Senator Stephen Conroy, Shadow Minister for Communication and Information Technology today held a number of public forums about the lack of broadband services in regional Tasmania.

The forums were part of an Australia wide series being held by Labor to highlight the problems that people right across the country are having accessing reliable, fast broadband.

"I'm receiving an increasing number of calls and visits from people who just can't access proper, fast broadband, or in some cases any broadband at all, Dick Adams said.

Senator Conroy used the forums to hear concerns from local residents about the issues they are having in accessing broadband, and to discuss how Labor's policy on broadband, as unveiled by Kevin Rudd several months ago, would make a benefit them.

One resident sent a written submission, explaining that he had been talking to Telstra on a monthly basis for 5 years about the lack of broadband in his area, and that although the staff had always been very courteous, they have not been able to do anything about the problem. He has been told that the copper wire technology in the area is too old, and there is no commercially viable reason to replace it.

"These sorts of issues are common right across the electorate, Mr Adams said, members of the community are also being told that there is not enough demand in their area to warrant upgrading the facilities, this is blatantly unfair, and puts regional Tasmania at a disadvantage.

"I am constantly receiving information from people, right across the state, about how they have been told that broadband will be available in their area, only to find on calling Telstra, that this information is not correct, or that there is not enough demand in their area," said Dick Adams.

Stephen Conroy was able to explain to people exactly how superfast fibre to the node broadband would help them in their daily lives.

The nation-building policy will deliver a national broadband network over the next five years. It will connect 98 per cent of Australian homes and businesses to a high speed broadband internet service at speeds over 40 times faster than most current speeds.

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Addresses – Any addresses of family, friends, ex-residents or anyone you think might like to attend the reunion – drop off your list to the Post Office and we will make sure they get an invitation;

Ideas/Suggestions – got an idea for something we should include? What about an idea for a lasting monument? Let us know – drop off a note or chat to Harry or Kerry at the Post Office.

What Else?

Get out those old tried and tested cake and scone recipes and prepare for the **Great St Marys Bake Off** to be held on this weekend. Also dust off the dancing shoes and practice your old moves so you can dance the night away at the **Great St Marys Dinner Dance** to be held at the Community Hall on Saturday night, 1 December. Look out for notices about dancing lessons.

Finally any volunteer and community groups should give some thought to participating in some way (catering, stalls or whatever) as a means of fundraising or raising your profile within the local community – the Lions Club does not propose charging for participation, but rather looks forward to getting help in feeding and entertaining the big crowd of people expected in the town over the weekend.

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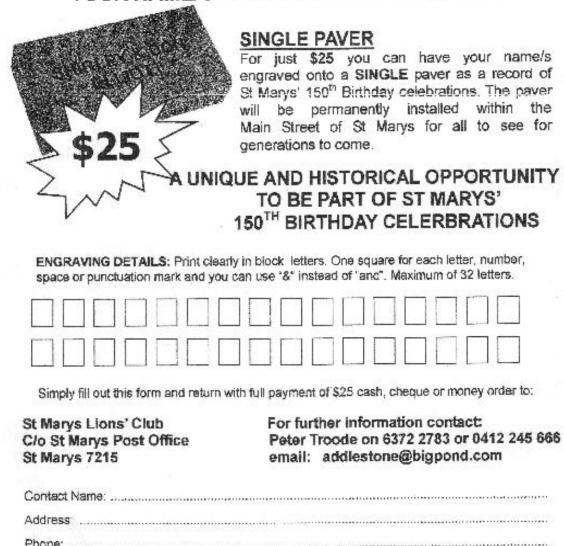
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Sports Centre news. by Kackhander

Thank you to our hardworking Valley Voice crew for a very interesting and collectable Souvenir edition of the 'Voice'. I'm sure we all enjoyed this terrific trip down the old memory lane.

Firstly, thank you to Mark Carrick and Kate Almond at St Marys Value Plus for putting on the golf day last weekend. This is a new event, and judging by the enjoyment we had it proved to be a major success. To Mark, your support is very much appreciated, and like all sponsored days, these events help to keep the club ticking over nicely.

The winner was one of our new golfers, Craig Freboth. Craig has taken to competition golf in grand style, and has already reduced his handicap to 28. Well done Craig. Mr Consistency, Col Payne also did well to collect a substantial runner up trophy, one point back. Col is in fine form recently.

The previous week we also had the Harold and Tom Newman Memorial Trophy. This event has been going now for 18 years, and has become one of the four perpetual events in our calendar. A big congratulations goes to another new golfer at the club, Kirk Bean, who shot an incredible 58 nett to win his first competition event. That score is phenomenal, and so was his handicap reduction to 28. No sense of humour, these handicappers eh, Kirk and Craig. Craig was runner up with 59, also a top score.

The gross event was won by Dale Ridgers, with a solid 72, even though many putts stayed out. Well done Roy.

The really pleasing thing is that the fields are slowly building up now, which is great news.

The upcoming events are: July 7th, Hidden 9 holes, July 8th Pinehurst Foursomes. Then on July 14th and 15th there is to be the Mens Foursomes Championships, so get your partners organised for that.

Also, soon, is the Main Street Clothing Day, followed by the first two rounds of the Club Championships on the last weekend this month, concluding the first weekend in August. So as you can see, it is all happening.

What about the explosion of new grass all over the place on those greens? Incredible. It's everywhere, and it's looking good for the spring.

The club has decided to run a very special day in December, as part of the Sesquicentenary, and we will be calling upon you all to assist with this special event as time goes on. As they say, 'watch this space for details'.

GREAT NEWS JUST IN!!

St Marys/Malahide won the Annual Teams Match at St Helens on Monday, July 2nd. This is fantastic news, and many of our players returned excellent scores to secure the win. A special mention to Deidre Panton, 40 pts, and to Carole Gunton with 38. Very well done, ladies.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the ladies committee have to reschedule this year's championships until later. As soon as the dates are secured, they will advise members.

Since the last issue, the new committee has met and resolved that it was more advantageous to leave family subscriptions as in 2006/2007. The AGM empowered the General Committee to tweak this component of the subs if they saw fit, but this was not necessary.

All fees are due and payable until October 1st, and invoices will be available soon.

Indoor bowls are still slow for teams. We might hold a pairs night in the next few weeks to encourage more interest.

The eightball team is going strong at the moment as well, and look good for the finals. Come and watch a game soon, if you get the chance.

Anyway, until next time, good hitting and rolling.



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