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A word from the Editor.

Whilst we acknowledge every person's right to freedom of speech, the 'Letter's to the Editor' in recent issues have seen a lot of long, drawn out and personal negative responses regarding the Rife Machine, The Scamander Surf Lifesaving Club, the Scamander Skate Park and the Break O'Day Council.

This is not what our community paper wishes to be about. We enjoy giving our readers good news stories, and while we welcome articles and letters on other topics, the above mentioned topics, in our opinion, have gone on far too long. **A decision, not taken lightly, has been made to close these subjects for publication.**

In future, personal issues and/or grievances should be taken up with the relevant bodies.

Preference will be given to new letters on different topics if they contain **300** words or less.

Your name and contact details must accompany your letter whether you wish to remain anonymous or not.

Any articles or letters we do publish are not necessarily the opinion of any staff or volunteer of this newsletter.

We hope to hear from many readers, wishing to tell us about all the good things which have, or will occur in our community.

The Fingal Valley and the East Coast has always been a pleasant place to reside.

Let's keep it this way into the future.

REMINDER

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON
ST MARYS COMMUNITY HALL

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 4, 2008.

FOR BOOKINGS,
SEE ADVERTISEMENT IN THIS ISSUE.

OUT OF THE WOODWORK

Wendy Brennan, Club Secretary

The combined athleticism of the Northern Veterans Bicycle Club and the Suncoast Pony and Riding Club made the Second Annual St Marys Fingal Bike race a success.

Congratulations to **David Kemp** who was first passed the post and our own **Olivier Chartrain** who made times to be proud of.

The Woodcraft Guild will be sponsoring this worthwhile event annually and it can only grow bigger and better.

Thank you to **Jan Clement, Dave and Annie Evelyn** and **all the Pony Club members** for providing the great entertainment for the children and adults. And the horses **Floss, Jack Jack, Pete, Nimbus, and Riff** whose relaxed temperament made sure the pony rides were enjoyed by all.

The St Marys Day Care Centre and the Guild are raffling two outdoor garden chairs which will be **drawn at the Spring Festival** on Faulkners Green. Keep a lookout for ticket sales and we hope all the community gets behind this worthwhile event. Half of the proceeds from sales of tickets will be donated to the St Marys Day Care Centre.

The Guild meets on the last Saturday of the month at the Old Railway Goods Shed at **2.00 pm**.

The Guild is open Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Any other times by appointment.



Our equestrian Erinn Spilsbury tries to coax Katie Bond to have another ride, accompanied by Katie's sister Chloe.



Jan Clement, with her beloved Floss.



Olivier Chartrain on the home stretch.



Some of the members of the Northern Veterans Bicycle club.

Photos: Courtesy Wendy Brennan.

Please note: Deadline for articles to be included in the next Valley Voice is: 5 pm Tuesday October 21, 2008.
New email address: 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**. **PLEASE NOTE:** The next Hospital Auxiliary meeting will be held at 2pm 10th November, this is due to the 3rd being a public holiday. Kevin, Sec.

The Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild Inc. meets the last Saturday of the month at 2pm at the goods shed behind the St Marys Railway Station.

Grassy Bottom Regional Arts are holding General meetings on the first Friday of every month at 5pm at the St Marys Hotel. 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 Ladies Midweek Tennis 9.30am each wed. Need new players - of any standard-beginners welcome-childminding included - lovely safe place to bring toddlers while you play. **Ring Annette-6372 2224.**

St Marys Playgroup meets each Friday 10ish at the kindergarten. All preschool aged kids welcome to bring a carer/parent/granny/pa for a play and morning tea. Very chilled relaxed group of all ages - we love new members. **Contact Jane 6372 5060.**

WOMBAT WALK LANDSCAPING GROUP meet every Wednesday 9am to 12 Noon (weather permitting) at St Marys Musical Playground area to plant and maintain the rivulet park and flower bank - anyone interested in joining us - please come along and meet our group. **Contact - Robina 6372 2022.**

Break O'Day Wine & Food Appreciation Society meets once a month on the last Sunday. **Ph: Jan 6376 1661 or Leanne Ph: 6372 5291.**

The Scamander and Beaumaris Community Development Association meets at 7 pm at the Fire Station Scamander every third Wednesday of the month. New members are most welcome.

St. Patricks Head & Esk Valley Historical Society meets on the third Sunday of every month at St. Marys History & Gifts (the old railway station) at 2.30 pm. Meetings are informal and fun and new members are needed. Please contact **Barry Aulich** on **6372 5752** or **Jim Haas** on **6372 2127.**

The Falmouth Community centre would like to advise members and the community that the new contact for bookings of club facilities is Ben Morgan. Ben can be contacted on **03 6372 5604.**

Suncoast Singers meet every Friday at 10am in the Catholic Hall - Cecilia Street St Helens. New singers always welcome....If you can yawn - you can sing. Phone Mary-Anne Wadsworth 6376 2969.

Swap n Go gas cylinders available from Gone Rustic, 37 Main Street, St. Marys. Phone 6372 2724 (BH), 0417 027 424 (Rita) or 0417 648 845 (Ian).

FABRIC PAINTING WORKSHOP – there is now enough interest to go ahead! *Cindy Watkins from Deep Peace Studio, Deloraine*, will help us to explore a great range of fabric painting ideas using Genesis Creations fabric paints. When: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Saturday, 25th October. Cost: \$40 each if we have 6 people, \$35 each if we have 8. Deposit of \$10 required with booking. For *materials list and enrolment form*, please contact Rita soon!

QUILTING BEE – an opportunity to get together once a month and *make quilts for those less fortunate*, locally and further afield. *Trade table of fabrics* at every session, so bring your spare cash (funds are for purchase of wadding). Next session: Wednesday 22nd October (and every 4th Wednesday) at *Rustic Ragamuffins* stitching group, from 7-9 pm. Cost: \$5, plus spending money for fabric; also please bring fabrics (if donating) and sewing supplies.

INVITATION TO LOCAL STITCHERS - Would you like to participate in two themed displays? In **November**, I plan to exhibit quilts and other stitched items with a **SPRING** theme, including (hopefully) the birdhouse quilts made in the class I taught in St.Helens. However, *anything that is stitched and which fits into the theme* will be considered.

Another themed display is planned for **December**. Any stitched item which incorporates a *Christmas theme* will be considered, to make a colourful and cheerful display for the festive season.

For an *exhibitor's form* drop in to Gone Rustic soon – I look forward to giving you these opportunities to “strut your stuff”!

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Spring Display

Delivery of items: Monday, 26th October

Official launch: Saturday, 1st November (12 noon)

Closing date: Friday, 28th November

Collection of items: Monday, 30th November (also delivery date for next display – see below)

Christmas Display

Delivery of items: Monday, 30th November

Official launch: Saturday, 6th December (12 noon)

Collection of items: Monday, 22nd December

If you would like more details about any of the above items, please contact Rita Summers on 6372 2724 (BH) or 0417027424 (AH), or drop in to Gone Rustic, The Old Garage, 37 Main Street, St. Marys.

Stallholders Market Inc.

Is a non profit organisation holding markets every Saturday from 8am in St Helens, at the Library car park.

There is a variety of stalls and the fees charged to stall holders is donated to various charities.

For stall booking or any other inquiries, please phone Sylvia on 6376 8390. Or Saturday mornings only: 0447 589 803.

Looking for your dream home/shed/garage/stables, etc. at very affordable prices? Want a *free* catalogue and *no-obligation* quote? Then call in to Gone Rustic, 37 Main Street, St. Marys. To phone, call 03 6372 2724 (BH), 0417 027 424 (Rita) or 0417648 845 (Ian).

Classifieds

FOR SALE

Camping gear. Gas light, gas bottle (9kg) 3 person dome tent 3 x 3 screen tent, 2 burner iron gas rings, 1 burner gas stove, single air mattress, 40lt esky. \$200 the lot.

Artists easel. \$50. **Timber dining table & 4 chairs.** Good condition. \$80. **Art Deco sideboard,** rounded glass door ends, 2 drawers, 2 cupboards. \$40. **Double bed ensemble.** \$40. **Handcrafted bench top shelf unit** with 2 shelves & 3 small drawers. \$40. **Ph: 6372 2922 or 0408 836 080.**

Two dog carrier crates for small dogs. \$15 each. **Electric chainsaw** \$25. **Beer fridge** \$10. **Concrete mixer** \$80. **Ph: 6372 2890.**

1 steel rabbit or guinea pig cage. Never used. Paid \$50 - sell \$40. **Ph: 6374 2281.**

1986 Holden Berlina Commodore. Air con. Power steering, 3 mths rego. Very good tyres. \$1,600. ono.

Ph: 0458 390 341.

Young budgies. \$5 each.

Ph: Gail & Rodger 6372 5380.

Suzuki TM75 motorbike. Ideal Christmas pressie! Goes very well. In original condition. Ideal learners trail bike. \$500. ono. Contact: Karen Polden **Ph: 6372 2438 or Mob: 0439 333 398.**

Wetsuits. Billabong size 8 yellow/black in colour. Trevor Hendy size 12 yellow/black in colour. Suit both boy or girl. **\$25 each. Contact: Karen Polden Ph: 6372 2438 or 0439 333 398.**

1997 Honda XR 200R ex cond. \$2,200.

Yamaha PeeWee 80. Good Cond. \$850.

Shift brand motorbike pants size 34 + top. Black, grey and white. Ex cond. \$100.

Elu wood lathe. Multi speed, 3ft bed. \$250. **Ph: 6374 2155. or 0409 742 155.**

Arlec jigsaw. \$30.

Powerbuilt Torque wrench. \$30.

Professional tile and grout set. 400mm cut. \$80.

Professionally restored cast iron claw foot bath. Interior cream, exterior maroon. \$1200. **Ph: 0404 725 430.**

FOR SALE

Need For Speed - Pro Street" PS2 Street Racing Game rated G, Worth \$89, Will sell for \$70. Only played once, Game released in 2007. Call or Text Bryn after hours. **0448 787 150.**

Portable oil 15 bar heater, very safe with children. Good working order. \$50. **Kids tennis racquet.** Pro Kennex with cover. Good order. \$10. **Baby pet rats,** all colours. \$10 each. **Electric Organ** Yamaha Electone. Model B-5BR. Twin keyboards and peddles. Rhythm and head phones. Good order. \$150. **Ph: 6372 2357.**

Bathroom scales, Soehnle Digital, good condition, \$20
Please Ph: 6372 2412

Minolta camera, as new, 3 years old. \$50.

Sony Playstation. Includes 2 memory cards, 2 controls, 6 games. \$50. **Ph: 0427 607 991.**

Transark easy welder. 140 amps. Rods, mask hammer \$200.

Phillips 340 Fridge/Freezer.

Top order \$200.

Ph: 6372 2251.

Fire wood. 1, 2, & 3 tonne loads.

Ph: 0407 944 158.

"Moo-Poo". Finely screened. Any amounts. See Norm. **Ph: 6372 2380.**

Queen size slatted bed & mattress. \$250. **Ph 6372 2722.**

2 wardrobes & single bed with foam mattress. Make an offer.

Ph: 6372 2283.

Single bed base and mattress. Good cond. \$50. ono.

12 various sized window shutters. Best offer.

Heavy duty timber work bench. \$100. **Ph: 6372 2248.**

Ladies bike. \$20.

Mens bike. \$30. Ph: 6372 2380.

P.S.2 Silver edition (15mths old)

Plus 2 hand controls, memory card and 11 games, all perfect condition. \$260 the lot. **Ph: 0437 645 504.**

FREE White broom cupboard, small ironing board. **Ph: 6372 2059.**

WANTED Riding boots or similar - any size, any condition. **Ph: 63722059.**

WANTED Two single iron beds or bed frames, old style **Ph: 63722059.**

FOR SALE

2 x Jason recliners, cream velvet. \$400. **Ryobi Vac Blower.** \$175.

Dressing table, 2 drawers, with mirror. \$40. **Exercise walker.** \$25.

Lamp. \$10. Ceramic base, black.

Lamp \$20. Hand printed with Christmas design. **Framed print** \$10. Features English garden.

Electric barbecue grill, \$10.

Ph: 6374 2285.

Wall cabinet: Height 69", overall width 87" Depth 18". With drop down drinks cabinet and smoked glass sliding doors on display cabinet. \$200. Cost \$900. (picture in supermarket window)

Doors. 4x 81" x 16". Pine complete with knobs and hinges. \$20.

Tool cabinet red/dk grey rigid plastic with cupboard, shelves and drawer, plus interchangeable hooks for hanging tools. (Cost \$120) \$50.

Table lamp. Beige base with beige & brown trim shade. Needs minor repair. \$5. **Ph: 6372 2130.**

WANTED

Consul in reasonable condition, to suit X.E. manual Ford Falcon, 84 model. Reasonable price. **Ph: Pete 6372 2398**

WANTED TO BUY

A medium size caravan, in reasonable condition, priced around \$2000. If you can help please phone 6376 1638.

Wood Chipper and 4 tonne truck hire

Turn your valuable green waste into mulch. Available St Helens to Coles Bay.

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1995 NISSAN PATROL WAGON.

2.8 TURBO DIESEL.

3 MONTHS REGO-

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PH: 6372 2033 — 0439 722 033

A LITTLE BIT OF HERITAGE: Jim Haas “Gilbert”

The history of the Schier family in St Marys goes back to well before the turn of the Twentieth Century when Ludwig Gilbert Stuart Schier (1857 – 1934) moved to St Marys as a policeman. He went from there to be the Publican at the St Marys Hotel, and then set up a Saddler’s shop in Storey St, where the police station is today, before moved to Elephant Farm at Gray.

His son, Ludwig Selwyn, (1888 – 1961) ran a dairy herd on the farm at Gray, and in 1923 son Louis Gilbert was born. He soon became known as Gilbert and after growing up on the farm went to work at a number of part time jobs until he was hired by John Thorald at his garage in Main Street, St Marys. Gilbert became a talented man, skilled in many fields, particularly mechanics. Indeed, Arthur Brown, who had a garage just down the street from Thorald’s, reckoned Gilbert could start a motor car just by walking past it.

In the 1940s, Gilbert married Jean (Connelley from Pyengana) and moved to Falmouth where they reared six children. He was a well respected member of the Break O’Day community, who lived through a time in our history that saw its ups and downs to say the least. In his lifetime he came across many characters and saw dramatic changes, both in culture and technology, of the like we will never see again.

Before his death in 1999 he would often sit down with members of his family and talk about his life. Many of these conversations have been recorded, some of which have been donated to the St Patricks Head and Esk Valley Historical Society by John Schier as part of our valuable historical records.

In the pages of Valley Voice, I will endeavour to share with you extracts from the life of Gilbert Schier. The following is where he is talking about his boyhood at Elephant farm in the 1920s and 30s. He and his father would take the milking cows to run on Bob Wardlaw’s property at Chain of Lagoons for the winter and Gilbert would spend his days hunting.

“.....Round Little Beach then there was native grass, plenty of native grass. Of cause they burnt it every year. Old Bob Wardlaw’d give Bill Wilkins a packet of matches and a horse and tell him to get going and that would be about February. He’d ride up the coast and drop these matches on the way.

They’d burn the lot then, and she’d spring up a bit when you got a drop of rain; she’d all green up again. That’s the stupid part about it; you could drop a match now in February and burn the whole of Tasmania out. I mean, they were paid to do that and there were never any bush fires about. Cause we used to burn the bush out too, so up around the old place you could walk about in the winter lookin’ for the possums and ringtails.

Later on when I was big enough, 12 or 13, I used to go out of a night after possums and ringtails. The last couple of years I did it on me own ‘cause dad was away. I’d set me snares through the day, ‘cause in winter there was nothing to do on the farm, the cows were all gone and there was only a couple of horses I had to feed of a night. You had all day to do nothin’. I say there’s nothin’ to do, there was plenty to do, only you didn’t have to do it.

You’d leave the snares a couple of days, or a day, it all depends. I could go round them every day as well as rabbit traps of cause. The place was lousy with rabbits. You’d set your traps up and your snares up and then at night when it got dark, after tea, you’d go after ringtails and skin ‘em next morning. We’d feed ‘em to the dogs or boil them up and feed them to the fowls and geese. We had quite a few geese and ducks, that’s what we made our living out of in the winter.

The skin buyers used to come around. We never sold to the skin buyers though; we were a bit out of the way up there. Mainly we took them down and sold them to Dawsons – Old E.B.L. Dawson. He used to buy skins everywhere, they went all round here and there. Bert, he used to go up the Lakes buying skins. He’d take a truck up there and buy a truck load of ‘em. He was in export really, he got that way in the finish he used to just comb ‘em and bale ‘em all up and send ‘em direct to England. They must have had a lot of felt hats in the UK.

We got feral cats as well – used to get two bob for them. But it was worth five bob to skin ‘em. Oh hell they stunk, the bloody things.

The Lehner’s used to go out the marshes to trap and shoot. They’d go up there for a week at a time and sleep in a hollow tree. They did alright though; they ended up buying a T-model Ford for 200 quid.....”

Special thanks to John Schier and his family for sharing their Father’s memories with us.

Ludwig Schier stands on the veranda of his Saddler’s shop in Storey St, St Marys in around 1900.



Letters to the Editor

Letter to the editor:

I had decided to leave the story of Dr Royal Raymond Rife alone some time ago, but find it hard to do so when confronted with the type of ill informed and factually incorrect letters like the recent ones from Mrs Dianne Troode and Mrs Charlie Hersey.

Mrs Dianne Troode in her letter states that she is offended by my statement that "chemotherapy treatment is barbaric and poisons the body". When one considers that in the hospital it is administered by staff wearing heavy protective clothing to protect themselves, who generally leave the room whilst the procedure is in progress for their own safety, my opinion is that it is an assault on the body which is totally unacceptable, highly poisonous, dangerous and yes, barbaric.

The dictionary definition of barbaric being " savage, rough and cruel. She then goes on to relate a number of serious conditions experienced by her mother and her mother's sister which are quite obviously the result of serious poisoning. I feel so sorry for people who are told by health professionals that this is the right treatment and who ignore the age old medical commitment of " First Do No Harm".

Mrs Charlie Hersey in her letter questions my right to ask for accountability for the millions of dollars that people give, expecting results from the Cancer Council which seem to be almost nonexistent. She also questions my right to freedom of speech and expression which is something that I take very seriously.

Further down in her letter, she indicates that second hand machines are being sold, implying that genuine Rife machines are for sale because they don't work.

I am quite happy to be corrected on this, but believe that she is referring to a machine that was advertised in the Valley Voice recently in a number of issues.

I had occasion to be shown the machine in question and can assure Mrs Hersey that although I don't know what it is, I can definitely state categorically that it is not a Rife machine as it is incapable of being adjusted to the multiple frequencies that Rife proposed. There are a number of machines being advertised for sale which are very doubtful in their ability to do the job, so people need to be very careful if thinking about buying one.

What I have done, in bringing Rife and his wonderful story of dedicated research and achievement in finding the cure for cancer into the public eye, is to unintentionally attack a number of people's belief systems. History tells us that this is always the case when people are unable to think that there can be improvement in the way we do things. Please believe me when I say that all that I ever wanted to do and still want to do is to see that a great man receives recognition for his achievements, so why are you attacking me? Am I to understand that you see Rife as a threat and don't want his name mentioned in polite circles? Please let us all know.

There is a serious contradiction towards the end of the letter where she asks people not to forsake convention and research as well as alternative treatments and appears to be advising that research into Rife's invention is necessary before it can be taken seriously.

As convention means hanging on to established ways of doing things, regardless of their value or efficacy, and research is scientific investigation without prejudice, we are talking about two diametrically apposed forces which can never be lumped together.

Rife gave his whole life to research. He built the world's most powerful optical microscope which enabled him to be the only person in the world to be able to see living viruses and witness their destruction using specific electrical frequencies.

It is a documented historical fact that in 1934 he agreed to treat 16 terminal cancer patients whom the doctors had declared to be beyond saving, and cured 14 within the first two months and the other two within the following six weeks. There were no recorded side effects whatsoever! Surely, a success rate of 100% in cancer treatment in 1934 deserves recognition! !! Have we learnt nothing???

By comparison, the Cancer Society proudly boasts that they are winning the battle against cancer with a success rate in excess of 60% which equates to a death rate of almost 40%, and one must take into account the fact that in medical circles, a cure is believed to have happened if the victim is still alive five years later no matter what their condition may be, and in many cases, the cancer returns later in life with the prospect of even more destructive treatment or worse if that's possible.

Just look at the trouble that Galileo had, telling the people that the world is round!!!

Charles Trollope,
St Marys.

Letter to the Editor,

I wish to congratulate the Valley Voice for its fair and open minded attitude towards the many and varied content of letters to the Editor.

This is what a healthy and democratically minded community should cherish and applaud.

We in St Marys are indeed fortunate to have a forum for public debate with all of the cut and thrust that goes with unrestricted interaction, which is one of many reasons why I love living here.

With regards
Charles Trollope.

Letter to the Editor

I would like to thank David Clement for his letter regarding the plantations growing in the area. My parents' property will soon be edged on the eastern side by a plantation on a neighbouring property.

I operate a small organic business (growing fruit, vegetables and herbs) on my parents' property. One of my garden areas is within 50 meters of the proposed plantation, with a dam located just meters from the property boundary. Runoff from the proposed plantation will go directly into the dam, from which I water this garden. If the runoff contains chemicals, it will cause my produce to be no longer organic.

Despite this threat to my business, I am not permitted to submit an objection to the proposed plantation. Objections are only accepted from "prescribed persons", that is owners of land adjoining or within 100 meters from the boundary of the proposed plantation. Due to not owning the land, I am excluded from having a "voice" in regards to an operation that may severely adversely affect my small business. This can hardly be considered fair or reasonable.

Hannah Rubenach.

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Letters to the Editor

It was not my intention to enter this debate which has been on-going for some time now but Charlie Hersey's letter urged me on.

I refer to the third paragraph of that letter in the Valley Voice 25th September, 2008, in regards to our **children**.

Nearly all the letters to the Valley Voice, so far, have emphasised mainly the emotional content of cancer, and this is a very great sadness and distress to all families with a member suffering from cancer, no one denies that, but there is another way of looking at the issue and at least trying to eliminating cancers from our society.

If that last set of statistics is correct (it was given out on the TV early in 07.) and that one in three Tasmanian children have cancer and one in four have asthma, then surely we are doing something wrong within our society and this is an indictment on our society.

May I quote from Rachel Carson's "Silent Spring" written 1962 and is still relevant to-day, (here I am indicating the dangers from Agricultural Chemicals) "Anyone reading Silent Spring will be moved by Carson's revelation to the deadly effects of exposure to seemingly harmless chemicals through bio-accumulation, bio-concentration and bio-magnification. While pesticides, ("-icide" is Latin for "to murder or kill" as in "homicide".)

BIO-ACCUMULATION.

Compounds accumulate in living things any time they are taken up and stored faster than they are broken down (metabolised) and excreted. Daily we bio-accumulate many vital nutrients such as vitamin A, D and K trace minerals, essential fats and amino acids. This is a normal process for our well-being. The downside, however, is that this also happens with substances that are harmful.

BIO-CONCENTRATION.

The process by which living organisms can collect and concentrate chemicals from the surrounding environment.

BIO-MAGNIFICATION.

The process that results in the accumulation of a substance in an organism at higher levels than are found in its own food i.e. "it becomes more concentrated as it moves through the food chain." end quote.

Whilst I am not suggesting for one moment that all cancers are related to Agricultural Chemicals, what I do see is that if more research was done into the causes of the disease, the statistics of chemical induced cancer would be interesting one to see (if indeed, it has ever been done) then by eliminating that factor which is causing the disease we would reduce the social and economic burden on us all.

We as a society should do everything in our power to see that no pregnant woman, infant or child is contaminated in any way whatsoever by chemical spraying, for the ongoing betterment of our society. With Chemical spraying, both ground and aerial, the planet will carry the guilt for the rest of time, it is both a political and moral issue facing us all to-day. There seems to be a rich and dense folk lore which defies logic and rebuffs rational argument especially in regards to this chemical issue and the disease of cancer.

To the writers knowledge, all Agricultural Chemicals are labelled "poison" would any of us deliberately give our children poison? Why then do we allow other organisations, and individuals, to spray our communities and public areas with poison? How is Government going to stop spray from drifting from target areas? Whilst the atrocities of WW2, were dreadful in the extreme, to me, it seems like a Sunday School treat compared to the atrocities we ourselves allow to continue within our society and our environment today. Legally the only way to go is to have Government introduce a Chemical Trespass Bill for the protection of all of us.

In 1954 Rachel Carson said, "The more clearly we can focus our attention on the wonders and realities of the universe about us, the less taste we shall have for destruction".

LETS ALL PROTECT THE CHILDREN and AT THE SAME TIME THE ENVIRONMENT.

Patricia O'Donnell.

In response to Mr Clement's comments on "Death of a Town".

Firstly I would like to say that for anyone who is so terribly depressed, there is very good professional help available. Cheer up man!

St Marys and the valley are not going to die. Mr Clement seems very fearful that the presence of a few hardwood plantations are going to mean the end of all the other diverse activities which are carried on here.

Filling the valley with "Hobby Farms" is no solution. Hobby farmers tend to be people who live by candlelight, and modern generator, but who still shop in the local supermarket. I don't know of anyone who preserves all their homegrown fruit and veggies or salts their own home killed meats for the winter season. Many hobby farmers have the internet though.

Trees are hailed as our saviour by the greens and scientists in the global warming debate. I have recently purchased my own carbon sinks, and enjoy having them.

Trees use less water than many other crops, as they only rely on natural rainfall. They do not need to be artificially irrigated. If you want to see real water overuse, try a tour of mainland irrigation areas where flood irrigation is used.

It involves large land areas, big money and lots and lots of water. Allocations are referred to in mega litres and expressions such as "Hectare Litres" are used. (that is 1 litre of water over about 2½ acres)

The huge pumps go for two to three days at a time, including overnight. Sometimes when the river is quite full the farmers are allowed "free days" so all pumps are going as there is no charge. Thank goodness we don't have that here!

As I look around, I see that we are already surrounded by forest. Lots of it. Something re-inforced during the recent bushfires.

During a recent conversation with Mr Clement at Mangana, he assured me that fire trail access was a factor taken into consideration in planning plantation allotments. He did not think that fire was the main concern.

The removal of too many trees in farming areas is not a good idea, as it can and does too often, lead to problems of salinity. The water, (taken up by stands of trees) at the lower sub-surface level, can rise nearer to the surface, bringing with it mineral salts. This renders the land unfit for healthy agricultural use. The midlands area is testament to this. We would not like to see too much die-back in our valley.

I am not an advocate for those who would like to see vast plantations. I would also like to see a continuation of cattle and sheep production.

In fact, names like 'Cullenswood', 'Londavra', and 'Harefield' are of historic importance and should continue, maybe as labels on designer clothes. "Fingal Valley" has a nice sound to it, don't you think?

A re-direction in our thinking is probably what will sustain us. So get positive.

My own life experiences have taught me to always look forward –don't panic.

For everyone's information:

I spent 7½ yrs in the Blue Mountains NSW. Urban setting, closely surrounded by trees. 9½ yrs SE Qld –6 yrs on 40 acres living alternative life, while building a house. 3 of those years I lived in a bush camp. Self-sufficiency did not sustain us, but the earthmoving business did. 3½ yrs on 5½ acres building a house, in an area surrounded by ex-pine forest. The original venture had failed and land was sold off to housing.

From 1979 to 1983, helped my first husband manage an irrigation farm, 15 miles from Trangie in NSW. Crop under cultivation was usually Sorghum. Balance of land was for cattle production.

I feel qualified to make some of these comments.

Jeanette Peryman,

St Marys.



ST MARYS POLICE REPORT

I have returned from a very nice break and thank Acting Sergeant ELDERSHAW for doing a great job in my absence. Both Constable BONNER at Fingal and Constable LLOYD at Avoca have also just had holidays so we are all refreshed and ready to go.

Recently local police have attended several ongoing disputes between neighbours. There are many reasons why neighbours don't get on with each other. Loud parties, boundary disputes, and access are just a few.

It is a lot better if the people involved can sort things out themselves rather than involve police and restraint orders. Please be courteous towards the people you live near.

As we come out of the cold months and head towards summer, there will be a lot more traffic on the roads, including the usual increase of people heading to the coast from the cities. Police, including unmarked police cars and speed camera will be patrolling the Esk Main Road and Tasman Highway for speeding motorists as well as drink drivers, and general road worthiness of vehicles. It is unfortunate that any time we patrol for speeding motorists we always catch a few. Please obey the speed limits.

I am pleased to report that despite a record number of calls to police on AFL Grand Final Day, the Valley was very well behaved. Const BONNER also advises that the Fingal Football team were also well behaved after another Grand Final win. Well done guys.

Tony ROUGHAN
Sergeant 2274
St Marys Police

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One person's observations.

Walking into my living room an afternoon or two ago, I was amazed at the yellow glow suffusing the room. The last rays of the setting sun had touched the wattles and gums growing on the ridge opposite my house, and the whole world was bathed in gold.

Gold, a precious metal much in demand at the moment, when the world is heading for bankruptcy and we might all be on the Titanic.

Here I was, very comfortable in my modest home in St Marys, which led me to think about the world and all its problems, bird flu, global warming, Aids, the USA elections, culture or lack thereof—whatever that means—and what we have locally.

It is such a shame. "Blink twice and you're through St Marys," I've been told.

So stop blinking and look around. You need no gurus nor the input from do-gooding experts to tell you there are more positive things here than you can point a stick at. Open the doors, you own a key!

This is a town of 600 odd people. Very odd! But oh so kind, generous, enterprising, skilled knowledgeable, brave and friendly.



No culture? Nothing to do? Here are a few of my favourite things—

The Lions Club with children's Christmas parties, street parades, sausage sizzles, sesquicentennial celebrations, AND buying undies for furies. What a collection of emergency parcels!

You can play tennis, golf, bowls and swim in a heated pool in summer. Fish from the beach or go for a trout. Then there is the choice of cafes and coffees, take-aways, or sit down meals with or without history, crafts, gifts, jazz, dancing, snooker, darts. Accommodation in or out of town in B&B's, pubs, farm or private.

Very few towns of 600, not counting the dogs, boast an 8 bed hospital with hard working staff, and Auxiliary raising funds for health, comfort, safety. And Carols by Candlelight. A warm friendly place providing telehealth, child and baby care, laser therapy, podiatry, diabetes and breast cancer support, day care, excellent meals on wheels, massage and physio—some 30 services.

Need a dose of culture? Check out the galleries. Then there is Grassy Bottom, SMACD, with monthly markets, community radio, Woodwork shed, Cranks & Tinkerers, boat building, choir, line dancing, maypole dancing, yoga, lantern making for the Winter Solstice festivities, kites and school holiday activities. Make a quilt or a garden seat.

A real Hall with excellent floor, acoustics, curtains, kitchen and supper room. One can go on stage, put on a tutu ballet performance and bring the house down.

For those who want less hot air and more fresh air, join the Wombat Walk Landcare Group, a walking group, the history group, the school farm, or help save the furies.

Volunteer Ambos, Furies and SES have a beautiful new centre from where they can help save lives, properties or our lost selves.

The Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre or TLC, is the unique laser centre that puts on the Annual Melbourne Cup Luncheon, with lots of food, fun, prizes and surprises.

The Valley Voice news bi-weekly, On-Line Centre, library and several book groups attend to our reading needs.

Community buses help us with transport to & from health appointments and for social activities if one is beyond driving.

School buses ferry the kiddies from kinder to year 10, alternative years 11 & 12 to a District High School in beautiful grounds, ideal for learning.

How good to be able to support those who provide us with the goods and services from our garage, bakery, hair dresser, chemist, health food shop, deli, plumber, electrician, builders, carpenters, painters, odd job people and gardeners.

A supermarket with butchery & free delivery, Post Office with letter delivery, bank, Op-Shop, variety stores, clothing outlets, newsagency with parcel delivery depot, pay as you go electricity and a range of papers and magazines you could not read in a month of Sundays.

Reticulated water, sewerage, tip and garbage collection for your daily needs.

Churches for your spiritual needs. How rich are we with family, friends and neighbours. Now is the time to stay in touch, make a contribution and reap the benefits of living in a small space, a small town with a big heart—St Marys.

Jan Sparkes.

Husband: "When I get mad at you, you never fight back. How do you control your anger?"

Wife: "I clean the toilet."

Husband: "How does that help?"

Wife: "I use your toothbrush."

**UPDATE OF ACTIVITIES BY THE
LIONS CLUB OF STMARYS INC.
2007—2008**



During the 2007-2008 period our Lions Club members have once again “put in” to the surrounding areas, providing much needed assistance and help, to make this a better place to live. Some of the activities included:
 Provided free BBQ for tree planting day.
 Clean up Australia Day work.
 Provided food to a needy family.
 Cut and delivered firewood for Fathers Day raffle.
 Obtained a Federal Government grant for a computer and tent.
 Provided assistance and donation to Four Mile Creek rehabilitation work.
 Gravel and work for walking track to Gray Mares Tail Falls at St Marys Pass.
 Trees for rehabilitation work at St Marys Sports Ground.
 Picnic table for Winifred Curtis Reserve at Scamander.
 Finalised garden vouchers for fire damaged properties.
 Donated special chair to St Marys Hospital.
 Conducted Christmas raffles and sold Lions Christmas cakes.
 Replied to 140 Santa letters.
 Decorated town for Christmas and Reunion weekend.
 Organised “Back to St Marys Sesquicentenary weekend”, including installation of Heritage Footpath. (Approximately 2000 attended this weekend.)
 Club received award for ‘Break O’Day Community Event of the Year’ for the Reunion weekend.
 Provided water and transportation of hay, plus other assistance to local fire victim.
 Conveyor belt collection and sales. Thanks to Jason McGiveron for his assistance.
 (This is the Club’s major fundraiser)
 Donation for travel to Melbourne to assist car accident family.
 Cash donation to St Marys Hospital Auxiliary.
 Donation to Tasmanian Lions Foundation.
 Donation to Lions “Sight First 2”.
 Hosted evening with Ian Macnamara –Australia All Over.
 Conducted Children’s Christmas Party and Parade.
 Catered for Winter Solstice.
 Provided firewood to local resident.
 Support for Cystic Fibrosis Appeal with donation.
 Sold bulbs for “Parkinsons Disease” research.
 Donated tulip bulbs to Wombat Walk Weeders.
 Assisted with donation to allow Hannah Rubenach to attend Regenerate Conference in Ireland.
 Donation to Graeme Milburn ride for cancer research.
 Continued support to St Marys District School with donation for awards.
 Donation to Lions Drug Awareness Foundation.
 If anyone needs to contact a club member at any time, below is a list of members for 2008-2009.

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| President: Len Miles | Directors: Peter Burns |
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Dick Adams


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Written and Authorised by Dick Adams, 53B Main Road Perth, Tas. 7300



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Electoral Education St Marys District High School

Stephen Ferris and Trudy Dall'Ozzo from the Australian Electoral Commission conducted an electoral education session at St Marys District High School on Monday 29 September. Elections and enrolment were the main topics, and a practical exercise to show how elections really work was enjoyed by the students.

If you are not enrolled, or you have moved house and need to update your details, now is the chance to do it by filling out an enrolment form. Even if you are only 17 you can complete the form now, so that you will be automatically enrolled on your eighteenth birthday.

With one in four 18 year olds not enrolled to vote, and many 17 year olds not aware that they can enrol now so they are able to vote as soon as they turn 18, the Australian Electoral Commission is urging more students to enrol.

You can check your current enrolment details on-line any time at www.aec.gov.au or by phoning the AEC on 13 2326.

To enrol to vote or to update your details you must fill out an enrolment form. Enrolment forms are available at any Australia Post, Centrelink or Medicare office, any AEC office and on the AEC website.



St Marys District High School students. L/r:
Miranda McDonald, Rose McDermott,
Sandra Gillies and Cameron Gillies.

NEW WATER SCHEMES BRING OPPORTUNITIES

The first of the public consultations with farmers and the community on the proposed 11 water schemes being proposed under a joint State and Federal water scheme for Tasmania had a very positive response yesterday.

Dick Adams, the Federal Member for Lyons, attended the presentation and was pleased that to see the numbers attending and in principle support for the suggested schemes.

“At last we can start moving towards drought proofing the State for the long term and start getting water into the really dry areas almost immediately.”

Dick Adams said that the majority of the \$140 million of Federal funding promised to the State at the last election would be primarily used to provide infrastructure for the schemes.

“It will help farmers start planning for a future. It has been a very grim time for them over the last three or so years and this gives them a very strong light at the end of their dark tunnel.

“I hope too that farmers will take stock of their properties and see how they can farm smarter and seek advice on new farming techniques, new watering machinery, along with new crops and value adding their livestock.

“In times of change, such as we are having with the weather, it is vital to look at how we do things and seek every opportunity to turn these challenges into opportunities as Tasmanians have done very successfully over the years.

“This new water won't be cheap, but it will allow a guaranteed supply at dry times so farmers can plan for a sustainable future for their properties.”

Dick Adams said he was encouraged by the optimism shown by many of the farmers, but he was also aware at the huge stress that farmers and their families have experienced trying to deal with change and drought.

“Rural workers are isolated from many of the support services that the city folk enjoy, so I am keen to ensure that with the new water regime that there is also help for those making the tough decisions as to whether to continue or look for new directions.

“It will be a new era and therefore there will need to be a transition time, and this has a very human aspect. My role in all this is to ensure that the Federal funds are used smartly and to ensure that farmers and their families have the best help to make the right decisions.”

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OCTOBER 25TH.

EAST COAST ENVIRONMENT AWARD

GOES TO CONSERVATION GROUP REPLACING PLANTATIONS WITH NATIVE BUSH

A conservation group on Tasmania's East Coast has won a community environment award for its work in replacing plantations with native bush.

The Break O'Day Mayor, Robert Legge, presented the inaugural 2008 Velvet Worm Award to Todd Dudley from the North East Bioregional Network on Sunday, 28th September. Mr Dudley said his group was pleased to receive the one thousand dollar award. "It will be a big help, we'll use the award to buy a new chainsaw for cutting down pine wildlings." Mr Dudley said.

The Network is removing pines to re-establish native forest on 260 hectares of harvested plantation behind Scamander and Beaumaris. The project aims to restore the native habitats of threatened species like the velvet worm, which the award is named after.

The Mayor Robert Legge said the council was making a statement with the award. "Break O'Day is home to two species of rare and unique velvet worms – small creatures whose contribution in our forests is easily overlooked."



*Mayor Robert Legge, left
and Todd Dudley & Co.*

Photo: Courtesy Break O'Day Council.



Giant Velvet Worm. Photo by Dr. R. Mesibov.

The white Blind Velvet Worm is only found near St Marys while the pink or mauve Giant Velvet Worm lives in forests behind St Helens and Scamander. As the name suggests, they are soft velvety animals around five centimetres long and look and move like centipedes. They live on the forest floor in rotten logs and leaf litter and give birth to live young. Both are carnivorous night time hunters, immobilising their prey by squirting them with a sticky liquid.

"The Velvet Worm Award recognises those in the Break O'Day community who have made a special contribution to our natural environment. With this new award we want to acknowledge and

encourage individuals, businesses and groups in our community who do so much for water, land, biodiversity, atmosphere and coastal and marine environments." Councillor Legge said.

The council's Natural Resource Management Facilitator, Polly Buchhorn, said a five hundred dollar Schools Velvet Worm Award would be presented later in the year to recognise the important role education has to environmental sustainability for future generations. The awards are part of the council's Natural Resource Management program which works with the community, industry and government agencies through a partnership with NRM North.



Debbie* has 3 children. Due to a family situation, she is unable to look after them for a few days, or maybe longer. Sarah, Jane & Luke* are in need of a loving, safe, stable home.



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Progress report on the St Marys Fire and Emergency Services building.

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The lining of the interior is well on its way, the surrounding grounds being attended to, concrete being poured etc., so it looks like the building will be finished on time.

It is looking good and I'm sure will be well received by the public as well as all those who will work from there.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION

The St Marys Hospital auxiliary would sincerely like to thank the following two local groups for their unselfish and much appreciated recent financial support to our ongoing endeavors to provide much needed equipment and facilities for the health and welfare of our facility patients.

The Aurora staff of our local depot: During the year staff members participate in a Health and Safety scheme whereby they are financially rewarded for the number of "no lost time days" achieved during the annual period. Through their efforts a considerable sum was accumulated of which by their decision and desire, was donated to the Auxiliary and its ongoing cause.

The St Marys Sports Centre Golf Ladies: Each year this great group organise a special Ladies Golf Day, and again by their own decision and desire, the proceeds are donated also to the Auxiliary, and again, is a significant amount. The outstanding issue about this generosity is that no obligation or compulsion exists for either group to make this gesture, which certainly provides incentive and inspiration to all members of our somewhat small committee, to continue to achieve their goals.

The donations allowed the Auxiliary, along with tremendous community support, to provide "Wheelchair Platform Scales" and a "Special Shower Chair" costing \$5924.95 which is now in use at our Centre.

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Kevin Faulkner. Sec.



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Over \$400 was raised to help the MS Foundation.

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ST MARYS ASSOCIATION FOR
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INC.

Minutes of General Meeting
held on 26 September 2008

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Eo reported that we would have to simply wait and see what develops with the land on the corner of Groom and Story Streets before we can act any further. It was, however, resolved that Eo write direct to the Break O'Day Council informing them of SMACD's interest in the land and its future vision of a Sculpture Heritage Park with walking tracks linking to all other parks in the township.

Eo also reported that she was still working on a number of project to create employment opportunities for young people in the area. One possibility was a recycle unit at the St Marys Tip.

She would also apply for funding which is available for the research and training of people in the development of new products and processes to tackle climate change.

Finally she produced drawings and gave a progress report on the St Patricks Head promotional suit and the 10th Birthday Cake. She said both were progressing well.

MANAGERS REPORT:

Greg reported that he was currently running an eBay course on Mondays with six participants. The course would run over a three to four week period.

Also training was under way on website development, utilizing Dreamweaver and Photo Shop. This course is designed to help local community groups and businesses to build and set up their own website, which can be a valuable asset in today's world.

If funds are available, Greg said he hoped to purchase a small photocopier for in-house use and one new computer which would make way for another computer online in the Treasurer's office. This would also be handy when times are busy.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Neil asked to investigate the viability of a permanent sign advertising the Online Centre to be placed in a highly visible position in Main Street. (Resolved)

It was resolved that Neil research funding for the St Patricks Head walking track from other sources. One possibility was through a Sport and Recreation Grant.

A discussion was held regarding public liability for walking tracks and it was finally resolved that the Secretary write to Council seeking their help and advice on the matter. If community groups have to cover the public liability, the costs would be too high, resulting in worthwhile projects being shelved.

It was resolved that Eo and Jim attend the Council Community Forum to be held on the 15th November 2008.

Concern was shown by some members that due to future mining and forestry operations in the area, some mining artefacts could be damaged. It was resolved that SMACD look at the possibility of moving any artefacts that may be in danger to a suitable site on public land.

One project that has been on the SMACD drawing board for some time is a spring water drinking fountain in the centre of town. It is believed this would be a wonderful asset for tourists and locals alike. It was resolved a feasibility study be carried out to ascertain whether spring water could be accessed close to town and what the costs would be to pipe it to a suitable location where it could be gravity fed to a feature fountain. →

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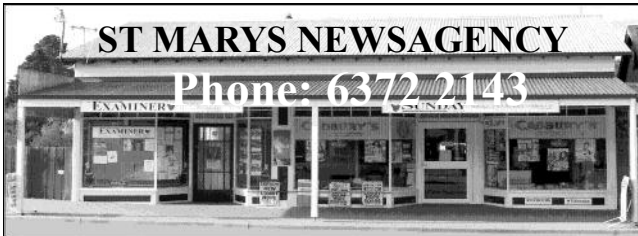
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The Spring Fair is to be held on the 8th November. It was resolved that Online Centre handle the posters for this community event.

Resolved that the SMACD Christmas and 10th Online Centre Anniversary party be held in December and a discussion on the planning be held on Monday the 13th October at the Online Centre at 1 pm





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A well known and respected community member recently commented to me that he felt that the proliferation of letters in the Voice were perhaps too much nowadays. It's certainly not for me to say about that. Only our incredibly hard working (and I really mean hardworking) editor has the right to decide on that of course.

For me personally this paper has always been entirely fair in that very little is censored that restricts the writers opinion, unlike other outlets that can at times, delete enough to confound the message. I always enjoy the paper and opinions expressed in the many and varied submissions each issue. Very occasionally even my entries receive a reply.

What I don't think should occur is comments either directly or indirectly on personalities, their attributes, motives or lack thereof. This is certainly not common or widespread but is for me not productive, or as entertaining as some people might find it.

I'd suggest that all of us continue to stick to the subject matter and any documented facts if available and/or any persons that might be a part of that and leave the personality judging out of it at ALL times.

Two positives in the last fortnight have been the Main Street Makeover proposal which is well needed and awaited. The other was the incredible, astounding support for the East Coast Cluster Choir last Thursday night at the St Marys District High School Hall.

You've heard the term STANDING ROOM ONLY. That is exactly what it was. It was a huge vote of confidence throughout the school zone for 125 very enthusiastic and talented Grades 3 to 6 students from Fingal, Bicheno, Swansea and St Marys.

It was also announced after proceedings that with a bit of luck in the fairly near future a major development for similar projects might further value add to this community. Let's really get behind and support this Performing Arts component of the area. It is a must.

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Bits & Pieces

When Abel Tasman discovered Van Diemens Land in 1642, he sailed around the Southern tip and landed for a short time at Blackman's Bay, where he took on board wood and fresh water.

He then sailed up the East Coast to latitude 41.34 degrees and headed east to New Zealand.

Before leaving the shores of Van Diemens Land he recorded seeing a bald mountain which many early historians attributed to St Patricks Head.

If the latitude recording was correct, however, Tasman would have been too far out to sea to see our most recognised icon and his mountain would most likely have been Ben Lomond.

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17 December 2008	10.00 am to 12 noon

St Helen's Healthy Community House (5 Portland Court, St Helens)

22 October 2008	2.00 pm to 4.00 pm
12 November 2008	2.00 pm to 4.00 pm
17 December 2008	2.00 pm to 4.00 pm

Scottsdale - Dorset Community House (3 Cameron St, Scottsdale)

23 October 2008	10.00 am to 1.00 pm
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Clients will be seen on a first come first served basis. If you do not want to wait, please make an appointment by telephoning 6336 2050

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Telephone 03 6336 2050
Facsimile 03 6336 2074
DX 70126

B U R N I E

50 Alexander St Burnie 7320
PO Box 550 Burnie 7320
Telephone 03 6434 6444
Facsimile 03 6434 6440
DX 70209

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PO Box 87 Devonport 7310
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GRASSY BOTTOM REGIONAL ARTS...

would like to thank the following people for their help setting up and running the concert held at St Marys Hall on Thursday 25th September.

Lesley for setting up, Anthony White for setting up PA equipment. Kelly for manning supper table. Liz, Tracy, Kelly & Eo for their kind donations of cakes for supper.

Thanks to the committee for their hard work so far for the up-coming **Spring Fair**, ESPECIALLY Rachel for her hours of hard work organising the programme.

Rachel, you've gone above and beyond the call of duty.

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 Monthly meetings
 Wine and food in local restaurants



Wine tours to local wineries

Coming Events.

October 26th
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 \$50 includes bus trip, wine tastings & morning tea.

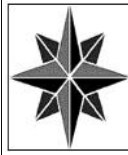
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Leanne 6372 5291



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NAME: DATE OF BIRTH: AGE:

ADDRESS:

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The School

The State School house in Main Street is an old fashioned building, divided into two fairly large rooms, and the teacher's residence is a detached four roomed cottage standing in its own grounds. The school building is of wooden construction, old and dilapidated. It was erected about 1876. The walls are now crumbling to pieces, age and dry rot is telling its tale. Besides, the accommodation for the children is far too scanty, and a much larger building is urgently required. When Mr Smith took charge of the school in 1893, the number of pupils on the roll was only about 60. The number of scholars on the roll now is 95, and the average daily attendance about 80. The school for the past two years has been in the charge of Mr Edward McGregor, who, in his work, is assisted by two lady teachers. It is understood that at the beginning of next year, the erection of a new school house will be commenced. It will be none too soon. However the district as a whole is well supplied with schools; there are no less than five of these within a five mile radius of the Post office, situated at Mt Nicholas, Cornwall, St Patricks Head, Germantown and Gray.

The Fingal Municipal Council at its meetings sometimes goes into session as a 'Board of Advice' regarding school affairs. At its meeting in May, the Board received an application by the teacher of the Cornwall State School to have a woodshed erected and a lock placed on the door to prevent coal being stolen. This at a place built on coal! In true Solomon fashion the members decided they were not empowered to construct new buildings and would communicate the request to the Department. At the same meeting, application was received from the St Marys State School for an additional allowance to be made for cleaning of the premises, but it was decided to let the matter stand over for a month, in the meantime other arrangements might be made.

Library

The Circulating Library, sustained by a few ladies who act as honorary librarians, is stocked with a well-selected lot of books which, if not exactly the latest publications, are entertaining and instructive, the Library being well supported and much appreciated.

Sport

There is no lack of sport in St Marys, cricket and football are prominent pastimes, and in the seasons create a great deal of interest. The Recreation Ground is quite close to the town. On it the teams practice and fight their battles with leather sphere and willow. Sports Meetings are also held on the ground, as it is admirably adapted for all kinds of athletic contests. The Fingal Council this year set aside £25 in response to an application for assistance to improve the Recreation Ground. Mr James Phillips, the blacksmith, who takes great interest in matters of this kind, and in the improvement of the ground, was successful in collecting £3-5-0 for tree planting. Having obtained sixty trees, he and Mr L Schier, who is the saddler of the town, lately planted them in the Reserve and supplied tree guards for their protection.

The Racing Club is most important in the town. The principal fixture is on a New Year's Day, when about £150 is given away in stakes. The racecourse is two miles away on the Woodlawn Estate, owned by Mr R Wardlaw. The racing committee has now obtained the use of a tract of land adjoining the Recreation Reserve, on which they propose holding meetings in the future. The area of land is barely sufficient of itself to cut out a full course. However, if they succeed in persuading the Trustees of the Recreation Reserve to grant the use of a portion of their ground when race meetings are being held, then an excellent racing track would be provided. This need not be used as a training track, as there is ample space for that purpose on the committee's own ground. Racing in the district should be encouraged as it teems with good sportsmen and cross country riders; while over the sticks' (hurdles) are always part of the Racing Club's programme, the St Marys Handicap over 1¼ miles for a prize of 10 sovereigns is the premier event. Mr A V Doyle and Mrs Doyle both race gallopers. They have their stables adjacent to their residence on the Rivulet, sometimes eleven horses. According to my informant they do not always see eye to eye about horses – their sons, Ernie, Arthur and Percy ride for them, two for the mother and one for the father.

Final instalment next issue.

A father passing by his son's bedroom, was astonished to see that the bed was nicely made, and everything was picked up. Then, he saw an envelope, propped up prominently on the pillow. It was addressed, 'Dad'. With the worst premonition, he opened the envelope and read the letter, with trembling hands.

'Dear, Dad

. It is with great regret and sorrow that I'm writing to you. I had to elope with my new girlfriend, because I wanted to avoid a scene with Mum and you. I've been finding real passion with Stacy, and she is so nice, but I knew you would not approve of her, because of all her piercings, tattoos, her tight motorcycle clothes, and because she is so much older than I am. But it's not only the passion, Dad. She's pregnant. Stacy said that we will be very happy. She owns a caravan in the woods, and has a stack of firewood for the whole winter. We share a dream of having many more children. Stacy has opened my eyes to the fact that marijuana doesn't really hurt anyone. We'll be growing it for ourselves, and trading it with the other people in the commune, for all the cocaine and ecstasy we want.

In the meantime, we'll pray that science will find a cure for AIDS, so Stacy can get better. She sure deserves it! Don't worry Dad, I'm 15, and I know how to take care of myself. Someday, I'm sure we'll be back to visit, so you can get to know your many grandchildren.

Love, Your son, Joshua.

P.S. Dad, none of the above is true. I'm over at Jason's house. I just wanted to remind you that there are worse things in life than the school report that's on the kitchen table. (Call when it is safe for me to come home)

MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER

October	St Marys	Fingal
Monday 13th	Debbie Barnes	Sharon Hall
Tuesday 14th	Ruth Aulich	
Wednesday 15th	Anne England	
Thursday 16th	Heather Griffiths	
Friday 17th	Hannah Rubenach	Robyn Miller
Monday 20th	Trish Pike	Lynda Bean
Tuesday 21st	Pam Lynch	
Wednesday 22nd	D & V Rice	
Thursday 23rd	Geoff Herrmann	
Friday 24th	Claire Bean	Shirleen Woods

Church Services

Catholic Parish of St Marys

Sr. Lorraine Groves
Parish House. Ph: 6372 2252
Mob: 0409 172 741

1st Week: MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
Bicheno 9.00am
Fingal 11.30am
Campbell Town 5.00pm

2nd Week LITURGY

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
St Marys 9.00am
Bicheno 9.00am
Fingal 9.30am

3rd Week: MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
St Marys 9.00am
Swansea 11.30am
Campbell Town 5.00pm
Bicheno Liturgy 9.00am

Week 4 LITURGY

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
St Marys 9.00am
Bicheno 9.00am
Fingal 9.30am

5th Week MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
Bicheno 9.00am
St Marys 11.00am
Ross 5.00pm

Anglican Parish of Northern Midlands

Avoca: 11am 2nd/4th Sundays
Fingal: 3 pm 1st/3rd Sundays
Mathinna: 3pm 2nd/ 4th Sundays
Ross: 11am 1st/3rd Sundays
Campbell Town: 9am every Sun.
(3rd Sunday –Family Service)

Anglican Parish of Break O'Day

Ph: 6376 1144

St Helens Every Sunday
8 am and 10.30 am
Kanga Sunday School
10.30 am – 12 noon
every Sunday for children
5 – 12 yrs
St Marys every Sunday 10 am

Pyengana 4th Sunday, 2pm.

Salvation Army

Monday JAM

3-5pm every Monday.
except school holidays.

Envoy Melanie Norton Ph: 6372 2099

Sunday Joy

will resume Sept 28.

Break O'Day Uniting Church

The Manse St Helens
Ph: 6376 2405
St Helens 9.00 am
Fingal 11.15 am
Seventh Day Adventist
Hodgeman Street Scamander
Sabbath School 10 am
Divine Service 11 am

St Marys Online Access Centre

Opening Hours:

Monday 10am -3pm
Tuesday 10 am-4pm
Wednesday 10am-4 pm
Thursday 10 am – 3 pm
Friday 10 am – 3 pm
Saturday 11 am – 2 pm

Ph: 6372 2005

St Marys District High School B Class 1968 and C Class 1967

A 40 Year Reunion Dinner
is to be held at Scamander on
Saturday, November 29, 2008, for students,
teachers and staff of these classes.

Contact Patsy on:

0428918252 or 63918252

Email: stmarysreunion@gmail.com

Classifieds in the Valley Voice are free of charge. If your articles are not sold after the first entry, we will repeat the ad in the next issue.

Please inform us if your items are sold.

Please note: Letters to be published in the Valley Voice must be signed. Please include your full name and contact details. Your name need not be published, but we must have a signature. Please keep letters to 300 words or less.

Contacts for Valley Voice

PH: Judy: 6372 2155

email: judith.spilbury@bigpond.com

Accounts: Mary: 6372 2328

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Main St, St Marys,
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Church Services

Every Sunday at 10:30 am
At Scamander Fire Station

For all enquiries:

Pastor David Brewster

Ph: 6372 2796

ALL WELCOME

October 2008



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			9th October	10th October ♦ Launceston Show Day Holiday
13th October ♦ Dental Service	14th October ♦ Dental Service ♦ Speech Therapist	15th October	16th October	17th October
20th October ♦ Dental Service	21st October ♦ Dental Service ♦ Primary Assembly 11am 1/2 Hibberd to lead	22nd October	23rd October ♦ School Athletics Carnival	24th October ♦ School Athletics Carnival



Please feel free to contact them regarding your child's dental health on the numbers below:

St Marys Dental Unit 6372 2488
St Helens Dental Unit 6376 5208
Kelham Street Dental Unit 6336 4100

Dates for St Marys:



- Monday 13th October
- Tuesday 14th October
- Monday 20th October
- Tuesday 21st October
- Monday 27th October
- Tuesday 28th October

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The School Executive Officer
St Marys District High School
13 Gray Road
St Marys 7215

Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Inspection can be arranged on Wednesdays - ☎ 6372 3900

TENDER CLOSES on 31 OCTOBER 2008 at 12.00 noon



The Bronze Star

This year the St Marys District High School Association Inc. is again offering **The Bronze Star**. This award is aimed at the older student. Only those in grades 6-12 and who are competent swimmers will be able to participate. The aim of the programme is to develop skills and knowledge of safe water rescue and survival.

The programme may be offered twice if there are sufficient numbers during the summer.

If your child/ren is interested in participating, please indicate by completing the form below, nominating the preferred session and return to the St Marys District High School office no later than 31st October, 2008.

Further information about the date, costs and the instructor will be sent out once expressions of interest have been received.

Child/rens Name/s: _____ Grade: _____

Grade: _____

Grade: _____
Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Please circle the preferred session : **During Term 3** **During January**

Contact Sandra Cook 6372 2002 after hours for more details on any of these programs.

Fitness Programme

The Fitness Programme is once again being offered for the summer of 2008/2009. If your child/ren is interested in joining please complete the form below and return the St Marys District High School office no later than 31st October, 2008. This year parents are being asked to indicate which session they would like to participate in. Mark the time your child/ren is interested in registering for. The dates have not yet been finalised.

Please note: only the signed forms will be accepted as evidence of interest, *not* phone calls.

Contact Person: _____

Postal Address: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

My child/ren is interested in the following sessions only.

Name/s : _____

Session One
Term 3 2008

- Monday afternoon only
 Wednesday afternoon only
 Both days

Session Two
Term 1 2009

- Monday afternoon only
 Wednesday afternoon only
 Both days

If you wish to car pool, please indicate.

Summer Swimming Programmes

The St Marys District High School Association will be coordinating the **Learn To Swim Programme** in 2009 if there are sufficient numbers of children aged 5-15 years. This programme caters for the beginning swimmer and for those wishing to improve their deep water skills. The cost for this will be \$60.00 for the first child and \$50.00 for any other child/ren in your family.

During 2009, the Association will continue the programme called **What Can I Do with My Child in the Pool? A Parent Education Programme**. The aim of this session will be to assist parents in allowing their young child/ren to become aware of a water environment in a safe setting.

Please complete and return the form below no later than 1st December, 2008. Note: Dates have not yet been finalised.

Learn to Swim Programme for children aged 5-15 years.

Child/ren's Names: _____

What can I do with my child in the pool? A parent education programme. (A programme for pre-Kinder aged children.)

Child/ren's Names: _____

Contact Name: _____

Postal Address: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

13 Gray Road, St Marys, TAS, 7215.
Phone: 6372 3900 Fax: 6372 2543
Email: st.marys.district.high@education.tas.gov.au



ST MARYS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

DOCTORS ROSTER

Please be aware of changes to the doctors roster.

DOCTORS on ROSTER

Dr Ali- 9/10/08-16/10/08 &

21/10/08- 23/10/08

Dr M. Smith- 17/10/08- 20/10/08

Dr Reeckman- 27/10/08- 30/10/08
Women's Health Clinic- 31st October 2008

St Marys Community Health Centre

GP Surgery Hours:

Monday—Friday 8:50am-12:30pm

12:30pm-1:30pm LUNCH

NO PATHOLOGY SERVICE 12:00-1:30pm

1:30pm-5:00pm

There is no regular Saturday GP Clinic

SCRIPTS AND DOCTORS APPOINTMENTS

*Please ensure doctors appointments are booked **prior** to your medication/s running out or **in advance** if you are attending this practice regularly.*

Scripts can not be requested by patients over the phone and are unable to be done over the weekends ensure you have enough medications in advance.

AFTER HOURS SERVICE

PLEASE PHONE GP ASSIST ON 1300 780 011
AMBULANCE 1800 008 008 or
EMERGENCY 000

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE 6372 2111

BEFORE PRESENTING AFTER HOURS.

PLEASE BE PATIENT waiting period can apply.

THANK YOU

To the Hospital Auxiliary for their very generous donation of equipment to the Community Health Centre. The donation of the new shower chair and electronic wheelchair scales are a huge asset to the Centre, thank you.

- Karen O'Shea DON.

OPTOM EYES

Visits St Helens 2 days a month. For appointments please phone 6376 1374

Times: Day 1- 11:40am- 4:40pm
Day 2- 08:40am- 2:20pm

Dates for remainder of 2008:

30th & 31st October

27th & 28th November

18th & 19th December

WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE

- 14th Oct **Child Health Session** with Sue Gofton
Every Tuesday by appointment.
on: 0428136381
- 15th Oct **Psychologist** Dahotay Teboul,
appointments by referral from your GP.
- 20th Oct **TLC** (Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre)
General Meeting 10am in the Day Room.
- 21st Oct **Child Health Session** with Sue Gofton
Every Tuesday by appointment.
on: 0428136381
- 21st Oct **Rae & Partners Barristers and Solicitors**, Tom Bain phone 6337 5555
- 28th Oct **Child Health Session** with Sue Gofton
Every Tuesday by appointment.
on: 0428136381
- 29th Oct **Podiatry**, Lightfoot Podiatry Services. For appointments please phone 6331 9568.
- details. All parents and guardians welcome to attend.
- 29th Oct **Psychologist** Dahotay Teboul,
appointments by referral from your GP.

AMBULANCE SERVICE FEES

Please note that fees **DO NOT APPLY** when using the Tasmanian Ambulance Service in Tasmania.

During 2007 it was discussed to introduce an Ambulance Levy Fee. In February 2008 it was agreed **not to introduce this fee.**

If you require the Services of the Tasmanian Ambulance Service please call 000 for emergencies and 1800 008 008 for non emergency cases.

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A.H. & WEEKENDS 0409 800 394

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PODIATRY SERVICES 2008

Bookings for private Podiatry Services can be made by phoning:

Lightfoot Podiatry Services Launceston

Phone 6331 9568 for appointments.

Next Podiatry Session- Wednesday 29th Oct

Want to know more about cancer?

Open to people affected by cancer and interested others



**Cancer
Council**
Tasmania



Healthy Community Project



Australian Government

Cancer Australia

Where: The Day Room, St Helens Hospital

When: October 16th from 1.30 – 3.30pm

Who: Dr Stan Gauden, Head of Holman Clinic, Launceston
Dr Robert Brodribb, Clinical Liaison Officer
Abbie Ford, Social Worker

Programme

- 1.30 The nature of cancer, prevention and screening
- 2.00 Treatment: Surgery
- 2.15 Break (light refreshments)
- 2.45 Treatment: radiation therapy, chemotherapy
- 3.00 Social and practical issues
- 3.30 Questions and close

This is a free session

Registrations are essential

Contact the Healthy House on 6376 5242 to register

Fingal Primary School News



East Coast Cluster Choir

On Thursday 2nd October 22 students from Fingal Primary School joined students from Swansea, Bicheno and St Marys to perform in the Bicheno Town Hall. These students had been travelling to practise for the choir for a number of weeks. The ABC Radio interviewed some of the students and recorded their performance and aired it on the radio. They then travelled to St Marys and had a BBQ and ice cream before their night performance in the St Marys School Hall. The hall was packed and it was a very entertaining night. Congratulations to our students for all their hard work and thank you to Mrs Spykers and Mr Wardlaw for allowing us to be involved in this wonderful opportunity.



Amber Saddington



Grace Gee



Zoe Simpson and Jorgia Woods

Calendar of Events - October

6th	7th Parent Meeting 7.00 p.m.	8th	9th Launceston Show Launching into Learning 1.30—3.00 p.m.	10th Launceston Show Day Holiday
13th RSPCA Emu Van - at Avoca	14th	15th	16th Small Newsletter Launching into Learning 1.30—3.00 p.m.	17th School Psychologist— Jane Stewart visits

St Marys Sports Centre News Kackhander

A bit light on for news this time around for both sports, but here goes. Thanks to everyone involved in whatever capacity on AFL Grand Final Day. It wasn't a big turn out but again those who took part had a fun morning before the big game.

That was the general idea and the result was achieved. Whether you were a cook, player or both, a big thanks.

Bowls is just about to commence and due to a number of reasons we are still shy of good numbers to field strong teams. It is important that players please try to attend practice in the next couple of weeks to help out in this regard.

Opening Day was held on Sunday October 5th. This officially kicks off the season and new bowls president Jim Turner envisages a solid season ahead provided of course we can keep our players together again.

Wouldn't it be fabulous to win that third successive Men's flag and our first ladies one for many years. It's certainly possible you'd think.

Subscriptions are dribbling in at the moment but it would be good to have the bulk in by the end of October.

Back briefly to golf and Summer comps are a must in some form. One idea is to conduct official comps on Sundays to allow those involved in bowls or summer business commitments to play without compromising those people on Saturdays.

Sounds like a good idea but needs people to say so. If it is a goer please let us know soon.

Any way until next time, good hitting and rolling.




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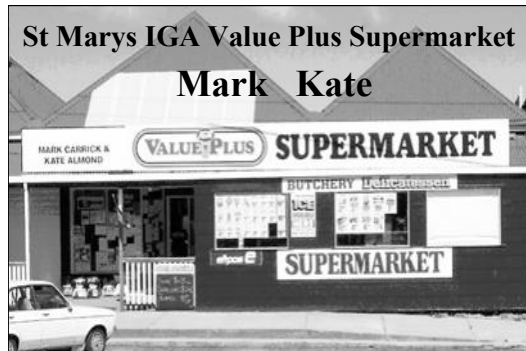
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Mon – Fri 8am – 6pm
Sat 8am 12 noon

In-store butchery

This week

Porterhouse steak	\$14.99kg
Lamb forequarter chops	\$ 7.99kg
Nichols gourmet chicken sausages	\$ 8.99kg
Inghan free range thigh fillets	\$12.99kg
Inghan free range breast fillets	\$14.99kg

Instore specials

Kit e Kat canned cat food 410g	.85ea
Pea Beau fly spray	\$ 2.99ea
CSR white/ raw sugar	\$1.59ea
Pedigree Pal Canned dog food 700g	\$ 1.39
Dynamo/Cold Power - liquid 1.25lt	\$ 4.99

Late week specials

Sorbent toilet tissue 4pk	\$ 1.99
Palmolive dishwashing liquid 500ml	\$ 1.99
Devondale longlife milk 2lt	\$ 2.79
Ardmona canned fruit 825g	\$ 1.99

In-store butchery

Next week

Rump steak	\$10.99kg
Regular mince	\$ 7.99kg
Corned silverside	\$ 6.99kg
Turkey leg roast Seasoned	\$ 6.55kg
Oyster blade roast or steak	\$ 7.99kg

In store specials

Arnotts shapes/Savoy/Clix 160-200g	\$ 1.99
Kelloggs cornflakes 525g	\$ 2.99
Kelloggs Special K 630g/Nutri-Grain 560g/	
CocoPops 735g/ Sultana Bran 820g	\$ 4.99
Cottees cordial syrup 2lt	\$ 3.49
Bushells tea cup/blue label tea bags 100s	\$ 3.99

Late week specials

Juicy Isle longlife juice 2lt	\$ 1.99
Bundaberg white sugar 2kg	\$ 2.39
Chum canned dog food 1.2kg	\$ 1.49
Spree laundry powder 1kg	\$ 1.99ea

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