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**BREAK O' DAY AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS**  
 by Jim Haas

On the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2007, Break O'Day Council held their Australia Day Awards Ceremony at the Tidal Waters Resort, St Helens. The ceremony, which was attended by over two hundred people, was organized by Council Community Development Officer Chris Hughes, with the awards being presented by Mayor Robert Legge and Deputy Mayor Margaret Osborne OAM. Entertainment was provided by the Suncoast Singers.

After the introduction by Mayor Legge, eight Australian citizen certificates were presented, one of which was to well known St Marys resident Trevor Coward. Following Trevor were: Mrs. Mel Aitkens, Bruce and Maureen Englefield, Sandra, Kelsey, Daniel and Steven Johnson.

Congratulation must go to all community groups and individuals who received nominations and awards, with a special mention to our own Gerald Aulich who is a well deserving Citizen of the Year. Gerald's wife Wendy and son Michael made it a family affair by jointly winning the Outstanding Individual Volunteer Achievement Award.

As Gerald said in his acceptance speech: "Volunteers in our community are not worthless, they are priceless."

**Award for Australia Day Citizen of the Year**

**Nominees:**

Michael Aulich, Gerald Aulich, Wendy Aulich, Jan Blades, Lorraine McGee, Jeffrey Parsons, Debra Parsons,

**Winner**

**Gerald Aulich**

**Award for Outstanding Individual Volunteer Achievement**

**Nominees:**

Eva Cymbalek, Nancy Carpenter, Gerald Aulich, Michael Aulich, Wendy Aulich

**Winners**

**Wendy Aulich & son Michael Aulich**

**Award for the Community Event of the Year**

**Nominees:**

Lions Back to Cornwall Day and opening of the Coalminers Heritage Wall  
 Variety Concert - Suncoast Singers - SK8Fest - St Helens Athletic Carnival

**Winner**

**Lions**

**Back to Cornwall Day and opening of the Coalminers Heritage Wall**

**Award for Outstanding Organisation Volunteer Achievement**

**Nominees:**

St Helens Neighbourhood House  
 Suncoast Singers

**Winner**

**St Helens Neighbourhood House**

**Award for Young Citizen of the Year**

**Winners**

**Darren Watkins  
 Eldene O'Shea**

**Recognition for Outstanding Volunteer Service during the December bushfires was given to all**

**Volunteer Fire Brigades in the Break O'Day Municipality.**



*Gerald Aulich, Break O' Day Council Australia Day Citizen of the year, with wife Wendy and son Michael, both of whom jointly won the Individual Volunteers Achievement Award.*



*Break O'Day Mayor Robert Legge presents the Community Event of the Year Award to Jim Haas, President of the Cornwall Community Group.*

**Please note: Deadline for articles to be included in the next Valley Voice is: 5 pm Tuesday, February 27, 2007.**

## 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 the **e.Scape Café** at 6.30pm. 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.

**New Fashions for Winter!** *Posties Fashions* presents the new winter collection for 1 night only at Gone Rustic, 37 Main Street, St. Marys, on **Wed., 21<sup>st</sup> February (7 for 7.30)**. Sizes to fit everyone from size 8-26. Have fun trying on clothes, sharing with friends PLUS enjoy a cuppa and supper at the end! **RSVP by 19<sup>th</sup> Feb.** (6372 2724 or 0409 289 997)

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| <b>Friday</b>    | 10 am – 3 pm |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 11 am – 2 pm |

Ph: 6372 2005

Val & Ken Anderson hope all had a Great Christmas and New Year!

#### THANK YOU

We would like to say thank you to the people who so generously gave of their time to protect our property from the recent bush fires.

Special mention to Ian Herbert and his team from Malahide, the Fingal and Blessington Rural Fires boys, and the Fingal Forestry gangs.

Your generous help and support during this traumatic time is greatly appreciated.

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#### THANK YOU

Mrs Joan Gillies would like to say a sincere thank you to the doctors and staff of the St Marys Community Health Centre, for looking after her so well during her recent stay in hospital.

### REQUEST FOR MICHAEL

The Schier family would like to make a request to anyone who has the time to visit Michael, who is now at Medea Park Residential Care at St Helens.

Michael or ‘Moscow’ to many, suffered a very severe stroke in September but is able to recognize people, especially voices. His speech is coherent and he would particularly enjoy visits from friends and acquaintances.

Please address Michael's right hand side for vision and speech, and we would be very pleased if you completed the visitor's book which can be used as a conversation starter.

Thank you, from a very grateful Schier Family.



### JAM

(Jesus And Me)  
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Roster starts Wed 21st. New players can then be included in the roster.

Please come early on the Wednesday morning  
so that the draw can be done.

**New players welcome.**

## **A LITTLE BIT OF HERITAGE: *by Jim Haas***

### ***The Second Church***

Last year in the Valley Voice I talked about Christ Church Cullenswood being the first church to be built in the Break O'Day Plains in 1847. The second church was a little more modest than the Anglican Church, however. It was built by the Roman Catholics, under the guidance of Father John Fitzgerald, just a ten minute walk west on one acre of land donated by Mrs Thomas Ransom of "Millbrook".

Father Fitzgerald, it appears, was a dynamic man and one of Tasmania's greatest pioneers of the Catholic ministry. Indeed in 1854, he was the first Australian born Priest to be ordained in Rome. He was born in Hobart in 1830, then as a young man went to England and attended the St Mary's College in Oscott, before going to the English College in Rome.

For seven years from 1855 to 1862 he served his people on horseback from Campbell Town to St Helens and down to Swansea. We can only imagine the difficulties Father Fitzgerald would have faced each time he set out on his demanding trek over virtually unmade roads and, at times, flooded rivers to serve the needs of his parishioners.

Soon after beginning his ministry to the Break O'Day Plains he supervised the fund raising and then the building of their first Catholic church. It was described as a simple style timber building, some 40 feet long by 20 feet wide, with a beautiful bell tower at one end and a fine Gothic window over the altar. Although it was completed in 1858, it was not until the 30<sup>th</sup> January 1859 that the Lord Bishop of Hobart Town travelled to Cullenswood and with the assistance of Father Fitzgerald, held a Divine Service to consecrate the humble little building.

What a memorable day it must have been for the Catholics of the district when some 300 persons filled the new church to capacity, all of whom appeared to give His Lordship their undivided attention as he gave his sermon on the evils of intemperance. This, he said, was unfortunately too prevalent in this constituency.

After the sermon the collection plate was handed around and the magnificent sum of over 70 pounds was collected. The Bishop was more than pleased with this creditable amount and praised the Catholics of the district for their generosity. He said it was a sign of their appreciation for the zealous endeavours of their Pastor who, during the past three years, had labored most intensely for this project.

The little Church of St Mary at Cullenswood was rather short lived, however. Less than ten years after its completion a new town was surveyed three miles further east. The new town, which was eventually named St Marys after St Marys Pass, soon began to grow rapidly and by the 1890's had taken over from Cullenswood as the main service centre for the Break O'Day Plains. The people of St Marys were like the majority of English speaking people in the colonies, they had a deep love of the Christian faith and a house of worship was an essential part of the community, hence churches began to spring up.

The Wesleyans were the first to build their little chapel in Storey Street in 1884, followed by the Anglicans in Main Street in 1895. Finally the Catholics chose a high spot on the eastern end of town and built a fine church which was dedicated on the 9<sup>th</sup> November 1899.

The dedication of the Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church at St Marys, however, saw the end of the modest little building at Cullenswood that had served the community for forty years. It was moved to St Marys and forms part of a house in Newman Street.

The ministry of Father Fitzgerald too was short lived. It seems he took ill and returned to England in 1862 and died at Plymouth in 1864 at the young age of 34. The only reminder of his momentous part in our heritage is the old graveyard, which like the Cullenswood Church grounds, is the resting place for many of our early settlers. Names like Davern, McIntee, Bullock, Leech, Strochnetter and King are but a few that were dominant in pioneering the district. But John Fitzgerald and the significance of his contribution to the Break O'Day Plains appears sadly forgotten.



***Old Graveyard at Cullenswood where the first Catholic Church in the Break O' Day Plains once stood.***

## BOOK LAUNCH

As a Sesquicentennial present to St Marys, well know Cornwall identity and Valley Voice heritage writer, Jim Haas, has written and compiled a book called "150 Years of Heritage".

The book is made up of over 50 pages which covers the history of the Break O' Day Plains, as well as the industries, events, sport and heaps of photos, all of which are designed to help the reader learn about our heritage and remember significant times in the building of our wonderful, unique community.

With the help of Valley Voice coordinator Judy Spilsbury, the book is being edited and printed in St Marys, making it a completely local project. As well, all the work on the book is voluntary and sponsored by St Marys Association for Community Development, with all profits going back into the community.



*Jim Haas, proudly showing the book he will have on sale soon.*

The book will be available from various businesses around town from next week, or can be ordered from St Marys Online Access Centre on (03)6372 2005 at \$10 per copy (Plus \$3 postage if required).



### Donation to St Marys Fire Brigade

After hearing of the magnificent work the St Marys Fire Brigade volunteers did during the bush fires in December, the committee of the 'Friday Market', Wilmot Rd in Huonville decided to make their donation this year to them.

In January, Mr and Mrs Ted Hayes, travelled to St Marys to personally present a cheque in the amount of \$1000. Michael Aulich, St Marys Fire Brigade Chief, is pictured accepting the cheque from Mrs Joy Hayes.

The 'Friday Market' supports the Anglican Church, Red Cross and local Huonville schools.

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Greg Cruse from the St Marys Online Access Centre, pictured presenting Mrs Pam Gillies with the computer package she won in the 'choosing the flag' competition. The computer was donated by the St Marys Association for Community Development..

## The Say by Cagerattler

Welcome to 2007 in the Sesquicentenary Year, and the 40th year of the valley Voice.

First up, let's hear from you all about some of the things important to you, and let's also hope for responses whatever they may be to some of our topics.

As the Valley Voice concluded last year we had just seen the devastating fires in our area, and we counted the cost of them. Now that the dust or smoke has settled, and for many life has returned to normal, there are all sorts of issues emanating from those fires.

How do we feel about more hazard reduction burns to control fuel loads around our state?

Do we feel our fire management plans can be further improved on?

How do we feel about the community contact and information avenues, when these sorts of incidents take place, and how did we measure our local government response?

These sorts of questions may need to be answered and perhaps while things are fresh in our memory a public forum could be conducted to 'think tank' all this.

We all have a great admiration for everyone involved in the December fires, but that doesn't mean to say we still can't learn from this whole thing. Some little lessons and experiences may well save others or perhaps even ourselves if ever this was to occur again.

I wonder if our council would consider such a forum some time this year, and ask representatives from emergency services to take note of what might come from it?

What do you think?

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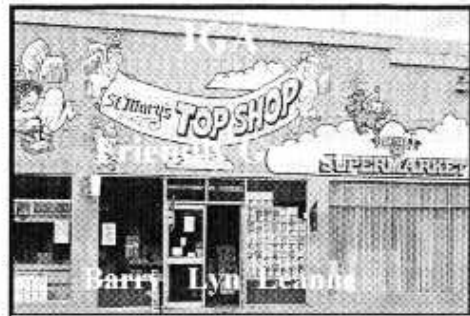
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## Lohrey's Road Fire.

On Sunday Dec 10, 2006, at around 14.30, a call was received about a fire in the Lohrey's Rd/Cato's Rd area. Upon investigation a large vegetation fire was discovered.

Given the current weather conditions, which were very similar to Ash Wednesday, things were looking grim. Outside crews and aerial support were called in immediately, with the decision being made to go into 'property protection mode'.

This meant protecting property only, any attempts to try and stop the fire would have to wait until later when conditions were more favourable. The fire was too severe to try and control at this time.

While waiting in Lohrey's Road for trucks to arrive, a phone call was received from a Gardiners Creek road resident to say a fire had started in that area, (this was a spot fire from the original fire, spotting a distance of 6kms) meaning a re-deployment of a truck and a need for further resources.

The fire spread rapidly over the next few hours, leaving a wave of destruction behind it. At this stage there were eight Tas Fire Service fire fighting appliances, one helicopter, numerous Forestry fire fighting appliances and machinery on location.

As the night drew in, crews could start to be stood down for rest, leaving only minimal personnel on the fire ground, as it had become obvious by now that this fire was going to take considerable time and many resources would end up being involved.

The fire then turned into the worst fire the state had seen since Black Tuesday, 1967.

The cause of the fire was accidental, and started from a camp fire in the Cato's Road area, showing just how careful one must be when using fire outside. Without the support of the helicopters and dozers, this fire would have been much larger, and caused far more devastation. The helicopters in particular were an extremely valuable resource.

The St Marys Fire Brigade would like to thank everyone for their support during and after the fire. The generosity of everyone will be remembered for a long time to come.

I am not going to mention names, for fear of missing someone. The support from individuals, groups and businesses, with donations of much needed food, supplies, replacement fridges, refreshments, money and clothing, (for those from away who didn't have a change) was overwhelming.

I would also like to take this opportunity to personally thank all TFS, Forestry and Parks personnel from close and afar with a special mention to the St Marys Brigade members for their dedication and assistance in fighting this fire.

St Marys Fire Brigade Chief  
Michael Aulich

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## RED CROSS APPEAL FUNDS

The Mayor of Break O'Day Council, Robert Legge, announced recently that a further \$70,000 will be directed to help 19 families who have been affected by the December 2006 fires.

This is on top of over \$280,000 in cash assistance that has already been distributed to families, businesses, farmers and other organizations in the area.

"We are committed to getting real financial and other support to families as quickly as possible," Mayor Legge said. "I understand that this is a very difficult time for our community, so it is critical that we get it right, from the start. There has already been some support for those affected by the fires, but there is more to do," said Mayor Legge.

The assistance recently agreed to is the phase of assistance to be made available from funds raised in the Red Cross Appeal. These grants are to be paid directly to families affected by the fires, and represent some of the most urgent cases. The Council and Red Cross will continue to consider applications over the next 3 weeks.

Over \$1 million is now available for recovery assistance to the community affected by the recent fires. This includes the \$700,000 made available from the State and Commonwealth Governments and around \$350,000 which has been donated through the Red Cross Appeal.

Applications for funding from the Red Cross Appeal can be lodged with the Council up until 2 March 2007, and assistance will be directed to those most in need as soon as possible after this date. Urgent cases will also be considered as applications are received.

Mayor Legge welcomes the appointment of Susan Powell to assist Chris Hughes and other members of the Break O'Day Council to work with the community and affected families on priorities for assistance.

Mayor Legge encourages everyone affected by these fires to contact Susan and Chris, to make sure that the Council directs assistance to those most in need.

"We want to know what families need to recover from these fires," Mayor Legge said. "I urge everyone who wants to understand what is going on, to contact the Council. We will also be actively talking to families affected by the fires over the coming weeks. Recovery from these events is a long haul, but we will be here for the community at every stage," said the Mayor.







Its not every year a community turns 150 years old. Sadly some don't even reach their Sesquicentenary, as many Tasmanian communities have been and gone.

St Marys is a shining example of its people's determination to stick around, no matter what happens. There have been enormous changes in society. Industry closures and downturns, Government interference or inaction, but St Marys continues to defy attempts to take away services with a belief in its future and sense of community.

As with any year, 2007 brings many challenges and opportunities for the town. New businesses will open, the Town Hall is being ungraded with disabled toilet facilities and the dreaded acoustics issue addressed. The recreation ground is being improved by the Break O'Day Council working with the community to develop an action plan. Many events are organized to help celebrate the Sesquicentenary. With congratulations to the Pacing Club for kicking off our year.

The 3rd Annual St Particks Head Festival will be held on St Patricks Day, March 17. You can visit e.ScApe Caf  Gallery and vote in the St Patricks Head Festival Photography Competition.

The 'Old Railway Station' will open with a Lions Club breakfast BBQ and a community photo taken. In the afternoon, markets will be held and a community concert is planned for the St Marys Town Hall in the evening, giving you a chance to critique the acoustics.

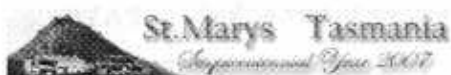
Ten Days On The Island comes to St Marys on March 28th from 7pm at e.ScApe. FAR FLUNG FLICKS is presented by Screen Tasmania, and offers a selection of short films from Tasmania and New Zealand.

The Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre will host a Mothers Day morning tea in the St Marys Town Hall, with only a gold coin donation, on Wednesday May 9th(prior to Mothers Day Sunday).

A major event will be in June with the Annual Winter Solstice Festival. The celebration will feature various local, Tasmania and interstate acts, and promises to be a great evening at the recreation ground.

July will see the celebration of transport, with 'the train man' bringing his models to St Marys Town Hall from the 1st to the 14th. Then from the 24th of June a car show will be held in the hall. Also on the 24th of July, Gone Rustic will host the 'hanging of the quilts', in the Lions riverside park in St Marys.

Then on Saturday December 1st, it's the Sesquicentenary Celebration. The day will feature lots of fun and reminiscing, certificates awarded to long term locals, plus the unveiling of a sculpture celebrating our past 150 years, whilst looking towards the future.



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## ST MARYS COMMUNITY HALL

Break O'Day Council is currently undertaking building work in the St Marys Community Hall and the hall will be unavailable for use until early March.

Acoustic cladding is being installed and maintenance carried out on the ceiling and lighting.

Please contact Jen Binns (Facilities Officer) on 6376 7900 if you would like further information.

Brian Inches  
General Manager.

**OUT OF THE WOODWORK** by Reon Johns President 63722094

With the bushfires under control and the New Year's celebrations out of the way, we can get down to business. A big thank you to all those fries who took part in the defence of our town... A job well done and much appreciated.

The Guild is currently running a basic woodturning course and the first two students are ladies, both are doing very well. When this course is over we will conduct another one. We intend to have courses that are of interest to all members and ones that will challenge or develop new skill sets.

There has been a lot of interest in the Guild from members of the local community. Some wishing to join and others want things fixed or made. All enquires are very welcome, and we are glad to help out whenever possible.

As part of St Marys Sesquicentenary celebrations the Guild is going to build a quarter scale replica of the first aeroplane to land in the town. The plans have been ordered and members are keen to start. When it is finished it will be exhibited at the History of Transport and car show in June. Then it will be placed in the St Marys Railway Station history room.

The Guild meets on the last Saturday of the month in the Goods Shed behind the St Marys Railway Station, at 4pm.

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Monday 19th February 2007

St Marys Community Centre (in Day Room)  
Ordinary Meeting: 10am

**Annual General Meeting: 10.30am**

If you can spare 1 hour a month please come along  
and join us at the TLC, we would welcome  
your input and time.

Just turn up or phone Esther on **6372 2348**

Esther Rubenach  
Secretary — TLC

### Professor Piller

The TLC is excited to announce that Professor Neil Piller from Flinders University in Adelaide is once again coming to St Marys on the 19th, 20th & 21st of March for lymphoedema patient assessments. Professor Piller is looking forward to his visit to see the continuing growth of our St Marys Centre and the great work being done here with the Laser and Massage Therapies being offered, with Kate and Sue being renowned for their remarkable achievements.

For more information on Laser and Massage,  
please phone **6372 2900**



### IN LOVING MEMORY OF CATHY

Suddenly taken from us on  
Christmas Eve.

She was a beautiful person and an  
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Kelly, Robyn, Alizon Billie and Gary.

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Accounts: Mary: 6372 2328

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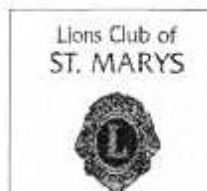


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## ST MARYS LIONS CLUB NEWS

### CHRISTMAS IN ST MARYS 2006



The lead up to Christmas this year was one that will never be forgotten. Fires burnt surrounding Cornwall, St Marys, Scamander and Four Mile Creek; houses burnt, gardens and bush devastated, some will never recover.

But - Christmas celebrations did go on as in past years, to hopefully give at least to our younger generation something else to focus on, other than fires. Tents were erected, jumping castle and stage set up, ice creams and drinks packed in ice, presents wrapped, sweets bagged up and most importantly, Santa on standby.

At 2.30pm, Faulkner's Green was almost deserted, but by 3pm children and families had arrived. The crowd swelled by hundreds.

Free tickets were handed out for raffle draws of presents for children and adults; chips, ice creams and drinks were given out, then it was time - Santa arrived in style on a motorbike, to the delight of all the children. Santa took late orders, talked and danced with the children and gave out sweets from his bag. 3/4 of an hour rushed by then it was time to leave with a wave and a promise to visit later that night. Ruth Aulich organised the children for a treasure hunt around the Lions Park area. More prizes were given away!

Ray Singline and friends entertained with great music and also assisted Lions Club with raffle draws between sets. 5pm rolled on and the Christmas Parade began.

The absolute stars of the Parade this year were our local Volunteer Fire Brigade - cheers and clapping to show the towns appreciation for the effort and wonderful job these men and women had done over the past weeks, putting their own lives at risk and on hold, as they fought to save our communities. Then, followed by Aurora, Ambulances and Paramedics, children on decorated bikes and some great floats. A wonderful effort put in by so many people.

1st Prize: St Marys Hospital Nurses

2nd Prize: Pirates of the Caribbean

3rd Prize: Jackson Spilsbury on his tractor.

After the Parade more music and dancing. The Lions Christmas Stocking was then drawn and the winner was Paul and Genevieve Aulich's family. Then it was on to the St Marys Hotel to dance the night away to the music of "Gypsy Rose". A great finish to another Lions Club Christmas Eve.

Ruth McGiveron. Vice President.

#### THANK YOU

St Marys Lions Club wish to thank most sincerely those businesses in our community who gave donations to our Club to enable us to put on such a great Christmas Eve Party.

The total cost of this party each year is around the \$2,000.00 mark; so a big THANK YOU to those who donated cash and goods

Ruth McGiveron. Vice President  
St Marys Lions Club



| MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER |                 |                     |  |
|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|--|
| Feb/Mar                | St Marys        | Fingal              |  |
| Mon 19th               | Fe Gillies      | Sharon Hall         |  |
| Tues 20th              | D & K Floyed    | Robyn Holder        |  |
| Wed 21st               | D & V Rice      | Alana Johns         |  |
| Thurs 22nd             | Yvonne Salter   | Rhonda Hoskinson    |  |
| Fri 23th               | Geoff Herrmann  | Mim Woods           |  |
|                        |                 |                     |  |
| Mon 26th               | Annette Davey   | Kaylene Sutton      |  |
| Tues 27th              | Pam Lynch       | Tom Brady           |  |
| Wed 28th               | Ruth McGiveron  | Christine Woods (P) |  |
| Thurs (M) 1st          | Pat O'Donnell   | Lynda Bean          |  |
| Fri 2nd                | Hannah Rubenach | Shirleen Woods      |  |

### Church Services

#### Catholic Parish of St Marys

Sr. Helen Hickey,

Parish House. Ph: 6372 2252  
Mob: 0427 055 963

#### 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

#### 4th Week: 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 the Northern Midlands

Services each Sunday

Avoca 8 am  
Fingal 10 am  
Mathinna 2nd & 4th  
Sunday monthly at 11.30am

#### Daily Office Reading

Avoca Tuesdays 10 am  
Fingal Tuesdays 12 noon  
Ross Wednesdays 10 am

#### Anglican Parish – St Helens

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 10 am

(No service 5th Sunday)

#### Pyengana 7.30 pm

5th Sunday months only

#### 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

Tim Morris MHA  
Member for Lyons



#### CONTACT:

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# THANK YOU FIREFIGHTERS AND LOCAL RESIDENTS



## Recent Bushfires in St Marys and Surrounding Towns

The Tasmanian Greens would like to congratulate the people of St Marys and surrounding towns on the outstanding display of community spirit that saw you through the recent bushfires in the area.

We send our sincere thanks to all firefighters for doing such a fantastic job in the most difficult of circumstances. And while our thoughts are with the many people who have lost crops and property, we would also like to praise locals for their extraordinary efforts that restricted loss of life.

## Very Best Wishes for 2007!

Tim Morris MHA (your local Lyons member), Peg Putt MHA, Nick McKim MHA, Kim Booth MHA



### Tim Morris MHA

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## BOTHWELL INTERNATIONAL HIGHLAND SPIN-IN

Bothwell is the place to be from March 2—4, 2007, when thousands of textiles lovers from across Australia and the world will descend on this historic town in central Tasmania for the Bothwell International Highland Spin-in to show, develop and celebrate their skills with yarn and the friendship that is such an important part of this famous fibre festival.



A key feature of the spin-in, begun in 1978 by Barbara Fowler, is that visitors have the opportunity to try their hand at spinning, weaving, felting, dyeing and much more.

There are many competitions and displays, from the Longest Thread, where the aim is to spin the greatest length of 2-ply yarn from 10 grams of sheep's wool, to classes for stoles, scarves and freeform knitting.

There will be two international guests. Nilda Callanaupa from Peru in South America will give workshops in weaving and traditional Inca textile crafts, and Margaret Stove from New Zealand will run workshops in lace knitting and fine spinning.

Aboriginal basket weavers from Central Australia will demonstrate their skills and Grietje van Randen and Sonja Hindrum of Tasmania will showcase their felt sculptures and wearable art.

For 2007 the idea for friendship is being further developed. Everyone in the world is invited to collect one metre of thread from their friends and families, knot them together and send them to be wound on to a special "friendship ball". When complete, it will weigh two tonnes and the thread will be long enough to extend around the world at the equator, linking everyone for peace.

When complete, Bothwell will have its own "Big Thing" which will eventually be put on permanent display in the town.

Spin-in founder and patron Barbara Fowler says the Friendship Ball's progress can be viewed on the website ([www.bothwellspinin.com](http://www.bothwellspinin.com)).

"Our logo is a gathering of people from around the world," Barbara says. "The spin-in is all about sharing and friendship and fun. "Contributing to the ball doesn't cost anything – all it takes is a little bit of yourself."

[enquiries@bothwellspinin.com](mailto:enquiries@bothwellspinin.com)

Or visit [www.bothwellspinin.com](http://www.bothwellspinin.com)

### **ST PATRICKS HEAD DAY PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION**

Adding to the St Marys Sesquicentenary celebrations, the competition brief for 2007 is:

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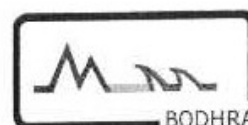


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| Falmouth Community Centre   | <b>Wednesdays</b> —14th Feb,<br>7th & 21st Mar, 4th Apr<br>2nd, 16th & 30th May | 10.00am—12.00 noon     |
| St Helens Sports Complex<br>Main white building<br>(change rooms) | <b>Thursdays</b> —15th Feb,<br>8th & 22nd Mar, 5th Apr<br>3rd, 17th & 31st May  | 10.00am to 12.00 noon  |
| Bicheno Hall  | <b>Tuesdays</b> —20th Feb,<br>13th & 27th Mar, 24th Apr<br>8th & 22nd May       | 10.00am to 12.00 noon  |
| Scamander Sports Complex  | <b>Wednesdays</b> —21st Feb<br>14th & 28th Mar<br>9th & 23rd May                | 10.00am to 12.00 noon  |
| St Marys Golf Club  | <b>Thursdays</b> —22nd Feb,<br>15th & 29th Mar, 26th Apr,<br>10th & 24th May    | 10.00am to 12.00 noon  |
| Pyengana Hall   | <b>Fridays</b> — 9th March<br>6th April and 4th May                             | 10.00am to 12.00 noon  |

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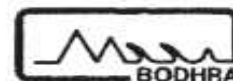
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# St. Marys Walking Group



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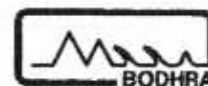
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**Come along and join us for an  
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Initially this activity will run for 6 weeks and depending on  
demand can become ongoing.

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# ST MARYS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

## **PLEASE BE PATIENT**

Current demand on our doctor is at an all time high. Please be aware that **waiting periods do apply**. **Phoning in advance may save you a wait. Please be patient**, we are doing our very best and your cooperation is appreciated. Everyone's health is important to us. — Manager CHC

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## **COMMUNITY TRANSPORT BOOKINGS**

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David Mallett Coordinator

## **DAY CENTRE RAFFLE**

1st Prize: Barbara Kringle

2nd prize: Shirley Barrett

3rd prize: Malky Wardlaw

4th prize: Barbara Kringle

## **'WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE'**

### **ST MARYS CHILD HEALTH CENTRE**

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**Next date: 27th February 2007**

### **PHYSIOTHERAPY DEPARTMENT**

St. Marys Community Health Centre is pleased to welcome physiotherapist

**Margaret Van Der Merwe.**

The physiotherapy clinic will be held each Tuesday and Thursday from 9am-4pm.

Please call 6372 2111 for appointments.

### **SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT**

Social Worker Shan Williams is available for consultation at St Marys Community Health Centre Thursdays, Fridays and every 2nd Wednesday (Next Wednesday being 21st February). For appointment please phone the Centre on 6372 2111.

### **NEXT PODIATRY VISIT**

Please note that Perry Daly's next visit:

**Wednesday, 21st March 2007**

Phone Lightfoot Podiatry 6331 9568  
for appointments.

### **LASER THERAPY**

While Kate Williams is on leave, appointments for lymphoedema therapy may be made with Sue Christiansen on 63672 2111.

### **DAY CENTRE NEWS**

Hayley Gilbert returns to her position at the St Marys Community Health Centre on

**Wednesday 21 February 2007**

~ Welcome Back Hayley ~

# Fingal Valley Meals-on-Wheels Association

We are looking for more recipients, ( our frail, aged or disability persons) in the Fingal area, who may need a meal at home after a short or long-term stay in hospital to help with their recovery. Please contact your hospital, Doctor or staff.

This service is offered Monday to Friday and is delivered to your home by our rostered drivers. Meals consist of soup, main course and a sweet at a cost of \$31.00 a week or \$6.20 per day. Also each month the association provide 1 bottle of blackcurrant juice free to recipients, plus Christmas gift .

If your interested in being on our roster once a month it takes only 1 1/2 hours of your time. our dedicated rostered drivers receive a small gift mid year for their commitment. Please contact Sue, Mim or Shirleen Woods, Fingal.

*"Petrol Vouchers for drivers"*



## St Marys Sports Centre news. by Kackhander

First to bowls and with the pennant team currently sitting in second spot on the ladder after a pretty decent, recent period, including a 3 rink win over the leading St Helens Blue Team, and a maximum result over Swansea the week before last, as well as other wins, there is hope for an elusive pennant.

There are two more games until the finals series, and it's pretty important to try and secure the double chance, now that a finals spot is just about guaranteed. As St Marys hosts the finals, we have a great chance to do well.

The East Coast Singles first round has been transferred until this upcoming weekend. With 8 St Marys players competing we need at least 6 markers as well, so all those who can assist would be much appreciated.

While still on bowls, a big thank you must go to Pauline and Drew Berwick, for their support and assistance with the Clive Berwick Memorial Triples. It turned out to be one of the best yet, and a special thanks to Longford Bowls Club, who brought about 6 teams down to add to the day.

Our caterers for bowls this year have been magnificent, and have been the envy of all our visitors. It's just incredible. To all of you, thank you.

There are high hopes of re-forming a ladies team for next year, and Janice Viney has done a great job recruiting a number of new players so far. If you are at all interested, give Janice a call or contact the club in the coming weeks and months. Wouldn't it be great to see them playing again?

To golf, and great news that the money for our new pump (etc) has arrived. This is marvelous news, and means that it's full steam ahead for the completion of the back of the course, over the next few months.

The Tuesday crew is also continuing with some great work, with all sorts of things going on. Some of this is tree planting and bunker rejuvenation. There has also been some great work on the roughs and older trees. Well done to you all.

Before we commit to fielding a team into the East Coast Men's Pennant this year, we will need to be sure of numbers who are interested in playing under the changed rules. Being a traditional club, some of our players have already indicated a less than favourable response, and are reconsidering whether to play or not under these rules. The club will only commit a team if we can be certain of having 9 players available all the time. To that end, there will be a meeting before the end of February to decide this. Please try and attend if you possibly can, and have your say.

Well done indeed to Kodie Donald for his great success at the recent Longford Junior Tournament. That was terrific news.

Dale Ridgers also did very well at Freycinet last weekend, that involved a playoff for the Men's Championship. Top effort too.

The re-scheduled dinner is now Saturday February 24th, and invitations are going out to all to attend if possible. Sorry about the delay, but host club duties for bowls have made it difficult to find dates.

The club would like to thank Bobby, Russell, Beth, and anyone else who helped with the painting and redecorating of the ladies restrooms. What great work. It looks fabulous. Thanks so much to you all.

Anyway, until next time, goods hitting and rolling.



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Mon - Fri 8am - 6pm

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### Next week's specials

#### From the Deli:

"Verey Nice" Champagne ham \$ 9.99 kg  
Oven Roast Turkey breast \$19.99 kg

#### From the Butchery

Gourmet Chicken portions \$ 5.59kg  
T Bone steak \$14.99kg  
Regular beef mince \$ 6.99kg

#### IN STORE SPECIALS

Sanitarium Weetbix 750g \$2.49  
Arnotts cream biscuits 180-250g \$1.99  
Orchard Fresh long life juice 2.4lt \$2.49

#### FROM THE FREEZER

Birds Eye oven/fry fish 425g \$6.45  
Papa Guiseppi family pizzas 520-530g \$5.65  
Bulla Creamy Classic 2lt \$3.99