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PRIVACY: THE RIGHT OF THE INDIVIDUAL

The notion of privacy has changed with the advent of the technological age in which the use of computers & other electronic devices is widespread. Increasinglyk we need protection from the information coll-

ected from and about us.

According to the Law Reform Commission privacy has expanded as a notion to embrace the individual's claim to control the perceptions others have of him through informothers have of him through through ation collected about him. The danger of the increasing collection of data about individual persons is that it may be stored & its subsequent use may prove to be harmful or discriminatory. This threat of invasion of privacy is seen as The daninvasion of privacy is seen as dangerous because often the individual may have no control or access to information kept about him.

We need to be aware & concerned about such intrusions into our privacy. It is not only people who are well known by the public, but also the 'ordinary man' who is affected. The problem is that we grow accustomed to intrusions which we may formerly have resented, simply because of their increasing occurr-

ence.

At present the law is inadequate in providing protection for the Privacy of personal information. **
The possibilities of m stakes & mis- This afternoon, I'll stand out on use to the disadvantage of the person are infinite. Technological advances in recent years have re-sulted in increased data collection and storage about individual citizens with the development of computerised information systems. capacity of the computer encourages collection of more detailed and

personal questions.

Each of us from the day he is born begins to deposit information about himself in various public and priin various public and pri-es. Our desire to be let vate files. Our desire to be lealone must be heeded rather than be forgotten in modern society's quest for efficiency and informat-

ion.

WHAT IS CHRISTMAS?

What is Christmas? Is it a day filled with the excitement of sharing together the laughter & happiness which is traditionally associated with the "festive" season? A day when children will be up early enthusing over their presents, lost in their world of fantasy & imagination, their eyes reflecting the wonder which we like to think characterises Christmas?

Or is it a day of loneliness - a day similar to the one described in the following poem by Les Murray?

The Widower in the Country

I'll get up soon, & leave my bed unmade,

I'll go outside & split off kindl-

ing wood
from the yellow-box log that lies
beside the gate,
and the sun will be high, for I get

up late now. **

I'll drive my axe in the log & come back in

with my armful of wood, and pause to look across

the Christmas paddocks aching in the heat,

the windless trees, the nettles in the yard.

and then I'll go in, boil water and make tea.

the hill

and watch my house away below, and

the roof reflects the sun and makes

my eyes water and close on bright webbed visions smeared

on the dark of my thoughts to dance and fade away.

Then the sun will move on, and I will simply watch,

or work, or sleep. And evening will come on.

Coming on dark, I'll go home, light the lamp and eat my corned-beef supper, sitting there

at the head of the table. Then I'll go to bed.

Last night I thought I dreamed - but

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WHATS ON

BOWLS. St. Marys Bowling Club will be holding their Annual Bowls Carnival on January 9-10-11. Friday Jan 9. Ladies Fours Jan 10. Mixed Fours Jan 11. Mens Fours.

Intilectto the Secretary.

G. Oliver, St. Marys. PH. 72 2158

XMAS CAROLS.
The Hospital Auxiliary will hold their Christmas Carols on the front lawn of the Community Hall on Sun. 14th Dec. at 8.30pm. Plenty of Carol singing compered by Mr. Lancaster, Principal of our High School. Come along and unite as one big family in the Xmas Spirit. A. Birrell (sec.)

The Lions Club of St. Marys is joining with the St. Marys Traders in making St. Marys a bright town for the festive sesson and we would like to ask if the people of St. Marys would help by decorating the front windows of their home or shop with a lighted Christmas tree or some coloured lights. For New Year Period. Santa will be around on Christmas Eve afternoon with the Jolly HO: HO! HO! lollies icy poles, balloons and goodies for the children. So how about it St. Marys make it a BRIGHT CHRIST MAS. MAS. signed SANTA.

TASMANIAN PENSIONERS UNION Fingel, St. Merys Branch A meeting of the above branch will be held in the Institute, St. Marys on Wednesday 17th December et 2pm. All pensioners invited to ettend. J. Spilsbury (Hon. Secretary) Fin el/St. Marys Branch.

ATTENTION:::

Due to family illness St. Marys taxi service will not be operating until further notice.

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THE STAFF OF THE LAUNCESTON BANK FOR SAVINGS STOPARYS FOR THE WISH ONE AND ALE HAPFINESS There or AT CHRISTMAS, AND JOY AND PROSPERITY IN THE NEW YEAR

90%IX FORMITTE

Uniting Church Fingel Sunday School Anniversary Sunday 21st of December 7 o'clock. Christmes service : Carols & Nativity Scene (by Children). Supper after in the Church Hall, ladies a plate please. Prize giving. All welcome. Your attendence would be gratefully appreciated.

Catholic Mens Dinner, St. Marys Hotel, Senator Brian Harradine; guest speaker Date Later.

Family B-B-Q, St. Marys Catholic Church grounds. Dec 21st 5pm.

Cornwall

The Salvation Army Sunday School Anniversary will be held Sunday 14th Dec. at 3pm. Conducted by Capt. Armstrong. D.Y.P.S. All A. Scales.

PLAY GROUP MEETING first week school goes back for 1981. Any mother with ideas are very welcome. There is a strong possibility that future Play Group meetings will be held at the Clinic. Fur further information please contact Mrs. Pat Burgess 722350.

ST MARYS HOTEL

ENTERTAINMENT

Dec 13th LITTLE VALLEY BAND.

Dec 20th D.C. TENZ

Dec 24th XMAS EVE LITTLE VALLEY BAND

Dec 27th D.C. TENZ.

Dec 31st NEW YEARS EVE THE JOHN ROBINSON SHOWBAND 1.am

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FINGAL-PORTLAND UNITING CHURCH DECEMBER - JANUARY

Fingal - December 14, 21, 28. January 4, 11, 18. Worship 9.30an December 25 Christmas Day service combine with St. Marys at St. Marys - 10.00am Sunday School Christnas service Carol singing and Nativity Play Dec. 21 7m - Supper.

St. Marys December 14, 21, 28. January 4, 11, 18, 25. Worship 11.00an December 25 Christmas Day service 10.00am. Saturday December 13 Sunday School Party 2.00pm.

St. H elens December 14, 21, 28. January 4, 11, 18, 25 Worship 7pm. Decomber 21 Sunday School Christnas Service 7.00pm. December 25 Christmas Day service 8.00an.

Holy Communion in all centres on January December 28 10,00 Parish service - St. Marys January 25 llan followed by Lunch and Annual Parish neeting.

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST. HELENS Sunday December 21

8.00an The Bucharist 9.15an The Bucharist 11.00an Sung Bucharist St. Helens Falmouth St. Helens

(Preacher: Canon Bill Warbarton) 6.00pm Parish Carol Service

(Party to follow in Parish Hall)

Christmas Eve 12 midnight St. Helens 7.00an Christmas Day 11.00am

7.30pm Christmas Eve Christmas Day 9.00am

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF AVOCA, FINGAL AND CULLENSWOOD

Sunday December 14 9.00am Fingal Morning Prayer 10.30am Cornwall Anniversary 8.00an Royal Goorge Holy Communion

Sunday December 21

9.00am Fingal Holy Communion 10.30am St. Marys Holy Communion 7.00pm Λ voca Anniversary & Carol Singing.

Christnas Eve

7.00pm Mathinna Carol Service 11.30pm Fingal Midnight Mass

Christnas Day

8,00an Cullenswood Holy Communion 9.30am Fingal Holy Communion 11,00au Avoca Holy Communion

**These times are different from those printed last month.

Scrvice times for January Fingal

H.C. 4 10.00 January St. Marys H.C. 12 11 10.00 H.C. Fingal 15 18 10.00 Avoca H.C. 25 10.00 St. Marys

CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. MARYS

Sunday December 28th - 8th February inclusive

9.30 ST. HELENS 11.00am

ST. MARYS 7.30am

FINGAL Vigil Mass Sat. 6.00pm Sunday 6.00pm BICHENO

CHRISTMAS DAY

ST. HELENS

FINGAL

ST. MARYS 12 midnight ST. HELENS Christmas Day 10.30am FINGAL Christmas Day 8.00am NEW YEARS DAY ST. MARYS 7.30am

9.30am 11.00am

Vigil Mass New Years Eve 6.00pm

MEALS ON WHEELS FINGAL VALLEY

St. Helens

Pyengana

Falmouth

DECEMBER	ST. MARYS	FINGAL	MANGANA
Sunday 14	Mattie Leedham	R. Yates	Benefit Control (Access of Balling of Access of Control (Access of Con
Monday 15	Judy Costain	Mrs. R. Saunders	R. Saunders
Tuesday 16	CYSS	Mrs. D. Davenport	
Wednesday 17	Jean Lohrey	R. McGee	Mrs. M. Francis
Thursday 18	Wendy Aulich	_	Mrs. R. Miller
Sunday 721	Eric Bean	J. Parker	" HITCO NE MITTOL
Monday 22	Pauline Berwick	Mrs. D. Woods	J. Miller
Tuesday 23	CYSS	Mrs. I. Francis	Mrs. Death
Wednesday 24	Cheryl Hendley	Mrs. O. Saunders	
Thursday		NO DELIVERY	Mrs. M. Ward NO DELIVERY

CHIROPRACTOR

LAUNCESTON chiropractor PAUL SEARLE D.C. is now visiting SCOTTSDALE and ST. MARYS every TUESDAY on a PERMANENT basis. He can be consulted at the following places and times:-

> SCOTTSDALE Kendall's Hotel 9.30am - 12.15pm

ST. MARYS Mrs. Maney's Flat, Main St., 3.30pm - 6.30pm

APPOINTMENTS can be made through the week by phoning LAUNCESTON 318898

SPORTS

GUN CLUB NOTES

Results of shoot held 16th November.

15 Tarket Double Barrel Handicap S/s

R. Groves

W. Kerrison 15/15

Best 12m Shooter

D. Hill 13/15

10T Continental Eye/Opener S/S

G. Woodberry

R. Dakin 10/10

25T Double Barrol Continental Champ.

A Grade

B. Bailey 23/25

B Grade

C Grade

P. Lohrey 23/25 P. Thomas 21/25

Best 11 metre Shooter - L. Faulkner

10 Pairs Double Rise

K. Campbell lst

19/20 17/20

2nđ 3rd

L. Viney W. Kerrison

14/20

10 Targets - 5 from 11m 5 from 24n 15/20 P. Thomas

High Cuns

A Grade

K. Campbell

74/80

B Grade

R. Meikle

65/80

C Grade

P. Thomas 62/80

SCAMANDER GARDEN CLUB NOTES

Meeting held at E. Foley's on November 12th.

Welcome to Mrs. Fearman as a visitor. Arrangements were made for the Christmas Party. A donation box (that members Judy Gow 19 have contributed to) in aid of Medea

Park realised the amount of \$44.03. Prize winners in the various competitions K. Bean, J. Lynch 10

LADIES VOLLEYBALL NOTES

ROUND 15 - 2.12.80

Game 1. Bankcard Blue d Targetts 3-0. (15.9, 15.13, 15.3). Chris McCarty best for Blue and J. Gow and L. Johnson best for Targetts.

Game 2. Bankcard Green d Tobys 3-2. (3.15, 16.14, 10.15, 18.15, 15.12). Team effort for both Green and Tobys.

Game 3. Blackwoods forfeited to Kiwis.

<u>SIMI FINAL</u> - 9,12,80

Gaue 1. Bankcard Green d Tobys 3-1. (15.10, 7.15, 15.12, 15.6). Robyn Hardcastle and Julie Gray were best for Green and Roberta Harwood and Dot Cashion best for Tobys. -

Game 2. Bankcard Blue d Kiwis 3-1. (12.15. 15.11, 15.8, 15.8). All played well for Bankcard Blue and T. Lynch and V. Aulich best for Kiwis.

<u>ROSTER</u> - 16.12.80

PRELIMINARY FINAL

Kiwis

Bankcard Green.

7.30pm Start.

GRAND FINAL -18,12,80

7.30pm Start.

BEST AND FAIREST VOTE COUNT

CONGRATULATIONS to Tania Leedham on winning Best and Fairest with 21 points and runner. up with 19 points was Judy Gow.

T. Leedham

21

Atholie Greenwood 16 Mary Beach 11

were: A. Hovenden, A. Jarvis, M. Oliver. Judy Aulich, Leeanne Morris 9







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CRICKET NOTES

'HOW'S ZAT'

29th. November, 1980 - Saturday
With Pyegana being one of the top sides
in the Association the game on the day
could have been a real disaster had it
not been for the St.Mary's bowlers really
getting on top of the opposition to keep
them to a moderate score of 161.
The St.Mary's batsmen could not get the
runs early in their innings despite
their trying efforts.

It was another fine performance and a return to form from 'Disco' McDonald with 5/38. Les Newman had 2/45 and well backel up by skipper Terry Targett with 2/27. The fieldind was of a very good standard on the small Pyengana ground. 'How's Zat' says "hold those catches and win matches! Following the tea break St. Marys batted and at one stage were 5/17 until Derek Summers and Michael Holmes along with the McDonald brothers helped to make the score a more respectable one, ending up with all out for 96.

Top Scores: Derek Summers 24, Michael Holmes 18, Glen Mc Donald 16 & Richard McDonald 12 against some very fine bowling from Errol Chapple & Les Rattray who finished up with great figures of 7/34 from 20 overs.

6th. December - Saturday -

St.Marys played Legerwood in front of the home crowd and St.Marys score was their best for the season to be all out for 237 off 50 overs.

Stan Hardcastle scored his second century in almost as many weeks and on the large St.Mary's oval that is no mean feat. Michael Holmes & Derek Summers carried on their good form from previous weeks with the bat backed up by Ross Bean, Les Newman and Raz McDonald.

There was also some good batting by the Legerwood boys, P.Gaffney 41 and the Walsh boys 31 & 21.

Les Newman gave a fine exhibition of bowling and with help from Stan Hardcastle and Terry Targett they dismissed Legerwood for 139 runs.

Batting figures for St. Marys: Stan Hard-castle 100, Michael Holmes 35, Derek Summers 34, Ross Bean 18, Les Newman 14 and Raz McDonald 15.

Bowling for St. Marys: Les Newman 4/24 from 4 overs, Stan Hardcastle 4/31 and Terry Targett 1/26.

The club welcomed a new player to the team on Saturday, Wayne Gillies, it is rood to see young players come to the club. Wayne will be an acquisition to the team.

Last two weeks winners in the 'Chicken Board' have been Mrs. Tom Newman and Noel Bradbury.

It was great to see so many supporters travel to Pyengana to support their team. Some visited the local falls and others the famed Pub in the Padlock; this was also a very welcome place to visit after the game and before the long trip home. Thanks to Turtle and Staff.

FORGOT to give mention of the batting performance of our Secretary/ Treasurer

Ross Bean from the previous game, 'sorr,' Ross. Ross carried is bat for 15 not out and pushed his batting average up a few points.

REMEMBER the bus trip to Launceston for the India V Tasmania one day game on Sunday 14th. December. The bus will be leaving at 8.00am. Some seats still available, see Terry or

Saturday, 13th. December a Bye.

Saturday, 20th. December, the last came for the year will be played against the Branxholme team at St.Marys. All the supporters are asked to make a special effort to welcome this team as the social and team spirit they displayed on the occasion of our first game in the Scottsdale Association this season made it a happy and memorious day.

FOOTIE NEWS : 'Tiger Tail'

Applications are still open for coaches for the three sides for the 1981 season. Applications in writing to the Secretary.

The club is running a Christmas Hamper Raffle. Donations of suitable food items will be gratefully accepted, leave same with Gary Streets at Sam's Cut Price Store. Tickets available from Gary, other business houses and some committee men.

Next meeting of the club will be on 15th. December, Monday, at the club rooms. TIME: 7.30 pm.

All committee members to be present due to urgent business to be discussed prior to the Christmas Holiday Break.

As this is the last edition of the Valley Voice, till the New Year, 'How's Zat' and 'Tiger Tail' would like to say thanks to the Editor and his staff for their help during the year and wish them and all their readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy & Prosperous New Year.

Hope to see all our sporting fans at the big New Year's Day Trotting Meeting.

There is an Optometrist, Mr. Timothy Fowler, who visits St. Marys at intervals throughout the year.

The frequency of his visits depends on the demand for his services. He does try to and hopes to continue coming on a regular monthly basis.

For appointment ring Mr. Fowler on 316137 or the St. Marys District Hospital.

DO TRY AND MAKE IT A SAFE AND THEREFORE A HAPPY CHRISTMAS SEASON & HOLIDAY PERIOD.

THE FINGAL VALLEY FLORRLY CITIZENS WELFERE COMMITTEE.

Over the many years in which the Fingal Valley Elderly Citizens Welfare Committee has been in existance a great deal of discussion frequently takes place at meetings, much of which is not detailed in the minutes (as often occurs with committees).

One perennial subject which comes to the fore is the help people can give the elderly, especially in areas where it is very difficult, for one reason or another, for the elderly to cope.

It is often the result of a communication lack or the fact that people, who would be only too willing to help, are not aware of the ways in which they could be of service to the elderly.

It is often only a very minor service which is required but to the elderly person receiving that service the problem is possibly an overwhelming & distressing one.

Examples of aid which comes to mind is transport arrangements, another coping with officialdom in municipal & government departments. Others are maintainance to homes & gardens which can be a problem when an elderly person is left alone, because of varying circumstances, and have never had the opportunity of this experience.

experience. With these thoughts in mind we decided to write to the Valley Voice and put to vounger people the idea that they may lend their talents to the senior citizens clubs in the various towns.

This can be achieved by actually joining the clubs to assist in doing the heavy & burdensome choirs which are often beyond in older person. In their turn the clubs should open their membership to these younger people, who one day will become a 'senior citizen', too.

It is with gratitude we wish to refer to several ladies in the past years who did tremendous work in the clubs and who were not then, elder citizens.

The success of the clubs in the Fingal Valley is very important — not solely for bowls clubs but for getting together in a social way over a 'cup of tea', cards or entertainment of various kind. The unselfish lending of ones talents — even if you consider yourself not a very club minded person — or indeed even if you dont really like clubs — you will help give pleasure to someone else by making up the membership to a viable number in

The opprtunity to help welcome lonely people into an atmosphere, for even a short while, to meet, talk and laugh must be a most rewarding one.

Meanwhile the community at large should always be on the look out to 'lend - a-club - a - hand' with transport to various functions around the district, to collect people from their home and take them to the club room and return. Should you be willing to do this let the club Secretary know, don't wait for the club members to come to you with cap in

hand, no onelikes to ber, and most people especially the elderly are independent and 'don't wish to be a trouble' It is not intended that these suggestions are to take away the clubs own control of their affair but just to help out.

It requires cooperation on both sides and I think reasonable people soon come to terms with such arrangements. One further point:

MEALS on WHEELS - Fingal Valley

Last year the State Government requested all <u>Meals</u> on <u>Wheels</u> groups throughout Tasmania increase prices of meals to recipients, to \$1.00.

The Fingal Group at the Annual Meeting held at Deloraine last April tried to have the price of meals left to the individual groups to assess but this was defeated. However, we did gain the reprieve that the increase would be brought in over the rest of the year. Time having run out the committee has decided to raise the cost of meals to \$1.00 from 1st January, 1981. We are very fortunate in being a hospital

We are very fortunate in being a hospita based group where meals are prepared very efficiently and cheaply for your Meals on Wheels Association. Other districts are not so fortunately placed. The whole cost of food, preparation & delivery is done by volunteers and paid staff.

At this stage in the year your committee must pay tribute to the excellent cooperation and good relations we have with hospital staff. Also we are all deeply indebted to the volunteer drivers who willingly deliver the meals so constantly.

We hope that 1981 will see a continuing successful operation in the walley and that other drivers will volunteer their time and help.

COMMUNITY HEALTH ***** CHILD HEALTH: IMMUNIZATIONS:

Immunization sessions for all pre-age children is held at the St.Mary's District Hospital on the FIRST MONDAY of every month.

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3 - 5 years - preschool, C.D.T. Booster. 11 - 13 years, girls only Rubella, for German Measles, normally arranged by

PRICE A LETTERTO V.V.

Efforts by members of our Lions Club are to be commended, and should result in a brighter look for our town during the festive season, with erection of lights, banners, bunting etc.

Let us not leave it at that, other ways requiring little effort can achieve a brighter, cleaner and there ore a nicer place to live all year round.

Cut grass, no litter, a coat of paint perhaps can do wonders to our town's image.

Admittedly, St. Marys has not got to offer as much maybe as some of our better situated coastal towns, but what it has is generally offered willingly and without question, whether it be a place to live, a place of livelihood or just plain friendship.

And to those who become carbound in the street in the evening, whether it be due to a hard day's work or maybe some medical affliction resulting in insufficient energy beyond that required to open the door or window to dispose of their cans, bottles, litter etc., can rest assured that a simple request to a passer-by to deposit their unwanted items for them in the correct manner, would not create any major hassles.

Sometimes more effort is involved in disposal of litter on to the street without being seen, than is required to deposit it in the nearest bin.

So again, let us not leave it to the few to do the right thing. Show pride in what we have. After all it is ours.

Happy Christmas and a brighter new year.

K. J. Faulkner

PARENTS & CHILDDS ASSOCIATION - SI, LLIUS

Parents who attended the last St. Marys District High School Parents & Friends meeting will recall that a reply was being awaited from a query to the Director Ceneral of Education relating to St. Helens children attending St. Marys District High School.

In the public interest and so that other affected parents can make alternative arrangements, the relevant section of Mr. Mitchell's reply is printed below:

"The Department has accepted a recommendation made by the District High School Policy and Planning Committee that there is 'an obligation to provide transport between St. Helens and St. Marys for four (4) eligible students, in 1981'. These four (4) students are those that were in grade 7 when the announcement was made that there would not be transport available in 1982, for any child who resided north of Scamander, enrolling in grade 7 the following year; that is in 1979.

The Department is negotiating with the existing contractor to provide a service for these four (4) eligible children only, for 1981. Transport for these four (4) children will be at no cost to their parents."

The Parents & Friends Association will be conducting a stall at the school on Open Day on Wednesday 17th December. Any donations of cakes, vegetables, plants, etc. would be greatly appreciated. These can be left at the office on Wednesday morning or brought to the stall in the afternoon.

M. Bushing, Secretary.

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THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my parents and brother, my relatives and friends, my committee, and last but not least the wonderfully generous people of St. Marys and the East Coast area for the support given to me over the last six months of fund raising for the multiply handicapped children and adults of Tasmania.

Having worked for these months I now have a better understanding of just how much money is actually needed to continue caring for the handicapped.

Multicap Heights is a credit to the corporation and with continued support from the Tasmanian public can only continue on to bigger and better things.

I have much pleasure in announcing the amount raised by my committee reached the grand total of \$9398.36. I consider this a fantastic amount considering the population and it was most gratifying to see exactly how generous people can be.

To all those who helped in any way, whether attending functions, cooking for functions or simply purchasing a raffle ticket, I would like to say a sincere thank you.

Felicity Spilsbury

THE PASSING OF THE YEAR

What did you do for me said .I As I watched the dying year I would settle accounts with you before you go from here You failed to bring me all the things you promised at the start The fulfillment of my hopes and wishes of my heart The "Cld Year" opened his fading eyes and said reproachfully I gave you all I had to give But what did you give me I gave you opportunity and chances that you spurned Many mercies understood, and happiness unearned Had you only known he said "I was a friend to you" And the old year breathed his last. I knew his words were true I had been ungrateful, but too late now I said "Forgive me Lord", and make me wiser in the year ahead."

TOUCHE.....

A certain St Marys man should soon be in the pink and able to travel to Melbourne (under water), judging by his affection for Cray fish.

SEASONS GREETINGS

The Management and Staff of the Valley Voice extends the Seasons Greeting to all readers, contributors and helpers. We hope to see and hear from you in February, 1981.

Peter and Yvonne Davern of the St. Marys Shoe Store extends Seasons Greetings to all their customers, friends and relatives.

A Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year to all. From Casboult's Newsagency. (Denzil & Coral)

Seasons Greeting to all their customers. From D. K. & C. M. Barnes.

Ron and Bettie Sumner say a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all their friends and relatives.

Christmas and New Year Greetings to all relatives and friends. Marion Oliver, Jan and Max Johnson and Family.

Des and Grace Faulkner wish all their friends and relatives A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

St Marys Supermarket - Management & Staff Thank all our customers for their patronage in the past year and wish you all Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Christmas Greeting to one and all From Gordon & Sharryn Binns & Family.

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when I woke the screaming was only a possum ski-ing down the iron roof on little moonlit claws.

Are there people like the widower amongst us, who can accurately predict their happenings on Christmas Day because their loneliness knows no alternative? Is it really only the sun reflecting from the roof which makes his eyes water?

Over the years the significance of Christmas has changed at least in its outward form. The blatant, harsh commercialism of modern advertising has cheapened the meaning of Christmas but inside themselves people have not really changed, times like this they are still capable of feeling concern and compassion for the people around them and it is this feeling which should be seen as the real hallmark of the Christmas season.

But there are people like the widower who accept Christmas as just another day, because they live a life of solitude existing in a world of routine necessity and complacent acceptance of their

floneliness. Yet even for the widower, Christmas contains the significance of memories which he will always value. Perhaps, in a way, he is more able to appreciate the meaning of Christmas isolated as he is from the tinsel and cheap commercialism which Christmas has become. But then, at Christmas, should anyone be quite so isolated from the fellowship which this season should

Christmas is being with those you love, whose company you enjoy; but for some of us will it merely be a day just like any other day?

GARDEN CLUB ST. MARYS

12 members attended our November meeting. They are reminded that any 2 members, if they have the available time, are invited to attend the Scamander Garden Club's Xmas party to be held at L. Eastly's

home, 1.30pm on the 10th Dec. Also, members are invited to attend the Bicheno Garden Club's Xmas tea, Friday 19th Dec commencing

6pm at the Bicheno Hall.

Our St. Mary's Garden Club Xmas party will be held this Friday

evening (12th Dec) to commence 7.30pm Members are asked to bring 2 plates a savoury and a sweet, & they are also asked to bring their own sherry glasses.

For the tree, members to bring a

gift to the value of \$2 (no more).

Table arrangements - L. Mitchell and M. Oliver.

Xmas pudding - Molly Aulich Brandy Sauce - S. Blackman Donor of prize for lucky cup -

L. Mitchell
Donor Lucky Door - Mrs Cooper
Posie Hostess - M. Oliver Competitions to be organised by M. Royal, Marj. Aulich & M. Oliver.

Promises to be a very pleasant cevening:

Due to the Xmas holidays, there will be no January meeting, so we'll all meet in February, on the 26th, at the RSL 2pm.

Don't forget subs will be due. --

For that meeting:

Lucky door - A. Llewllyn Raffle - L. Mitchell

Competitions - A. Jarvis. Prize to be donated by R. Brough Posie Hostess - A. Llewllyn Vege of the Month - Lettuce Home Product - Raspberry jam. Roll call - how you spent Xmas

ST MARYS CHILD HEALTH ASSOCIATION

Xmas Party - the association's children's Christmas party will be held at the clinic next Wednesday,

17th Dec., commencing 2pm.
Santa will be present, & mothers are asked to bring a gift to the value of \$2 & bearing their childs name, for the Christmas tree.

Mothers are also asked to bring along a plate suitable for a children's party, & each child is to bring their own cup.

General - it was decided at our last meeting, that meetings will be held regularly & to be on the third (3rd) Thursday of each month commencing 2pm at the clinic. Mothers will know then, without notice, the date of each meeting, resulting we hope in a bigger attend-Not that we can complain. about attendances!! It has been very encouraging to see the number of mothers who do attend our meetings. Remember, we can't exist without your support! **********

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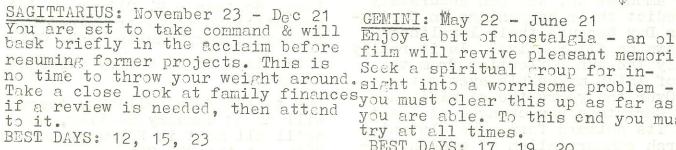
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Fortnight beginning December 12



CAPRICORN: December 22 - January 20 You will surprise others with your hitherto hidden gifts & talents. Take a pause to pay your respects where they are due - a small gift may even be appropriate. A family gathering will give a lot of pleasure. BEST DAYS: 21, 22, 24

AQUARIUS: January 21 - February 19 You are more socially minded this month yet business cannot be neglected. A charity gathering for the festive season will be enjoyable & perhaps remunerative as well. If you need to travel then take extra care. BEST DAYS: 19, 20, 23

PISCES: February 20 - March 20 Around the 21st the time is attuned to public amusement. Theatre, art & all cultural activities will be enjoyed. If celebrating Christmas away from home then remember to travel with extreme care. BEST DAYS: 13, 16, 22

ARIES: March 21 - April 20 This is as good a time as any to make a few broad plans that will be the basis of your routine during the New Year. Enjoy the holiday spirit & include friends & relatives at every opportunity. BEST DAYS: 15, 18, 24

TAURUS: April 21 - May 21 Time to pause a while & review the major events of the year. Taking all into balance I feel that the triumphs outweight the failures. You have become a better person as a result of all that occured during the year; BEST DAYS: 12, 19, 22

GEMINI: May 22 - June 21 Enjoy a bit of nostalgia - an old film will revive pleasant memories. Seek a spiritual group for inyou are able. To this end you must try at all times. BEST DAYS: 17, 19, 20

CANCER: June 22 - July 23
Although there is unfinished work
you badly need a rest & you must put all else aside. Do not accept any new wentures until all current ones are satisfactorily finished Travel with care & guard against ill health. BEST DAYS: 13, 21, 24

LEO: July 24 - August 23 Entertainment, through the arts, seems to be in store for you. Try to share your inspiration with someone younger. Your insight allows you to see the real issues quite clearly. BEST DAYS: 12, 14, 25

VIRGO: August 24 - September 23 Be prepared to handle an issue at home - it should be stopped as early as is possible. If an error is made then admit it - do not dwell on it.

Take part in light hearted entertainment on the 21st. BEST DAYS: 13, 16, 18

LIBRA: September 24 - October 23 plans for the holiday season shouldbe almost complete - do check again to ensure that there are no omissions. This is the time topay special attention to relatives& the aged. BEST DAYS: 12, 19, 20

SCORPIO: October 24 - November 22 Shake off a feeling of lethargy & step straight into the prevailing mood. You must make the effort, the results are worth it. Try to control finance as much as possible but do not get upset about exceeding the budget. BEST DAYS: 17, 19, 22

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