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## INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF DISABLED PERSONS 1981

by Senator John Watson

By directing special attention to 'breaking down the barriers' the Federal Government hopes to reduce the difficulties faced by disabled persons in Australia in 1981.

The Australian Census in 1976 indicated that 645,701 persons in Australia had a disablement which caused them to be classified as handicapped, of this figure about 50% were mentally handicapped. In addition to the physical handicap, circumstances, environment & the attitudes of other people cause further handicaps by barring these people from certain opportunities & choices in life. Thus the needs & aspirations of disabled persons must be considered along with a genuine change of attitudes in the community.

Federal Government assistance to the disabled announced in the 1980-81 Budget Speech included finance for handicapped children & adults, & also funding for a national publicity & information programme & development of activity in non-government sector.

Work will begin this financial year on a scheme to make federally owned & occupied buildings more accessible to the disabled. Access & mobility difficulties faced by disabled persons in these buildings will be checked & identified. The Government has approved spending so that the more urgent work can be started immediately.

Also the Minister for Employment & Youth Affairs, Mr Viner, recently announced a campaign involving \$300,000 to be spent in an aim to get more jobs for disabled persons. A further \$1,000,000 programme of work preparation projects for the disabled will provide pre-employment & remedial training to improve access to & equality of employment for disabled persons.

Research by the Department of Employment & Youth Affairs has proved that many disabled persons are successfully working in trades, in business, in service industries, in clerical & administration fields

at present. Given the opportunity many other disabled persons would be equally successful.

"Full participation and equality" of disabled persons in the community can only be achieved by genuine consideration of those at the receiving end, the disabled persons themselves. They must be given the chance to determine their own destinies & the community as a whole must contribute to their gaining equal opportunities & equal rights.

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## 'DO THE RIGHT THING'

by Dr Julian Anos.

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  - collection of many 1000's of cans for recycling
  - presentation of numerous anti-litter displays at public places
  - State wide competition for school children
  - co-operation on litter reduction programmes for major sporting & recreational events
  - promotion of Positive Litter Control techniques through the respected Tassie Tidy Towns competition.
  - distribution of more than 50,000 'Do The Right Thing' promotional stickers & posters throughout the State.
  - encouragement of amendments to the Litter Act to improve its effectiveness.
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### BICHENO GARDEN CLUB.

The Bicheno Garden Club held its General Meeting on Friday March 20th. There were 17 members present. Mr Hale of Redcliffe" Swansea was present for the afternoon. He spoke on growing Spring bulbs & gave tips on arranging flowers for exhibiting in our flower shows. The Club moved again we enter the Tidy Town Competition. We are in the process of having a sprinkler system installed on the Bicheno Triangle. A farewell & birthday card was sent to Mrs Macmicheal one of our members who has left the district to reside at Bellerive. Owing to our next meeting falling on Good Friday we will not be meeting until May 15th.

### WHAT'S ON

Ladies Fellowship will meet at the clinic on Monday 6th April 7.30pm. Please Bring waterpaint brush & hard boiled egg.

CLINIC MEETING. Thursday April 9th 2pm to finalise details for Easter party.

Kitchen Tea Cornwell Public Hall on Friday 10th April at 8.00pm for Ruth Squires Everyone welcome. Ladies a plate please.

Tasmanian Pensioners Union Fingal/St Marys Branch.

A meeting of the above branch will be held in the Institute, St Marys on Wednesday, 8th April 1981. at 2pm. All pensioners are invited to be present. John Spilsbury. Hon Treasurer.

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# WHATS ON

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## PRESS RELEASE

What are the implications of a 35 hour week?

People who now work 40 hours would have 5 hours more leisure time. That sounds great, but there are dangers and those dangers need to be understood.

Wage cost must rise and those increased costs will almost certainly push inflation up. It seems likely that the cost of most consumer goods would also go up. Wage costs will rise because workers will receive the same money for doing 5 hours less work. A person on \$180 per week would receive \$218.32 for doing the same work if 5 hours' overtime is included. That is the equivalent of a wage rise of 21%. It seems likely that many employers would turn to technology and replace workers with machines in a desperate attempt to stay in business. That not only makes it more difficult for unemployed people to find work but puts in doubt the jobs of many people who now have a job.

Claims have been made that inflation would not go up because of increased productivity. That may be the case, but the burden of increased productivity would be carried by machines not workers. Some workers may enjoy the benefits of a 35 hour week, but the likely cost will be the jobs of the jobs of some of their workmates.

MAX BURR Members for Wilmont.

A faireete will be held on the 2nd Friday in May in aid of the Holy Trinity Church. Anyone wishing to help with stalls etc. will be greatly appreciated.

## TOUCHE!!

A new type of duck shooter was seen one Thursday night late on the Apsley Marsh with two horses carrying a certain Cornwall Shooter's decoy box. He half turned around and seen a white mane flowing in the wind didn't know what it was, my word he can run and also make plenty of noise. Its the same shooter that went with a party from St. Marys to the "Swansea Fishing Championships" last year with only the bottoms of his fishing rods (tops at Cornwall). He had such a long walk back to the car past everyone with the bottoms. No one said much!!!

A Friend.

## THANKS

L.C. (Cactus) Freeman.  
Wishes to thank those who voted for him on Saturday.

Stephen Salter.  
Wishes to thank all those who supported him in the Council Election (St. Marys Ward) on Saturday.

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# NEWS

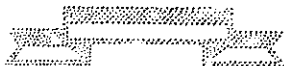
Uniting Church in Australia -  
Fingal Portland Parish  
Sunday April 5  
 Fingal 9.30am  
 St. Marys 11.00am  
 St. Helens 7.00pm  
Sunday April 12  
 Fingal 9.30am  
 St. Marys 11.00am  
 St. Helens 7.00pm

The Parish of Fingal Valley Church  
of England  
Sunday April 5 Passion Sunday  
 Fingal 9.00am H.C.  
 St. Marys 10.30am H.C.  
 Royal George 7.00pm E.P.  
Sunday 12 April Palm Sunday  
 Fingal 9.00am H.C.  
 St. Marys 10.30am H.C.  
 Avoca 7.00pm H.C.

Catholic Parish of St. Marys  
St. Marys - St. Mary of the Assump-  
tion Sundays April 5, 12 9.00am  
St. Helens - SS. Helena & Stanislaus  
Vigil Mass Saturdays April 4, 11.  
 6.30pm  
Fingal - St. Joseph  
Sundays April 5, 12 10.30am  
Mangana - Our Lady of the Sacred  
Heart 3rd & 5th Sundays 10.30am  
Bicheno - Community Church  
Sunday 5 April 4.00pm  
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 Devotions to our Blessed Lady, Stat-  
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 Masses - as announced at Sunday Mass.  
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## MEALS ON WHEELS

<u>APRIL</u>	<u>ST. MARYS</u>	<u>FINGAL</u>	<u>MANGANA</u>
Sunday 5	Keith Cook	A. Oliver	A. Oliver
Monday 6	Tim Targett	Mrs. R. Saunders	R. Saunders
Tuesday 7	CYSS	Mrs. I. Francis	F. Sweeney
Wednesday 8	Alf Faulkner	Mrs. D. Parker	M. Ward
Thursday 9	Val Leedham	P. Rowlings	M. Bean
Sunday 12	Karon Bean	R. Yates	N. Ward
Monday 13	Paula Cook	Mrs. P. Davis	K. Francis
Tuesday 14	CYSS	Mrs. B. Hughes	C. Turner
Wednesday 15	Clive Berwick	Mrs. M. Mace	R. Miller
Thursday 16	Yvonne Salter	Mrs. H. Williams	H. Williams



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## SPORT

LADIES VOLLEYBALL NOTES

ROUND 4 - 24.3.81

Game 1.

Smurfs forfeited to Bankcard.

Game 2.

Kiwis d Targetts 3-1 (15.7, 14.16, 15.7, 15.13). Jos Lynch and V. Aulich best for Kiwis. Tania Leedham and Judy Gow best for Targetts.

Game 3.

Tobys d Blackwoods 3-0 (15.13, 15.1, 15.3). Roberta Harwood best for Tobys. All much improved for Blackwoods.

Game 4.

Tassie Devils d Bankcard 3-0. (15.9, 15.10, 15.9). A. Greenwood, P. Mitchell best for Tassie Devils. Anne Bennet best for Bankcard.

Game 5.

Tassie Devils d Targetts 3-2. (15.0, 15.7, 13.15, 13.15, 15.8) S. Blackman, A. Greenwood best for Tassie Devils. Tania Leedham Lesley Johnson best for Targetts.

ROUND 5 - 31.3.81

Game 1.

Tassie Devils d Smurfs 3-0 (15.7, 15.3, 15.0). S. Blackman, A. Greenwood best for Tassie Devils. P. Burgess best for Smurfs.

Game 2.

Bankcard d Targetts 3-0 (15.9, 15.8, 15.5). Mary Targett, Sharryn Binns best for Bankcard. Tania Leedham, Lesley Johnson best for Targetts.

Game 3.

Tobys d Smurfs 3-0 (15.4, 15.9, 15.2). Roberta Harward best for Tobys and Pat Burgess and Anne Read best for Smurfs.

Game 4.

Kiwis d Blackwoods 3-0 (15.4, 15.2, 15.3). Judy Aulich and Vanessa Aulich best for Kiwis. All tried hard for Blackwoods with Melissa Aulich and Janine Harris leading.

LADIES VOLLEYBALL NOTES CONT.ROSTER

ROUND 6: 7.4.81

Blackwoods	v	Targetts	TOBYS
Kiwis	v	Smurfs	TARGETTS
Tobys	v	Bankcard	T.D.
Tassie Devils	v	Blackwoods	KIWIS

ROUND 7: 14.4.81

Tassie Devils	v	Kiwis	SMURFS
Targetts	v	Smurfs	KIWIS
Tobys	v	Kiwis	BANKCARD
Bankcard	v	Blackwoods	TOBYS

LADDER

TASSIE DEVILS	24
TOBYS	20
BANKCARD	16
KIWIS	12
TARGETTS	8
SMURFS	4
BLACKWOODS	0

## RETURN THANKS

MCDONALD Lesa Jane

Richard Rosanne and Stacey would like to thank all kind friends and relatives for their help and kindness in the sad and sudden loss of their baby daughter and sister. Special thanks to the E.C.U. at the L.G.H. and its doctors and staff, to the Air Ambulance and its crew who came from Melbourne, to our parents, brothers and sisters, to Madge Hayes, Rev. Cave, Heather Newman and Daryl Bailey & Son and to everyone who helped in any way. Please accept our heartfelt thanks and appreciation.

MCDONALD Lesa Jane

Dorothy, Norm and family would like to thank all kind relatives and friends for their cards floral tributes and phone calls etc. in the sudden loss of their loving grand-daughter Lesa Jane. Also those who helped during this sad occasion. A special thanks to Kathryn Reid, Jennifer Miles and Heather Newman for minding Stacey.

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BABY WEAR

FOOTY NEWS

by 'TIGER TAIL'

Last Saturday saw one of the biggest contingents of players & supporters to travel to Launceston for a practice game for many years.

The game was played against St. Pats Old Boys, on a hard ground, over six quarters with bursts of high standard football against a top line up. The St. Pats Old Boys have been a finals contender in the amateurs rank for many years.

The St. Marys boys kept the pressure on and out-played the home side in the last quarter but to no avail. The final score was St. Pats 22 goals 14 St. Marys 20 goals 16.

The Coach and selectors were pleased with the performance of many of the players. Fitness is a must in a hard game and this showed through on Saturday, one could pick those who had been training hard.

One player who stood out on Saturday was Dale Ridgers who, for his age, played very well. He should have a great future in Senior football.

'Big' Ken Maynard whether at full-forward or in the ruck really turned it on. Keep up the good work Ken, it could be your year.

Other players who flashed into play over a very hard six quarters were Des Faulkner, Steven Cooke, Robert Schier & Les Newman with some good high marks.

Overall it was a team effort, that is what the Coach, Terry, has been hoping for at training - TEAMWORK.

Keep up the good attendance at training, it is only two weeks to the first game, we play St. Helens at St. Helens.

The St. Marys Thirds played a practice game against Longford Under 16 team, on Sunday, at the St. Marys Oval, and what a great exhibition of football it was from the Longford boys.

Our local team should have learned a lot on the day, it is hoped some may have rubbed off. Their team effort, play on football and especially the discipline of the side by their Coach, Des Chugg, is worth copying.

It was a pity a few more parents and players were not there to encourage our local boys and help our coach, Cob. It is necessary to help and encourage these boys as they are our future footballers.

A big thanks to the Longford football club N.T.J.F.A. team for making themselves available to play this practice game.

Later on in the year coaching clinics, conducted by the Longford Club, will be held at St. Marys on Sunday mornings, dates to be arranged.

The club would like to hear from people willing to act in the capacity of time-keepers, goal umpires, gate keepers, trainers, first aiders and in helping

FOOTBALL - continued

the club generally, especially for home games. This means once a fortnight - - - 'More hands make light work'.

"DON'T FORGET"

Chad Morgan and Dave Pincombe will be appearing at the St. Marys Hotel tonight, Thursday, April 2nd.

Come along and make it a great night.

The first roster game starts April 11th, with the first game at St. Helens against St. Helens.

Also 'One Eye' will be back this year with his game predictions and run down on the clubs in the association. Don't forget your next edition of the Valley Voice and each fortnight for his 'Lou Richards' tips and comments.

MEETINGMEETING

MEETING OF THE FINGAL VALLEY WELFARE COMMITTEE for ELDERLY CITIZENS at the St. Marys District Hospital at 7.45pm., April 7th.

"MEALS ON WHEELS" MEETING at the ST. MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL, APRIL 7th at 7.00pm.

FOOTBALL CLUBST. MARYS

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ST. MARYS FOOTBALL CLUB

ON THURSDAY, APRIL 9TH. - PLAYERS

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PATRON, MR. GORDON "SPOT" SALTER, AT

THE CLUB ROOMS.

MEETING

"MEALS ON WHEELS" MEETING AT THE ST. MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL, AT 7.00 PM., TUESDAY, APRIL 7TH.

MEETING

THE FINGAL VALLEY WELFARE COMMITTEE FOR ELDERLY CITIZENS MEETING AT 7.45 PM., TUESDAY, APRIL 7TH. BOTH MEETINGS AT ST. MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Annual General Meeting of the Fingal Valley Welfare Committee for Elderly Citizens was held on Monday, 16th. March at Fingal, in the Uniting Church Hall.

After presentation of annual reports Dr. Curran, Director of Geriatric and Community Health Services, gave an address followed by an audio-visual display by Mr. Tim McManus resulting in an enjoyable evening.

The Chairman of the Fingal Valley Welfare Committee for Elderly Citizens, Rev. Eric Cave, presented the 14th. Annual Report and told the audience the committee had met seven times during the past year and at the first meeting welcomed Pastor Purton and other co-opted members.

This year saw the holding of the one hundredth meeting of this committee since its formation. To celebrate this event, a combined meeting and afternoon tea was held in St. Marys, attended by members of the three clubs.

During Elderly Citizens week, a church service was held in the Uniting Church at St. Marys, this was followed by an afternoon tea.

One of the priorities for the year had been the provision of more units for the elderly of the district. The committee would like to see units in Fingal and extra units built at St. Marys.

To this end the committee continued to write to the Minister of Housing, reminding him of the need.

At the last meeting, discussion was held into the viability of establishing a day-care centre at the hospital, for the disabled. This would involve the purchase of a small bus equipped to handle the transport of disabled passengers. One of the purposes of the centre would be to relieve the pressure on the family of a person who needs continual care and attention.

The committee has written to clubs, the Lion's Club and the Advance Australia Group outlining the objective and now looked forward to the support of the clubs and the community, and hope shortly to turn this idea into a reality.

In conclusion Rev. Cave thanked the committee especially the Secretary, Mr. Jack Miller, for tireless efforts during the past twelve months.

The Silver Threads Senior Citizens Club - St. Marys, Annual Report was read out by Mrs. Judy Spilsbury.

The club had a quiet year, meeting on each Tuesday afternoon, there were 34 financial members this year.

In July the Club was host to an afternoon to commemorate the 100th. meeting of the Fingal Valley Senior Citizens Committee.

Club bowlers went to Deloraine on four occasions during the year & acquitted

themselves fairly well and also went to St. Helens in June to try out their new mats.

On 30th. September the club entertained the St. Helens Club to dinner at St. Marys and spent an enjoyable afternoon. The Annual Break-up Party was held at the Institute on the 20th. December, when 30 members sat down to a very nice dinner catered for by the Ladies of the Anglican Church.

During the year one of the older members, Sam Gregson passed away.

At the end of the year the President, Will Lohrey retired because of ill-health and Nan Spilsbury, Secretary, resigned for health reasons.

The Annual Report of the Golden Years Senior Citizens, Cornwall was given by Mrs. Una Camplin.

Mrs. Camplin said it was once again her privilege to give Cornwall's report and thoughts were with the people who were friends & members and who were no longer with us. Over the last year the club lost Mr. Wally Haas, Mr. Tom Hall and Mr. Bob Brough, all most respected citizens who left their mark in their individual ways.

Because of dwindling numbers the club began meeting in the afternoons and invited younger members of the community to join, the club is hopeful this continues and welcome any other visitors.

The club was disappointed at the last minute withdrawal from the Bowl's Tournament at Devonport but this meant St. Marys could play.

Further games of bowls are planned for this year.

The Christmas Break-up took the form of a dinner at the St. Marys Hotel and thanks go to the staff for making it a festive occasion.

Several articles were entered for the Handicraft Exhibition at the Northern Regional Library & one article was awarded 2nd. prize.

The club members sold tickets in the State wide raffles and also helped in funds for the wheelchair for the Home Nursing use.

Mrs. Camplin expressed pleasure in the fact that a bus service will be available for the citizens of Cornwall to travel to St. Marys and therefore be able to avail themselves of many services in the town.

Finally a thankyou to the staunch members for their attendance, their co-operation and support, and their friendship which is valued very much.

The Annual Report of the Fingal "Sun-Shine-Welcome", Senior Citizens Club was given by Mrs. V.A. Legro.

The Fingal Club, now in its 12th. year, has a membership of 54 with an average attendance at meetings of 28, who meet on the first Tuesday in each month. Actively associated with the Tasmanian

COMMUNITY NEWS - continued

Council of the Aging Inc. the club sold tickets in the State Raffle, Buttons & Diaries for 1981. At each meeting a trade table and raffle are conducted. On February 10th. the club took an annual trip, this year to the Penny Royal Gun Powder Complex, in Launceston. Thirty five members travelled to & from Launceston in a chartered Red-line Coach and returned to Wool-Pak Inn, at Breadalbane to a very enjoyable Devonshire tea. All members appreciate the gesture of the club in hiring the coach. The Birthday Party in August was an enjoyable function and the Christmas Party was much enjoyed by the large attendance of members. Mrs. W. Johnstone made, decorated and donated the cake. All members received a gift.

Eleven members enjoyed a Tour of N.E. Victoria with Bright as the base, last October. Many day trips were taken & included dinner in Albury with an evening at the local R.S.L. Club and included the poker machines.

Mrs. Prue Heazlewood, of the Division of Recreation, visited twice & on the hottest day in summer gave a display of 'Exercises for the Elderly'. Fortunately she did the exercises.

The annual Senior Citizens Church Service, held at the St. Mary's Uniting Church was well attended, and one of the most enjoyable.

On the occasion of the 100th. meeting of the Elderly Citizens Welfare Comm. the members travelled to St. Marys to join the other clubs instead of the usual meeting, and spent an enjoyable afternoon.

The Melbourne Cup Day was another highlight with sweeps and spent very enjoyably due to the generosity of Mr. Henry Holder in loaning a T.V. set. All the club members were saddened at the death of Mr. Bruce Saunders, who was assistant Secretary, after a long illness. His absence is very noticeable as he was indeed a very active member. All were thanked for their part in the club activities for it takes everyone to assure the success of the club.

The Annual Report of the

The Meals on Wheels, Fingal Valley Group was delivered by Mr. Bob Yates.  
(Vice-President)

Mr. Yates stated it was his pleasure to give a short report on behalf of the Meals on Wheels, Fingal Valley Group for the past twelve months. The main aim of the organization as stated in the Constitution is "to serve a hot mid day meal to aged or infirm in their own home".

For the year ended February, 1981, 4,423 meals were served to needy people in their own homes at St. Marys, Cornwall, Fingal and Mangana.

The committee and all concerned are greatly indebted to the St. Mary's Hospital, Board of Management and the

and ready co-operation in preparation of meals each day.

This area is particularly fortunate in having the advantage of a hospital based meals on wheels service.

It would be difficult, if not impossible to arrange for the work & organization necessary if meals had to be prepared other than at the hospital. During the year the Committee was obliged by Government direction to increase the price of meals to the recipients to \$1.00 but the Committee considers it still good value in that the meals are nutritious & well balanced consisting of three courses plus a piece of fruit.

Recently the Committee decided with the ever increasing price of petrol the time had come to re-imburse the drivers to some extent with the expense involved. A voucher system was introduced.

The committee was pleased with the letters and messages received from the recipients of meals on wheels in response to their gift at Christmas. Mr. Yates went on to say that last month the Meals on Wheels Organisation suffered a great loss with the death of its President, Mr. David Bruce Saunders. There is no need to describe the qualities of Bruce as a citizen of this community as they would be well known to most here. He was involved with Meals on Wheels since its infancy, served as President, prepared the Fingal roster, regularly delivered meals & was always ready to help in an emergency. Bruce will be long remembered for his service to Meals on Wheels & other community services.

Mr. Yates thanked all persons who were involved in the service throughout the year, the Secretary and the Treasurer and the field officer and especially the drivers who turn up every day to collect and deliver the meals. These people are essential to the organization for without them the service would not exist. I know that the drivers do not want any thanks from me, but I wish to record that drivers through their kindness and goodwill are making this part of Tasmania a better place for all concerned by making possible and continuing a valuable community service.

The Meals on Wheels service is now in its tenth year of operation and I know you will be pleased to know that the whole operation is running smoothly, and efficiently, achieving the purpose for which it is designed.

Following are a few points from Dr. Curran's interesting address - Old Age

1. Personal prediction for year 2001, at present time elderly people make up 8% of population in year 2001 will be 16%. There will be fewer taxpayers paying in it.



2. There will be less money available for Government projects this year. There is a move away from Institutions for Aged. The alternative being Home Care, which is only tenth of the cost of hospital care. The quality of care by the family is better than institutions - and most people would prefer to die in their own homes.

3. Country isolation is a big problem & home units by Housing Dept. is most uncertain in the next year. Most of the money required will have to be raised by yourselves. "It gladdens my heart to see you in your Community Welfare".

4. Drugs: These are being developed to help mental deterioration of aging people, it will mean the elderly will be able to contribute to the community their expertise in many areas.

5. Communications: Emergency buttons on the telephone to call for help, there is also available community conservations, involving several elderly citizens, on a phone hook-up. Valuable for elderly friends to keep a check on each other with a once a day link up & for a social chat without going outside their home.

6. Older people have something to offer. After retirement they should still be involved in several ways. Advising the younger members of the community in 'how to deal with the household', 'how to deal with bereavement' and 'how to organize community affairs'. It is a good idea to build elderly citizens units in separate areas - not in groups and especially near a school or a creche or even a pub. Tandarra at Sheffield is built near a school and the children spend a great deal of time with the elderly, the elderly teach the children handicrafts.

7. Recordings: Young people never have time to write anything down. Older people could record current happenings.

8. Attitude to death: Euthanasia we will not see. Can see the dying person being at home, many people have stated they have been glad family members have died at home. Grief is far more when a person dies in hospital. Circumstances will force recognition for people to die in dignity.

9. The political power of the elderly is becoming real. In 2001 16% of votes will be in the hands of the elderly, so he sees them becoming a formidable pressure group.

Many questions followed especially in regard to home units. He stated "ranny flats did not go too well as cost of the

moving was as much as the building of them.

Dr. Curran approved the idea of a day centre and suggested they try hard to get a bus. A day centre encouraged the people to come out.

Mr. Tim McManus then showed an audio-visual display of slides which were very well received by the audience, both were excellent. One was "The Book of Genesis" and the other was "Rose Cottage"

In closing the Reverend Eric Cave paid a vote of thanks to the two gentlemen.

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#### POWER DEVELOPMENT. DEBATE.

There is no constitutional crisis!

It is our submission that:-

setting aside all technical arguments as to whether the replacing of the Olga River by the Franklin River was an admissible amendment and setting aside the argument as to whether Standing Orders should have been suspended to enable that to happen - by amending the Bill in this way, the action and the message conveyed to the House of Assembly was clear.

The Bill as presented was not a money Bill. Therefore according to the Constitution Act, Section 15 the Legislative Council and the House of Assembly have equal powers in relation to the proposal.

In parliamentary terms the equal part of the Parliament having proposed a certain development on the Gordon River now understood that the other equal part was convinced that another development on the same river was more preferable in the interest of the people of Tasmania.

Further, it should be noted that under the H. E.C. Act, Section 16 (1) the Parliament (both House) - not the Government decides on such developments.

The fact is that no matter how this message was conveyed to the House of Assembly the conflict between the Legislative Council and the Government was inevitable.

The 13-5 vote of the Legislative Council for the Gordon below Franklin as the preferred scheme clearly demonstrates the Council's mind.

The real question is - What is the best power scheme for Tasmania given all the circumstances?

\* The Legislative Council after a searching enquiry has decided on Gordon below Franklin.

\* The Government insists on the Gordon above Dga.

\* Constitutionally both Houses have equal powers on this issue.

\* The resolution of the conflict is in the hands of the Government.

This issue is too important for Party politics.

Mr Lowe should introduce a Bill to provide for a joint sitting of the Parliament or to provide for a conscience vote or a secret ballot of all members.

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**CLEAN STRAWBERRIES:** Place double thicknesses of grain bags, overlapping a little, all over garden bed. Cut holes where plants are to go. Water and liquid fertiliser soak through the bags, risk of fungus diseases is greatly reduced, and bags have rotted when the runners appear. Strawberries are clean when picked.

**COLOR GUIDE:** When potting plants for fetes etc., use a square cut from a paint colour chart to indicate the colour of the flower. Paste the square on to the pot or tie gently to stem of the plant.

**KNEELING PAD:** A discarded hot-water bottle filled with foam rubber is ideal when weeding.

**WEEDING BUCKET:** Knock the base out of an old bucket or basket. Firmly press wire netting round the inside and use it when weeding; the earth and stones fall out, leaving the weeds behind.

**RUST-FREE TOOLS:** Keep garden implements rust-free by plunging them into oiled sand after each use. Fill a wooden box with sand, then pour old oil into it.

**CLEAN NAILS:** Keep dirt out of your fingernails by scraping then over soap before doing any gardening.

**PROOFED GLOVES:** Make ordinary cotton gardening gloves water - and soil proof by simply brushing over with a thin coat of paraffin wax.

**HOSE:** Store your garden hose tidily by punching two holes in base of an old enamel basin, screw it on to softwood board, and plug board on to garage or laundry wall. Then wind hose round outside of basin.

**SCRATCHED HANDS:** Save them while pruning roses or other thorny bushes by placing half a hollow rubber ball over the shears to form a hand guard.

**TOMATO PLANTS:** When pinching out laterals from tomato plants, do not discard them. Plant out each one and you will have a further supply of healthy tomatoes a little later in the year.

**HANDS:** To clean hands after gardening pour a little olive oil in one hand, shake on a layer of soap flakes, and add a teaspoon of sugar. Rub hands together until this mixture gets into every pore, and then hold them under a cold tap.

**GOLDEN PRIVET:** If you want a golden privet to remain golden, nip off all the green shoots as they appear, otherwise it will gradually turn green.

**CARNATIONS:** Save all eggshells, crush, and put around carnation plants. It works wonders.

**UMBRELLA FOR CREEPERS:** Strip the cover off an old umbrella and plant it, handle end down, in the ground. Keep the frame open and train ivy, Japanese honeysuckle, or two shades of bougainvillea around it.

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FUTURE POWER DEVELOPMENT

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There is evidence that Tasmania is already suffering a shortage of electrical power for industrial use. The only uncommitted power available is the thermal-generated power from Bell Bay. It is being offered to industry at prices considerably higher than that of current hydro-electric power. Few, if any, industries can afford to buy additional power at these prices. Consequently modest industrial expansion is being denied and job opportunities restricted.

Tasmanian industry is in competition with other mainland States and overseas countries. These industries will not expand unless their costs are minimised to ensure competitiveness. New industry will not come to Tasmania unless there are economic advantages, or for reasons of natural resources. So far, hydro-electric power in Tasmania has provided the economic reasons for much of Tasmania's industrial development. The cheaper rates of hydro-electricity have

helped in the past to offset the transport costs so that Tasmania can compete industrially with the mainland States.

The Committee examined the alternatives for the generation of power. It heard evidence from various expert witnesses both in Tasmania and on the mainland. Evidence indicates that it has not been proven that there are sufficient Tasmanian coal resources to supply the present Bell Bay Power Station, if converted, from oil to coal. Therefore, an additional coal-fired thermal power station could not be supplied with Tasmanian coal. Not only this, but Tasmanian coal is difficult to extract: open cut methods are not possible and the general conditions below and above the seams make extraction slow, costly and relatively dangerous.

Burning coal to generate electricity is significantly less efficient than using coal as a prime energy source. Rather than lose this power potential, Tasmania's limited coal resources ought to be conserved and used as efficiently as possible in those applications where it can replace oil as a prime energy source.

RETURN THANKS

McDONALD Lesa Jane

Val and John McDonald would like to thank their friends & relatives for the kindness shown to them in the sudden loss of their baby grand-daughter Lesa. Special thanks to Mr Tim Targett Ann Bennet, Ruth Gill, Madge Hayes, Rev Gave Daryl and Mary Bailey and Phyl Rushton. Their help and kindness was very much appreciated at such a sad time.

Val and John.



## FINGAL VALLEY.

The Fingal Valley forms an important link which joins Tasmania's major north-south highway with the East Coast. Thus, although Launceston, the municipality's nearest large centre, is roughly the same distance from Falmouth as Burnie is from Marrawah, Fingal municipality is not as isolated geographically.

Population distribution in the valley also contrasts with that of Circular Head. Large, extensive, predominately sheep properties occupy most of the valley floor between St. Marys and the Midlands Highway. Many of these were granted to British aristocrats during the early days of the colony and their present are still generally referred to as landowners rather than farmers.

In contrast to these properties, numerous small dairy farms were established on the hills around St. Marys. Many of the original pioneers were German migrants and their descendants still own much of the land around the town. However, a large proportion of these farms have either been amalgamated and changed to beef production or are operated only part-time. The local dairy industry they once supported no longer exists.

Avoca, Fingal and St. Marys, situated on the main valley road, developed as trade centres to serve these agricultural hinterlands. Now only Avoca retains this as its primary role.

Gold was discovered in the Fingal Valley at Mangana in 1852 and since then numerous mining settlements have flourished and often declined. At present a coal mine operates at Fingal and wolfram and tin mines operate at Storeys Creek and Rossarden. Remnants of mining towns also remain at Mathinna, whose residents now work mostly in forestry, and Cornwall, (Blackwood Mine) which is now open.

## ANNUAL MEETING - P. & F. ASSOCIATION

Twenty five people attended the Annual General meeting of the St. Marys District High School Parents & Friends Association.

In his annual report the retiring president, Mr. Tim McManus said that attendance at meetings in 1980 had increased to an average of 23.

1980 had been a successful year financially. With a combined effort from members of the public, teachers, pupils and business houses a profit of \$2262.48 had resulted from the school fair.

It was possible therefore to finance many projects, particularly in the latter half of the year. These included two school magazine subsidies (one big one for 1979 and - thanks to many local business houses - a much smaller contribution for 1980); improvements to the swimming pool fence; back packs for bushwalking; stage drapes; girls' T shirts and skirts for sports uniforms; locks for lockers; curtains for the Principal's office and the construction of two cricket nets.

Office bearers for 1981 are:-

President - Mr. Len Miles

Secretary - Mrs. Maureen Bushing

Treasurer - Mrs. Audrey Wright

The next meeting of the P. & F. Association will be held on Wednesday, 22nd April and not Tuesday, due to Easter holidays.

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**ARIES:** March 21 - April 20  
A temporary setback of some sort will put you out of your stride for a while, but it will not disconcert you. On the contrary, you will regard it as a challenge to your initiative. Health is satisfactory.  
BEST DAYS: 3, 9, 12

**TAURUS:** April 21 - May 21  
Your chart indicates that things will go very much your way, so now is the time to make headway with any plan that is of importance to your future happiness. Health is good but you must take care of your diet.  
BEST DAYS: 6, 7, 13

**GEMINI:** May 22 - June 21  
A week of surprises & most of them will be of a pleasureable nature. You can anticipate a gift of some sort. The chance to travel is more than a possibility. Take some time writing a long overdue letter.  
BEST DAYS: 3, 8, 10

**CANCER:** June 22 - July 23  
This week some sort of demand may be made upon you that will entail a lot of self-sacrifice. Do not enter into this without first considering it from all angles. Health is only satisfactory.  
BEST DAYS: 3, 6, 10

**LEO:** July 24 - August 23  
This week will start smoothly on an optimistic note. All will be well for your future. New friends will keep you entertained & old friends will enhance your happiness. Health average. Time spent with the family will be enjoyed.  
BEST DAYS: 9, 12, 16

**VIRGO:** August 24 - September 23  
An unusual week. There are indications that you will be called upon to perform a task that will be disagreeable to you. Do not allow your good nature to outweigh your commonsense. Travel will be enjoyed once entered into.  
BEST DAYS: 7, 11, 14

**LIBRA:** September 24 - October 23  
A critical time for some, especially with those whose emotional lives are not running smoothly. Act with courage & with the view that the decisions must be forced. Health average but nerves are bad.  
BEST DAYS: 8, 10, 11

**SCORPIO:** October 24 - Nov. 22  
A good time, because it will see your transition from restraint to relaxation. Recent feelings of unhappiness & insecurity will be brushed aside. Your general outlook will improve. Health normal.  
BEST DAYS: 9, 11, 15

**SAGITTARIUS:** November 23 - Dec. 21  
This will be the sort of week you care to make of it - good if you engage in activities of a charitable nature but not so good if you fail to co-operate with others. Health good. Relaxation is a must.  
BEST DAYS: 9, 14, 16

**CAPRICORN:** December 22 - Jan. 20  
Not a happy time for personal relationships. Take a good look at your outlook, you may find that your own lack of understanding is losing your friends. Be sympathetic towards others at all times & your will prosper.  
BEST DAYS: 3, 5, 10

**AQUARIUS:** January 21 - February 19  
A time for action. Stick close to the plans that you have made. Work towards them ignoring the opposition you will almost certainly meet. Social outings will be most pleasant, & you may make new friends.  
BEST DAYS: 6, 7, 13

**PISCES:** February 20 - March 20  
Romantic interests will highlight the time for some while others will find existing relationships will improve & better appreciated. Make a determined effort to improve life all all around you.  
BEST DAYS: 6, 8, 15

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