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# WHATS ON

STALL - CORNWALL....The Church of Good Shepherd August 14 2pm. Proceeds for Mother's Union.

THE NEXT MEETING of the St. Marys District High School Parents & Friends Association will be held on Tuesday 19 August in the school library at 8.00pm. Ms Sandra Wills from the Computer Centre in Hobart will present a talk on computer education. Ladies a plate please.

ST. MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL AUXILIARY ANNUAL Progressive Dinner will be held in the recreation room at the hospital on Friday August 15 at 7pm. Bookings may be made with Secretary Mrs. A. Birrell 722339 or Mrs. Doris Bullock 722167. Tickets \$3.00. Four course meal will be served. To help with catering arrangements please book by Wednesday August 13 if possible. Late bookings will be accepted.

GRAPE GROWING....St. Helens Parish Hall 2.00pm August 26 a talk will be given by Robin Thompson of Dept. of Agriculture on Grape Growing and will be illustrated with slides. In view of the fact that this area has excellent climate for the growing of grapes we would like the information to reach as many people as possible.

ST. MARYS LADIES FELLOWSHIP.....Next meeting 18th August 7.30pm will be a "Cent Evening" in aid of Multicap entrant Felicity Spilsbury, to be held at Clinic. All ladies welcome.

FILM NIGHT...."The Thief Who Came To Dinner" - a comedy with Ryan O'Neal, Jacqueline Bisset. August 20 8.00pm R.S.L.Hall, St. Marys. Donation \$2.00.

## C.Y.S.S. NEWS

Well our new project has been approved for the next twelve months, however an important change this year is that the project will be open for three days a week instead of five as before. We still intend to operate as before but perhaps on a smaller scale. Remember, it is a community scheme and as such anyone is entitled to suggest activities and projects which they would like to see us involved in. A reminder too that a weekend course in stained glass techniques will be held on August 23 and 24 at St. Marys School. For details and enrolments contact Alan Beer at Todds Hall, Phone 722187 or 722329 A.H.

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Fingal 2.30pm Worship & S/School  
St. Helens 7.00pm Worship S/School 10.00am

Sunday August 17  
St. Marys 11.00am Worship & S/School  
Fingal 2.30pm Worship & S/School  
St. Helens 7.00pm Worship S/School 10.00am

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND PARISH OF AVOCA,  
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Sunday 10 August  
Fingal 9.00am H.C.  
St. Marys 10.30am M.P.  
Royal George 7.00pm H.C.

Sunday August 17  
9.00am Fingal M.P.  
10.30am Cornwall H.C.  
7.00pm Avoca E.P.

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MEALS ON WHEELS FINGAL VALLEY

| AUGUST    |    | ST. MARYS      | FINGAL           | MANGANA         |
|-----------|----|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Sunday    | 10 | Bob Cook       | R.H. Yates       |                 |
| Monday    | 11 | N. Townsend    | Mrs. J. Hall     | Mrs. J. Hall    |
| Tuesday   | 12 | CYSS           | Mrs. J. Burbury  | Mrs. Sweeney    |
| Wednesday | 13 | Cheryl Hendley | J. Woods         | B. Saunders     |
| Thursday  | 14 | Maree Targett  | Mrs. H. Williams | Mrs. M. Ward    |
| Sunday    | 17 | Marj Spilsbury | J. Parker        |                 |
| Monday    | 18 | Paula Cook     | Mrs. D. Woods    | Mrs. M. Francis |
| Tuesday   | 19 | CYSS           | Mrs. I. Francis  | M. Bean         |
| Wednesday | 20 | Alf Faulkner   | Mrs. M. Mace     | J. Miller       |
| Thursday  | 21 | Jean Schier    | Mrs. P. Rowlings | Mrs. M. Ward    |



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Mrs. Mancy's Flat, Main Street (next to Bakery) 3.30pm - 6.30pm

APPOINTMENTS can be made through the week by phoning LAUNCESTON 318898

# SPORT

## FISHING NEWS

Angler's Diary: Sunday 17th August - Scamander Angling Club surf contest at Four Mile from 11am to 3pm. Saturday 23rd August St. Helens Game fishing Club Annual general meeting & annual dinner at Scamander Hotel-Motel - the meeting will start at 6.30pm.

Game Fishing Club members are requested to advise whether they will be attending the dinner as soon as possible to enable the catering arrangements to be finalized. The Club committee decided that it was time for a change of venue, thus allowing the Scamander based members to walk home if they so desire. Luckily there is now a separate walk-way across the bridge which helps to reduce that side sway which seems to develop on these occasions. There have been some reports of good catches of blackback recently from Surfside to Hughe's Beach. It appears that you just have to be there at the right time. All anglers are advised that there will be a talk on "Small Boat Safety" at the St. Helens School on Thursday 14th August at 8pm. The guest speaker will be Inspector Des LeFevre of St. Marys. All boat owners and their crews are urged to attend.

ST. MARYS CRICKET CLUB advises that it is coming out of retirement this season and hopes to be a member of the very strong Scottsdale Association. To enable this to happen a meeting will be held in the dining room at St. Marys Hotel on Wednesday 13 August. Any persons wishing to become involved please come along at 7.30pm and help get the club off the ground.

## MENS VOLLEYBALL

Annual meeting Tuesday 12 August 7.30pm at St. Marys Hotel - Lounge Room.. Important that a representative from all intending teams attend. Roster to start 4 September. New players welcome to attend meeting.

CONGRATULATIONS ST. MARYS FOOTBALL CLUB. I wonder who many business people knew we had three teams in the finals. We did well Saturday considering we only had about 3 imports, where the top clubs have from about 9 to 14. Also congratulations to the Netballers. I think they have nearly as many supporters as the footballers.

WHAT HAPPENED to the iron off the Grandstand. I spoke to two councillors about a few sheets to build places for reserves and was told it would be alright. I understand the iron has been sold and the insurance company had the right to do so. Was our council asleep or was a shrewdy worked.

M. Gatty  
Caretaker Recreation  
Ground.

EDITORS NOTE: This situation arose due to lack of communication.

# L. B. S.

## TERM DEPOSIT

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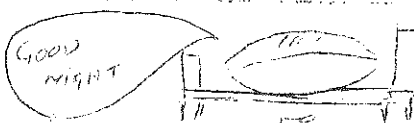
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MUMPS:

A child with mumps commonly presents with swelling and discomfort in the angle of the jaw beneath the lobe of the ear. This is due to parotitis, inflammation of the parotid gland, one of the salivary glands, due to the infecting organism. The other two salivary glands, the submandibular and sublingual glands, can occasionally be also involved.

There can be many other reasons for swelling, discomfort and tenderness in the angle of the jaw but in the young child the most common reason is mumps, if unsure then the General Practitioner's opinion should be sought. Mumps is due to a virus infection and is spread by direct contact with the infected person. If really necessary the offending organism can be isolated. The incubation period is normally 17-19 days.

The child (or adult) may be 'off colour' for several days preceding the swelling at the angle of the jaw but frequently the swelling is the first sign of mumps.

Complications can arise in some cases, meningitis and inflammation of glandular tissue (pancreas, breast, testes and ovaries) especially in persons over the age of puberty but can occasionally occur in the pre-puberty child. There is evidence of males being affected with more severe mumps and more frequently with complications.

The child (or adult) has difficulty swallowing and chewing so a fluid or soft diet is necessary. Care otherwise is treatment of the presenting symptoms as they occur. Bed rest may be required if the child is ill or should complications arise, this is necessary for the adult also.

Isolation is not necessary (and almost impossible during the incubation period) but precautions may need to be taken if there is another person in the household who is at risk.

Mumps vaccine is available in some countries and it is anticipated it will become available in Australia in the not too distant future.

IMMUNIZATION

Triple Antigen (T/A) is a combination of Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis (Whooping Cough) vaccine and is given to guard the young infant, especially, against contracting these serious diseases.

Triple Antigen is given along with oral Sabin (Poliomyelitis vaccination) at 2 months, 4 months and 6 months of age, as per the Health Department Vaccination Schedule.

All of these diseases can be severe in nature and have many complications. The mortality rate in the infant being very high.

There is evidence of an increase in these diseases in overseas countries in

the past few years especially diphtheria, poliomyelitis and whooping cough despite the eradication recently of the dreaded disease Smallpox.

In Great Britain there has been a significant rise in the incidence of whooping cough and is rising each year and there is some evidence of cases occurring in Australia.

There would be very few parents of young children who could remember vividly the last epidemic of these diseases which occurred in Tasmania, possibly the last was the poliomyelitis epidemic over thirty years ago, or remember some of the lasting effects these diseases produced.

The reason for the rise in the incidence of these diseases is probably due to the increasing number of parents deciding not to have their children immunized.

FINGAL SCHOOL NEWS

Fingal School has received a grant from the Australian Schools Commission School Level Innovations. The grant will enable us to develop an electronic toy library, available to pupils from Grade 2 upwards. The toys to be purchased are Dataman, Little Professor, Spelling Bee, Mr. Challenger and Speak and Spell.

The purpose of such a library is to develop in children an interest in words and numbers and provide enjoyable learning opportunities and assist in the development of powers of concentration.

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The Lions Club of St. Marys recently held its Changeover night at the St. Helens Hotel under Changeover Chairman Dale Wright.

Eighty five Lions and guests attended with special guests-- Installation Officer District Chairman Max Mitchell of Launceston & his Lions Lady Lois; Zone Chairman Trevor Eade & his Lions Lady Bette; President Ed. Denman & Lions Lady Vera of St. Helens Club; Mr George Shaw MLC & his wife.

Board Members installed for the year 1980-81 are:

President: Bruce Spilsbury  
Secretary: Tim Targett  
Treasurer: Bob Legge  
1st V.P.: Kevin Faulkner  
2nd V.P.: Len Miles  
3rd V.P.: Ron Sumner  
Directors: Dale Wright, Mike Webb  
Des Faulkner, Gil Schier,  
Tail Twister: Steve Salter  
Lion Tamer: Greg Tapp  
Immediate Past President: John McGiveron.

Outgoing President John McGiveron presented his report and below is a list of the achievements of the Lions Club of St. Marys for the year 1979-80.

Collected for Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal on two occasions.  
Cut wood for pensioners on two occasions.  
Fenced cricket pitch at Park.  
Conducted raffle to raise funds for Avoca Ambulance.  
Presented Avoca-Royal George Ambulance with special stretcher to allow one man operation. value \$595  
Donated \$50 to Fingal Elderly Citizens to assist in purchase of wheel chair.  
Supplied and fitted bath safety rails for pensioners.  
Erected play shed at the Pre School for children.  
Cleaned up grass and cut grass at Park on numerous occasions.  
Donated \$200 to Lions Charitable Foundation.  
Donated \$130 to Licola Appeal.  
Four members attended 201V1 Convention.  
Lions Ladies collected for Royal Childrens Welfare Association.  
Donated \$1000 to launch Theresa Haas appeal to send her to London for heart surgery (if nothing else this was worth the effort).  
Received \$1000 donation from our Mother Club St. Helens- "Thanks to St. Helens".  
Collected a further \$4000 from the public towards the Theresa Haas appeal.

Took children from "Omaru" Home on boating trip twice and supplied a barbecue.  
Supplied meat for bbq. at childrens camp at "Sea View" Germantown.  
Thanks to Lion Bob Legge for his help in this.  
Members spent time fire fighting in the St. Helens area.  
Cut fire wood for raffles.  
Assisted in town Christmas Party for children.  
Transported elderly citizens to St. Helens.  
Cleaned up pensioners yards on two occasions.  
Assisted moving Church furniture & fittings before Church was demolished.  
Assisted St. Helens Club to clean up residence.  
Financially assisted needy widow in district.  
Donated \$500 to Red Cross Ambulance Appeal.  
Conducted blood pressuer scan in St. Marys (192 people attended).  
Supplied flowers and refreshments to patients in Hospital at Xmas.  
Supplied flowers to Mothers in hospital on Mothers Day.  
Donated \$200 to Thandagudi Goodwill village in India after a visit to our Club by village founder John Foster.  
Sent children & chaperone to Licola Childrens Holiday village in Vic.  
3 from St. Marys and 3 from St. Helens  
Conducted battery drive in conjunction with collection of unused and dangerous drugs for disposal.  
Sold surplus Christmas Cakes.  
Operated Beer machine at Scamander Four Seasons in conjunction with St. Helens Club.  
Held 2 successful progressive dinners to raise funds.  
Lion Gil Schier attended Sydney International Convention.  
Held a number of Ladies nights.  
Run supermarket raffle - winner was Mr Ward from Manganna.  
Club have agreed to sponsor local Multicap entrant Felicity Spilsbury.  
Operated Beer machines at St. Marys Hotel.  
Nominated Miss Pat Harris in Jaycees Outstanding Young Australian Quest.  
She was one of the State winners.  
Thanks to Lion Des LeFevre for his effort.  
Total Income for the year in our activities account: \$9624  
Club activities expenditure: \$7668  
Attendance lifted from 77% to almost 100%  
Membership increased by three with a further three members installed on changeover night.



## MAJOR TOURIST DEVELOPMENT FOR ST. HELENS and EAST COAST.

A unique tourist development is now well under way in the popular east coast tourist resort of St. Helens. A private company Hamrkk Pty Ltd has sub-divided approximately three acres of land in the central township of St. Helens into eight blocks, one of which has been retained by the company for the construction of a sport and recreation centre mainly comprising of a roller skating rink and an indoor heated swimming pool with sauna and spa bath facilities.

The roller skating rink has been architect designed and based on the "modern approach" which is becoming increasingly popular in the sport of roller skating. Its main features will be an indoor and outdoor skating rink, kiosk, skate shop, carpeted foyer, lowered ceiling and of course disco music. The skating centre has been named "Roller Life" and the swimming centre "Health Life".

Two of the remaining blocks in the Hamrkk subdivision have already been sold to separate business people from Launceston and St. Helens, Mr Bullock and Mr Bailey are soon to commence construction of a squash centre and Mr & Mrs Scetrine will develop the long awaited coffee shop restaurant to be appropriately named "Sweethearts". Both developments are considered to be commensurate with the present image of the Hamrkk subdivision

which is seen as a prime commercial centre specialising in serving the growing tourist industry of Tasmania. At the time of publication there were five blocks remaining for sale.

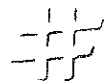
Hamrkk Pty Ltd has already developed two successful businesses in the area, the first being a supermarket (Super Valu) now in its third year and more recently "Cycle Life", Tasmania's popular bicycle hire facility. The company members have combined experience in many industries, mainly banking, finance, unit & land development, farming, manufacturing and cheese making.

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to replace conventional submarine cables; and improved techniques to reduce the capacity required for transmission of information.

It is clear that international communications is plentiful and inexpensive, and through the continuing work of organisation such as OTC, new technology will provide further and greater opportunities in the communication network. Such opportunities ought not to be wasted.



## EAST COAST, FINGAL VALLEY RESIDENTS

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By Grandma Moses

Fortnight beginning August 8

LEO: July 24 - August 23

By relating in a positive way to problems you can see an end to them. If you feel lacking in some way, now is the time to remedy the situation. Enjoy social engagements as much as you can - accept an unexpected invite. BEST DAYS: 9, 19, 20

VIRGO: August 24 - September 23

You have waited a long time for now a lot of things will happen that have seemed impossible. Take advantage of all opportunities, finances require a close eye - avoid the temptation of buying unneeded items. BEST DAYS: 12, 15, 21

LIBRA: September 24 - October 23

Long settled problems will be raised again & will require examination. Attend to them promptly, don't waste precious time. Do not volunteer for any new commitments unless you have a lot of time to devote to them. BEST DAYS: 14, 16, 17

SCORPIO: October 24 - November 22

Be prepared to make major decisions in several aspects of your life. Put down head-strong impulses & avoid forcing issues. Take the time to plan a family outing & then make the most of it. BEST DAYS: 8, 16, 19

SAGITTARIUS: November 23 - Dec. 21

The pursuit of pleasure is important now but it's equally important not to neglect your duties - strive to achieve a happy medium. You may embark on a venture that will be at least 6 months maturing. BEST DAYS: 8, 19, 21

CAPRICORN: December 22 - Jan. 20

You may be called upon, around the 10th, to tend the affairs of someone who has died. If this is too complex seek legal assistance. When calculating new & ambitious ideas let them age before taking the ultimate plunge. BEST DAYS: 9, 10, 21

AQUARIUS: January 21 - February 19

You'll note that you are on the sidelines for the present. Be thankful as it will allow you to go about your work quietly. Keep your sense of humour in tact - it will be needed quite often. Travel is not recommended. BEST DAYS: 9, 10, 14

PISCES: February 20 - March 20

The emphasis now is on your health, you are at your lowest so more rest & relaxation is the order of the day. Do not schedule too much of your time - allow for some private moments. You may make a new & valued friend. BEST DAYS: 11, 13, 15

ARIES: March 21 - April 20

Romance is in the air for the young & the young-at-heart. Let things coast along at work - make no demands. Utilize your energies around the home. Plan some family activities that involve everyone. BEST DAYS: 9, 18, 20

TAURUS: April 21 - May 21

The domestic scene may be disrupted by differences of opinions - do what you can to bring about a peaceful solution. Make use of your good taste & diplomacy. Show a loved one that you care. Watch your diet. BEST DAYS: 11, 18, 21

GEMINI: May 22 - June 21

Before signing contracts or other documents take the time to look over all the details, not just what you believe to be important. You have a winning personality & are surrounded by a very friendly atmosphere. BEST DAYS: 9, 19, 20

CANCER: June 22 - July 23

Money matters are high priority - trim your budget to meet current financial requirements - this is no time for extravagances. Take care with long term projects - involve yourself 100% or not at all. BEST DAYS: 16, 17, 21

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