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## BIOLOGICAL CONTROL IN AGRICULTURE

By Senator John Watson

Australian research scientists have achieved an impressive list of biologically controlled successes in agriculture. They have attained these successes by the use of natural predators of both weed & insect pests, drawn from around the world, However, the successful use of biological control is not always to everyone's ad-

The weed with the pretty mauve flower - Paterson's Curse - is found throughout south-west Australia, including Tasmania. For the bee-keepers Industry Canberra, as a means of this weed is essential to the honey industry, as it is one of the links in the honey collection chain, & a valuable source of nectar. Some apairists now rely on the Paterson's Curse flower for honey production as the bees are losing their natural sources of honey with the clearing of forests & the urban spread.

However, the pasturalists regard it as a nuisance, as sheep, pigs, cattle grazing on Paterson's Curse. The plant, given the right conditions, can cause liver damage in stock, but as the alkaloid content in the plant tends to vary with its stage of growth the type of soil, the amount of fertilization & the climate, some graziers, particularly those in dry areas, regard the weed as useful green feed regard the weed as useful green feed the name of 'Sal-& horses suffer poisoning through

Australia.

The annual cost of spraying the weed throughout Australia cannot be accurately estimated, but it must run to several millions of dollars. However, as many people are reluctant to use the herbicides 2,4-D, and 2,4,5-T to control the weeds, & the cost of the spraying is beyond the means of most landowners, the CSIRO initiated a search, particularly in Southern Europe, for a possible biological control agent for Paterson's Curse. They selected two insects - a moth & a flea beetle for controlling the weed. This threatened eradication the weed. This threatened eradication of a 'nixious weed' has stung Australia's beekeepers into action against the cattlemen s beef industry. How-ever, in South Australia, two bee-

keepers & two graziers were granted an injunction by the High Court in July 1980, against the CSIRO releasing the flea beetles or its larvae to combat 'Salvation Jane'

in Australia.

Another menacing plant prevalent to the wetter areas of Tasmania is Ragwort, which periodically causes havoc. This plant contains the pyrrolizidine alkaloids which is a hazard to cattle, but can also contaminate grains used in prepared rations. A native moth which feeds only on plants containing these alkaloids, is currently under close scrutiny by the Division of Plant biological elimination of these plants. However, a flea beetle with an exclusive taste for ragwort was released into the United States recently, & so far, has been satis-factorily performing its task of controlling ragwort. The beetle has also been selectively released in Tasmania, but on the basis of over-seas experience, it is unlikely that the beetle will, by itself, be the answer to the Tasmanian ragwort problem. It should, however, provemost effective in areas inaccessible

buffalo flies.

Their successes have been tempered by the ecological disaster of the cane toad, now a major pest in coastal areas. The toad, lacking natural predators, bred prolifically & , instead of concentrating on cane beetles as intended, it devaled to the colored a toate for most other not eloped a taste for most other nat-

ive insects.

The success of the biological eradication of keleton weed caused problems for the sheep men. the wheat farmers regarded it as a pest, the sheep men called it "The poor man's lucerne", because in a drought it would provide sheep with much needed high-protein feed. They regarded its demise as a loss. The precedent of an injunction being

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Annual Meeting of Womens A.S.L. Auxiliary Monday, Oct. 19th at 7pm in the Institute.

e. V. Bradbury (Hon Secrtary).

A Service will be held in the Uniting Church Fingel on Sunday 25th Oct. 1981 at 2.30pm to commemorate the centenary of the Church. The Modorater elect will be present. After the service afternoon tea will be served in the Town Hall. All cordially invited to attend.

R. McKenzie H. Williams F. McGee

The next meeting of R.A.F.T. will be at 80m on Tuesday 27th October in the Fingal Uniting Church Hall. .All Welcome.

#### ST.HELENS GUN CLUB.

Shoot to be held 18th October. 10.30am start. 10 target Double Barrel Sweepstakes 15m. Trophy best 11 or 12m shooter. State Double Continental Champion-40 targets. Graded A.B.C. Sesh, bedge trophy eacg grade. Overell high gun trophy (Wally Stokely nominated event). Mowbray Auto Wreckers Handicap 30 targets Double Barrel 1st, Double Barrel 12 Mauge Jun. Value \$160 2nd, Suede gun case. Value \$55 3rd, Half case cartridges. Trophies donated by Norm Knott. Graded High Gun Ribbon over whole programme.

Catholic Womens League - Proceeds of "Casserole Luncheon" Was \$158. Raffle Winner Mrs M Rattery ST. Helens

ST. MARYS GIRL GUIDES. Meet Tuesday 4pm/6pm. St. Marys Youth Club Hall. Enquiries. Contact. Lynne Sherrell on 742176.

Market Night At St Marys.

December 4th at 7 pm.

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Further information at a Later Date.
Stall Holders include. C.W.L.
Girl Guides. C of E, CYSS, Sporting
Clubs. Lions Club of St Marys.

ST MARYS PARENTS AND FRIENDS MED Tuesday 20th October 8pm. at School Library. DON'T FORGET THE ANNUAL SCHOOL PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETING

2 pm Friday, 23rd.

#### OLD TIME MUSIC HALL REVUE.

on Wednesday night, the St. Marys & St. Helens schools, presented a pleasant nights entertainment, with a good selection of plays, musical items and comedy acts. Congratulations to all students and teaches, for a well rehearsed, evenings enjoyment. It was pleasing to see the hall filled to capacity, by parents and friends alike. I im sure all present were proud of their youngster's performanaces, as the children entered into the venture with spirit and gusto. Judging by the laughter which filled the hall throughout the night, a good time was had by

in the hold by this.

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St. Marys
St. Helens

9.30am

11.00am 7.00pm

Sunday October 25 Fingal St. Marys 9.30am 11.00am

St. Helens

7.00pm

#### ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST. HELENS

St. Pauls Church
8.00am Eucharist every Sunday
11.00am Ist.Sunday sung
11.00am M.P. second Sunday
11.00am 3rd,4th,5th Sunday

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Pyengana

11.00am Eucharist 2nd Sunday

11.00am M.P. 4th Sunday 7.30pm Eucharist 2nd Sunday

7.30pm - Eucharist 4th Sunday

Falmouth Church

9.15am Eucharist 1st & 3rd Sunday.

#### ANGLICAN PARISH OF FINGAL VALLEY

Sunday October 18 9.00am Fingal Cornwall 10.30am

3.00pm Mangana 7.00pm Avoca - Vestry meeting

10.30am St: Marys
3.00pm Mathinna
7.00pm Avoca

#### Nows CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. MARYS

St. Marys - St. Mary of the Assumption October 18, 25

St. Helens - SS Helena & Stanis-laus Vigil Mass Saturdays 17, 24

Fingal - St. Joseph Sunday October 25

10.30am

Mangana - Our Lady of the Sacred Heart - October 18 11.00am Barbecue - hot water provided
Procession 2.00pm - Procession fro,
Old School to Church - in honour of
the Virgin Mary - Benediction in the
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PARISH PRIEST: Father Joe Medwin. The Presbytery. St. Marys 7215.

## MEALS ON WHEELS FINGAL VALLEY

OCTOB	ER	ST. MARYS	FINGAL	MANGANA
Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	18 19 20 21 22	Selby Targett Atholie Greenwood . CYSS Alf Faulkner Jean Schier	C. Rankin D. Woods. H. Mills A. McKenzie T. Vance	C. Upton J. Miller C. Turner A. McKenzie F. Sweeney
Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	25 26 27 28 29	Karon Bean Edna & Max Herring CYSS Clive Berwick Ruth Gill	J. Clements C. Hodgson J. Hall R. McGee J. Burbury	N. Ward J. Miller J. Hall R. McGee M. Francis

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#### TRIBUTE

On behalf of the members of Elderly Citizens Indoor Bowls Club we express our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Spils-bury and family. The Club has lost a Gentleman and great club member always ready to help the club with that friendly spirit and co-operation and was always the mainstay of the Club for many years. The Club will have a big job to fill his place. Sadly missed by all members. J.Lehner President. granted when the use of biological pest control will disadvantage one industry while benefitting another, set in the South Australian Salvation Jane case could have serious implications for biological control in agriculture in Australia. It could be an unfortunate precedent as the application of science in pest control may be to someone's disadvantage while vitally important to the other.

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#### Men's Volleyball Report

After four nights of matches the teams in the volleyball roster seems to be sorting themselves into three groups. Warriors are out on top and new teams Misfits & Sams are struggling on the bottom of the ladder. The other five teams can beat each other depending on their form on the night. The first of these middle teams to find some consistency should play Warriors in the final on December 10th.

The ladder reads in order:
Warriors 16 (205%), Pub 12 (183%),
C.B.A. 12 (109%), Adidas 8 (105%),
St Helens 8 (102%), Pelicans 6 (74%)
Misfits 2 (48%), Sams 0 (50%).

Results of recent matches: Sams in the last three matches have lost to Pub, Warriors & C.B.A. Scott Bean & Wayne Britton are probably improving the quickest. C.B.A. were very nearly beaten by the 'boys' who led 2 all, 12-5 before saccumbing.

Adidas have disappointed against Warriors (1-3) and St Helens (2-3). They upset Pelicans to win 3-0. Gary Street is an acquisition while Michael Schier is proving a reliable veteran.

St Helens lost to C.B.A. and Pubbefore downing Adidas. In that last match Lindsay EMms played well at the net.

victories over Sams (Mark Read served best), St Helens and Misfits (on forfeit). Captain Mitchell is playing a steady game.

steady game.

Misfits will improve; but will
Warriers falter? Both teams travel
east for the games but they go home
with different results. The Mathinna
Machine, Fort Knox, is consistently
strong and neighbours Vance & Dorgelo
are unfriendly to unfortunate opponents. Victims in the last three rounds
have been Adidas, Sams & Pelicans.

Pelicans have been disappointing with a loss to Adidas & a forfeit to Warriors. The game with Misfits was not played, with points shared.

C.B.A. is picking up steam, led by the reliable "Brads", Bradbury and Bradley. They have beaten teams out of the four.

BIASED

#### ST. MARYS LADIES VOLLEYBALL NOTES WEEK 4 6.10.81

Kiwis d Youth Club 3-0 (15.8, 15.2, 15.11). A. Read best for Kiwis. For Youth Club All played very well and very much improved.

Game 2. Smurfs d Webbs Bakery 3-0 (15.12, 15.4, 15.3). Mary Targett, Patsy Burgess best for Smurfs and Val Leedham best for Webbs Bakery.

Game 3. Tassic Devils d Tobys 3-0 (15.8, 15.2, 15.12). Team effort by Tassic Devils. Tanya Goss, Pat Thomas and Roberta Harwood best for Tobys.

#### WEEK 5 13.10.81

Game 1. Kiwis d Tassie Devils 3-2 (6.15, 13.15, 15.12, 15.7, 15.8) Tania Streets best for Kiwis and C. Dorgelo and J. Gray best for Tassie Devils.

Game 2. Smurfs d Tobys 3-2 (15.8, 8.15, 10.15, 15.9, 15.7). Mary Beach and Mary Targett best for Smurfs. Dot Cashion and Tanya Goss best for Tobys.

Game 3. Webbs Bakery d Youth Club 3-1. (15.7,2.15,15.4,15.7). Val Streets best for Webbs Bakery. Kath LeFevre and Julie Toombs best for Youth Club.

#### ROSTER

#### WEEK 6 20,10,81

Smurfs v Kiwis Youth Club v Tas.Dev. Webbs Bakery v Tobys

Tas.Dev. Kiwis Youth Cluk

#### WEEK 7 27.10.81

Webbs Bakery v Tas.Dev. Kiwis Tobys v Kiwis Tas.Dev. Youth Club v Smurfs Tobys

LADDER
KIWIS 20
SMURFS 16
TASSIE DEVILS 12
TOBYS 8
WEBBS BAKERY 4
YOUTH CLUB 0

#### PASSING THOUGHT

Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile.

Do good and fear nobody; do ill and fear everyone.

Trust in God and do the right.

Ambition is a good accelerator, but it's wise to watch the speedo.

The frightening thing about heredity and environment is that we parents provide both.

#### FINGAL FAIR

<u>officially</u> contributed

St. Marys tep batsmen folded early but be congratulated on the successful fairthe partnership of Brian Birrell (making held in the school grounds on Saturday,

October 3rd.

St. Marys tep batsmen folded early but

a very good come-back) and Derak Summers

October 3rd.

It was opened by Mr. George Shaw M.L.C..

A fancy dress Pedlars Parade attracted & that of Les Lavelle and Glen McDonald about 45 children.

They raised \$41.78.

Most of the costumes were home-made & a

Takings at the fair were \$1313 with an

over all profit of approximately 1223. With afternoon tea in such proportions,

Winners of the competitions were:

Best decorated saucer by Grade 4,5 & 6 was 1st Edward Swifte

2nd Deanne Donnellan

Winners of the Pedlars Fancy Dress: Prep & Grade 1 1st. Peter Maney -

incredible hulk
2nd. Timothy Farrow a loaf of bread

Grade 2 & 3 dst. Vicki Cleland - a Spanish lady

a Spanish lady 2nd. Andrea Woods a coalminer

Grade 4,5 & 6 1st. Jodie Bennett - a witch

2nd. David Hoskinson -

Pre-Schoolers 1st. Phillipa Holder nature cirl

2nd. Julie-Ann Speers flower girl

RAFFLE VINNERS

1. Debbie Salter - rug

2: Elaine Oliver - half shheep

3. Pam Davenport' - pot plant

4. Kath Francis - guessed name of doll

5. Pat Rubenach - jelly beans & a pair of cushions

6.Mrs. M.Miller - a doll

POSTER WINEERS by school-children

Grade 6 Charmaine Rubenach Robert Hoskinson

Grade 5 Teresa Hoskinson Vanessa Singline

Grade 4 Fiona French

Grade 3 Jason Hall

Grade 2 Vicki Cleland Belinda Lynch

Grade 16 Amanda Lowe Rathering or Peter Hodgson

Prep. Johnathon Walters

If any child's name has been omitted my apologies, as I am sure one or two are missing.

Many thanks to all who supported us.

P.Rubenach.

as was produced by the ladies, the local cricketers may need to consider the possibility of starting a 'keep fit class' in the near future.

(64) ensured St. Marys a win along with

the excellent bowling of Ross Bean 6/35.

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(MOST SUITARLI 12 - 20 weeks) TIME

October 3rd saw the comment of the c	October 10th. Page 7		
October 3rd. saw the commencement of the Scottsdale Association Cricket Season	St.Marys played Fingal at St.Marys.		
for 1981 - 82.	The game was to be played at Fingal but their pitch is still under con-		
St.Marys played Pioneer at St.Marys. It was a slow tempo game.	struction.		
St. Marys innings:	Fingal innings:		
T and NT	Max Davidson L.B.W. R.Bean 6		
Michael Holmes c & b R.Artis	Ashley Stone L.B.W. R.McDonald 38		
Derek Summers bowled by R. Walker	Tony Ward c G.McDonald b R.Bean 6		
Terry Paractt assubt D. A.	Wayne Gillies stpd.L.Lavelle b R.Bean 12		
Ross Boan hamled has D. C.	Bavid Bean bowled R.Bean 3		
Dichard Manager 12 MOH offer	Dennis Howell c B.Birrell b L.		
, <sub>Ч</sub>	Max Saunders bowled R.McDonald 0		
Glen McDonald L.B.W. R.Walker 1	G.Woods run out		
Les Lavelle bowled R. Walker 0	Larry Stingle bowled R.Bean 28		
Gary Laycock run out	David Lows of Norman 1 7 7		
Eric Bean bowled by R. Walker 0			
Andrew Lavelle bowled R. Walker 5	Darren Bean NOT OUT 2 Sundries 8		
Sundries 5 Total score 64	Total score123 Bowlers for St.Marys were:		
Bowlers for Pioneer were; .	T. Targett 10 overs 0 wkt. 30 runs R. Bean 15.1 6 35		
C.Woods 12 overs 0 wkts. 30 runs	L.Newman 5 1 8		
R.Walker 11 6 12 M.Whitemore 5 0 8	B.Birrell 3		
R.Artis 2 3 7	St.Marys innings:		
Pioneer innings: M. Whitemore c A. Lavelle b L. Newman 27	Les Newman run out		
n. Walker c D. Summers b. T. Targett 8	Michael Holmes bowled W.Gillies 10		
M.Summers NOT OUT	Terry Targett bowled W.Gillies 3		
A.Summers c R.McDonald b L.Newman 1 R.Howlett NOT OUT 5	Richard McDonald run out		
Sundries 2 Total score 82	Derek Summers c D. Bean b W. Gillies 41		
Bowlers for St. Marys were:	Ross Bean c T. Ward b A. Stone 6		
T. Targett 6 overs 1 wkt. 23 runs	Brian Birrell bowled W.Gillies 15		
R.McDonald 5 . 0 22	Glen McDonald NOT OUT 35		
L.Newman 5 2 20	Les Lavelle NOT CUT 22		
R.Bean 4 0 15	Gary-Laycock		
Looking through the list of players on	Andrew Lavelle		
the day it must be noted that two sets	Sundries 11 Total score,		
of father/son combination played namely	Bowlers for Fingal were: 7/145		
Eric & Ross Bean along with Les & Andrew	Wayne Gillies 13 overs 4wkt. 46runs David Lowe 15 0 44		
Lavelle.	Ashley Stone 11 1 36 Tony Ward 3 0 8		
The youngest player Undrew performed very	Max Davidson 1 0 14 A big welcome to Fingal on ontoning		
well obtaining 5 runs and he achieved the	the Association & congratulations on this weeks performance. A. Stone top		
'catch of the day.	Wayne Gillies took 4 whta for 46		
choing money extern money money means	their top bowler on the day. continued		

Residents of Cornwall didn't have a public hall, and being a young and enthusiastic mining town, it was decided to call a meeting to establish a Hall Committee to build a hell.

The committee consisted of Max Targett,
Jack and Tom Margison, Ted Nicholson,
Ernie Heas, Sam Rigby, Alec and Ray Parsons
Mick Colrain, Len Russell, who was secretary
and school master at the time. Berney
Ford and Jim Jackson were Auditors.
The women were very energetic, with Mrs
Alec Parsons, Nora Nicholson andMrs Alice
Parsons, in fact, most of the women in the
town, who were good cooks, pulling together
to raise money with stalls and fairs.
The men initially gave £I.5.0. each, and
2/- rer pay afterwards, to ray for materials
only, because all labour was voluntary.
Miners paid their 2/- to Alac Parsons each
pay day.

George Tickle, who was an engineer with the mine, laid out the foundation, but was not allowed by Mr Hood, (the mine manager) to continue with the construction, because the miners were on strike and not permitted to work while on strike, so Mr Ted Nicholson took over from George Tickle.

Lucy Michelson remembers making morning tea for 27 volunteer workers one Saturday morning.

Finally, the grand opening night arrived, with a gala ball being held. The hall was packed to capacity. It was the best ball ever. People travelled from near and far in all modes of transport, horse and cart, and on foot, to attend. Music was supplied by Fred and Mary Nalan, Ralph Strochnetter, and Jack Mudden.

Ruby Brough and Ted Nicholson called at every house asking for donations for the supper.

On opening night, the hall was still £20.0.0, in debt, but this was cleared after the ball.

Many good times and functions were held in the hall.

On reminiscing, it was remembered the night of a fancy dress dance, when Sam Rigby dressed up as a monkey. During the course of the evening, he was dancing around and having a very merry time, with his tail flicking here and there. It caused many squeals when it flicked under a ladies' dress. Sam was forced to keep his tail between his legs.

These were the good old times, when everyone was prepared to give their time and energy for a worthwhile community venture.

Apologies to anyone whose names are not mentioned.

Story told to the writer by Ted Nicholson and Ernie Heas.

Writers name withheld by request.

ST. MARYS GOLF NEWS. C.Grade HCP. C.J. DAVERN 1003 27 hole East Coast scratch C.Mitchell 110. 27 hole B . Grade scratch R. Falmer 119. 27 hole C. Grade scratch C. J. Davern 138. Open scratch B. Street 107. Junior Nett J. Miles 74. Nearest Pin G. Moore. Spring Tournament Assocates Friday 18 hole handicap Mrs. M. King (21) 9 hole handicap Miss. C. White 322 27 hole hanidcap A Grade: Miss Hall 1095 27 hole handicap B. Grade Mrs M. King -98 hole scratch Miss T. Hall 126. 27 hole scratch B. Grade Mrs. M. King 128. 27 hole scratch C. Grade Mrs. Y. Davern 147 Eclectic Mrs. Y. Davern on CB Mrs. C. Barnes 281 Nearest Fin C. Singline Foursomes K. Davern- J. McDonald HCP Paul Davern- R. McGiveron 622 Mixed Foursomes Gross S. Dawson Mrs. M. King Handicap B. Hughes - Mrs. J. Hall on C B from G. King - Mrs. P. Davern K. Davern - Mrs. C. Barnes Mens. 18 hole handicap A. Miller 63 on C B.K. Davern 9 hole handicap R. Houghton 28 27 hole A. Grade HCP K. Davern 94 27 hole B. Grade HCP 962 Multicap Day. Members Foursome Gross F. Singline - K. Spilsbury 83 handicap Peter & Christopher Davern Associates Foursome Mrs. M. King - Miss T. Hall 68 Eclectic Miss C. White - Mrs J. Lind Best First nine Gross. Mrs N. Mitchell Nearest Pin Mrs. H. Hayes -Mrs.Y. Davern. Monthly Brooch Wednesday. Mrs. J. Lohery. (33) 61. Mrs. Davern (31) 64. Mrs. Hayes. (30) 69. Mrs. E. Herring. (23) 69. Mrs. Lohery reduced her handicap from 33 - 31 Mrs. Y. Davern. 31 - 30. Associate Barclay Shield.
Mrs. E. Herring - Mrs. R. Gill 70
Mrs. D. Holmes - Mrs. M. Nolan on C B from Mrs. H. Hayes Mrs. Y. Davern Stableford. Mrs. Y. Davern. 30. H. Hayes. 29 K. Wright. 28. Miss N. Hayes, 26.

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NEWS RELEASE

Mr. John Spilsbury passed away on Oct.7th et the Launceston General Hospital, aged 86 years.

Church, on Friday October the 9th. The service was conducted by Rector Poter Walker. After the service, interment took place at the Gray General Gemetery. Friends and relatives payed respect at one of the largest funerals held in the district for some time.

Mr. John Spilsbury was born in England in

district for some time.

Mr. John Spilsbury was born in England in May 1895. He came to Tasmania as a lad of 17 years, settling on the North-West coast. He started his working life in mining and farming. He married Linda Lamprey, of Sassafras, andsettled there, where 6 of their 8 children were born. In 1937, the family moved to St. Marys, where Mr. Spilsbury took a clerical position with the Cornwall Coal Company. He was later promoted to Chief Clerk, and held this position until his retirement, at the age of 65.

During the wer years, he was Secretary of the St.Marys District Hospital, until a full time secretary was appointed. He continued his interest in the hospital, by becoming a member of the Hospital Auxcillary, holding many offices over the years.

Through his association with the Red Cross from 1939-1979, holding many offices during that time, he was one of the many who were instrumental in organising the only free ambulance in Tasmania, which operates in this district. He received the Distinguished Service Award for his services to Red Cross.

Mr. Spilsbury was also Secretary for the Druid's Lodge, (U.A.O.D.) in the St. Marys district.

He was also a member of the St. Marys Hack and Trotting Club, holding the Office of Secretary until 1959, and was an active member until 1973.

Mr. Spilsbury also hold office in the Pensioner's Union, and was a very valued member and office bearer of the Silver Threads senior citizens bowls club at St. Marys.

Mr Spilsbury was made a Justice of the Peace in 1958 and was a respected member of the community.

Mr. Spilsbury is survived by his wife, Linda, 5 sons and I daughter.

#### ST MARYS WATER SUPPLY

As some residents of St Marys are aware Chlorine has been added to the water supplyby the Council to aid purification.

Like any new unit it will take a short time to settle down and work efficiently, by that time the taste will hardly be noticed. The water supply at Avoca has also had Chlorine added to it,

From the office of Dr. Julian Amos.

LIVESTOCK MARKET REPORTING SERVICE

A livestock parket reporting service at the Bridgewater saleyards will go shead, the Minister for Primary Industry, Dr. Amos, told a meeting of meat industry representatives today. Dr. Amos said the service, run by the Department of agriculture, would cover Bridgewater sheep and cattle sales, using them as a guide to levels for different classes of stock throughout the States The reporting system will use standard terminology to define livestock classes. and application for a full-time market reporter based at Bridgewater will be called within a few weeks, the Minister "A standard reporting system is being used in other States as an gid to better marketing decisions, based on consumer

needs," Dr. Ames soid.
"It is important market guide and the Department will be looking for the support and co-operation of the Industry to ensure the service is a success." Dr. Ames soid discussions are underway to involve industry in the service, which is planned to start as soon as staff and facilities are ready.

#### PRESS STATEMENT

From member for Wilmot, Mr. Max Burr.

The Federal Government has allocated \$2.4 million to Councils in the Wilmot electorate for upgrading local roads. Wilmot MHR Max Burr said the grants were most welcome and further demonstrated the Commonwealth Government's determination to assist local councils. The road grants are in addition to the \$3.5 million tax sharing grants recently announced by Sonator Carrick. While the Commonwealth Covernment is making every effort to assist local councils, the State Government is inposing substantial additional costs for water and other service charges that are offsetting the benefits of the Commonwealth grants. Mr. Burr said that the attitude of the

Mr. Burr said that the attitude of the State Government was to be deplored and he called on Mr. Lowe to show the same determination to assist local government as is being demonstrated by the Commonwealth Government.

## DO YOU REMEMBER Y BY GORDON SALTERY

YEAR: 1931 - Half a century ago. THE SCENE: Agricultural Show.
THE PARADE: Ayrshires, Friesans, Jerseys, Guernsys, Shorthorns, Black Angus all being led by attendants, followed by sleek groomed horses, hacks, jumpers, ponies, harness horses in freshly painted rubber tyred jinkers.

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Animals and humans putting their best legs forward to inspiring music new is, but in its very early days supplied by a Scots Pipe Band.

Away from the Arena another front of the general scene is the number of side shows, a Boxing Tent Fairy Floss and a Fortune Teiler. Sounds like the Royal Easter Show (Sydney). No it's the Annual St. Marys Show. Is there another show around which could come up with such variety??? Variety with a capital N.

The programme of ring events com-prised Pony Races, a Mile Race for Thoroughbreds, Steoplechases, numerous Show jumping events, Trotting heats and final, Clay Pidgeon Shhoting Contest, Greyhound race, Steer Riding, numberous novelty events such as Potato Race. Tilting the Ring, Costume Race. M usical Chairs, on Horseback, etc. etc.

Before we proceed exp further let's go back to the Official Opening by Sir James Of Grady one of Tasmania's most popular Governors ever. The night before the Show Sir James and his beautiful daughter Miss Margaret O Grady attended the Show Ball in Todds Hall. It was a huge success and Miss O'Grady L. danced with many of the local yekels including myself.

Talking of Governors, Sir Ernest. Clarke really enjoyed our Show. He told by father St. Marys Show was his favourite in Tasmania and he visited most of them in his capacity as Governor. On occassions when he visited the Show here he and Lady Clarke stayed with my parents at MBalaclavan.

Back to the Show - Dainy breeds were to the fore in those days as 1500 cows were milked in the areasuof. St. Marys, Falmouth, Gray, German Town and in most cases cheese was made on the farms. r golið ellini

Breeders who showed much success at St. Marys Show, also showed their stock in other Tasmanian Shows and some who come to mind Stewart, Frank and Dick Campbell, include Mr. Garth Napier (Ayrshires), Miles and Frank Gilbert, Leo Jordan, Falmouth, Mr. Dick Treloggen (Milking Shorthorns)St. Helens, Mr. Alf Bullock (Jerseys) and my father (Friesans). So many cattle, sheep and horses were shown from

this area during that era that a especial train left St. Marys for the Habart and Launceston Shows. Mr. Bill Lohrey was an expert in all matters pertaining to stock and his advice was keenly sought.

Now back to our Show and the Ring Events. As long as I can remember the show ring, it was situated where the present football ground the situation was where Mr. Jeffrey Faulkner now cordicts his garage business. As a youngster I was mad about horses (I still am) and I recall seeing a beautifully attired Miss Valentine, a friend of the Ransom family of "Killymoon" riding side saddle with such grace. Also about that time Miss Minnie Scott brought show-ring jumpers from Scottsdale and these horses were ridden by Mr. Les Slater a noted herschan of those days. While still on the subject of riders, lets not forget Bertie Woods, the little man with the big voice. I remember him riding in a trotting race, then a gallop, riding over jumps all in the same day. Then on to the steer-riding contest and he capped off the day by running in and actually catching the "Greasy Pig". What an all rounder. His sons were all interested in trotters and were also good footballers and cricketers as well, 

As far as show ring jumpers were concerned during this period, St. Marys Show patrons only saw moderate jumpers in action, butthat was about to change, The Midland Hunt Club visited this area to hunt and the following years we saw a sen-sational change, we saw every top jumper in Tasmania competing at St. Marys and of course top riders male and female as well as how o

One cannot mention the Midland Hunt Club without the name of Jim Os-borne coming to mind. Together with his wife and family the Osborne's have been mainstays of the Club in Jim competed regulrecent years. arly lat the St. Marys Show. riding ability and courage showed up in the later years when he suffered a serious illness. is still an active member of the Midland Hunt Club and also a valued member of the Committee of the Tasmanian Turf Club.

Eric Stanley, Geoff Cox, Sam Greg-son, Billy Stingle (top flat rider) Ken Evans, Jack Smith, Reg and Jeff Wadley, Nobby Walker, Fred Hookey, Trevor Lohrey, Victorians - Bill,

Peter and George Newman and Bill Ferguson. The Newman brothers of Ferguson. The Newman brothers of well at boxing in the tents at the Melbourne were outstanding all round Show included Johnson Bean, Gillett horsemen. I saw George ride a horse of Ross and our son Stephen. over a fence bareback without a bridle - budding riders try that some time. His brother Bill jumped his horse "Gold-man-ree" over the highest post and rail fence I have ever seen. A six-foot fence near the stock-yards at Benham Estate, Avoca and this was after the horse had followed the hounds for 5 to 6 miles.

smith, Mr. Alf Thomas had a mammoth task to look after Draughts, Harness, product from the farms. General Horses, Hacks, Racehorses, Trotters, number of entries around the 1,000 and Ponies. Mr. Thomas was a master mark - how do I know? - I was the craftsman whose shop was where the Shell Garage is low and he later operated at his home where his son Mr. Harold Thomas still works.
Mr. Thomas passed his skills onto his sons Theo and Harold - a work which is now becoming a lost art.

Among the ladies, Barbara Bennett, Phyllis Goyne, Neddy Littlechild, Judy Graves, Effie Hartley, Jean Nelson, Mrs. Arthur Bennett, Freda Smith, Miss J. Gatenby, Rhoda Sayer, Dorothy Davies, Kathleen Mercer, Jean Clements, Jean Lohrey, Olive Ransom, Molly and Pop Rockeliff, Molly Affleck, Norah Street, Peggy Youl, Mary Littlechild.

Of the horses, the undoubted cham-pions of that era were "After Dark" and "Tongara". Both these outstanding horses competed with success in Melbourne and Adelaide as well. Around this time, the 'golden years' of show-ring jumping in Tasmania, I recall at one Launceston Show 24 jumpers starting in one event and St. Marys Show was part of that boom time.

Horse owners especially in the Midlands owned up to 5 or 6 horses each and went to great expense to get good ones from Victoria, N.S.W. and even New Zealand.

Trotters and Gallopers raced at the Show for peanuts. Sport was the name of the game. Top Trotters like "Flying Globe" (J.A. Smith) and "Direct Lass" (L. Bullock) were typical examples. Just before my time a wonderful Stallion "Commodore" also raced and sired many fine horses in this area. horses in this area. He was owned by Mr. William Lohrey Senr.

Crosby Davern, Ern Bullock and the Woods brothers were expert steer

riding competitors and those who did

Goodness me I am about to get a rap over the knuckles from our Editor because space must be running out and as yet I have not even said anything about the "Industrial Hall" - a very important part of the Show which was held in Todds Hall afternoon and evening. Todds Hall and what a treasure trove of goodies. Home made bread, many triumphs of With so many horses around our Black-the culinary art, sewing, cut flowers, vegetables and every conceivable Show Secretary for two years. Back to the Show Ground for a few minutes. My father showed a fat steer at St. Marys which weighed 24cwt 8lbs. a lot of Bull!!

My favourite Show - St. Marys of course and together with my wife Mr. Ludwig Schier looked after the we have been fortunate and priviledged needs of horse owners as a saddler, to have seen shows in three Australian his shop was located where the PoliceStates, New Zealand, England, Ireland, Station now stands. Mr. Schier senr. Russia, Hungary and Canada. St. was Mr. Gilbert Schier's grand-father Marys is a small community and yet it has produced some really top class performers over the years. Just a few:⊶

Doug Wardlaw cricket 20-0**4** Johnson Bean football Keith Oliver cyclist Alfie Faulkner - rifle shot Ray White axeman Silas Jones \* axeman

That reminds me of the wonderful carnivals staged here years ago, where the following world class athletes appeared, including the ones already mentioned - Opperman (Cyclist), Bob Spiers (World Sprint Champion), Axemen Appo, Western Brothers, smar runners Pat Berrick and Percy Doyle and many others too numerous to mention. St. Marys Show was one of the oldest Shows in Tasmania when it folded and what a shame. It was brought about because we as a committee failed to look to the future re recruiting new members and we seemed to all grow old and tired together. With the exception of young Malcolm Wardlaw, a few more like him - a wonderful worker -and the show would have been going from success to success right now in 1981.

The Trotting Club has not made the same mistake, they have a well balanced committee, both old and young. Thought provoking isn't it?

If a new and young committee could get together a new look show could reappear with all its former glory I am quite sure,

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In conclusion I would like to pay a special tribute to Mrs. Mary Targett. I am very appreciative and grateful to her-after all she is about the only person I know who can read my untidy writing.

As from next issue "Do You. Remember" will finish.

#### THUMBS UP

To the persons who are giving attention to their property on to St. Marys.

Thankyou Civic Minded.

NEWS RELEASE from the Office of Dr. Julian Amos,

Announcing the Department of Agriculture's figures for the past year, Dr. Amos said more than three thousand dogs were tested for infection and only three (o.1%) were found to have the disease.

Sheep also recorded their lowest 180,000 found to have hydatid cysts.

Dr. Amos said the figures were excellent compared with a 50% infection rate in 1967.

"Tasmanian farmers must be commended for their work in reducing this potentially fatal disease, but precautions must still be taken to guarantee infected sheep and dogs will not risk human lives," Dr. Amos said.

#### VITAMINS AND MINERALS

The function of each vitamin and mineral within the body is explained in the chart below. T Recommended Daily Allowance VITAMIN D

(R.D.A.) is the amount recommended For strenghtening teeth and bones, by the United States Food and To help the body utilise calcium Drug Administration, for all per-sons over 1 year (unless otherwise specified). The amounts specified as R.D.A. will prevent the development of vitamin deficiency under normal circumstances Has a protective function, prevent

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Calculator and you'll come up with the startling fact that if you drive one hour at 55mph, you drive over Gray Road with the garden approach four and a half miles with your eyes closed. Nobody can keep from blinking, so it's perfectly normal for every driver to do a certain amount of blind driving.

We've all adapted to these blind spots in our driving. They're no problem, The important thing is Hydatid infection has reached what we see when our eyes are open its lowest ever rate, the Minister and how we react to it. Not all eyes for Primary Industry, Dr. Amos give the same picture. Sometimes said: don't, and you don't realise it.

> Vision can fade, become blurred or narrow so gradually that you don't even notice it. You simply make slight - and subconscious - adjust-ments to compensate for the loss due to age or disease.

Here are some tests that indicate ever rate with only 1.1% of nearly vision deficiencies and demonstrate eye quirks that play tricks on your vision. Many of these situations can cause trouble for you when you're driving.

#### VITAMINS & MINERALS CONT.

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By Grandma Moses Fortnight beginning October 15, 1981.

SCORPIO: October 24 - November 22 You should determine to resist the temptation to take on more commitments, your schedule is too tight already. You are feeling extremely fit & as a result you attend to all your work with renewed vigor. BEST DAYS: 16, 21, 24

SAGITTARIUS: November 23 - December 21 The lure of doing something different or going somewhere new appeals to you. Things are getting better and you find it difficult to settle into a routine & are ready for a change.

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The formula with goals in sight so much for the better, Time spent so much for the better, Time spent just what you are looking for. BEST DAYS: 20, 23, 25

<u>CAPRICORN</u>: December 22 - Jan. 20 You may be feeling just a little disenchanted with life in general. This feeling will pass & be replaced by one of well being if you will just take things easy & go along with the BEST DAYS: 17, 22, 28

AQUARIUS: January 21 - February 19 You are in an easy-going mood and are willing to have others do the organising & then come in when the work is to be done. You will feel a little tired at the end though. Family life is harmonious for the VV present. BEST DAYS: 19, 25, 27

PISCES: February 20 - March 20 Unsettled problems will be resolved today, possibly with a chance to improve your financial position. A stimulating period in which you will enjoy life to the full. Write some long overdue letters to the family. BEST DAYS: 18, 21, 24

ARIES: March 21 - April 20 Life now seems to be undemanding for you & with few commitments to be heeded life seems to be quite easy to enjoy. Spend a day with the family perhaps take a trip or go for a walk. Life is fun if you have the time. BEST DAYS: 116, 19, 23

TAURUS: April 21 - May 21 Someone close to you will want to share their happiness with you. Domestic scene appears to be very busy & visitors may add to the already hectic time. You feel full of energy & ready for all that com comes:

BEST DAYS: : 17, 26, 27

GEMINI: May 22 - June 21 with family is so much more able to be enjoyed. BEST DAYS: 20, 22, 28

<u> CANCER</u>: June 22 - July 23 As the period wears on your own tempo will improve at first you may feel a little low but it will improve. Community involvement will get you out among people and that can only be for the good. BEST DAYS: 21, 24, 26

LEO: July 24 - August 23 New conditions coming to light may hold out good prospects for the future which may have seemed just a little bit dim until now. Take a back seat during a controversy, & watch your temper. BEST DAYS: 17, 19, 22

VIRGO: August 24 - September 23 Close communication with others is important now and will help you to explore some sensitive issues that need to be discussed. Social scene seems to offer some interesting times but you must watch youe diet. BEST DAYS: 17, 18, 27

LIBRA: September 24 - October 23 A little of every-thing is what you can expect for a few days; Bright outgoing atmosphere surrounds you and work tends to be forgotten; it will wait so you should enjoy yourself while the opportunity is there. BEST DAYS: 16, 20, 28

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