# THE VALLEY AND EAST COAST VOICE

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### A Glimpse into Local History

Elsewhere in this issue is an advertisement for the first definitive book about a coastal town in this area. Entitled "Thanks to Providence" it is a history of Falmouth and it's environs, written by a long time resident there Tim McManus. Compilation of the book has taken almost thirteen years. It will be available from the author from 13 December onwards.

Falmouth was first settled in 1829, long before St Marys or St Helens were established. For several decades it was a thriving district, incorporating quite a busy seaport which shipped cheese, butter, wool, cereals, fruit and potatoes to Hobart and Launceston. The main source of this procedure was two large farms, "Thompson Villa"- now "Enstone Park"- and "Glencoe"- formerly named "Huckamabad".

For varying reasons both properties had a shaky start, but later received a considerable stimulus from activities surrounding the construction of the St Marys Pass. It was a laborious task which took over three years, during which time the local population was augmented considerably by convict gangs and their minders - a detachment of the 96th Queen's Own Regiment.

The majority of Falmouth's early permanent residents were recent immigrants. The first land grantees came from India and England; their labour force mostly comprised assigned, transported convicts. Eventually, due to the districts isolation, a system of farm tenancies developed whereby parcels of land where leased to families and individuals in exchange for work on the property.

Initially the tenants were associates and relatives of the principal landowners.

relatives of the principal landowners, supplemented by emancipated and ticket-of-leave convicts. Later, after transportation ceased, came a wave of immigrants from Germany, fleeing that countries oppression by Otto von Bismark. All these people brought industry and skills to the Falmouth district, and the story of their endeavor and achievements during their years of toil is a fascinating one.

Many descendants of those pioneer families live in today's east coast towns. No doubt some of them will use this new book as a spring board for researching their respective genealogies.

A major difficulty investigating local history is the scarcity of public records. Relatively little is to be found in the state archives, and a lot of irreplaceable information was lost in a disastrous fire at Fingal Council Chambers in July 1929.

The book "Thanks to Providence" is consequently unique because it had to be assembled almost entirely from personal papers and oral history. Due to the subsequent deaths of many contributors, and the dispersal or loss of much original material, most of these sources are no longer available. It is unlikely that such history will ever be compiled again.

LAST ISSUE OF VALLEY VOICE FOR 1993 WILL BE DECEMBER 16

Deadline will be December 14

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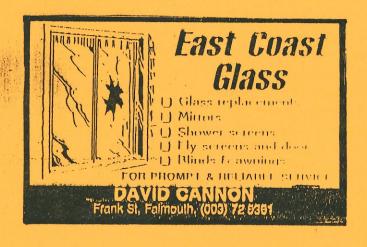
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### Whats On

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Hospital Auxiliary Meeting Monday 6 December 7,30pm. Patients Christmas Dinner and Carols by Candlelight to be discussed.

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St Marys Anglican Church

December 14 Morning Tea 10.30am. Gifts for the trade table are very welcome. Vestry meeting to follow

The "Giving Tree" or empty Christmas tree has been put in Holy Trinity, St Marys. Gifts for "Glenview" (Home for aged), Clarendon Home, Kingston (aged 6 - 16), Roland Home. Sheffield (children to 16 years). Gifts need to be left by December 19 so we may forward the gifts to the Homes.

CORNWALL GOLDEN YEARS Senior Citizens Club thank the St Marys Lions Club for a very enjoyable outing at Trout Bend on November 22. Thanks to all those who were involved in any way. U Camplin, Secretary.

FINGAL UNITING CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY DECEMBER 5TH AT 2PM.

#### ST.MARYS CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

WHERE: St. Marys District Hospital grounds (weather permitting)

WHEN: Sunday 19th December 1993

TIME: 8.30pm Please bring your own chair or rugs to sit on.

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I would like to thank the person or persons who nominated me for the Tasmanian Citizen's Award, and also those who chose me.

I feel it's a great honour. I am very proud, but very humble for the Award and I sincerely hope I still have many years left to serve the community.

Una Camplin.

BELINDA SMITH ex pupil from St Marys High School and her hardworking committee have recently raised \$6500 for Devonfield Enterprises. Devonfield offers services for children and adults with intellectual disabilities in the Mersey area. Congratulations Belinda.

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# CHURCH NEWS

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9.30

#### FINGAL-PORTLAND UNITING **CHURCH**

Parish Services:

Week 4 2. 3. \_-St Marys 11am 11am 11am

Scamander 11am 9am 9am 9am

Kuca Club Monday 4.00pm 9.30 9.30 9am

Sunday School 9.30am

St Helens 7pm 7pm 7pm 7pm 7pm

Parish Youth Group ring 725 139 or

761 141

All Welcome

Fingal

725 139

#### ANGLICAN PARISH OF FINGAL VALLEY

FIRST SUN	DAY OF MONTH	
Fingal	8.45am	MP
St Marys	10.30am	HC
Avoca	7.00pm	HC
SECOND S	UNDAY OF MONTH	
Fingal	8.45am	HC
Avoca	10.45am	FS
St Marys	10.30am	MP
THIRD SUI	NDAY OF MONTH	
Fingal	8.45am	FS
St Marys	10.30am	HC
Cornwall	3.00pm	HC
Avoca	7.00pm	HC
FOURTH S	UNDAY OF MONTH	
Fingal	8.45am	HC
St Marys	10,30am	FS
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Avoca	7.00pm	EP

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or

Mr T Pears

Campbell Town 811 167

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Wednesday

2.00pm Ladies Fellowship

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#### CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST MARYS

FIRST SUNI	DAY OF MONTH	•
St Helens	Sat. Vigil Mass	6.00pm
St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00am
Fingal	Sunday Mass	10.30am
Bicheno	Sunday Mass	4.00pm
SECOND SU	NDAY OF MONTH	
St Helens	Sat. Vigil Mass	6.00pm
St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00am
Mangana	Eucharistic Service	11.00am
Bicheno	Sunday Mass	4.00pm
THIRD SUN	DAY OF MONTH	-
St Helens	Sat. Vigil Mass.	6.00pm
St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00am
Fingal	Sunday Mass	10.30am
Bicheno	Sunday Mass	4.00pm
FOURTH SU	NDAY OF MONTH	
St Helens	Sat. Vigil Mas	6.00pm
St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00am
Bicheno	Sunday Mass	4,00pm
Swansea	Sunday Mass	6.00 <b>pm</b>
FIFTH SUNI	DAY OF MONTH	
St Helens	Sat. Vigil Mass	6.00pm
St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00am
Bicheno	Sunday Mass	4.00pm
PRIEST: PA	III. CONNOLLY	-

PRIEST: PAUL CONNOLLY

ST MARYS PHONE (003) 722 252

#### THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST HELENS

#### ST PAULS CHURCH

**Every Sunday** 8.00am) 9.30am) **Every Sunday** 7.00pm 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Mondays 3,30pm

**PYENGANA** 

2nd Sunday 11.15am 4th Wednesday 7.30pm

**FALMOUTH** 

3rd Sundays 11.15am

SCAMANDER (Home for Tea)

9.30am 2nd Sunday 10.30am 4th Tuesday

#### GOLF NOTES by Tee Up

I had a tour of the course last week and its looking in great shape. The new tee beds will add such a lot of interest to the course. At present the news is scarce and the members of the club are not having big "Roll Calls" but with Christmas so close I suppose they all have jobs to fulfil at home. A great weekend is coming up this Saturday and Sunday 4th & 5th December with the Turkey & Ham Run. I ham & I turkey each day to be won. so it will be nice to see all golfers attend this interesting weekend. The 12th December the following Saturday has on the calendar a Mixed Competition with Barbecue fun day for Juniors -Parents and Members, so that also will be an exciting day and is sponsored by the local Butcher, Brent Johnson then the 18th Dec., Canadian Foursome followed by 19th Dec., with and End of Year Party with BBQ. Teams of 4 playing golf and bowls, also the presentation of Golf Trophies - Mum, Dad and Children Family Fun Day. Sunday competition is so well supported. Last week was 9 hidden holes won by:

**Members Comp** 

Toby Spilsbury (29) 28 1/2
L. Atkins (22) 30
C. Mitchell (8) 32
C. Davern (7) 32 1/2
Nearest Pin 7th L. Atkins

Nearest Pin 7th (

C. Mitchell

# COACH HOUSE RESTAURANT

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VARIETY OF PIZZĀS HOT AND COLD DRINKS

Bert & Ann offer the free use of their restaurant to community groups for meetings

etc.

#### Sunday 28th Ambrose

J. Wines - N. Mallinson - D. Viney - G. Hayes

Grs 65 - 53 3/8 nett

J. Blake - T. Viney - M. Viney - J. Furlow

53 1/2

B. Haas - B. Lavelle - T. Blake - 51 2/3

Chicken Run proving very popular was won by Helen Hayes 31 1/3 with Joyce Wines 28 1/3.

#### Early Days In The District

#### **Buffalo Tin Mine**

When old Eli Quillerat began operating the Buffalo Tin Mine at Gipps Creek in 1983 there was only half a tin shed, which had been burnt and a tin table with an old Chev motor hooked on to it. There were two 5 head batteries which are the pistons or "jiggers" according to Eli, they work up and down to crush the rock.

Eli explained that the mine was originally owned and operated by Darrell Hayes who was born in 1916 at Avoca. It was then called the "Ben Lomond Tin Mine". When working it had a ten head battery, jaw crusher and 3 wilfrey tables. It was an efficient plant, employing approximately 40 men. "D Hayes and his brother had several blokes working here for years. Darrell lived at the old homestead at Gipps Creek where his father and grandfather had lived before him". Some alluvial work was done here by B Pitchford; Rubenach Bros. and Ben Bedelph. The plant was used by D Hayes until 1963 when his equipment was vandalized.

Eli Quillerat and Dave Dicker got the mine operational again and over the three to four years produced 9 bags of tin. D Hayes still owned the lease. He and Dave Dicker collect the first 2% each of the the profits. Then by the time the power bills and equipment repairs were paid for there was virtually nothing left.

Eli lived at the site where he still lives today. Hence he worked long hours and every weekend. He felt that he was working for nothing so the mine ceased operating about 6 years ago.

Peter Knowles (14) "Rivendell" GIPPS CREEK 7213

#### EARLY DAYS IN OUR DISTRICT

#### Coping On A Limited Income.

To give me an idea of how someone coped on a income a few years ago, I spent an afternoon with one of my favourite 'mature' people, Mrs Thelma Cooper.

'Coop', (as she is know to all her friends), her husband Harold, and their six children, moved to Fingal in 1967, to work on a farm. Here Harold was a labourer, working twelve hours a shift, where for three weeks he worked days, and the next three weeks he worked nights. The pay was very low, but once a month they were given a sheep for meat.

They kept two cows which provided them with milk, cream and butter, the surplus going to St Marys School to pay for their girls cooking classes. A large vegetable garden kept them in food, as did any rabbits they managed to get in. To supplement their income snares were set every evening to catch possums, the tanned skins fetching a welcome extra income.

During the shearing seasons Coop cooked for the shearers which meant a lot of extra work, but the pay helped to provide a few treats for Christmas.

At 45 Harold gained employment at the Rossarden mine. The pay was good and with it they were able to buy their own home. When the mine closed work was found at a saw mill.

Although the Coopers have never been high income earners they always managed with careful planning, a vegetable garden, fruit trees, some sheep and some chooks. Perhaps some of the low income earners of today could learn a few budgeting ideas from this couple.

By Rachael Claridge (14) Horne Street FINGAL 7214

# DESIGNER HAIR STUDIO

Jenny and Kelly would like to thank everyone for their support since the salon has opened and wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and safe New Year.

Phone 722108.

# FINGAL RIPLE AND PISTON CLASS FUNDAY 20.11.93

RIFLE - 7 SHOTS AT 500 YDS. PISTOL - 10 SHOTS AT 25 M

	Rifle	Pistol	Total
V. Ward	33.1	54	87.1
R. Franklin	31.1	43	74.1
J. Gillies	33.2	48	81.2
S. Chilcott	35.3	49	84.3
A. Sarich	27	38	65
M. Spilsbury	31.1	47	78.1
T. Mitchell	28	31	59
B. Izard	34	76	110
K. Cowie	32	54	86
D. Blunt	34.2	88	122.2
A. Napier	33.3	67	110.3
C. Wright	30	90	120
T. George	33.2	66	99.2
K. Robinson	31	31.	62
S. Sarich	23.1	47.	70.1
D. Moore	34.3	34	68.3
S. Gillies		14	14
C. Sarich		51	51

The "Pistols" defeated the "Rifles" by only in points. A good day was enjoyed by everyone good to see some new faces.

Christmas Shoot on 5th December at 10.40000 10.30 start. B.Y.O. Barbeene. This is the event for 1993 so hope to have a good turn up a good day.

#### IMPORTANT REMINDER

T.P.A. & T.R.A. Membership is now due and MUST be paid before 30th December 1993.

Rifle \$65

Pistol \$25

Club \$5

Roxie Cowie Fingal 742104.



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25th November, 1993

Jane Austin St. Marys District High School ST. MARYS TAS 7215

Dear Jane.

Thank you for participating in this year's A SONG FOR CHRISTMAS. The dates and times of your choir's performances are:

SONG	DATE	TIME
We Three Kings	6/12	10.55am
Jingle Bells	12/12	7.25pm
We Three Kings	19/12	7.25pm
Jingle Bells	22/12	12.00noor

Once again thank you for your participation.

Yours sincerely.

Carol Lethborg, (Miss) CO-ORDINATOR

#### PRESENTATION AFTERNOON

DATE:

Wednesday December 8

TIME:

1.00pm

VENUE:

Town Hail

All parents and friends are invited to attend the St Marys District High School Presentation Afternoon. Due to two performances already undertaken this year, our presentation afternoon is going to be quite short and simple.

The normal awards will be given to students, along with two or three musical items and of course a couple of speeches. Obviously no prize giving event would be complete without a speech or two.

Please do come along. It's been a great year for educational programs at St Marys and we welcome you to come along and join in the celebration of excellence.

#### ST MARYS SWIMMING POOL ASSOCIATION INC.

There will be a meeting Monday 6 December at 2.00 pm in the Staff Room. On the agenda will be a discussion on rules for the new pool. All people intending to purchase a key for the summer holidays are invited to attend. Anyone not able to attend but wishes to make comment, please see Lyn Brown

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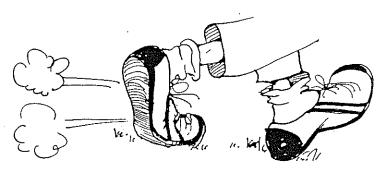
FEBRUARY 7-8-9 10 am to 3pm each day

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- PARENTS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR TRANSPORT
- COST SS PER CHILD PER DAY
- ENROL BY THE 3rd OF FEBRUARY

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE, PLEASE CONTACT

PAUL PACQUE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER ORIENTEERING TASMANIA TEL/FAX 43 3552

28 ARUNDEL STREET LAUNCESTON 7250



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#### ST. MARYS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING POOL

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

This pool is different from our other pool as it is bigger and deeper, therefore more care must be taken by all keyholders and rules must be strictly adhered to.

Breaking of rules means forfeit of key and no refund. This also means disqualification for next season.

- Keys are available to both the school community and outside community.
- Requirement of keyholder.
   CPR course attendance held by school.
- 1. A pool committee has been established to organise the use of the pool during sammer vacation.
- The pool is available to anyone in the community wishing to purchase key and abide by pool rules.

#### GENERAL RULES FOR USE OF POOL

- Because no official will be on duty, Parents must accompany their children and stay with them in the pool enclosure. Children must not be left unattended.
- A CPR course participation is a requirement to receive key.
- Only children of keyholding parents who attend pool may use the pool at that time. The only exceptions will be a guest staying overnight.
- Children of one keyholder may accompany another keyholder and family at pool to a maximum of 5 children.
- 5. Unaccompanied children cannot attend the pool. Keyholder must be 18 year old.
- 6. A charge of \$50 per family will be made to cover costs of chemicals and maintenance. Also a \$10.00 key deposit is required. Total \$60.00.
- 7. No-one is to touch any equipment relating to the pool. e.g. filter, etc.
- 8. Cars must be parked in normal car park areas. Not to be parked near the pool,

#### RULES FOR WATER SAFETY

The following are prohibited:

- running anywhere within the fences surrounding the pool.
- jumping or diving into the pool in a manner likely to endanger others;
- ducking, pushing or interfering with other swimmers;
- 4. entering the pool wearing bandages/bandaids that are not waterproof; or when having an infectious disease or skin complaint;
- large inflatable pool toys are banned. Only kickboards and floaties may be used.

#### APPLICATION FOR USE

- Keyholders who agree to the above rules may apply to use the pool from December 24th to 31st March. There is a possibility that this might be extended at no further cost.
- 2. A list of keyholders will be on display.
- Each permit holder will be issued with a key. The gate must be locked again on entering the pool. (This will stop unauthorized people using the pool.)
- 5. Breaking of Rules means forfeit of key and no refund, also disqualification for mext season.
- Life buoys and resuscitation guide displayed on fence.
- Roped off area to distinguish shallow from deep water.
- Layby of key available to end of term.
   No free list.
- $\star$  Pool hours 7.00a.m. 8.00 p.m. Sporting groups 7.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. Advanced bookings required.
- Monies are not refundable
- $\,\,^\star$  . The pool will be available to sporting groups at an hourly rate. Bookings with Lyn Brown.

#### REMINDER

#### PROTECTIVE BEHAVIOUR SEMINAR WORKSHOP

Mr Mike Adams will be running a workshop for parents, interested community members and teachers at the Grade 11/12 Annexe at the rear of the Community Hall from 10.00 a.m. until approximately 4.00 p.m. on Monday 6 December.

This is an extremely interesting and valuable programme. I hope as many as possible will attend. Please let me know if you will be coming.

#### Rob Hart ACTING PRINCIPAL

What is

#### Protective Behaviours?

Protective Behaviours is a preventative, living skills program which enables people to develop safe, non-confrontational strategies to help them to deal with difficult situations. It is particularly appropriate in instances of child abuse and domestic violence.

Protective Behaviours was first developed for use in schools but is adaptable for people of any age.

The basic concepts, which are deceptively simple, are that "we all have the right to feel safe all the time" and "nothing is so awful that we cannot talk with someone about it."

Protective Behaviours groups exist throughout Australia and in many overseas countries. A large number of Education systems have adopted Protective Behaviours as part of the school curriculum.

The Program has also been endorsed by NAPCAN (National Association for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect) and by Police Departments in some States of Australia.

# Objectives of Protective Behaviours Tasmania

- The promotion of child, adolescent and adult safety through programs that enhance assertiveness and self-confulence.
- The promotion of programs that will empower children, adolescents and adults by developing their problem-solving and decision-making skills.
- The raising of public awareness about issues relating to child abuse and Protective Behav-
- The provision of training in Protective Behaviours concepts, processes and strategies for a wide range of people.
- The creation of a pool of accredited trainers in
- The development and implementation of policy for ongoing program development, including training, resources, publicity and evaluation.
- The development of networks to support and assist agencies and persons concerned with child protection.
- Advocacy on behalf of disadvantaged groups such as persons with disabilities and those who are elderly.
- Fund-raising and lobbying of support from the community to carry out these aims.



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Old and new customers very welcome. Enquiries: Phone 722578.

#### THE FINGAL COMMUNITY CAROL

SERVICE will be held on Wednesday December 15th starting at 7pm. The venue to be in the grounds of the Old Hotel, weather permitting. Anyone wishing to bring their own candles can do so, but are asked not to light them until requested. There will be seating available, but anyone wishing to bring their own chairs, or blankets may do so. We expect the same music as last year with the addition of an extra organ. I am sure transport can be arranged for any elderly. Everyone welcome to come along and join in this evening of Christmas music.

It was resolved that a "Giving Tree" be introduced at the Carol Night, by asking everyone to bring along a donation placed in an envelope and pinning it on the tree. This will be distributed to a needs charity.

### **Early Days in Our District**

#### **CROS DAVERN**

Over 84 years of his life Cros Davern has ventured down many paths. He had a lot to say on different stories in 30 minutes that I was with him at his daughters home in St Marys.

Cros was born in 1909 at Gray and attended school at St Marys until he was 15. He had three other brothers, but unfortunately they all died in France in the Second Wold War. I got the feeling that the loss hit his family hard.

At 23 Cros moved to Carrick for 8 years, he played football at Hagley for many years.

At 29 he married a Cornwall lady and had five children, one who I am familiar with is Jos

Mr Davern took pride in telling me about his horses and the 'country meets' he entered into often. These meets were held at St Helens, St Marys and Avoca. In total Cros told me he had 46 winning horses. He was a Jockey, trainer and the owner which is not often heard of nowadays.

favourite horses were: Tullas-Royal, Blue-Todd Anthisadal, Mastercon, Cros rode Tullas-Royal at Bellemontglobe. Hobart in 1931, he missed first place but he told me that there were other championships he won. Cros also said some of the best horses in Tasmania came from the Fingal Valley.

I think that Cros could happily say that he has done and seen quite a lot over his life-time and reflect over things he didn't get to say to me this time.

Jane Lewis 14 yrs

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#### THE TOWN

This is a small piece of the town's history as related to me by Mrs Marg Oliver.

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Stan Graham's house next to his shop was occupied by Charles Berwick then by a Mrs Hindle who turned it into a shop which sold every thing. Stan's office was a butchers shop operated by Ernie Doyle. The little house next door was a chemist shop owned by Miss McGilvery. Newman's takeaway was a bank. Mr McGeary had a grocery shop behind what is now the Shell garage and Mr McHarg had the garage. Next door was Bill Davern's butchers shop, also there was a jeweller and tailor but not for long.

Arthur Doyle had a house next door which was bought by Col Royle and became a grocers shop. The Coach House tea rooms was a shed, used for changing horses and parcel collection. Next door the house was once the Australian Bank. Where the post office now stands were two houses, one was a lolly shop run by a Mrs Rillete, the other by a Mr Lucardo Wells, Dentist. Sams Supermarket was H C Dawbens general store and Tas Bank was Mr Dawbens garden. The gardener was Jim Coker or Cocker.

Health and Beauty was a bakehouse until a Mr Temple took over and turned it into a chemist. Jimmy Smith owned the boot shop and next door, where Wespac is today, was his garden. On the corner, J Smith had a butchers shop and also a betting shop. Down Storey St the Bullock girls Marge and Amy had a cake shop. Alf Tomas had a blacksmiths shop.

The vacant block had a house owned by Ray Witherington which then became a fish and chip shop owned by Trevor Lohrey. Where the police station is was a saddler and stables owned by Ludwick Schier and across the road was the church and the manse house.

Mrs Cullen lived in the house where the Wells family now live. Todds general store was burnt down about 1920. Lionel Hayes had a butchers shop where the second hand shop is now. Garnet Perger had the newsagency, also sold icecream etc. Todds Hall housed the Launceston Savings Bank and picture theatre

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and also held dances and exhibitions. St Marys Hotel publican, George Russell, started the tame trout in the river.

McGees Bakery was owned by Alley Doyle who also had the house by the river which contained a doctor's surgery. Next was Lou Maney's butchers shop. E B L Dawson had the store which was burnt down and then rebuilt and is now the Top Shop supermarket. Criterion Hotel and hall often held dances.

The night cart man was Tom Newman who lived up Newman St. Across the road, Faulkner's garage was owned by a Mr Nightingall. Spilsbury's garage was not there at the time but was built between 1930 to 39. The two houses next door were owned by Colonel Legge. Across the river was the parish hall which also taught first and second year prep school. The teacher was a Miss Eileen Daniels. The hall was reported to have had a lovely garden. The R.S.L. hall was built by the local people in memory of those soldiers in the first World War. Eric Bean's house was a doctors residence.

The old Post Office was destroyed by fire and is now a vacant block. Billy Neal had the shed which will become the history room for the town. Holly Bean's house on Irish Town Road was a maternity hospital run by a Dr Lermet.

A few more notes of interest. Cullenswood Catholic Church was sold to a Mr Stone to build a house in Newman St. Merv Reece had a general store where Mrs Morris now lives. The police house was the police station and court and was the same shape as the railway station. The first cheese factory was opposite the railway station and a Mr Salter and a Mr Ronan were involved in it's management at different times. Mr Kringle had a farm where the area school now stands and produced vegetables for sale in the district.

I would like to thank Mrs Oliver for taking the time and effort to share with us this trip down memory lane, maybe I have not got it quite right but it will certainly start people talking.

John E Furlow

#### **SCHOOL CHOIR**

Primary School Choir are participating in A SONG FOR CHRISTMAS with Southern Cross. Dates of performances are:

SONG	DATE	TIME
We Three Kings	6/12	10.55am
Jingle Bells	12/12	7.25pm
We Three Kings	19/12	7.25pm
Jingle Bells	22/12	12.00 noon

AT FINGAL is organising a CHRISTMAS FAMILY BARBECUE to be held in the Fingal Park on Friday December 3rd starting at 6pm. Saveloys, sausages, hamburgers, chops with salad on sale for \$1.00 along with fruit salad. BYO drinks. Cordial available plus a lolly scramble. Everyone welcome to come along. Proceeds to assist the Church Funds.

CATHOLIC FAIR FOR ST.MARYS PARISH WILL BE HELD AT ST.HELENS HALL 22 JAN 1994

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#### ST.MARYS CHRISTMAS PARADE

Due to the great response to our call for floats, the parade will go ahead this year, don't think that this means we can all take a breather though.

We still require commitment to make this the biggest parade yet. If you are thinking of entering a float please give Annette a ring on 722187.

The children's party will commence at 3pm in the grounds of the Community Hall. Santa will be there with his usual giveaways for the little ones. We hope to once again have the clown on stilts providing his own form of entertainment.

Decorated bikes should create the usual excitement with the kids. Please ensure that entrants assemble at the Library ready to enter the parade as it goes by. Dana Smith will be there to assist and to keep the group together.

The parade will leave from Newman Street at 5pm, so please get your floats, trucks etc, there nice and early.

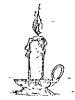
Once again we will have the Tug-O-War for the big boys, with \$100 prize. (Dean Lohrey and his boys have been seen doing a bit of practising on the D7, so look out.)

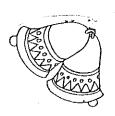
A great bonus this year will be music in the park, Scott Targett and Sean Bell are to be congratulated for their community spirit, as they are giving their time free of charge. Well done boys. Anyone who heard the boys performing after the Community Concert would have to agree the 50's and 60's music they produce certainly gets your toes tapping.

All in all, things are shaping up to be a great family evening/ See you there.

NEWS FLASH

CAROLS BY CANDLE LIGHT WILL BE BACK AT THE HOSPITAL GROUNDS THIS YEAR. SUNDAY 19TH DECEMBER at 8:30pm.





# **CHRISTMAS**



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# ST MARYS SWIMMING POOL ASSOCIATION INC

There will be a meeting Monday 6 December at 2.00 pm in the Staff Room On the agenda will be a discussion on rules for the new pool. All people intending to purchase a key for the summer holidays are invited to attend. Anyone not able to attend but wishes to make comment, please see Lyn Brown.

### ST.MARYS

#### SEAFOOD NIGHT EVERY FRIDAY

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parts all good condition.

Bring trailer and take away \$800.00 No Offers. G.D. Trotter, Cornwall Phone 722107.

# HAVE YOUR WILL MADE BY THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE

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### Lions Railway Station Market

Sunday 12th December from 10.00am at the St.Marys Railway Station Park, \$5.00 per site, ute, trailer. Phone Ron on 722105 for bookings.

#### VALUE FOR MONEY

Buy a Lions Christmas Cake. 1.5kg (31b) for only \$8 and support Sight First, a Lions Club project. Available at stores and various outlets including Lions Club members.

#### INTERESTING MEMORIES

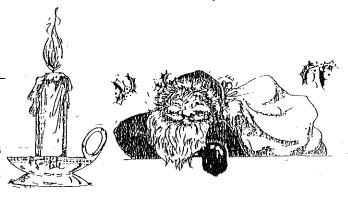
I would like to congratulate all the young people who wrote such interesting essays to the Valley Voice of by gone days, it would of been nice if they visited more old people to get news of the real old hard times, how people lived and worked.

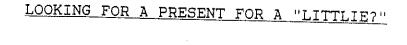
I was interested to read the front of the Valley Voice, I remember all those people. We bought pegs, cake tins, billies from Mrs Brown, she used to get willow sticks from us, we had a basket willow, she used to camp in the bush back of the old dump, foot of Cemetery Hill, her daughters name was Daisy Brown.

As a child I remember George La Toughe. He used to walk to places to sell his goods, I remember Bill Terry who worked at Walker's Hotel over Scamander Bridge, George and Bill were on the St. Helens bus when it ran off the punt, George's bundle was on top and floated down the river, Bill told us George was singing out "Come back bundle", he lost it.

Jimmy the Chinaman used to go around buying all sorts of skins, I don't know where he lived or went. Jimmy was around between 1912-1922 perhaps before or after. Indian Charlie had horse and cart also Kunya Kahri drove horse and cart they used to stay in their cart at my granny's for night, buy a fowl, kill it and have it curry for tea, us kids used to get a little on our plates, hot or not we loved it.

What a pity old bygone days are lost forever. From an old timer.





"SINGASONGALONG" is a 46 minute cassette with songs suitable for young children and sung by Christine White.

There is also a booklet containing the song words. Artwork in the booklet has been done by this year's Kindergarten children.

All for \$10.00 - proceeds will go towards the new Swimming Pool.

If you would like to buy a tape and booklet, please contact the School Office OR Chris at the Kinder OR the Top Shop at St. Marys.

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### SILVER THREADS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

The afternoon of November 23 saw a very successful celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Silver Threads St Marys Senior Citizens. Representitives from the Senior Citizens Association Launceston, St Marys Lions, St Marys R.S.L attended, all being active supporters of the Silver Threads over the years. speeches were followed by games and a mini concert then a slap-up afternoon tea. To all those who attended and supported this special event, a big thank you from all members of the Silver Threads.

M. Wicks Treasurer

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As from this date 1/12/93 onwards all persons found on the property **BRYAR-WAH** will be prosecuted.

Trevor Williams, "Robinslawn", Avoca

#### SCAMANDER NEWS

**SCAMANDER FIRE BRIGADE** 

After 8 years of loyal dedication as Brigade Chief of Seamander, Barry Halton has resigned from the position.

Thankfully his knowledge and loyalty will remain in the area, as he serves as fireman.

Scamander Volunteer Fire Brigade meets every Wednesday evening at their newly extended fire station in Campbell Street. It has two junior members and more are encouraged. A new \$100,000 fire truck has been allotted to Scamander.

Members are instructed in fire lighting, safety and radio communication.

Volunteer Fire Brigades are equal opportunity community services. New and old members are welcome- Phone S. Death 725546.

Newly elected officers:

Fire Chief - Shane Death

2nd Officer- Frank Martin

3rd Officer- Tony Blake

4th Officer- Bill Hardwicke

Sec/ Treas- Elizabeth Death.

Many thanks to the helpful staff of St.Marys District Hospital for the co-operation over the last 12 months regarding the collection of meals on wheels for Scamander. Despite Scamander not having a drivers delivery roster, over 380 meals have been delivered to those in need. Thank you ladies.

The chopping area of the Scamander complex has been mown and chopping blocks obtained and covered in sawdust in preparation for the annual chopping event on January 15th 1994. The State Championship—300m—under-hand chop will be staged, plus 8 other events. Sponsors interested in donations and advertising please contact Henry on 725464 before January for inclusion in the programme etc.

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#### STARDUST

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Ye ll be called upon to make coisions for yourself. Opportunities will not fall in your lap they must be sought out.

Lucky numbers 7,24,29

SAGITTARIUS Nov 23 - Dec 21
This is a time to pursue your life's goals. Push ahead with projects and start anything that contributes to your growth.
Lucky numbers 9,40,41.

CAPRICORN Dec 22 - Jan 20 You may be in the limelight and receive the recognition you have worked so hard for. Promotions and honors are indicated. Lucky numbers 4,31,37.

AQUARIUS Jan 21 - Feb 19
Joint finances, insurance,
taxation, investments and savings
show gains. It's a good time to
entertain at home. Your mood is
cheerful.
Lucky numbers 6,11,20

PISCES Feb 20 - Mar 20
A surprise regarding money and security is about to transform your life. Career opportunities are there for the taking.
Lucky numbers 10,21,33

ARIES Mar 21 - Apr 20
It's a great time for doing something new. Take a holiday if you can. Fortune comes through friendships and social occasions.
Lucky numbers 1,26,43.

TAURUS Apr 21 - May 21 You will have a lot of energy, but not much self-discipline this week. You'd like to enjoy yourself, so go ahead. Do something physical but not too strenuous. Lucky numbers 13,32,38.

GEMINI May 22 - June 21 You'll be encouraged to see old friends and relatives, to reminisce about the past and be surrounded by it. Health and fitness need special care. Lucky numbers 6,39,45.

CANCER June 22 - July 23
This week may trigger some sort of change in almost any area of your life. When it's over your circumstances will be altered either subtly or dramatically. Lucky numbers 18,31,36.

LEO July 24 - Aug 23
Employment changes can be made, and better personal financial directions are indicated. Push ahead with joint affairs.

VIRGO Aug 24 - Sept 23
You are in the mood to spruce up
your surroundings, and it's a good
time to do it. A windfall may come
your way. Parties and gettogethers make it a fun week.
Lucky numbers 3,27,44

LIBRA Sept 24 - Oct 23

Peaceful associations are indicated. Anything begun now is assured to success provided you make the first move. Others will need your help.

Lucky numbers 23,29,34.

# MEALS ON WHEELS

DECEMBE	R	ST.MARYS	FINGAL	MATHINNA
Monday	6	Frank Turner	Shirleen Woods	Mavis Brooks
Tuesday	7	Rhonda Cranch	Patsy Death	Max Ellis
Wednesday	8	P & M Berwick	Merianne Woods	Cynthia Webb
Thursday	9	Gail Gamble 🔒	Hetty Williams	Christine Scott
Friday	1()-	K & D Bullock	Trish Rankin	Kaye Turner
Monday	13	Debbie Barnes	Suc Woods	Mavis Brooks
Tuesday	14	Claire Bean	John Walker	Max Ellis
Wednesday	15	D & S Robinson	Jan Marshall	Cynthia Webb
Thorsday	16	Heather Griffiths	Gloria Parker	Christine Scott
Friday -	17	Patsy Burgess	Bob Yates	Kaye Turner