

# THE VALLEY AND EAST COAST VOICE

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## WOW, WHAT AN EXPERIENCE

The alarm went off at 6 am and a peep outside showed thick fog down the Valley. A quick shower, my usual breakfast of toast and coffee, then a quick check of my small carrybag - yes, towel, change of shoes and clothes, that's all I should need.

Daylight was struggling to get through the fog but it was time to leave as I had an exciting appointment at 8.20 am and had quite a long way to go. Due to the foggy morning, poor visibility made the driver concentrate on the road and it did not improve till well down the Valley. An early bird policeman was out with his radar gun booking a motorist for speeding, I guess, on the section of road being reconstructed past Avoca - and this was only about 7 am.

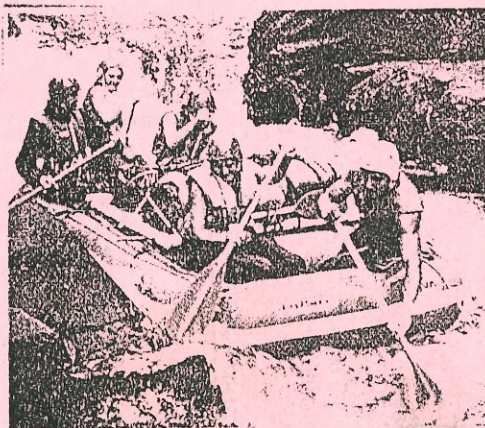
At last I've arrived at my destination - the First Basin (The Gorge) Launceston. The day is still early, cool and crisp with very few people about. Parked the car where we're told to but the four hour ticket machine not working. Did not want to spoil the day by getting booked so left a note for the "Ticketman". Eight twenty a small bus towing a bright blue raft arrives. This is what I had got up so early and travelled so far for - to go white water rafting down the South Esk river between the Trevallyn Dam and the First Basin. Introductions all round, Noni (our hostess) Dave and John, the experienced rafters who have come up with the great idea of whitewater rafting in the heart of Launceston. The rest of the crew were four novices who like myself had never rafted and were not sure what to expect except the excitement of the unknown.

The little bus took us up to the base of the dam. After signing forms about

consent etc., we were given wetsuits, lifejackets (bright pink) and helmets to put on. Luckily there were no mirrors or cameras about but I guess we all looked much the same and were surprised how comfortable the gear felt. Dave stressed the importance of tying our shoelaces and everything else very securely - he did not want us floating out of them if we fell overboard.

Our bright blue raft was winched down the steep bank of the river and the rest of us clambered down to join it. First surprise was that we're to sit ON the edge of the raft not IN it, also the water was amazingly warm. We were all issued with a paddle and were given a crash course on "raft driving" instructions, the most important being the SURVIVAL FLOAT for if or when falling into the water. 'GO RIGHT', 'GO LEFT', 'RIGHT FORWARD', 'LEFT BACK', 'ON THE JOB' and 'GET DOWN!' These were the directions we were to respond to and when to dive for cover in the centre of the raft to survive the BIG rapids.

Drifting on the first smooth tranquil section of river, with the sun just starting to warm the day, there was little indication of the turmoil we would be thrown into as we passed through the twenty rapids before our 2½ - 3 hour trip was over.



It's impossible to describe the exhilaration and the unbelievable feeling that "is it really you?" as you hurtle almost end to end down foaming rapids between the boulders. Despite your desperate efforts to paddle and obey the lead rafters shouted commands, it is virtually the power of the water that wins out. Even though being tossed through the rapids, with torrents of water pouring over you at times, we came out of each rapid with huge smiles and much laughter and the eager anticipation of the next big one.

We were by this time getting to know each other and were working as a team (I think) and so far no one had fallen out which was really surprising. On two occasions we came to sections of the river where it was too dangerous to raft through so we took to the rocks on foot, then back into the raft on the other side. The river looked so grand in the early morning with its steeply rising banks on either side, just us on the water and no sign of the hustle and bustle of city life just minutes away.

A little bit of drama came about when our bowline (rope) fell into the raging water and trailed behind to become wedged between the rocks. This meant that the flow of the water was carrying us forward but the caught rope was holding us back, as a result we were going nowhere but down - filling with water and sinking. The quick action of Dave and John averted what may have been a very "interesting" situation. They cut the rope to free the raft and because of the holes in the bottom, the raft soon emptied itself and we were on our way again. Yes, there really are holes down both sides of the floor of the raft but because these are lower than the inflated sections it work out OK. I know this is not how the experts would explain it but it's something like that!!

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# WHAT'S ON

## CAN YOU HELP TARGA TASMANIA OFFICIALS

### St.Marys Elephant Pass Stages

Targa will visit the area on Thursday 28th April and volunteers are required to act as officials on the day.

If you are able to give up a few hours please leave your name at St.Marys Health & Beauty or Faulkners Garage by Monday 4th April.

## EASTER ANGLICAN CHURCH SERVICES DISTRICT OF THE NORTHERN MIDLANDS

March 31st-Maundy Thursday- Fingal 7pm

April 1st-Good Friday Avoca 9am

Campbell Town 10.30 am

April 2nd Easter Eve Mathinna 6.30pm

Fingal 8.30pm

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MARCH 27

Times-

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12pm- Mens Singles

2pm- Mixed Doubles

Sunday 10am- Ladies Doubles

12pm- Mens Doubles

FUN DAY AND BBQ TO FOLLOW

Next meeting Thursday March 24th following  
Twilight tennis.

ST.MARYS TENNIS CLUB

ANNUAL DINNER

SURFSIDE MOTEL

SATURDAY APRIL 9TH

7 FOR 7.30PM

All members and guests to RSVP to Health &  
Beauty, Clubrooms or Maureen Bushing by 31st  
March.

## BON VOYAGE

Genevieve Faulkner, Paul Aulich, Marcus  
Faulkner and Nicole Green leave on Friday for a  
trip to America.

Your Families wish you all a very safe and  
enjoyable holiday.



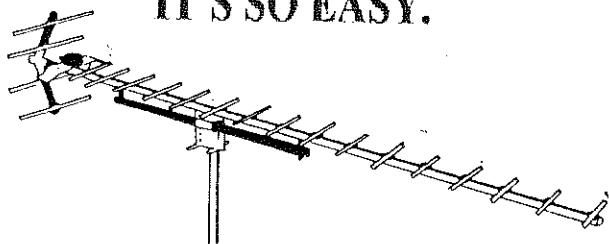
## GOLF NOTES by Tee Up

Once again the St.Marys Club is pleased with the Junior Golfers and what scores!!! Young Scott Wilson had 63 nett last Sunday and Matthew Viney a 69, Barry LeFevre is to be commended on the time and help given these boys and girls. He told me that 33 are in the clinic so far and this compares admirably with last year of 35 and isn't it interesting to hear that Barry, Jim, Trevor and others are taking a bus to Rossarden this weekend and are each playing with one of the juniors in the Foursomes, and one girl I believe is playing with Barry in the Mixed Fours. Funds are being placed I believe to send the most promising to a clinic later in the year.

Names are wanted on the board for Pennant, so keep it up boys.

Legacy Day, just a fortnight away on 26th March when the drawing of that terrific raffle of Bag, Buggy and Clubs will be finalised. I'm sure there are plenty who would like a new outfit so make sure you have your ticket or tickets in before Legacy.

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Sunday Golf is being so well patronised, Members, Associates and Juniors fill the course every Sunday and guess who won the day Scott Wilson with a 63 nett

Matthew Viney - second 69 nett

L. Faulkner - third 70 nett

well done boys.

The Best Gross to Barry Le Fevre with 82

Runner up - Graham Hayes 84

**ASSOCIATES**

N. Mallinson (26) 67 nett

B. Haas (32) 69 nett

N.Mitchell (39) 71 NETT

The Highlanders and the Lowlanders had a very interesting day I believe but the Lowlanders are still whinging because they were handicapped by the weather after coming from sunny Seamander and of course you can read into that- that they lost. Goodness knows what would have happened had they not borrowed one of Highlanders players and who I may add turned out to be none other than Scott Wilson with a 63 nett. However there was only 5 strokes in it over all.

Best Gross went to I. Crother 78

Nearest the Pin 7th S. Wilmot

5th - S. Wilson

Nice to read your name Shan.

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Heather Hayes (30) 62

Yvonne Davern (29) 69

Kath Blair (23) 72

Hidden Hole on the 4th Heather Hayes and ended up with a birdie on the 2nd, good golf Heather

### ASSOCIATES 9 HOLE COMP

#### GROSS

K. Blair 41

A. Fletcher 42

#### NETT

B. Haas (16) 30

A. Fletcher (11 1/2) 30 1/2

J. Wines (14 1/2) 32 1/2

### DELAYED NORTH EAST CUP SCORES

#### N.E. Cup Winner

Will Burbacher 63 nett

#### Runner Up

David Jones 64 nett

#### Best Gross

Rod Field 71

#### Best Nett N.W. Bay

Sandy Witommase 68

#### Best Nett St. Marys

Rodney Spilsbury 64

#### Nearest Pin 2nd

David O'Keefe

5th Bob Geeves

7th Jason Lynch

#### 9 Hole Ambrose

S. Dawson - Vince Sorrentio

Shane Harris - Brent Johnson

#### Monday Comp

#### Members

D. Viney - J. Lynch 27 1/2

C. Cheshire 28 1/2

#### Associates

B. Haas - Heather Hayes 29

Joyce Wines 29 1/2

#### Juniors

S. Wilson 27

D. Morris 28 1/2

#### Nearest Pin

D. Viney - B. Haas - dead heat.

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Parents of Grade One children should note that a sample of students in that grade will be doing a special, small assessment task in writing next week. The children will be assessed individually and, in order to avoid having to take teachers away from their classrooms to perform the assessments, the school guidance officer will conduct them. Parents are assured that these assessments are in no way connected with the more formal kinds of testing which Guidance officers may occasionally need to perform. Such testing is only done in consultation with and with the permission of parents. The special writing assessments to be made are the kind of tasks which would regularly be given as part of the usual classroom teaching program. They are being done to collect information about the general levels of proficiency in literacy skills of Grade One children, so that the success of a new Government program to boost the reading and writing skills of young children can be evaluated.

## **Playground working bee**

On Wednesday 2nd March volunteers helped our groundsman Ken Noble, working on the Primary gardens. I thank Rod Field, Jackie Hortle, Uma Pratap, Arthur Dawson and Mrs Mason for their great support and hard work. If I have missed any names I apologise.

B LeFevre  
ACTING AST 3 PRIMARY

## **Principal's Report**

As many of you are aware we last week had a number of students, eleven in all, involved in offences relating to marijuana. All the students were spoken to by the police and many face charges for either growing, selling or using the substance. Further, all students concerned were suspended from school with work to do at home. An assembly for all students from grades five to twelve was also held to discuss the matter.

I do not wish to debate in this newsletter whether marijuana is a safe drug or not, whether it should be legalised or not or any of the other questions which arise when this drug is discussed. The fact remains that marijuana is an illegal substance from which I believe, children should be protected.

I would like to assure you all that I will always do whatever I can to ensure that the school is not used as a place to buy, sell or use drugs. The matter is very serious and will be treated accordingly.

Punishment and the consequences of being caught is, however, only one side of the story. We all have an educative role in issues where our students are required to make choices and decisions which will have long term and significant consequences.

Each day all of us are required to make thousands of decisions. For example, What will I wear?, What will I have for breakfast?, Will I go to work?, Will I obey the speed limit? etc etc. These minor decisions we make almost automatically. They are made very quickly with little thought required.

On the other hand we are required

sometimes to make decisions which have long term consequences eg. Career choice, Do I get into a car with someone who has been drinking? Do I drink? Do I get married? Will I have children? I believe too often our students are not recognising the difference between these important decisions and the minor ones mentioned earlier.

They are making the important decisions which will effect them for many years without going through any process of decision making.

The first step in the process is to recognise when the important decision is required and to stop and think about it. Time must be spent finding out as much information as possible, looking at consequences and examining the various options. Only when this process has been gone through can informed decisions be made and mistakes minimised.

I have spoken to many students and staff about this concern and I hope that you will also speak with your children about making choices and decisions. I think that while we only deal with the consequences of poor decision making, for example, punishing kids involved in marijuana offences we will do little to overcome problems of this nature in the long term.

I intend to conduct a meeting for parents to discuss this and other issues and trends I have noticed in our students, soon. The date will be publicised in the next newsletter. I will also visit Fingal, Bicheno, and Mathinna to conduct similar meetings.

R Hart PRINCIPAL

## MATHEMATICS

Mathematics has always been an important part of our school experience. It influences all aspects of our lives - in our homes, in our workplaces and during our sporting and leisure activities. It is an important community issue. Children begin their mathematics experiences at home. These develop further at school and beyond school. It is our responsibility to ensure that students develop the competence, confidence and interest needed to become lifelong learners of Mathematics.

The school is attempting to provide an environment, which is supportive and with teaching practices based on sound learning principles. To further enhance this learning the families of the students need to be interested and involved in their learning. This can be achieved by:

- i encouraging children to talk about what they are doing in Mathematics at school
- ii listening carefully with interest to the explanations of their children about Mathematics
- iii reassuring and encouraging their children when they face difficulties
- iv taking the opportunity to practice leisure Mathematics learning at home (eg playing games such as draughts, chess, cards)
- v engaging children in discussions about the useful aspects of Mathematics at home (costs of painting, redecorating, calculating commission, discounts etc)
- vi discussing with teachers their children's progress and recognising what is a reasonable expectation of their performance
- vii seeking information about the school's Mathematics curriculum
- viii talking about how Mathematics is used in their particular fields

The involvement of the community can greatly influence the students' attitudes towards Mathematics.

Umesh Pratap Mathematics Co-ordinator

## ST MARYS SWIMMING POOL ASSOCIATION INC

### MEETING

WHEN	21 MARCH
WHERE	STAFF ROOM ST MARYS HIGH SCHOOL
TIME	7.30PM

## CHECK YOUR CUPBOARDS

Both grade 5/6 classes are collecting 'junk' material to be used for science investigations. Below is a list of suitable material which would be gratefully received by Mr Jones, Mrs Watson and the grade 5/6 students.

cotton	
fishing line	wheels off broken
nylon cloth	toys
pulleys	gears or cogs
old buttons	old toy motors
cotton reels	
springs	
pegs	
marbles	
paper cups	
tin cans	
aluminium soft drink cans	
any broken or unused electrical items	
wrecked speakers	

## INTERNATIONAL WOMENS' DAY

In conjunction with IWD and the Gender Equity Policy of SMDHS, three guest speakers have been invited to address girls from Grades 6-12 during the next week. It is our intention to provide female students at SMDHS with an opportunity to listen to, and interact with, positive female role models and trace their careers in traditionally male-dominated areas.

Our guests include:

- 1 "Sunny Richards" - professional surfer
- 2 Alison Bleaney - medical officer
- 3 Christine Milne - politician

## CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations and best wishes to Justin Faulkner and Andrew Claridge on gaining apprenticeships, Justin as an Automotive Electrician and Andrew in the Fitting and Turning area.

We are also pleased to hear that two of our former students gained subject prizes at the Launceston and Alanvale Colleges. Well done Rachael Dawson (Accounting) and Sean Bell (Science and Energy).



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It was really disappointing to see the Suspension Bridge at the Gorge come into view because this meant our trip was nearly over. We put on our best performance going down the last rapids for the benefit of those watching from the bridge. I guess some were very thankful but others very envious that they weren't with us.

We drifted into the calm waters of the First Basin, all of us still on a high and wishing it was not all over, but it wasn't. Before we knew it, those of us who were caught unaware were tipped overboard. Protests of "I can't swim" had no effect as we were told to practice our SURVIVAL FLOAT. The water was beautiful and warm. Wow, what a morning. Unbelievable, fantastic, never had a chance to be scared, too much action. At last we pulled ourselves out of our wetsuits and into some drier clothes. Noni had the kettle boiling and some yummy fruit cake ready for us. It's 12.15 pm. Probably the most unforgettable morning I'll have for a long time, can't wait to do it again.

A.E.W

### OLD POST OFFICE BLOCK

Plans for beautification of this block are ready to present to Council for approval. If they are accepted we would hope to start work soon after Easter. To save on costs, we will be looking for donations of bulbs.

Once we have this area established we will be looking at a similar plan for the other end of town.

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### TARGA TASMANIA

Late last year S.M.A.C.D. contacted the Targa committee requesting that they consider St.Marys for future lunch breaks. We feel that all businesses would benefit from such a move.

Targa replied that they would consider our request for 1995-96

It is our chance now to show Targa that we are serious in our request. We intend to do this by firstly erecting a large "Welcome to St.Marys" banner and also by providing free refreshments for the crews as they come into town.

We hope the greater community will get behind this concept and show their appreciation to the Targa crew on the day.

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The recently held "Mainstreet" workshop was attended by some 40 people who share S.M.A.C.D.'S concern as to where St.Marys is headed.

Kevin Faulkner, local citizen of the year recipient gave a brief talk on what living in St.Marys meant to him and how we all had to be working together for St.Marys.

De-Arne Bagley from Tourism Tasmania's Industry Development Division outlined "Mainstreet Approach" and how it could be adapted to St.Marys. The slide presentation was most interesting and helped point out the need for overall planning when considering further development to our town.

Four discussion groups were formed, covering Design, Business, Development and Promotion. There was a little hesitation initially but it was not too long before all groups were involved in serious discussion as to how we might improve the prospects of the town. So successful were these discussion groups, that when the allotted time was up the groups were reluctant to disperse.

De-Arne has now taken all ideas that were put forward back to launceston to correlate them into a working document that we can hopefully use as a guide for further development

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## REMINISCING

After living in St Marys for 62 years and now having to move into "The Big Smoke" through circumstances and encroaching years, I would like to say why I don't like leaving our Valley.

It is always interesting to read of the good old days, but I would like to trace through a few generations, past and present. On reflection they were good old days then too. Arriving in St Marys by train, my Mother, Father, five brothers and sisters (two later born here) two cows a couple of dogs and cats, a gaggle of chooks and necessary furniture, we were of much interest to surrounding neighbours, quite a menagerie.

Now I am the last to leave, having many years later married the 'boy next door'. We all soon made friends and at one stage lived near the late and much respected Jack Spilsbury and his wife and children whose characteristics still come through in their offspring today and many other families of such like. My own special friends at school, some are still here, such as the Chapmans, Leah Strochnetter, Spencers and Nailers and many more.

Nice memories of visiting friends for card evenings - parents playing for fun and catching up with the latest while us kids made up our games, no TV, Video or such. It really was a good environment. Dad listening to cricket (tests) on radio from England or wherever with suitable sound effects, especially when Bradman hit a sixer. No hidden cameras and arrows and slick pictures. Such famous comments as "and rightly so" or "the seagulls are in again". Sadly birds, the feathered kind, often outnumber spectators today. Then there was the Great Annual Show Day rain or shine, and shine we did at the big Show Ball the night before. We had real top circuses and even a preview the night before of huge and terrifying animals who needed plastic dinosaurs and such. Of course new years Day, made famous in later years by Eric and Committee. We had tennis (five courts), picnics, pictures, shows and Christmas. Midnight Mass, hot cocoa and lovely cake after - we were happy kids and didn't need all mod cons. We received only one present each at Christmas.

Growing up with War, blackouts, coupons for food and clothing, sadness when friends didn't come back (my better half to be, was lucky to survive five years in The Islands and Kakoda Trail, broken in health but not in spirit), Remembrance Days and the haunting Last Post executed most

ably by Mr Selby Targett for many years, good relatives to help smooth rough patches and friends. St Marys today is just as nice, your children's friends with families of their own but never too busy to chat, wave or smile as they hurry past. Nice people in all business places, eg has anyone ever seen a person with a long face come of the Post Office.

I must mention the St Marys Football Club and Kevin the much maligned (if the milk turned sour on Barbie Day we all blamed Kev), President for years and now Gus who has given his heart and soul along with his Committee to entertain us every winter with generations of nice young men. This was our chosen (spectator) sport while others followed theirs. Last but most important our always available and efficient Dr Ian Naidoo, Jeanette and all medical staff to help us feel safe and secure. Ron and his valiant group who keep us informed re Valley Voice. We will certainly miss all this, as we will be just another face in the crowd from now on, but we have the knowledge that we have four good kids and their families ready to help without questions or complaint at any hour.

The people of St Marys, Fingal, Mathinna and Cornwall are really true blue - once they know you they always do. Thank goodness I can count on one hand the unfriendly ones. We are also sorry to be leaving our good neighbours.

Sincerely Kath Cook

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## SAM'S CUT PRICE ST MARYS

Purchase any item from our new freezer for a chance to win a Dinner for Two at Surfside Motel (val. \$30) plus a bottle of wine donated by Surfside.

Drawn 21st March.

## ST MARYS INDOOR HOCKEY ROSTER

### 22 March

6.00	Fingal vs Fowl Play	Phil C & Amanda
6.45	Us 5 vs Avoca	Nic & Bart
7.30	Raiders vs Goldies	David B & Gina
8.15	Panthers vs N/Waves	Jane & Rob
9.00	Adders vs Red Devils	Ken & Narelle

### 29 March

6.00	Us 5 vs Panthers	Charlie & Henry
6.45	Fingal vs Red Devils	Kathy & Janet
7.30	Raiders vs N/Waves	Andrew & Rosanne
8.15	Adders vs Avoca	Sean & Matthew
9.00	Goldies vs Fowl Play	A Geo & Lindsay N

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## AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY INFORMATION SERVICE (ACIS) TO EXPAND TO ST HELENS AND FINGAL

The Australian Country Information Service (ACIS) which has been operating out of the St Marys Community Hall since August last year has so far assisted over 150 people with their enquiries, on subjects ranging from Social Security, Aged Services and Landcare to Youth Programmes. The service is funded by the Federal Government through the St Marys and St Helens Chambers of Commerce and has access to information on every Federal Government programme and service.

ACIS aims to provide a 'one stop shop' information and referral service on Government services and programmes to help people in rural and remote communities obtain access to any information and/or assistance they may need as easily as possible.

Although the service is funded by the Federal Government, there is also a welter of information at the office concerning State and Local Government services.

The service is proving to be extremely successful, and this, combined with budget savings has enabled the expansion of the service. In addition to the two days at St Marys, Barrie Rafter, the local ACIS Officer, will be visiting both St Helens and Fingal Neighbourhood Houses on alternate Wednesdays until at least the end of the financial year.

It will depend on Community interest and use of the service whether or not the ACIS office will be funded for the following year. This is a service which can save members of the community their hard earned cash. It can cost a small fortune trying to contact government departments by travelling to Launceston or Hobart, let alone trying to contact them by phone from a rural area, particularly by the time you establish exactly who it is you need to talk to, then get put on hold for 5 minutes and then find that they are out for lunch! Let Barrie do it for you - that's what the service is for.

So remember, if you need information or help - use the service! Call in to St Marys Community Hall on a Thursday or Friday between 10 am and 3 pm (or phone Barrie on 722 693) or from this week onwards if you live in the St Helens or Fingal areas you can see Barrie at your local Neighbourhood House on a Wednesday. You can phone either the Neighbourhood House or Barrie at St Marys to find out which week he will be in your area.



# SPORT

## CRICKET NEWS

### PRESENTATION NIGHT

The St.Marys Cricket Club held their annual presentation night on the 4th March at the hotel amongst much mirth and merriment. It was agreed that the highlight of the season was the first win against Ringwood at Ringarooma, the celebrations lasting until well into the next morning. This was not their only win. The team has had their best season for a couple of years narrowly missing a place in the finals.

The St.Marys Cricket Team would like to thank Tony Blake for managing to deliver the team to the various venues (as far as Bridport) and for getting them home again. An arduous task indeed!!! Thank you also to all the sponsors, the St.Marys Hotel, the players and their spouses. Thank you to Brent Leedham for a great captaincy, Glen McDonald for behind the scenes organisation, Leanne McDonald & Sandra Cook for the afternoon teas and barbecues, Simon Dakin for standing in as captain when Brent was unavailable, the St.Marys Butcher for supplying meat trays for fund raising and Peter Wilson for his role as M.C. and joke teller. Thank you to the kitchen and bar staff at the hotel for a pleasant evening and to the many unseen supporters of the club who donated time, money and for being there at the games.

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Batting Average-

Jeff Woods

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Bowling Average

Shane Wiggins

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Best First Year Player

Marcus Greenwood

(Donated by John & June Turner)

Most Improved Player

Chris Turner

(Donated by Michael Schier)

Best Fielder

Brent Leedham

(Donated by Eric & Claire Bean)

Best Club Person

Glen McDonald

(Donated by Ross & Tracy Bean)

Most Dedicated Player

Simon Dakin

(Donated by Charltons Sports Store)

The Greg Cook Memorial Trophy for

Best All-Rounder

Jeff Woods

(Donated by the Cook Family)

Cricketer of the Year

Jeff Woods

(Donated by the St.Marys Cricket Club)

Donated by the St.Marys Cricket Club - a meal at the pancake parlour - Leanne McDonald & Sandra Cook.

G> Cooper (Sec)

## ESK-DELORAINE ASSOCIATION

MARCH 26th — Lightning Premiership

APRIL 2nd — Bye

APRIL 9th

Hagley v Evandale

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#### APRIL 16th

Perth v Mole Creek  
Bracknell v Hagley  
Evandale v St. Marys  
Westbury v Campbell Town  
Fingal v Cressy

#### APRIL 23rd

Fingal v Perth  
Evandale v Campbell Town  
Cressy v Mole Creek  
Bracknell v Westbury  
Hagley v St. Marys

#### APRIL 30th

Hagley v Cressy  
Campbell Town v Perth  
Mole Creek v Bracknell  
St. Marys v Fingal  
Westbury v Evandale

#### MAY 7th

Perth v St. Marys  
Evandale v Fingal  
Campbell Town v Bracknell  
Mole Creek v Hagley  
Cressy v Westbury

#### MAY 14th

Perth v Hagley  
St. Marys v Westbury  
Cressy v Campbell Town  
Fingal v Mole Creek  
Bracknell v Evandale

#### MAY 21st

Hagley v Fingal  
Westbury v Perth  
Bracknell v Cressy  
Mole Creek v Evandale  
St. Marys v Campbell Town

#### MAY 28th

Evandale v Perth  
Campbell Town v Mole Creek  
Cressy v St. Marys  
Westbury v Hagley  
Fingal v Bracknell

#### JUNE 4th

Cressy v Evandale  
Hagley v Campbell Town  
Mole Creek v St. Marys  
Perth v Bracknell  
Fingal v Westbury

#### JUNE 11th

Evandale v Hagley  
Fingal v Campbell Town  
Westbury v Mole Creek  
Bracknell v St. Marys  
Perth v Cressy

#### JUNE 18th

Hagley v Bracknell  
St. Marys v Evandale  
Mole Creek v Perth  
Campbell Town v Westbury  
Cressy v Fingal

#### JUNE 25th

Perth v Fingal  
Campbell Town v Evandale  
Mole Creek v Cressy  
Westbury v Bracknell  
St. Marys v Hagley

#### JULY 2nd

Cressy v Hagley  
Perth v Campbell Town  
Bracknell v Mole Creek  
Fingal v St. Marys  
Evandale v Westbury

#### JULY 9th

St. Marys v Perth  
Fingal v Evandale  
Bracknell v Campbell Town  
Hagley v Mole Creek  
Westbury v Cressy

#### JULY 16th

Hagley v Perth  
Westbury v St. Marys  
Campbell Town v Cressy  
Mole Creek v Fingal  
Evandale v Bracknell

#### JULY 23rd

Fingal v Hagley  
Perth v Westbury  
Cressy v Bracknell  
Evandale v Mole Creek  
Campbell Town v St. Marys

#### JULY 30th

Perth v Evandale  
Mole Creek v Campbell Town  
St. Marys v Cressy  
Hagley v Westbury  
Bracknell v Fingal

#### AUGUST 6th

Evandale v Cressy  
Campbell Town v Hagley  
St. Marys v Mole Creek  
Bracknell v Perth  
Westbury v Fingal

#### AUGUST 13th

Elimination Final

#### AUGUST 14th

Qualifying Final

#### AUGUST 20th

First Semi-Final

#### AUGUST 21st

Second Semi-Final

#### AUGUST 27th

Preliminary Final

#### SEPTEMBER 3rd

Grand Final

## MEALS ON WHEELS

### MARCH

### ST.MARYS

### FINGAL

### MATHINNA

Monday	21	P & Y Davern	Carol Woods	Mavis brooks
Tuesday	22	Wendy Haas	Jack Miller	Max Ellis
Wednesday	23	George Oliver	Heather Mills	Cynthia Webb
Thursday	24	Rona Gally	Vicki Woods	Christine Scott
Friday	25	Liz Guy	Malc. Saunders	Kaye Turner
Monday	28	Lorraine Gill	Shirley Parker	Mavis brooks
Tuesday	29	Frank Turner	June Hall	Max Ellis
Wednesday	30	Atholic Greenwood	Bob Yates	Cynthia Webb
Thursday	31	Shirley Britton	Patsy Death	Christino Scott