

THE VALLEY AND EAST COAST VOICE

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Mr Ray White Remembers

"My father had an orchard and had to drive up a very steep road to reach the house at the top. This road is still known as Smiley Road today, as my father called it many, many years ago, because he would break into a big smile when he made it to the top". This is how Mr Ray White began his story when he first started to talk to me about the many incidents in his life that he well remembers.

Mr White was born at Franklin in the Huon Valley on 14 September 1908, but he only spent the first two weeks of his life there because his mother died a few hours after his birth. His Aunty Emily and Uncle William Aulich lived and farmed at Gray and it was these relatives who cared for the baby and brought up the young Ray White. Nine years passed before he met his father and brother Reg when they came to St Marys on the train.

There were 15 dairy farms at Gray in those days and five or six would make their own cheese. Some of the cheese makers that Mr White could recall were Aulich, Smith, Speers, King and Lehner. His school days were at Gray then the last year at the St Marys School before leaving at the age of 13 to work on his uncle's farm, milking cows and other farm work.

In 1932 young Ray White married Sylvia Nolan, whose family also lived at Gray. After a few years Mr & Mrs White moved to his present home in Storey Street St Marys. By this time Ray White had begun to work in the mines. Jubilee, Nicholas, Cornwall, Storeys Creek and Rossarden, he worked at them all over the years. Often it was a push bike he rode to work and then later when he owned a Nash car he would take his turn to run a load of men up to Jubilee. Mr White recalls one particular November day when they were going to work and passed old Roly Hill carting coal down to the railway station with his black horse and dray. Later that day when the men finished work they heard that "Old Roly" had won the Melbourne Cup at 100 to 1 but not one of them had thought of old Roly Hill as a good omen for a Cup bet!

On another occasion Mr White tells me, the men were travelling up to Jubilee in Toby Spilsbury's car. The vehicle up in front had broken down and Toby thought he could drive through between that car and the edge of the road but evidently there was not enough road as the car went over the edge, rolling several times and ended up in the scrub below only prevented from going down further when the car caught and hung precariously in a tree. Nobody was too badly hurt.

The day he got "gassed" is one that Mr White has not forgotten either. He and his offsider were working underground at Rossarden when he noticed his mate, who was a good worker, not shovelling much and leaning on the skip, then he himself started to stagger and decided it was time to get out. Only by hanging on to the wagon for support were they able to move out of the area and alert the shift boss who got them up to the surface. It was four days before he was well enough to return to work.

As a 17 year old Ray White began to take an interest in chopping which was held in St Marys on Christmas Eve and New Years Eve and the Top Hotel or at Michells Banktop, chopping carnivals were also held at Easter and at most towns around Tasmania. Mr White says he did no good at all to start with but after a few years he nearly always got a first, second or third placing. Chops were held all around St Marys, Cornwall, St Helens, Pyengana, Goulds Country, just some of the closer ones.

Easter 1929 is one carnival that Mr White especially remembers when he was to chop at Cygnet and Huonville, but he was in a bad way, covered with very painful boils, many of them on his hands. His axes had to be prepared but his hands were so bad that his father had to "edge 'em" and "clean 'em" for him. That night he bathed his hands and got some of the cores out of the boils. (Only people who have had these horrid boils can really know how painful they are - never hear of anyone having them these days). following day he chopped like mad and won the Cup for the fastest time on the day. The next day, Easter Monday, was a beautiful day but by Tuesday when Mr White had to ride back to St Marys on his motorbike the rain was pouring down. He wanted to get back home for the St Marys Show on the Wednesday but by then the ground was covered in water and that was the start of the BIG 1929 floods.

The motorbike that Ray White was riding was his 1928 BSA, 3½ hp. The train that came into St Marys had brought two "brand spanking new" beautiful black and green bikes, one for Ray White, the other for Charlie Semmens. Cont page 19

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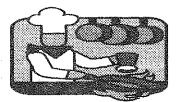
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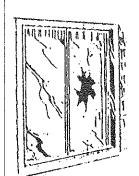
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THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER
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THE OPENING OF THE MINING MUSEUM WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE RAILWAY STATION AT APPROXIMATELY 3.30PM AFTER THE PRIZE GIVING FOR THE BILLY CART DERBY WINNERS ON THE 25TH NOVEMBER 1995

The Lions Club is still seeking further items of interest of mining memorabilia for display in the new Museum. Any persons with items please contact any Lions Club Member.

A community Concert is to be held early in 1996, any persons who wish to participate please contact John McGiveron. More information later.

TASMANIA DAY WEEKEND

The Lions Club of St Marys BILLY CART DERBY will be held on 25th November. AT 11 AM STALL HOLDERS welcome (must provide their own stalls). There will also be an ARTS & CRAFTS DISPLAY.

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This meeting will be to discuss the voluntary work needed and the future of our Centre.

Jim Haas Sec/Treas

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SUNDAY 17TH DECEMBER

8.30PM

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Campbell Town	9.00 am	HC	
Ross	10.30 am	HC	
Avoca	10.30 am	FS	
Fingal	7.00 pm	EP	
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Avoca	10,30 am	HC	
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Avoca	6.00 pm	EP	
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH			
Campbell Town	9.00 am	HC	
Ross	10.30 am	HC	
Avoca altern	ates with		
Fingal	6.00 pm	HC	
Avoca reverts to 7.00 pm during			
summer months			

BREAK O"DAY UNITING CHURCH

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Fingal	9.00 am
St Helens	7.00 pm
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St Helens	7.00 pm
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ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST HELENS

FIRST SUNDAY OF MONTH 9.30 am St Helens Falmouth 11.00 am 10.00 am St Marys SECOND SUNDAY OF MONTH St Helens 9.30 am 10.00 am St Marys THIRD SUNDAY OF MONTH St Helens 9.30 am 11.00 am Pyengana St Marys 10.00 am FOURTH SUNDAY OF MONTH 9.30 am St Helens 10.00 am St Marvs FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

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St Helens

10.00 am 11.00 am

9.30 am

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An open day will be held at the Rubenach's home on Friday December 1st starting at 1.30pm.

The children's work and items will be shown.

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THANK YOU

Michael and Louise Williams would like to thank the Staff of the St Marys Hospital, especially Patsy, Lee and Sandra for the safe arrival of our little girl Georgina May. Thanks to all for cards and gifts.

MOWERS UP OR MOWERS DOWN

Apple picking season arrived early at the big house on the hill at St Marys when a man in PEAKE condition was seen mowing, climbing and then parking the ride on mower up the apple tree while still remaining in the saddle.

Is this the new fad for picking and pruning apple trees?. But Neville mind, all ended well.

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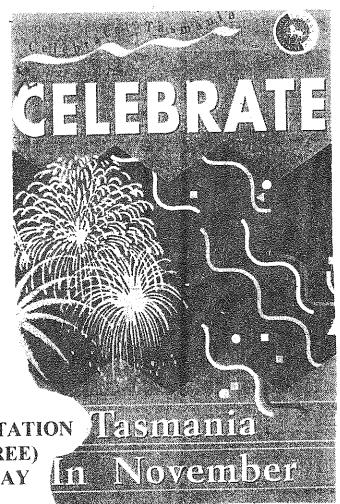
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Please contact the office by 30 November.

Megan Piercey
KINDER TEACHER

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	INTER-HIG	HATHL	ETICS F	RESULTS
lst	Tanya Parsons	U/14	200m	
1st	Luke Faulkner	U/13	200m	
1st	Andrew Scott	Open	200m	
1st	Luke Faulkner	U/13	100m	
lst	Carlie Davies	U/15	400m	
1st	Upasna Pratap	U/13	400m	``O
1st	Adam Fletcher	U/14	Hurdles	6 (3 7 8
1st	Kate Baldini	U/14	Hurdles	
1st	Adam Gillies	U/13	800m	
1st	Tanya Parsons	U/14	800m	
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1st	Nic Oliver	Junior Boys	1500m	
2nd	Matthew Viney			- (1)
4th	Matthew Harris			
1st	Murray Louis	U/15	Shot Put	
1st	David Eastley	U/14	Shot Put	
1st	Renee Lynch	Open	Javelin	d 5 . \ \
1st	Mathew Harris	U/14	Javelin	
1st	Tristan Ireland	U/13	Javelin	BAIN BE
1st	David Eastley	U/14	Discus	The Sales Sunter
1st	Chris Green	U/14	High Jump	
1st	Jess Baldini	U/14	Long Jump	
1st	Luke Faulkner	U/13	Long Jump	-
lst	Chris Green	U/14	Triple Jump	
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ALSO: 22 2nds in total

In addition there was some excellent efforts from Neysa Cannon in the Junior 1500m and U/13 800m.

Nicole Blair fell very heavily at the last hurdle when leading but recovered to finish 2nd.

Keith Gillies ran a close 4th in the Senior 1500m, a particularly tough and high standard race. Angela Barr also ran well for 4th in the Senior girls 1500m.

The U/14 boys should be commended for their effort in winning all field events in their division.

Our U/13 and U/14 competitors won the division 2 junior shield and we were narrowly beaten by Scottsdale for the overall shield.

We had 21 individual wins for the day but as 17 of these wins were by our juniors we should have a strong team for several years.

Congratulations to the whole team for an excellent effort.

T. Pickett PE TEACHER

PRESENTATION AFTERNOON

All parents and friends are invited to attend our annual presentation afternoon which will be held in the school hall on

TUESDAY DECEMBER 12
at 1.30 P.M.

We hope to see you there.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL APPOINTED

Congratulations Philip Walker for being appointed to the position of Assistant Principal at St. Marys District High School. Mr Walker is an outstanding educational leader and this was quite evident in his written application and interviews. Mr Walker was selected by a panel from thirteen applicants from across the State. We at St. Marys are delighted by his appointment and we look forward to working with you in the future.

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In an attempt to have things flowing a little smoother on the day we will be endeavouring to have all trestles in place by 8.15am with the stall holders name on them. In return we would request that everyone dismantle their trestles at the end of the day and returns them to the designated place.

We would make most welcome any Buskers on

We would make most welcome any Buskers on the day and are looking forward to having fresh produce stall holders fairly soon..

The money raised by the market will hopefully enable us to keep the Community Contact Centre open after the Research Project grant is finalised. We thank you all for the wonderful support you have shown and should you have any suggestions as to how we can improve the market, please don't hesitate to let us know.

Not your average market. Bookings at the Contact Centre..

CHRISTMAS PARADE '95

The Christmas Parade for 1995 has been scheduled for Friday 22nd December and will be run on similar lines as previous years, commencing with the Lions Club and Traders Children's Party, including a puppet show.

In an endeavour to make this years parade a success a group of hard working ladies have raised enough money to enable us to offer a cash prize of \$150 for the best float.

To enable the parade to go ahead we need your commitment now! Please register your intention to enter a float before the 1st December. If we don't get the registrations we will have to cancel the parade.

If you are unable to enter a float there are many ways that you can assist in making the evening a success. This could be by running a food stall, organising a Gum Boot throwing competition or any other innovative idea you may come up with, or by simply offering to assist on the evening.

The important thing is to let us be a success.

The important thing is to let us know how you become involved at your earliest convenience.

You can do this by dropping into the Community Contact Centre or by ringing us on 722442 or 722759.

Thank you for your assistance and support.
Contact Centre Staff.

SEOPLOGALALD VILLIN

Two nights accommodation for two adults and two children at the Cray Drop-in with \$150 in food and refreshment vouchers could be yours simply by supporting your local businesses.

PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES & REQUIREMENT DETAILS

By spending \$20 or more at these businesses you will get one entry in the lucky draw.

St Marys Top Shop Quinns Auto Electric Sams's Supermarket Faulkners Garage Smiths Service Station (Brownies) Browns service Station (Spilsbury's)

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St Marys Take Away

St Marys Variety
St Marys Butchery
Break-O-Day Milk Bar
Railway Nursery

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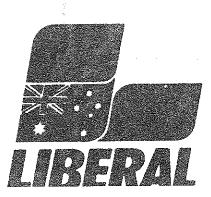
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Kerin Glatte Treasurer
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THE ST MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL SUPPORT ASSOCIATION INC.

The final meeting for 1995 was held on Monday 20th November. Almost 50 people attended from Mathinna, Fingal, Cornwall, Falmouth and St. Marys. Overwhelming support for the introduction of a Multi Purpose Service Centre at St. Marys Hospital is very evident throughout the Valley and East Coast Region.

Attending the meeting were: - David Llewellyn (Labour) Michael Polley (Labour) Russell Anderson (Federal Liberal Candidate) Lawrie Flavelle (Liberal) Susan Hanson (Acting Programme Manager) and Liz Baker (Acting Director of Nursing) both from Aged and Disability Services.

Points of interest regarding the Meeting are:-

- Susan and Liz spoke on the structure of Community Nursing, allocation of staff, hours available, and how to access the service. The view of the meeting was that faults did not lie with the efficient Community Nurses, but with administration, which is far from satisfactory. These ladies are now prepared to approach their superiors re this matter. Self referral is all that is necessary if you feel you need Community Nursing. The number to ring is 722153. Leave your message and you will be contacted. If you have a complaint regarding any type of health service, contact 008 008 001 (free call) and your worries will be investigated. Thankyou Susan and Liz for your co-operation.
- 2. The Labour Party are committed to fulfilling their promise to establish a Multi Purpose Service Centre or similar so that aged care beds are reinstated for this area, together with Acute beds and Community Services etc. Of course, this outcome can only be achieved on their part pending the Election results.
- 3. Russell Anderson and Lawrie Flavelle are prepared to approach Roger Groom with information they received from the Meeting. eg. lack of services lack of acute beds, broken promises and the establishment of a Multi Purpose Service Centre. Russell is also supportive of upgrading Casualty as there were approx. 700 outpatients treated at St. Marys last year.
- 4. Christine Milne is very supportive to our cause and is lobbying the State Liberal Government on our behalf.
- 5. The Association has written to the Premier Ray Groom and the Federal Health Minister Carmen Lawrence seeking support. The replies will be published upon receipt.

Thankyou for your support. The next meeting will be on January 15th 1996.

Cheryl Hendley Secretary

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LANDCARE NEWS

Jan Sparkes

With two years of positive activity by St Marys Landcare Group in various parts of the town, our LEAP scheme coming to an end in about four weeks, and with the Let's Celebrate Tasmania Arts & Crafts Exhibition this weekend, we may ask again "What is Landcare?"

Landcare is about enabling change. The need for change is clear. Land degradation is costing Australia dear. In the table below can be seen the dollars lost to Australia through land and water degradation:-

Water Logging	\$180 M	PA
Erosion	\$80 M	PA
Soil Structure decline	\$200 M	PA
Soil acidity	\$300 M	PA
Salinity	\$200 M	PA
Direct & indirect expenditure		
to overcome deterioration of	• •	4
water resources	\$450 M	PA
TOTAL	\$1410 M	PA

Source: Land & Water Resources Search & Development Corporation Annual Report.

These problems are compounded by profound economic and social problems from continuing dry weather and declining terms of trade. Over the last 20 years farm numbers have dropped from 189,400 (1970) to 124,975 (1990) and could drop to below 75,000 by end of decade (Hassall & Assocs, 1994).

Landcare is about people changing the way they use our natural resources to better support the economic, ecological and social health of their area over the long term - sustainability. It is about managing the public and private benefits of land. Landcare is about partnership between governments, local communities and industry in this whole process.

To achieve sustainability we require changes in people's behaviour. Changes in people's behaviour take a long time. For the new behaviour to be translated into better environmental or economic conditions will take even longer. Sustainable land management practices are not yet clearly

understood and will require policy settings to be continually reviewed. It requires education, awareness, research, innovation, understanding and practical best bet practices, but above all self-motivated groups of people. Without the voluntary involvement of the community the cost of implementing the national "Decade of Landcare Plan" would be prohibitive.

St Marys Landcare Group is one of 2200 landcare groups in Australia. Landcare groups are people who come together to tackle common problems or take advantage of shared opportunities. Groups tend to focus on local problems such as land degradation, weed, nature conservation, land use planning or water quality issues. Groups undertake projects to demonstrate sustainable solutions to problems with best bet practices.

St Marys Landcare Group has achieved much over the past two years and is harnessing the energies and talents of its people. Landcare groups everywhere are having a fundamental impact on community attitudes towards land management and are changing people's behaviour.

Landcare is moving rural Australia from a colonial, exploitation period based on European farming practices to a period of settled, long term management based on Australian farming practices.

If Landcare is to continue to succeed, Australia will have a framework for sustainable development that will be the envy of the world. Landcare enables the effective delivery of a range of government funding programmes and will provide the nation with an inspiring vision and investment strategy for the "Natural Country", a country that makes the most of its rugged outback, its quality produce, its extraordinary biodiversity and its expertise and technology in environmental management.

from: A Framework for Change, The State of the Community Landcare Movement in Australia. Helen Alexander - Sept 1995.

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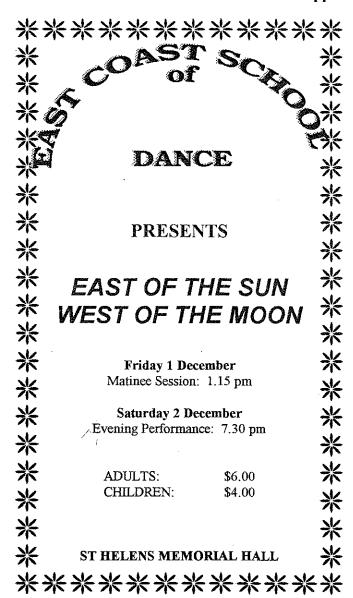
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BREAK O' DAY COUNCIL NEWS

WATER WEEK POSTER COMPETITION

Council recently sponsored a National Water Week Poster Competition to raise awareness of water conservation amongst primary school children in the Break O'Day Municipality. It was quite obvious from the results that many children are very much aware of the issues related to water quality and conservation. The winners were:

5-7 years

lst Robert McGregor

equal 2nd Brianna Walley & Luis Higgins

8-9 years

1st Anders Vonarburg

2nd Shaun Keenan

10-11 years

1st Ian Beams

2nd Phillipa Atkins

DON'T WASTE WATER

As part of Council's public awareness programme in relation to water conservation here are some handy tips to help you save water.

- Use mulch around shrubs and trees to reduce water evaporation
- Use a cup of water or turn off the tap whilst cleaning your teeth
- Install a dual flush toilet or put a brick in the cistern.
- Ensure that washing machines are only used when filled to capacity
- Use a small plastic bowl in the sink to wash a few dishes and pour the water onto the garden
- Buy only washed potatoes at the supermarket it saves a lot of rinsing water
- When cleaning or pealing vegetables use a small amount of water in the sink rather than leave the tap running
- Keep a bottle of drinking water in the refrigerator to avoid the wasteful practice of running tap water until it turns cold
- Keep a bucket in the shower to catch the water before the hot comes then use the water in the washing machine or on the garden

A small booklet titled Be Water Wise - It's Worth It is available at no charge at all Break O'Day Council offices.

PURCHASING PROPERTY

Council have prepared an information broohure for those purchasing land, a house or commercial property within the Municipality. It lists some of queries most often asked of council in relation to property purchase. You could save time and money by being thoroughly informed.

CLOSURE OF ROAD FOR LIONS

Council have agreed to a request from the Lions Club of St Helens to close Cecilia Street, Medeas Cove Esplanade and Circassian, Groom and Steel Streets from 6.45 pm to 9 pm on Christmas Eve for the purpose of conducting a Christmas Eve Street Parade.

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CONT FROM FRONT PAGE - MR RAY WHITE

The local policeman, Arthur Marshall, went with Mr White to the station to pick them up, then went along Harefield Road for a licence test. Mr White got his licence without much trouble but it was a few weeks later that they realised they had not got around to registering it. Cost about 2 pounds 10 shillings he thinks. He only had one buster off the bike, Walter Binns was riding on the back when they hit a patch of frost on Gray Road, no breaks but quite a bit of skin off. Mr White's face lit up and he started to chuckle about a bit of a prank some of them got up to when they chopped at Pyengana. It was Good Friday and many of the axemen stayed at the Pyengana Hotel for the night as the next days chopping was at Goulds Country. Mr White tells the story "Some of us sit up and talk, some stay up an drink and some go to bed early. There were a few of us together and Silas Jones went to bed early and would not get up when we knocked on his door, we tried a few times but he would not join us. George Summers had a great idea, he gently knocks on the door and in a sweet little high pitched voice says "Like a cup of tea Mr Jones?" Silas calls out from his bed, "Thank you very much. I'll undo the door but give me a minute to get back into bed." George Summers gently opens the door pretending to be the maid and all the chaps rush in and catch poor Silas in his grey flannel only. "By the living Harry it was a good night."

Another of Mr Whites stories was about a chap called Charlie Cotton who was a good long distance runner, there was also a coach on the route from St Helens to Pyengana Hotel. Charlie Cotton took the coach on for a 10 pound bet that he could beat it to Pyengana. Charlie won the race and the 10 pounds as he took off across country whereas the coach had to keep to the road.

Mr White was a very successful axeman for many years until he had to stop because of arthritis. He competed alongside the Youd brothers, Merv and Doug, also mainland and New Zealand axemen. He would buy his axes from Plumb Axe Co in Melbourne and a Mr Tom Pettard would do them up for racing. A good axe could last you for years. He had a favourite that he called "Catch 'em", given to him by his father.

During his years of competing Mr White never cut himself but recalls a terrible time down the Huon when a Trevor Gordon had an awful accident. Back in those days there were no cradles for the "underhand" logs and the axemen had to peg them up for themselves. One of Trevor Gordon's pegs wasn't quite in far enough and he tripped on it, his axe came down and sliced off his foot. The first time Mr White competed at the Launceston Show in 1928 he won the 12" Standing Chop - 12 pounds prize money, a gold medal and a racing axe. In the late 1950's he also won the Underhand 13" and

received 50 pounds prize money.

Mr White showed me his many Cups and Trophies, amongst them Champion Axemen Cup, 1929 Fastest time 21½ secs., Tamar Centenary Regatta, Tamar Chop and The Examiner Trophy 1965.

Mr Ray White is now 87 and has a wonderful ability to recall the good times and the highlights of years as a great axeman and the companionship of the men he met in that sport.

Written by A Wright as told by Mr Ray White, St Marys.



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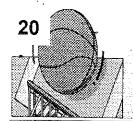
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Sport

ST MARYS VOLLEYBALL RESULTS

6.11.95

ST HELENS D HARRIERS

In a high standard game St Helens proved to be too good in the spiking. 15.4, 12.15, 15.7. Best males: P Mason (H), T Chapple (SH), C Allen (SH). Best women: K Allen (SH), H Fisher (H), R Smith (H).

BOUNDERS D 3D'S

In another good game Bounders were too strong in a close and entertaining game. 11.15, 15.5, 15.7. Best males: M Williams (3D's), B Ennis (B), A Johnson (3D's). Best women: J Pickett (B), M Mitchell (B), M Bennett (3D's)

8.11.95

LES' HAWKS D LEGENDS

This game also proved to be of a high standard with every player playing well. 15.6, 15.7, 15.6. Best males: P Aulich (LH), M Greenwood (LH), D Morris (L). Best females: K Lynch (L), S Binns (LH), M Griffiths (L).

13.11.95

SAMS D WARRIORS

Sams defeated Warriors in a close game with all players playing well. 15.8, 15.8, 15.10. Best males: T Hendley (W), I Bradbury (S), T Triffett (W). Best women: L Fisher (S), M Loane (W), C Hendley (W).

FINGAL D HARRIERS

Fingal failed to win against the determined Harriers in a high standard game. 12.15, 6.15, 5.15. Best players were not available.

ST HELENS D 3D'S

St Helens proved to be far too strong as they continue their good form. 15.3, 15.13, 15.0. Best males: C Allen (SH), A Johnson (3D's), M Williams (3D's). Best females: S Chapple (SH), M Bennett (3D's), K Allen (SH).

15.11.95

BOUNDERS D LEGENDS

A very close game between two evenly matched teams with very good rallies. 15.10, 14.16, 15.8. Best males: J Peake (L), M Bramich (B), K Kingston (B). Best women: R Lynch (L), K Lynch (L), M Beach (B).

LES' HAWKS D BUTCH MECHS

This game was enjoyed by all, good sportsmanship shown, some excellent passages of play. A great effort by both teams. 15.12,

15.5, 16.14. Best males: M Greenwood (LH), R Brown (BM), B Johnson (BM). Best females: K Spilsbury (BM), R Greenwood (LH), A Greenwood (LH).

END OF SEASON LADDER

Les' Hawks	32	180%
St Helens		
Harriers	24	139%
Bounders		
Legends		
Fingal		
3D'S		
Sams		
Butch Mechs	8	51%
Warriors	0	39%

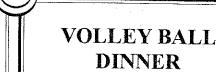
BEST & FAIREST COUNT and Trophy presentation will now be held at St Marys Hotel after the Grand Final.

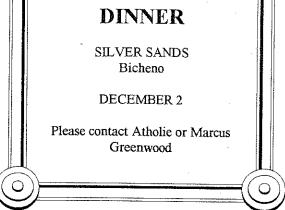
Second Semi - Wed 22 November Les' Hawks v St Helens7.00pm

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Wednesday 29 November

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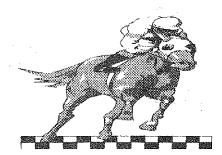
Racing & Pacing Over the Years

During the last few years there have been many others to race horses in our district both pacers and gallopers with a few drivers and riders being in the winners' circle. Bill Gray from Avoca, Pat Cowie from Fingal are two with gallopers - Bill used to bring Happy Day to St Marys and Pat raced Purple Lady and her daughter Lorita. Ken Page and Gordon Salter were also reputed good riders. There were many others who I still have to finalise including the Lohreys, Bullocks, Peters, Smiths, Tapps, Semmens from Upper Scamander, Dawsons and many others who I will get to, and also a large number from Fingal and other places.

I was talking to Marg Oliver who told me her late husband Vince and Jim Smith were at the track with their horses when an old tramp emerged from under the grandstand. They were, as was the custom, putting metho on the horses legs to toughen them up. The tramp asked could he have some and on receiving the bottle promptly drank it.

A couple of stories on our late good friend, Jim Kiddle, I'm sure he would not mind. He was good mates with the Curran brothers from Irish Town Road who used to make a good supply of wine of all kinds. They brought a bottle of

parsnip wine and gave it to Jim to drink after the races. He put in his Gladstone bag but kept having a swig. It was very powerful stuff so when the last race came the stewards would not let him drive and had to substitute Tony Davis for his charge. Another day at Smithon (I think) he had participated in a few cold ones when he had to harness up for a later race. He had the harness and hopples on him and about to put him in the cart when Reg Wadley, a well known galloping man, raced up and enquired what the hell are you doing with my horse. Jim had harnessed a galloper ready to race in a pacing race. They were side by side and looked pretty much the same but I think our old friend's vision might have been slighly blurred. More later.



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Sport

ST MARYS CRICKET CLUB NEWS

ST MARYS V CENTRAL

Central won the toss and batted and after a good opening stand soon began to take control of our bowling to finish with 243 runs. With our batting being a little shaky of late, the task was ahead for our team. Best of the bowlers, Marcus Greenwood 2 for 27, J McKimmie 3/48 and Turbo Rowlands 2/48. A seventy run second wicket stand enabled Central to obtain their total. With the first four overs maidens and the loss of Kerry Taylor for a duck, we were soon in trouble again with the bat. Our only batsmen to reach double figures were Raz McDonald 23 n/o, Jamie McKimmie 19 and Marcus Greenwood 10. The side was all out for 84. Again a disappointing result after an even start to the year. Valuable points are being lost in the early games. Man of the Match: Jamie McKimmie.

ST MARYS V ST HELENS

A chance to re-group in the next game against St Helens, saw the visitors win the toss and bat. An inspired spell of bowling by Marcus Greenwood (4 for 11 off 10 overs) and Raz McDonald (1 for 16 off 7 overs) saw the top half of the St Helens batting line-up back to the sheds for just 29 runs. Although late wickets were again our problem, the Bay never recovered from a terrible start, finishing all out for 94. Leigh Nehls contributing 2 for 10 off seven overs, helping the Tigers to their first obtainable total for a few weeks. Although the run target was small we again batted ourselves into trouble early, with no great partnerships early, the pressure again fell on the middle order, Leigh Nehls batting well for 38 with little support. The return of Chris Riley a factor on the game, steadying the ship late to finish 25 not out. St Marys winning with 6 for 97, not that convincing, but a few valuable points picked up against an old arch-rival. Man of the Match, Marcus Greenwood. Man of the Match each week wins a Pizza meal donated by the COACH HOUSE RESTAURANT.

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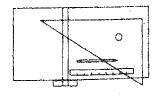
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