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Hare-Clark electoral system

All Councillor elections are conducted under a proportional representation system directly modelled on the Hare-Clark system used for Tasmanian House of Assembly elections. A brief explanation of Hare-Clark follows:

To secure election, candidates must gain a 'quota' of votes.

$$\text{Quota} = \frac{\text{Number of Valid Ballot Papers}}{\text{Number to be Elected} + 1} + 1 \text{ (any remainder is ignored).}$$

If electing 6 councillors, the quota would be approximately 1/7th or 14.3% of the total votes. In the case of 28,000 votes the quota would be 4001.

If electing 9 councillors, the quota would be approximately 1/10th or 10% of the total votes. In the case of 3500 votes the quota would be 351.

Once a candidate attains a quota he/she is declared elected.

If a candidate attains more than a quota his/her "surplus" votes are redistributed amongst the candidates still in the scrutiny. The surplus is transferred by redistributing the last parcel of ballot papers received by the elected candidate. All the ballot papers in the last parcel are passed on with a new 'transfer' value. Where a candidate is elected on the first count, then the last parcel is in fact all the ballot papers containing their primary votes.

$$\text{Transfer Value} = \frac{\text{Surplus Votes}}{\text{Number of Ballot papers in the Last Parcel}}$$

where Surplus Votes = Candidate Total Votes minus Quota

This reduces the value of the elected candidate's total votes to the quota.

If none of the remaining candidates has a surplus, the candidate with the least number of votes is excluded and his/her votes are redistributed at the value they were received by the candidate.

This exclusion process continues until a candidate obtains a quota. Any surplus votes are again distributed and the exclusion, election and distribution process is repeated until the required number of candidates is elected.

If the exclusion of a candidate will mean that there are the same number of candidates remaining in the count as the number of positions to be filled, the candidate is declared to be excluded from the count, and the remaining candidates are declared elected in the order of their total votes at that point.

Multiplied by 100: Due to the relatively small number of electors in some municipal areas, all ballot papers are multiplied by 100 (eg 1 ballot paper = 100 votes) to reduce the loss of votes by fraction.

Robson Rotation: The House of Assembly "Robson Rotation" of candidate names on the ballot paper is not used in Local Government elections.

BREAK O'DAY VOTERS: FOR A VOTE TO BE FORMAL THE ELECTOR MUST VOTE FOR AT LEAST 9 CANDIDATES. VOTERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO FULLY EXPRESS THEIR OPINION BY VOTING FOR ALL CANDIDATES ON THE BALLOT PAPER.

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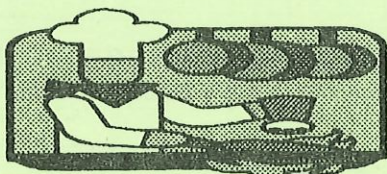
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MEALS ON WHEELS

OCT	ST MARYS	FINGAL
14	Debbie Barnes	Kaylene Sutton
15	Ruth Aulich	R. Hoskinson
16	Marj. Spilsbury	Trish Crow
17	Gail Gamble	Christine Woods
18	K & D Bullock	Vic Jones
21	D & S Robinson	Shirley Parker
22	Barbara Mitchell	Debbie Speers
23	M & P Berwick	Jan Marshall
24	Yvonne Salter	Julie Claridge
25	Tracey Bean	Bob Yates



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9.00 AM - 1.00PM

SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER

Enquiries Phone Sue Quinn 63 722 491

Peter Andrews 63 722 361

ST MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL SUPPORT ASSOC.

NEXT MEETING

21ST OCTOBER

AT SALVATION ARMY HALL (RSL)

ALL WELCOME

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and

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TRIVIA NIGHT

FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER

7.00PM

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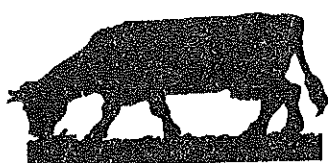
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St Marys Phone 63722274

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Church News

ANGLICAN PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF THE NORTHERN MIDLANDS

FIRST SUNDAY OF MONTH

Campbell Town	9.00 am	HC
Ross	10.30 am	HC
Avoca	10.30 am	FS
Fingal	7.00 pm	EP

SECOND SUNDAY OF MONTH

Fingal	8.45 am	HC
Campbell Town	9.00 am	MP
Avoca	10.30 am	HC

THIRD SUNDAY OF MONTH

Fingal	8.45 am	FS
Campbell Town	9.00 am	HC
Ross	10.30 am	HC
Avoca	6.00 pm	EP

FOURTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

Fingal	8.45 am	HC
Campbell Town	9.00 am	HC
Mathinna	10.30 am	HC
Avoca	6.00 pm	HC

FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

Campbell Town	9.00 am	HC
Ross	10.30 am	HC
Avoca	alternates with	
Fingal	6.00 pm	HC

Avoca reverts to 7.00 pm during summer months

BREAK O'DAY UNITING CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY OF MONTH

Scamander	11.00 am
Fingal	9.00 am
St Helens	7.00 pm

SECOND SUNDAY OF MONTH

Scamander	9.00 am
Fingal	9.30 am
St Marys	11.00 am
St Helens	7.00 pm

THIRD SUNDAY OF MONTH

Scamander	9.00 am
Fingal	9.30 am
St Marys	11.00 am
St Helens	7.00 pm

FOURTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

Scamander	9.00 am
Fingal	9.30 am
St Marys	11.00 am
St Helens	7.00 pm

FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	7.00 pm
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ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST HELENS

FIRST SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	9.00 am & 10.30 am
St Marys	9.00 am

SECOND SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	9.00 am & 10.30 am
St Marys	9.00 am
Pyengana	11.00 am

THIRD SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	9.00 am & 10.30 am
St Marys	9.00 am

FOURTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	9.00 am & 10.30 am
St Marys	9.00 am
Pyengna	11.00 am
Falmouth	4.00 pm

FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	9.00 am & 10.30 am
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SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Hodgman Street
Scamander

Sabbath School	10.00 am
Divine Service	11.00 am

FINGAL VALLEY CRUSADE CENTRE

A Christian Revival Crusade Church meets at the Fingal Council Chambers

Sundays at	10.30 am
Sunday School	11.00 am

ALL WELCOME
Enquiries - 741099



SALVATION ARMY

Main Street
ST MARYS (RSL HALL)

SERVICES

Sunday	
9.30 am	Sunday School
11.00 am	Family Worship
Wednesday	
2.00 pm	Ladies Fellowship

EVERYBODY WELCOME

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THRIFT SHOP

Wed-Fri	10.00 am - 2.00 pm
Pickups phone	(003) 722 352

CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST MARYS

FIRST SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	Sat Vigil Mass	6.00 pm
St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00 am
Bicheno	Sunday Mass	4.00 pm

SECOND SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	Sat Vigil Mass	6.00 pm
St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00 am
Mangana	Eucharistic Ser	11.00 am
Bicheno	Sunday Mass	4.00 pm

THIRD SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	Sat Vigil Mass	6.00 pm
St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00 am
Bicheno	Sunday Mass	4.00 pm

FOURTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	Sat Vigil Mass	6.00 pm
St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00 am
Bicheno	Sunday Mass	4.00 pm

FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	Sat Vigil Mass	6.00 pm
St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00 am
Mathinna	Eucharistic Ser	11.15 am
Bicheno	Sunday Mass	4.00 pm

PRIEST: PAUL CONNOLLY
ST MARYS

ST MARYS HEALTH & BEAUTY CENTRE

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Break o' Day Council Elections 1996

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Vote 1

PHILIP CORBY

I have been pleased to serve you on Fingal and Break o' Day Councils, giving my attention to management of the whole municipality and receptive to community desire for economic growth and environmental protection, whilst enhancing our preferred way of life.

I appreciated your support in 1993 and ask for it again in 1996.

147 Scamander Ave., Scamander 7215

Ph: 63725158

Authorised by G. Buller, 2 Tasman Hwy., St. Helens

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FINGAL - WEDNESDAY MORNING

16TH OCTOBER 1996

Council Chambers

and

ST MARYS - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

16TH OCTOBER 1996

State Library Main Street

For appointments phone Launceston (03) 63 362 241 or write to PO Box 414 Launceston or call at:
5 Wellington Street
Launceston

ST MARYS HOTEL

Main Street

(003) 63722181

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8 BALL

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SATURDAY 12-10-96

7.30 PM DRAW

8.00PM START

TEMPORARY VACANCY

Relief Groundsman

for week 11-15 November
Enquiries to Bursar on
63722362

THIS IS HOW IT FEELS TO BE HOMELESS

Feeling hungry, lonely and cold
Discomfort surrounds me from all angles,
I silently wish to be blown away.
The hours pass so slow
The noise of the city pressing in on me
I sit still trying my hardest not to be seen
And feeling low in comparison to those whose clothing is
so good.
How can these complete strangers feel so at home
together?
I cannot understand that.

CHONNIPHA SMART 8B *Translating an article into an
original poem.*

ENGLISH SKILLS PUT TO THE TEST

Students from St Marys District High School have demonstrated that their proficiency in English is equal to that of the best of students from Tasmania.

This year 39 students from the school were awarded certificates in the Australian Schools English Competition in which students from all over Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific region competed. Highest certificates awarded went to:

Roland Keath (Year 5);, Robyn Gunson (Year 6); Blair Adamczewski, Jennifer Brown; Upasna Pratap (Year 8); Amanda Walker (Year 10) who received Certificates of Distinction.

Certificates of Credit were gained by: Lauren Bennett, Bong Bong Louis, Cara Oosterloo (Year 6); D'arne Brown Joshua Poole (Year 7); Erica Adamczewski Shecani Piscitelli, Russell Smith, Anneli Williams (Year 9); Nick Hyland and Tania Salonen (Year 10)

"The competition assesses student proficiency in the areas of reading comprehension, document and data interpretation, vocabulary and language skills", said Associate Professor Jim Tognolini, Director of the Educational Testing Centre at the University of New South Wales. Students find the papers very challenging and those who have been awarded certificates are to be congratulated on their excellent achievement.", he said.

A record of 338 145 students from 4928 schools participated in the competition which is conducted annually by the Educational testing Centre. Associate Professor Tognolini said that he believed the increasing popularity of the competition was due to the comprehensive feedback that is provided to students, teachers and parents.

TERM 3 CALENDAR IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



SEPTEMBER

WEEK 1
WED 25 All day Buggy Rehearsal
FRI 27 Moderation Yr 11/12
Bugsy Band Rehearsal

OCTOBER

WEEK 2
MON 30 Buggy Band Rehearsal
TUE 1 Grade 10 parents afternoon tea
Bugsy Band / Singers Rehearsal
THU 3 Moderation Grade 10
FRI 4 Buggy full rehearsal

WEEK 3
MON 7 Alanvale College visit 10.30am
TUE 8 Buggy full rehearsal
Kinder Concert
WED 9 SRC Social Gr7-12
Parent forum in Conf Rm. Drug issues 1pm.
FRI 11 Show Day holiday

WEEK 4
MON 14 Buggy full rehearsal
Landcare group working here all week
TUE 15 Mathinna parents meeting 12pm Conf Rm
WED 16 ENE Sports meeting 1.30
THU 17 Sharing day for ENE Challenge groups from St
Helens & Winnaleah with St Marys Students

WEEK 5
MON 21 Buggy performance to associated schools
Landcare group here all week
WED 23 Buggy Malone Performance
THU 24 Buggy Malone Performance
FRI 25 Buggy Malone Performance

WEEK 6
WED 30 Athletics Carnival
THU 31 Athletics Carnival
FRI 1 Mock Interviews Grade 10

NOVEMBER

WEEK 6
MON 4 November Long Weekend
THU 7 ENE Athletics at St Marys
LC Enrolments 2.30pm

WEEK 8
TUE 12 Newstead College Enrolments 9-5
FRI 15 ENE North V South Athletics at St Helens

WEEK 9
TUE 19 Inter-High Athletics Carnival
WED 20 Life Education Van here
THU 21 Life Education Van here
FRI 22 Life Education Van here

WEEK 10
MON 25 Last week Grade 10 Exams MON TUE WED
THU 28 Graduation Grade 10 Dinner
FRI 29 Last day Grade 10

DECEMBER

WEEK 11
MON 2 Grade 9 City Orientation excursion this week
FRI 6 Grade 10 Results to TASSAB

WEEK 12
TUE 10 Presentation Afternoon
THU 12 Year 10 Results released

WEEK 13
THU 19 END OF TERM 3 STUDENTS
FRI 20 END OF TERM 3 STAFF

BUGSY MALONE

BUGSY TICKETS

Tickets for the 'Bugsy Malone' show will go on sale on Monday 7 October. Unlike other shows we will be selling individual seats as in a real Theatre. Seating plan for each evening:-

24 small seats
for children

STAGE			
\$4		CENTRAL AISLE	BAND
1-8			9-16
\$6			\$6
1-8			9-16
\$4			\$4

Performance evenings are Wednesday 23, Thursday 24 and Friday 25 October starting at 7.00 pm. Tickets sold on a first come first served basis.

'Bugsy Malone' is set in New York in 1929 - a time of gangsters and speakeasy night clubs. To help with the atmosphere of the evening there will be a prize given during the interval each evening to the person in the audience with the best fancy dress along the theme of the play,

Please note that nibbles and drinks will be available every night after the performance. On Friday 25 October, supper will be supplied by the P&F at a cost of \$5 per person. Drinks will also be available.

Sponsorship opportunities are still possible.

Several local and statewide firms have secured advertising space in the programme. This is still possible - send in your sponsorship forms if you have them or contact the school on 03 6372 2362.

Bugsy Sponsorship Form

I enclose \$_____ to sponsor the St Marys District High School musical "Bugsy Malone"

Signed _____
(Name in capitals)

Tick the relevant box below please:

☐ No Publicity at all ☐ An advertisement requested, or in the case of individuals, mention in the sponsorship list.

Wording for Advertisement: This could:

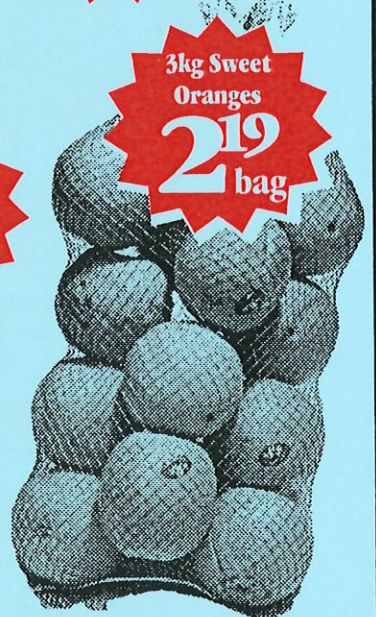
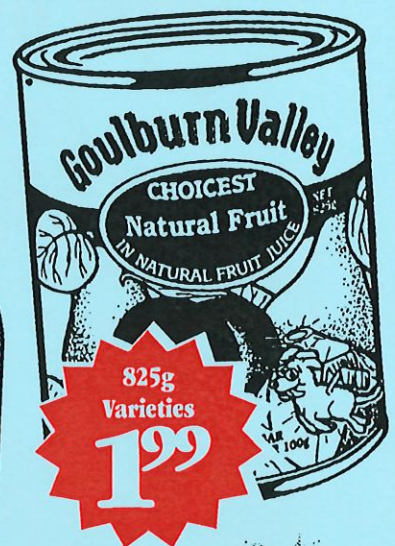
1. Relate to the gangster 1920's theme
2. Wish individuals or groups of people luck with the musical
3. or be just a straight advertisement for your firm.

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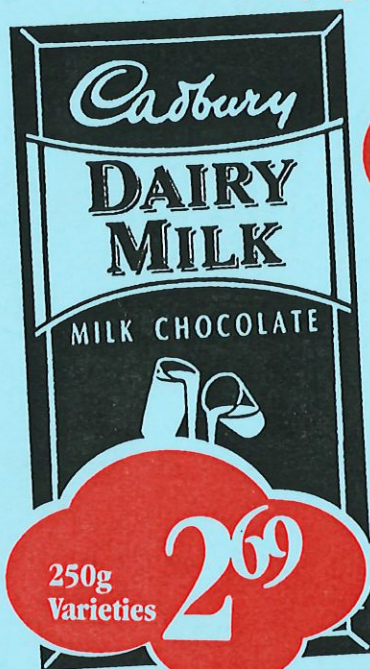
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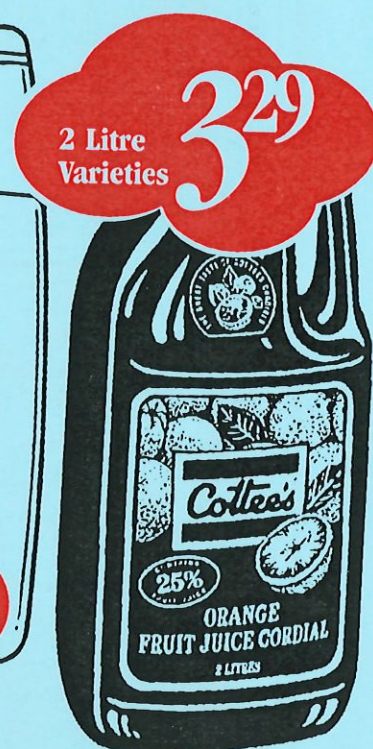
1250ml
Varieties

1⁴⁹



200ml
Varieties

1⁹⁹



2 Litre
Varieties

3²⁹



1kg
Varieties

2⁵⁹



200g
Varieties

1⁵⁵



Graham, Karen & Staff invite you to call in and check the lower shelf prices and the friendly personalised service.
Specials available from 10/10/96 to 16/10/96. While Stocks Last.

St Helens History Room

We are doing a large amount of research on St Marys and the surrounding areas. We need typists to help us transcribe all this information into one book. We know you come to St Helens occasionally and could possibly spare an hour a week. If you would like to maintain your computer skills at our expense or even if you would like to learn to use a computer we would welcome you. Call and see us on your next visit to St Helens.

St Helens History Room with St Helens Lions and Rotary and St Pauls Guild are also having a special day at Goulds Country on Sunday December 8th to celebrate the restoration of St Gabriels Church. We invite you to join us between 10am and 3pm at Goulds Country.

Kathleen Burns

invites you to

St Helens History Room

to view our

10 ICONS

representing the development of the northern section of the BREAK O'DAY MUNICIPALITY.

Adults \$3 Children \$1

We are open Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm and Saturday 9am to 12 noon.

Sunday December 8th is a Day at Goulds Country, to celebrate the restoration of St Gabriels Church.

All Welcome Barbecue and refreshments available.



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My sincere and grateful thanks to Dr Naidoo for his kindness to me in Hospital and Home Visits also staff at St Marys Hospital, visitors and phone calls. To Pam and Family for their help and kindness and Day Care Visitors. Thank You one and all
Marj Oliver St Marys



BREAK O'DAY FILM SOCIETY

Bringing
the classics
to you....



"SUNSET BOULEVARD"

Gloria Swanson & William Holden...
Swanson plays Norma Desmond, a mad silent movie Queen
haunted by a decaying mansion in which thousands of images of
herself gather the dust of time...
See the original before the musical starring Debbie Byrne opens in
October

ST MARYS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER 7.30PM

SUPPER AVAILABLE

DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT SOCIAL SECURITY?

THE COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER FROM SOCIAL SECURITY
WILL BE AT THE COMMUNITY HALL

FROM 10.00 AM TO 12.00 PM ON THE FOLLOWING
WEDNESDAYS

16 OCT, 13 NOV AND 4 DEC 1996

ENQUIRIES: PHONE 328 205



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JUNIORS 6 - 12YRS

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SENIORS 13- 20 YRS

DROP IN CENTRE (SUPERVISED) OPEN FRIDAYS 2PM - 5PM, 7PM - 10PM
SATURDAY 12PM - 5PM

THE CENTRE IS LOCATED ON THE CORNER OF ESK MAIN RD. AND GRAY RD. ST. MARYS AND OFFERS
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INFORMATION RELEVANT TO YOUTH. ANY IDEAS FROM PARTICIPANTS MOST WELCOME. THE COST IS AN
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE OF \$5.00. THE CENTRE IS ALCOHOL AND DRUG FREE.

A MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 17TH OCTOBER IN THE CENTRE AT 7.30PM. ALL YOUTH AND
INTERESTED ADULTS WELCOME. PLEASE COME AND HELP SUPPORT THIS ENDEAVOUR. VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED.

Railway Station Cottage Nursery

Main Rd
St Marys
Phone 63 722435

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CLOSED - Tuesday
OPEN - Wed - Fri 11.00am - 4.00pm
OPEN - Saturday 10.00am - 12 noon
CLOSED - Sunday

WE HAVE NEW SEEDLINGS ARRIVING EVERY WEDNESDAY

Tomatoes, Onions, Parsley
BPA Flower of the Year
GemFire - Dianthus
Petunias, Lobellias, Nemesias
Just to name a few

Mushroom Compost
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In the last edition of the Valley Voice certain comments in a letter and an article on the forthcoming Council elections require some clarification.

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- Unfairness of the Voting System
- Why can't we have a question time prior to a decision being made
- Election will determine how Council is run for six years
- Unpopular current councillors
- We must get rid of parochialism and only support people from a certain area

FACT

- Hare Clark system fairest in the world
- Council has a question time prior to every Council meeting
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SALTER TO STAND AS MAYOR

Media Release
Tuesday October 8, 1996

Break O' Day Councillor, Stephen Salter, announced today that he would stand for the position of Mayor if re-elected to Council.

A former warden of the Fingal Council, Cllr Salter said that he believed that the Break O' Day region has the potential to develop into the states most progressive municipality. "We have the opportunity to attract development and at the same time maintain our magnificent lifestyle", Cllr Salter said. "Leadership during the coming period will be crucial to this region and I believe that I have the experience and foresight to make a significant contribution to the future of Break O' Day."

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GROWING UP IN ST MARYS by Gary Dakin

Perhaps some of you are sick and tired of hearing about the 'Good Old Days'. Well I'm on about it again so please bear with me so I will try to explain why I call them the good old days. To put it in perspective, potato crisps, coca cola, television and blue jeans weren't yet invented.

I was born in 1936 so I only had a few bad memories of the war and then only of the Japanese. We had our VDC (Voluntary Defence Corps) boys on the top of St Marys Pass and between Gray and the Elephant Pass, they guarded the most likely route for a Jap invasion, the barriers were manned by men in protected occupations and others, waiting to be called up. A funny little story about the first Yank inspection tour up one of the passes (the pass and the persons name will not be mentioned for obvious reasons). Anyway the first jeep was driven by a Negro. Well the Home Guard on duty had never seen a Negro or probably a black person and thought it was the Japs coming and made a slightly darker khaki mark on his uniform pants.

Anyway we had a couple of Japanese scouting planes really high up and a couple of nervous people at Falmouth saw some submarines on a couple of dark nights.

We of course could not show a light outside at night and had to paper our window glass over to stop chinks of light. Everything was rationed and you needed ration coupons to obtain food, clothing and petrol. Petrol was so hard to get and cars were run on gas producers which burned coke. I think gas was produced that propelled the car. The gas producer was about as big as a small fridge and was fixed to the back of the car. It was no fun anyway as you could not buy tyres and car tyres were so worn that it was a miracle to go out and get back without a puncture which the driver mended probably on the roadside.

There was great joy when the war ended, church bells chimed, and a holiday was declared immediately we knew the war was over. One of the memorable happenings at the end of

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the war was that an American Bomber probably a 'Super Fortress' flew up the Fingal Valley and circled the towns low down so that people could have a look at them as a mark of gratitude for their part in the war. Anyway the bad years were over for a nine year old. The rest was easy living and fun.

School was in the old School house in the middle of town so there were plenty of diversions, gawking at the shoppers, tourists etc. We played under the oak trees throwing acorns at one another, made daisy chains for our sweethearts, although daisies did not grow in the school grounds. The boys hunted wasps with bottles of water and pins and corbies with bent wire. But we all got as good an education as our little brains could absorb.

I think it was pre-school cleaner days as I have bad memories of trying to clean school windows with Bon Ami which is easy to put on but hard to get off without leaving streaks and our Headmaster being of fiery disposition gave me at least anxious moments with window cleaning. Anyway we all survived and school holidays came. Sometime, not long after the War, outlying schools started to close and the pupils were bussed to St Marys and the Education Department took the radical step of making St Marys the base for a 'Modern School' which was built on the current

High School site. As a treat our dear sweet headmaster used to take us to the new school site to pick up stones and generally clean up rubbish and plant trees at the site. When we moved to the new School it was a real joy, comforts we had never known, a library, a farm, a canteen, plenty of brooms for sweeping up, we even had the old St Marys School moved to the new site for the girls for home crafts, the old Cornwall School was moved in for the boys to do woodwork in, we even had an agricultural teacher come in one day a week to teach us, we of course had our little farm for practical lessons. School days were generally good and I was sorry to leave when the time came.

School years entertainment was the weekly Saturday arvo movie matinee which cost ninepence (about 8 cents) to get in. The start was an episode in a long running serial that had ended the week before with say the hero and a beautiful girl in a car out of control and a road like the St Marys Pass. It finished with the car going over the side with them still on board, so we wondered all week about what happened - were they really dead - but to our joy next weeks episode started with the last seconds of last weeks where we see our hero pick up the lovely lady and jump out just before the car went over. We must have had blinkers because we did not see that last week.

Then if we were lucky we would get a cartoon then two action packed movies with an interval in between. The other main entertainment attractions were the New Years Day Races when all the town attended. The annual Show was in March which for us was spectacular. One interesting item was the 'pit pony derby' where the poor little pit ponies that dragged the coal skips out were taken on their day off work to the showgrounds and ridden by big burly coal miners in a race against each other. After the shows, us boys would be fascinated by something, say wood-shopping, so we would go home sharpen our axes and chop everything down in the district in mock chopping events.

My only excursion at school was a weeks holiday at Hobart where we stayed at Bellerive at an education camp. This was the first time I had slept away from home, this probably applied to all the others too, we took in Cadburys, the Theatre Royal, South Arm and I think, also Mount Wellington. Anyway us country bumpkins had a wonderful week, it has remained one of my most memorable experiences.

Anzac Day was another treat. After the march and service, we would have sports with prizes being money, not just a ribbon, but more money than most of us got for a month. There was swimming in the local pool and creeks in the summer, bird nesting, hikes, bike riding, tickling and snoozing trout etc. Christmas time Santa Claus came to the two main shops, Dawsons and

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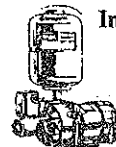
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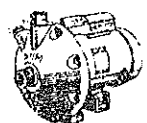
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Dawborns. I recall Dawborns seemed to be the best with drinks and lollies and small presents from Santa.

School holiday times our mothers never had to kick us out of the house, we only seemed to go home to eat and sleep. There was never enough time in the day to do what we had to do, we had thrilling times. We didn't have or need expensive bikes or sporting equipment to have fun, most times we had stick horses to ride, stick guns to shoot each other with, billy carts made out of old pram wheels, hide outs and cubby houses made out of nothing really, old wheels and tyres to run down hills made good fun.

Certain orchards on deserted properties were fun to raid when the fruit was ripe. We very rarely got into trouble so we really must have had good fun without being destructive to peoples property.

The time I'm talking of, there were not many cars, probably only half the families had cars and never two cars in a family. I can recall two ladies riding into town on horseback to do the family shopping, also a council employee using a horse and dray to cart gravel to fill

potholes in the road. A farmer from Irishtown carted his cream twice a week to the railway to send it to a butter factory. An old man called 'Boney' came to town periodically from distant part to buy or scrounge bones or saleable metal. He drove a horse and dray and must have come from the city I suppose. We even had a tracker (swagman is a more recognisable term). he called himself Yorky Smith. he survived by making clothes out of willow branches, slept out I suppose and moved from town to town.

Children weren't driven anywhere. If one wanted to go anywhere they rode a bike or used shanks pony (walked), it was no effort and probably made us fit. Elsewhere in my story I said the setting was pre TV, potato crisps, Coca Cola and blue jeans. You younger people will say how did you survive. Well I will tell you firstly. TV I've partly explained that with the movie matinee. We progressed with Wednesday night and Saturday night pictures when we got older, also we had radio. I can recall enjoying on the radio 'The Search for the Golden Boomerang', 'Misses Hobbs', 'Dad and Dave', and various other things like 'The Quiz Kids', 'Lux Theatre', 'The Amateur Hour', all good fun.

Potato crisps, I suppose we had not substitute, but we had some pretty nice sweets, my favourite were licorice blocks. Our substitute for Coca Cola was Abbots soft drink in returnable bottles, sarsparilla was pretty cool. Blue jeans we didn't really miss. One did not dress to impress mates. We wore what we were given, quite often hand me downs; me being the eldest child meant I missed out on 'hand me downs'; weekends we wore some pretty daggy old clothes. I suppose after the war the disposal shops had plenty of cheap military clothing. I can recall having a pair of bell bottom navy pants with cuffs about three quarters of a metre, one could easily trip over, but we didn't have to impress anyone.

We washed daily including our feet but bathed on a weekly basis only, generally Saturday night, one after the other. it was pretty soupy at the end. Houses were starting to get hot water then, prior to that it was to boil the copper and carry the hot water in buckets.

All in all they were good times for me though and I feel I have lived in the Golden Age of Australia, I had good times. Only my Parents had it tough, my children have a lot more to cope with than me, my grandchildren - I hope they can survive it!

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Tennis News

FUN DAY

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TWILIGHT TENNIS

Now that daylight saving is here, twilight tennis will start this Thursday, 10 October from 6.00 pm onwards.

PENNANT

There will be the same four teams in the pennant competition this season after attempts to resurrect Falmouth failed. These are two from St Marys and one each from Bicheno and Swansea.

The roster will commence on Sunday 13 October when St Marys Blue will travel to Bicheno and St Marys Red will host to Swansea.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

A reminder that membership fees are due by 1 October and must be paid by 1 December to be eligible for club championships. These can be paid to the Health and Beauty Centre or to the

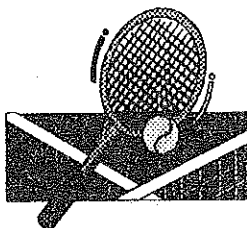
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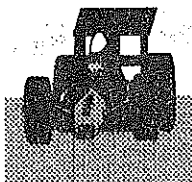
Congratulations girls on a great championship. I was so happy to see so many taking part.

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