

# The Valley and East Coast Voice

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## Appreciation Luncheon for Drivers

"They are the silent people of the Meals on Wheels service" said Mr Bob Yates, the President of the Fingal Valley Meals on Wheels Association, when he welcomed a gathering of 66 volunteer drivers who enjoyed an appreciation luncheon at the Old Tasmania Hotel Fingal on Saturday 15 March.

Mr Yates spoke of the good response for drivers from Four Mile Creek, Falmouth, Scamander, St Marys, Fingal, Cornwall, Mangana and Mathinna. At present 20 meals are being delivered to people in their homes Monday to Friday and this service has been continuous for over 25 years. When speaking of his special respect for "Mr MOW", Mr Yates was referring to Mr Jack Miller who is Secretary and has the unenviable job of working out the rosters and who tries to please everyone and give them the day to drive which suits them best and asks to please let him know if he doesn't get it right and as always, new drivers are most welcome.

Mr Yates thanked Vicki Woods for her work as Treasurer and said how pleasing it is to have a young person get involved with MOW and hoped to have Vicki on the committee for many years to come.

The Director of Nursing, Allison Smith, and her kitchen staff were given special thanks for the preparation of meals and

Mr Yates made the comment that unlike many places where frozen meals are used, St Marys District Hospital prepares the meals freshly cooked on the day for the drivers to deliver.

As the President said, it is sometimes worrying when you deliver meals to an elderly and frail person in their home and you can imagine yourself in the same position one day and that we are performing a Christian act in looking after our neighbours.

Mr Yates paid tribute to State Secretary, Jackie Dermody, then welcomed Mr Roy Preece and Mrs Preece from Longford. Mr Preece who is the Tasmanian President of MOW spoke of the high

**"A community can be judged by the amount of volunteer services it has".**

regard in which Mr Yates and Mr Miller were held on the State Executive and assured those present, that they represent our area well.

Mr Preece told the MOW drivers that volunteers are very important people who carry out their work without fuss and without seeking rewards and that a community can be judged by the number of volunteer services it has. A great luncheon (especially the salads, apple crumble and meringues!) was catered for by the Fingal Parents and Friends and I'm sure all MOW drivers appreciated a most enjoyable afternoon.

## Police Report

A quantity of jewellery, stolen from the St Marys Craft Shop, has been recovered as well as the three sets of golf clubs that were stolen from the visiting North West Bay Golf Club bus.

Easter on the roads can be a period of much increased traffic volume and police will be making a special effort to make sure it is a safe one by paying particular attention to speeding, use of seat belts and breathalyser testing.



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## MEALS ON WHEELS

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31	Marj Spilsbury	Carole Woods
APR		
1	Claire Bean	Robyn Holder
2	Audrey Wright	Heather Mills
3	Yvonne Salter	Hetty Williams
4	Clive Berwick	Aub. Oliver
7	Debbie Barnes	Kaylene Sutton
8	Ruth Aulich	June Hall
9	Ralph Jones	Jack Miller
10	Rona Gatty	Christine Woods
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# WHAT'S ON

## EASTER CHURCH SERVICES

### CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. MARYS

#### Holy Thursday 27th March

Mass of the Last Supper

St Marys 6.00pm

St Helens 8.00pm

#### Good Friday 28th March

Passion, Veneration of the Cross

Eucharist

St Marys 2.00pm

St Helens 4.00pm

Stations of the Cross

Mathinna 11.00am

#### Vigil Service of Light 29th March

Easter Proclamation

Liturgy of the Word

Baptism Renewal Eucharist

St Helens 8.00pm

#### Easter Sunday 30th March

St Marys 9.00am

Bicheno 4.00pm

### ANGLICAN CHURCH ST MARYS

EASTER DAY 11.00AM

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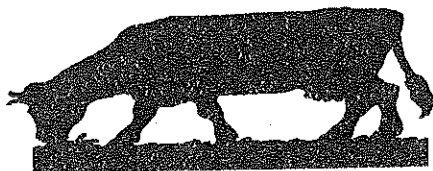
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# Church News

## 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
Pyengria	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

Aux Captain & Mrs Tolputt  
Phone (003) 722 352

### 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

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St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00 am
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St Marys	Sunday Mass	9.00 am
Bicheno	Sunday Mass	4.00 pm

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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

*For Easter Service Times  
See Page 3 "What's On"*

# ST MARYS HEALTH & BEAUTY CENTRE

42 Main Rd St Marys Tasmania  
Phone (03) 63722172

## EASTER TRADING HOURS

Closed - Good Friday  
Open - Saturday 9.00am - 11.30am  
Closed - Easter Monday  
Open - Tuesday Normal trading

Jenifer has again donated a lovely basket of Easter eggs and a rabbit for our Easter gift to customers.

Every purchase from St Marys Health & Beauty will enter the draw.

Drawn Thursday March 27th at 5.00pm

## NEW STOCKS

- \* Sun, Moon and Stars soaps 65 cents each
- \* Bath Oils in decorator bottles \$14.95

\* Sugar free sweets  
Lemon peppermint, Wild berry & Peach & mango  
\$2.95 packet



- \* New photo frames  
many designs and sizes
- \* Swim goggles



# St Marys Hotel

Main Street  
ST MARYS  
03 63722181  
Prop: Greg Seward

OPEN GOOD FRIDAY  
2.00 PM - 5.00 PM  
(sorry no meals)



## COUNTER MEALS

Friday	--	6-8
Saturday	12-2	6-8
Sunday	12-2	--



OPEN 7 DAYS

## Beer Specials

Tooheys Blue Ice (Light) Cans.....\$24.00  
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## KERRY, JILL AND STAFF

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## A SAFE AND



## HAPPY EASTER



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## EASTER BUNNY



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# Thank You

Ron & Bettie Sumner wish to thank family, friends, the St Marys Lions Club and Valley Voice for cards, gifts, phone calls and visits during Ron's stay in hospital for a knee operation.

Thanks also to Kevin & Jill Faulkner, Dale & Audrey Wright, Bruce & Judy Spilsbury and Rex & Gwen Johnson for transporting Bettie & I around.

Thank you Carmen & Roger for helping to do the odd jobs we could not manage when we came home and to all those who offered to help us in anyway, we say "Its nice to know nice people"

Thank you all  
Ron Sumner

## Chameleon House

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### OPENING HOURS

Wednesday Thursday Friday  
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Mr Leo Lane  
Campbell Town 63 811 472

Mr T Pears  
Campbell Town 63 811 167  
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B Davidson  
Launceston 63 444 577

## CORNWALL TALES

Can anyone remember a song that was sung by a gravelly voiced man (rather like Pa Kettle) bemoaning his bad luck. Some of the lines were "it rained all day" and I can't make hay and hens won't lay - you can't help laughing can you - here is my tale of woe.

I cleaned up the strawberries, mulched them and fertilised them. They flowered well and were fruiting well. I had visions of strawberries and cream, but I didn't get a strawberry, the blue-tongued lizards did - perhaps next year.

My raspberries, I mulched and gave them tender loving care - did I get any? - a small bowl full. The birds had a lovely time. Still I still had plums and apples but no, the possums had a field day - all I got was broken boughs on the plum trees. I have wrapped my granny smith apple tree up so I may have some apples. Luck was with me with my peas and beans, I picked them before the wallabies began to raid my garden. The pesky things have stripped my cabbages, turnips and tomatoes and as for planting out lettuces it is hopeless. The final straw was finding snakes in my garden. I have had more this year than I had ever seen in my 69 years on Cornwall.

You have to laugh about it but, Oh how I wish the possums, wallabies, snakes would go elsewhere.  
Una Camplin.

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## REMINISCING

Over the Christmas break I had some very interesting conversations with people, some were holiday makers and others were just acquaintances.

One such, was a young man talking about things he could remember about Cornwall and are no longer there. This young man was born in the district and lived at Cornwall, went to school at St Marys then finally going to the mainland for about 10 years.

One of his memories were the pine trees around what is known as "The Flat". These were planted as a memorial to the men who went to the First World War. These were mistakenly cut down, all that was needed was some of the boughs lopping. Still on trees, the oak tree and pine tree planted in the school ground to celebrate Marlborough's victory. These trees have gone but it would have been fitting that something was put in their place. He could remember the German machine gun that was in the Hall - we know where that is now - in the war museum in Hobart. He spoke of the shops(now gone), of the bread being delivered, also the meat and paper to the door. On "The Flat" there is a cricket pitch and after school and in holidays many a cricket match was played. In winter time it was football, now days if a football is kicked it is on the tennis court - yes we had a tennis court.

This was presented to the people of Cornwall by the Cornwall Coal Company, it would not take a lot of money to re-surface it.

In the day time the ladies would play, babies in their prams and later the kids would play.

He spoke of the Churches now been removed and are a house, or being built into a house.

The shopping bus, paid for by E.B.L. Dawson every Wednesday so people could do all their business, banking, dentist and doctor.

Then there was the bonfires on Empire Day. There was usually about 7 fires and they would be lit one after the other.

Of course when talking about Cornwall the topic of the burnt houses always comes up. What a pity because there were some typical miners cottages.

One thing this young man said that is very pleasing - it was good to be back, even weather wise, close for fishing and the friendly people.

Una Camplin.

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## Northern Region

### Training, Education and Meetings

15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup> April, 1997

#### Boards: Doing It Well (1 day)

A workshop exploring the rewards and responsibilities of voluntary Board members. It is based on a Board of Director's Resource kit, which involves a 52 minute video "Any Other Business" and a detailed manual.

In the workshop we work through the video (which follows the fortunes of an imaginary Board) in conjunction with handouts from the manual, a number of worksheets to explore issues, and facilitated discussion on those issues.

Date: Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> April, 1997

Time: 9.30 am - 4 pm

Venue: Launceston Teacher's Centre,  
233B Charles Street,  
Launceston

Cost: \$10 HACC funded services  
\$40 Volunteer Centre members  
\$70 others

#### Advocacy Skills Workshop for Volunteers (1 day)

(How to Stand up for Yourself)

A workshop covering the definition and principles of advocacy, why advocacy is important, assertiveness and communication, saying no and sticking to it, working together, lobbying, grievance and complaints procedures.

The program uses real case studies and scenarios.

Date: Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> April, 1997

Time: 9.30 am - 4 pm

Venue: Pilgrim Church Centre,  
34 - 36 Paterson Street,  
Launceston

Cost: Free of charge  
(\$5 for lunch  
is optional)

#### Northern Volunteer Agency Network

An opportunity for co-ordinators, managers and others working with, and supporting, volunteers to meet over lunch and generally network and discuss issues. The Network meeting is held every two months.

Date: Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> April, 1997

Time: 12 noon - 2.30 pm

Venue: Community Health Centre,  
McHugh Street, Kings Meadows

Cost: Free of charge  
BYC lunch

#### Forum

#### Gossip, Tantrums and Stubbornness - dealing with challenging volunteers

An opportunity to meet and discuss issues and topics involving volunteers, volunteering and management.

Date: Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> April, 1997

Time: 10 am - 12 noon

Venue: To be confirmed

Cost: Free of charge

Bookings: Contact Glenda Radcliffe at the Volunteer Centre - Phone (03) 6231 5550



# STORIES ABOUT MICE

## GRADE 1/2 F/L

### MOUSE

There lived a mouse in an apple. He went exploring in a bush to get food and water. Then he went back home. On Monday he ate out a window. He looks like ginger and he has a black spot on his head. He is hunting in an old house and it was his old house. He is looking for cheese and is getting his old things that he had forgot. He has found a lot of cheese. He is going home and he is asleep. Good Night.

BY SAM GENDERS

### MOUSE

Once there was a mouse. I live under a big oak tree. I am black and white. My name is Mack. I am getting cold. It is winter. In winter I go into a house where I get food. In the day time I go to bed. The weather is hot Of course it is summer. So I must be hot. So back to the big oak tree, I'm home again. Oh I'm home again, home again. It is good to be HOME AGAIN.

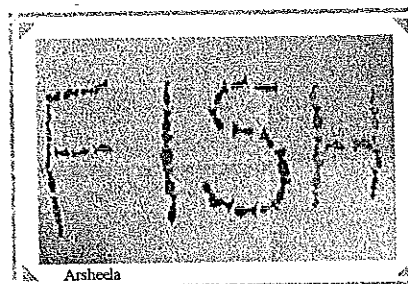
BY NICHOLAS BLACKBURN

### MOUSE

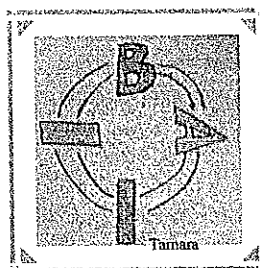
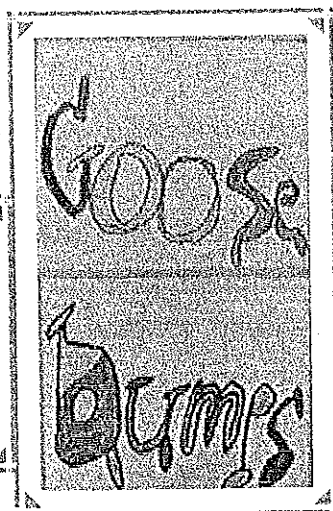
One day there was an old cottage and in that cottage there was a mouse. It was a ginger colour. It moved into another house and one night she was hungry and went to the kitchen and ate some cheese for tea. She also found some salad sandwiches and then found some more cheese and she ate it. Then snap! It was a mouse trap. But there was a father mouse and that's when the trouble began. At night there was a crashing and a banging in the kitchen and one night they set another mouse trap. But this mouse was too smart and he knocked a spoon onto the trap and got the cheese. He was a crimson colour and a smart mouse too. The next day he got some cheese as always and some tea and the traps to try and catch the mice. But he never caught them.

BY JONATHON BLAIR

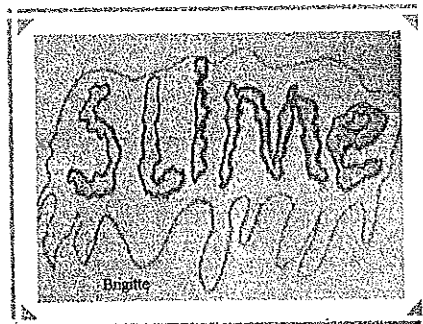
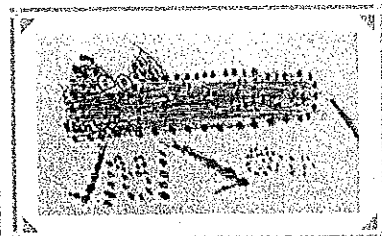
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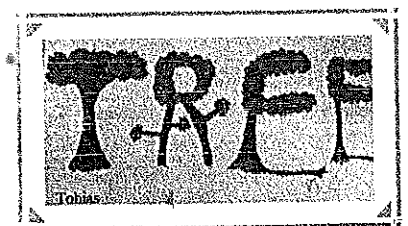
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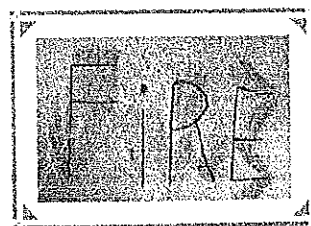


Johnas

### GRADE 3 WISE/FORSYTH

word  
shapes

which developed from  
a Universe poem



### Swimming Pool

Due to the fact that we have an early Easter and weather conditions have been favourable, it is envisaged that the pool will remain open until after the Easter break. The Pool will therefore cease operation on Monday April 7th. Heating will cease on Saturday 5th April.

J S MARSHALL  
PRINCIPAL



### SITUATIONS VACANT

- Interested in children?
- Have time to spare?
- Looking for a challenge and an opportunity to meet new people?
- Do you have interest, knowledge and skills to share or are you keen to develop new ones?

Contact Umesh Pratap or Phil Walker on 63722 362 if you think you can help.

No pay, but you will have the satisfaction of contributing to children's education.

## USE OF SCHOOL GROUNDS AT WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS

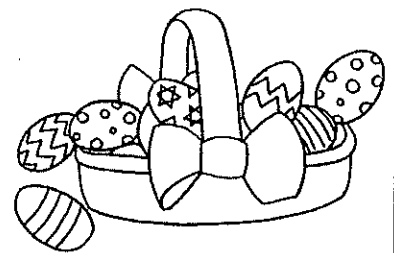
It appears that some students have been using the school grounds during weekends. Although I welcome this practice as it allows good facilities to be used for longer periods of time and helps to keep an eye on the school. I would ask that the kindergarten playground is not used by older students. The reasons for this are quite obvious, so please parents ask your children not to use kindergarten facilities.

John Marshall  
Principal.

## easter break

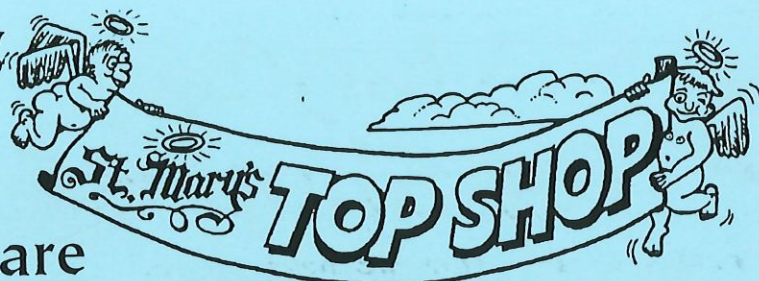


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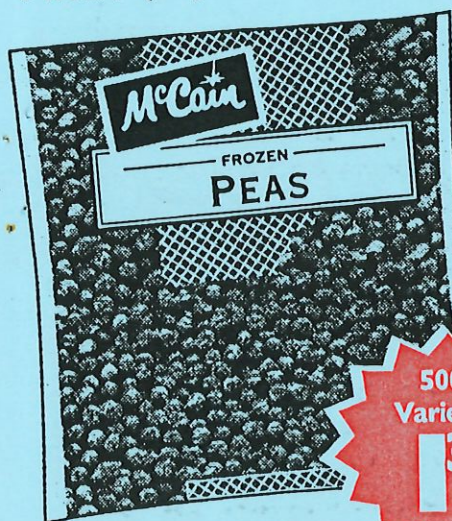
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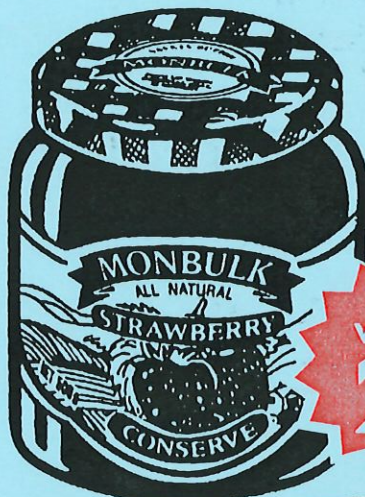
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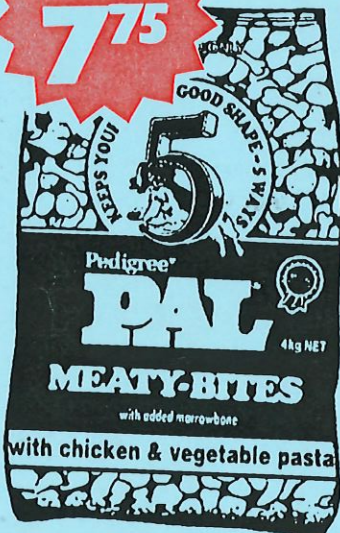
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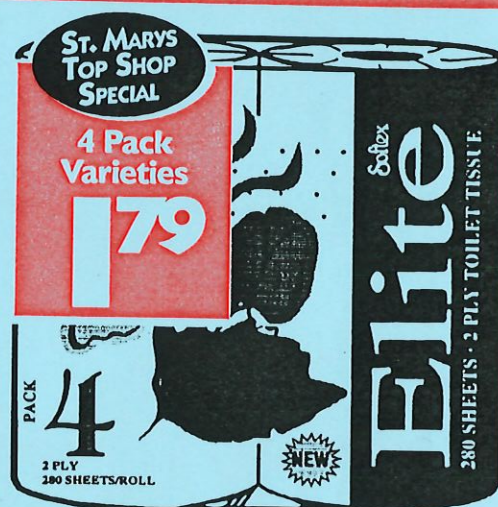
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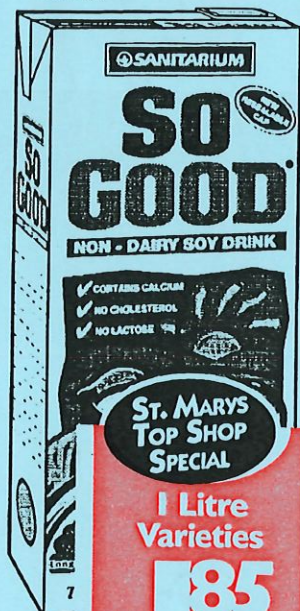
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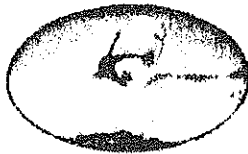
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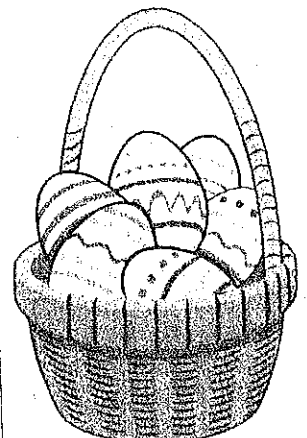
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## "THE KIDS HAVE IT"

by Rod McGiveron

On Thursday 20 March the School Pool was the venue for the East North East Swimming Carnival with schools providing teams from St Marys - Mathinna, St Helens, Fingal, Campbell Town,, Avoca, Bicheno and Ross. About 11.30 am I ventured down to the pool to complete my duties.

I was captivated by the atmosphere and the kids were terrific. They really wanted to be there and their excitement was overpowering. What complimented the event was the organisation and the way the senior high school students helped run the event under the watchful eye of new Physical Education Teachers, Karen Bramich and Brett Hay. Also "Voice of the East" Barry LeFevre did an outstanding job on commentary. The weather was perfect too. The Mothers Club provided the hungry hoardes with tons of tucker and all appreciated their efforts. Our Principal, Mr John Marshall, and Vice Principal, Mr Phil Walker, supported these exuberant primary school students with much encouragement.

No points were allocated and the emphasis of the event was on participation and friendship between the schools. They achieved this outstandingly.

One little bloke from St Marys who sat not far from me really summed it up when he came a not too close third in a back-stroke event. He said "I came third", to some of the others when he sat down under the shade tent. He knew he wasn't going to win but he did his best and was overjoyed with that. Perhaps that is a lesson to us all. Thanks to staff and kids involved.

I for one was an interested observer, had a fun hour or two to be remembered.

## LANDCARE NEWS - Jan Sparkes

Management of Remnant Bush - continued from last issue.

### REGENERATION

How do I regenerate my bit of bush?

- fence the area off, and exclude stock
- give smaller plants a chance by not giving stock uncontrolled access.
- every 6 months or so, take a walk over the area and see if you can find any seedlings growing.
- if there is regeneration, keep stock excluded until the seedlings are at a height which will ensure that the stock are unable to reach up and graze the crown (approximately 1.5 metres, this may take 3-5 years).

If after two or three years no regeneration has occurred then the area may need some assistance from

you, for example you could:

- ◊ create a suitable seed bed by either disturbing small areas of soil (light ripping) and/or burning small patches of ground. This practice should be avoided if there are any invasive weeds within dispersal range. Never disturb too large an area of bush as this will leave the ground open to erosion and invasion by weed species.
- ◊ re-seed by hand. Collect your own seed from nearby or obtain seed which has been collected from your area (for further advice contact Greening Australia, Forestry Tasmania or private Forests Tasmania).
- ◊ try to minimise grazing by native and/or feral animals by undertaking a shooting program (permits must be obtained) until such time as the trees are old enough to withstand some grazing pressure.

How do I maintain regenerated/ healthy bush?

Once an area of bush has regenerated and/or the existing bush is in relatively good condition there are various techniques which can be used to help maintain the bush in a healthy condition and to ensure that a diverse range of native species is maintained. For example, fire and grazing can be used to help manage areas of the bush.

### GRAZING

The controlled grazing of bushland using light stocking rates may assist in the control of weeds, the promotion of species diversity and the reduction of fuel available for fire. When is the best time to allow grazing?

- the best time to graze is generally late autumn through winter

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## LANDCARE NEWS

- stocking rates should only ever be light. This will reduce grazing pressure ensuring that some species are not selectively grazed and that areas of ground are not left bare.
- the duration of grazing in an area should be judged on the amount and health of the vegetation at ground level. Overgrazing will damage small trees and make an area of bush more difficult to manage in the future.

A good rule of thumb is to keep stock out during:

- ♦ the spring when smaller plants (eg some grass species, heaths, orchids) are flowering and seeding. This allows for a constant supply of seed for regeneration.
- ♦ the summer and periods of drought. Grazing on areas where the plant ground layer has dried out can result in bare ground. Bare ground may be vulnerable to erosion and invasion by species of weed which compete with the existing native plants.

Sensibly controlled grazing has the added benefit of facilitating both: 1) the maintenance of native vegetation and 2) its re-establishment. Native vegetation provides shelter and food for sheep which is particularly valuable during the colder periods of the year. Degraded areas of bush will not fulfill this function as effectively.

Fire and Weed Eradication  
next issue

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## Tennis News

### East Coast Pennant

Five teams participated this season - three from St Marys and one each from Bicheno and Swansea.

This is a mixed competition of men and women - six members per team. This year due to lack of players it comprised of four players only. Believe most players would prefer six players so next season will revert to same. Competition was very close with only a few points between teams. The final was played at Swansea with Bicheno d St Marys Blue team.

### Bicheno Team on the day:

Mark Oliver, Mark Stephens, Julie Robinson, Amanda Pyke  
*St Marys Blue*

Bruce Nailer, Mark Williams, Maureen Bushing, Kaye Nailer  
*Pennant Dinner & Presentations* were made at Waub's Bay House Restaurant Bicheno and all present had a lovely meal and good evening - thanks Mark.

### Ladies Midweek Tennis

Another good start to our season with approx 26 women taking part. A few new players for their first time. They seem to be enjoying themselves and hope they continue to improve on their game.

### Junior Championships

These were held over one Saturday where the 9 boys who took part all played one another. It was a pleasure to see these boys play and umpire them as they were very keen do do well. As most of them have only been self taught, there was certainly some good games on the day. The winner was Tristan Clement and runner up Luke Faulkner. Well done to all boys who took part.

Club Championship results next issue.

## Scamander Junior Surfout

### HOLLMER-CROSS WINS AGAIN

Tasmania's sunny east coast turned on its best weather on Saturday 15 March for 30 of the states top junior and cadet surfers who had travelled to Scamander from all parts of the state to compete in the inaugural East Coast Junior Classic surf competition. The surf while small was clean, offshore and contestable. The swell picked up during the afternoon and the later rounds were blessed with excellent one metre plus waves. The small conditions suited hot young Lauderdale surfer Jy Johannessen, (his elder brother is the current state open champion) who was leading at the end of the qualifying rounds in both the Junior and Cadet divisions. The physical pressure of surfing in so many heats took its toll in the finals and Jy was pipped at the post in the Cadets division by James Polanowski who had made the final through the repercharge rounds, and James Hollmer-Cross, from Dodges Ferry,

was able to take his third straight win in the Juniors division.

Tassie's 'Super Girl' surfer Dara Penfold impressed the judges and onlookers alike with her skill and consistency which took it right up to the top male competitors, as she made the junior final for the second time this year. Dara has enormous potential and if her current improvement continues she may well go on to become Tasmania's first professional surfer.

This competition was the first in recent times to use the repercharge double elimination format used at National Titles and was voted a resounding success by the majority of young competitors.

### RESULTS

#### Juniors:

- 1st James Hollmer-Cross
- 2nd Jy Johannessen
- 3rd Michael Eaton
- 4th Dara Penfold

#### Cadets

- 1st James Polanowski
- 2nd Jy Johannessen
- 3rd Stuart Gibson
- 4th Shaun Wallbank

### UPCOMING EVENT

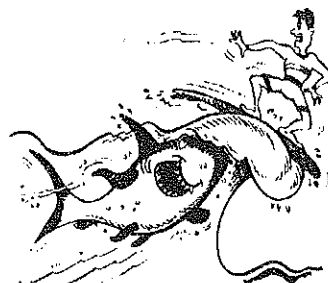
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# Footy News

Last Saturday we played our first game, a practice match against St Helens. At 11 o'clock the U/16's started with many boys there for the first time. Fitness may have been the only worry for Scott & Craig. In all, 25 boys getting a run and they played well to half time with the scores fairly even. St Helens took the upper hand in the second half to record an early victory. Congratulations Keith Gillies on his election as captain and we look forward to a very competitive season from our Juniors.

The Seniors - Reserves game started at break neck speed with St Helens peppering the goals from the outset, but could not capitalise with six behinds on the board. The Tigers, with their first forward move, kicked its first goal late in the quarter to even the scores. Although St Helens threatened to open up a big advantage for the remaining three quarters, the determined Tigers kept fighting back. Final scores - St Helens 10.10 70 to St Marys 5.6 36. Both sides appreciating

the hit out, but the hard ground making knees and calf muscles very sore. It was nice to see the supporters and players at the ground again. Thanks to St Helens for the hit out. Good news on the player front with Rick Anderson signing again with us, a hard on ball player who will complement the side nicely.

On the fundraising front, there will be a Golf Fun Day on Sunday 6 April after the first roster match. An Ambrose competition commencing at 9.30 am, with many novelty prizes, BBQ and refreshments. All members and non members welcome. Cost \$5 single & \$10 family.

The first game is at home against Evandale on Saturday the 5 April commencing at 11.00 am with U/16's, 12.30 pm Reserves and 2.00 pm for the Seniors. Season rosters can be obtained from the Hotel or Newmans Takeaway.

The Council has been busy along with Club members, working on the ground and facilities. The first noticeable improvement is to the score board. Straightened and braced, the difference can be noticed as soon as you enter the reserve.

The training tables have had a refurbish, thanks to John McDonald for his time and timber for the repairs. The Hotel has donated secondhand carpet for our use. Thanks Greg and Roger. Cornwall Coal Company donated some water pipes and belting which will be put to use over the next few weeks. More later.

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## ST MARYS SPORTS CENTRE

by Kackhander

The pennant season commenced last Sunday with both St Marys teams attempting to defend last season's titles. In A Grade St Marys won 7-2 and A Reserve also won 4-1. A real pleasing feature of our club at the moment is the depth in our juniors and with a great deal of pride I can report that all five of them performed admirably. Congratulations must go to Adam Fletcher, Shaun Fletcher, Luke Faulkner, Scott Wilson and Tristan Clement on their golf and just as importantly their discipline in very trying conditions when the rain made golf difficult. Also to Chris Davern, Shan Wilmot, Craig Mitchell, John Miles and Skipper Dale "double ninth" Ridgers in A Grade and Ian Crothers, Shaun Aulich in A Reserve, well done on a fine starter. Dale is still scoring brilliantly on Saturdays as well and another sub 70 round on last Saturday is a good indication of his consistency. A disappointment lately however, is the small numbers in competitions on Saturdays. Hopefully this will soon pick up. A big congratulations to all those involved with the recent working bees to improve the car park, the concrete pathway and installing the new door and ramp for the equipment shed - it really looks a picture. Once again to our course manager, Jim Haas and greenkeeper Glen, the course has received numerous favourable comments from visiting players. The greens in particular are truly magnificent at present. Thanks fellas.

Now to bowls and since last issue we have seen the running of the Polley Day. Michael Polley MHA is a great supporter of the club and donated

some terrific trophies for a mixed fours day last weekend.

A good roll up of visiting players as well as our own found a green rolling beautifully, a meal worth talking about and generally a happy and enjoyable day. Michael attended and all appreciated his input and kind words. St Marys club players don't forget there are still several East Coast events to come in the next 3-4 weeks - please support where possible.

Finally thanks to Tony Blake for his efforts on the green and Shaun Aulich also volunteered his services. Peter "Never Give Up" Davern as Greens Manager has done a sterling job this year and the green is bowling better all the time.

Not much from Ladies Golf yet but I understand the pennant has commenced too. I hope to have some news in the next issue. Until next time.

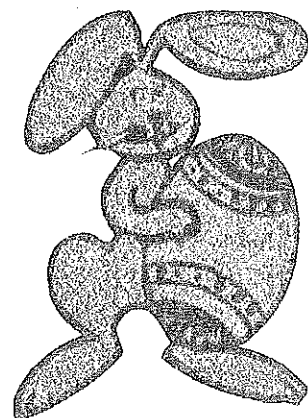
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