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What they don't tell you about unleaded fuel!

Clean up car exhausts was the cry. By 1975 lead was being reduced in petrol because lead is a poison, that is a general statement, however to get the fact exact you should say; lead is a poison when it is absorbed into the body.

Now, the fact that lead is a poison if absorbed - does it follow that the lead in our bodies is from the lead in petrol? That was the debate in the early 80s. There were a large number of contradictory reports in the papers and the National Energy Advisory Committee reported 'no single case of clinical lead poisoning has ever been demonstrated to be due to automotive emissions of airborne lead'.

There were tests and arguments all over the world. In Frankfurt, the government decided they would cut the lead in petrol from .4 to .15 grams per litre, about two thirds. Now if the lead was a problem it should have an effect on the community. If petrol is causing part of the lead in the community and you cut it by two thirds, any scientist knows, it must have an effect, otherwise it had nothing to do with it.

The nett result: 'Since the changes observed are only of

the order of statistical scatter, (that is you would never measure anything and get exactly the same thing twice), this indicates that lead from petrol did not contribute to uptake by ingestion through significant deposition on food and utensils as has been suggested. If it had done, greater and continuing decrease in blood lead levels in the community should have been observed.'

In other words they measured nearly a thousand people over a 5 year period and there was no change at all despite cutting the lead content in petrol. In London we had Professor Lowthur of the University of London pointing out that the lead that comes out of the exhaust has been baked at 2000-3000 centigrade, like a house brick, but so small that you need a microscope to see it. It doesn't get absorbed through the lungs and doesn't even dissolve in the diluted hydrochloric acid of the stomach.

It appears that the lead in the air is not the source of the lead that is observed in the community.

Besides you can measure the lead coming out of the cars and it settles. You measure it as grams per cubic metre at the edge of the road, but if you go back ten feet it is less

because it's very heavy dust. Even though it's very small particles it is very heavy. ENTER THE POLITICIANS (In 1983 Dr Warren was the scientific adviser to the committee for Energy Resources.)

The question came up: 'Will we ban lead in the petrol?' the real question was will we have ULP? The real reason for ULP was that people wanted to fit Catalytic converters on their cars to get rid of the nitric oxides, carbon monoxide and unburnt petrol that came out, but the lead spoilt the catalytic converters. That was the reason that the rest of the world gave up lead in petrol. The other countries banned it to bring in converters, we banned it because we think it's dangerous.

So Dr Warren prepared a speech and convinced the Committee, 'that lead didn't need to be banned and that we didn't need lead free petrol, because the evidence wasn't there. Dr Warren prepared a subsequent speech which was presented to Parliament by the then State Member for Ballarat. At the same time there was a paper from Dr Bell, the director of Health of the New South Wales Government. Dr Bell asked what

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was going to be added to the petrol to raise the octane number if the lead was removed. "If lead is taken out you have to add other things to run them in our cars; we put in benzene, or toluene or dimethylbenzene or mesitylene; they're all ring compounds and the dangers are that some of them are declared carcinogens and the others are suspected carcinogens. We're going to cut lead even though there is not proof that it does anything wrong, and we're introducing substances which will ultimately be affecting the cancer rates in our country.'

The answer was: 'We have converters and they will destroy them', but we all know that converters don't work until they are hot, about the first

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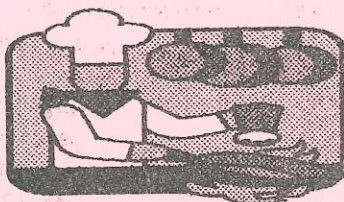
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10	Glen Lodge	Mirri Woods
11	Atholie Greenwood	Sally Stingle
12	K & D Bullock	Aub Oliver
15	Trish Pike	Jane Berriman
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at the
Coach House Restaurant at 7.30pm
Wednesday 17th July

ST MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL SUPPORT ASSOCIATION INC.

The next meeting is on the 15 -7 - 96
at 7.30pm
in the Salvation Army Hall
Everyone Welcome

Our 6th Submission to the Legislative Council Select Committee is to be presented on the 8th July. The Northern Regional Health Board and Family Based Care will also be giving evidence. The outcome will be discussed at our next meeting.

Cheryl Hendley (Sec)

R.S.L.A ST MARYS SUB-BRANCH

VETERANS AFFAIRS VISIT

Veteran Affairs will be visiting St Marys 17th July
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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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

Scamander	9.00 am
Fingal	9.30 am

FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

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
Pycngana	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
Pycngna	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

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meets at the Fingal Council
Chambers

Sundays at	10.30 am
Sunday School	11.00 am

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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
Swansea	Sunday Mass	6.00 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
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St Marys Association for Community Development SMACD Inc.

SMACD will move from their present location on Saturday the 6th of July. All of the equipment from the Contact Centre will be stored for now in the hope of obtaining further funding in the future.

To show our appreciation of your support over the past 14 months we will be providing a Barbecue lunch at the centre on Saturday the 6th, after we have relocated all of the equipment. All of our past clients, supporters etc are most welcome to attend. If you can lend a hand in the big move and own a ute or truck we would welcome your assistance, starting at approx' 9.30am.

Closure of the centre by no means, means the end of SMACD inc. The new committee are very keen to continue working towards a better St Marys and have several projects on the go at the moment.

We hope to get things moving on the Bird Sanctuary later this year and application is being made for Community House funding.

Support from the community will give the new committee the encouragement to continue and for this reason we would invite all past and present members of SMACD to attend our monthly meetings which are held on the 4th Monday of the month, at 7.30pm in the hotel lounge. **NEXT MEETING, MONDAY 22ND OF JULY.**

Membership is just \$5 per person, \$10 per family. Annual subscription \$1 and \$2.

HISTORY ROOM;

We are slowly gathering articles and photographs relating to St Marys, these things will be stored along with the office equipment, however we would like to hear from anyone who would like to get involved in this project.

Any SMACD enquiries to;

The Secretary, Rodney McGiveron. 722215 or

The President, Mark Bonitcha, 722292

Vice President, Sue Quinn 722195

COMMUNITY BARBECUE SATURDAY 6TH JULY

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FARM NEWS

Bill the Bull

As promised, a photo of our new calf Bill. Spindly and timid at the time of his birth, he's prospered since and is a robust and energetic replica of his solid mother, (just ask Mr Marshall who followed him through the fence with a rubber ring and applicators!)



Waterwatch

A mixed group of children with representatives from grades 7 to 10 spent an afternoon with Michael Baxter (Break O'Day facilitator) and Brad Ennis setting up an inaugural Waterwatch monitoring site below the science block, close to the memorial study area, on the St Patricks Rivulet. Michael began training the students in the correct use of testing equipment supplied by the Break O'Day Council. Training will continue over the next month providing students with skills to work independently, monitoring other sites within our community.

Working Bees

It has been suggested another working bee (2b or b squared?) held soon. A tentative date is the weekend of the 13/14 July. To gauge support and get materials together here are some possible tasks;

Major: Fencing - We'd need strainer posts, posts and tools. Several strainers have rotted out as have the entrance gateposts and the garden gateposts. A general check and fix is required and all internal electrics are a mess.

Painting The dairy and pigsty need cleaning and preparing before they can be done.- Suggestions on how! We have the paint and basic gear already.

Other: Many areas around the school grounds are in desperate need of some TLC and some garden beds need a total revamp.

It would be great if several small groups took on specific tasks for the day. Check with me about materials and gear. If you can help out, like with posts, plant cuttings or specialised equipment, it would help enormously. We hope to provide something like soup and sandwiches and have a pleasant but hardworking day out. It will be the official hand-over of Waterwatch monitoring equipment by the Break O'Day council. We are open to suggestions on any tasks or small projects interested helpers deem appropriate, just let us know so we can arrange gear and materials.

The Plantation

With intent to plant in August we need to organise site preparation immediately. We have finance available to contract workers but obviously if we can call upon volunteers (we'll pay fuel etc.) it means funds can be redirected allowing further works in the future. We need to contour rip and spray to eradicate weeds, our funds allow for site preparation and purchase of stock and early maintenance. We have some trees already grown by students and a further 300 from the Forestry (thanks Rob Costain!) and will buy the shortfall. If you are able to help out with tractor work or are simply interested in planting with the students, please contact the school, through Howard Jones or Jan Sparkes.

Animal Carers

Interested in looking after fowls and ducks over the holidays?

We really need chook sitters and egg collectors to look after livestock and water the garden while staff and children are away. *Positive Points*- free eggs, great for the kids, lovely walk of an evening and - we can continue to keep fowls on the farm! *The downside?* It takes up half an hour of your free time each day.

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The Star

*As night falls
upon the Earth
I look into the sky.
Darkness surrounds me.*

*Nighttime brings the
unknown, only
shadows can be seen;
with a sudden fright*

*my eyes are drawn to
the sky, emerging from the darkness
is a flickering flame.*

*A new born star,
bursting with life
the flame shoots
across the sky;
it's humble abode
is up above
burning brightly.*

*The flame inhabits
our universe.*

*As dawn break
the flame
shimmers
extinguishes
awaiting nightfall.*

Awaiting another journey.

Bridgitte Halton 10B

THE GUIDE POST

A guide post is a small lighthouse
Sitting on the side of the road

It is a stick
With a red blotch in the middle

It is a hitch hiker
Standing on the side of the road.

by Louise Scott

THE GOLDEN EAGLE AND THE AEROPLANE

With wings spread to full span,
soaring through the pale blue sky,
right up there amongst the clouds
amazingly effortless to the naked eye.

Looking down upon the earth
everything microsmic and small,
cars are moving like tiny ants
nothing looks the same at all.

When it's time to land
back down on safe ground,
wings tilt back, heads held high
landing gear drops as declining down.

All pressure is taken off the wings
when firmly back on earth,
just a few more steps to slow
down the run, back on solid turf.

All engines stop to take a break,
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The aim of these courses must be to provide participants with options that could either become future career paths or could provide a small financial benefit, together with assisting to gain or to re-kindle skills, confidence and self esteem, thus enabling them to gain possibilities of self employment in either small business or cottage industry.

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BREAK O'DAY FILM SOCIETY

inaugural
viewing

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There are usually 10 films shown per year.

Break O'Day Film Society are seeking members for the initial six months.

Membership can be paid by instalments.

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The Society

may have special viewings during school holidays
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Enquiries;

Chris 725720

Tina 725668

Anne 751540

Annette 722187

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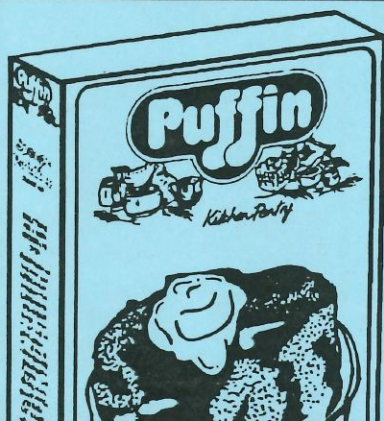
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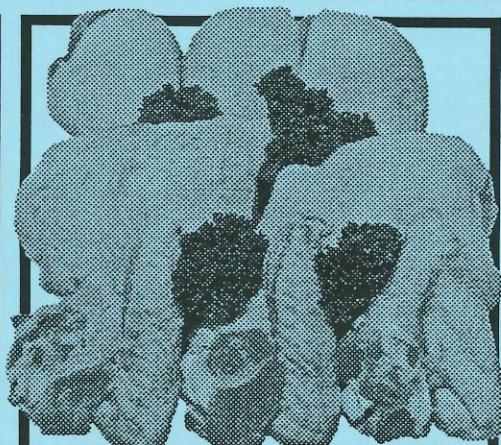
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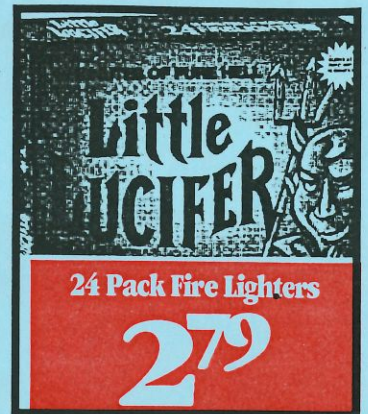
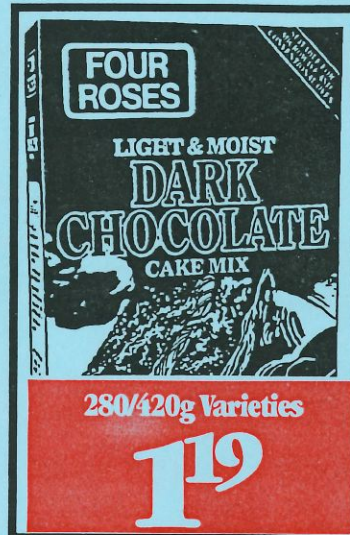
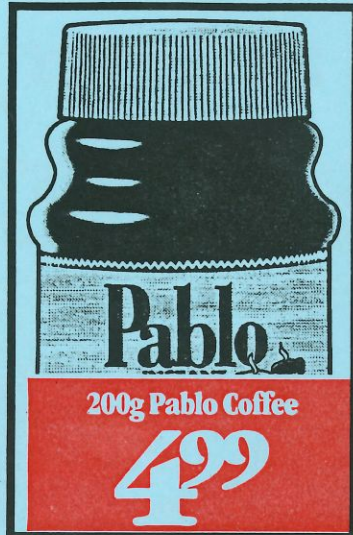
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LANDCARE NEWS

Jan Sparkes

Landcare in Canberra has advised the Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries and the Tasmanian Landcare Association that Tasmania can expect funding cuts of approximately 25% to the Land and Water component of Landcare funding. Cuts of up to 50% could affect the Save the Bush Programme; the One Billion Trees Programme could be cut by 20%. The Waterwatch Programme could face similar cuts or possibly receive no funding at all. These funding cuts will have a substantial affect on the States Landcare Programme.

The cuts would not only adversely affect community groups projects but also the basic technical and support infrastructure for Landcare groups. Under the above funding cuts, up to 100 community group projects would not receive funding this year.

As for the agency technical support, the following positions would not be refunded:-

- ◊ Regional Landcare Officer South/East (DPIF)
- ◊ Regional Landcare Officer North/West (Private Forests, DPIF)
- ◊ Regional Landcare Officer North/West (DPIF)
- ◊ Engineer - River Improvement (DPIF)
- ◊ Landcare Vegetation Officer (Private Forests Tasmania)
- ◊ Landcare Curriculum Officer (Education & the Arts)

Education for Action Programme (University of Tasmania)
The Federal Government should continue to support Landcare and honour the election promise the Coalition made in its Primary Industry Policy. This policy promised to, "Provide an additional \$164 million over 5 years for the National Landcare Programme." This policy was OUTSIDE of the Coalition's Environment policy ("Saving Our Natural Heritage") and thus should NOT be subject to the sale of Telstra. However it is understood that all policies are under review now, due to the so called budget "Black Hole", and that they are now trying to link Landcare funding with the sale of Telstra.

There are now 180 community Landcare groups in Tasmania, representing at least 3000 individuals, and the government needs reminding that Landcare is a PARTNERSHIP. Community groups are doing everything they can do to live up to their end of the partnership and government must live up to its end by continuing to provide the technical and financial resources to this volunteer community movement.

An extract from "Landcare Funding Cuts" by Don Defenderfer, Executive Officer, Tasmanian Landcare Association Inc. 27 June 1996

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Letter to the Editor

I wish to congratulate the staff of the Community Contact Centre which until recently operated in St Marys.

The services that the centre provided to the Valley will be greatly missed by the community - hopefully new funding applications will be successful to allow the centre to reopen in another form.

Perhaps not everyone realised that the Centre was staffed on a voluntary basis by Annette since April and by Peter, Russell and Wendy since May. Congratulations and thank you for the great service you provided.

Regards

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An article written by the late Mr Johnny Lehner to the Valley Voice quite a number of years ago.

I am writing to the Valley Voice to add my memories about some of the early history of Gray.

Gray is situated a few miles from St Marys towards Bicheno. The people who first went there to carve out a home in rugged conditions, must have had hearts as big as Phar Laps.

There was thick scrub, big timber and some land was very steep and hard to work. They had to cut the scrub down and burn it to clear the land. By ring-barking the big timber, they were able to save the good splitting timber for fencing, building and shingles to roof their houses.

The horse was a very useful animal in those days. There was a fair bit of road making done, and the men with their horse and box dray, would cart the rocks.

Road men would break them with small stone hammers to get a good surface. The men would tie bags around their legs to save their trousers and their shins.

When the farmers got their land to producing stage, most of them went for dairying. They made cheese and butter

and some cured their own bacon. Their orchards were about one acre in size, but usually produced good fruit.

I have heard it said that some of the farmers in those early days carted some of their cheese as far as Hobart to the market.

Most of the farmers and their wives made their own bread, some grew their own wheat, carted it to Fingal to be ground at Mr Bean's flour mill. They baked their bread in stone and brick ovens.

There was a fairly large school at Gray. Also two churches. The Post Office was run by the Morris family.

There were about 60 children attending the school when I was there. The main teacher was Mr G H Geappen who came from Hobart and who married a Miss Thorp from there.

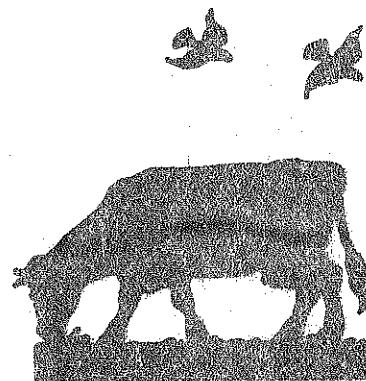
The farmers held a sports day with running and chopping, also holding a concert at night. Some of the children would take part. There was a Mrs McHugo who would come up from St Marys and I remember one song she sang, "Coming through the Rye".

Our mail came about three times a week. A Mr Fred Hill would drive his pony and jinker from Bicheno to St Marys in the mornings and wait for the evening mail and then drive back

again. Not a very nice trip in the winter time. When he gave it up, Mr Jack Hill took it on and bought an A Model Ford which helped improve things. There was a family of Coopers living at the foot of Mt Elephant. The view of the coast from there was very nice. Mr Arthur Cooper told me when he was a young man he snared a Tasmanian Tiger there. I'm not sure of the right date but it could have been around the 1880's.

The Chain of Lagoons being sheep farmers, he sold the Tiger to Mr Robert Wardlaw for £5.0.0. (Imagine it would be worth a bit more now, but I am afraid they are gone).

Mr Arthur Cooper had a brother Joe, who returned from the Boer war and later became the Police Sergeant at St Marys.



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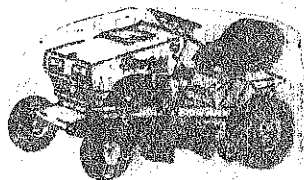
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Rural Youth Information Service

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If you are, or know, a young person who is thinking of leaving school at the end of November please think very carefully about the following:-

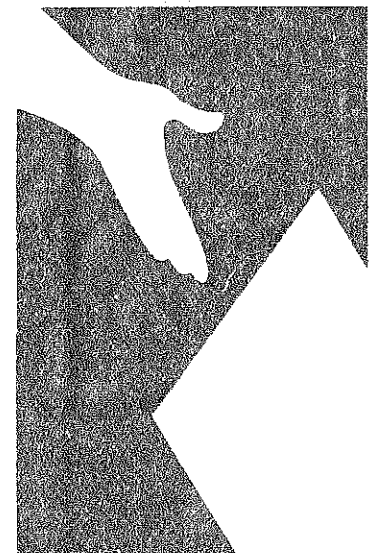
- What interests/skills do you have to offer an employer?
- Is there employment in the area in which you live to match your interests/skills? If not, are you prepared to move to where there is suitable work?
- Have you registered with the CES? This is really important! Register as soon as you leave school, so that, after 13 weeks you will receive Youth Training

Allowance and be eligible for case management.

- Have you got a well prepared resume?
- Do you know how to write a letter of application for a job?
- Are your expectations of obtaining a suitable job realistic? Ask your teachers, parents and friends whether they think your expectations are realistic.
- If there isn't a specific job you have in mind have you got a goal to work towards? Have you thought about what's important to you in life? It's a good idea to list about 8 or 10 things that are important to you in your future eg enjoyment of what you do, satisfaction from what you do, security for the future, money - go on you can think of 10! It might help you decide what you're looking for out of a job.
- Case management is available to young people leaving school when they have been registered for 13 weeks. It means that you can choose the organisation you want to case manage you

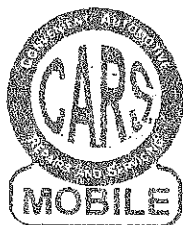
and you will be allocated an experienced person to work with you in your search for employment and who will provide every assistance to you to become ready to take up a suitable position.

Due to funding restructuring the Rural Youth Information Service will not be continuing at St Marys. If you have any queries or would like further information you can contact either Kaye or Lynne at Centre-Link in Deloraine on (003) 623 773.



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Event 1 - 50 Target Skeet

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B Grade	T Aulich	44/50
C Grade	P Clarke	43/50

Event 2 - 25 Target Points

AA Grade	J Margison	75/75
A Grade	D Hill	69/75
B Grade	T Symons	74/75
C Grade	M Trotter	75/90 after shoot off

Event 3 - 50 Target PAUL THOMAS MEMORIAL

This event is held very high on our Gun Club calendar. Paul was a keen shooter before he joined the Navy. He died in 1987 as a result of a car accident. This event is held each year in his honour.

A Grade	G Arnol	67/67 after shoot off
B Grade	T Symons	48/50
C Grade	H Thomas	48/50
D Grade	L Hayes	41/50

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three miles or so, and every time you fill up the vapors are coming off. Now when the speech was delivered to parliament there were only two people listening. The attitude was - "don't confuse us with the facts, our mind is made up, the people want it and that is where the votes are." Nobody listened to that speech because it was party policy, both parties said 'No, we've decided - it doesn't matter what the man says - go and have a drink at the bar and when the bell rings we'll come in and vote', and that's how it was decided!

ULP HEALTH RISKS

Even at the that stage Dr Warren had found that the lead problem was highly overstated and that the potential hazards from the aromatic octane enhancers, like benzene, were greater than the perceived lead problem.

In fact this stuff appears to be so dangerous, potentially lethal, that I urge you not to use it in any car not fitted with a catalytic converter, don't use it in your mower, chainsaw, whipper snipper, or outboard and don't wash parts in it and if any gets on your skin wash it off immediately. Avoid the fumes when refuelling and don't allow anyone near the exhaust, particularly when the exhaust system is cold. Remember that Catalytic converters don't work until they reach some 400 degrees.

In Britain this risk is so clear that the National Society for Clean Air has removed their support for ULP!

Dr Warren's research showed that the lead in blood comes not from breathing airborne lead but from eating and drinking it; that is principally from soldered food containers, lead based paints and lead pipes. Another interesting point is that the cost to the country goes up because it is dearer to make ULP, and it uses more oil (and creates more pollution), because they have to make the benzene as well.

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Nett R/Up Helen Hayes-J Wines 66

NP 2nd shot 5th & 14th:

J Tapp-I Francis

NP 7th & 16th: M Cook- P Buchanan

Eagle: J Street-C Singline on the 17th

Novelty Prize: J Bottle-J Turner

26.6.96 BARCLAY SHIELD

Winners Point

MCook-I Francis 65

J Blake-B Harwood c/b 68

L Kellaway-J Hogarth 68

NP 2nd shot on 5th & 14th:

L Clayton-K Blair

Gobblers:

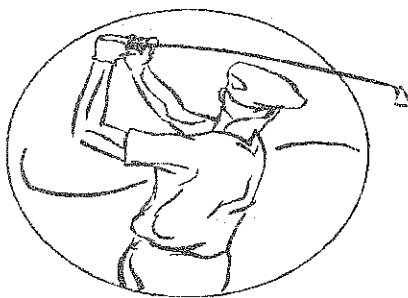
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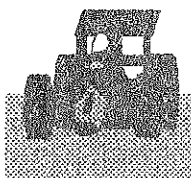
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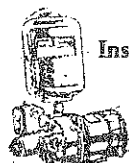
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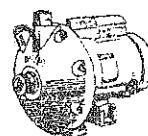
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