

The Valley and East Coast Voice

9 May 1997

Volume 30 Issue 1

50c

Late nights for local news

What began as a bright idea, a discussion amongst friends at the St Marys District Hospital, is still going strong, now into the 30th year.

Geoff and Betty Dean, Matron "Dick" Simpson and Yvonne Whittaker are the names easily recalled that hatched up the idea of a local newspaper. Having someone who could type was a big priority so they recruited Mary Targett who was working in the hospital office at that time and who is the only "original" still on the Valley Voice team. It seems most appropriate that in those early days the paper was produced in the children's ward which was on the verandah of a section of the old hospital and then work later moved to the Nurses Recreation room and just grew from there.

The first issue of the Valley Voice, May 3, 1968 was an all night effort and sadly this is the only copy missing from the records of the paper over all these years - I don't suppose anyone out there would have one?

After all the typing and collating had been done, with the help of an occasional glass of green ginger wine, all the pages for the approximately 400 copies had to be printed by the Gestetner machine which was operated by turning the handle for the whole process. The Valley Voice had a distribution area between Avoca and St Helens.

On the whole, the paper was most reliant on the off duty nursing staff at the hospital. Any of the tourist sisters arriving in St Marys were roped in to replace those that had left. Sisters Sandra Young and Ada Gerrie introduced "Clem and Lily" and some readers would remember "Dear Valerie Voice", "Miss Piffle" and the "Stars". Such frivolous days are gone and we now have more serious business such as School News, Landcare and Police Report!

It would be impossible to mention all those who have helped in various ways over the years, some more names that come to mind are Kevin Dobson, Peter Rubenach, Kath Lohrey, Rev Clarke, John Wassen (of HAIR fame), Keith & Bob Cook also Patsy, Judy, Kerin, Bobby, Keri and Sharon with a gaggle of children. Marg who has now moved to St Helens, Margaret and Mrs Macleay who was over 80 but still climbing the steep stairs to do her bit for the Valley Voice. Now it is mainly Ron, Mary, Heather, Audrey and Bettie plus a willing band of extras who somehow still manage to keep the paper going. No one can imagine the drama that can go on behind the scene, printers and copiers breaking down, black ink on everything, pages printed upside down (not often), bad boo boos that slip through and gremlins that can strike without warning.

Of course we no longer churn out the paper with the manual Gestetner but with a more sophisticated machine and continued page 12

Police Report



THE
MOBILE

FIREARMS BUS will be
at the St Marys Police
Station on Tuesday 13
May from 12 noon till 7
pm.

CONTROL OF DOGS

- Any dog in or on a public place shall be kept under the effective control of the owner of the dog, or another competent person.
- Where a dog is at large the owner of the dog is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a penalty.
- Any person who abandons, or causes, permits, or suffers any dog owned by him, to be abandoned to fend for itself is guilty of an offence.
- If a dog in a public place rushes at or chases a moving vehicle in that public place, the owner of the dog is guilty of an offence.

CLASSIFIEDS

REDLINE COACHES... Deliver this paper quickly and efficiently. Statewide passenger and parcel service.
Phone 63722 143

CONTACT NUMBERS FOR ANY VALLEY VOICE MATTERS..... RON 63722105 OR MARY 63722328

FOR SALE.....SHEEP MANURE

\$4.00 LARGE BAG

\$2.50 SMALL BAG

Available at Spilsbury Garage and the Railway Nursery
Proceeds to aid Lions Club of St Marys Charity Projects

FOR SALE....FULL WET SUIT size 10 boys \$40.00

Phone 63722367

FOR SALE....One Celica Toyota Coupe 1981 model.
Excellent condition (one owner) Phone 63722167.

FOR SALE....4 Folding chairs, vinyl back & seat. As new \$12.00
Matching folding table (brown) \$20.00

"Kambrook pie maker, used once - still in box Cost \$39.00
Sell \$30.00

Camping water container - large size - with tap NEW
\$12.00

Phone 63722344.

FOR SALE....Toyota Landcruiser, flat tray \$4,500.00

Phone 63722367 A.H. 63722419.

FOR SALE....AS NEW- 3 Wheel Electric bike with
charger. Forward & reverse Phone 63722163



East Coast Glass

- Glass Replacements
- Mirrors
- Shower Screens
- Fly screens and doors
- Blinds & Awnings

FOR PROMPT RELIABLE SERVICE

DAVID CANNON

Frank Street Falmouth (03) 6372 5361

ST MARYS VARIETY

42A Main St

St Marys 63722396

NEWLY ARRIVED SLIPPERS FOR MOTHERS DAY

Layby, Visa, Mastercard & Bankcard welcome

MEALS ON WHEELS

MAY	ST MARYS	FINGAL
12	June Grantham	Debbie Speers
13	Trish Pike	Carol Bates
14	D & S Robinson	Jan Marshall
15	Atholie Greenwood	Christine Woods
16	Frank Turner	Vic Jones
19	Barbara Mitchell	Shirley Parker
20	Pauline Berwick	Debbie Speers
21	Kath Read	Jack Miller
22	Kaye Nailer	Ruth Saunders
23	Clive Berwick	Bob Yates



RANSLEY'S APPLIANCE SERVICES

YOUR BVS STORE

FOR YOUR NEW AND RECONDITIONED APPLIANCE
NEEDS CONTACT THE APPLIANCE PEOPLE ON THE
COAST.

**REFRIGERATORS TO DISHWASHERS
IRONS FAN HEATERS TOASTERS
COMMERCIAL/DOMESTIC APPLIANCES**

WE ARE AUTHORISED SERVICE AGENTS FOR MOST
POPULAR BRANDS AND OFFER TO YOU A PROMPT
AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AT ALL TIMES

WHY NOT CALL INTO OUR SHOWROOM AT
41 QUAIL STREET
ST HELENS
PHONE 63761811
(NEXT TO RSL)

WHAT'S ON

THE BEETLES ARE BACK

ENJOY AN OLD FASHIONED

BEETLE NIGHT

FRIDAY 16TH MAY

7.30PM at School Annexe
(behind Community Hall)
MEN, LADIES AND CHILDREN

4 - 6 per table

FAMILY NIGHT

\$3.00 ADULT \$1 CHILDREN

BEETLEMANIA HAS HIT ST MARYS.

WOULD THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHO HAVE
TAKEN TWO SMALL WOODEN TROPHIES
BELONGING TO CORNWALL SENIOR CITIZENS,
FROM THE MANTELPIECE IN THE HALL, KINDLY
RETURN THEM PLEASE. ALSO THE KEYS FROM
THE BACK DOOR.

These items are no use to anyone else. You cannot unlock the
back door with the key. The door is padlocked.
Una Camplin

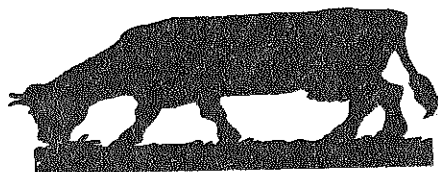
St.Marys Butchery

Diane & Brent Johnson
Main Street
St Marys Phone 63722274

COME AND CHECK THE SELECTION IN
THE DISPLAY COUNTER.

TOP
QUALITY
MEAT

FREE HOME
DELIVERY
ON FRIDAYS



DO YOU NEED TO SEE A PODIATRIST?

It was brought to our attention at the last St Marys District
Hospital Support Assoc. meeting, that, at present NO
PODIATRIST visits the Break O' Day Municipality.
FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE we have procured the
services of a Hobart Podiatrist who is willing to visit the
area for 2 days each 6 weeks or 2 months.

In order for this service to operate, fifteen to twenty clients
per day are necessary. Naturally, if the demand is not
forthcoming the service will not eventuate.

Please ring Rona Gatty (63722235) as soon as possible if
you wish to take advantage of this service and for more
details.

ST MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL SUPPORT ASSOC INC.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be
held on 19th May at 7.30pm in the Salvation Army
Hall. A membership fee of \$5.00 or \$10.00 per
family will be due at this meeting. All newcomers
welcome.

IF YOU CARE BE THERE!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SECURITY, LOCKS OR ALARMS.

ST MARYS & DISTRICT NEIGHBOURHOOD
WATCH invites you to attend a public meeting
discussing security, locks and alarms.

WHEN: Tuesday 13th May

WHERE: St Marys School Hall

TIME: 7.30pm

Two guest speakers will be coming from Launceston
to conduct the meeting. They are Constable Sharon
Dean from Tasmania Police and Mr Ron Lee from
Jacksons Security.

EVERYONE WELCOME

The Royal Guide Dog for the Blind Association of
Tasmania Annual Doorknock Appeal raised \$171.20
in St Marys. Many thanks to Lorraine Gill for her
assistance with the doorknocking and to all who
donated.
Jan Sparkes

Quinns

Auto Electric

Repairs to :-

- * Automotive
- * Commercial
- * Agricultural
- * Marine

Stockists of :-

- * Exchange Alternators & Starters
- * Australian Made Exide Batteries
- * BP Fuels * Oils

NOW IN STOCK

Penrite Oils SANDVIK Chainsaws Chains & Files

FOR FREE QUOTES CALL
63722194 B.H.

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

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
Pyengana	11.00 am
Falmouth	4.00 pm

FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	9.00 am & 10.30 am
-----------	--------------------

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

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

42 Main Rd St Marys Tasmania
Phone (03) 63722172

**MOTHER'S DAY IS SUNDAY
TO ALL MUMS**
WE WISH YOU HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
We have a great range of gifts for Mum for
all budgets.
Remember free gift wrapping.

MAGIC TRIANGLE PUZZLES \$4.95

Paint you own t-shirts or hat
T-Shirt \$14.95 Hats \$7.95
Great fun gift idea

**FEELING STRESSED
HOW ABOUT REARRANGING
MORPHO FACE.**

There's a sample on the counter for you to
try only \$4.95.

New stickers, cards of 30 12 designs only
\$1.50each
More stocks of heart shaped magnets
with verse \$2.95

IDEAS FOR ST MARYS

Well I now know people really do read what I
have been writing.

Judging by the many people who have spoken to
me and agreed in what I said.

Take the Caravan Park idea, it will only need a
few people to get together and plan it.

It needs people with a bit of get up and go in them
- not leave it to the other chap or the old hands.

Work in together and see what can be done.

If it can be fulfilled it could bring in extra money
for St Marys and it would have to have a caretaker
- thats one permanent job - an acorn produces a
huge tree.

Then there is our musuem that could be expanded
on to and old machinery brought in.

Why not a model mini railway?

Beaconsfield Gold Mine has done it and I'm sure
we could especially if there were some schemes
where the children can actually work some of the
models.

Una Camplin.

Rae & Partners Lawyers Barristers & Solicitors

93 York Street
Launceston

Visiting St Marys alternate Thursdays 9am - 10am
32 Main Street St Marys

**BOOKINGS MAY BE MADE AT ST MARYS
HEALTH & BEAUTY**
or

Phone (03) 6337 5555 for appointments

**ACCEPTING INSTRUCTION IN
ALL LEGAL MATTERS**



Kerry & Jill Taylor
Main Street St Marys
63 722240

Full EFTPOS facilities available - no charge - no minimum purchase
Free home delivery

**WE HAVE MOTHER'S DAY ALL
WRAPPED UP WITH A WIDE RANGE
OF CARDS & WRAPS.**

ALL MUMS LOVE CHOCOLATES
From Whitmans to Cadbury Roses, Fudge &
Truffles, Sugar - Free, Belgian Chocolates
WE CAN TEMPT MUM'S TASTE BUDS

HAS MUM GOT A GREEN THUMB?
We have an assortment of Decor Springtime
Watermatic Pots, Terracotta Bulb Packages,
Potting Mix and Seed Raising Mix

* Buy a Watermatic Pot & receive a 10%
discount on any pot plant purchased from the
Station Nursery

BREKKY IN BED YUM
Fresh Croissants \$4.45 for a six pack

**WISHING ALL MUMS A HAPPY
MOTHER'S DAY & MAY YOUR SLEEP IN
BE AS LATE AS MINE!!!!**
YOUR LOCAL DEPENDABLE SUPERMARKET

ST MARYS R.S.L.A. Sub-Branch ANZAC DAY

Once again Anzac Day was very successful.

The Dawn Service at 6AM was in heavy frost at the Cenotaph- Scott Jansen was in charge of both Services. Fr Connolly was the Minister at the Dawn Service which was very well attended, with the usual nip of rum & milk afterwards.

The women's tasty savoury mince on toast went down very well on such a cool morning and then it was home to freshen up for the 11AM Service at the Cenotaph. Rev Hoole of the United Church was the minister.

Stephen Salter of the Break O' Day Council was guest speaker for the 11am Service. Selby Targett was the Bugler for both Services - it wouldn't be the same without Selby, he does a very good job and has done so for many years.

The Rubenach family supplied the music which was very good.

There were a lovely lot of wreaths placed on the Cenotaph. Scott layed the R.S.L.A. Wreath & Colleen McGee the Ladies R.S.L.A. Auxiliary Wreath.

Without the wonderful support of the public who attend the services St Marys would be without Anzac Day.

As Secretary I am unable to do manual work owing to ill health, we are all much the same, thanks to those helpers getting and replacing the chairs this is what keeps Anzac Day going.

Lest we Forget

Yours Sincerely
John McGee



EAST COAST SURVEYING

Consulting Surveyors and
Land Planners

ANDREW D MacGREGOR

B.Surv., L.S., M.L.S., Grad.Dip.Prof.Man.

Also your local agent for....

TASMAP

FOR ALL YOUR
MAPPING
REQUIREMENTS

SOIL SCAN

Soil Testing &
Site Classification

88 Tasman Highway, St Helens 7216

Phone (03) 63761972 AH (03) 635455 Fax: (03)

Top up yourself as well as your car

DRIVING LONG distances can be tiring but it can also be potentially dangerous if body fluid levels are not kept topped up, according to nutritionist Jane Barnes, who says many people aren't aware of the significant fluid loss experienced during car travel.

We suggest that most people would be even less aware that they lose almost as much body fluid sitting in the cooling breezes of an

airconditioned vehicle as they would sitting in a hot vehicle perspiring!

Jane Barnes suggests that on long car trips we should try keeping topped up with at least 200mls (approximately one glass) of useful liquids each hour. Useful liquids are water, mineral and spring waters, soft drinks and sports drinks.

We should aim to consume at least two litres a day, three litres during a heatwave.

And drivers should drink more than 200mls each hour in hot conditions.

Drivers can prepare for a long road trip the night before by freezing cordial or water and carrying them in a small ice-filled esky. A flask filled with weak cold tea with sugar and lemon is also a refreshing liquid replenishment.

So next time you stop the car to "fillerup" don't forget yourself.

Motor News February/March

SMACD NOT YOUR AVERAGE MARKET

10am start - 2pm

**SUNDAY
25TH MAY**

AT THE LAST MEETING OF SMACD IT WAS DECIDED TO TRIAL SUNDAY MARKETS BECAUSE IT WAS INDICATED THAT WE COULD ATTRACT MORE STALL HOLDERS TO ST MARYS IF THE MARKET DAY WAS CHANGED

Public attendance and stall numbers will determine the future day of the market -
Saturday or Sunday

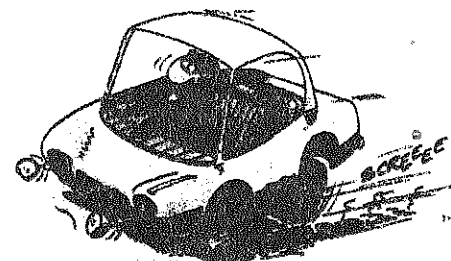
It is expected that at the August SMACD meeting the future market day will be reviewed

Trial Sunday Market Dates are

25th May
29th June
27th July

Hold Last Sunday of Month for Trial Period Only

PHONE ME ON 4312 2240
FOR SOURCES



Two Turns Dance Project

Three groups, 23 students in each, ranging from grade 5-10, had opted to experience the magical world of dance. Steven and Wendy were there for three days to teach and assist each group with their dance routines.

Group one which ranged from grades 8-10 were first on Wednesday 16th April and we were surprised and taken aback at the warm up routine we were put through. We learnt about phrases, which is like a sentence of movement, and then you put all the phrases together to create a paragraph or a sequence. then, many paragraphs later, you have a dance routine.

We started to work on our 'phrases' after our warm up routine consisting of push ups, sit ups and some simple dance moves. It wasn't long before we all looked like something straight from the rejected audition acts for the reserves for the Wiggles. But after something to eat and some more helpful hints, it was time to overcome our shyness and show our now shining talents.



Hours later, five groups of four or five had come up with three phrases with simple themes and had performed all three to the very tired and exhausted group.

It is now up to the three groups to rehearse and bring together a routine and perform with St Helens District High dance groups on the 14th of May at 7.30pm at the St Marys Town hall. There will also be the performance of Two Turns Dance Project's "Stargazing" after our performance. Hope to see you there.

JACKIE GENIOLA 10A



TWO TURNS DANCE PROJECT

Together with dance students from
ST MARYS D.H.S. & ST HELENS D.H.S.

Presents
STARGAZING

Wednesday May 14th
ST MARYS TOWN HALL
at
7.30pm

Admission: Adults \$5.00
Children \$2.00
Family \$10.00

Supper will be available

Supported by
The Suncoast
Arts Council

PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETING

"Directions For Education"
TUESDAY 20TH MAY

at 7.30pm

**AT ST MARYS DISTRICT HIGH
SCHOOL**

This meeting will be open to all schools on the East Coast. Both parents and teachers are invited to attend. Mrs Elizabeth Daly (District Superintendent) will be addressing the meeting on what the new directions mean to you and your children. **IT IS A MEETING THAT SHOULD NOT BE MISSED.**

K LAYCOCK
President P&F

J MARSHALL
Principal

APRIL FOOL'S DAY

Grade 10 Health students were asked to read excerpts from the novel "April Fool's Day", by Bryce Courtenay, based on the true story of his son Damon who died of AIDS on April fool's day 1995. These are their responses to this tragic wasting disease.

APRIL FOOL'S DAY

Damon woke up weary-eyed from the lack of sleep the night before,. He had an unknown bleed on his leg, which resulted in his leg looking like a paddle pop, so he was up all night with his drip getting a blood transfusion.

He managed to pull himself out of bed and get dressed after that he just collapsed back on his bed.

His mind raced and an orange/yellow glow shone in on darkness, it covered his face, he tried to call out his fathers name but some inner self stopped him. Damon just closed his eyes and slept.

Nathan Saunders



THE SCREAM

The world shall not end,
Not yet,
Not now.

Screaming for the fear of the future.

I distance myself from many.

But it shall not end.

Decisions surround me,

My eyes shocked,

Disbelief curling around my brain.

How lost am I to be this way?

What images do I create

In willing or so-called

Closed minds.

Unknown quantities.

Your waiting shall end...in time.

Time brings delights to those who have it.

Margaret Marsh



DAMON

The dullness of the walls serenades me to sleep,
And I wake to see the sadness in their eyes,
I know I'm going to die because I'm in too deep.

But why me?

Death is something Celeste wants to burn,
She is my inspiration, And like fallen soldiers she
will learn.

But why me?

Tears of pearls run down my mothers face,
My father comforts her with his middle aged frame,
I remember my childhood where things moved at a
better pace.

But why me?

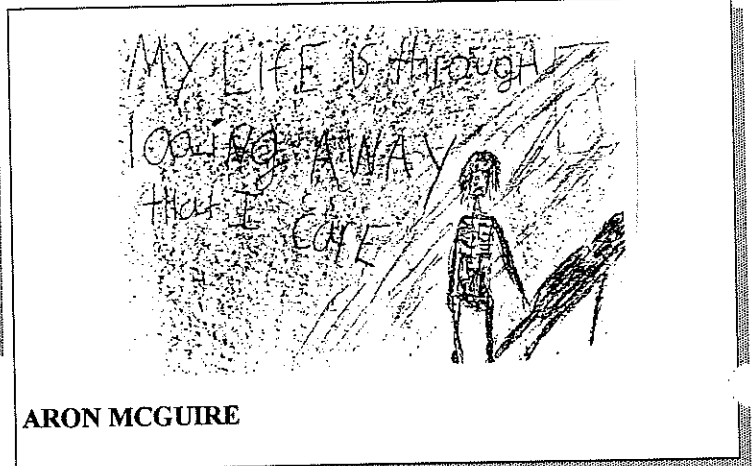
My frail arms reach out to the ones I
love,

My whispering voice says its last
goodbyes,

I know I have to go but I don't want to
leave the ones I love.

But why me?

Nadia Fraser



ARON MCGUIRE

CELESTE

Caring and devoted bed side nurse.

Efficient smooth functioning Celeste

Laughing, clear indulgent voice. She speaks.

Ever ready to defend poor Damon the moment
the curtains open and daylight shows through.

Sleeps little angel fighting off deaths

Threatening with laughter and sheer bluff.

Eloping the embezzlement of death

Tanya Parsons

OH WHAT A BEAUTIFUL MORNING OH WHAT A BEAUTIFUL DAY

These words sum up our wonderful trip that was catered for us by St Marys Lions Club and the Cornwall Coal Company.

The bus left St Marys promptly at 9.00am travelling to Cornwall to pick up their passengers then on to Fingal. After Fingal we back tracked to the washing plant to pick up Mr J McGiveron. We then travelled on to the Blackwood Colliery. The gradient of the hill is so steep the bus has to go so very slowly but we could really appreciate the bush and in some places see our beautiful valley. At the original Blackwood Mine there was scrap metal everywhere- discarded Joy-miners etc. Onwards to the working mine, still a very narrow road very steep but Kerry managed very nicely "Thank You". At the pit face, John explained how the miners travel on a car (rather like a utility) to get to their work place. He explained they were opening up into the original seams of Mt Nicholas and Cornwall. We saw the coal going down into the chute with the lorries waiting to be filled, usually two at a time. I think Cornwall Coal Co employs about 125 men (I hope that's right). They are also maintaining the Duncan Mine at Fingal. They have the mineral rights along the ranges, the Dalmain, the Seymour etc. Many of the bus passengers inspected the work shops etc. We then travelled on to the washing plant where a very extended tour was given. Hard hats were the order of the day. Everybody was very interested but no one climbed to the highest part. We had too many passengers with hip replacements or knee constructions or just didn't like heights. Many were sprinkled with damp coal dust and everybody had to go to the tap and wash their hands. Then the "piece de resistance" the ride through the bush, using the Forestry Road to get to the Huntsman Open Cut. Our hearts in our mouth's. Kerry inched the bus down a narrow track, ditch

diggers going all the time, loading lorries with rubble to fill in the huge hole that had been worked out.

In front of us was the coal seam, thick very black coal, not much stone and only about 20 metres down. The analysis shows a very high standard and very good steaming coal. It was so thick it made you feel as though you could use a pick on it yourself.

Then, threading the bus through the machinery, even a grader, we wended our way to Fingal for lunch. John McGiveron explained that as they worked a facing and it ran up, the hole was filled up and seeded using seed gathered from the surrounding forest.

The Neighbourhood House catered for us and it was first class. The variety of casseroles to choose from made it very hard to decide.

Our day didn't end there - we went on to Faulty Towers. The complex was explained and we were invited to have a go at climbing a tree, go across a beam, swing with a flying fox, hang upside down. Of course none of us did. The lake was beautiful, with a couple of swans and their cygnets, plus wild ducks. Many inspected the cabins where the people stay. Camp Quality use Faulty Towers complex regularly and only last weekend I heard that it would be used as a Respite Holiday for "Carers" and very good steaming coal. Unfortunately it was time to return home. We had had such a marvellous day and I cannot finish without giving thanks to Lions members Len Miles, Ron & Bettie Sumner and John McGiveron for explaining everything to us, even showing us where the houses, school etc of Mt Nicholas were, now it's a regained bush, filled up and seeded using seed gathered. Finally a big thank you to Kerry. I think he can turn that bus on a sixpence or should I say 5 cent piece. You just feel so safe. The variety of casseroles to choose from made it very hard to decide. To those who missed out, perhaps they'll come next time. I for one really appreciate the yearly trip the Lions Club put on.

The complex was explained and we were invited to have a go at climbing a tree, go across a beam, swing with a flying fox, hang upside down. Of course none of us did. The lake was beautiful, with a couple of swans and their cygnets, plus wild ducks. Many inspected the cabins where the people stay. Camp Quality use Faulty Towers complex regularly and only last weekend I heard that it would be used as a Respite Holiday for "Carers" and very good steaming coal. Unfortunately it was time to return home. We had had such a marvellous day and I cannot finish without giving thanks to Lions members Len Miles, Ron & Bettie Sumner and John McGiveron for explaining everything to us, even showing us where the houses, school etc of Mt Nicholas were, now it's a regained bush, filled up and seeded using seed gathered. Finally a big thank you to Kerry. I think he can turn that bus on a sixpence or should I say 5 cent piece. You just feel so safe. The variety of casseroles to choose from made it very hard to decide. To those who missed out, perhaps they'll come next time. I for one really appreciate the yearly trip the Lions Club put on.

Una Camplin

W LOCKETT & SONS

Funeral Directors

Campbell Town

Enquiries may be directed through:

Mr Leo Lane

Campbell Town 63 811 472

Mr T Pears

Campbell Town 63 811 167

or

B Davidson

Launceston 63 444 577

B & J SPILSBURY

BROWNS GARAGE

37 Main Street St Marys 7215

**BP Products and Mechanical Repairs
Plumbing and Sewerage Supplies**

**Petrol, oils, lubes, tyres and plumbing fittings
poly-pipe, brass fittings, copper pipe,
cleaners and glues**

Call and see Bruce today

BH (03) 63722233

AH (03) 63722155

SMITHS VALLEY TRADERS

44 Main Street St Marys
Phone/Fax 63722367

**DON'T FORGET MUM
THIS SUNDAY**

**LARGE RANGE NIGHTWEAR
SOCKS & HANKIES**

25% OFF LADIES KNIT WEAR

1/2 PRICE LONG & CROSS STITCH

SILK COAT HANGERS

ANGORA GLOVES

AND MUCH MORE

CALL IN AND SEE DANA TODAY
Visa, Bankcard, Mastercard Welcome



SHELVING RACKING

AND SHOP FITTINGS

Clothes stand, Peg Hooks etc

Island Shelving
Phone 63722626

T.G.I.O.

"Peace of mind Insurance"

Grant D Faulkner

Fingal Valley &
East Coast Agent

All Premium Payments

Enquiries & Claims

Domestic, Motor Vehicle,
Marine & Business

41 Main St St Marys 7215

BH 63722335
AH 63722277

SUNCOAST GLASS & SCREENS

*Peter Clark at your service with
over 33 years experience in the glass and
aluminium fabrication industry.*

*For all glass sales and
replacements, security doors and
screens, flyscreens, shower screens,
mirror wardrobe doors
aluminium windows and doors,
glass roofing, porches, security locks,
aluminium window replacements
and
glass bricks.*

Service is our aim.

*For an obligation free quote
Phone/fax (03) 63725658
Mobile 0417336667*

ACIS

Australian Country Information Service
Community Hall - St. Marys
PHONE 63722693 FAX 63722694

**Social Security information and forms
Austudy & Assistance for Isolated Children
applications
Free information and advice on all
government programmes and services from
our professionally staffed office.**

OPEN

10AM - 3PM

THURSDAY & FRIDAY

since 1993

NOW AVAILABLE

Carers Support Kit - developed by the Commonwealth
Department of Human Services & Health - practical
information and support for caring at home.

CALL FOR A COPY

**Certification of documents for tax-file
number applications**

**Fax & photocopying facilities at a
very reasonable cost**

St. Mary's Top Shop

Supermarket/Hardware

56 Main Road St. Mary's 7215

Phone (03)6372 2242 Fax (03) 6372 2754



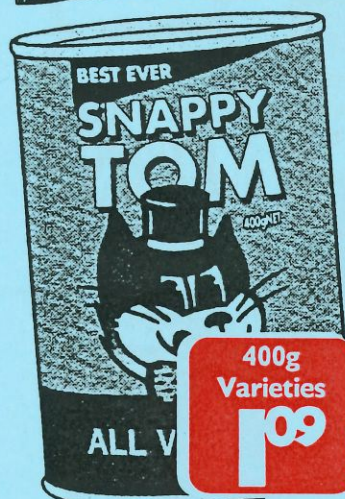
375/500g
Varieties
1.55



425g
Varieties
1.45



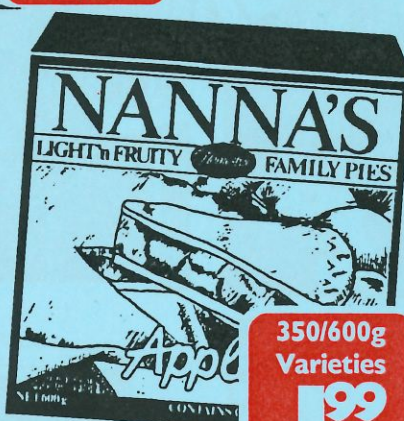
500g
Varieties
1.89



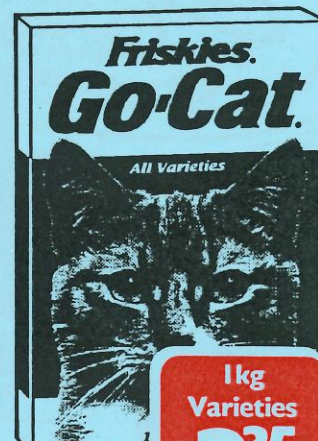
400g
Varieties
1.09



400g
Cond. Milk
1.55



350/600g
Varieties
1.99



1kg
Varieties
3.35



500g Var.
also 700g Minder
1.60



Mandarins
10 for
2.99



Garden Fresh
Zucchini
2.49
kg

Sunrise
Family Meat Pies

1.99

eeftpos
now available

Fresh Proteas - Orders Taken NOW!

Fresh Arrangements and Bunches at very affordable prices.

Order NOW for Mother's Day or just to spoil yourself.

**Convenient
Shopping
Hours for you**

**Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm
Saturday 8am to 12noon
Sunday - Closed**

Not your Average Supermarket - BUT your TOP SUPERMARKET

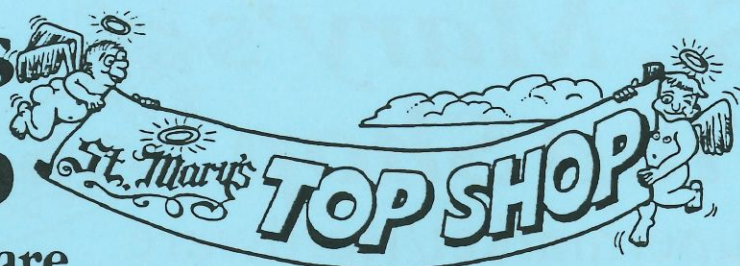


St. Mary's Top Shop

Supermarket/Hardware

56 Main Road St. Mary's 7215

Phone (03)6372 2242 Fax (03) 6372 2754



*St. Mary's Top Shop for everything
to make Mother's Day Very Special.*



St. Marys
TOP SHOP
SPECIAL

1kg
Spread

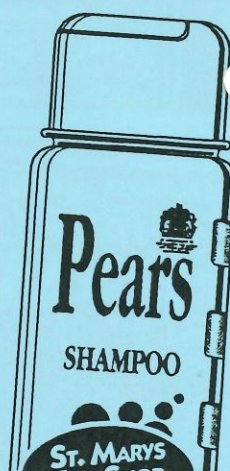
2⁹⁹



St. Marys
TOP SHOP
SPECIAL

200g Tim Tams
& Mint Slice

2⁰⁹



St. Marys
TOP SHOP
SPECIAL

375ml Var.
also Conditioner

2³⁹



St. Marys
TOP SHOP
SPECIAL

750ml
Varieties

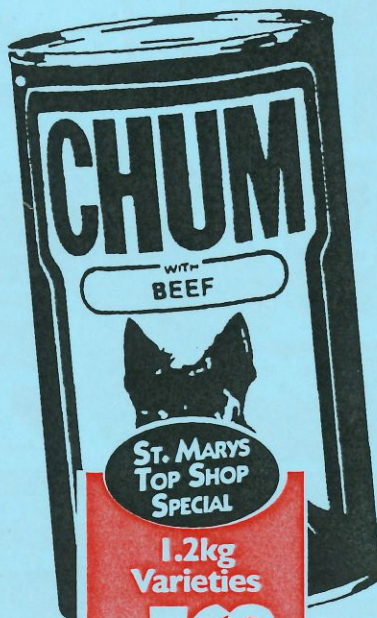
3³⁵



St. Marys
TOP SHOP
SPECIAL

1250ml
Varieties

1⁴⁹



St. Marys
TOP SHOP
SPECIAL

1.2kg
Varieties

1⁶⁹



St. Marys
TOP SHOP
SPECIAL

825g
Varieties

1⁹⁹

Free
Local
Home
Delivery

Graham, Karen & Staff invite you to call in and check the lower shelf prices and the friendly personalised service. Specials available from 8/5/97 until 14/5/97. While Stocks Last.

ST MARYS BUSINESS GUIDE FOR QUICK REFERENCE

FIRE CALLS 63722500 AMBULANCE 000 OR 63722111 POLICE 000 FIRE 000
 Dr NAIDOO Main St St Marys 63722311 Dr GENIOLA St Marys 63722411 - Fingal 63742260
 ST MARYS HOSPITAL 63722111

AULICH GERALD Mechanic	63722283	RAILWAY COTTAGE NURSERY	63722435
AUSTRALIA POST	63722124	SMITHS SHELL GARAGE (RACT) R & L Brown A.H. (S.E.S.)	63722184 63722598
BP DISTRIBUTOR D. Dawson	63722464	SMITHS VALLEY TRADERS	63722367
BREAK -O-DAY MILK BAR	63722222	ST MARYS NEWSAGENCY	63722143
BREAK-O-DAY COUNCIL (Fingal) St Helens	63742111 63761218	ST MARYS BAKERY	63722131
BROWNS GARAGE B & J Spilsbury	63722233	ST MARYS BUTCHERY	63722274
CALTEX AGENT J & M Faulkner	63722335	ST MARYS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL	63722362
COACH HOUSE RESTAURANT	63722529	ST MARYS ELECTRIC	63722395
CRAY DROP IN	63722228	ST MARYS HEALTH & BEAUTY	63722172
EAST COAST GLASS	63725361	ST MARYS POLICE	63721010
EAST COAST MULCHING Gas Agent	63722650	ST MARYS SPORTS CENTRE	63722177
FAULKNER DR & GE Cartage Contractor	63722366	ST MARYS SUPERMARKET	63722240
FAULKNER KJ (JP) Aulich's Lane	63722196	ST MARYS HOTEL	63722181
FREEMAN ML & GT Contractors	63722104	ST MARYS LIBRARY	63722114
HAIR DESIGN SALON	63722108	ST MARYS TAKE-A-WAY	63722287
HEC	63721006	ST MARYS TOP SHOP Supermarket/Hardware	63722242
ISHTARS BAZAAR St Marys	63722468	ST MARYS VARIETY STORE	63722396
MT ELEPHANT PANCAKE RES	63722263	THE GUMS BOARDING KENNELS	63722512
MOBILE MECHANIC	63722735	TRUGGS & TREASURES	63722639
NAPIER JR (JP)	63722253	TRUST BANK	63722221
R.G & R.I. HARWOOD (Plumber)	63722445	TROTTER GD & CM Pumping Service	63722107
QUINNS BP GARAGE AFTER HOURS	63722194 63722491	VALLEY SMALL ENGINE & WELDING SERVICE A.H. 63722583 OR 63722258	63722322
		VALLEY VOICE	63722328 63722105
		WEBB MD & CO ANDREW HAAS	63722372 63725381
		YOUTH HOSTEL	63722341

Late nights for local news - cont

have moved down town to our upstairs "office".

The paper has been produced continuously since May 1968, not only thanks to all the voluntary labour over the years but very much due to the loyalty of our advertisers and readers.

Spilsbury's B P Garage have been advertising in the Valley Voice since day one.

Those of us who now get the paper out each fortnight, squeeze it in between our other work, some of the nights are still VERY late but it is now just coffee not green ginger that gets us through.



LANDCARE NEWS - Jan Sparkes

Management of Remnant Bush cont.

WEEDS

Mechanical removal

- Avoid heavy machinery in bush areas or mechanical methods which will disturb areas of ground.
- Hand pulling/removal can be an effective low impact method in some situations especially where the infestation is not large.
- Cutting down some woody weeds (such as hawthorn) and painting the stump with herbicide in the autumn is very effective.
- Avoid removing large areas of weeds which leave the ground bare and prone to further invasion or erosion. Try to remove large infestations in stages, replanting

with native vegetation as it is removed.

- if you don't have the time or labour for mechanical removal, try contacting the Australian Trust for Nature Conservation Volunteers.

Experiment, see what works best in your situation and share this knowledge with your neighbours.

NB The management recommendations for bush in other areas and soil types will be different to these. However the underlying principles will be the same.

Tips to be considered.

- Only change your current land management strategies if there is a need to.
- If possible, find out what your neighbours are doing and try to work in with their land management agendas. As an example, it would be disappointing for you to undergo a weed eradication programme on your land when your neighbour has a patch of weeds within dispersal range of your de-weeded land.

If more specific information is required, please contact the experts. For example, in the case of weed eradication advice on how to deal with specific species can be sought eg the DPIF weed officers.

Smiths Service Station

Main Street
St Marys



For all types of mechanical repairs including computer wheel balancing and wheel alignment, disc and brake drum machining, gas refill and 24 hour towing also NEWGAS bottles and dry dog food

Call in and see Robert or Lyn
Phone 63 722184

'Politicians sometimes forget they've been appointed and think they've been anointed.'

THANKS FOR THE MEMORY!

Jan Sparkes

"You've had a torrid time of late", stated an acquaintance. "A torrid time? No the weather has not been too hot, and I haven't been away", I replied. She looked concerned, "a battle with the Big C", she said. Oh him," I replied, "no, he had his comeuppance and was told to buy a giant condom and pull it over his head." That'll teach him! She came closer towards me and whispered "Your battle with cancer, I mean." I reflected upon this, a battle? "No, definitely not a battle," I informed her and changed the subject.

Torrid: subject to parching or burning heat, especially of the sun, oppressingly hot, ardent, passionate says the Macquarie Dictionary. No, not torrid. There had certainly been hostile put-downs woven into arguments over a period of time and I had been accused of being "too passionate" about our Land-care activities but these were now other problems.

In mid 1996 I had been referred to the Launceston General Hospital with gynaecological problems. So just before the appointed time I arrive only to be told to come back in two weeks time...flu had lain everyone low!

Two weeks later, same place, same time, sitting in a room packed with women of all shapes and sizes and ages waiting to be called. I decide I would only think about where I was, not what I was doing there! My name is called. Into the examination room with sister and doctor. One drops the "under-dunders" and on to the bed. Suddenly a sharp snap and something metallic ricochets off the walls. The foot end of the bed collapses and the hapless doctor most unceremoniously sits on the floor! Sister con-

cerned about her patient, bed and doctor in that order. No injuries, so on with the job. Nothing more is said. What a situation; what a giggle. One could dine out on this for months!

Two weeks pass and back again. The usual long wait. A sea of faces. Finally my name is called. A different doctor with a kind face and soft voice offers the 'good news or the bad news first.' I listened and felt a small chill. The bad news - CANCER - I had "known" that for some-time, but it only happens to others. "I'll settle for the good news", I heard myself saying; but I'll not open myself enough to allow it to affect me, I thought. I sat and listened, a growing heavy feeling stealing over me. Had I understood? I was asked. Did I want sister to explain? Was his English good enough? No. I needed time to figure things out privately. It was difficult to express my feelings, to communicate my thoughts to another stranger, no matter how kind the face and voice.... "we've made an

appointment for you in Hobart tomorrow morning, 9.15 am". Tomorrow? It was nearly 5 pm. "We'll fax all your details to the professor this afternoon". Yes, yes I'll be there and so it was time to return to St Marys.

Over the next few issues we will print the experiences of a lady who was given the news that she had cancer and how she coped with the lengthy treatment and hopes that her story may give a little support to others in the same situation as herself

Break O'Day Milk Bar

Phone 63 722222
Murray & Keri Webb

CALL IN AND TRY OUR HOME-
MADE

CHICKEN PIES

PASTIES & SAUSAGE ROLLS
Party packs available with notice

Trading Hours

Mon - Fri	7 am - 8 pm
Sat	8 am - 8 pm
Sun	8 am - 7 pm

EAST COAST MULCHING

German Town Road
ST MARYS
Phone 63 722650

- ◆ Boral Gas Agents
- ◆ Weekly Gas deliveries - from Avoca through to St Helens & Bicheno
- ◆ For friendly and prompt service



MOBILE MECHANIC

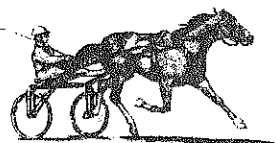
EAST COAST AREA

David Evelyn
20 years experience

Phone: (03) 63722735

Specialising in service, tune up and all mechanical repairs for all makes and models

TROTting HISTORY



ST MARYS TROTting CUP

In 1894, the St Marys Racing Club commenced a tradition by featuring a trot on its New Year's Day programme. This tradition was continued by the St Marys Hack and Trotting Club up to 1916, and from 1917 under the St Marys Trotting Club, the meeting was devoted entirely to harness racing. The main event was run under many different titles with the first St Marys Cup, as such, being won by FORD in 1926.

LOCAL WINNERS

1928	Wisdom	Gordon Lohrey
1929	Direct Lass	Linton Bullock
1930	Direct Lass	Linton Bullock
1932	Kate	owned by Les Rowlings Snr driven by Bert Woods
1934	Coonella Derby	Les Rowlings
1941	Lucky Globe	Linton Bullock
1951	All Velvet	owned by Linton Bullock driven by J Stamford
1954	Cahoo	owned by Lionel Bullock trained by Linton Bullock
1958	South Bend	trained by Lionel Bullock
1959	Betty Lee	bred by Linton Bullock raced by Max Semmens
1970	Whispering Adios	owned by Tony Davis
1972	Beauology	owned by Lionel Dawson
1975	Cham's Girl	owned by Trevor Peters

Redbill Surfshop

Jacqui Drummonds
"REDBILL"

Clothing & Surf Shop

41a Foster Street, Bicheno, Tas 7215
Ph/Fax (03) 63 751717 AH (03) 63751426

SOMETHING FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

FROM OUR SURF SECTION:

Rip Curl, Hot Tuna, Hot Buttered, Reef
Brazil, Bad Boy Bad Girl, Voodoo Dolls,
Headworx, Seven Shores, Balin & Wet
Dreams Surf Accessories, Peak Wetsuits
made by Rip Curl, Surfboards by Bren-
dan Milch

FOR LADIES AND KIDS:

Black Apple, Black Pepper, Black Apple
Plus for ladies with the fuller figure,
Back Stage, R J Honey and Finkee ladies
jeans

CALL IN AND SAY HELLO

Laybys, Credit Card
and over the phone
purchases welcome!



St Marys Visitor Information Net-

Coach House Restaurant

BYO

Andrew & Jackie Wilson
34 Main Street - St Marys
63722529

UHF

TRADING HOURS

Monday	9 am - 6 pm
Tues, Wed)	
Thurs, Sun)	9 am - 10 pm

Wooden toys, Rugs, Framed free-hand sketches

PIZZAS from 5.00 pm Weekdays
3.00 pm Weekends

- Restaurant meals start from \$3.80
- MRS MAC'S famous pies, pastries, sausage rolls
- LARGE RANGE of hot & cold drinks
- Excellent range of cone icecreams
- Cigarettes
- KODAK film available
- FULL RANGE OF TAKEAWAYS
- Bread, Milk, Cream, Hot Spuds
- Soft Serve & Thick Shakes now available

SCAMANDER BEACH SURF SHOP



Stockists of: Ripcurl (Approved Dealer)
Headworks, Voodoo Dolls, Cheetah, Gath, Hot Tuna
Sevenshores, Hot Buttered, Manta, Barz, Optics.
Reef, Gorilla Grip, Balin, Wet Dreams.

*Winter stocks of clothing & wetsuits, boots, shoes,
watches, belts & jewellery. Surfboards, bags &
covers.*

6 Lagoon Esplanade
Scamander Tas 7215

Ph/Fax (03) 63725529

Bankcard/Mastercard/Visa & Laybys welcome

Valley Small Engine & Welding Services

1 Rosegarland Road
ST MARYS

REPAIRS - SERVICE - ACCESSORIES
FOR ALL YOUR
MOWERS - CHAINSAWS - BRUSH-
CUTTERS

* * * *

STEEL FABRICATION
MOBILE WELDING SERVICE
GENERAL WELDING



BH: Phone 63 722322

AH: Michael Herring 63 722583
or Chris Wright 63 722258

Clarks Carpet Care

FROM
\$55
4 ROOMS AND
HALLWAY

Free deodorising, cleansing and germicide
For all domestic and commercial cleaning. Lounge suites, caravans, car
upholstery, etc.

Clark's Carpet Care

Mobile 018 133 456

St Marys

(from our own
correspondent)
17/8/1885

Earth tremors still prevail. We have
had two today, with loud rumbling,
but slight shakings.

Business is very dull.

We have an agent for the insurance of
live stock, which is a very good thing
indeed. All farmers in the breeding
line ought to patronise the society. Mr
L Schier, saddler, is canvassing the
district at present.

It is a pity that the larrikins are al-
lowed to go on with such disgusting
language as was used on Sunday after-
noon on the bridge, especially by the
big boys attending Sunday-school. I
think if groups were moved on by our
police it would help to keep them more
quiet.

There is to be a meeting at the St
Marys Hotel on Saturday evening for
the purpose of forming a football club.

Rene Hidding

MHA

CAN I HELP YOU?

Regularly
visiting
the
Valley!



Phone now for an ap-
pointment

LIBERAL MEMBER FOR LYONS

Lindsay & Diane Harris

Funeral Directors
(D Bailey & Son)

Take advantage of the Pre paid Funeral Plan or we can offer advice to suit your requirements



WITH SINCERE
DIGNITY AND
PERSONALISED
SERVICE

46 Tully Street St Helens
Phone 63761153

Junior Footy Report

The first matches for Junior Footy commenced on Saturday 3 May 1997. Preps and Grade 1 kicked off the dew and the enthusiasm of players was evident from the first bounce. Players found it difficult to break clear because of the constant pressure from opponents and sometimes their own teammates! The Blues were in front at half time but the Foresters came back strongly in the second half to force a draw, following some telling moves by coach David Dawson.

Numbers were down due mainly to Ag Fest and it was agreed to play a combined match with the older boys. The Geelong miners were able to win comfortably due to the Foresters inaccurate kicking. Despite the reduced numbers the kiosk and raffles

were very well supported. Winner of the hair dryer raffle was Miss Emma Spilsbury.

Parents are reminded that the first game this week must commence at 9.00 am sharp to enable all games to finish by 10.15 am before St Marys and Bracknell under 16's begin preparation for their match.

Kid Eager

St Helens Gun Club

Results of the shoot held 20 April 1997

25 target Single Barrel

"AA"	Glen Arnol	25/25
"A"	David Hill	23/25
"B"	Timothy Aulich	28/30
"C"	Charlie Saunders	23/28

50 target State Point Score Championships

"AA"	Glen Arnol	142/150
"A"	John Margison	139/150
"B"	Arthur Woolley	142/150
"C"	Tony Kirkland	133/150

50 target Double Barrel

"AA"	Glen Arnol	50/50
"A"	Colin Fletcher	50/50
"B"	Steve James	48/50
"C"	Dean Weeding	49/50

NEXT SHOOT

SUNDAY 18 MAY

10.00 AM

- Event 1 50 target Skeet
Event 2 25 target Point Score
Event 3 20 pair Deauville Doubles

INAUGURAL SPORTING CLAYS OPENING

SATURDAY 31 MAY 1997

3 Rounds of 25 Targets Sporting Clays
\$10.00 for 2 rds

Free BBQ at completion of competition

St Marys Newsagency

Story Street
ST MARYS
Phone (03) 63 722143

CHECK
OUT
OUR
WIDE
RANGE
OF
MAGAZINES
& VIDEOS

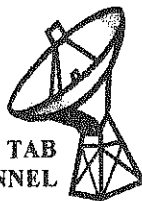
St Marys Hotel

Prop: Greg Seward
03 63722181

OPEN 7 DAYS



TAB
SKY CHANNEL



COUNTER MEALS

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

ST MARYS SPORTS CENTRE

by Kackhander

It is supposed to be rebuilding year for the pennant golf team and another flag might have been considered unlikely given the depth of talent of the other clubs in the competition, well, with perhaps only one more good win in a bit over a fortnight we can sew up the 1997 Pennant.

It's been a stellar year so far by all the team. Led by Dale "Tubby" Ridgers and the genuine highlight - the assimilation of our talented juniors into the side.

Adam Fletcher (undefeated), Sean Fletcher and Scott "Hendrix" Wilson in A Grade and Tristan Clement in A Reserve. They have taken on the composure and dedication of much older players. Coupled with the experienced and long serving players in Chris Davern (undefeated this year), Shan Wilmot, Craig Mitchell, John Miles, Rod McGiveron and our resident back-up Trevor Viney, the side has covered the loss of other players very well.

Last Sunday was evidence of team depth when two, until then undefeated, players missed out on wins yet the other players in lesser form jumped up to get six good wins. Truly a team effort. Dale Ridgers and John Miles played exceptional golf in particular and Chris Davern came from the clouds to win well in the end.

However let's not forget Malahide. They have been decimated by the loss of several very good players in the past couple of years yet they continue to be a very competitive side. Some time in the next few seasons they once again will be right there for another chance and the St Marys team has nothing but admiration for the Malahide Club because they play pennant entirely for the club like I believe St Marys do. Good luck to you Malahide.

In A Reserve a narrow 3-2 win went to St Marys over the determined Malahide team which keeps St Marys still in with a sniff but they must defeat Bicheno on May 25 and hope Bicheno who lead comfortably, lose at least one of their last two games.

All the team of Ian Crothers, Shaun Aulich, Tristan Clement, Andrew "Sparks" Haas and Graham Little will keep giving their all in the hope of bridging the gap before the end of the season.

A good roll up of players were there for the Ladies Championships recently and one of the winners set all sorts of records to win the championship. However I believe this may be provisional, subject to a Special General Meeting outcome on an unrelated matter. So I can't confirm or deny the outright winners as yet. I will hope to do that in the next issue. The special general meeting will be at 7.30 am on Friday 9 May to deal with the matter at hand.

Now to bowls and with the season officially closed work is beginning on the green top-dressing and all persons who might like to have a hand in the work will be gratefully accepted by Col, Pete and Tracker to lighten the load of work.

The EAST COAST DINNER and AGM are approaching soon and St Marys will be well represented there. Of utmost importance of course is the AGM of Bowlers at the club on May 16 at 7.30 pm dealing with all manner of matters, not least with that of encouraging new members to join. ALL BOWLERS and interested other financial members are urged to attend. THIS IS CRITICAL to the future of the club.

St Helens Building & Landscaping Supplies

R & B Hand

NOW IN STOCK

- French's Pine Timbers
- Animal Products
- Plants & Fruit Trees
- Stock Feed
- Koppers Logs
- Fencing Supplies
- Concrete
- Ornaments
- Chaff and all Stock Feed

AGENTS FOR
ROBERTS LTD

22 Quail Street
St Helens

Phone 63 761605

Just to finish I will revert back to competition golf. Still very small numbers on Saturdays for what reason? If you think you know why I'm sure your attendance at an upcoming golf sub-committee meeting would be a good idea. We need more regular players to take part like the Ladies get. Their fields are brilliant and are the envy of the district. Anyway something to think about. Until next time, good hitting and rolling.



DICK ADAMS

Federal ALP Member for Lyons
Chairman of the Federal Opposition
Leader's Regional Task Force

"Fighting for Tasmania
Fighting for regional Australia"

If you would like any information or to express your view
Please contact him on 1800 811 134
PO Box 50, Perth, Tas 7300

Authorised by P Kearney, Killara Ave, Exeter

Footy News

ST MARYS V CRESSY

The U/16's started the day off well again with an easy win against a depleted Cressy side. Although the first quarter was an even affair the lads soon took control and had a six goal lead at half time. Although not threatened for the remainder, the side looked a bit relaxed towards the finish, they ran out comfortable winners.

The Reserves game was a see-sawing affair from the start. With both sides a chance to establish a lead throughout the game Cressy's third quarter set up the win. Although the Tigers opened with the first three goals to draw level, Cressy dominated the latter stages to again kick four goals clear. That was a break the Tigers could not peg back, failing by two goals. A welcome return of Ricky Lohrey and Drew Berwick.

The Seniors was expected to be a close game and it was just that from the first bounce. The kicking for goal our main downfall in the first quarter, the Tigers could manage just one goal seven behinds from many attacking moves, whilst Cressy kicked accurately for four straight majors. An entertaining game to watch and with the side getting 9 points in front with 10 minutes to go, looked on the

way to our first win. This was not meant to be as Cressy kicked two late goals to take the game by eight points. 15.5, 95 to 12.15, 87. Bad kicking, they say, is bad footy, but the team certainly deserved a win. By the look of the faces after the game it showed that the game meant a lot to the players.

ST MARYS V PERTH

The U/16's took to the ground against a much taller opponent, but expected to do well against the strong Perth team. The game was virtually won and lost in the first 15 minutes with Perth booting seven goals to nil. Although the lads tried very hard and restricted their opponents to just three more goals for the game, they could not manage a score for the game. A very wet ground that just got worse as the day went on.

A very depleted Reserves side took to the ground with several relief players and two U/16's filling in for the players who saw fit not to even turn up even though selected. Little do these fellows know how much their actions reflected on the side. Even though well beaten on the day, a herculian effort from the side, which should hold their heads high for their effort. Let's hope to see a few of the other faces back next week.

The Senior game, although one sided was a good contest to watch with most of our attacking moves being cut short at the half forward. General play in the back half was good. With Daniel Morris doing well in his new role in defence, Jason Gilroy put in his best performance this season, Shane Collier and Jack Viney played their usual serviceable games. The overall strength of the Perth team very evident on the day and their top of the table clash with Hagley this week should be full of interest. This week Bracknell at St Marys and our last home game for a month. Let's see you at the ground and supporting the boys on Saturday.

Also included this weekend will be the Mini League games starting at 9.30 am. Give them all your support!

CONGRATULATIONS to Tim & Charlene Mason on their wedding last weekend. Tim was back on the track and training on Tuesday night! Now there's a conscientious player.

A PLAYER MEETING this Thursday after training and hopefully the new jumpers will be available to play in and will be presented Thursday night at 7.30 pm at the sheds.

DID I HEAR a rumour that there is a new assistant coach on the way? A chap by the name of **TOM HAFEY** will take training soon, I'd like to see that Harry!! Watch this space for further details of the **SPORTS FORUM** to follow training. Tables will be limited so be sure to book as soon as tickets become available to save disappointment.



Beetle Night

The Beetles are back

ENJOY AN OLD
FASHIONED
Beetle Night

Friday 16 May

7.30 pm
4 - 6 a table

School annexe
(behind Community Hall)

\$3.00 adults
\$1.00 kids

**ALL THE FAMILY
WELCOME**



RC & RI HARWOOD PLUMBING

- Bathroom & Kitchen Renovations
- Hot & Cold Water Repairs
- Spouting & Roof Repairs
- General Maintenance
- New Homes

24 HOUR SERVICE

7 Frank Street St Marys
Phone 63722445