"USE IT OR LOSE IT" CAN APPLY TO BANKS TOO

This is an often used adage that is usually associated with the encouragement for people to exercise and keep an active and healthy lifestyle.

USE IT OR LOSE IT is particularly true when it comes to businesses in our smaller communities and that includes our banks.

There has been much speculation and doom and gloom about the longterm future or even the immediate survival of the St Marys Trust Bank.

I wonder how many of us who are disturbed by the thought of no bank in the town are perhaps banking elsewhere?

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GILLIES FAMILY ONCE AGAIN VERY INVOLVED IN BILLYCART DAY

St Marys Lions Billycart Derby was held Saturday 22nd November, Tasmania Day weekend.

A hot sunny day brought a good crowd out for this annual event organised by the St Marys Lions Club. There were 36 entries on the day, although many competitors borrowed carts from other "runners". The whole Gillies family were involved in the day, with father Geoffrey, Anthony 14, Matthew 12 and Sandra 5, all racing. Their mother Janine was a great help at the finish line and Geoffrey brought along three fast supercarts as well as two other carts all of which were happily lent to others to race in. Five carts came out from Launceston and one competitor was from Hobart.

Winners on the day were:

Under 7 years: Sandra Gillies 1, Luke Webb 2, Locky Rice 3.

8-12 years Soap Box Division:

Troy Murphy 1, Andrew Goodger 2.

Lauren Quinn 3.

8-12 years Supercart: Matthew Gillies 1, Shane Webb 2, Ryan Warboys 3.

13-17 years Soap Box : Corinna Howard 1, Daniel Smith 2, Lindsay Pennington 3.

13-17 years Supercart:

Anthony Gillies 1, Matthew Millar 2, Lindsay Pennington 3.

Open Supercart:

Day Monday holiday.

Geoffrey Gillies 1, Paul Webb 2, John McDonald 3. All entrants received a trophy from the St Marys Lions Club and a certificate from the State Government with 1st, 2nd and 3rd Trophies presented for each class.

Geoffrey and Janine Gillies donated \$10 to the "Best trier on the day". This was won by Jenny Quinn who had a pretty scary trip down the hill. Next billycart race day is at Bridport on Australia

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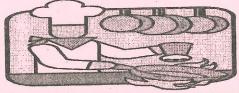
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9	Claire Bean	Debbie Speers
10	M & P Berwick	R. Hoskinson
11	Yvonne Salter	Vicki Woods
12	Frank Turner	Aub Oliver
15	Peter Sykes	Shirleen Woods
16	Pauline Berwick	Raylene Hall
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The rest of the community are not eligible to this Podiatrist. If you are a regular client of Christine's or a new client in need of foot care, please contact either Rona 63722235 or Kathryn at Heath & Beauty 63722172 and state a time most convenient for you.

Please make your booking within the next few days so that Christine is able to confirm a date for February in her very full diary.

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Christmas Eve

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8.00am

Ross

10.00am

Avoca

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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

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Eucharistic Ser 11.00 am 4.00 pm Sunday Mass

THIRD SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens St Marys

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

Sunday Mass

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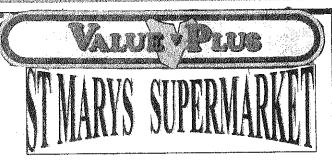
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Presentation Afternoon

WHEN: Chursday December 11, 1997

TIME: 1.30pm

WHERE: St Marys Town Hall

All parents, students and community members are invited to celebrate the success of our students in 1997. Elease do come along.

S.R.C. 1998

Congratulations to:

Jess Baldini Alyssa Morris James Bennet Rebecca Pitt Kate Baldini Conor Miller

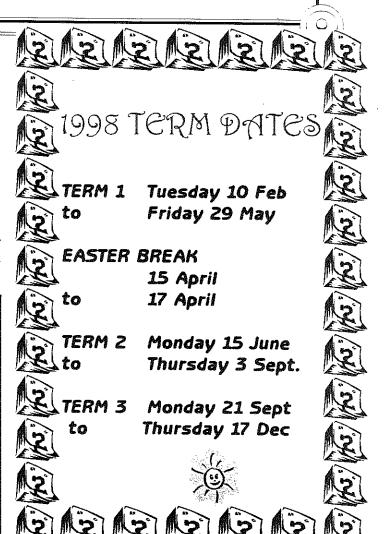
For being elected by students to represent them on our SRC or 98. We look forward to the contribution they will make to St Marys DHS.

WINNER OF THE 1997 EXAMINER NEWSPAPER AND CELEBRATE TASMANIA COMPETITION:

PAUL REDSHAW

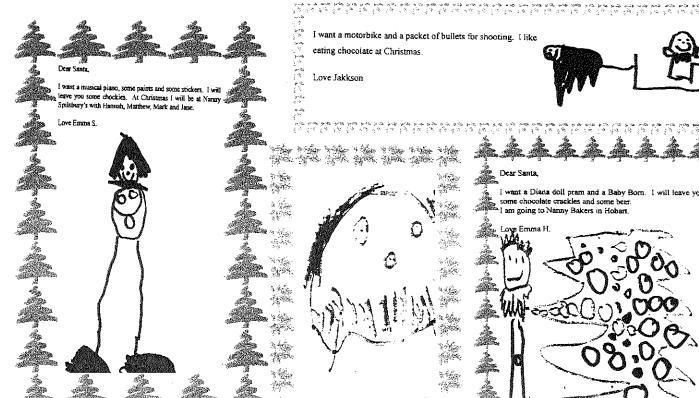
Congratulations to Paul for winning this competition. Paul's entry, which was published on November 24, has earned his family a weekend holiday courtesy of the Inkeepers Corporation.

We are very proud of Paul's efforts. WELL DONE





The children have been compiling their Christmas "wish lists" ready to take to the St Marys Post Office. We are hoping that Santa is generous this year.

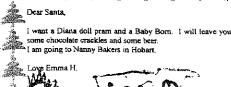


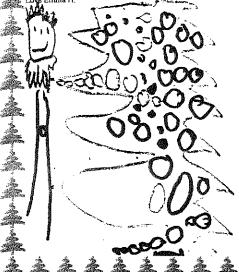
I want a motorbike and a packet of bullets for shooting. I like eating chocolate at Christmas.

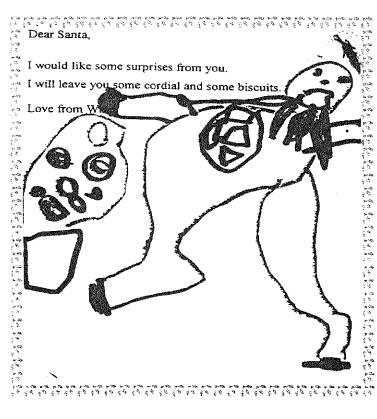
Love Jakkson





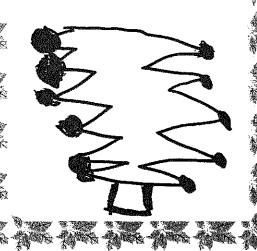






Dear Santa

I would like a dentist Barbie doll and a big bike. Jacob wants a new bike too! I will be at home for Christmas. I will leave out a piece of cake and a drink of milk. Love Hannah.





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DR GENIOLA -ON CALL SAT 20th - SUN 21st

DR de JONGE - MON 22nd DEC RETURNS TO SURGERY

CALL FOR CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR PERIOD

BOTH DOCTORS - MON 22nd, TUES 23rd & WED 24th DR de JONGE - ON CALL - THURS 25th UNTIL SUN 28th BOTH DOCTORS - MON 29th, TUES 30th & WED 31st UNTIL 6PM

DR GENIOLA - WED 31st FROM 6PM UNTIL THURS 1st JAN 1998 UNTIL 6PM

DR de JONGE - THURS 1st JAN FROM 6PM & FRI 2nd JAN 1998.



ANTE NATAL CLASSES

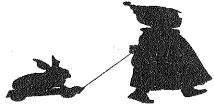
Start up in February. So please ring Patsy Burgess to book in Phone 63722111.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

DEAR SIR,

The St Marys Hospital was opened in 1927 by funds raised by the local community. The Bethume Liberal Government extended and built the new wing and the Gray Liberal Government, due to the persistence of Stephen Salter, built new roads, schools, libraries, bridges and so on , in the Fingal Valley area. So why did the Field Government down grade the St Marys Hospital and why is this Government intent on closing it.

If the hospital was needed in the first place and then expanded surely it is still needed.

Is the minister saying it is better to expend vast sums of money on expanding or building a new hospital at St Helens to cope with the demand or is he saying it is alright to spend huge amounts on transporting patients and their families to the LGH and St Helens, when in fact this hospital has served the Fingal Valley community extremely well for seventy years.

Is it all part of a plan to completely down grade the valley? Why did they move the police headquarters from St Marys?

What has happened to the concern for the individual? If it all comes down to money, why is the government contemplating paying teachers yet more money? I would have thought the good health of all the people was much more important than someones pay increase.

Does anyone care about their fellow man anymore, or is it all just a game?

Paul Ashley JP Chef, St Marys Hospital 1979 to 1987

T.G.1.O.

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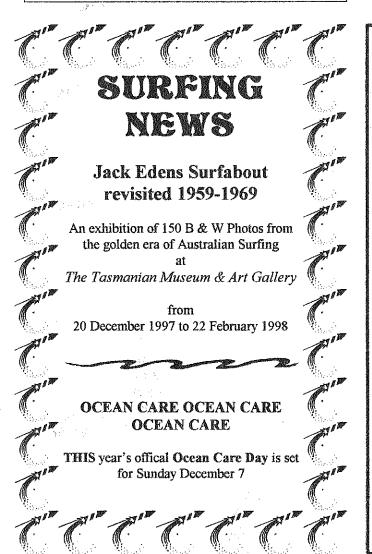
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CD REVIEW-Creedence Clearwater Revival remasters.

As promised last issue we will take an in-depth look at CCR and their re-mastered studio CD's

CD REVIEW - Portishead - "Portishead" This is one very unique CD and I'm sure the pioneering style of Portishead will be imitated in the immediate future by many bands. Beth Gibbons's brilliantly haunting vocals compliment the twisted arrangements perfectly, a lot of the tracks sound like a soundtrack for an old fifties science fiction movie. This CD will not be to everyone's liking and I must admit it took me awhile to get into, but grow on you it does it is so refreshing in style and material. "All Mine" and "Over" are getting airplay at the moment on JJJ and although outstanding tracks, they are indicative of the whole CD.

A Very Clever Debut From UK Band Portishead.

Tom Fogerty started a band in the late fifties called "The Blue Velvets" with his brother John. They struggled through the early sixties playing woodsheds and bar rooms in the San Francisco area. The late sixties saw the brothers Fogerty form another band the "Golliwogs", although they had several single releases and an album their popularity was never prominent due to the low key vocals of Tom Fogerty. 1968 saw the formation of Creedence with Doug Clifford and Stu Cook completing the line up. John Fogerty took over lead vocals and immediately the band gained recognition with his raw style of singing. Shunning psychedelic music as was popular at the time CCR instead kept to the grass roots of rock and roll and rockabilly. Creedence topped the charts from '68-'71 with their unique sounding singles, Tom left in '71 and the band produced only one more album till their final break-up in '72.

Aug 1969

GREEN RIVER

"Green River"

July 1968 SELF TITLED "I put a spell on you"

"Suzie O"

Nov 1969 PENDULUM "Molina"

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BAYOU COUNTRY "Proud Mary" "Born on the Bayou" "Lodi"

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> July 1970 COSMO'S FACTORY

"Heard it Thru the Grapevine" "Lookin' out my back door"

Nov 1969

WILLY & THE POORBOYS "Bad Moon Rising" "Midnight Special"

> "Down on the Corner" "Fortunate Son"

Jan 1971 MARDI GRAS

"Sweet Hitch-hiker"

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CRICKET NEW

On Saturday 22 St Marys met top side St Helens at St Helens. St Marys again won the toss and decided to bat. When Jeff Woods was dismissed without scoring the inevitable happpened and St Marys were bundled out for 57. The only worthwhile partnership was 31 between Dave McCullogh (17) and "Stitches" Lynch (11). The St Helens attack was reportedly quite good however the application of St Marys batsmen was reportedly quite bad. Defending a small total St

Defending a small total St Marys bowling and catching was quite impressive sending four of St Helens best batsmen back to the pavillion before the winning runs were scored. Mike "Wobbly" Kringle moved

the ball both ways taking 2/34 and Wayne Gillies had a great debut for St Marys taking 2/20 off seven overs.

Scores:

St Helens 4/58 defeated St

Marys 57.

After last weeks bye St Marys meets Ringwood at Ringarooma.

Tickets are now available for the Club's Annual Christmas raffle. The Club would like to thank businesses in St Marys, Scamander and Beaumaris for their generosity on once again donating to the raffle.

U/16's

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U/16 cricket continues on Friday afternoon and the Club has now twenty players registered. On Friday 21 November '97 St Marys met Georges Bay at St Helens. The Bay registered a comfortable win scoring 9/144 in reply to St Marys 103. Best partnerships for St Marys were: 38 - Scott Wilson - Sean Fletcher 32 - Scott Wilson - Damon

19 - Damon Nehls - Mark Webster.

Bowling for St Marys
Damon Nehls 2/9, Brock Leedham 1/5, Luke Casboult 1/6,
Kyle Bean 1/18, Kirk Bean
1/25, Sean Fletcher 1/30. In
their match versus St Helens
last Friday St Marys again did
not score enough runs making
6/84 off their 30 overs.
Best partnerships for St Marys:
Sean Fletcher and Damon Nehls
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Sean Fletcher and Drew Wilson

St Helens were 2/86 when stumps were drawn. Sean Fletcher and Damon Nehls were the wicket takers
This weeks game at St Marys High School is against Scamander

OPEN MEETING

To discuss Junior Cricket St Marys Hotel Lounge 8:00 PM Tuesday 9 December

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St Marys Sports Centre News

By Kackhander

Firstly an important reminder.

As of December 1st any member and associate who hasn't paid subscriptions are technically unfinancial, which should proclude them from full use of the facilities. Any golfer or bowler who wishes to play for the club MUST pay immediately or they could risk disqualification of their results.

Reminders will soon be forwarded to those who have as yet not paid.

Membership is \$70

Social membership \$35

Junior membership \$35

Capitation Fees: Bowls \$23, Junior Bowls \$10. Male Golf \$17.50, Female Golf \$15 Junior Golf \$5.

The Club Christmas Dinner and Trophy night

is set down for December 13th. All names must be in by 7th December to allow caterers time to organise. It should be a good night, so come along.

To **Bowls** and first the good news.

After many seasons of waiting an eventual win against Swansea, it finally occured, thanks mainly to a great 21 shot win by Clive Berwick's rink, however none of the other 3 rinks lost by big margins and a bit of luck might have seen more than the actual 8pts forthcoming.

Last weekend a 2-12 loss to St Helens Red has the team under pressure now to stop in the four. This week the club must travel again to St Helens to take on the Blue team. A good result is a must. Chris Davern's rink overcame a slow start to score the two points against Red.

Golf numbers on Saturdays and Sundays are pleasing at the moment for this time of year. New captain Jack Viney is doing a top job and has several good days organised. Some golfers are representing the club in the East Coast Open at Bicheno this weekend and some good efforts are hoped for.

Anyway that's about all this time Good hitting and rolling.

Happily innocent of all golfing lore, Bill watched with interest the efforts of the man in the bunker to play his ball.

At last it rose amid a cloud of sand, hovered in the air and then dropped on the green and rolled into the hole.

"Oh my stars," chuckled Bill, "he'll have a tough time getting out of that one."

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