

# The Valley and East Coast Voice

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## East Coast on the Internet?

Hope is renewed for those on the East Coast and Fingal Valley who are keen to see the creation of jobs for our unemployed. Teletrak talks will resume with the Premier Mr Rundle being presented with an independent consultants report into this proposal.

Councillor Stephen Salter believes that the existing racing industry, who are at present having financial and structural difficulties would strengthen their position if they were to negotiate a deal with Teletrak and therefore assure them of expansion and a long term future.

One particular statement in the STATE GOVERNMENTS DIRECTIONS STATEMENT said **"to make Tasmania a demonstration site showcasing the potential of new technology to transform the economic and social life of regional and more isolated communities"**.

The proposed use of the internet for Teletrak transmission fits in well with the above Directions Statement criteria.

"This statement appears tailor made for the Teletrak proposal. The employment opportunities of Teletrak and associated developments of Teletrak at Chain of Lagoons, maybe the only thing that will halt and reverse the erosion of services in our region", Mr Salter said.



"We should all try in our own way to protect what is ours....."

## St Marys Hospital New Maternity Block Opened

THE MERCURY MONDAY JANUARY 9, 1939

"A new wing of the St Marys Hospital was opened by the Attorney-General (Mr E J Oglivie) on Saturday.

The president (Mr R W Legge) said that during its 10 years of existence the hospital had treated 1,319 patients. The commercial benefit of the hospital to the district was indicated by the fact that provisions cost £210 a year, wood and coal £26, repairs £27, and wages and salaries amounted to £535. The new wing, primarily for maternity cases, had been built during a year in which no appeal had been made to the public. The wing was built with £1000 from the Jubilee Fund, £500 from the Hartnoll Bequest and £400 from the E B Bromley Request. The Government's annual subsidy was £310. If the people of the district contributed more by becoming members the Government would consider allocating a larger grant. The hospital was a district institution and it should be supported by the Fingal and Portland municipalities.

The Attorney-General congratulated the Board members on their achievement. He said a fine community spirit existed at St Marys considering the effects of industrial troubles.

The Director of Public Health (Dr B M Carruthers) said the Hospital was efficiently furnished, and the maternity block was as good as any in the State. Messrs C S F Hood and C F Salter appealed for greater public assistance"

It should be remembered that the service provided by the St Marys District Hospital has been on-going ever since this article first appeared, a period of 58 years!

Our Ambulance is very rare indeed providing free service and operated by a dedicated group of volunteers who give up their time willingly and without discrimination.

We should all try in our own way to protect what is ours, and do what-ever we can to try and ensure these treasures remain, to give assurance to those who work in dangerous industries around us (coal mine, forestry) knowledge that they will have at hand hospital care in case of accident with a trip "JUST DOWN THE ROAD". (sic!)

James R Grose and family, Cornwall, 7215



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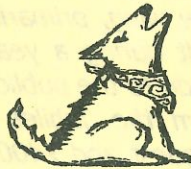
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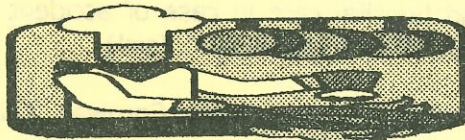
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3	D & S Robinson	Jack Miller
4	Jean Schier	Carol Singline
5	Jill Faulkner	M. Saunders
8	Vanessa Spilsbury	Sue Woods
9	Claire Bean	Janine Burt
10	Kath Read	Ros Smith
11	Shirley Britton	Cheryl Rankin
12	Helen Napier	Joan Lowe



## B & J SPILSBURY

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37 Main Street St Marys 7215

**THANK YOU** to the organisers & those who attended our surprise retirement evening. We were both a bit overwhelmed and can't thank everyone enough.

We would also like to thank all our valued customers and friends for their business during our 33 years at the service station.

Both of us will be taking a wealth of memories with us when we retire on 4th Sept. We hope you will give David & Teri Evelyn your support in their new venture.

Bruce & Judy Spilsbury



# WHAT'S ON

## NATIONAL ALCOHOL & DRUG AWARENESS WEEK

This week is National Alcohol & Drug Awareness Week and is intended to increase the awareness of the misuse of alcohol and drugs in our communities. When used inappropriately and over an extended period of time alcohol, pharmaceutical drugs, illicit drugs and even tea or coffee can lead to effects that we did not intend to have happen. Misuse of alcohol, illicit drugs and pharmaceutical drugs can lead to a decrease in self esteem, problems with communication in relationships, problems with finance and a decrease in your physical and mental health. Help is available through a number of channels. Some of these people include your local Alcohol & Drug worker from Community & Health, the Salvation Army who run a rehabilitation program called the Bridge Program in Hobart, Youth Health Workers and Mental Health workers who visit the area, Neighbourhood Houses in St Helens and Fingal and your local churches.

For more information or assistance Phone M. Bonnitche on 63722771 or 63722292 after hours.

## LEGACY BADGE DAY 1997

Legacy Badge Day is held on the first Friday of September, this year being 5th September.

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St Helens will have badges available at the St Helens Pharmacy.

St Marys badges will be at the Top Shop St Marys. Badges range in price from 50c to \$10.00

## "East Coast Reflections"

10th Annual

## ARTS & CRAFTS EXHIBITION

5th - 8th September

## ST HELENS MEMORIAL HALL

Entries close 15th August 1997

\$500 Art Prize

\$250 Art/Craft Prize

Preview & Official Opening on  
Friday 5th September 1997 at 7.30pm



## ST HELENS POS'M'AGIC CHILDCARE CENTRE

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## ANGLICAN PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF THE NORTHERN MIDLANDS

### FIRST SUNDAY OF MONTH

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

### SECOND SUNDAY OF MONTH

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

### THIRD SUNDAY OF MONTH

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

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

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

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

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

Avoca reverts to 7.00 pm during summer months

## BREAK O'DAY UNITING CHURCH

### FIRST SUNDAY OF MONTH

Scamander	11.00 am
Fingal	9.00 am
St Helens	7.00 pm

### SECOND SUNDAY OF MONTH

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

### THIRD SUNDAY OF MONTH

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

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

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

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	7.00 pm
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## ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST HELENS

### FIRST SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	8.00 am & 10.30 am
St Marys	9.00 am

### SECOND SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	8.00 am & 10.30 am
St Marys	9.00 am
Pyengana	11.00 am

### THIRD SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	8.00 am & 10.30 am
St Marys	9.00 am

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	8.00 am & 10.30 am
St Marys	9.00 am
Pyengana	11.00 am

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

St Helens	8.00 am & 10.30 am
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## SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Hodgman Street  
Scamander

Sabbath School	10.00 am
Divine Service	11.00 am

## VALLEY CHURCH OF THE ROCK

(CRC Church Fingal)

Sunday School	9.30 am
Church Service	10.30 am

For further information contact  
Leigh Casboul (Pastor)  
63741099



## SALVATION ARMY

Main Street  
ST MARYS (RSL HALL)

### SERVICES

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

### EVERYBODY WELCOME

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### THRIFT SHOP

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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

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF MONTH

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

PRIEST: PAUL CONNOLLY  
ST MARYS

# ST MARYS HEALTH & BEAUTY CENTRE

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## MEETING

**ST MARYS & DISTRICT  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

*Thursday 28 August*

*8.00 pm with supper to follow*

*Meeting at the St Marys Hotel*

**ALL INTERESTED PERSONS**

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**ST MARYS**

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# Grade 5/6 Miller / Hunt CREATIVE WRITING

## EXAMINING

*Dreaming of the stars  
Dreaming all night  
Dreaming like the moon  
On summer's night.*

CARLEY NEHLS

## RIDING

*It's a nice day  
For riding fast  
Up on my  
horse  
His name's  
Blast  
Fast as he was  
We finished  
last*

ROHAN BROWN

## EATING

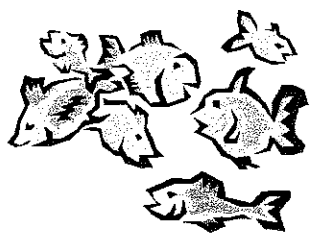
*Cutlery cluttering on plates  
People chewing busily  
Stomachs are filling up  
People clattering away  
Here comes the waitress  
Coming with desserts  
People with sweet tooths  
Burps all around  
People are going home  
They leave behind  
A very messy table.*

CHRISTOPHER GENIOLA

## FISH

*There's fast fish and slow fish  
And stick fish and blow fish.  
There's fat fish and skinny fish  
And spiky fish and finny fish.  
There's dull fish and bright fish  
And heavy fish and light fish.  
There's scaly fish and weedy fish  
And smelly fish and greedy fish.*

*But they're all swimming fish*  
ALEC WILKERSON



## PARENTS & FRIENDS Coming events ...

### BOOK FAIR

WEDNESDAY &  
THURSDAY 8 & 9  
OCTOBER  
11.00AM - 4.00PM  
IN THE SCHOOL  
HALL

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### Jeanne Little

in

*MARLENE a tribute to Dietrich.*

Dinner and show  
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Bookings: 63725419

### BREADUCATE YOUR KIDS

A reminder that Country  
Bake Bread wrappers  
must be returned to  
school office **by the end  
of term 2.** Thank you to  
all who have continued to  
madly collect over the  
last term  
K LAYCOCK



## GRADE 10 MOCK INTERVIEWS

On Thursday, 7th August, most of our grade 10 students participated in a mock interview at the school. To be interviewed by a panel of 3 or 4 adults can be a daunting experience for us all.

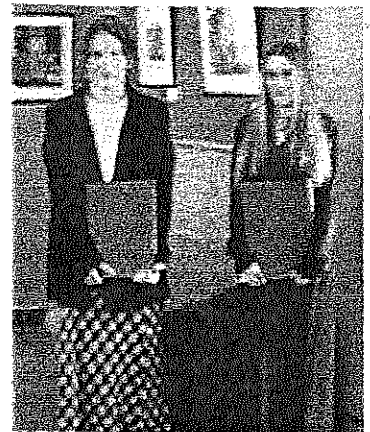
Once again the students presented themselves in an extremely mature and outstanding manner. Fantastic effort on their part!!

I would like to thank parents for supporting this exercise i.e. ensuring appropriate attire, help in preparing letters of application, resume, etc. The experience gained from these mock interviews goes a long way in helping young people prepare for a successful working life in the future.

A special thank you to those members of the community who generously gave their time and professional assistance to take part in this years mock interviews.

KATHRYN LAWSON

HOME/SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER





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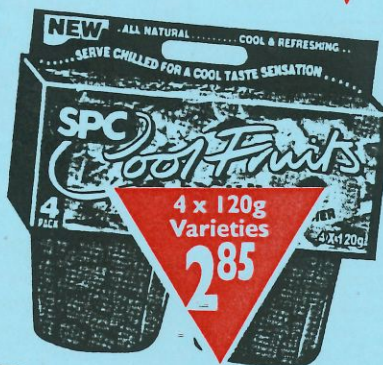
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# FINGAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

## **PRINCIPALS REPORT**

**WALKATHON** This was very successful with over \$3000-00 being raised. I was particularly pleased with the involvement of the Community and the positive publicity the school received.

**PATSY BURGESS** This Wednesday, 27th August, will be Patsy's last visit. I congratulate Patsy on a wonderful effort.

**CROSS COUNTRY** The event went well. The distances were extended to ensure pupils from this school cope adequately with Mathinna. Training has already commenced. The team was chosen according to who could cope with the distance and competition at Mathinna, Grades 3-6 on Tuesday, September 2nd. On Friday the team will travel to Mathinna and run around the course.

**COUNTRY GOLD** The Carnivals were successful. Our hockey teams were undefeated and the footballers and netballers came 4th out of six teams and were highly competitive.

**ABORIGINAL STUDIES** Three representatives from Aboriginal Education visited us last week. They left materials with us and are fully prepared to lead Staff Development on Aboriginal studies if desired.

**PARENT/TEACHER** These were conducted on Monday 25th, with staff only asking to see several parents from each class.

**GRAHAM HARRINGTON** Graham Harrington, the Deputy Secretary of Education, will visit us on Thursday, with Elizabeth Daly and Judy Pill.

**HOSPITAL** The Parents and Friends are urged to write a letter to the Minister of Health about the hospital closure.

**ASSEMBLY & NEWSLETTER** Both of these have been deferred until the last week of school.

**PRINCIPAL'S POSITION** Although some positions have been advertised, Fingal has not yet hit the lists.

Barry LeFevre  
A/PRINCIPAL

## **MEALS ON WHEELS**

We have been invited to participate in a special Meals on Wheels Day on September 3rd.

We have accepted and some children will help with meals and also will be cooking biscuits for the recipients.

## **LIBRARY**

The development of the Library is up and running. Russell Harwood will be building and installing new shelving during the holidays.



# MY GOALS

I have got several goals in life. One of my short term goals is to finish about 15th in the Cross Country in Griffin Park next week. I hope to get this as I finished 28th last year. My other short term goal is to write neater, as I have messy writing.

In the Year 2000 I aim to go to the Sydney Olympics with my mother.

My only other goal within the next 10 years is to go to University when I am 18. I will study technology and quantum mechanics.

I have got 4 goals while I am in my 20's.

One of them is to get a job as a scientist.

In the same year I hope to start building a house.

The next year I hope to get a car. The car will have a V6 engine with driver and passenger airbags and 5 seats.

When I am 27 I shall tour the world, going east to west.

Just before I am 30 I will go to London and I will see landmarks like Big Ben and the Thames River.

Two years later I shall tour Australia. I will go to places like the Melbourne Zoo and the Sydney Opera House.

Soon after I will get married. I will have two children over the next couple of years.

About 25 years later I shall retire with a superannuation of about \$200,000-00 to keep me alive for another 30 years.

When I die my superannuation will be halved and given to my children.

**Christopher Lowe - Grade 4**

**(Brilliant)**



## WALKATHON

As mentioned before, absolutely fantastic effort by students, parents and community. Appreciation goes to the following sponsors for their superb generosity.

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# TASMANIA DAY CELEBRATIONS

While we are all feeling a little shell shocked to say the least and are probably not in the right frame of mind to think of Tasmania Day celebrations at the moment one can't help but reflect on what a good day we had last year.

This year, more so than in the past we need to make it St Marys Day and have a really great day to let the powers to be know that we are here to stay and have a community which can rise above what ever they hand out to us.

Talks have taken place between the Lions Club, Land Care, SMACD inc and the Football Club, we all feel that we can work together and make this years celebration something special.

We now invite all community groups or businesses to become involved in one way or another.

The Billy Cart Derby is well established and will be held on Saturday the 22nd of November, Land Care will once again hold their **craft show** and SMACD will have a **bumper market** once again. There are plenty of opportunities for others to become involved. Some ideas which have been put forward;

- Battle of the local bands
- Community Barbecue
- Face painting
- Jumping castle
- Novelty events for little ones
- Pie eating contest
- Chocolate wheel
- Street theatre etc.

Should you want to take on a project, that would be your only responsibility for the day. The only requirement would be that your project be coordinated with the rest of the events so that each gets maximum participation. This would probably require one or two get togethers with representatives from each group prior to the day.

If you would like to become involved please contact Bruce Spilsbury, Ruth or John McGiveron or myself before the end of August as all events need to be registered with the Tasmania Day committee early in September.

**DON'T FORGET THE COMMUNITY  
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## **"UNITED WE STAND - DIVIDED WE FALL"**

By Rodney McGiveron

Without doubt by now all would be aware of the unbelievable. This is of course the imminent closure of the St Marys District Hospital on September 26th.

Despite a truly magnificent and protracted fight by all those comprising the Hospital Support Group, a select committee Legislative Council Inquiry involving 82 testimonies plus submissions and countless heartfelt requests from the public. The Health Minister Peter McKay seems hell-bent on sanctioning this ridiculous decision. Together with the Mayor Mr Bob Legge, Health forum delegate Mr Stephen Salter, Legislative Council stalwarts Mr George Shaw and Mr Colin Rattray, local M.H.A.'s David Llewellyn, Michael Polley and Liberal candidate Russell Anderson, the Support Group Executive candidates Len Miles, Cheryl Hendley, Rona Gatty, Dr Ian Naidoo and Doris Bullock with over sixty financial members help can be very proud of their efforts. They can hold their heads high whatever the outcome, for a job well done.

This decision is at odds with various recommendations forthcoming on this issue in recent years.

These parties surely must have an intimate knowledge of our needs and requirements in the area, yet the Health Ministry have treated them with utter contempt, with callous insincery and with little respect for our elderly citizens most of whom have made major contributions to the hospital viability for seven decades.

Let's face it this hospital is much more than just a hospital. It is a haven and security blanket for our citizens. It is a life line and a monitoring station every day of the year for all who need constant attention in a controlled environment. The hospital is not a luxury, it is a basic necessity for all of us.

Let us be totally blunt, about the issue.

St Marys and the Fingal Valley is now in crisis and this test of resolve regarding the removal of a basic right to full health services is the most serious we can suffer, perhaps ever.

As a community we MUST now vent our complete disapproval to the State Government in the strongest possible terms. We MUST never let it be forgotten or forgiven through the bureaucrats and treasury.

Additionally we MUST unbendingly rally around the Hospital Support Group and be prepared to sacrifice some time and effort to fight this abominable situation right to the last with them.

We must also all contemplate a future without the 24 hour hospital and almost certainly and ultimately without resident doctors as has been recently documented. Imagine not having a good General Practitioner easily available like it is now because of the eventual ramifications of the closure. Another matter on similar lines is that of the faithful staff up there. This must be a debilitating time for them, perhaps for most they will be forced, at best, to seek and gain transfers elsewhere and at worst made redundant or unemployed.

What about the community economy that will be once again bashed over the head and left to fend for itself by the political rationalists and treasury officials more interested in saving dollars rather than lives. Makes your wonder that perhaps they need urgent surgery themselves because it's patently obvious a heart transplant is needed. No heart at all seems to exist at the moment, well perhaps a cold one.

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**LEAD LIGHTING** On the weekend of 18th and 19th of October. Maximum of 8 for this course. Make a window or lamp shade over the weekend that you will be pleased with. Costs are yet to be advised but will probably be in the region of \$100.00 per person.

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# Slap Shot

The Valley & East Coast Voice

## ST MARYS INDOOR HOCKEY NEWS

Well the time is finally here and the finals are in full swing. The two semi finals played on Tuesday night although being disappointing in some ways, turned out to be of a high standard. The finals setup this year leaves a lot to be desired with a rather drastic change to the structure of how the games are played and who gets a second chance etc. These changes have left a few players feeling less than happy with the committee and the running of the Association. All in all it should be a very good final next Tuesday with Avoca taking on the Shadows at the Gym so if you can get along and want to see a fast paced, exciting game of hockey played by two top teams BE THERE! 7.30pm Tuesday

**MATCH REPORT - Us5 vs Shadows** This semi final looked as if it was shaping up to be quite an exciting and aggressive affair with the clash between Howard Jones (Us5) and Shaun Aulich (Shadows) promising to be a fiery one but things didn't erupt, whether for better or worse. Us5 seemed to lack spark in their game and Shadows capitalised on this by playing their brand of full on no holds barred hockey. The goals slowly started adding on to the Shadows tally after half time. Phil Childs, the Us5 goalkeeper was getting frustrated by letting the goals by the Aulich brothers get by him. Best players on the night were Amanda Walker with a great backline effort for Us5, Phil Childs who had his work cut out for him in goals, the Aulich brothers Shaun & Matt for absolutely drilling the nets for the majority of the game (Shadows) and Clinton Lawler whose best year is yet to come for Shadows. **Final score Us5 1 Shadows 3**

**MATCH REPORT - PANTHERS VS AVOCA** Talk about two teams evenly matched on the night and these are the Panthers and Avoca. The game was fast, aggressive and skillful with both teams not letting the pressure of the semis get them heated or distracted. First blood to the Panthers determined front line who kept the pressure on Avoca goalkeeper Mary Targett all game. A shot by Tristan Clement deemed a goal, saw Avoca even the score. Avoca seemed to tire a little in the second half with several players not chasing as hard as in the beginning. Final scores were 2 all with time on of 5 minutes extra each end called. When this couldn't split them we were treated to the age old penalty shootout to try and decide the winner. This tired old rule really is no way to decide the result of such an important game and hopefully we won't see it emerge in the final. Full marks to Avoca goalkeeper Mary Targett for a great result in the shootout. Other good efforts from Mark Tate (Avoca), Tony Buchanan and a brilliant game as usual from Keith Gillies (Panthers). Avoca meet Shadows in the finals next week.

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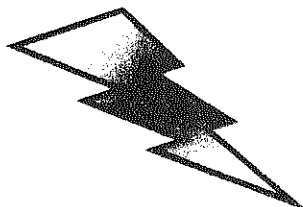
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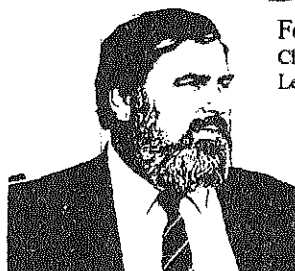
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# St Marys Football Club

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Although the '97 season in general has been somewhat of a struggle for the re-formed St Marys Tigers, the committee and supporters of the club have realised that their initial goals have more than been reached, in the fact that football again is being played for the St Marys township. The club is proud of the fact that the Reserves and U/16's represented us in the final series. With Mark Rowlings at the helm, the Reserves have come through an up and down season to finish strongly to clinch fifth spot, a win away from home at Bracknell a late season highlight, where the side came from an almost impossible position to win.

The U/16's coached by Scott "Chook" Bean and ably assisted by Craig Smith went through a mid season slump and looked in danger of missing the finals, but a late season rally saw the team in fourth spot and the club's future seems assured with the multitude of talent in the Junior ranks. To our supporters, our heartiest thanks this season. It would have been easy for them to drop off in numbers given the circumstances, but in true Tiger spirit, they too have stuck with their teams and are now looking forward to a much improved '98 season. To the players who have worn the Tiger jumper this season, congratulations for their endeavours, we owe all of you so much.

Our final thanks to Scott Frankcombe as the senior coach throughout a very trying season. Although the side did not taste the success Scott and the club would have liked, we hope that he and his family will realise that it is only the stepping stone for this club's future. Without this start there would not be a future. We have no doubt that we can all look forward to a much improved showing next season. We have passed the first stage in our three year plan, so watch out for the Tigers in 1998.

Kevin Faulkner



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## Junior Footy

Matches were played at Bicheno last Saturday in fine conditions.

In Prep/Ones the Baby Blues continued on their winning way with a two point win. It was great to have Levi Casboults back for the Machine.

**Scores:**

Baby Blues: 4.5 - 29 defeated Green Machine 4.3 - 27.

**Goals:** Babys: Luke Webb 2, Joe McGee 2  
Machine: Levi Casboults 3, Madeline McGee 1.

In 2/3's the Greenies had a four goal win over the Forresters

**Scores:**

Greenies: 8.5 - 53 defeated Forresters 4.6 - 30

**Goals:** Greenies: Richard Howe 4, Blake Faulkner, Ben Miller, Leigh Gillies and Billy Singline all one each. Forresters: Brody Stuart 2, Brock Leedham 2

**4/5/6**

Miners 13.5 - 83 defeated Forresters 6.1 - 37

On Saturday 16 August 1997 a night at the Casino was arranged. It was a very enjoyable evening for all who attended. One lucky punter had an excellent result, however his wife put a damper on things by giving it all back to the Casino. The highlight of the night was undoubtedly President Kim Howe winning one dollar.

The final round of matches will be held this Friday night under lights at the St Marys oval commencing at 5.30 pm. Organisers are hoping for as big a crowd as in last year's event. BBQ facilities will be operating and participating footballers will receive free food from the barbie. Bar facilities will also be available. **KID EAGER**

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## Tennis News

### ST MARYS TENNIS CLUB

Annual General Meeting  
tonight - Thursday 28 August  
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at Clubrooms

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# St Marys Sports Centre News

It's been a little quiet around the club for the last few weeks but at least we've had a couple of rains falling on the course and the bowls green to help things along.

The bowls green is looking very good for this time of year and promises to bowl well early. Thanks must go to the greenkeeper, Glenn Hazelwood and particularly to new green manager Tony Blake. Well done fellas.

Also deserving a special mention for dedication to duty is Tony again who with course manager and Club President Rod Spilsbury, managed to get the golf course fairways superphosphated and harrowed. This was well worth doing and all will benefit from their work. Rod's golf form of late hasn't been too shabby either and congratulations must surely go to him by way of his victory in the Spilsbury Trophy which is run by Toby and Keith in remembrance of brother Tony from quite a long time back. It's great to see a family member triumphant in such an important long running club event. Well done Rod. Also playing well recently is Umesh Pratap who nearly recorded his best round last week.

Glenn Smith missed out on the Spilsbury Trophy on countback and his driver is working well for him.

Associates Captain May Cook also reports continuing good fields lately but requests anyone who wishes to make the end of year trip to contact her or the

club very soon to be sure of a place.

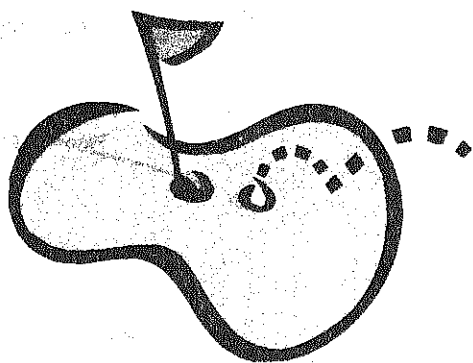
**Now for bowls news.** Unfortunately the ladies section of the club find it impossible to field a side again in Pennant this year due to a variety of circumstances. This is a sad situation. It's a little brighter for the men but several more bowlers would be a huge advantage for the club.

It's hoped that it will be possible to start rolling early September on the green so that everyone is playing well on Opening Day on September 28. Pennant commences a week or so later. Now to the important matter of the club Annual General Meeting on September 19. If you wish to stand for positions or you have input into the running of the club in these tough times please make yourself available for that Friday night in a few weeks.

Finally members are requested to put their names on the sheet provided by 31 August for the 1997 Club Championship first round draw. Anyone who hasn't put up their name will be

eligible to play in all events relevant to their grade but we would like a pre-event draw published for the first day. Any player not on sheet

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# TIGER TIME - Football News

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## ELIMINATION FINAL U/16's

After losing the toss and kicking against the wind in the first quarter, it was evident from the beginning that the side would have to play at their very best, as some astonishing umpiring decisions went against us early. The first quarter ended with us 5 goals down and one free kick to nine, not helping our cause. Although the boys played well in the second quarter, they failed to capitalise on their time with wind, Evandale completely blocking the avenue to goal by not having a single player past the centre, a tactic that worked to their advantage in the finish. A very close, hard third quarter saw the boys hold the opposition to just one goal and leave us with a real chance to run over the top of Evandale in the last quarter. Evandale's straight kicking proving invaluable at the final siren, scoring 6 goals straight to 4 goals seven. A great effort by Scott, Craig and all the boys, a credit to themselves and the club. A pity we could not go further but no one could have asked a side to do any more.

The Reserves game against Westbury was to be another close game on paper, but the Club could not predict the incidents of the previous day, when rules changed by the Association at its first meeting ruled out three players. We took to the ground with a full side thanks to fellows like Dean Squires who gave up a days wage and travelled from Bridport to help out and Corey Chesshire who had been named as an emergency. Again we were to lose the vital toss of the coin and had to kick against a very strong wind. The first quarter seemed to go forever, at the end we were seven goals down, but had not played that poorly. Some kicks from both sides into the wind came straight back at you, so strong were the gusts. The

side had a fairly ordinary second quarter, only managing four goals four from numerous efforts. We still faced a three goal deficit at half time. Although the defence played well in the third term, Westbury managed five more goals to be fifty points up at the last change. This proved too big of a lead as the Tigers came home strongly but could not bridge the gap, going down 12 goals to 9 goals 9 behinds. Once again a fantastic effort by Turbo and the boys, but a season of missed opportunities in a sense, as the St Marys side could have been much stronger with better commitment from those who went by the wayside during the season. To those who played in the final, a great effort and one you should all be proud of.

**Footy Tipping still going and the JACKPOT at the moment is \$90.00 so get your forms from Les & Heather's or the Hotel. Last 2 weeks winners Lyn Brown and Smokey Dawson.**

There will be a trial of **POINTS MARGIN TICKETS** on the AFL finals series. \$2 a ticket with \$80 first prize and ten dollars for the ticket either side of the winner in the nominated game. AFL grand final day will see points tickets at \$5 with first prize \$200 and \$25 to the ticket either side.

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