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Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes for the coming year

The Valley Voice would like to thank all readers and contributors and particularly the businesses who advertise in this paper, their support and continued loyalty is sincerely recognised.

A special mention to Ole Tige, Kackhander and 'Ole Snake Eyes and more recently, Pres. Pete, for their regular (often deadline!) contributions.

Thankyou to the many people who have supported our principles on community issues. This is the final issue for 1998. Look forward to being back in print on February 12th 1999.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS



Community gather for Carols by Candlelight

The St Marys Carols by Candlelight last Sunday and compered by Mr Ron Sumner was very well attended.

Despite the threatening weather, a crowd of over 100 sang their hearts out. Much appreciated were the 'Three Tenors', David, Henry and Clive, along with Rebecca Cooke and Jenny Brown, who led the singing with the occasional input from a nearby 'singing dog'.

Thanks go to the following: Ross and Sue Quinn for the use of the site and power, Don Ives on keyboard, the Cornelius family for microphone, amplifier and mixer, and Hannah and Ester Rubenach for their tambourine item.

Also thankyou to Rebecca Hendley and Health Centre Staff for printing of Carol books, Wendy Aulich and Len Miles, the Verse readers and of course the people whose attendance made the night so enjoyable.

Many people commented on the good feeling they had on leaving the Carols.

Smoke Detectors - a Lions Club Project

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ST MARYS CHRISTMAS PARADE:



Programme for parade inside paper. Special appreciation for the spon-Aurora sorship of \$250 from AURORA EN-ERGY and \$200 from SMACD.

It is nice to see the businesses and individuals getting whole heartedly behind our parade, so many decorations around the town. A great effort and despite the happenings over previous months let us not lose sight of, nor forget what this time of the year is about.

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In Australia we develop prematurely aged skin much earlier than people living in cooler or less sunny climates and we have the highest incidence of skin cancer in the world.

Although your skin has it's own natural defense mechanism (a tan) it is not enough to prevent the sun's rays from causing problems ranging from mild sunburn and prematurely dry, wrinkled or aged skin to more serious conditions such as skin cancer. There is no such thing as a safe tan. If you have a tan you have damaged your skin.

So what is skin cancer?

Skin cancers are related to excessive exposure to sunlight. Ultraviolet light can damage DNA (the nucleus of cells) and change the cells genetic material. The type that occurs most frequently is basal cell carcinoma, which spreads only locally and not to other parts of the body. Squamous cell carcinoma and the malignent melanoma are more dangerous. Skin cancers may be treated by excising, radiation or cryotherapy (freezing). The major signs of skin cancer are lumps, bumps, sores and spots that change in size, shape or colour.

If you notice any changes in your skin please see your doctor. The 10 commandments of skin care.

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- Wear a hat and a broad spectrum 15+ sunscreen on all exposed areas.
- ≈ Apply Sunscreen 30 mins before sun exposure.
- ≈ Re-apply at least every 2 hours.
- ≈ Explain the necessity of sun protection to your children.
- ≈ Surface such as sand, water, snow and concrete can reflect the sun's rays.
- ≈ Apply Sunscreen/protect yourself on cloudy, hazy days too.
- ≈ Outdoor sport lovers are particularly at risk of sun damage.
- ≈ When skiing or mountain climbing protect your skin.
- ≈ Don't just wear Sunscreen in the summer, the sun shines all year round.

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Countless shopping trips for the right dress, shoes, handbag, jewellery and visits to the hairdresser for

practice days had all prepared the night which had finally arrived.

Spending the day working on every little detail, he didn't have much time for anything else. Face, hair and nails required utmost attention. Everything had to be perfect. She nervously but excitedly made her way to the hair dresser where she sat, oblivious to the pulling, tugging and spraying of her hair. Coming back home she, on a high already, starts getting dressed. The precious dress safely guarded by the cover comes out. Although she tried on the dress many times before this was the ultimate. After carefully slipping into the dress, she then assembled the jewellery with the help and guid-

ance of her female companion.

Touching up the details of her make up she was finally ready a hour before time. As she stepped out of the room she was oohed and aahed by admiring spectators in the loungeroom.

That was when the photos began.

She smiled and laughed and changed positions.

Each family member had to have a photo taken with her, she was told it was time to go. Taking deep breaths she waved goodbye to the family members as she met her date and after thanking him for the flowers made her way into the sensational car.

Shivering more out of excitement than cold she nervously chatted to the passengers in the car.

As they came closer to the venue she became more and more excited.

When the car reached the driveway of the Beach Resort she thought she didn't want to go through with it but the other (and larger) part was dying to be there.

The car pulled up right in the centre of where everyone had gathered.

Taking deep breaths she tried to prepare herself for what was to come.

Waiting as her date opened the door for her she was overwhelmed.

The flashes of the camera, comments of how beautiful she looked and video cameras focussing on her she really felt like a movie

She felt like a beautiful actress making her way into the logies and realising that this was as close as she'd get.

She made the most of it.

Countless thank you's on her behalf and trying to smile to each

person taking her photo she began to feel a little embarrassed.

Making her way to her friends she was again showered with compliments.

Eyeing everyone's dresses and telling everyone how gorgeous they looked only lasts for a few minutes as they were directed on how and where to stand for more pictures.

She looked around and saw all the boys all dressed up and looking equally gorgeous, only it didn't take them the whole day to get "dolled up" like the girls.

When everyone arrived they were directed inside where slowly they climbed down from the climax and very slowly began to melt back into their normal atmosphere.

As the evening progressed she became more and more relaxed.

Chatting with friends and teachers she began to feel like her normal self again.

As the time for dancing approached she made her way to the dance floor and began dancing, savouring each special moment with all her classmates as this was the last school function where they would all be together.

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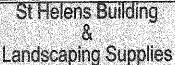
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

After recently reading certain letters in the Valley Voice about community involvement and good spirit in our town of St Marys I have decided to write this letter today in relation to our tennis club and its membership.

I have been a member of our tennis club for about 15 years. Playing pennant, Championships and just for the fun of it. This year on December 1st I went to pay my membership to the club of \$20 at the St Marys Health & Beauty Centre, but I was told that I was too late to pay it and that my money would not be accepted to play in the club Championships.

At the time on the club notice board it said fees had to be paid by the 1st December which to me means that I had until midnight on December 1st to pay it. I felt very disappointed about not being able to play but I was prepared to accept it until later on that evening I had a visit from another tennis player who told me that he had paid his membership on the same day as I had tried to and his money was accepted.

To me I thought that St Marys Tennis Club should be after all the members it could get and encourage people to join.

Now I have very strong disillusions about the tennis club and how some people can be treated more fairly than others.

It seems very unfair that I could be a life member of St Marys Football Club and not be wanted to play tennis with the tennis club

Perhaps the rules differ for each person. Scott Bean

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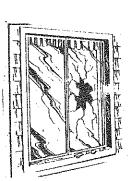
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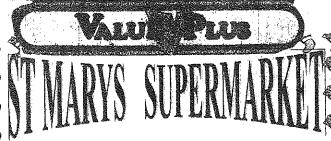
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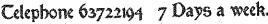
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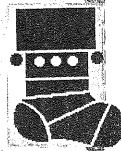
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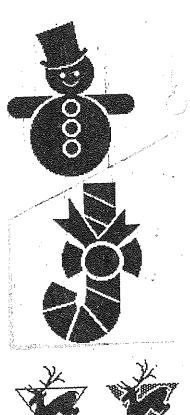
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***** Must Hear/See

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VIDEO REVIEW— "The Wedding Singer" Starring Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore. Set in 1985 it is the story of Robbie Hart who is an exlead singer of Local rock band who these days happily finds himself a living being a Wedding Singer. Robbie who enjoyed singing so much at other peoples weddings longed to be married himself, but unfortunately his big day arrives and his bride is no where to be found. His friends Include the local chauffer and waitresses Holly and Julia Sulivan (played by Drew Barrymore) help him get over his tragedy. Adam Sandler puts in a good performance as Robbie and Barrymore plays the soon to be married Julia in a likeable fashion. "The Wedding Singer" will not go down as one of the great acting movies of the 90's but it is a lot of fun with a plot you can see coming a mile away, an absolutely brilliant 80's soundtrack and a cameo by none other than 80's icon Billy Idol. ****

CD REVIEW - Hole "Celebrity Skin"

Courtney Love and her band are back with another hard hitting CD. Featuring the title track as well as new single "Malibu" which both are receiving heaps of airplay. The album unfortunately sounds a little sammie and lack lustre. Production is excellent with "Celebrity Skin" the track absolutely jumping out the speakers. Maybe after a few more listens it may sound better. Average listening***

CD REVIEW – Rob Zombie "Hellbilly Deluxe" This is the second Rob Zombie solo CD the first being based on a soundtrack to the movie "Psycho". Renowned for his excellent tongue in cheek demonic rock work with White Zombie, Rob pulls no punches with this brilliantly refreshing metal CD. From first listening it grabs you with clever sampling from old cult horror movies and riffs second to none. The musician ship as with the White Zombie albums is first class, the songs are varied and quite often humorous in a black comedy way stand out tracks are "Dragula", "Living Dead Girl" and "Superbeast", although there isn't a had track on the entire CD. Also the art work is some of the best I've seen in years. An absolute must****

CD REVIEW - ARKARNA "Fresh Meat"

Arkarna hail from London England and "Fresh Meat", what attracted me to this CD were the tracks getting plenty of airplay "The future's overrated" and "Eat Me", both excellent pop tunes. The album is a blend of British break beats and catchy riffs similar to a lot of other bands in the charts at the moment. "Fresh Meat" gets better with every listen, clever and fresh so unlike a lot of reviews I've recently read on it. "House on fire" opens the CD and the last track "R U Ready" a nine minute dance epic has a bonus acoustic version of "House on Fire" tagged on to the end of it. There will no doubt be more radio tracks lifted from this CD as it has a wealth of pop tunes to choose from.

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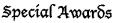






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Jenny Brown

Enterprise Award (Donated by Colin Rattray 2014)

Jason Haberle

Service to The School (Donated by Michael Polley)

Alyssa Morris

Award for Perseverence (Donated By Dick Adams MGA)

Felicity Death

Citizenship (Donated by Mr R W Legge)

Matthew Viney

Caltex All Rounder (Donated by Caltex)

Neysa Cannon

Mashuatec Students of The Year (Donated by Mashuatec)

Chonnipha Smart

David Byard

Principal's Award

Emma Tamiaans

Dux of The School (Donated by 6 & W Aulich)

Upasna Pratap

Blair Adamczewski

Grade 11/12 Awards (Donated by Lions Club of 5t Marys) MERIT

Matthew Harris

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Adam Fletcher

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Congratulations to the 1998 prize winners.

The staff and students of St Marys District High School wish the readers of The Valley Voice a safe and happy Christmas.











1998 Príze List

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Runner Up

Grade 3

Rebekah Webb

Grade 3/4

Laura Cornelius

Grade 4

Daniel Mason

Grade 5/6M

Hannah Cooke

Ryan Stuart

(gr5)

Nana Bean

Alira Aulich

(gr6)

• Grade 5/6 F/W Robert Brown

Melanie Synnott

(gr5)

Bryce Mullan

(gr6)

• Academic Achievement Awards

Winner

Runner Up

Grade 3

Adrian Parsons

Grade 3/4

Melissa Burns

Grade 4

Tobias Brucksch-Domanski

Grade 5/6M

Frances Taylor

Grace Keath

(gr5)

Hannah Gunson

Micala Witton

(gr6)

Grade 5/6F/W

Isabella Burbury

Otis Howard Kayla Brown (gr5)

Clementine Kanagaratnam

Francis Louis (gr6)

Citizenship Award

Grade 6

Tiana Bean

Outstanding Physical Education Achievements

Grade 5/6

Ryan Stuart Hannah Gunson

Hannah Cooke

Physical Education and Sportsperson of The Year

• Grade 6

Joshua Cooke

Merit Awards

Grave 7 Alex Hortle Nicholas Welsh

Rohan Brown

Nicole Coleman

Jonathon Welsh

Penny Byard

Grabe 8 Brett Davey Katie Miller Jacqui Haas Touise Brown

Adam Viney

Jody Cannon

Grade 9 Joshua Poole Corinna Howard Alesha Webb Clinton Woods

Tyson Ward

Academic Avhievement Awards

Grade 7

Kaylee Nash Jacqui Evelyn

Ilya Brucksch-Domanski

Roland Keath Rebecca Miller

Stephanie Pastula-Ramadier

Бтабе 8

Robyn Gunson Cassandra Harwood Natasha Stewart Jauren Bennett

Azrielle Andrews

Grade 9 D'arne Brown

Niekia Denholm Celeste Miller Romany Witton

Racheal Casboult Joanne Cohen









FINGAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

18th December, 1998

SCHOOL REPORT

As reported by the students of Fingal Primary School "In Term 1 we enjoyed attending St. Marys school fair. In Term 2 we had our fair. It was a great success.

Halfway through the 2nd Term, Skye Jilly Edwards, a model, and Mrs. Bridget Joscelyne ,from the Tasmanian Institute of Sport ,came to talk to our class about eating properly and staying fit.

At the end of Term 2 we went to Aberfoyle to plant trees. We planted about 300 trees and you can see them from the road.

Last week we had a Book Fair and because of the many sales we received free books for the school library.

Also last week John Alford, the Drug Education Officer came and talked to us about medicinal and harmful drugs.

Just yesterday, Mr. Casboult came and talked to us about Bike Safety. These are just a few happenings, but as you can see, we are a very busy school." **Danielle Bates**

"On the 6th March, Grades 4/5/6 went on a weeks trip to Hobart. We stayed at the Pines Resort and everyone enjoyed it there. We visited Parliament House, the Aquatic Centre, the Antarctic Centre, the Botanical Gardens, Port Arthur, Derwent Entertainment Centre, Hobart Cinema and Richmond. We had a great time and gained a lot of knowledge by visiting these places. We hope there will be enough funds to take us on another excursion next year." Laura Woods

"At the beginning of second term Michael Hall, Mitchell Freeman, Courtney Stewart, Melissa Casboult, Gregory Barnes, Ben Miller, Adrian Speers and myself started a newspaper to enter in the Sharpe and Fowler newspaper competition. We worked with Mrs. Rowlands on it and it took us two months of hard work to finish it.

To our surprise we found out we had won a prize in the competition. When our group, together with our parents, went to Launceston to the presentation we discovered that we had won first prize in the primary section.

We all met at the ice cream parlour for a double header to celebrate our victory." *Emilee Hall*



"In third term children were vaccinated for measles and Hepatitis B. The teachers also had to have their Hepatitis B needle. When the Grade 6 children and teachers lined up for their needle they were all scared.

I think the teachers were worse than the children. Mrs. J-L had to go and lie down because she was about to faint." *Michael Hall*

"We have had a very busy year in sport. In the first term we went to St. Marys and had a swimming carnival with Bicheno. Everyone swam well and our swimmers managed lots of first placings. In hockey our whole team, which consisted of Michael Hall, Courtney Hall, Laura Woods, Melissa Casboult, Hannah Rowlands, Emilee Hall and myself, was selected to go to Launceston to the Country Gold competition. A special thank you to Mrs. Sonia Bosworth for training us and being our coach.

Our Cross Country team competed well in the Mathinna Cross Country. All children finished the very hard course. Jenelle Speers came 8th, which was our highest placing.

In second term we went to visit the Tasmanian Institute of Sport. We measured high high we could jump. We saw the Wall of Fame. In third term, Ian Rice came to tutor us in golf. He was from Junior Golf Development and we had a great time with him." **Megan Sweet**

"A lot of repairs and improvements have been done to our school this year.

The fence on the oval has been repaired. New display boards have been put in the Grade 2/3 and Grade 4/5/6 rooms. New cupboard shelving has been put up in the Kinder/prep/Grade 1 room. The stone building and Kinder/Prep/Grade 1 room has been recarpeted.

Computers have been upgraded and several new programs bought. We have traded in and purchased a new ride on mower, a new hand rotary mower and a new whipper snipper. Paul and John have already tested the new machinery and are getting good results."

Joshua Woods

"On Tuesday our class went to Brickendon. When we got there we saw a big draught horse.

Everybody liked the hay castle and the pig. We fed grain to the chickens, ducks and goats. We had a tractor and trailer ride down to the river. At lunch time the horse and donkey got out and got into Mrs. William's bag. It was fun and I wish we could go there another day." *Corey Bosworth.*

"This year we have attended many performances. We had a visit from a duo called Matilda. They played Australian bush music. We travelled to St. Marys for two shows, one called Mr. Wander and the other called Wannabee.

We went to the Silverdome to see the musical Aladdin. In one of our Religious Education lessons, two Christian puppeteers performed the story of "The Good Samaritan".

The Covenant Players let us explore our social skills through drama. We all enjoyed going to these performances." **Jessica Bates**

"On November 11th and 12th, Grade 2/3 went on a trip to Richmond. Our helpers were Mr. Franklin, Mr. Geoff Woods and Janine Burt. Our stops on the way were Campbell Town and Ross. When we reached Richmond we went to the Caravan Park and got everything ready in our cabins.

In Richmond we went on a horse and cart ride. It was lots of fun and we decided we all wanted a horse and cart when we grow up.

After the cart ride we went to the Old Hobart Town Model Village to look and to learn more about our Tasmanian history.

We all rushed to the Lolly Parlour to buy our lollies. I think we all had a tummy ache after we had finished eating them.

After tea, Mrs. Lowe, Janine and Mr. Woods had a game of cricket with us and the sight was very funny. Janine could not throw, Mr. Woods could not catch and Mrs. Lowe could not run.

Then we had a tennis tournament. Mrs. Lowe and Levi Casboult were the champs, but only by a hair.

The next day we went to the Maze. Ben Jess and Jessica Bates got lost so Jenelle and I had to find them. After the Maze we went to the Richmond Gaol, it was very interesting but very scary. We hated the dark punishment cell and the whipping yard.

We had our lunch fresh from the Richmond Bakery. It was delicious. We all had a great time on our trip." **Jenna Ward.**

As you can see by the children's reports Fingal Primary School has indeed been a very busy place during 1998.

At the commencement of Term 3 our Principal, Barry LeFevre was planning on going on Long Service Leave for 4 weeks, but, unfortunately became ill and has been off for the whole Term. Mrs. Joan Lowe has been Acting Principal for this time.

The children and staff would like to wish everyone a very enjoyable Christmas and New Year.



"In early second term Ben Oates, Adrian Speers, Cameron Bean and myself went to St. Marys for E.N.E. Football trials. We had a good day. Ben, Adrian and Cameron were picked to go to George Town for the Football Carnival.

Grades 2 to 6 attended football clinics at Fingal. We were taught lots of skills about the game.

This term Avoca and Fingal Schools joined together at Avoca to have an Athletics Carnival. We had great fun competing against each other. We are going to invite them to our Carnival next year. The best competitors from this Carnival were chosen to go to E.N.E. Miners South of the Mountain Trials at St. Marys. Jenelle Speers managed to get into the final selection for the ENE team. She did not make the team but she put up a great effort at St. Helens. We had a fun Gala Day here in Fingal with schools from Avoca, St. Marys, St. Helens, Bicheno and Swansea attending. The day was very successful." **Ben Miller**

"This year computing became very important in our school. Kinder/Prep/Grade 1 have been learning about the use of the computer. Grades 2/3 have been learning the basics of computing and Internet browsing. Grades 4/5/6 have been working towards computing certificates. The first certificate is for the basics of computing and its gets harder until the 4th certificate is reached, which is about the Internet.

Mrs. J-L and Mrs. Lowe have been attending computer conferences. Mrs. J-L is teaching Mrs. Lowe more about computing, so that when she leaves we will still have someone with a good knowledge of computing." *Christopher Lowe*

"In second term 8 pupils worked in groups to enter a maths competition. Joshua Woods, Hannah Rowlands and Andrew Lowe entered the Grade 3/4 section. Megan Sweet, Laura Woods, Danielle Bates, Christopher Lowe and Cameron Bean entered the Grade 5/6 section.

Joshua, Andrew and I chose recreation activities. We found the most popular activities and used them in maths questions. Then we made a board game around these questions.

Megan, Laura and Danni used a survey to collect information about music bands and C-Ds. Then they made a book about their results. Chris and Cameron studied the Evercreech Dairy Farm. The information collected was then mounted on a poster.

The Music Group's entry received a certificate for participation. The Grade 3/4 managed a high commendation." *Hannah Rowlands*



FINGAL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ANTI LITTER AWARENESS COMPETITION

The Association recently conducted a competition among the children from Fingal Primary School. Children were asked to design a poster and logo with an Anti-Litter theme. It was decided that there would be three winners, with their posters being made into signs, which would be erected at the three entrances to Fingal.

Winners were:

Danielle Bates

Sam Oates

Hannah Rowlands

The Association was extremely pleased with both the quality and quantity of the entries.

TIDY TOWNS ENTRY

Along with many other towns in Tasmania, Fingal was entered in the Tidy Towns Competition.

We were successful in the following categories

POPULATION CATEGORY 301-1000

Waste Management Award:

Fingal Waste Transfer Station

Community Service Award:

Fingal Community Association

Heritage/Cultural Preservation Award: Fingal Historical Society

We would like to thank the Council for sponsoring the Association, the Council workers, especially the gang responsible for installing the footpath (the judge was very impressed with the design and colour), house holders for really making a superb effort to have their homes and nature strips looking good and everybody who helped in any way.

It is only through community effort and co-operation that we can improve our town.

Thankyou

AWARDS

Fingal Primary School held its Presentation Afternoon on Tuesday, 8th December, in conjunction with an Open Afternoon for parents, friends and relatives. It was pleasing to see so many take advantage of this to view the children's work and displays in the three class rooms.

Prizes were awarded to the following children.

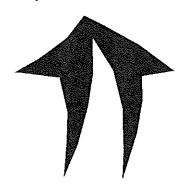
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	Grade 2	William Rov	vlands	
	Grade 3	Joshua Woods		
•	Grade 4	Alicia Pauls		
		Hannah Rowlands		
	Grade 5	Laura Woods		
	Grade 6	Gregory Bai	rnes	
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Michael Polley MHA S	_	Michael Hall		
Dick Adams MHR Tremendous Improvement			Lenard Johnson	
Music Award			Jessica Bates	
Music Award			Ben Miller	
Computing Award		l Ch	ristopher Lowe	
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Maths Matica Competition High Commendation

Hannah Rowlands Andrew Lowe Joshua Woods Danielle Bates Megan Sweet Laura Woods

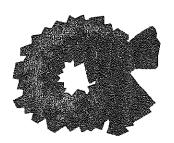
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Congratulations to these winners and to all our students who have worked so hard through the year!



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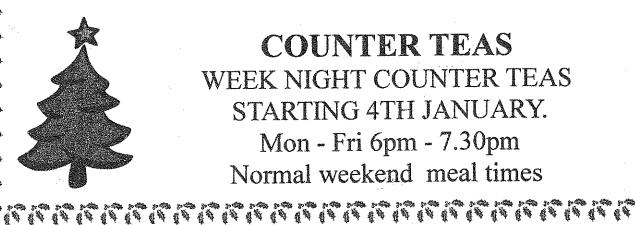


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SPORTS CENTRE NEWS

by Kackhander

First to bowls

Well done to the Pennant team in the past couple of weeks. Although losing to Swansea the team were close enough at times to suggest that a finals success is not out of the question and then last week a tight win against St Helens Red gives the team a cushion in the four. A tough assignment this week against St Helens Blue who are currently leading the ladder then a four week spell over

The green is a credit at the moment and to see 15/16 seconds here is terrific.

Now to golf.

This weekend our Juniors compete in the Awen Michael Final and the NTGA Junior titles. Good luck to Tristan, Adam, Sean, Scott and Josh and let those city kids know what you're made of.

There will be a barbie after golf for anyone interested this Saturday to allow some Championship trophies to be handed out.

All are welcome after golf and bowls to this informal event.

On Sunday January 10th the club will be holding a social cricket/ bowls challenge.

Captain Jack Viney wants all the players to be ready at 9.30 am for a 10 am start. It will be 20 overs a side cricket followed by a barbeque lunch, then 15 ends of bowls. If it is anything like last year then it is well worth turning up.

Any interested people please contact Jack or Trevor Viney (Sports Centre) or Kerry Taylor (Cricket Club).

We wish everyone a terrific Christmas and a safe and Happy New

Keep hitting and rolling and we will see you again in the Valley Voice next year.



St Marys Neg Tennis Club

Christmas function:

A BBQ will be held on December 20th following pennant tennis. Please bring your own meat. Ladies kindly asked to bring a salad or a sweet.

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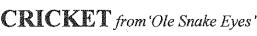
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9 am - 10 pm 9 am - 11pm

Sat

9 am - 11.30pm



The Tiger's match against Central was again one of an opportunity gone begging. The once mighty Central were 4/146 before being rolled for 182. Wicket takers were

Kevin Wagner 4/43, Keith Gillies 2/33 and Barry Woods 2/11. Coach Wayne Gillies was extremely pleased by the way the Tigers bowled and then fielded. If only the same could be said about the batting.

St Marys managed only 89 with the bat, the consistant Michael Kringle (32) making the only double figure score.

Last week St Marys travelled to Bridport, promptly lost the toss and were required to field in 38° heat with shortened boundaries.

The Tigers then committed the ultimate sin of bowling too short on a small ground. Bridport amassed 6/347 after their 50 overs with all bowlers taking a hammering. Wicket takers were Wayne Gillies 1/29, Keith Gillies 1/42, David Haberle 1/40, Mick Kringle 1/64.

In reply the Tigers struggled to 121 with Mick Kringle 34, Wayne Gillies 32 and Micky Bramich 31.

A feature of the return trip was Micky Bramich's advice to his team mates on the art of batting.

In the last game before Christmas St Marys meet Scottsdale at St Marys. With some players returning in the New Year a good showing against the 'Spud Diggers' could give the Tigers much needed momentum for the second half of the season.

A barbeque and music will follow the Scottsdale game - \$5 in for the BBQ and all welcome.

Coming events include Fun Day with the St Marys Sports Centre on Sunday 10th January 1999 and music featuring Ken Martindale on 23rd January 1999.

Junior Cricket

In the U/16's we have seen the St Marys team improving every week. In their match versus St Helens, St Helens batted first and scored 138/3, in reply St Marys scored 95 with the best partnership being 39 between Kyle Bean and Tristan Clement. In the following game St Mays were in deep trouble against Scamander, at one stage being 8/38, however a good partnership between Adam Gillies and Mark Webster saw the total improve to 65. Despite bowling and fielding well Scamander were able to score the required runs with overs to spare. In the return match against Georges Bay, St Marys scored 78. Georges Bay were in a little trouble at 3/18 but managed to score the required runs after the loss of 6 wickets.

SCORES: St Helens 138/3. Josh Cooke 1/21, Tristan Clement 1/3, defeated St Marys 95.

Kyle Bean 26 ret. Tristan Clement 18 and David Smith 12. Scamander 0/67. Brad Holton 27 ret. defeated St Marys 65.

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SURF COLUMN

by Dazzler

North East Boardriders next club competition will be 9th January.

Meet at Scamander 7.30 am.

Results of the East Coast Classic,

Finals held at Blanche Beach St Helens, November OPEN A

1. A Campbell. 2. B Hanbrooke. 3.J Johannesen.

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- 1. E Ringrose. 2. C Cleary. 3. A Young. 4.D Agius. SENIORS
- 1. J Dayton. 2. D Cover. 3. S Hodge. 4. P Fasnacht. MASTERS
- 1. J Dayton. 2. D Cover. 3. N Wallace. 4. M Best. GRAND MASTERS
- 1. P Johannesen. 2. P Critchlow. 3. R Forbes and N Wallace.

VETERANS

- 1. P Johannesen 2. P Critchlow. 3. M Chalmers.
- 4. J Hoult.

Cricket continued:

Georges Bay 6/79

Alex Hortle 2/3, Tristan Clement 2/6, Josh Cooke 1/6, Mark Webster 1/12 defeated St Marys 78.

David Smith 12, Tristan Clement 12.

This weeks game is against St Helens at ST MARYS as per roster.

U/13's have had two fun days during the last fortnight. Highlights of the first fun day were the following: Batsmen Marcus Taylor 34, Josh Boyles 27, Brad Newport 22, Michael Smith 21 and Todd Spilsbury 14. Bowling: Andrew Webster 6 wickets, Todd Spilsbury 4 wickets.

Fielding: Brock Leedham three outstanding catches. The Cricket Club would like to thank everyone who has helped with Junior and Senior Cricket this season so far and wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas.

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St Marys Pacing Club

Things are coming to hand nicely for our Annual Race Meeting on January 1st 1999.

Some buildings have been repainted and the stalls are being improved in readiness, hopefully for a very successful day with plenty of horses and a good crowd. The man with the mower, Les Jones, has the surrounds looking very good and the track is in good order, thanks to the golf club mower man Jim Haas.

We are very thankful for the courtesy shown since my last letter about the buggies etc on track while horses are working. Very pleasing. It shows co-operation does work.

Last Sunday our committee held their annual Christmas barbecue, which went off very well. Among those attending were Davy and Gloria Parke who recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They have been great workers for our club for many years. Also our Treasurer for many years, Keith Bullock attended after having a hip operation fairly recently. Many more years of good health to them all.

Our club wishes everyone a very happy Christmas, a prosperous New Year, drive safely and soberly and if possible come to the race meeting on 1st January and so help us keep it going for many more years.

Eric Bean Secretary

THUMBS UP AND DOWN

Thumbs up to all of our school leavers who attended their dinner at Scamander. They were all a credit to their school. their parents and most of all to themselves.

Thumbs down to the people taking their rubbish to the tip but who do not cover or tie their loads on, losing lots of it for the people of Quail Flats to pick up from in front of their homes.

Very poor.

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Dave Terry Tim & Tom would like to thank you for your support in '98 and hope to see you all in the New Year.

Have a safe and happy festive season.

All the best for '99.



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