The Valley and East Coast Voice

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READY TO GO

Monday of this week saw St Marys open the first treatment centre for lymphoedema in Tasmania. The Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre was officially opened by Senator Jocelyn Newman, Minister for Family and Community Services, who has been supportive of this project right through the fund raising and setting up stages prior to opening day.

Since the initial workshop, conducted by Professor Neil Piller and his team from Adelaide, for health professionals and lymphoedema patients in April 1999, a second workshop in the form of a Management and Treatment clinic was held in January of this year.

Submissions to Private Health Funds, Department of Veteran Affairs and Medibank have been written, to assist with patient costs.

A lease agreement for 12 months with an option for a further 3 years, has been signed (for a peppercorn fee) between T.L.C. and the Department of Health and Human Services, for the use of rooms and facilities at the St Marys Community Health Centre.

Unfortunately there is a charge to people for laser treatment as the providers of the service are on private contracts.

Codlin Moth free zone?

It's a thought, that in a small isolated town like St Marys we should be able to work together to eliminate the codlin moth from the town completely, if we all did the right thing in our own backyards.

If you allowed the moth to infest your apple trees, and so your neighbours trees, you used to cop it, as shown by the report in the Examiner 24 Jan 1893. "Six offenders under the Codlin Moth Act were dealt with at the St Marys Police Court on Friday the 17th instant, and in each case a fine inflicted."

Codlin(g)s in medieval times were small hard apples which were not suitable for eating raw, so were baked or used in pies.



Name and address please

Once again just a reminder that contributions to this paper need to include the writers name and address.

If requested, name can be withheld and a 'non de plume' used.

Many newsworthy 'Letters to the Editor' are received but cannot be published because the letter is not signed and the writers name and address is not supplied.

Your letters voicing your opinions are welcomed but please include the required details.

Lymphoedema Centre cont:

Up to this time the T.L.C. has been set up with donations and many hours of voluntary service by a very dedicated group of people. We are now a small business, and as such we cannot continue to operate on conations alone, and therefore we will need to look at applying for some form of Government funding.

Jan Sparkes

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Red Cross St Marys runs an ambulance service in the areas covering – Fingal, St Marys, Mathinna, Mangana, Falmouth, Four Mile Creek, Chain of Lagoons, Upper Scamander and part of Scamander. There are about 8 trained volunteers with another 8 being trained to volunteer ambulance officer requirements.

The ambulance is raising funds for more equipment such as electronic thermometers and pulse oximeters as technology is changing our ambulance service needs to be updated all the time with modern equipment.

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St Marys Lions offer Sponsorship

The Lions Club of St Marys is offering sponsorship to 4 people to attend the following 'Parent Program' part of 'How to Drug Proof your kids' and you should apply as soon as possible as the first session is on Tuesday 14th March 2000

The first event was a Community evening held on 25th February with guest speaker Mrs Angela Wood speaking on her experience with the loss of her daughter Anna to the drug 'Ecstasy'.

The 'Parent Program' is the second event in the 'How to Drug Proof your Kids' program being held at the St Helens Neighbourhood House.

The Parent Program will be conducted over six consecutive Tuesday evenings from 7pm to 9pm and will cover the following areas.

Session 1 Drugs! Just how bad is it?

Session 2 Why kids take them.

Session 3 How to educate kids to make good choices.

Session 4 Prevention tool for parents.

Session 5 Learning to intervene and where to get help.

Session 6 A parents guide to handling relapses.

Please apply as soon as possible to; Penny on phone 6376 1134 Neighbourhood House, St Helens

WINNER V LOSER

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The Loser - is always part of the problem;

The Winner - always has a program;

The Loser - always has an excuse;

The Winner - says 'Let me do it for you;'

The Loser - says 'That 's not my job;'

The Winner - sees an answer for every problem;

The Loser - sees a problem for every answer;

The Winner - sees a green near every sand trap;

The Loser - sees 2 or 3 sand traps near every green;

The Winner - says 'It may be difficult but it's possible'

The Loser - says 'It may be possible but it's too difficult'

Which person are you, the Winner or the Loser?

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY SUNDAY 5th MARCH

All over Australia 'clean ups' will be conducted this coming Sunday.

Many will be very large organised groups in very large cities but there will also be 'one man bands' who just get out there and do their bit.

If you have no advertised 'clean ups' in your area why not get a few friends together and with gloves and bags make a start in your street, beach, bush, park or roadside.

It is very disappointing when walking through some of the bush to see the amount of rubbish and garden waste that has been discarded by persons too lazy or thoughtless to take it to the tip.

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Chemical Spraying

The following criteria are applied by the Department of Education in respect of chemical spraying of grounds and workplaces for control of weeds and pests.

- 1. notify the immediate community of an intention to spray in or around buildings, by, for example, personal bulletin, community newsletter, local newspaper advertisement, etc.
- 2. ensure that a Material Safety Data Sheet is obtained for the product to be used.
- 3. ensure that all employees (and/or students) have been notified at least 24 hours in advance of the intention to spray in or around buildings, and of the nature of the product to be sprayed.
- 4. ensure that the workplace to be treated has been placarded to provide the following information:
- date of intended spraying.
- the product to be used.
- contacts for emergency treatment.
- duration of product retention in soil, on plants or on accessible surfaces.

The above information must be placarded at least one week prior to any spraying.

(Source: Handling Emergencies and Critical Incidents Handbook. Dept. of Education Jan/Feb 2000)

LETTERS FROM THE PAST

Since 'Valley Voice' first hit the streets in 1968 there have been many letters to the Editor. Some are still relevant, either to remind us how as a community we have to point out that 30 years later still nothing has been done.

'Letters from the Past' will reprint some of these letters of the past and to remember the people who raised them.

Valley Voice

Friday July 28 1968

Sir, there is so much natural beauty along our valley and the coast, it seems a pity that something can't be done about the plot behind the St Marys Library; such as trees and seats. What trees we have are cut down, that lovely one outside Mr Smith's shop for instance. A park would encourage people passing through to stay longer. St Helens has gone to quite some trouble to save the trace.

St Helens has gone to quite some trouble to save the trees, why not St Marys? Carefully planted trees would in time beautify this valley and people would remember and tell others about it.

Florence K. Lohrey Falmouth

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What's happening in St Marys in June on Saturday 24th and Sunday 26th? Something new for our town.

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Spinners, Weavers, Knitters and Dyers will be showing the skills of their craft and selling their beautiful products.

The object is to raise funds to do something special for the young people of our town, bring life to St Marys in the winter when it is cold and also have some fun.

We are inviting people from all over the state to come to the spinover and be given the opportunity to purchase beautiful handcrafts direct from the craftspeople without the inflated prices and middlemen.

This is a wonderful opportunity for St Marys to stage a major event in the middle of winter when nothing very much is happening and we look forward to your support.

Enquiries to:

Carole or John 6372 2460

Eileen 6372 5480 Linda 6372 2402

Playgroup

Second session for Playgroup will be Friday 3rd March from 10am to 11.30am.

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Letter to the Editor

Sir, would you please print a copy of the following letter.

29th February 2000

Mr Robert Evetts General Manager Tasrail PO Box 140 Newstead Tas 7250

Dear Sir

I am extremely disgusted in your actions to remove the turn table and water filler from the St Marys railway yard. As you know quite well the St Marys Lions Club over the years leased the Railway Station and incidentals from ANR as a tourist attraction for the local area.

Not only did the Lions Club paint and repair the railway station, they also obtained with help of the local Council a substantial grant to build a shed for a future museum of old mining and rail memorabilia. Along with this a barbecue was built, the turntable dug out, which was completely over grown, so that a small rural town could try and draw visitors to this area. This proved a success and many people were stopping and the town had quite a reputation for it's achievements.

You could have had some small amount of moral concern and at least consulted with the people of this area before your dastardly act of removal, I am surprised you did not remove the items under cover of darkness.

Whilst I entirely blame Tasrail for this devious act of vadalism, I approve of what is being done on the West Coast, but if the venture of rebuilding the Abt railway is of that much significance then funds should have been made available to build turntables etc, not take some other peoples heritage and tourist attractions from one side of the State to the other.

I don't suppose you even gave any thought to the possibility that one day there might have been the slimmest chance that the rail could have been restored for tourism from Fingal to St Marys.

Not only have you removed the items but have left an unholy mess, half of the water filler is still in the ground, an empty hole after removal of the turntable which is a danger, but after removal of the points all the cutting mess is just left. No doubt you will expect this community to clean up as a contribution to the Abt railway. One hundred years of heritage is now lost to the area.

I would be more than interested to know what method of restoration and replacement or removal of other pieces of equipment you have in mind.

I do not apologise for this letter as the community is disenchanted with the action of Tasrail and they will remember for a long time the under handed method of extraction of part of our cultural heritage

Yours faithfully

Signed: Robert Legge Mayor

Church Services

Catholic Parish of St Marys

Priest: Paul Connolly St Marys.

Fingal

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St Marys

Every Sunday Mass 9am

Bicheno

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St Helens

Every Saturday

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St Helens

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Every Sunday

St Marys 9am

No service 5th Sunday

Pyengana 11am

2nd and 4th Sunday

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Fingal 9.00am

St Helens 11am and 7pm

Anglican Parish of the Northern Midlands Services each Sunday

Ross

8am

Campbell Town 9.30am

Avoca

11.30am

Fingal

2.00pm

Mathinna

Tuesdays

2.00pm

Daily Office Reading

Avoca Tuesdays

10am

Fingal Tuesdays

12 noon

Ross Wednesdays 10am

Seventh Day Adventist

Hodgeman Street Scamander Sabbath School 10am

Divine Service 11am

Break O'Day Council Keeping the Community informed

New Council staff member

The General Manager, Mr John Brown introduced the new Manager Finance and Administration, Mr David Morcom to Councillors at his first Council meeting.

Signs on roads and private property

The Council has requested that the public be informed, there are certain requirements relating to the approval and placing of signs that are on roads or private property. All signs need to be assessed by Council and in some cases other road authorities. Information is available from the Council offices by phoning 6376 1281, information can be sent to you.

Sewerage blockages

There has been several sewerage pump blockages in recent months that are an expense that the community must bear.

No foreign matter should be flushed or put into the sewerage system, like disposable nappies, cleaning rags, heavy duty napkins, as well as building materials, nails etc. Residents should check outside grate/ vents to determine if foreign matter is entering the system, including stormwater.

Works Program: St Marys Footpath Story Street

It is anticipated that the bitumen seal between the kerbs and the existing road seal will be completed and there should be no access problems.

Ryans Road Bridge

Work will continue on the bridge replacement with work nearing completion by the end of March, weather permitting.

Maintenance Works - St Marys Area

Grading and gravelling works planned for all minor roads, Gardiners Creek Road and Irishtown Road.

North East Area Work

Work is planned to grade and roll Lottah Road and St Columba Falls Road.



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ST MARYS ASSOCIATION FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INC.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 14TH MARCH 7.30PM - ONLINE ACCESS CENTRE.

This will be the first set of quarterly newsletters from the association informing the community about what is happening.

RURAL TRANSACTION CENTRE

The rural transaction centre has been in operation now for 4 months and is running well. The positions in the bank have been maintained and Mr Wilson has seen an increase in customers through the Post Office. A variety of card banking can be done through the Giro Post set up and most bills can be paid here (for more information ask Mr Wilson). This week saw the setup of the Medicare Easyclaim service which gives direct local call access to Medicare. The service is designed for those persons who have to pay for medical treatment. Direct access by the phone means that your request for payment can be initialised immediately you phone.

Other planned services for the centre includes a phone line for accessing state and commonwealth government departments directly for the price of a local call and the installation of a computer screen for accessing the same. Also the Association is planning to set up an office at the back of the P.O. for use by the association and by visiting services.

ONLINE ACCESS CENTRE

The Online Access Centre continues to provide many varied and interesting opportunities for the people of St Marys and the adjacent areas. The volunteers who are the bones of the operation have enabled the hours of operation to increase. Many local people are using the opportunity to develop business ideas and to create web page to advertise those ideas and information about what our area has to offer. Other community groups are taking the opportunity to use the services that we offer, so contact us on 63722 005 or drop in for a coffee and a look. E-mails and netsurfing can stiff be accessed free of charge and business advertising on the Internet starts at \$50.00 for the creation of a web page. The centre is also in the process of purchasing 2 new computers that will include faster processors and large video gaming cards, so if you like playing games this may be for you. The centre has also commenced the employment of a work for the dole participant so if you are unemployed and looking for some training contact your Centrelink office and tell them about us. Tuesdays and Seniors day for those mature members of our community who want to learn about his new technology and up to 12 people attend this event

CHILDCARE SERVICE

At the end of 1999 contact was made with the department of education about the establishment of a childcare centre in town. The 2 identified were the hospital and the school. The department wishes for the centre to initially be set up at the school in the kindergarten area. The association is currently negotiating with the school for this. The initial funding would employ I full time qualified child carer for 1 day a week and the service would only be open during school hours. While this may seen too little the reason given by the department are that according to their statistics this area does not need more child care. The establishment of this service would identify if this was so and if the demand was greater than perceived then funding would be increased in coming years. So, if you are a parent who thinks that more child care is necessary and would like to be part of this project, come along to the next SMACD meeting or contact Felicity Spilsbury or Monique Sharman.

MARKETS

Interest in the markets has waxed and waned. The association sees the markets as a good opportunity for people to make a little income and to display their talents at the same time.

They give a little extra colour to our Saturdays in town and assists in keeping travellers here for a while. Also the can be good sources for socialising and entertainment. If you have something you wish to sell, say, see or sow then come along on Saturday mornings. People are needed to join the market committee so help if you can by contacting Andrew or Jenny on 63722 066.

So, if you have opinions or ideas that could be of benefit to our community please feel free to attend our next meeting and join if you like.

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FINGAL ONLINE ACCESS CENTRE



UPDATE!!

Last issue we mentioned the Public Meeting held on January 24th which formed a Management Committee of 9 individuals and the efforts of the Steering Committee whose diligence in 1999 saw this funding submission for an Online Access Centre at Fingal through to approval.

If you take a peek through Dr Naidoo's former consulting room at the Old Tasmanian Hotel, you will not see much at all. The committee is like a duck on a pond, calm on the surface but paddling like fury under the water. We have the official opening firmly n sight for late March and shortly electrical wires, colour, carpet and furnishings will start dancing into motion. If you've seen Walt Disney's animated version of "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" you'll remember the buckets and mops inspired with life and setting to work. We could use some supernatural help like that.

We don't have the sorcerer's apprentice, but we would like to express our thanks to Tony Walker of Break O'Day Council for his interest and guiding hand in the project of renovation as well as anyone unnamed at Break O'Day Council who may have supported him behind the scenes.

Volunteers to assist the Co-ordinator will be required and anyone interested in the free training needed to join the dedicated band on the volunteer roster should consider registering their interest at the Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House.

Bye for now and keep your eye on the Fingal Online Access Centre.

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and must be received by close of business on Friday 10 March 2000

The Tasmanian Communities Online Project is funded by the Commonwealth Government through the Networking the Nation Project and supported by the State Government



Hi its good to be back with another couple of weeks worth of entertainment reviews, The Christmas break brought out it's usual cornucopia of video and music releases and it will take a few editions of Sound And Vision to get through them, but we shall. DVD has finally started to surface in a reasonable way with the St Helens video store getting quite a range building up of rentals including some good new releases such as "Notting Hill" and "The Mummy" so nows the time to consider that DVD player the quality and sound is far superior to Vhs.

Ken Martindale

VIDEO REVIEW – "Idle Hands" - Starring Seth Green, Devon Sawa and Vivica .A. Fox

Evil possesses a lazy teenager's hands in this twisted horror comedy, complete with the obligatory slick soundtrack, drug references and over the top makeup effects "Idle Hands" should be a big hit with its target audience. The story revolves around a gruesome murder in a typical American family home, in which the murderer could be a family member. I honestly sat down to watch this video in great anticipation as I'd been waiting for it since seeing previews, but sadly "Idle Hands" doesn't cut it in the same vein as "The Frighteners" or "Scream" its characters are too typical of recent teen flicks... the all American slacker son and his drugged out friends with their one liners on the joys of getting wasted get a little predictable and tedious. "Idle Hands" gets a 7 out of 10 from me.

Video Review— "Pushing Tin "Starring John Cusack, Cate Blanchet and Billy Bob Thornton

Pushing tin is a slang term for lining up planes for landing instructions in the high stress world of air traffic controllers. Cusack and Thornton are two of my favorite actors and usually spell quality but even they can't save this movie from what should have been a black comedy about rivalry in the air turning into a soppy feel good flick complete with one of the worst endings this year...I'll spare you the details surfice to say it involves an in air musical finale. Nick Falzone (Cusack) was always top dog when it came to pushing tin but when hot shot Russell Bell steps into the picture the rivalry is not only contained to the air with hearts also broken in the war ensuing. Watch able but not great 7 out of 10

Cd Review—"Songs From The Last Century "- George Micheal Here he is the man who buried himself in infamy a couple of years ago back with a collection of covers spanning the 40-s through to the 70's. The production is glossy and the orchestra arrangements are slick but alas George is no Sinatra or Bennett, still he does a great big band version of The Police's "Roxanne" and has a good go at "Where Or When" the crooner's standard. It's not a great effort here especially if you are a fan of any of the above mentioned singers but worth a listen if this music is new to you. 7 out of 10

FOOTY NEWS

by Old Tige

Just a short report leading up to the start of the season, one change, Hagley

will be fielding this season after a year out, but reports are that Cressy has not been able to make it over the line. This will mean a bye in the season's roster that will start early because of the Olympics and the early finish to the AFL.

At this stage the season kick-off will be either the 1st or 8th of April, depending on an Association vote to be taken next week.

Numbers at training have been as encouraging this early in the running as they have been for several years.

So far 24 the best turn up and up to 32 have trained all up, we are starting to put together a very competitive line up.

There will be no practice match this year because of time restraints, but there will be a Lightning Premiership at Perth the last weekend in March.

Recruiting has been busy, fundraising has started, it feels like only a few weeks since the end of last season - that's footy.

Last weekend we had a very successful trip to Bicheno for the Hey Hey night. It not only raised needed funds for the club but also for Camp Ouality.

Hosts Mike and Atholie Webb must be thanked for their generous donation, membership and hospitality. More next time.

Life affords no higher pleasure than that of surmounting difficulties, passing from one step of success to another, forming new wishes and seeing them gratified.

Dr Samuel Johnson

CRICKET by Fine Leg

Great season and only one to go

It has been a while since a report has hit the 'Voice' about our all conquering cricket side.

This Saturday the team plays in it's first Grand Final since entering the competition some 22 years ago, but leading up to this there have been several matches without reports.

Here is a short round up of those games. 15th January: St Marys v Bridport at St Marys St Marys 9/170 def. Bridport 10/159

22nd January: St Marys v Scamander at Scamander St Marys 5/86 def. Scamander 10/73

29th January: St Marys v Pyengana at St Marys St Marys 3/147 def. Pyengana 10/133

5th February: St Marys v St Helens A at St Marys St Marys 1/109 def. St Helens A 10/80

12th February: St Marys v St Helens B at St Marys St Marys 10/313 def. St Helens B 7/142

9th February: 2nd Semi Final St Marys v Bridport at Winnaleah St Marys 10/124 lost to Bridport 4/128

26th February: Prelim. Final St Marys v Branxholm at Winnaleah St Marys 4/161 def. Branxholm 4/159

With easy wins leading up to the finals and confidence high, the side suffered a rare defeat to Bridport in the 2nd semi final, but as the team finished on top of the ladder we had to re-group for the following weeks preliminary final against Branxholm.

Despite promises in previous seasons that if St Marys ever made it to a finals game we would see one of those games at home, the Association deemed that all finals be played at Winnaleah.

With the excitement building to this weeks Grand Final it would have been nice to see the boys playing in front of a large local crowd. We feel this would have been just reward for finishing on top of a cricket competition for the first time in around 25 years. We may have seen the largest crowd at a final in the NECA for many years. We wish the lads well and hope someone takes a mobile phone with them for constant updates!

Congratulations to Simon and the Team for our most successful team in a quarter of a century! We hope you can win and return home as quickly as possible for some home town celebrations.

As the season is winding up, this club wishes to thank the supporters of the club, and businesses of the town and everyone who contributed throughout the year towards our success.

Special thanks to financial managers Jos Lynch and Peter Lohrey.

GO TIGERS GO

St Marys Pacing Club

Great day to start year 2000 It is pleasing to report that the club conducted a very successful combined meeting on New Years Day 2000.

Seven well supported pacing events were contested by seventysix starters, this we think is a record.

They raced for a total of \$27,700, which is also a record. The Jack Russell Terrier races proved a great attraction for the large crowd in attendance as did the two hack races and two 100m footraces.

The main pacing event on the day was won by Cranleigh who is owned, trained and driven by two of pacing's gentlemen namely owner Leo Berwick who is confined to a wheelchair but still follows his great mare everywhere and trainer/driver Don Peck who is very much respected in the sport.

Barrie Rattray was again the leading trainer and driver with three winners and the only local to score was Vern Woods good mare Prancing Jane.

The rest of us locals will have to get our act into gear before next New Years Day.

We expected a few more people to dress in period costumes but not many did. However the ladies in the afternoon tea room obliged and did themselves and the club proud.

Also of interest was the parade of FJ Holdens which were turned out in immaculate condition. Thanks to Pauline Woods for organising this.

Thankyou to the ladies who participated in the Race Lady Contest which was run in tandem with the Pacing Cup.

Each lady drawing a starter and hoping to have the winner.

Victory went to Roberta Harwood, 2nd Betty Woods and 3rd Grace Faulkner. Thanks to Carlene Bullock for organising them.

Many people have complimented the club on the day's events which saw one, every ten or fifteen minutes, with everything going off like clockwork.

We would like to thank all our helpers before and on the day, all our trophy donors and everyone that helped in some way. Thanks to Len Miles and Murray LeFevre for their ontrack assistance with the hack races, foot races and the Terriers. Glen McDonald for his assistance at the start of the events.

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Without these sponsors we could not have had such a successful day.

Thanks to Tim McManus for his photography of events and personnel on the day.

Anyone wishing to view photos or ordering some, contact the Secretary.

Overall it was in my humble opinion one of the best days entertainment conducted at St Marys.

Once again thankyou to everyone concerned and if I have missed anyone I will say sorry but thanks.

Eric Bean Secretary



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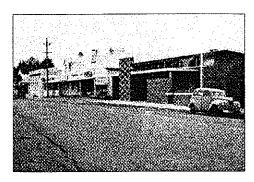
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St Marys Sports Centre



by Rodney McGiveron

First to bowls and good news that the team managed to reach the preliminary final against St He-

lens after defeating Scamander the previous day in the first Semi-final. It was a top effort to reach the penultimate game after struggling to field sides all year. As usual though the club managed to find players at the right time and we had the luxury of reserves for the finals.

Hopefully 2000-1 will be our year and also with a bit of luck we might be able to hang on to most of our players from this year. Thanks to everyone who did so much this year, also watch out for the upcoming bowls dinner and best and fairest count in the next few weeks.

The Business Houses Golf Day proved to be a huge sucess again with 78 players taking part in almost 20 teams. Thanks to all the sponsors over the past few weeks, most being business houses and it is amazing that we had so many supporters. It just goes to prove how popular these days are.

Congratulations to the 'Lemons' team for taking out the nett score and the 'Professionals' for the gross.

Along with the Bradman score, the nearest pins and other awards and raffles of course, many people went home with something as well as the occasional hangover. Thanks to Dot on the bar and Wendy Maher-among others, for the tucker and for another top day.

Veterans Foursomes Championships were at the club last week, once again with a good attendance. The day was popular and our course suits the older players because it is quite flat.

Congratulations especially go to John Furlow for his 'hole in one' on the day. I hope you had a couple of celebratory drinks John.

There has been suggested an idea to run an indoor bowls competition at the club on Wednesday nights during winter with teams of three players. As the club is not used much at night, it may provide an outlet for such use. All interested persons are welcome to try their hand if they wish and no equipment is required.

If you are at all interested please feel free to pop into the club and put your name on the sheet provided on the notice board or contact Rod McGiveron.

If there is enough initial interest we will hold a set-up meeting in a few weeks to decide on teams, rules, roster, etc. Hopefully each contest will last about 1 to 1½ hours.

Golfers, I know our pennant season does not start until April 16th but it would be great if all those interested golfers could start putting up their names. St Marys is the defending champion in A Grade and A Reserve and it would be terrific to do our best to add the new millenium flag to the wall. The ladies side also will be out to defend their championship so good luck there too. Anyway until next time, good hitting and rolling.

St Marys Tennis Club News

A very successful pennant roster concluded on Sunday 20th February. This season there were four teams participating - two from St Marys and two from Falmouth. It ended up being a close tussle between the St Marys sides with the winning team being St Marys Blue.

Congratulations to the winning players - Deborah Dawson, Maureen Bushing, Jill Faulkner, Leeanne Morris, Linda Faulkner, Randal Faulkner, Daniel Morris and Mark Williams. Well done also to the runnerups, St Marys Red - Francine Lowe, Kaye Nailer, Michelle Loane, Susan Miles, Bruce Nailer, Mark Oliver, Ashley Stewart and Joshe Cooke. Many thanks to the players from both Falmouth sides who came and assisted with the umpiring on the day. A delicious end of pennant season dinner was held at Peacocks Restaurant on Friday 25th February.

The Annual St Marys Tennis Club Dinner will be held on Saturday 18th March at 7pm. Club members are requested to indicate their choice of venue on a list at the Clubrooms by Friday 10th March.

A tournament for junior boys and girls (up to and including grade 10 students) is being conducted on Saturday 18th March. If you are interested in playing, please see Maureen Bushing.

The Club is intending to start a Pennant roster on a weekday evening under our new lighting system.

The roster will hopefully run from mid-March to the end of May. Could members please record their interest for such a competition at the Clubrooms, also by Friday 10th March.

Wanting to see some top local tennis stars?

Come to the finals of the Club Championships on Saturday and Sunday 11th and 12th March - 10am start.

The Club is currently raffling a basketful of chocolate eggs for Easter. Cost is \$1 per ticket, to be drawn on Thursday 20th April.

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Scamander Surf Angling Club News

Scamander River was the venue for our last competition with some good bream being landed. Ferdie Richards won the comp with a 635 gram bream, 2nd place was filled by our Patron Lindsay Sutton with a 485 gram bream. It was good to see three new junior members and one new adult, fishing in the comp. Everyone is welcome to join, with good trophies at each competition. Our next comp. is at Little Beach on March 19th, 8am to 12 noon.

Roger 'Kelpie' Donald revels at this venue catching Bullnose Kelpies, closely followed by Tracker Blake whose best catch of the season is a Toad Fish. Hope to see you all at Little Beach. Good fishing from President Pete



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