

The Valley and East Coast Voice

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Foundation Member wins count

Foundation member and now veteran bowls player, Clive Berwick shows that he can still compete with the young chaps when he won the St Marys end of season count at the weekend with 35 votes to end a successful pennant season for St Marys. Les Peart was not far behind as runner-up with 29 votes and Peter Davern with 28.

Clive has also been a great competitor in football at first then moved on to golf and loved the game but decided to also give bowls a go when the club was formed in 1968.

During the 32 years of playing bowls, Clive has been very successful, winning Club Champion "about seven times I think" said Clive, East Coast Singles four times and also represented the East Coast in the NTBA.

Clive said that perhaps one of his greatest thrills was when he won the East Coast Pairs with his son Drew.

Clive and the late Curly Calvert were to play together in the 'Pairs' after they had returned from a trip to the Gold Coast playing social bowls. They had a great trip but soon after their return Curly became ill and died before he and Clive were able to play in the Pairs.

Clive was without his friend but also his bowls partner, so he asked Drew to play with him. At the time Drew was only 12 years old and had not played competitive bowls so was reluctant to play in such an important match, but decided to "just for Uncle Curly".

The rest is in the record books - Clive and Drew won the East Coast Pairs at St Helens in 1984.

Apart from a season with East Launceston, Clive has always been with St Marys. Just recently Clive and Chris Davern (country) and Drew and Alan Gamble (town) won the Town and Country Fours at East Launceston.

At a time when many are thinking of 'putting their feet up', Clive will instead be shining up the golf clubs again and having a shot at Veteran Golf.



Congratulations Clive and good luck with the golf as well, we also know that you keenly follow the St Marys Tigers and of course those Mighty Magpies!

Read inside

- What's on around town
- GST Seminar
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- Old Tige and Kackhander report



St Marys Tigers
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Temporary hitch only

What a bonus for the town of St Marys when the new owners took over Todd's Hall.

By bringing the Hall back to life it has also played a big role in bringing more life and activity back into the town.

Monthly markets, plays, dance and drama for our young people and much more that is still to happen.

A temporary hitch due to a formal complaint being made to Council by 'somebody' has brought out much support from locals who are offering their labour etc. to help get the toilets completed. Andrew and Jennifer are confident that with the amount of support being offered, the disabled toilet will be completed in time for the monthly markets to continue as planned.

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ST.MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL SUPPORT ASSOC.

The meeting scheduled for Monday 17th April has been cancelled. The next meeting will be held as soon as the relevant information concerning how the Government envisages honouring their promise to re-open the hospital is at hand.

This should be available to us in 2—3 weeks.

Watch this this space for the date of the next meeting!

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EASTER TRADING

CLOSED Good Friday

OPEN Saturday morning 9am-11.30am

CLOSED Easter Monday

CLOSED Anzac Day

OPEN Wednesday April 26th 9am
(normal trading resumes)



MEALS ON WHEELS

APRIL	ST.MARYS	FINGAL
Mon, 17th	P & Y Davern	Shirley Parker
Tues, 18th	Pam Lynch	Christine Woods (Peter)
Wed, 19th	Mary Viney	Debbie Speers (n)
Thurs, 20th	Helen Napier	Jan Marshall
Fri, 21st	Clive Berwick	Janine Burt
Mon, 24th	Debbie Barnes	Joan Lowe
Tues, 25th	Rhonda Cranch	Cheryl Rankin
Wed, 26th	Wendy Aulich	Shirleen Woods
Thurs, 27th	Trish Pyke	Maureen Hall
Fri, 28th	Ralph Jones	Malcolm Saunders

NATIONAL SORRY DAY: 26 May 2000

The Tasmanian Sorry Day Committee invites the
Tasmanian community to join us in a Journey of
Healing on 26 May 2000, the second anniversary
of Sorry Day.

The Journey of Healing is for all who want to help
the healing process.

*Join us at Risdon Cove from 11.30am on 26th
May 2000*

*For further details contact Hazel Ryan on:-
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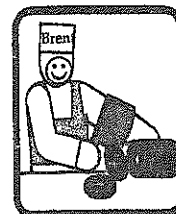
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ST MARYS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE NEWS

UDRH - University Teaching Site

Recently three medical students were in residence. Topic of research - 'The impact of a suicide crisis on the health professional'

The students interviewed several people in the Break O'Day municipality in the week of March 27th to 31st.

Before coming here the students thought that the isolation of our community would mean that health professionals did not manage well (ie. they did not have support).

In fact what was revealed was that the reverse is true. They heard that the health professionals supported each other and indeed were well supported by their families and the community in general.

Well done to you the community!

Nadia, Mat and Misha commented favourably about the general 'good feeling' that being in St Marys gave them. They liked the atmosphere and friendship. Story has it that they felt so 'at home' that the two girls forgot to get dressed before going out for a video at the Coach House - could only happen in the country!

Next intake:

4 Nursing students:

May 8th - 26th

3 Medical students:

June 4th - 9th

St Marys Child Health Centre

1st & 3rd Thurs 9am to 12 noon.

Appointments available Thursday afternoons

Next session:

Thursday 20th April

" BE TRUE TO YOUR TEETH
OR YOUR TEETH WILL
BE FALSE TO YOU "

Doctors weekend roster

Dr Geniola: April 15th - 16th

Easter

Dr Geniola:

5pm Thursday 20th until 12 noon Sunday 23rd April.

Dr Shah:

12 noon Sunday 23rd until 8am Wednesday 26th April



Community Transport Bus

Can you spare one day a month to be a volunteer driver for the Community Transport Service ?

Please, we need drivers, so if you have some spare time and are confident you can pass the medical and driving test, do give Patsy a call at the Community Health Centre.

Community Transport Service is a transport for frail aged and disabled people and is volunteer driven.

Donations are required.

The purpose of a trip can be social or medical.

May I take this opportunity to sincerely thank all CTS drivers for their untiring support.

TELEHEALTH

Not able to travel to Launceston for your doctor's appointment?

Talk to your G.P. about TELEHEALTH - video conference unit that allows a consultation between two or more people in different locations.

TELEHEALTH is available here at your Health Centre - BE IN IT.

Next session:

Diabetes update (link with LGH dietitian)

Tuesday 18th April starting at 1.30pm

Please phone Sandra for a booking.

63722111 8.30am to 5pm

'Health is the greatest gift
Contentment the greatest wealth
Faithfulness the best relationship'
Buddha.c 563 - 483 BC

St Marys Catholic Parish
Easter Ceremonies times:
Holy Thursday April 20
 St Marys 7pm
Good Friday April 21
 St Marys 2pm
 St Helens 4pm
Easter Vigil April 22
 St Marys 7pm
Easter Sunday April 23
 St Helens 9am
 Bicheno 3pm

Easter 2000 is here

The heat of summer is behind us, the school year has settled down and work schedules are into a rhythm. Easter is surely a welcome break.

For all it is a chance to have a holiday, this year we have an extra public holiday thrown in as ANZAC Day falls on the Tuesday of Easter.

In all states extra sporting events are scheduled and in our own municipality many people have plans on how to best enjoy the Easter break. All of this is great and very welcome as it usually means family and friends gather together.

So what else is there?

Let's be daring and give full meaning to this Easter 2000 by attending one or all three of the Easter Triduum. All people are very welcome - bring a friend.

ST MARYS TAKE AWAY

SUNDAY SPECIALS

**Hot Pork Rolls
Jacket Potatoes**

**Bread Milk
Small grocery lines**

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ANZAC Day St Marys
 6am and 11am services will be held at the Cenotaph.
 Father Paul Connelly will conduct both services and Mr Selby Targett will be bugler.
 Any persons or groups wishing to lay a wreath on the day, please contact Colleen McGee.
 Ph 6372 2129 before April 25th.

Lest we forget

In remembering those who died in war, those who came after are able to put their deaths into perspective. We know how they are forever linked with a particular action or battle, we know the significance of that event within the overall ebb and flow of the war, and the place in history of that war.

But whether they died at Hastings, Bosworth Fields, Waterloo, Gallipoli, the Somme, Tobruk or Hue those who have died in battles over the centuries ask the same question:

"How went the day?
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(a readers contribution.)

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More shows please

Let us all hope that the halt in activities in Todd's Hall is just a short one.

I can make do without the toilets but would hate to think that our chance of seeing more plays and much more from Tasdance is threatened.

Bring on the loo's then lets have more shows.

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Gyropost Banking News

It is disappointing to say that of the **13th of May** we will be unable to handle Colonial Trust Bank transactions. The Colonial Trust Bank computer system is not connected to the Gyropost network as was the Trust Bank.

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John Walker from the Island State Credit Union will be in attendance at the Post Office on Wednesday the **19th of April from 10am** for customers who are interested in joining the I.S.C.U.

For an appointment with John please contact Peter at the Post Office.

Aurora Energy News

Consultants from Aurora will be at the Post Office on **Friday 14th** to show off their cooling and heating wares. This should be very interesting as winter is closing in rapidly - so come to the Post Office for their expert advice.

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Know your Neighbours

The Break O'Day Rivercare Plan, initially the Fingal Landcare Group and prepared by the Hobart based firm Ecosynthesis, identifies the following aquatic fauna of the Break O'Day River and it's network of tributaries:

Blackfish
Shortfinned eel
Longfinned eel
Pygmy perch
Swan galaxis
Brown trout
Redfin perch
Tench
Freshwater lobster
Yabbie
Dragonflies and Damsel flies
Cadisflies, Mayflies, Stoneflies
Freshwater mussel
Freshwater snail

The freshwater snail (*Beddomeia Kyrbeiee*) is noted as a 'rare species found near St Marys'.

As the location of the oldest Irish place name in Australia, the home of the unique blind velvet worm and now the habitat of the rare freshwater snail, St Marys is the place where it all comes together!



Dick Adams MP

Federal Member for Lyons

Telecommunica-
tions
Service Inquiry



The Federal Government has launched an inquiry into Telstra's service delivery standards in rural areas.

Do you have or have you had a problem you would like to pass onto the inquiry? If you are not happy with the service Telstra is giving with your phone, fax, email, internet or any other telecommunications medium which affects your business or home, please let me know about it.

Ring me on 1800 811134, write to PO Box 50, Perth, Tas 7300, fax me on 63 981120 or e-mail me at D.Adams.MP@aph.gov.au

Dick Adams MP

Federal Member for Lyons

Community Leaders' Group

Tasmania Together is an opportunity for the people to have their say in the future.

It is a process being driven for Tasmania by Tasmanians.

It is not a process where the government says - "here's what we're going to do whether you like it or not". In fact it is the opposite.

"At the end of this process we will have a plan that the whole community agrees upon and which the government for it's part will incorporate into the state budget and other key government priorities.

These forums are being held all around Tasmania, one recently at Scottsdale and at St Helens on the 22nd March.

A forum will be held at **Bicheno Community Hall on Tuesday 18th April at 6pm.**

More information by phoning 1800 83 2020

Adams takes initiative on Telco hearings

Amid continuing confusion about the shape of the Federal Government's telecommunications service inquiry, the Federal Member for Lyons, Dick Adams has warned that he will consider holding his own public meetings on Telstra's performance in the bush if the inquiry decides against having public hearings.

'There's a big groundswell of feeling about the issue out in rural areas, said Mr Adams who is already surveying his huge electorate on the issue.

'So many people have so many examples of poor service delivery that it may well be a healthy thing for people to get together to share their experiences.

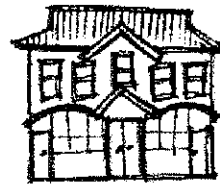
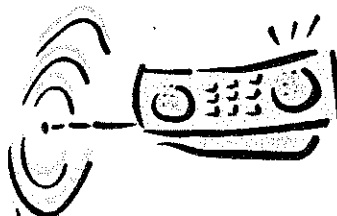
It would be very cathartic for people and for communities'.

Mr Adams said telecommunications problems ranked in the top five of all constituent complaints he received in his office.

'On average we would receive about five inquiries a week'.

Mr Adams emphasised the importance of a strong telecommunications infrastructure in rural areas that small business and educational institutions, as well as individuals, were increasingly reliant upon technology of all descriptions.

'Also having a Tasmanian on the enquiry panel is a plus and I would be keen to have her attend any future public meeting held in Lyons electorate.



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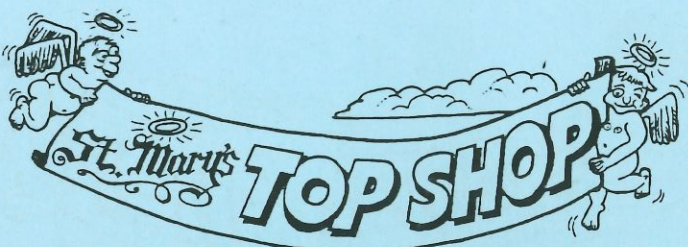
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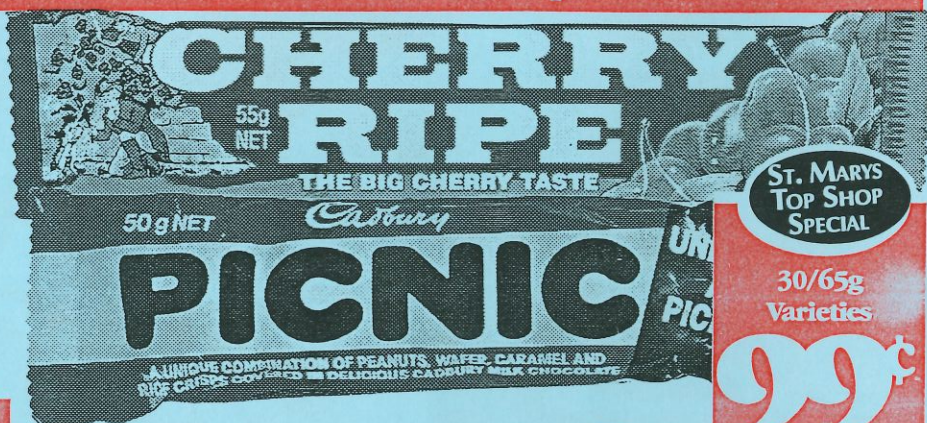
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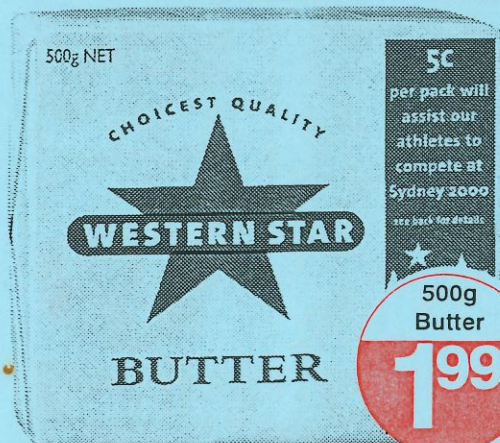
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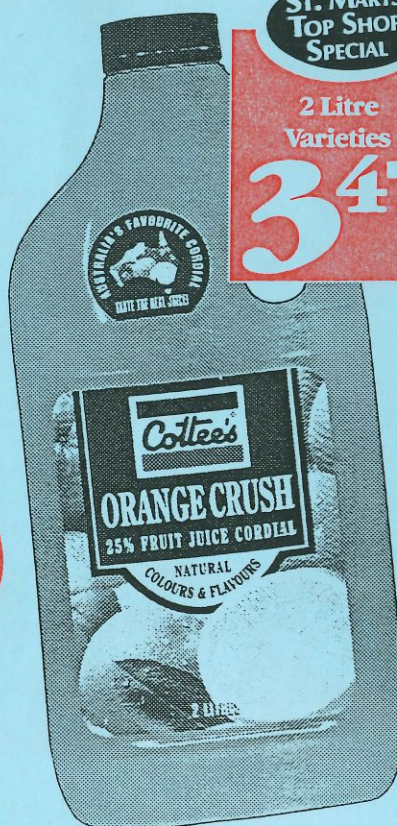
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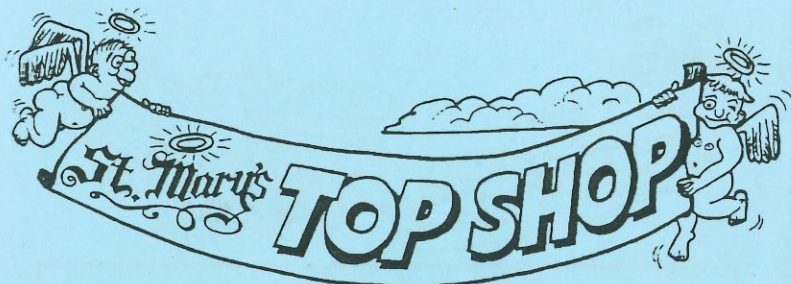
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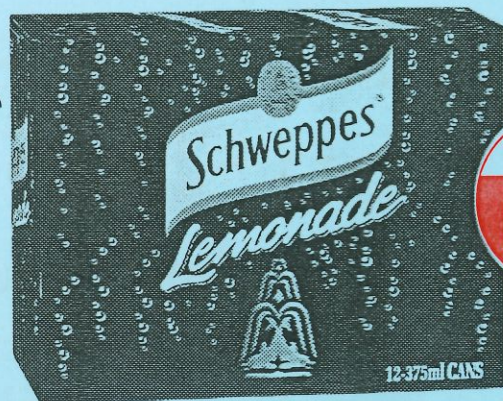
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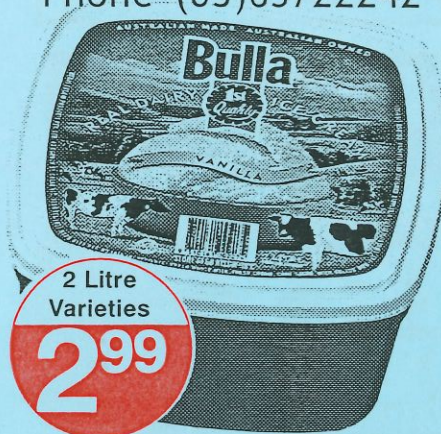


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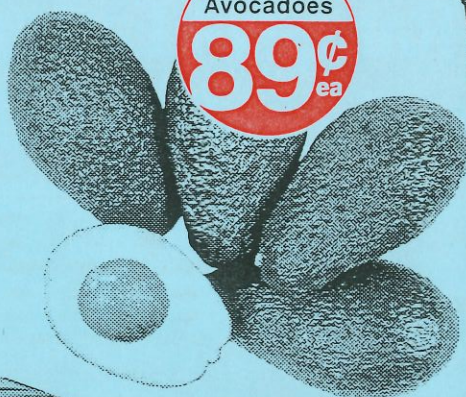
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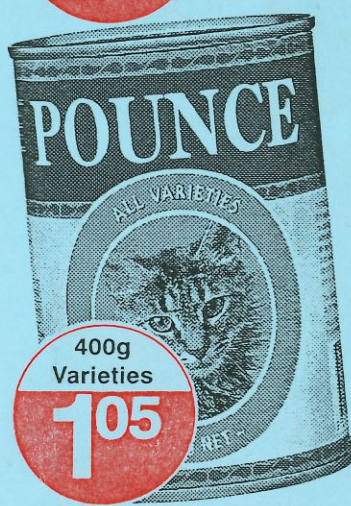
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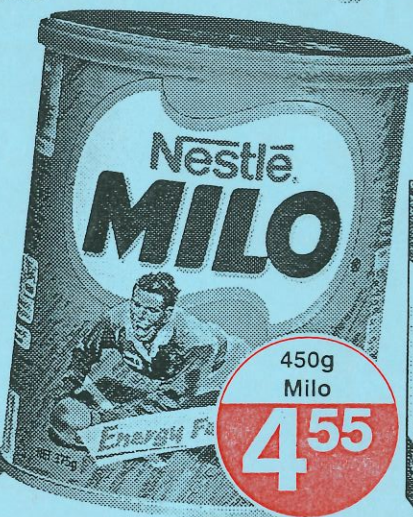
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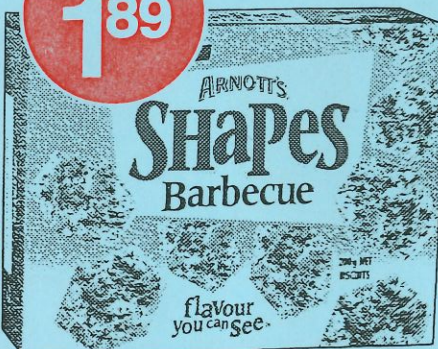


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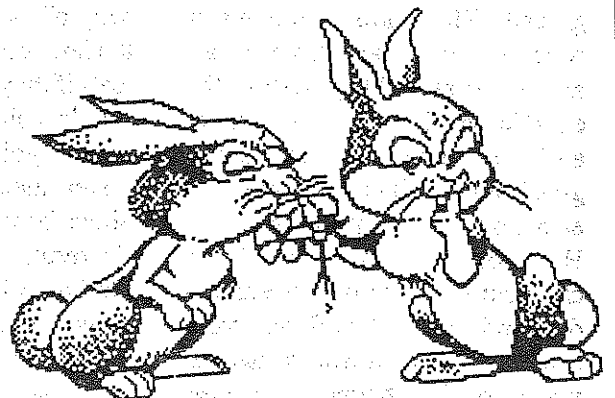
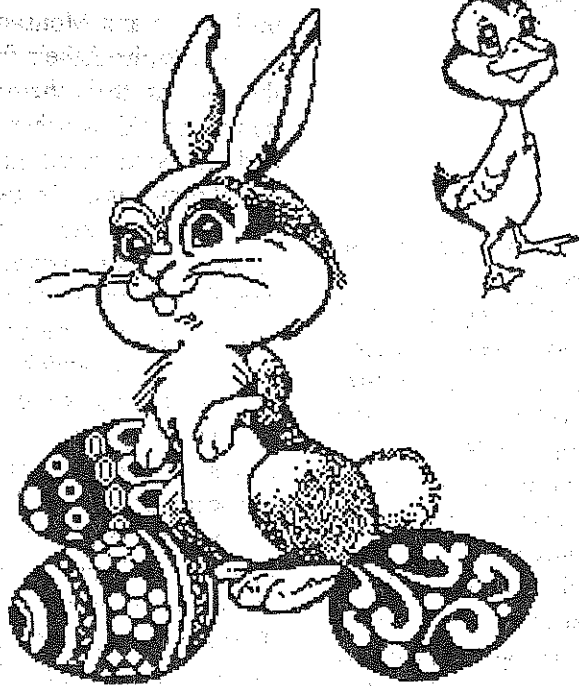
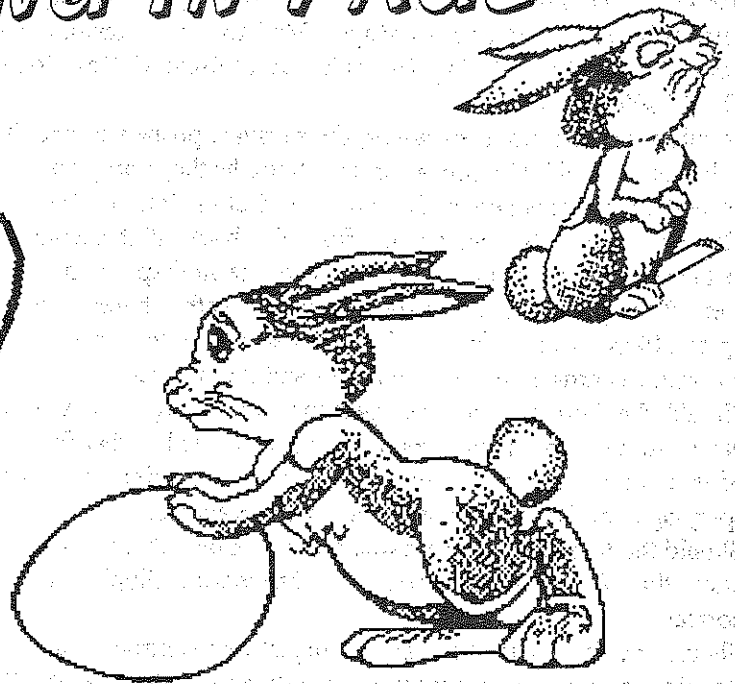
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A PUBLIC CHALLENGE

I wish to lay down the gauntlet, thus offering a challenge to the three persons listed: Mr R Legge - Mayor, Mr J Brown - Manager Break O'Day Council, Mr Johns - Acting Works Manager Break O'Day Council.

The Challenge is this:

To allow themselves, their wives, their private properties and their gardens to be sprayed with Glyphosate in the strengths they spray ourselves and our properties, as happened on the morning of 26th October last.

This spraying to be carried out from the back of the council truck at a distance of no more than 15 metres with the said spray equipment some 4 feet off the ground and on a day when the weather bureau predict winds of up to 30km an hour, the wind to be well up by the time of spraying and blowing towards their said properties and themselves.

Should the Council, the three persons above, agree to this and actually have it done, then I shall admit that I have no need to fear from the over use of this chemical in the community, and have nothing to fear from further sprayings nor illnesses arising from such sprayings.

Should the three persons as stated above not take this challenge then I shall know that all that I read about the 'Dangers of Glyphosate' are true and correct.

Should we the public be made to ingest this chemical against our wills?

Should we trust such government departments to do the right thing by us?

It is more than time that the public had a voice on this matter.

P. M. O'Donnell St Marys

Paying to be poisoned

Hello!! Anyone awake out there?

I too am an observer in this community and to my observations, I feel that there is a far greater issue at stake here than the painting of a house or whatever it was that 'Observer' was concerned about.

So being a Ratepayer as you all are, I ask this question:- Should we be paying the Council, Forestry and the Agricultural Departments of government to poison us in our homes with the chemical Glyphosate?

They poison the air which we breath, both from the air and the ground. They poison the water which we drink, both from the air and the ground. They destroy the earth in which we grow our food, all in the name of commerce and greed. What will happen when the earth no longer supports us?

How long can the use of this chemical go on before the earth is dead and we are all suffering from some form of disease related to the use of this chemical :- cancer,

kidney disease, birth defects and NHL but to name a few.

We the people will pay again for treatment from the medical profession but not to be cured. Doctors and hospitals will have a hay day, plenty of customers indeed.

Whilst it is an admirable trait which the Australians have of 'she'll be right mate!' and they trust their politicians to do the right thing, I ask another question, why all the laws covering the operating use of this chemical if it be so safe and no danger to human health and there are no laws covering us, the public. Why all the secrecy when changing the laws governing these said chemicals if they be safe then surely there is no problem in the public knowing what is going on in government - if governments are not honest and above board with the public what is the result.....then we get anarchy.

Dr David Suzuki, Greenpeace and New Scientist Magazine are but a few of the sources of information on the subject of Glyphosate

(Roundup) for the discerning and forward looking, as are the lists of references provided with this article. What is the legacy we wish to leave behind us for future generations?

The increased use and the increased amounts of this chemical being used in our society should alarm us all especially to the legacy we are leaving for our grandchildren and their children as yet unborn.

It is not one bit of good that we sit back and allow companies such as Monsanto to dictate to our governments the terms and conditions they want for their chemical sales, their motivation is only fiscal in it's intent.

To my knowledge the Australian Government have not done any toxicology tests on humans for the use of this chemical as the costs are prohibitive and Monsanto have not as yet submitted their findings as to the use of this chemical on humans....so I'd say that none of the authorities involved in the use of Glyphosate and it's use, know or care what happens to the cheapest commodity they have at their disposal, we humans. Now should we wish to prove same and search out that material which proves our claims, in other words we the victims are the guilty.

Should not all tiers of government be accountable for their decisions and actions on all matters but particularly in the matter of the use of chemicals on humans.

This article does not come to you in haste, it is not too late for us to raise our voices now to have this insidious form of genocide by stealth stopped but we must act together if it is to be stopped. My files are open to all who wish to read them, to see for themselves what I call absolute 'white wash' that is going on.

This should be read in conjunction with my Public Challenge to the three on our local council.

*P.M.O'Donnell
Gardiners Creek Rd St Marys*

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The good news regarding ex-students continues to flow in. Stuart Mullan is working as an apprentice chef at the Penny Royal, and the news about Blair Adamczewski reported in our last newsletter is actually better than first reported. Blair attended Elizabeth College for his year 11. His results were absolutely outstanding. Blair received three OA's (Outstanding Achievement Awards). In doing so he was dux of the school in all three, scoring 20 out of 20 in both Biology and Pure Mathematics Stage2 and 19.6 out of 20 for Physical Science. These results should dispel any concerns that anyone in our community may have about country schools being unable to prepare our students for further study. Again and again we continue to see our ex-students perform outstandingly in many areas. In reading the Elizabeth College Newsletter I also note that out of the six students who gained OA's in Natural Science, two are from St Marys District High School, Blair and Upasna Pratap. I'm sure that you will agree that this is a very good effort. Many congratulations to Stuart, Blair and Upasna.



Owen De La Motte, Andrew Meijers, Blair Adamczewski and Jessica Stanborough and Libby Doughty (not pictured) were the shared duces of Physical Science.

From Elizabeth College Newsletter

More great news on our year 11/12 here at St Marys District High School. Many of you will have seen reports in local newspapers regarding NEET (North East Education and Training), gaining RTO status. This means that we at St Marys are now a national registered training organization. In order to do so St Marys, St Helens and Winnaleah had to undergo a very vigorous two day outside audit last week. An enormous amount of prior work had to be undertaken in order for us to gain this registration and pass the audit. I can assure you all that it was far from a simple process. However, we passed with flying colours and in fact were congratulated by the outside auditors for our outstanding preparation and great enthusiasm. Many thanks in particular to Margaret Forsyth who led us through the audit and whose preparation was excellent. Mrs Targett and Mr Wardlaw were also heavily involved and we thank them also for their additional work and dedication. Alan Beach also played a huge role in bringing the schools together and leading us through the process. Without Alan there is absolutely no doubt that we would have failed in our endeavour. St Marys District High School owes all of these people a great debt. Our year 11/12 VET (Vocational Education and Training) courses are now up there with the best.

We should also be very proud of the fact that apparently we are the first group Australia-wide to undertake registration as a group rather than individually. This move will undoubtedly help us to offer year 11/12 students in our area many more meaningful pathways into the future.

While on the topic of year 11/12 it is worth noting how successful our new courses are running this year. All teachers in this area are delighted with the progress being made. We look forward to even bigger and better things next year.

Thanks to all parents and staff who took part in our 7 to 12 parent teacher evening last week. It was a very long night for several teachers. We hope that you found the sessions worthwhile.

Our swimming season has come to an end with many great successes. Congratulations to all students who have improved their swimming ability and to those who managed to improve so much that they were able to win race in the competitions at school and races against other schools. Many thanks to Karen Bramich and Kristen Kelly for running swimming sessions outside normal school hours.

I must also make a brief comment about the magnificent literacy work being undertaken in the school. Staff and teacher assistants are working very hard in order to help all students, whether they are strong or requiring additional help in this area. The school has once again placed additional resources into this area and I know that a lot of dedicated people are working extremely hard. Ros Smith is one of our key teachers in this area and I know that Ros is running one of the best programs statewide. I have no doubt that the literacy levels of your children will continue to rise.

Just before I finish I would like to wish you all a safe and happy Easter Break. The first part of our year at St Marys District High School has been extremely successful.

CONGRATULATION-UMESH PRATAP

Umesh is away on a three week study tour of India. Umesh will return after Easter. I'm sure that both Umesh and St Marys District High School will gain for this great experience.

JOHN MARSHALL, PRINCIPAL

FOUND

Someone's very special toy was found in the school car park this week. If your child has lost their special friend recently, please ring the school and describe the item so we can reunite it with its owner.

ST MARYS DISTRICT HIGH STUDENTS ATTEND LAUNCESTON CHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL'S GRADE 6 CHALLENGE 2000

This year St Marys D.H.S sent a team of four grade 6 students to participate in the Challenge 2000 event organized by Launceston Church Grammar School over the weekend 18th and 19th of March.

The challenge championship involved a range of skills and programmes combining the arts, mathematics, orienteering and computing and nearly 60 children from 14 schools across the north of the state participated.

The members of our team were Tamara Mason, Richard Howe, Daniel Mason and Lauren Quinn.

Ross Quinn very kindly offered to be the adult supervisor and provide the transport for the weekend. His involvement and support were much appreciated.

This is the first time that St. Marys has sent a team to the Challenge and our students are to be congratulated for their enthusiasm and application, and for achieving third place in the music section.

It was also pleasing to note that Tobias Brusksch-Domanski (now living in Launceston) was a representative in the winning team from St Thomas More's College. Tobias had been a pupil at our school until leaving at the end of 1999.

By all accounts, the team had a wonderful weekend and it is hoped that we will be able to send another team next year.

Ruth Miller.

On Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 of March, Tamara Mason, Daniel Mason, Richard Howe and I, Lauren Quinn, went to the Challenge 2000 at the Launceston Church Grammar School. We competed in fun but brain busting activities such as the Music challenge, where you make your own instrument and compose a piece of music, the Art challenge, where you are taken to a certain spot in the school and have to construct a sculpture to suit the habitat, and the Major Challenge, where you have to do a forensic investigation of the murder of King Duncan. We came third in the music challenge. It was a great weekend and I'd love to do it again.

Lauren Quinn



On the 18th & 19th of March, Daniel Mason, Tamara Mason, Lauren Quinn and I, Richard Howe, went to Challenge 2000 for the weekend. Challenge 2000 was held at Launceston Church Grammar School. We had to be there by about 9.15 to register. When we went to register, we got a folder with a certificate and a couple of maps inside. While we were waiting for the other schools to register, we went and sat down for a while when Tobias came along.

After everyone had registered we went down to the auditorium and we got our tutor who showed us around the school. His name was Shem. Our first challenge was the music challenge. In the music challenge, they gave us lots of things that we had to bang together or shake or something else. There were 2 instruments that they actually gave us. They were a drum and a cymbal.

Altogether we had to make 8 different sounds out of around 12 objects that they gave us. When we finally put all our objects together, it sounded pretty good. To start off, we had sticks banging together, then dried peas shaken in a container. After that we had a xylophone then a thong thingy. Then drums, pipe and xylophone all together for 3 times. Then we had silence. After that we had a flute thingy and then we used the drums and cymbal together to end it. After that we had morning tea. For morning tea there was pies, sausage rolls and lots of cakes and things. After morning tea we had maths. We had to go to the log cabins for maths and our supervisor was Shem. We got 9 of our 10 questions answered. After we had maths, we went to the art room. For art, we got a plastic bag with a lot of materials in it. We had to make something that was in our area. We made a tree that we didn't quite finish. For afternoon tea we had a lot of junk food. After afternoon tea, we went to computer where we had to answer 10 questions and then we had letters that we had to make words out of. After that we had some game time before we had tea. For dinner we had roast chicken with vegetables. After dinner we had more play time.

For our last thing to do we had to go and perform our musical piece and then we played theatre sports.

After that, we went to our tents, had a drink and went to bed.

The next morning, we got up and went and had breakfast. The final thing we had to do was the major challenge. In the major challenge we had to solve a murder mystery. The last thing we had to do was to watch the presentation which we got 3rd in music.

Richard Howe

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The book has over 1000 names and most of these people were born, married and lived in north east Tasmania. There are some photos dating back to the 1880's.

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Sports Centre News

by Kackhander

Firstly a big thanks to the people involved with the recent Bowls / Golf Fun Day and of course the Mowbray visit the previous week.

These days are great for the club and the Mowbray boys once again enjoyed their visit. The bowls / golf day although down on numbers followed, and the Bowls Best and Fairest count was included on the day. Congratulations to Clive Berwick on taking out this honour and he truly deserved it.

Les Peart was the runner - up and Peter Davern was third. Well done to all the bowlers for the year and hopefully another successful season will come next year.

A big thanks also to Rod Spilsbury for all his efforts this year along with President of Bowls, Tony Blake, and Steven Dawson for his work as Match Manager.

Just a reminder that the Bowls Annual Dinner will be held at the club on May 6th and that names need to be up as soon as possible for catering purposes.

Pennant Golf commences this Sunday with St Marys hosting St Helens.

It would be great to see as many pennant players as possible being available on Saturday to help captain John Miles and the selectors pick a strong team for the game. Numbers have been slow to pick up so far this year and with some major trophies to be played for, it's crucial to get the golfers back, and of course our incredible pennant record will require the club members to try and make themselves available if they can.

It's a great club, the course is in good nick but we need more golfers.

The ladies competition is holding good numbers and both pennant sides are doing well and congratulations to them all for this.

They are the envy of most other clubs.

Anyway until next time, good hitting and bowling

DIVISION 2 ROSTER Seniors & Reserves



Round 4 - 15th April

Scotch v's Hagley
Campbell Town v's St Pats
St Marys v's Tamar Cats
OLFC v's Perth
Bye — Evandale

Round 5 - 29th April

Hagley v's OLFC
St Pats v's Evandale
Tamar Cats v's Perth
Scotch v's St Marys
Bye — Campbell Town

Round 6 - 6th May

Evandale v's Hagley
Perth v's St Pats
OLFC v's Scotch
St Marys v's Campbell Town
Bye — Tamar Cats

Round 7 - 13th May

St Pats v's Scotch
Tamar Cats v's Campbell Town
Perth v's St Marys
Evandale v's OLFC
Bye — Hagley

Round 8 - 20th May

St Marys v's Hagley
OLFC v's St Pats
Evandale v's Tamar Cats
Campbell Town v's Scotch
Bye — Perth

Round 9 - 27th May

Hagley v's St Pats
Scotch v's Tamar Cats
Campbell Town v's Perth
St Marys v's Evandale
Bye — OLFC

NO GAMES AT EASTER



St Marys Pacing Club

The Club held their annual social evening in the Community Hall on Friday evening the 24th March. It was well attended and everyone enjoyed the dancing and other entertainment. It was pleasing to see many younger people joining in the old time dances and some oldies doing or trying a bit of twisting etc.

Thanks to Mary and Trevor for a great job behind the bar. People in costumes were a bit scarce, but a few made the effort. Charlie Chaplin was accompanied by his little milkmaid minus the cow, Sultan Abdulla escorted his Sultana Jasmine and Dame Edna arrived with cigarette in the mouth and Les Patterson plus many, many food stains!

Thanks to Gaye Clarke for the music both old and new and also everyone who contributed to the lovely supper.

Besides the evening, we wish to thank the Woods family of Fingal for their raffle prize and also to Brent Johnson for his assistance on January 1st.

Sorry to have forgotten you all.

Eric Bean Secretary

Junior Footy



Sunday saw the first of the Junior Footy games for the season, with all age groups well represented.

This followed an open age game up to U/16's prior to the St Marys - OL's clash the day before which gave the young tigers a chance to have some valuable watch practice. Scores from Sundays games were:

GRADE 5,6 & 7

- MAGPIES - 9 goals, 6 behinds, 60 pts
- defeated BOMBERS - 4 goals, 10 behinds, 34 pts
- BEST PLAYER - Team efforts from both sides
- GOALS MAGPIES: Matthew Midson 3, Daniel Cooke 3, Richard Howe 2, Troy Howe 1.
- BOMBERS: Ben Miller 2, Sam Oates 1, Shaun Pyke 1.
- Inaccurate kicking costing the Bombers in another close and entertaining game.

GRADES 3 & 4

CATS - 9 goals, 9 behinds, 63 pts
def. BOMBERS - 6 goals, 9 behinds, 45 pts.
Goal kickers unavailable

Best Players CATS: - Aaron Midson, Shaun Cannon, Billy Jack Allen

BOMBERS:- Ryan Street, Sam Child, Kodie Donald.

PREP-GRADE 1 details are not available but by all accounts the youngsters may have lacked the numbers but not the enthusiasm.

This group is always a crowd pleaser, so if you have entertained the thought of participating, watching or just helping out, then come along and have a go. It's great fun.

This weeks game is Saturday, for all grades at 10.00am at the footy ground prior to the St.Marys v Tamar Cats game. A good chance for the youngsters to play in front of a large crowd, so show up and add your support to our Junior Footy.

St Marys Tennis Club

The next General Meeting will be held on Thursday 27th April.

ANZAC Day Fun Day

Will be held on 25th April with a 9.30am start.

All interested players (members and non members) please list your name on notice board at the tennis club.

TIGERS FOOTY NEWS

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and undisciplined play, resulting in 6 x 50 metre penalties, told the story at the end of the day. A bit of a let down from the previous week, but don't give up on the Tigers yet, as a few players had poor games and we still only went down by 2 kicks.

Let's hope we improve again this week against the Tamar Cats, at home again.

The reserves broke through for their first win this week, in a hard slogging encounter. Fitness amongst some players again a worry as the Tigers should have taken the opposition apart, but kicked badly again for a six goal win.

Best players, Michael Cooke, Colin Gibson, Jerome Schmehl, Robert Broad and Nathan Hextall. Colin and Robert were late signatures we obtained and could easily fit a senior guernsey in the coming weeks.

It was great to see large crowds returning to the footy, it's great for the future of our game here and for the town. Hope to see you all again this week, best of luck to the Tigers.

Note: seen out and about - a few dedicated players and committee people helping with a much needed coat of paint outside and inside the shed, the place is already looking great!!

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TIGERS GREAT START TO FOOTY SEASON

SENIORS

Two contrasting weeks for Tiger players and supporters, what a start with a 73 point drubbing of last years premiers. St.Pats at their home ground followed by a disappointing 2 goal loss to OL's at home. A Jeckyl and Hyde performance indeed, last week against St Pats could not have started our season on a higher note, a real shot in the arm for the club after the disappointments of previous seasons, a strong recruitment drive reaping early benefits.

In such an even team performance, it was difficult to sort out best players, but veteran full forward Ray Squires topped off some magnificent play upfield to notch 9 goals. Brent Leedham (5 goals), Keith Gillies and Mathew Aulich also notched impressive performances, (the latter hopefully realising his full potential this year) and Stewart Brooks who manfully carried the ruck all day and gave us first use of the ball.

The Reserves tackled a team underfeated in 2½ seasons of football and lost by 80 points, but with only five less scoring shots and some very unfit players, the side can only look to improve.

Best players Rex Floyed, Leigh Spilsbury, Mark Donald and Nathan Hextall.

Last week saw us back at home with high expectations, in front of the biggest home crowd for many years, to take on OL's which had lost both it's opening games. Despite the loss of Brent Leedham (calf muscle) and Paul Barnes (knee) early in the game, the Tigers were still six goal leaders half way through the second term. OL's hit back late in the term with 6 unanswered goals to the game up at half time. Ray Squires again supplying the target up forward, marking strongly on several occasions to keep the Tigers in the hunt.

Both teams struggled to score effectively in the second half, a see-sawing spectacle that saw OL's up by two goals at the final siren. The Tiger's had their chances, but many skill errors

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