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OF THIS AVENUE OF TREES ON 1 JULY 1944

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE HEAD TEACHER HILTON L. SWIFTE, AND WAS

INSPIRED BY DENZIL CASBOULT, A PUPIL

AT THAT TIME AND LATER WARDEN OF

## St Marys School Driveway

Trees of significance.

Pupils, parents and visitors may have pondered the signifigance of the sandstone block set just inside the entrance to St Marys District High School.

This block was placed there 5 years ago. It was intended that a commemorative plaque be attached, but it hasn't happened yet.>>>

The stone was originally part of Joseph Brickhill;s store in Campbell Town, built in 1859 and destroyed by fire in 1982. The Break

O'Day Plains was originally part of the Police District controlled by a Magistrate at Campbell Town until 1837, so the stone represents a link with our earliest and colonial history. It was donated by David and Jan Clement.

Rob Brown gave his tow truck and time to move and put the stone in place.

Rob Hart, Principal, declared the stone laid and Dick Adams MHR sat on it, at a ceremony organised by the St Marys Land Care Group on 7 August.

## Trees of our School Driveway

The original avenue of 62 trees is substantially intact, although some deaths have not been replaced or have not been replaced by the original species. Also some trees are looking sick.

The original planting plan has been found and supplied to the school to enable this magnificent heritage landscape to be maintained.

The Plan comprised a double row of trees on each side of the driveway, with alternate pairs or double pairs of different species repeated progressively along the drive eg. Lombardy Poplars, English Oaks, White Gums, Cryptomeria Elegans, Spanish Firs, etc.

The driveway is a magnificent sight at any time of the year, and has been a daily part of the school experience of all the children of the area for the past 50 years. Hopefully the stone will still be there in 2040 to allow a 100 year plaque to be fixed to commemorate the maintenance and renewal of this living part of the history of St Marys.

### GROWING ST MARYS

THE MUNICIPALITY.

Fourteen oak trees were planted last Monday and Tuesday the 7th and 8th June, along the northern side of Main St, between Cameron and Frank Streets, as part of the Townscape Committee's programme of development.

These trees fill in the gaps between existing trees, and restore the avenue that previously extended from Clive to Frank Street.

Together with the Linden trees and new footpath from the bridge to the Flat, and the new bridge railings, this planting completes the unification of the streetscape from Clive St to The Flat.

The new trees are a mix of English Oak (Quercus robur) and Scarlet Oak (Quercus coccinea). The robur link with the existing oaks, particularly those outside Holy Trinity, the Scarlet Oaks will provide a flare of scarlet color in autumn, and are concentrated on front of the Town Hall, as a foil to the existing oaks around the War Memorial. One is also planted near the corner of Cameron St, with another at the Storey St junction.

St Marys Townscape Committee members are currently Grant Faulkner, Brent Johnson, Debra Manskey, David C'nent. Mary Targett and Jim Napier. These are your contacts to get your ideas about our town centre discussed and put into action. The Committee meets on the first Monday of each month.

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MY THANKS GOES TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE MADE MY JOB SO SATISFYING IN A CAREER THAT BEGAN ON THE 10TH NOVEMBER 1966, IT WILL END NEXT FRIDAY.

I HAVE SO MANY MEMORIES TO TAKE WITH ME, SOME SAD, SOME HAPPY AND SOME JUST PLAIN FANTASTIC. THE PEOPLE I HAVE MET, PLACES I HAVE BEEN AND CHALLENGES I HAVE BEATEN (that's you Ree) NOT TO MENTION THE PEOPLE I HAVE WORKED WITH, (That in its self would fill a book) ALL HAVE MADE MY TIME SO SATISFYING.

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Subsequently an agreement was reached whereby quite a substantial amount of money was invested. The resulting upgrading of the old nurses home by local tradesmen was very welcome indeed.

It is envisaged that allied health students currently studying at the Tasmanian University will be accommodated whilst they undertake research activities concerning rural health.

### DOCTORS WEEKEND ROSTER

June 19th and 20th — Dr Geniola June 26th and 27th — Dr Shah \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE

Thurs. 17th June: Child Health Clinic Thurs. 17th June: Free immunization

St Marys Community Health Centre Phone 6372 2111 6372 2311 Dr Shah 6374 2288 Dr Geniola

### CAN YOU HELP?

Yes, we need a group of people who have concerns regarding our present and future health status, to suggest issues which they consider would benefit from such research.

For example, one topic could be 'The incidence of motor neurone disease in the Break O'Day

Municipality and the casual factors of such disease.

If you think you would like to have some input into such research, please phone the Health Centre by 30th June and leave a message indicating your interest.

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"I thought your Valley Voice readers may be interested to know how we are faring on the road. It is six months since we sold the farm and most of our belongings to take up a somewhat nomadic lifestyle.

Any regrets? I do miss my council work and Peter would love more mountains to climb, other than that no, we are loving it.

Prior to leaving St Marys there were many decisions to make, the most important was what to pack into our reduced living space. Peter found this the most difficult as he was keen to take tools of trade for future employment as well at his recreational gear for climbing and bush walking. Not difficult for myself, a small satchel to carry my watercolours. I dreamed of sitting under a bush beside a waterhole and painting a masterpiece - sad that I do not have an artistic bone in my body.

Clothing and books are also an issue when packing a mobile home. We had two weddings to attend in Perth, one was our daughter Naydene's so we had to take along the glad rags for that and as we would be spending several months in the city we would need more than just shorts and thongs.

We juggled our wardrobe many times and off loaded things along the way. Wouldn't you know it, Peter has just got a job on a prawn trawler and yes, you guessed it, what we left in Perth is what he needs on the boat, so a trip to the local Op Shop.

Books, we love 'em - unfortunately something had to go to make room for my newly acquired 'Laptop'.

People may wonder what is the most difficult situation one needs to adapt to while living this nomadic lifestyle. Well believe me it has been pretty strange not having to think about work for six months, but old habits die hard, so much so that we are both now working. Peter on the fishing trawler and I am at the hospital where I was born. Yes, we are back in my home town of Carnarvon WA.

The best thing so far, well it really hit home on Good Friday We were heading north to Carnarvon, sharing the road with all the Easter holiday makers. We set off around 7am with the intention of stopping at the next rest area for breakfast, traffic streaming past us, all in a mad rush to reach their destination. We spent about an hour talking to a Kiwi gent on a push bike who told us how he had spent seven hours during Cyclone Vance, sitting in a rest area toilet just south of Ex-

We cooked our breakfast, played with the dog and realised that this is what this new lifestyle is all about, we could, if we wanted, stay there all day, a week or what ever. Ah, what a life.

During the past six months we have stopped over in Melbourne, Castlemaine, Broken Hill, Eyre Penninsula, Kalgoolie, Perth, Mandurah, Camarvon, Exmouth (left the week before the cyclone), back to Carnarvon, back to Perth and now back to Carnarvon. We will probably stay here for six months.

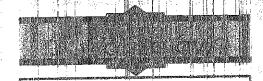
Our next big decision, where to next, do we go north or will we start heading for Tamworth? We'll keep you posted.

Fond regards, Annette

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- 2. Where do you find one of the four flightless birds of Australia?
- 3. Where do you regularly see not just one but both of the only two monotremes on the planet?

Answer.

St Marys, capital of the Break O'Day Plains, a highland town in the Eastern Tiers of Tasmania.

- 1. St Patricks Head, named 17 March 1773
- 2. The Tasmanian Native Hen.
- 3. Echidna and Platypus.

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### Clues:

- e Ali Baba's grain!
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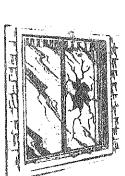
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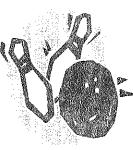
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### JEFF HEALIS OFF AGAIN

Our local 'Foreign Correspondant' from last year has once again moved north for winter and has sent a journal of how and where he camped his way back up to his home patch at Crossing Falls in W.A. Jeff has headed it

### 'The travels of Brent's ham.'

April 24

We stowed the Christmas ham in the old Willow Eski ready for the trip on the ferry, there was no need for tucker on the boat as meals are free and just too much for one's belly to take. After a monstrous meal at night we had no need for breakfast at 3am as we hit the decks at Port Melbourne at 5am. Yes, 5am - dark deserted Anzac Day, Sunday 25th. We were second car off and unlike a rocket we lumbered on to the freeway to the West Gate Bridge then empty highway to Ballarat.

Our destination was the Grampian Mountains National Park where we knew there would be good camping and perhaps a few decent bush walks. We were not disappointed Eureka Stockade, Sovereign Hill, Ballarat, Ararat were passed by and we turned left at Stawell to Halls Gap - the hub of the Grampians. Tourist visitors thick on the ground.

I was keen to see this area of Western Victoria as a farmer friend was keen to buy a farm and leave Tassie, but it was very, very dry and dusty. The wheat stubble was being burnt and dust was flying from the seed sowing operations - not my paradise.

High up on the escarpment, Brent's ham came out for lunch, what a beauty. A superb lunch was enjoyed with a brew of billy tea then off for a rock hopping scramble to the lookouts above Hall's Gap. As it was a weekend there were plenty of others out to enjoy the day as were a couple of wedge tailed eagles, soaring overhead.

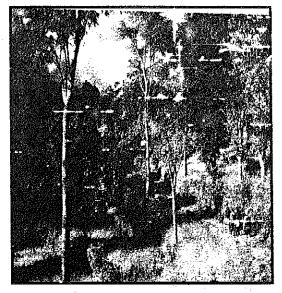
After getting directions from the National Park Ranger, we headed west into the middle of the Park to the lovely isolated camping spot beside a small creek still with running water. We had company that night, two tiny dark brown scrub wrens who were used to campers and knew they would also enjoy some bread and Brent's ham. There were three rough camp sites and stones where fires had been lit, so with the camp fire going, out came the jaffle irons, ham, eggs, sweetcorn and apples - all from St Marys. A lovely tea was enjoyed but quite different from the 'pig-out' on the ferry. The ham was stowed away from the foxes and the dingoes until another day.

April 26

The night in the Grampians was so peaceful. A clear moonlight night and just the tiniest sprinkle of rain, our last rain for perhaps six months. A Park Ranger or farm worker roared past our camp at about 6am to get us on the move. Yes, ham and egg jaffles for breakfast then off west to Horsham and Nhill. Getting pretty dry and desert like, so after a watering stop at Nhill we lashed out and bought two bottles of Port to have as night caps, really did not need much tonic for my old body to rest at the end of each full day.

South Australia here we come - Bordertown, Keith, Tailem Bend, Murray Bridge- but we left the busy highway before crossing the Murry and weaved our way slowly along the eastern bank with our hawklike eyes looking to camp beside the river. It was quite difficult to find a way down the steep bank but we never gave up and finally a small dirt track lead us down. We had to survey it first but I knew the heavily loaded truck with a 2 ton load would make its way back up the cliff.

It was nice to see the oasis like vineyards, almond orchards and citrus groves hugging the river and the muddy floodwaters of the NSW rains flowing past. A lovely place to camp after crossing the Mallee. Under a Red River gum near Purnong the camp fire was fired up and guess what out came Brent's ham, jaffle irons and the billy, but to finish off half a mug of port is luxury!! No howling dingoes or cars or house boats on the river, a great camp, just a lovely rest inside the canvas canopy of the old farm



truck. Not even a mosquito, perhaps they did not like the smell of the cow dung splattered on the cab of the Daihatsu.

Another luxury item from St Marys was a wooden folding card table on loan from Barbara. It's the first thing unloaded, set up and then out comes the food eski that contains Brent's ham. We take good care of the ham, so ants, flies, foxes or dingoes don't get it as it has to last for the 2 week trip.

The luxury items we have are 2 folding canvas armchairs, 2 thick mattresses with soft pillows, sleeping bags and 2 recycled drench containers for fresh Tassie mountain water. (I am still enjoying the Seaview water here at Crossing Falls.)

Jeff Weston

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## The problem with holidays

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I have just returned from Emerald in Central Queensland, staying with family for five weeks - probably no one has really noticed my absence around here, but it certainly was a good feeling to hand over my Valley Voice chores to someone else for these past few weeks — no chasing ads and articles, no sitting up all hours of the night to make sure that all the pages actually have something on them, keeping fingers crossed that the computer does not throw a tantrum (or being a beginner, anything could happen!) or worst of all, the printer decides not to print or runs out of ink halfway through Old Tiges page.

I had planned to be in Emerald a few days before my new grandchild arrived, but Lama Rose decided to get there first.

It was quite an eventful trip up. Grace decided it was a good chance to go north and visit her family at the same time and I would be able to give her a hand with the travelling as we had to change planes several times before finally getting there, it was quite a long day wasn't it Grace, but we had a few laughs along the way especially if we could have been seen racing through Brisbane terminal on the 'car' with the beeper going to get people out of the way!!

We were not the only Tasmanians visiting Emerald which is the central business hub for agriculture and mining of the Central Highlands of Queensland, a growing bustling area with population of about 12,000. Senator Jocelyn Newman was there meeting with local groups. Michael and I were able to have a chat with David Foster before he chopped and officially opened the Emerald Show - he certainly does Tasmania proud with his friendly personality and the locals were keen to see him chop.

David Foster had offered to donate all his prize winnings to the Central Highlands Aged Persons Home and the Show chopping secretary said - " the cheeky little bugger, he hasn't won anything yet, but when I saw him I was wrong, he is a cheeky BIG bugger". Of course he won and donated the money. (excuse her language) Despite having a new baby in the household we still managed to do lots of looking around and going places. Not sure which was the most exhilarating - the ride on the roller coaster with the children at the Show or the walks into Carnarvon Gorge. At least I had not lost my voice when we left the Gorge but was rather hoarse when I got off the roller coaster - still not sure if it was from laughing or screaming - and it looked such an innocent and harmless machine when stationary!!

The Carnarvon Gorge is magnificent and hope to go back and next time do a few days walking. As most days were 'only' about 26°, 27° 28° or 29° it was considered too cool to do the planned snorkelling off Great Keppel! Last time when up there the weather turned rough and the trip was cancelled so once again it is put on hold for next time. Takes a bit to psych myself up for this adventure as my courage seems to weaken as the reef gets closer, but I trust my son when he says it is a wonderful experience and I should take the opportunity while they are living up there.

A visit to the Gemfields fossicking for sapphires, still wearing shorts at the evening BBQ's, cane toads hopping across the road at night, great fields of sorghum, cotton and sunflowers, glowing sunsets stretching across the flat horizon (no hills or mountains for the sun to slip behind), the school children assembled each Monday morning singing two verses of Advance Australia Fair and must mention the home cooked 'peanut satay beef'! All these things made it a memorable holiday in a place that is such a contrast to St Marys.

But holidays do come to an end and it was a relief to come home and find that the entire population of St Marys had not vanished. After reading in the Valley Voice while away (yes, it is mailed all around Australia!) that the new water supply was being likened to the effects of Hitlers gas chambers and then in the following issue the headlines were of rat poison in the water, I feared that our already declining community could really be in dire straits but instead I thought how well the town looked and hopefully new businesses in the town will soon add to the towns attraction for visitors to stop or more residents to make their home here.

More surprises in store for me, my grand daughter Chelsea born a few hours after I came home, so good timing, either by me or baby Chelsea.

Perhaps we are taking more notice of the birds that regularly fly north for the winter as quite a few locals are doing that each year, many with caravans in tow.

Well it's back to work until a chance to fly away again.

I have been told that we have had the mildest May for 116 years, so perhaps I should take another holiday in July when it could be colder. A.E.W.

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Church Service 10.30am

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Campbell Town 9.30am

Avoca

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### You have to be joking!

A Scotsman visiting Canada made a visit to the zoo with his friend.

He stopped by one of the enclosures

"An' what animal would that be?" he asked.

"That's a moose, a native animal here" came the reply.
"A moose! exclaimed the Scot. "Hoots - they must ha'
rats like elephants here!"

A keen golfer was wondering if they played golf in heaven. He decided to seek the services of a fortune teller to find out.

The fortune teller gazed into her crystal ball and after some deliberation said "I have some good news and some bad news for you."

"The good news is that they do play golf in heaven and the bad news is that you are due on the first tee at 8 tomorrow morning."

Public relations is the fine art of making sure that something is no sooner done than said.

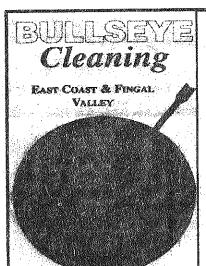
Patient: "Doctor, I keep thinking I'm a dog" Psychiatrist: How long have you felt like this?"

Patient: "Ever since I was a puppy."

Psychiatrist: Just lie down on the couch."

Patient: "I am not allowed on the furniture."

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### Happy Birthday

Best Wishes to Mr Jack Smith of St Marys who celebrated his 95th Birthday on Wednesday 16th June.

Thankyou

Geoff, Mary and Linda King would like to thank Judy. Heather and Jos for their help and kindness during their recent illness and also at other times.

### Celebrations

Ron and Bettie Sumner celebrated their 45th Wedding Anniversary with family and friends at the Green Peacock Restaurant, last Saturday night.

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### Blue's News

Fingal v's Branxholm on June 5th

Seniors: After leading all day the seniors let go a twentythree point lead to be run over by Branxholm in the last quarter to be defeated in the last kick of the day by two points.

Reserves: Played well all day to have a convincing

win.

Under 16's: Won well in another great game.

### Fingal v's Ringarooma on June 12th

Seniors: After a great first quarter which saw us come out firing to lead at quarter time Ringarooma answered well to level the score at half time. The second half was a torrid affair with Ringarooma playing the better team football to win by 31 points at the final

Our defenders played well all day and although our forwards had plenty of the ball, they failed to kick us a winning score.

Reserves: Flayed well but were beaten by Ringarooma 9.8 (62) to 7.6 (48).

Under 16's: Won a one sided affair, 35.3 (241) to Ringarooma 0.0 (0). With eleven goal scorers it was a good hit out for next week's game against St Helens which will be the side to beat come Finals time. The last time these two met we won by one point, so let's all get here and support our boys.

### Next Games:

Fingal v's St Helens at Fingal. Branxholm v's Fingal at Branxholm.

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### Sports Centre News

by Kackhander

Three pennant teams for 1999, two mens and the womens team, and three flags.

We must pay special tribute to the ladies team first as it is has been many years since their last pennant success and it's great to see them get up in the tightest finish for many years.

They won by half a game as it turns out by beating Campbell Town on their home course in the final round. Well done.

Congratulations to John Miles and the A Grade and the A Reserve mens teams for continuing success. In A Grade it's 7-0 win against Malahide means that no matter what happens at Bicheno on June 20th the side cannot lose. Incidentally, this is the 5th successive flag since 1995 and the last home game for this year now completes the 14th straight year that the club has not lost at home. The more you think about it the more daunting that is.

There seems to be a good feeling for the upcoming NTGA Final in late July and you never know what might happen.

Finally to A Reserve and like A Grade the side has now reached an unbeatable position with a two clear wins gap on nearest rival Bicheno. The team has been committed all year and it is very satisfying to see them over the line.

Over recent weeks it's been pleasing to see the course in remarkably good condition considering the weather. The greens are very good, fringes tees likewise and the fairways, apart from the occasional flatweed, are a credit to all concerned.

Thanks to Greenkeeper Glen Hazelwood in his efforts, also to the kids who spent a whole week cleaning up the rough when it badly needed it.

It starts to restore a little faith after the recent problems, but we've all got a bit to go yet.

Finally to all past and present pennant players, on the second weekend of July - the 10th and 11th - the Association will be celebrating 50 years of pennant and consequently there is a major addition to the Memorial Shield Day on July 11th at Malahide as most will be aware soon.

As part of the weekend St Marys, who incidentally won the first two flags and is arguably the most successful club over that period, will be holding a special competition for all former East Coast players (not just our own) at the Club on the Saturday July the 10th at 11.30am.

This is for those who may come back a day early and wish an additional game of golf with our current members.

Hopefully we will get a good turn up.

Anyway until next time, good hitting and rolling.

### DICK ADAMS

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### FOOTY NEWS By Old Tige

### Seniors

A fortnight ago saw another frustrating effort from the Tigers against Campbell Town, after trailing by ten goals at half time, the players lifted their game in the third quarter to trail by 4 goals at three quarter time. It was great to see the team fight back against a more fancied opponent, but again a four quarter effort would have seen the final margin of ten goals drastically reduced. Also adding to the loss, was an inaccurate first term, scoring just one goal from seven shots. This week saw us take on Old Launcestonians at home, with the team keen to atone for recent efforts against an injury depleted side. The first quarter was a close one with the Blues having a slender 3 point margin at the break. Once again a lapse in the second quarter saw the opposition score 8 unanswered goals, as the second half proved very even, the Tigers actually outscoring the opposition in the final term. This has been the seniors major problem all season.

### Reserves

The Reserves have had a form slump over the previous weeks, when they should have been sitting in second spot on the ladder, they now find themselves fighting to stay in the five. The game against the Town was typical of at least three games this season, where the side got away to a sizeable lead early in the match, only to be run over in the final quarter. It would be easy to say that fitness was the major contributor, but numbers have been good on the track over previous weeks.

Against OL'S, the side did not start well, looking at a 5 goal margin at quarter time, but were playing catch up footy all day. Although the opposition had several senior players in their team due to injuries, the team realised that with a better start, the result could have been different. The final margin of 16 points tells it's own story. The Reserves now are a game outside the five and as the last few weeks indicate, the side should never be in this position. Looking for a big improvement from both sides against Perth at home this week.

### Under 16's

The boys have bounced back after the bye to defeat the Robins by seven goals, although it was a comfortable win, coaches Daniel and Adam would have been looking for better, as the lead did not increase after three quarter time. Still it was nice to see the boys bounce back after a torrid few weeks playing the school teams. Another bye this week, hope to see winning form continue next week at home.

After every home game there will be a function. This week a Trivia Night hosted by Allan Beach at the Clubrooms at 7pm.

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