

# THE VALLEY AND EAST COAST VOICE

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**St Marys is ablaze** with lights this year with 'peak hour' traffic occurring on dark as sightseeing vehicles tour the town. Santa's workshop is full of goodies for Christmas and sleighs can be seen flying over roof tops, even a lit-up life-like figure has been spotted dancing above one home.

With pine trees along the main street and bunting flying above, St Marys is ready for Christmas and appreciation is given to those responsible for the decorations.

## Emergency numbers

The Council Offices will be closed from 12noon Friday 22nd December, re-opening 8am Tuesday 2nd January 2001.

Council's normal telephone number 6376 1281 operates as an emergency services number outside of office hours and during the above closure.

In addition, for an urgent water and sewerage issue in the area of St Helens call 0419 554 538.

For Fingal, St Marys or Scamander 0409 858 604. For other urgent problems contact 6376 1040 or 0417 368 750.

Councillors and Staff of the Break O'Day Council wish residents and visitors, best wishes for a happy and safe Christmas and New Year.



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## Christmas Wishes

This is the last issue of the Valley Voice for this year, the paper will return on 16 February 2001.



The Valley and East Coast Voice wish all their readers, contributors and especially our many loyal and regular Advertisers who really are the ones that keep this paper going, a very enjoyable Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

To all our Advertisers could you please contact us before the paper resumes if you wish to review the content of your Ad.

See you all in 2001- where has 2000 gone?

## Funding welcomed

The Break O'Day Business Enterprise Centre and Break O'Day Community FM Radio Group were extremely pleased to receive funding from a recent allocation of a share from the Tasmanian Community Fund. The \$40,000 is further to the \$5,000 recently granted by the Tasmanian Community Foundation.

The Community FM Radio Group have been persevering over many years to get this off the ground and now this funding will allow some progress to be made.

Those who were involved with the submissions must be congratulated on their success.

## St Marys Butchery

Phone 6372 2274



Brent, Diane & Adam Johnson  
wish all their customers a safe  
and happy Christmas  
and a successful New Year

# CLASSIFIEDS

## CONTACT NUMBERS FOR VALLEY VOICE

Ron - 6372 2105 Fax - 6372 2172

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### FOR SALE

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### FOR SALE

House at Cornwall. Phone: 6372 2384

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### FOR SALE

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### FOR SALE

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### FOR SALE

Family tent as new (never been used) sleeps 4 comfortably. Cost \$700 will sell for \$500 ono. Phone: 6372 2658

## ST MARYS HEALTH & BEAUTY CENTRE

42 Main Road, St Marys, Tasmania  
Phone: (03) 6372 2172

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### CHRISTMAS OPENING HOURS

Sunday 24th - 1.00 - 4.30pm

Thank you for your support and have  
an enjoyable Xmas & New Year.

### CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

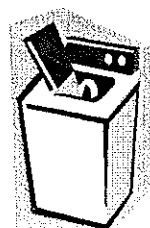
The St Marys District Hospital Auxiliary wish to thank everyone for a great night. A special thank you to the compare, musicians, artists, readers, chair removers and anyone else who contributed. How rewarding to live in a caring community! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all.

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Pete Cornelius  
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We are now taking orders for Bread/Milk/  
Cream/Fruit & Vegetables

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Good luck to those customers who entered the Island Fresh Competition,  
Winners drawn on 20th December.

For your last minute shopping we are OPEN:-

Saturday 23rd Dec. 8.00am - 12.30pm

Sunday 24th Dec. 9.00am - 12.30pm

Re-open Wed. 27th Dec. business as usual.

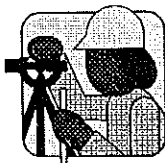


John, Rosanne, Mark, Kate and all the staff would like to wish their valued customers and the community a Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year.

## WE CAN HELP YOU

- \* Buying a property
- \* Planning a development
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## FAMILY, CHILD & YOUTH HEALTH SERVICES

### CHILD HEALTH CENTRE

These Centres will be closed from:  
25 Dec. 2000 until 2 January 2001

A Family & Child Health Nurse will be  
available during business hours on:  
Wed. 27, Thurs 28 and Fri. 29th Dec. 2000  
Phone: 63 362 130

Parents with new babies will be contacted  
by telephone during this period.

For immediate assistance please telephone:  
1800 808 178 (free call 24 hour service)

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### BICHENO CHILD HEALTH CENTRE

2nd & 4th Thurs. 1.00 – 3.00pm

Next Session: Thurs 11th, 25th Jan 2001

### FINGAL CHILD HEALTH CENTRE

1st & 3rd Tues 9.00am – 12.30pm

Phone: 6374 2260 for appointments

Next Session: Tues. 2nd, 16th Jan. 2001

### MATHINNA CHILD HEALTH CENTRE

2nd Tues. 11.00am – 1.00pm

Phone: 6377 1124 for appointments

Next Session: Tues. 13th Feb. 2001

### ST.MARYS CHILD HEALTH CENTRE

1st & 3rd Thurs. 9.00am – 12.00

Next Session: Thurs. 3th, 18th Jan. 2001

Phone Regional Office 63 362 130

After hours 1800 808 178

Mobile Phone 0409 361 005

Lorraine McGee RN.

## MEALS ON WHEELS

December	ST.MARYS	FINGAL
Mon, 25th	No Delivery	No Delivery
Tues. 26th	Rhonda Cranch	Christine Woods
Wed. 27th	Wendy Aulich	Debbie Speers
Thurs. 28th	Jean Schier	Jan Marshall
Fri. 29th	Shirley Britton	Janine Burt

### January 2001

Mon. 1st	Sally Spilsbury	Joan Lowe
Tues. 2nd	Denise Dawson	Robyn Holder
Wed. 3rd	Audrey Wright	Lynda Bean
Thurs. 4th	Debbie Dawson	Kathy Bean
Fri. 5th	M & P Berwick	Cheryl Rankin



### Coach House Restaurant.....

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Open 7 days a week (8.30 – 10.00)

Would like to wish everyone a

### MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR....

Still running is our video special..... Which is any new  
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only \$2 (o'night only). Many new movies in stock  
including heaps of children's favourites... HI 5, BOB the  
Builder, Wiggles, Tele-tubbies... and that's just a few!!!  
Our Christmas trading hours are... 24th Dec (Christmas  
Eve) the doors will be locked 9pm SHARP! Closed all day  
Christmas Day and re-opening Boxing Day at 8.30am.

### Australian Country Information Service

Community Hall – St Marys

Phone: 6372 2693 Fax 6372 2694

- \* Social Security information & forms
- \* Centrelink booklets
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## Doris Bullock (Dottie) is turning 80

**When:** Boxing Day 26th Dec. 2000

**Where:** 62 Main Street St Marys

**Time:** Any time after 2.00pm

Come along and help her blow out the candles. Everyone is most welcome

Afternoon tea and drinks will be provided. **Please no presents - just your presence !**



## St Helens Writers Group

The Group will be holding it's monthly meeting at St Helens Neighbourhood House, Circassian Street at 12 noon. \$2.00 and food to share.

If you are interested in writing, please do come and join us. Homework - choose a topic from any of the suggestions listed below, or if you wish, use a combination of two or more.

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 There's a rumour.     | 5 Stone the crows.        |
| 2 Just passing through. | 6 Starve the lizards.     |
| 3 A misunderstanding.   | 7 Just a packet of seeds. |
| 4 Mistaken identity.    | 8 Quite a character.      |

## St Marys Catholic Parish Christmas Mass Times

**Saturday Dec 23rd:**

St Helens: Vigil 6.00pm

**Sunday Christmas Eve:**

Bicheno: Vigil 6.00pm

St Marys: 8.30pm

**Monday Christmas Day:**

St Helens: 9.00am



## Brackets and Jam

Once again music and entertainment filled Todd's Hall as last Sunday saw the first of what is hoped to be a regular laid back afternoon of easy listening.

It was a chance for new talent to go on stage in front of a friendly audience, as well as to enjoy the many recognised artists from this area.

Some of those who came along to support the afternoon were Todd and Astrid, Eo Greenstick, the popular Mountain Band, Debra Manskey, children singing Christmas carols, the St Marys Community Band, Ray, Dave, Pete and Bruce appearing as Brains Morris and Ellie Taylor gave a poetry reading. Owen from South Australia was popular as he played drums, tin whistle and flute. MC for the afternoon was Bruce Cornelius who interviewed each artist before they took to the stage.

It is events like this that bring life back into a town and give it a sense of community working and enjoying together.

## St Marys Take Away

Phone 6372 2287

*Roseanne, Chris  
& staff*

*wish you all a  
very*

*Happy Christmas*

**Trading hours:**

Mon-Fri: 6am - 9pm

Sat: 6.45am - 9pm.

Sun : 8am - 7pm

## Addlestone House Bed & Breakfast

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Trading 7 days a week

**Merry**

**Christmas**

**from Ros, Dei-  
dre & Staff**

**Thanks for all your  
support in 2000**

**Pkts of Christmas cards**

**Lghts & Bon Bons**

**Christmas video - Winnie  
the Pooh**



## Thankyou

Jeff, Margaret and Grant Faulkner wish all their valued customers a happy, safe and healthy Christmas and New Year.

We also extend a very sincere thankyou to our wonderful family and friends for all their help, for the many trips to Launceston, cards, phonecalls, visits etc during Jeff's recent illness. Your kindness will be remembered always.

Sincerely

Jeff, Margaret and family

## Roy Tasman Cooper

Greg and Sandra would like to thank everyone for their condolences and words of tribute given to us on the passing of Roy.

A special thank you to both Margaret Cook and Leanne McDonald for their assistance often at very short notice over the last few weeks.

Also to Lindsay and Dianne Harris, Pastor Cliff Walker and Hannah Rubenach for all their help and compassion, the staff of the St Marys Hotel and to Kevin Faulkner for a wonderful eulogy to a special man. Thank you.

## Todd's Hall

café & theatre

Ph:6372 2066

Café OPEN TUES - SUN 10AM - 5PM

We will be closed from Dec 25 - Jan 2

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year

Thank you for your support  
over the past year.

### Events coming up in 2001

'The Patriot' starring Mel Gibson & Heath Ledger. 8pm screenings January Fri. 5 & Sat. 6. Meals available. Bookings essential.

Brian Fraser - award winning Blues Guitarist. Performing live in February.

Keep an eye out for more details.

## Thankyou

Andrew and Ann-Maree would like to express their thanks and gratitude for the many cards, gifts and flowers received on the birth of their son Michael. Please accept this as our personal thanks.

## The Valley is where I like to be

After reading some of the stories of '100 Years - 100 Stories' (especially of the places where I have lived or visited) I got to thinking of my life especially since I came to live up here at Cornwall. In the 65 years since I came here many things have happened in our Fingal Valley.

I think the Valley and especially St Marys should have a banner put up '*They refuse to lay down and die.*' We have had strikes - our mines closed down but reopened. Our hospital closed down but it is going to be reopened. We are going to have two doctors again. We have shops being closed down but they are reopened. Our schools are up in the higher scale.

We have newcomers coming into the district and they all leave their mark, but above all we have people who are willing to stand up and fight for what they think we should have.

The Valley is the place I like to be.

Una Camplin.

**Thumbs Up** to Dean Rice for slashing the roadside grass at Quail Flat Gray Rd, that Council nor Government seem to own.

**Thumbs Down** to the inconsiderate people who do not tie or fasten rubbish securely and leave a trail outside other peoples homes.

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## CARE BEARS

A small group of caring people have been busily knitting Care Bears for refugee children.

In the first package 22 Bears were forwarded to Sister Lorraine in June, followed by 56 in August and 53 were consigned in October. A great effort! Some keen ladies are already knitting Bears to be sent in 2001 to areas of need.

Doctors who care for these children are asking for a continuous supply for their patients, they have found that the children who have their own teddies to cuddle, respond so much better to staff and to their medical treatment. In their own little carry bag, each child keeps their Bear together with their medicine, this is quite often the only possession a refugee child has.

If anyone would like to help with this ongoing project, ring me on 6372 2245 and I will arrange for you to receive a pattern and other details.

Below is an extract from the thank you letter from Sister Lorraine who is coordinating this project.

*Dear Heather and Friends*

*Greetings from Ellendale. What a surprise when I collected the Care Bears from Hobart.*

*Thank you all so much for your generosity and all the love put into the making of these Bears.*

*They are all so different and special, just like the little children who receive them, for LOVE and comfort when they are ill.*

*Through an Army contact, your first Care Bears went to an orphanage on the outskirts of Deli East Timor for children who are aged from 18 months up to 16 years.*

*If there are any specific places you and your friends would like them to go, please let me know and I will endeavour to arrange for them to go to there. A Care worker from the Royal Brisbane Hospital would really love to have some for their very sick children.*

*The Brighton Mayor is investigating a way to send Bears to Kosovar refugee children through community workers who are helping over there.*

*I am amazed that the idea is gaining momentum, on the other hand I know that people are generous and kind when there is a need. I have found the making of the Care Bears is within the capacity of many people.*

*Thank you one and all. Every Grace and Blessing on you and your special friends.*

*Sincerely, Sister Lorraine Groves*

**Fran, Sarah and Lyn**

of

## Designer Hair Studio

Main Street St Marys 6272 2108

would like to thank our loyal clients for their support throughout the year 2000.

For the month of December we would like to reward you with the following specials.

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- ~ Any retail purchase over \$25.00 will receive a free styling product.
- ~ Students and school leavers can take advantage of our \$5.00 a foil special, receiving a free hair and body glitter.
- ~ Boys tips \$25.00 including a hair trim.
- ~ Those having a hair trim can benefit from a complimentary shampoo also a lash or brow tint for an extra \$3.00
- ~ We now offer acrylic nails for only \$45.00



**Very best Christmas wishes  
for a safe and happy  
holiday from  
Designer Hair Salon**

## ST MARYS ONLINE ACCESS CENTRE



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Wed	1pm - 5pm	
Thurs	10 - 12md 2pm - 5pm	Seniors
Fri	1pm - 7pm	
Sat	9am - 4pm	

**The Schier Family** - Jean, Michael, David, Val, John, Murray, Robert  
 invite their relatives, friends and descendants of the Schier, Walker, Targett and Lohrey families  
 to a **REUNION and MEMORIAL CEREMONY**  
 for **Jeanette Schier (Grandma Lewis) 1825 - 1897**  
 (who is buried in an unmarked grave at the old Falmouth cemetery)  
 and **Louis Gilbert Schier 1923 - 1999**  
 to be held at the old cemetery at **Falmouth** on  
**Sunday 7 January 2001 at 11.30 am**  
 Then afterwards at the Falmouth Community Centre for a picnic, barbeque, afternoon tea,  
 sharing of old photos and reminiscing.  
 RSVP to Jean Schier on 6372 5272 Falmouth Tasmania 7215

## **Dick Adams MP**

Federal Member



### **Telecommunications Service Inquiry**

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

Do you have or have you had a problem you would like to pass on to the inquiry? If you are not happy with the service Telstra is giving with your phone, fax, 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 6398 1120 or e-mail me at D.Adams.MP@aph.gov.au

## **Dick Adams MP**

**Federal Member for Lyons**



## **Break O'Day Council Councillors Names and Addresses**

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE & FAX
Clr S G Salter (Stephen) Mayor	Balaclava Gardiners Creek Rd St Marys Tas 7215	Phone 6372 2387 Fax: 6372 2716
Clr M Osborne (Margaret) Deputy Mayor	4 MacMichael Tce St Helens Tas 7216	Phone 6376 1772 Fax: 6376 1772
Clr J Collins (John)	22 Atlas Drive St Helens Tas 7216	Phone 6376 1889 Fax: 6376 2853
Clr W Daly (Bill)	C/- Post Office St Helens Tas 7216	Phone 6376 3193 Fax: 6376 3193
Clr H Holder (Henry)	Talbot Street Fingal Tas 7214	Phone 6374 2171 Fax: 6374 2393
Clr J LeFevre (John)	16-18 Tasman Hwy St Helens Tas 7216	Phone 6376 1601 Fax: 6376 2701
Clr R W Legge (Bob)	Cullenswood Esk Highway St Marys Tas 7215	Phone 6372 2391 Fax: 6372 2558
Clr J McGiveron (John)	11 Newman Street St Marys Tas 7215	Phone 6372 2231 Fax: 6372 2867
Clr T Rawnsley (Tony)	2 Wattle Drive Scamander Tas 7215	Phone 6372 5211 Fax: 6372 5393

## **C.A.R.S MOBILE**

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 37 Main Steet St Marys 6372 2735

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 Saturday open 8am - 1pm  
 Sundays closed

*On roster alternate weekends.*  
*Saturday 8am - 6pm Sunday 9am - 5pm*



# St Marys Community Health Centre

## GP ROSTER, ON CALL:

**December- January**

The doctor's roster is available from the Community Health Centre after hours message bank.

### **Monday & Wednesday Evenings:**

Dr Geniola Ph: 6374 2288

### **Tuesday & Thursday Evenings:**

St Helens Hospital 6376 5222

### **Medical Emergencies Phone:**

1800 008 008 or

**The Ambulance on: 000**

## WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE?

20th Dec- **Day Centre Break-up** for regular ladies

21st Dec- **Child Health Session** with Lorraine McGee

22nd Dec- **Physiotherapist Student** finished

25th, 26th Dec. & 1st Jan- **Medical Centre Closed**

22nd Feb- **Pap Smear Clinic** Ph: 6372 2111 for appoint.

23rd March- **Pap Smear Clinic**

**N/B:** Day Centre will resume on the 7th February 2001.

This will also be our first Podiatry date for the year with Perry Daly.

## BEACH/ WATER/ BOAT SAFETY DAY

Spring Beach- Mon. Jan. 8th 2001

Red Bill Beach- Tues. Jan 9th 2001

Binalong Bay- Wed. Jan 10th 2001

Croquet Lawn Beach B'pt- Thurs. Jan 11th

Come and join in the fun with surf life savers while you learn:

- To identify safe water
- How to handle a rip situation
- Basic First-Aid for bites and stings
- Board rescues
- Safe boating practice
- To enjoy the beach & water activities.

You'll play beach & water safety games with surf life savers.

Children under 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

Brought to you by; members of Surf Life Saving Tasmania, East Coast Community Nurses, Local Police, Mast and Local Service Clubs.



## YOUNG WOMAN

12-20 age group

Are you sick to death of having nothing to do?

Are you going to be bored out of your mind this Summer?

We have the solution!

Project Hahn is a six day adventure camp, giving you the opportunity to be involved in confident building activities such as: Abseiling, Kayaking, Rock climbing, Bushwalking, and many other fun, and challenging activities.

It's free, It's fun, It'll challenge you!

An intro course will be held on Wednesday January 17th. The 6 day adventure camp begins on Saturday January 20th, and finishes on Thursday January 25th.

If you are interested, and fall into the age group, and want to get away for 6 days to have fun, then contact: Debbie Speers on 6374 2274 or Charlene Suter on 6374 2334.

**Ever sprained your ankle, well Santa did and he came to the Community Health Center and we didn't have any crutches!**

**Poor old Rudolph had bad bronchitis and we didn't have a nebuliser...**

**If you have any crutches or nebulisers that belong to the Centre please return them ASAP. These items are under 'high demand' during the Christmas period and your help would be much appreciated in returning these items.**

**Thank you**

# St Marys Community Health Centre

All progressing well. After a full day of jackhammering -loud..loud...loud !

Then a full day of chainsawing loud..loud.. loud..!

& then a cement cutter or such yes loud !!

We have relative quiet up here ....that's if you don't take any notice of the backhoe or the cement truck or the trucks etc. that seem to be coming & going endlessly. Then yes it is relatively quiet!

We now have a cement slab which is I'm told the floor for the new GPs surgeries, A&E, nurses station & one ward. The outline is set for the admin block & waiting room so yes it's all taking shape (you just need a little imagination).

Through it all we seem to be managing & the construction crew are a good group to have around.

Talking of work crews I wish to mention my gratitude

To **my staff** here at the centre for their enthusiasm & commitment to duty over the last twelve months. I thank them for their support & know it is a privilege to be their manager. Team work multi-skilling -it's all there!

To **Gess** I thank you for your friendship, professionalism & being part of our team.

To all **our allied team members** ie visiting podiatrists - Chris & Perry; hearing centre -John; Drug & Alcohol - Keith; Lymphoedema Centre- Kate & Marjorie; Fitness & Health -Jackie; Community psychiatry -Helen; OPSM; Child Health - Lorraine; and all the rest a big thank you.

My sincere thanks go to our volunteer contingent.

That is the **Community Transport team** - Shirley, Brian, Ralph, Brian, Wes, Len, Noel & of course Jack. Your efforts are appreciated for all you do for our clients and the extra for us.

To the **Daycentre volunteers** -thank you for your continued support for our clients & centre.

To all **Meals on Wheels volunteers** I thank you for your patience & good attitude in the service of your community.

To **our ambulance volunteers** -much gratitude for your time & effort which is usually at short notice.

Last but not least to Audrey who untiringly waits for our contribution each fortnight -many would give up on us !! (well some anyway !).

MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE & HAPPY NEW YEAR

## Combined Churches of Break O'Day Church Services for Christmas

### Anglican

23.12.00	Pyengana	7.30pm
24.12.00	St Helens	9.30am
	St Helens	11.15pm
25.12.00	St Marys	9.00am
	St Helens	9.00am

### Roman Catholic

24.12.00	Bicheno	6.00pm
	St Marys	8.30pm
25.12.00	St Helens	9.00am

### Uniting Church

24.12.00	Fingal	9.15am
	St Helens	11.15am
	St Helens	7.00pm
25.12.00	St Helens	8.00am

## A Christmas message from the Anglican Church St Helens

Last week I was in a well-known store where Christmas Carols were being played and there was a general air of excitement. Decorations were being taken out of boxes and hung up and an assistant was assembling a tree that had been in storage for twelve months. Special treats just for Christmas were appearing on the shelves.

People were busy and I wondered what if I had been a complete stranger and did not know what all the excitement was about and asked the assistant. 'What's all the fuss and bother about?' I wonder what his reply would have been? No doubt he would have answered - 'It's the Festive Season, the Season to be merry, etc, etc.

But would he have said it is to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ? I wonder.

Jesus is the reason we celebrate Christmas.

Something happens a week or so after Christmas. The carols stop playing, decorations go back in the boxes to be stored along with the tree for another year and we soon go back to the way things were.

Life returns to normal.

As Christians once Jesus is really born into our lives, our lives can never return to being the same again. So as you hear the carols and attend church stop and reflect on your life. Do you want it to return to normal? Or do you want a life with Jesus that is full of expectation and excitement? If so talk to someone who has Jesus in their life.

*Michael Wakefield*



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This appeal has been launched due to the retirement of the Salvation Army's Captain Reg and Eve Tolputt, and our concern that those facing financial hardship will find Christmas that much more difficult without the Salvos presence this Christmas.

The Counselling Service is staffed by social workers Helen Preston 6376 2385 and Thom Ryan 6376 1545, and we wish to advise that donations of cash, food or toys can be left at the St Helens Neighbourhood House or at the following places:

**St Marys :** St Marys Supermarket. St Marys Top Shop

**Fingal:** Fingal Neighbourhood House. Fingal Post Office

**Bicheno:** The Log Cabin Store

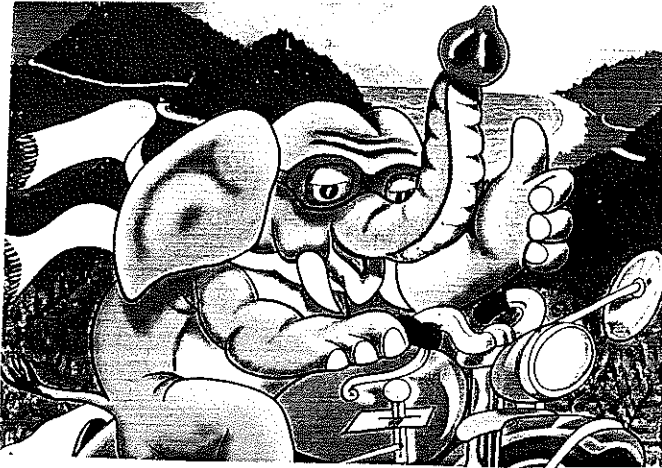
Individuals or families requesting assistance for Christmas either for themselves or others can contact either Thom or Helen and can be assured of the strictest confidentiality.

All donations of cash, food and toys will be directed toward those in need, and we wish to assure the community that any costs associated with any aspect of the appeal will be met by the Counselling Service.

Helen Preston & Thom Ryan

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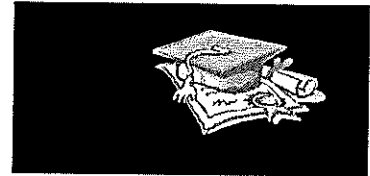
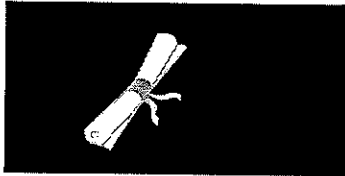
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Certificates redeemable between February-Christmas 2001 and cannot be shared amongst a group larger than that designated on the certificate. In other words, any extra diners in the party would have to pay ordinary menu prices. GST included, but any surcharge on rowdy children is extra. Or we can feed them to the elephants instead, at your choice.



## 2000 PRIZE LIST

### Merit Awards

- Grade 2/3G Ruby Wallace
- Grade 3/4WP Billy Jack Allen
- Grade4/5/6M Michael Smith
- 5/6J Rebekah Webb
- 5/6Mac Brock Leedham

### Citizenship Award

- Grade 6 Tamara Mason

### Sportsperson Award

- Grade 6 Richard Howe  
Tamara Mason

### Academic Achievement Awards

- Grade 2/3G Rhys Pitstock
- Grade 3/4WP Lucy Buchhorn
- Grade4/5/6M Tamara Mason
- 5/6J Lauren Quinn
- 5/6Mac Brigitte Mitchell

### Merit Awards For Significant Achievement

#### Grade 7

Stuart Harwood  
Hannah Cooke  
Kate Stevenson  
Ryan Stewart  
Jesse Bannister

#### Grade 8

Michael Hall  
Tiana Bean  
Francis Louis  
Greg Barnes  
Alira Aulich

#### Grade 9

Daniel Rice  
Nicholas Welsh  
Carl Wagner  
Drew Brouder

### Academic Achievement Certificates

#### Grade 7

Alicia Pauls  
Annabelle Pastula-Ramadier  
Narelle Tildesley  
Sallee-Anne Cronan

#### Grade 8

Cameron Bean  
Kayla Brown  
Micala Witton  
Courtney Stewart

#### Grade 9

Rebecca Miller  
Penny Byard  
Kaylee Nash  
Stephanie Pastula-Ramadier

### Most Improved Student

- Grade 7 Robert Brown
- Grade 8 James Pyke
- Grade 9 Jodie Cole

### Academic Achievement Prizes

- Grade 7 Christopher Lowe
- Grade 8 Hannah Gunson
- Grade 9 Jacqui Evelyn





## Special Awards

### Subject Prizes (donated by Parents & Friends Association)

Design Graphics	Stephen Penneyston
Music	Bong Bong Louis
Health & Physical Education	Jody Cannon
Speech and Drama	Jody Cannon
Science	Jody Cannon
Stage 1 Mathematics	Katie Miller
SOSE	Paula Armson
Information Technology	Brett Davey
Materials Design & Technology	Shane Suter
Art, Craft & Design	Brendan Tennick
English	Lauren Bennett
Mathematics	Lauren Bennett
Business Computing	Lauren Bennett
LOTE	Lauren Bennett

### Grade 10 Merit Awards (Donated by Lions Club of St Marys)

Matthew Sweet	Melanie Griffiths
Emma Faulkner	Natasha Stewart
Amanda Pyke	

### Sports and Sports Person (Donated by Mrs G Schier)

Jody Cannon

### Music Achievement Award (Donated by Lions Club of St Marys)

Bong Bong Louis      Shane Suter      Sam Mullan

### Award for Attitude (Donated by Ken Bacon MHA)

Cassie Harwood

### Special Achievement Award (Donated by David Llewellyn)

Bong Bong Louis

### Todd's Hall Drama Achievement Award

Azi Andrews

### Service to The School (Donated by Michael Polley)

Louise Brown

### Enterprise Award (Donated by Colin Rattray MLC)

Brent Gamble

### Dick Adams Award (Donated By Dick Adams MHA)

Jacqui Haas

### Citizenship (Donated by Mr R W Legge)

Lauren Bennett

### All Rounder (Donated by Caltex)

Jody Cannon

### Nashuatec Student of The Year

(Donated by Ricoh - Nashuatec)  
Paula Armson

### Principal's Award

Adam Viney

### Dux of The School (Donated by G & W Aulich)

Lauren Bennett

### Year 11 Scholarship

Paula Armson  
Emma Faulkner  
Shane Suter  
Katie Miller  
Stephen Penneyston

### Year 11/12 Merit Awards

Alesha Webb      Rebecca Lucas

### Academic Achievement

Jean-Camille Pastula-Ramadier  
Krystle Aulich

### VET Award

Brett Semmens



## St Marys Tennis Club

### Christmas Raffle

Tickets for our Christmas Raffle of an iced and decorated Christmas Cake, bottle of wine and chocolates are available from the St Marys Newsagency, BP Scamander, St Marys Police Station or from any club member for \$1 per ticket. This raffle will be drawn on Christmas Eve at the Parade.

Many thanks to Linda Faulkner who once again has done a superb job of decorating the cake.

### Tennis Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 25th January 2001 at the Clubrooms after Twilight Tennis.

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## Break O'Day Council. Keeping the Community Informed

### Calendar of Events

The Break O'Day Council Calendar of Events: 2000/2001 is available free, from the Council Offices, Georges Bay Esplanade St Helens during office hours and from the State Library of Tasmania, St Helens and St Marys during opening hours.

**Works Report:** Routine maintenance and emergency repairs will continue over the Christmas period.

**St Marys Water:** Works will continue in an effort to solve problems with the St Marys Water Supply. The findings from our investigations will be communicated in a letter drop to St Marys residents.

**Visitor Information Sites:** Works have commenced on the Scamander and St Helens sites and will be completed during the coming period.

### Tidy Towns Awards:

Nine awards for St Helens. The Premier Jim Bacon MHA presented the following awards.

- Erik Dakin Memorial Award for special recognition of May Fillmore for her promotion of Tidy Towns in St Helens.
- St Helens District High School, student plantings and maintenance of town gardens.
- Binalong Bay Ratepayers Association, boatramp and jetty improvements.
- St Helens History Rooms, regional museum display and history preservation.
- Mrs M Nichols and Miss T Nichols, St Helens, significant contribution to the beautification of St Helens.
- B & G Enticott, Wybalenna Lodge St Helens.
- T & R Brassington, St Helens, private garden.
- Beth Simmons and Family, St Helens, private garden.
- Beth Brooks 'Brook Syde' St Helens, private garden.

Congratulations to all community members who made the effort in the presentation for any nomination in the Tidy Towns Awards.

### TV Black Spot Program ( update)

Council is pursuing this, however preliminary information is that with any grant allocation also comes the responsibility of the Break O'Day community to bear the costs of the ongoing operation and maintenance of the service.

## *From Peru to Bolivia*

An early start to the day took us back up to Machu Picchu for a professionally led tour of the site and plenty of free time to explore the rest of the amazing sights. Late in the afternoon we piled on to the train for a 4 hour ride back to Cusco.

The railway followed the beautiful Urubamba Valley and often just beside the river, taking us through farms and small villages. It was quite dark when the train arrived back high above Cusco and this necessitated several 'switch-back' manoeuvres to get us down to the city, it also gave us a wonderful view of the lit up fairyland like city, cathedrals, churches, the Main Plaza, two huge lit up 'C' for Cusco on the hillsides, it was an unforgettable sight. Back on the bus and driving back through the night markets thronged with late shoppers and once again have to back up the narrow street to our hotel, this time the traffic police were not so understanding !

The next day was our last in Cusco, I think our entire group had fallen in love with this place and were a little sad to move on, we go out for a 'Farewell to Cusco' dinner and again have wonderful food and are entertained with colourful Andean music.

Time to leave Cusco with an early departure and a 10-12 hour railway journey to Puno which is set on the shores of Lake Titicaca at 12,530 ft.

The train was comfortable and got along at a much slower pace than we are used to, stopping at many small outpost stations along the way, the trip was a pretty casual affair, hence the 10 or 12 hour estimated time. We travel as far as Juliaca, a rather shabby village but do not spend any time there, a bus is waiting to take us to our hotel near Puno about an hour away.

Judging by the outside appearance of our hotel, it could have been built by the Flintstones, but once inside the Taypikala Hotel was tastefully decorated with plants, pottery, paintings and wall hangings, had cathedral ceilings, timber steps to different levels and a glassed in breakfast room which looked out over Lake Titicaca. On top of the building large sculptured Condors keep watch from the parapets. Puno is a typical high Andean town, set on the great altiplano (high plains) that surrounds the lake.

The following day we bus to Sillustani and walk around the pre-Inca burial towers or 'chulpas' near Lake Umayo. In the afternoon a launch takes us out to the floating reed islands on Lake Titi-

caca, passing school children on the way rowing themselves home from school on the mainland. Primary learning is on the islands but the older children row themselves one and a half hours each way for their secondary schooling. This lake is the world's highest navigable lake and covers an area of 8000 sq km, straddling the Peru-Bolivian border. The floating islands of the Uros people consist of a build up of the totora reeds and as they rot down underneath they are replaced with more on top and are quite springy to walk on. The Uros people sell their crafts, charge for a ride in their reed canoes and to have their photo taken, they have become very commercialised but it was a very interesting visit. A lovely afternoon was spent on the lake before going back to Puno.



The reed canoe made by the Uros Indians in which we rode around the island.

The alarm goes off at quarter to six, and this day before leaving the area we visit the ruins of a Fertility Temple built by the Incas, then board our bus which will take us to La Paz.

At the border of Peru and Bolivia we go through customs, money exchange, fill in more immigration papers, change buses and before being allowed to enter Bolivia. The officialdom at the border is slow and the officers have a somewhat bored attitude as if they are tired of all these tourists going back and forth.

We had been in sight of Lake Titicaca most of the morning and for lunch had stopped at the seaside town of Copacabana before continuing on to the narrow strait of Tiquina, St Pedro on one side and St Paulo on the other. Here we get out of our bus and into a launch to take us across to the other side. Our bus had a precarious ride, looking very top heavy as it was ferried across on a barge. Until recently, passengers and luggage all stayed in the bus and rode across on the narrow barge, that was



until two busses toppled into the sea and thankfully since then people have been ferried across separately in a launch.

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After settling into our Hotel Gloria right in the city centre, we all were keen to get out and explore and soon felt safe and quite at ease walking the streets to find Internet

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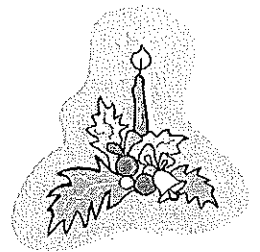
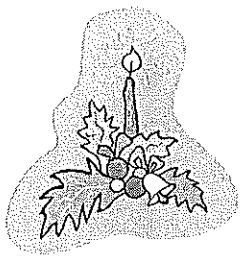
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# Sports Centre News

by Kackhander

First to bowls and courtesy of a solid win at Bicheno the team still have a chance of making the finals albeit a fairly tough one. The final round will see a majority of the games held away from home yet the team's record strangely enough is actually much better away than at home.

Well done to Chris Davern, Alan Beach and Tony Blake's teams at Bicheno, particularly with Chris' team winning by a big margin. Clive Berwick struck Ian Madson's team in hot form but no doubt our boys will be back ready for them next time. Anyway good luck to all four rinks after the Christmas break.

While on bowls still, don't forget about our Triples Carnival on December 30, it looks like being another big event. Still required are at least 3 more teams to finish off a perfect draw and that would be great.

A big thanks to Smokey, Betty and helpers with last weeks Spit Roast, it was a sumptuous feast at a cheap price and it turned out to be a good night. There are more of these nights to come, so keep a look out.

To golf and congratulations to Maryanne Ennis in winning the Ham Competition by 1 stableford point from our promising junior Robbie McDonald. Young Robbie is showing a lot of potential.

I'm sure John Miles our handicapper is looking at those 43 points. In the Turkey Competition Brendon Blake did very well with a nett 60 to take out the event.

There is now a spell in the next 3 weeks or so for Saturday Pennant Bowls and there will be no excuses for not seeing a few at golf on Saturdays at least over that time. We really need Saturdays to work again.

In the coming weeks with golf we have the December Monthly Medal on December 23rd and a special 9 holes New Years Eve event with a sausage sizzle commencing 10am, so check out the details for that.

As this is the last Valley Voice for a couple of months, the club wants to thank the Voice for taking our notes each time and we wish them a well earned break until February.

Likewise the President and Committee of the Club extend our Seasons Greetings to the members and supporters of the club and we hope to make 2001 a great year for all.

*Anyway until next time, good hitting and rolling.*

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## St Marys Pacing Club

Once again our New Year Day race meeting is nearly here. During the last few months the strong winds

destroyed many of our aging stalls, forty five in all. Thanks to the efforts of a few dedicated workers they have been completely rebuilt and certainly are a big improvement on the old ones. Many thanks to Rod Williams and John McDonald for their roofing iron donations. Also thanks to Alan Napier and Trevor Viney for laying the pipe so we can water the dry part of our track.

This year we have seven pacing events with again record stake money, main ones are Southern Cross St Marys Pacing Cup of \$7,500 and Tasfuel Country Guineas of \$6,000. Others are worth \$4,500 and \$4,250.

A big part of our success is due to the number of people who willingly donate their services to serve in our bars, kiosks, luncheon etc. This is as we say, true country spirit and helps keep many clubs operating.

Competitions will include Lucky programme, unplaced TAB ticket and odds and evens, entry form in race book and sponsored by Roz and Deidre - many thanks.

A Race Lady competition will be run on Cup event so ladies get your finery ready. Sash and cash for this.

Children will be entertained by Dorothy the Dinosaur, bouncing castle, face painting, balloon sculpture and stilt walking. Novelty events such as sack races, egg and spoon, three legged and wheelbarrow races. Both primary and older children will be catered for, trophy for each winner.

Any children interested are to contact Hannah Rubenach on 6372 2348.

At approximately 3.55pm to celebrate Federation of Australia, bell ringers will play Advance Australia Fair across the Nation, local bell ringers will participate in this.

We will again have the Jack Russell Terriers racing and this time they include a hurdle race. These little fellows are truly great entertainment.

We look forward to your attendance on Monday January 1st 2001. Please come along and help make our meeting a continued success.

We take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and please drive carefully and help keep our State fatality free.

Eric Bean Secretary

## St Marys Football Club ready for kick off in 2001

The football club will kick off the 2001 season with a Golf Fun Day at the St Marys Sports Centre on Saturday 27th January. This will be an Anmbrose 4 person competition starting at 10 am, Mens, Womens and Mixed teams.

Entry will be \$10 per person and includes game and BBQ lunch. A great chance for an early get together with prizes for nearest the pin and competition winners.

Pre-season training will kick off on **Tuesday 30th January** and continue on Tuesday and Thursday nights at 6.00pm whilst daylight saving is with us, sandshoes a must on the early runs. Hope you can support the Tigers and Coaches Robert Coker, David Haberle and Adam Johnson for a good pre-season.

Come along to the Golf Fun Day and make it a good start for season 2001. *Old Tige.*

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