

# The Valley and East Coast Voice

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## People ask 'Why St Marys'?

Newcomers Bob Hersey and Charlie Cormack moved from Western Australia to St Marys in April of this year and when asked what made them decide to settle here, they gave a very happy and positive story of how it had all come about. Charlie - who is really Charmaine - said that at the end of last year they were on their fourth trip to Tassie, after spending two years travelling around Australia looking for their Shangri La to retire to, a town where they felt they could both get involved.

The east coast travelling north from Bicheno was just about the only part of Tasmania yet to be explored by them, so they headed north. After travelling through Elephant Pass, and after Charlie had opened her eyes again, they drove into St Marys and Bob being Bob, the first thing that caught his eye was the golf course. After closer inspection and being delighted with what he saw, they then noticed the 'For Sale' on a house across the road from the Club and decided to make some enquiries.

Before viewing the house they went to Todd's Hall for a coffee and to 'suss out' the locals, in this case Jen and Andrew, who being newcomers to the town themselves, were only too proud to sing the praises of St Marys and its people. This was a refreshing change, as some business people they had talked to in other towns around Tassie had no worries letting them know the problem areas and people, that their town had. Aside from their friendliness, Andrew made the best 'real' cappuccino and iced coffee they had tasted on their travels - Charlie was won over!

The house turned out to be more than they had expected and both were extremely impressed, good neighbours were also a bonus. The only stumbling block was what would they do with themselves in St Marys (little did they know)?.

After heading back to the mainland to compare properties they had seen, they made further inquiries into the township of St Marys and what it and the area had to offer newcomers like themselves.

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### **Please note:**

As from this paper until early October, Audrey will be unavailable for Valley Voice inquiries. All enquiries can to be directed through Ron on 6372 2105 or Fax to 6372 2172.

Written items can still be left with Kathryn at the St Marys Health and Beauty shop.

## Clubs combine for Changeover

Last Saturday the Lions Club of St Marys and the Lions Club of St Helens got together at the Green Peacock Restaurant to celebrate their Changeover Dinner.

A good attendance of fifty witnessed the installation of the Board of Office Bearers for the coming year.

Chairman for the evening was St Helens Lion Derek Fellows and Past District Governor Lion Cliff Walters conducted the Installation formalities. St Helens were also pleased to induct two new members on the night.

Officers elected were: St Marys - President Lion Bruce Spilsbury, Secretary Lion John McGiveron and Treasurer Lion Len Miles. For St Helens: President Lion Patricia Lane, Secretary Lion Maurice Reddick and Treasurer Lion Ian Palmer.

Immediate Past Presidents Lion Robert Legge and Lion Peter Williams spoke in their outgoing reports of each clubs achievements for the past year.

Special mention was given to Lion Errol Chapple who is the longest serving Life Member at the St Helens Lions Club. Lion Errol received his 28 year award.

There were a few guests at the dinner including an Exchange Student. Dominic is from Germany where his father is also a Lions Club member.

The Members would like to thank Geoff and his Staff for the meals which were a real credit to them.

All agreed that it was a very enjoyable evening and the combining of the two clubs was very successful.

President Bruce, Lions Club of St Marys

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## People ask 'Why St Marys' ? *continued* **Spring opening date**

A two page spread in the Launceston paper about other recently located settlers to the town and talking to people like Jan Sparkes of the Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre about the future the town had to offer, put the icing on the cake for them and they both felt that this town was where they wanted to make their future home.

After some more homework, they decided the house they had purchased would make a great Bed and Breakfast establishment after some minor additions, giving Bob and Charlie a goal and a lifestyle whilst offering the township something new.

With great businesses in the town offering takeaways, pizzas, pancakes, meals and counter meals at the Pub, they hope to contribute to more business for the town. The surrounding areas offer tourists bushwalking, golf, fishing - river and ocean, gem fossicking, fabulous beaches, even snow skiing and one of Tasmania's biggest summer holiday towns being only a twentyfive minute drive away, and Launceston and Hobart within reasonable driving distance.

### **Why would they NOT choose St Marys to live ?**

Bob is a retired Police Inspector, spending 30 years in the West Australian Police Force (but we won't hold that against him), and three prior years in the Navy where he saw action in the Malayan conflict, hence he has joined the St Marys RSL, the Golf Club of course and is looking forward to being involved with the Football Club as he also loves the footy. Charlie has worked in Office Management for most of her career in the Manufacturing, Import and Export field, specialising in cost efficiency and office set up and training.

As she does not profess to have any sporting ability like her other half, Charlie has willingly joined the Lymphoedema Centre committee and the St Marys District Hospital Auxiliary to help out where needed.

Both Bob and Charlie have travelled the world over the years and have a son in Perth WA, a son in Noosa

QLD and two daughters and four grandchildren in Melbourne Victoria, so believed that Tasmania was central to everyone.

Their B&B will be called 'Addlestone House Bed and Breakfast' named after an English village near where Bob grew up. We are led to believe that Charlie can cook a mean breakfast offering the works and eggs benedict with smoked salmon is her specialty.

On arrival guests will be served morning or afternoon tea with all homemade offerings, or late afternoon arrivals may prefer Champagne and paté.

Rooms will offer queen or double bed with ensuite and sunroom, or a queen with a private bathroom, all immaculate and tastefully decorated, also a private guest lounge room.

The expected opening will be the first day of Spring - 1st September 2000 and we wish them all the very best in their venture.

They both would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people of St Marys who have been so welcoming, friendly and positive toward their new undertaking



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The recently formed writers group in St Marys will soon be meeting again to discuss and compare stories that have already been started.

This group will be contacting some of our more senior residents who have so much knowledge that must not be lost. By writing up these stories they can be preserved for all future generations.

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## ACTIVITIES COMING UP:

Fingal Youth Group—Drop-in Centre  
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Basketball, Table Tennis  
Video, Jukebox, Craft/Cards  
Kitchen Duties (Scones/Damper)  
GOLD COIN DONATION

## MASSAGE

Introductory talk about massage with  
Wayne Miller  
FRIDAY 21st July 6-8pm  
GOLD COIN DONATION

## FOLK ART "Sunflowers"

With Sharon McKellar  
FRIDAY 28th July 9-4pm  
COST \$38  
Booking essential, beginners welcome

## TAXATION with Jan Johnson

Every second Thursday starting 20th July until the  
2nd November. Phone Jan on 6376 3188 or place  
your booking at the Neighbourhood House.

## Saturday 29th July 2000

ST.HELENS WRITERS GROUP will be holding  
its monthly meeting at St.Helens Neighbour-  
hood House, Circassian St.. Start 12 noon.  
Gold Coin donation and food to share. If you  
are interested in writing, please do come and  
join us. (Homework—a piece of your choice).  
For further information ring Fiona—63725203

## Sunday 30th July 2000

KAREN PITT (creative writer) will be conduct-  
ing a workshop, concentration on  
"Characterisation". 10am—Noon. Lunch  
(plate to share). 1-3pm at Neighbourhood  
House. Free of charge.  
Everyone welcome.

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A very enjoyable group of locals gathered to support those less fortunate people in the Horn of Africa who are victims of starvation.

After only three weeks from suggestion to the event, it is an understatement to say what a success it was !

Sixty people from our district - Bicheno, St Helens, Fingal, Scamander, Beaumaris and St Marys came to the Long Room at the St Marys Catholic Church to enjoy each others company and good home cooked food. A huge thankyou to all who attended and to those who gave donations in lieu of attendance.

The amount raised was over \$900.

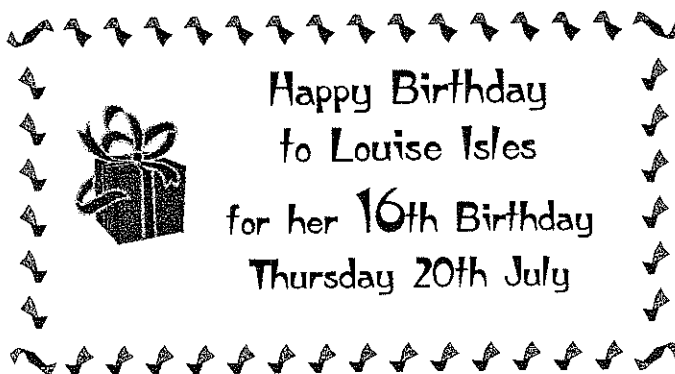
This amount is sufficient to feed 20 families for one month. Well done.

## More about the Spinover

A special thankyou goes to Mr Peter Wilson at the Post Office. Not only did Peter donate a lovely prize for one of the ladies, he is still helping us in various ways.

Also we have not heard from any of the young folk around our area who may have some ideas about what could be done with the money which was raised for them. You can phone Carole or John on 6372 2460 or Linda on 6372 2402 or Eileen on 6372 2480.

Carole Furlow.



## Plenty to celebrate.

July is a big birthday month for the Sumner family.

Grand daughter Louise turns 'sweet sixteen' on Thursday 20th July.

Daughter Carmen has her birthday the following day, Friday 21st July.

Happy Birthday Carmen.

Father/Grandfather Ron also celebrates his birthday on the 21st with daughter Carmen.

Happy Birthday to everyone.



## Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir

Like many other local business owners Pam and I were pleased to make a modest contribution towards the success of the recent Spinover, and glad to see that our Pancake Barn was listed among those who were thanked.

So it is not from any hard feelings that I mention a sour note arising from that event. I refer to an impression that somehow got around, to the effect that Andrew and Jen of Todd's Hall should have provided use of the auditorium free of charge as their way of contributing to the Spinover balance sheet.

Although our busy life at Elephant Pass keeps us pretty remote from a lot of doings in the Valley, I doubt many people would dispute our opinion that Andrew and Jen have put extraordinary amounts of work and enthusiasm into public spirited activities in their short time among us. Ordinarily such achievement would call for gratitude rather than pressure to contribute even more. What was being expected of them in this instance was essentially to make a large cash donation in the middle of a financially bleak winter tourist season.

It has clearly taken Andrew and Jen considerable time and money to redevelop, maintain and heat their large auditorium which, as with most commercial buildings, they co-own with the bank. Then there are always unexpected expenses such as those arising from our breathtakingly thorough Council regulations, to say nothing of the regular Council rate demands.

In this light, for anyone to want the use of such a facility rent-free is a big ask, especially when such freebies are more contagious than the 'flu. What your business does for one group, you'll be expected to do for everybody.

So spare a thought for the financial realities affecting these young contributors to life in St Marys. Nobody gets rich selling cake and sandwiches, and all our lives are richer for their positive energetic presence in the town.

*Lew Bretz St Marys.*

## Definely not !

I am writing to squash rumours that the St Marys Shell Service Station is either for sale or closing down.

No that is not so, we are here for the long haul and our Hardware section will be opening soon.

*Malcolm and Marina Shead*

*Shell Service Station St Marys*

Dear Editor

I wish to inform you and your readers that I have resigned as President of the Grassy Bottom Arts Council, and Carole and I are no longer members of this organisation.

*John Furlow St Marys*

# St Marys Community Health Centre

## Doctor's Roster & On Call

Monday and Wednesday  
evening:

Dr Geniola 6374 2288

Tuesday and Thursday  
evening:

Dr Shah 6372 2311

Weekend July 21st 22nd  
23rd Dr Shah.

Weekend July 28th 29th  
30th Dr Geniola.

## What's on in July

**Thursday 20th**

Family and Child at the  
'Longroom'

**Monday 24th:**

Acoustic Service.

**Monday 24th:**

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ployees and employers

Phone the Centre for book-  
ings.

Coming up on August 14th

**Antenatal Classes**

## RAFT - Royal Arthritis Foundation of Tasmania

**Myth:** *Only elderly people can get Arthritis !*

**Fact:** Arthritis can effect anyone.

Do you have arthritis or know someone who does ?

Heather Donaldson from the Arthritis Foundation will be at the St Marys Community Health Centre on Friday the 28th July, to help set up an Arthritis Support Group in our area.

If you are interested in being a member of this organisation or have any questions then please come along to this meeting.

**When:** Friday July 28th

**Time:** 1.00pm

**Where:** St Marys Community Health Centre. **All welcome**

Coming Tuesday August 8th

## A PLAY

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## 'For Better for Worse'

This is about

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Time: 7.30pm

Where: Dayroom

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3. **Community Options:** also  
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4. **Family, Child and Youth  
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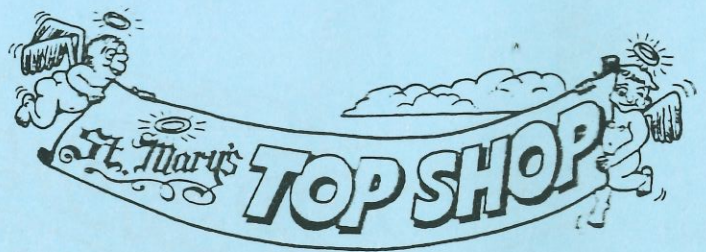
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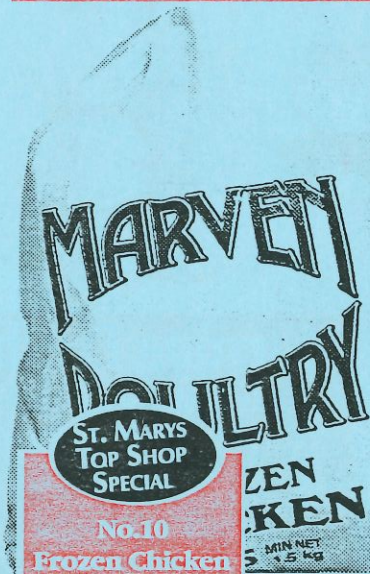
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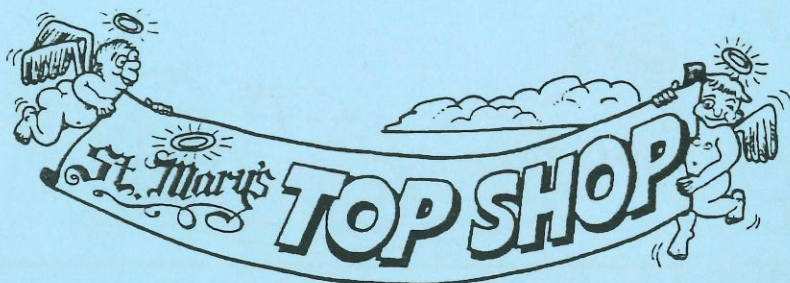


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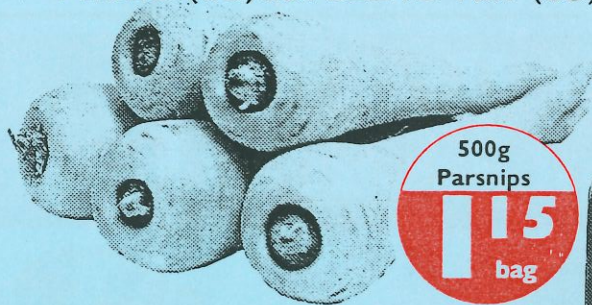
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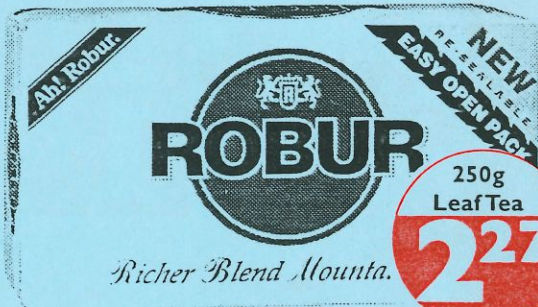
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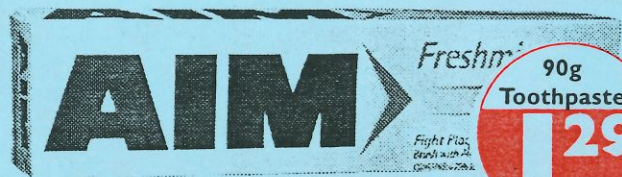
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# Rock Challenge 2000

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Shane Suter  
Bass,

Drums  
Vocals

They will compete in their heat in Launceston on August 2. The band have been having extra time during school to rehearse for the rock challenge.

The set they will be playing in Rock Challenge this year consists of:

Life's Just a Game

An original song by the group

Break Out

Foo Fighters

All The Small Things

Blink 182

Best of luck to the group—we all hope that this year will be the year for St Marys District High School to take out the title.

## rehearsals



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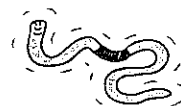
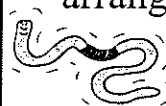
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## PARENT NEWSLETTER

Issue 4 of our PARENT NEWSLETTER was published on July 4. This edition featured work from students in grade 4-6

Spare copies are available from the school office for parents who did not receive one and interested community members

# AROUND THE SCHOOL

THIS MONTH

## EASTERN TASMANIAN ABORIGINAL WEB SITE

A small number of St Marys ASSPA Students, working with Mrs Kerri Webb have put together an informative website which was officially launched on Thursday 6 July as part of NAIDOC week. Parents and community members attended the launch which was followed by an afternoon tea. The students went on a number of excursions to significant sites as part of their research for the project. The site can be found at: <http://www.stmarys.tco.asn.au/asspa/>

The students involved in this project were: Stella Thomson, Deanna Peardon, Kylie Peardon, Toni Cope, Russell Cope, Warren Cope and Breone Bonnitche. Thanks must go to Mrs Kerri Webb and her volunteers for their time and effort with this group.



## HELPING HENRY

Henry the Handyman received help from a number of our primary students planting trees. These trees were planted in the circular area that was prepared where the busses used to park. This area will also be planted with grass and should provide a pleasant 'oasis' in the middle of all the asphalt. Secondary students have also been helping Henry install a drip sprinkler system into this area. Our netball and tennis courts, driveway and bus turning circle have also been completed.

## DID YOU KNOW ...

- ✓ That our Health and Physical Education staff at St Marys won the state award in 1999 for the Best Health and Physical Education Primary School Program?
- ✓ That Umesh Pratap has just written 5 chapters for a grade 10 maths text for Jacaranda Press. This was equal to half this text. This book was one of a set for grade 7 to 10 students. The set of texts has just been voted the best maths texts in Australia.
- ✓ Mary Targett is the first teacher in the state to be recognised as a Mentor for Online Learning PD for teachers. This is as a result of her work in the North East cluster in providing professional development for teachers through an online course, and the skill she has shown in guiding staff through the computing modules.





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## MEALS ON WHEELS

JULY	ST.MARYS	FINGAL
Mon, 24th	Janice Tapp	Shirley Parker
Tues, 25th	Trish Pyke	Lynda Bean
Wed, 26th	Ruth Aulich	Shirleen Woods
Thurs, 27th	Pam Jones	Jan Marshall
Fri, 28th	Clive Berwick	Julie-Anne Claridge
Mon, 31st	Claire Bean	Debra Speers
AUGUST		
Tues, 1st	Wendy Haas	Robyn Holder
Wed, 2nd	Debbie Dawson	Debbie Speers
Thurs, 3rd	Rona Gatty	Rhonda Hoskinson
Fri, 4th	Tracey Bean	Bob Yates

### • ROAD MAINTENANCE

Grading and gravelling works will continue as required to various roads as well as a concentration on roadside drainage in well known problem areas.

A contractor will carry out roadside slashing over the period. The areas to be "slashed" will be notified in the papers in advance so that concerns can be assessed.

### • BREAK O'DAY RIVERCARE PLAN

A presentation was made to Council by the Fingal Landcare Group who prepared the plan. The plan is primarily for the management of the Break O'Day River and tributaries upstream of its confluence with the South Esk River near Fingal. The General Manager is preparing a report to Council on Riverworks law and management.

### • SCAMANDER/FALMOUTH WASTE SITES

The Acting Works Manager Mr. Graham Cameron, advised Council that the present contractor has resigned. Council agreed that the contract for the Scamander Tip be reviewed/modified to take into account the operational changes Council may make from the Works Management Report, then call and let tender as soon as possible.

### • REVIEW OF COUNCIL ASSET HIRE CHARGES (HALLS)

The Council has reviewed its hall hire charges for 2000/2001. Information regarding the new fees is available from the Council Offices during normal office hours.

### • FINGAL TOWN DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The community Development Officer displayed the plan and advised on the process undertaken by the Fingal Community Development Association. The Council adopted the Fingal Town Development Plan as a guide to future development.

All plans for the Regional Centre of St Helens and the townships of Scamander, St.Marys and Fingal have now been completed and will guide future decisions of Council and development in these urban areas.



## BREAK O'DAY COUNCIL KEEPING THE COMMUNITY INFORMED

### • TASMANIA VISITOR INFORMATION SYSTEM

#### SIGNAGE POLICY (GOLD ON BLUE)

The Council at its meeting on 10th July passed the resolution that "the erection of signs in accordance with the Tasmania Visitor Information Signage System be approved on all State and Council maintained roads within the Municipality of Break O'Day subject to several conditions, the main one being, an application is required for all signs in accordance with the policy. Enquiries should be made to the Town Planner, Miss Victoria Maxwell, at the Council Offices during office hours.

### • CORNWALL ROAD

The bridge on Cornwall Road is due for replacement in August. The exact date is not known at this time, though it will be a Saturday to minimise traffic disruption. No bypass will be available. Residents will be contacted in advance to discuss any problems.



## "A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS" BREAK O'DAY SPORT AND RECREATION GROUP

"The Break O'Day Council has adopted the Sport and Recreation Plan 2000-2010"

A requirement is to first establish a Break O'Day Sport and Recreation Group.

Nomination forms and information about the role required by group members is available at the Council Offices, PO Box 21 St Helens or contact Anne Franks on (03) 6376 1281 during office hours and information will be posted to you.

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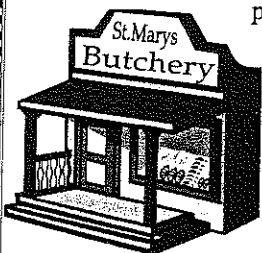


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Fingal	2.00pm

Mathinna	
Tuesdays	2.00pm

#### Daily Office Reading

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Fingal Tuesdays	12 noon
Ross Wednesdays	10am

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from the Transport Division of the Department of Infrastructure Energy and Resources.

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- have a yearly driving test.

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You can arrange your test at a particular centre by making an appointment in person or by phone, or you may contact our telephone enquiry service 13 1105 to organise an appointment.

You must return the completed health questionnaire to GPO Box 1002K Hobart, 7001 at least **seven days before** your driving test.

### Important

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We suggest that if possible you bring with you to the test, a fully licenced driver so they may take your car home should you be unsuccessful.

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If your driving test was unsatisfactory you will be presented with a number of options, these may include:-

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- Your licence will be cancelled.
- Surrender your licence.



## ***From the Murray to the Outback-*** ***Travel tales from Annette Wines.***

We were a little sad to be leaving the Mighty Murray at Morgan S.A. but we felt we had better move on after 23 wonderful days. We had met some lovely fellow travellers and yes Peter did eventually catch one 54cm Murray Cod which kept us well fed on Good Friday.

I could only manage a golden perch or yellow belly, depending where you're from.

Outback South Australia was a delight, many stone ruins along the way, remnant of soldier settlement days after WW1, all hills denuded of trees. Great subjects for photography, probably not much good for the environment though! The town of Burra is one of the better historic towns we have come across, many well preserved buildings and a terrific tourist trail which allows you to go inside the buildings with the use of a town key. Definitely a 'must return to' town. We spent a night and two days camped at the Burra Gorge, quite a way out of town but very peaceful and free.

When we reached Peterborough we started making inquiries about Lake Eyre, chances of getting in didn't sound good however we decided to go on to Quorn and make further inquiries. Thank heavens we did because the closer we got to the Lake the better things sounded. Leaving Quorn we took a tourist loop along a dirt road and discovered one of South Australia's best kept secrets, Warren Gorge.

Peter was like a dog with two tails as it was obvious quite a bit of rock climbing was done on the crags, all he had to do was convince me to belay for him. We stayed for three days, another delightful free camp and yes a few of the rocks were conquered.

After a night at Hawker in one of the best caravan parks we have encountered in the outback, we moved

on through the Flinders Ranges. Being a National Park we were unable to camp along the way, the down side to travelling with 'man's best friend'. Quite honestly we wouldn't be without him, the benefits of having him along far outweigh the problems and there's many a time we have wished the kids at a campsite were as well behaved.

Now I don't know what most people do expect when they start on the Oodnadatta track, I know I thought it would be just that, a track!

Not so, sure it is a dirt road but by no way a track and there were more vehicles travelling it than you'd see between Conara and St Marys most days. We had a couple of roadside camps with pretty substantial fires, (really starting to feel those cold desert nights!) passed close by Lake Eyre South which was being watched over by Beverly uranium mine protesters in their multi coloured combi vans etc.

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## Travel Tales continued

We were desperate to get to Lake Eyre North, 60 k's off the main road. There had been so much talk about it being a chance of a lifetime, the fullest it had been for many years etc. etc.

The track, now this was a track! Sign posted 4x4 only, obviously a concern but after chatting with people coming out we decided to give it a go. The road wasn't too bad for the first 50 k's, fairly slow going with plenty of detours around bad corrugation but no trees to cause concern for our extra width and height.

After advice we decided the sandy conditions over the final 10 kms could give us problems so we set up camp, left the dog and took to the pushbikes.

Sure caused a few second glances as we made our way into the lake. As for the lake, bit of a disappointment, not to full capacity as we'd been led to believe and a limited number of birds. At least we can say we have done it!

The signpost on the road in, a memorial to the young lady who left her partner and vehicle to walk in to William Creek was a stark reminder of just how inhospitable this country can be, sure would avoid the region during the warmer months.

### ***Moonscapes and Copper Hills***

Having conquered the lake it was time to move on, the road between William Creek and Oodnadatta was still closed so we headed west to Coober Pedy. Not a camp site within cooee along this road so we did it in just one day. Some mean feat for us as we have been known to travel as little as 12 k's in one day.

Now Coober Pedy most people have seen at some time on the telly, what you see on the TV does not prepare you for the real thing. We were quite taken back by the huge area covered by mine shafts, they went for miles, the other thing you notice is no vegetation. Not a tree for miles and while we had of course heard about and seen pictures of the underground homes, once again we were surprised at just how many there are. We stayed at a caravan park here and took an organised tour, something we rarely do. The half day tour for \$20 was excellent value; there is no way you would manage to see as much looking around unescorted. Our last night at 'Coober' we spent camped at the 'Breakaways' chasing photographs of the sunset and sunrise. The Breakaways country is quite spectacular, 'Mad Max, Beyond Thunderdome' was filmed there.

While in Coober Pedy we heard about the Painted Desert, also known as the Arckaringa Hills and decided it was worth staying on the dirt roads a little longer to take a look. After stocking up on supplies we headed northeast over the gibber plains towards Oodnadatta, the turn off was only 50 k's short of 'Oodna' so we decided to take a look. Well all I can say about 'Oodna-bloody-datta' is - don't bother.

We were quite impressed by the Gibber plains, flat for miles and not a blade of grass on them.

The Painted Desert was fantastic, large columns of red and orange rocks clustered together on an otherwise barren landscape. There was a camping site beside a creek just down the road so we set up camp and stayed for three days enjoying the bird life and the solitude.

Next stop Copper Hills, advertised along the road, 'camp by a billabong, under a coolibah tree'. Copper Hills was once a going concern as a cattle station but Hugh and Laurel who have been there since 1952 are now close to eighty years old and have wound the business down and are selling all but a small plot around the homestead. Over the years they have planted many trees, enlarged the waterhole and now allow people to shower every night for a very reasonable \$4 pp. This is the big bonus here, the availability of a hot shower every night, the water heated up by Hugh each day.

Hugh is a self taught artist and a real bushy, no squataucracy here! Life out there back in the fifties must have been extremely hard, especially bringing up a family. Looking at Hugh's pastel paintings you can feel for the surrounding land, what wonderful subjects he has to paint. We stayed a week and hope to return to Copper Hills later in the year.

*Thanks Annette for these 'travel tales' - hope you are not still sitting it out in Darwin, waiting for the roads in to Arnhem Land to re-open.*

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## St Marys Sports Centre News

by Kackhander

The Club's record at pennant finally came to a close during the past fortnight when the team lost to Bicheno. A total of 54 matches took place at home before another side sat down to afternoon tea enjoying victory. This incredible run began in June 1985 and went for 15 years and 1 month but with 14 complete home and away seasons undefeated on our own dunghill, I'd expect this record never to be broken and the whole team is exceedingly proud.

Congratulations go to Bicheno who undoubtedly are the best team this year and deserve the plaudits indeed.

In A Reserve our boys managed to defeat the visitors and stop them doing what the Bicheno A Grade side did by going through undefeated.

Without a doubt our A Reserve is one of the unluckiest teams around because on numerous occasions over the years little incidents or rules problems have cost them dearly as did the playing out of order problem this season, I reckon there would be at least 2-3 more pennants hanging on the walls except for that but they keep on keeping on and are still rewarded with a flag on a regular occasion as was the case in 1999.

Many thanks indeed to Captain John Miles for the past 3 years. John has done a truly fantastic job and helped capture three pennants, two A Grade, 1998-1999 and A Reserve last year. I believe he wishes to have a year or two again as a player without the captaincy restraints.

Thanks to Smokey Dawson who has had a terrific year winning 8 games and only narrowly losing the other two. Dale Ridgers who likewise had another good year highlighted by a fantastic win over former State Captain Errol Lohrey.

Chris Davern's fighting abilities are legendary and he has a brilliant pennant record. The same no doubt for Shan 'Scrub' Wilmot who has added and continues to add a real spine to the side with his 80% success rate since he joined in 1986.

Brad Ennis showed a lot of skill in his first full A Grade season this year. Rod McGiveron and Trevor Viney also managed some good results.

In A Reserve as mentioned the boys were very close to again winning except for an aberration in game 1 which came back to haunt later.

## Sports Centre News *continued*

Anyway to Mark Carrick in his first year to record 6 wins was terrific. Glen Smith showed heaps of potential. Tony Blake likewise especially knocking off Tim Wardlaw in the last game. Paul Davern again showed why he should play more golf with some fine wins. What can you say about John 'Duck' McDonald, he began a few games into the season and showed his expertise to win some crucial games.

Scott Wilson played No 1 all year and did a brilliant job in the tough position.

Umesh 'Vijay' Pratap played when he could to help the team and newcomers Garry Vulich and Mick Sharman ran up some good wins. If I have forgotten anyone, I'm sorry. Anyway with a bit of luck and a fair breeze we'll try and win back the titles next year.

All team members do not forget about the **Memorial Shield and the L.T. Wallace Shield this weekend** at Freycinet and John needs to know if you are all available, so please let him know.

*Do not forget the Big Curry Night on Saturday July 22nd at the Club, generously run by Umesh Pratap and his catering staff. By all accounts it will be a gourmet's delight and all are welcome. Tickets are available all over the place and we would love to see you there.*

The Club advises that the AGM will be held on Friday September 8th at 7.30pm. More details to follow but it must be said it will be one of the most important for many years.

Finally, indoor bowls is progressing well and interest is being shown in a singles and pairs championship as well as the team game. Please put your names down at the Club.

For outdoor bowls we really need more players and there will be heaps of news in upcoming issues on this crucial arm of the Club.

*Anyway until next time Good hitting and rolling.*

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## St Marys Sports Centre

### Indoor bowls *by Shoot Through*

In the second round of matches in the past fortnight we saw a monumental effort firstly by Top of the Town to square the rubber with the much vaunted Essmond. Everyone is still talking about Essmond's 'Rocket' Maher and Top of the Town's 'Blizzard' McDonald's singles encounter that resulted in an 8-all draw after 10 ends. Reece and Bradley left the spectators in awe with their magnificent shot decisions and skill. Two appreciative fathers in Speed and Macca were tickled pink indeed. For Essmond 'Wonder' Maher, 'Almighty' Fletcher and 'Speed' kept up the standard as did 'Wizard' Saunders, Macca McDonald and 'Pee Wee' Tapp who keeps going from strength to strength.

Let's not forget Nicole 'Pebbles' Stone who played a pivotal role for Top of the Town. A 3-3 draw was a fitting result.

Goldies are a tough mob and as a result of a 4-2 win over a very determined Richwood they have gone to the top of the ladder. Once again 'Rambo' McDonald, 'Gentleman Jim' Heerey and 'Turbo' Viney added their touch in fine style and Rosemary 'Glitters' Grose played a leading hand. For Richwood 'Daffy' Davern starred in the singles, 'Spock' Aulich again put some rippers down, Liz 'the Biz' rattled the shot bowl out of the way only the way she can and new rookie Dale 'Roy' Ridgers jumped into his role straight away.

Finally the Darts versus Supermen clash concluded Round 2 with the previous potential wooden spooners showing enough to get the points on the night 4-2. 'Spike' Berwick and 'Hurricane' Chartrain are the Chardonnay of the team as they keep getting better with age. 'Flick' Fletcher played unbelievably well in the singles to record a marvellous win and 'Toddles' McGiveron produced a few nice shots for the winners.

'Tracker' Blake played a ripper in the pairs with 'Cruiser' Carrick to help the Supremes to a great start 'Blockbuster' Blake played really well but had no luck at all and 'Ox' Cox was suffering from the flu but still managed a strong game when called upon.

July 19th will see Top of the Town versus Darts in what promises to be a close encounter. Toss a coin for that one.

On July 26th ladder leaders Goldies take on the Supermen. I'd hate to hazard a guess on that outcome and on that night again Richwood will be determined to defeat the highly fancied Essmond to try and sneak into the top three. At present 29 bowlers.

Ladder at present:

Goldies	8pts	114.8%	Supermen	6pts	73.8%
Essmond	7pts	129.5%	Top of the Town	5pts	85.7%
Darts	6pts	111.5%	Richwood	4pts	94.9%

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