# THE VALLEY & EAST COAST VOICE

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# From around the world to volunteer

How fortunate we are to have these willing workers come to our towns to give practical assistance to community projects.

Ten international volunteers worked with the Break O'Day Council during the week of 20—24 January. Under the guidance of a Conservation Volunteers Australia team leader they have been working in St Marys, Scamander and St Helens maintaining walking tracks, removing environmental weeds and assisting in bushland regeneration. The volunteers enjoyed the hospitality of the East Coast residents and were able to visit some of the attractions in the area during their free time. A second visit by volunteers is scheduled for February.

The team worked at Wombat Walk and Music Playground in St Marys, Beauty Bay walking track St Helens and the Scamander River frontage. The team included Masaharu Tada (Japan), Rosemary O'Brien (Irish Republic) Fiona Heattie (Scotland), Alice Midmore (Wales), Rebecca Lett (Victoria), Liz Corigan (USA), Thuy Nguyen (Canada), Hyeryun Kim, Sungeun Kim, Kyungae Min (South Korea) and Team Leader Paul Stevenson of Legana.

The volunteers pay their own way to Australia and their interstate transport. Conservation Volunteers Australia co-ordinate and manage the teams as well as providing a suitably qualified Team Leader.

As many as six volunteer teams per week are organised by CVA within Tasmania. Projects vary from working in National Parks such as Cradle Mountain and in and around our towns and cities. The tasks varying day by day — painting heritage buildings, construction and repair of walking tracks, building park facilities, fauna and flora surveys, environmental weed removal, churchyard and heritage garden maintenance. While the volunteers learn much of Australian culture and language, they also learn something of the many different cultures throughout the world and enrich Australia's culture through visiting areas outside Sydney and Melbourne. Most of the volunteers travel throughout Australia for 3-12 months.

If you see a group of Conservation Volunteers working in your area, please stop and say hello, they will also enjoy the short break!

Paul Stevenson Team Leader Conservation Volunteers Australia

#### Awards for volunteers

Years of volunteer work was recognised and rewarded when Roxy Cowie of Fingal received an OAM in the Australia Day Awards. Roxy had been with St John Ambulance as a volunteer trainer for 15 years, now is training and sales Manager, is a volunteer ambulance officer with the St Marys Ambulance Service and also trains the rescue teams for Fingal and Beaconsfield mines. Congratulations.

Break O'Day Council presented Australia Day Awards to Junior winner, ballet student Cameron Gofton of St Helens, Citizen of the Year to Paramedic Julie Severin, and the Break O'Day Event of the Year award to the Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre at St Marys for the successful National Convention held in August 2002.

## St Marys Child

Care Centre re-opened on the 3rd February as a Long Day Care Centre with Mrs Helen Stoltenberg as the new Coordinator. The longer hours will be 8 am to 5 pm Monday to Friday. Parents now eligible for Child Care Benefits and the Centre has some vacancies for children. Contact 6372 2187 for more information.

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# Community notices

#### **Probus Club of Scamander**

BYO picnic or BBQ at Waubs Bay Bicheno on Monday 17th February, leaving Scamander 10 am in private cars.

Next meeting at Scamander Wednesday 26th February.

AGM Wednesday 26th March, luncheon to follow. For more information ring 6372 5218 or 6372 5464

TLC -Tasmania Lymphoedema Centre Annual General Meeting in Day Room St Marys Community Health Centre on Monday 17th February at 10 am. A plate for morning tea please.

**CWA** meeting Thursday 20th February at 11 am in Community Hall Supper Room

St Marys Association for Community Development Anyone at present in possession of SMACD equipment or furniture, please contact Keri Webb on 6372 2005

# Community sausage sizzle

Come and have a sausage or two

Meet some people

Talk about what's happening locally or just get together

Gas BBQ supplied (clean and working!)

Gold coin donation

BYO drinks

If you want something more exotic than a snag BYO meat as well

See you there on Wednesday 19th February at Wombat Walk Playground 5 pm - 7.30 pm

Ring Julia or Shan 6372 2111 for any other info.



#### JAM resumes Monday 17th February 3.15 pm to 5 pm

Contact number: Melanie 6372 2099

# North East Bio Region Council

- revision of planning scheme for BREAK O'DAY
- environmental values and management
- long term ecological future for BREAK O'DAY (or the lack of such)
- \* promoting a wholistic approach to these problems.

Should you be interested in the above issues and wish to join with us, next meeting will be Wednesday 12th March at 4.00 pm.

Venue and more information can be obtained by phoning: Todd 6376 1049 Robina 6372 2022

# **Country Womens**

Patti 6372 2418

**Association** 

We wish to thank all those of the community who supported us during 2002.

Raffle winners:
1st prize, Table
Mrs Molly Woods Fingal
2nd prize, Groceries
Mrs Heather Lodge St Marys
3rd prize, Christmas pudding
and bottle of wine
Mrs Freeman St Marys

A reminder to all members that our first official meeting for 2003 will be on Thursday 20th February beginning at 11 am and all to bring a plate to share for lunch as we may have Swansea group as guests on the day.



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1 tbsp vegetable oil

1 onion sliced

1 clove garlic

1 head broccoli cut into small florets

½ cup chopped fresh parsley
1 packet frozen Maggi Pommes
600 g chicken fillets diced
420 can Heinz Creamy Chicken
Soup

1.Heat oil in large pan, add onion & garlic, cook stirring over medium heat for 5 mins or until onion is soft. Add chicken pieces & cook for 3 mins or till lightly browned.

2.Add soup, broccoli & parsley to pan. Stir well to combine.

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#### Elizabeth Dean

As the Valley Voice is about to enter its 36th year of continuous publishing with a staff of volunteers, it is with sadness that we note the recent death of Elizabeth Dean.

Betty, as she was known to her friends in St Marys, was one of a group who came up with the idea of a newspaper for the people of the valley and the coast. The 'East Coast and Valley Voice' first went to print in May 1968.

Elizabeth Dean contributed much to the success of the paper in those early days and the staff at the Valley Voice extend their condolences to her family.

#### Dance lessons

Learn to waltz & many more Just \$2 per person St Marys Community Hall Start date 18th February '03 Tuesday evenings 7 pm to 9 pm All welcome

## Christmas follow-up

We would like to thank all who were involved in making the Christmas Parade such a success. We hope that the help and support continues for this year and we have an even bigger and better parade.

Thank you Paul and Genevieve Aulich

### Winners

**Floats** 

1st Hospital 2nd Coach House 3rd Rubenach family

Decorated houses

Ann & Brian Birrell May & Brian Izard Keri & Murray Webb

1st Year entry Wes & Judy Aulich

# Wanted!!

Volunteers to get involved in our community

- \* Do you have some spare time?
- \* Are you interested in meeting new people?
- \* Would you like to become more active and involved in your community?
- \* Would you like to make a difference?

YES P

Contact Penny at Break O'Day Volunteer Resource Centre

St Helens Neighbourhood House: Monday-Wednesday Ph: 6376 1545 (Answer machine attached)

Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House Thursdays 6374 2344

St Marys Community Hall Office Fridays – mobile 0418 997 010

pennyclifford@dodo.com.au

# St Marys Child Health Centre

Regional Office 6336 2130 After hours 1800 808 178 Mobile: 0409 361 005 Lorraine McGee RN

Appointments 0409 361 005

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> Thursday 20th Feb '03





# Township funding 2003

The Break O'Day Council is currently calling for submissions

from community organisations for grants for township projects. All community groups that represent the ratepayers of their township/area are eligible to apply for funding.

An application must be submitted which addresses the criteria set out in the Township Funding Guidelines. Guidelines are available from Council and submissions can be left at the Council office or mailed to PO Box 21 St Helens 7216

Closing date for all submissions is Friday 28th February 2003 and the outcome of applications will be advised by 31st March 2003. For further information, contact Marissa Walker on (03) 6376 1281 or email marissa.walker@bodc.tas.gov.au

David Morcom General Manager



# Community Project Assistance 2003-2004

Each year the Break O'Day Council allocates a number of small grants as well as in-kind assistance to worthwhile community projects and activities in the municipal area. The Council is currently calling for submissions from community organisations for financial and in-kind assistance for community activities or projects.

Applications will be considered as part of Council's 2003-2004 Annual Budget process.

Application forms can be collected from Council offices during business hours or by emailing marissa.walker@bodc.tas.gov.au. Completed forms can be left at the Council office or mailed to PO Box 21 St Helens 7216.

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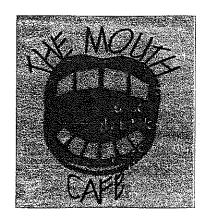
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# Road Safety Task Force partnership with Break O'Day Community Radio Announced - 'Just Like That'

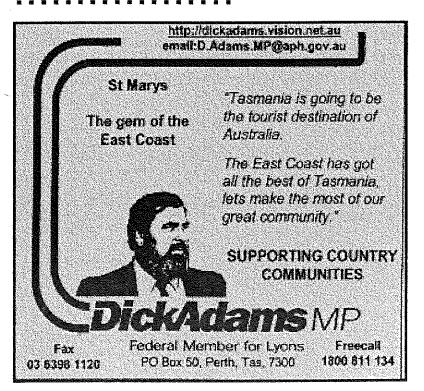
It was unfortunate said Assistant Commissioner Luppo Prins when he launched the partnership but also well timed as it followed nine motor vehicle accidents in the St Helens region over the past seven days.

Mr Prins said that the TASK Force was extremely pleased to have been able to develop the agreement with the local FM radio station, Break O'Day FM Community Radio, which will broadcast 'Just Like That" advertisements and road safety messages from prominent and well-known members of the local community.

The launch was conducted as a street party, with Don Ives running road safety theme competitions - *Just Like That* - with his usual witty banter. Inspector Fiona Lieutier, Police Officiers, Radio Station staff along with a large crowd enjoyed the street party and participating in the various competitions, one great prize being donated by Bertrand Cadart of Bicheno and better recognised as 'Le Frog". Also *Just Like That* and *You Blew It* T Shirts and CD's with there for the crowd to win.

Assistant Commissioner Luppo Prins reported that according to the Traffic Accident Database, on a per capita basis, the Break O'Day Municipality ranks number one for motorcyclist casualties, third for passenger casualties and forth when driver and passenger casualties were combined, so when the Task Force was approached by Break O'Day FM to assist with it's road safety education campaign given the high number of motor vehicle casualties in the area, "we were only too pleased to become involved", said Mr Prins

In closing Mr Prins said that he believed the campaign would not only have a positive impact on road casualties in the municipality, it would also provide other regional communities around the state with an excellent example to follow if they are facing similar problems.



### A thumbs up

Well done to those responsible for the huge improvements along the river bank in St Marys, their hard work is certainly being appreciated and we believe that two new residents to the town have already joined the working group. Keep up the good work.

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Date: Monday 24th February to Friday 28th February

Time: 12.30 pm to 1.30 pm

Course length: 5 consecutive days, 20 minute sessions

Cost: \$25

This course is designed to benefit parents as well as children, teaching parents basic strategies in water awareness and safety. Parents will need to be in the pool with their child during the session. We apologise for the short notice but we need to begin as soon as possible while the weather is still warm.

If this course is successful, we will look at running a more extensive programne next year. If you are interested, please leave your name and phone number with Liz at the school office on 6372 3900.

Early bookings are essential as we only have limited spaces.

# SETTLERS WALK PROJECT

Regional Arts Macquarie aims to identify and trace the history of some of the individuals and families that landed in Van Diemans Land. To allow for a balanced and authentic over-view of the settlements history, we believe it is necessary to include the history of Tasmania's Indigenous people and how this effected them.

Grassy Bottom Regional Arts invites anyone interested in being involved in the representation of the Indigenous people of the Break O'Day community, to attend an informal meeting with Audrey Hutchison to discuss the regions involvement with this project.

#### St Marys Online Access Centre Wednesday 26th February @ 7 pm

Audrey Hutchison is a Cultural Development officer and education/ training Coordinator with extensive experience with Arts projects, the writing/directing/editing of video documentaries and genealogy research worldwide.

For more information on this gathering or the Macquarie Regional Arts Project Please phone Terese Tanner 6372 2846 Information also available at the St Marys Online Centre

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# Anglican Parish of the Northern Midlands

Services each Sunday

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Avoca Tuesdays 10am

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## Anglican Parish - St Helens

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St Helens

8am and 10.30am Every Sunday

St Marys 10am No service 5th Sunday

**Monday JAM:** 

3.15 pm to 5 pm for children 5-12 yrs

Pyengana 11am 2nd and 4th Sunday

#### Break O'Day Uniting Church

Fingal 9.00am St Helens 11am and 7pm

#### Seventh Day Adventist

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# Neighbourhood Watch

# Information for the community

The public is being informed that employees of the Australian Electoral Commission would be calling on various residences in the Division of Bass and the Division of Lyons as part of the AEC's continuous roll update process, to conduct a roll check between the 30th January and 31st March 2003.

The only residences that will be visited are those where the AEC believes from past mail-outs and roll information, that enrolment changes may be required.

Employees of the Commission will be calling at residences in the Division to seek enrolment details. They will be displaying cards Identity/Authority wearing photographs and carrying a distinctive satchel displaying the Commission's name and logo.

### Care when filling car

In December last year a customer pulled into a fuel pump at BP South Lake in the southern suburbs of Perth. When they went to undo the fuel cap, they released sufficient static from their body to ignite the fuel at the fill point of their car. Fortunately, quick action by staff on site stopped the resulting fire and the customer was nit harmed. Shell and other companies have had a number of similar instances around Australia in the past year.

Fuels Marketing is currently updating a safety brochure regarding fuels safety, and included will be a new section on being careful with static electricity and fuels. Many fuel companies in the US are now including a warning about static in their standard safety warnings on service station pumps.

All staff, when going to fill at a service station ensure that before releasing the fill cap, you touch your car or another object to "ground" the static. Equally, if you need to enter your car during filling, remember this again means that you will have to remove static before continuing to refill your car.

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# Avoca Volunteers recognised

Recognition was given this year to the Avoca Volunteer Ambulance Group for their outstanding contribution to their community.

The theme for the 2003/04 White Pages directory covers is 'Celebrating the Australian Spirit', reflecting the role of the White Pages directory in' bringing people together'. This year the covers recognise and celebrate what makes the Australian spirit unique through the efforts of people working together to care for and help others in the community.

The White Pages directory's General Manager, Mr Thomas Arthur, said the covers provided a valuable avenue to promote the work of important community projects and individuals like that of the unsung heroes at the Avoca Ambulance Volunteers.

For about 30 years the Avoca Volunteer Ambulance Group has been saving lives in the Fingal Valley, without the volunteer efforts of the seven member all-female group, the area covering Avoca, Royal George and Rossarden would rely on an ambulance service over 50 kilometres away.

From attending emergencies and road traffic accidents, to simply changing a dressing or checking blood pressure, the group is on hand 24 hours a day seven days a week.

Group member Margaret Dennis was pleased that the Avoca Volunteers were given the opportunity by White Pages to be recognised.

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- Malicious gossip spreads 10 times faster than the speed of truth.

Meals on Wheels Roster		
Feb-March	St Marys	Fingal
Mon 17th	Annette Davey	Shirley Parker
Tues 18th	Pauline Berwick	Alana Johns
Wed 19th	Audrey Wright	Wendy Spencer
Thurs 20th	Kath Read	S Smith / S Walker
Fri 21st	Trish Pike	Mim Woods
Mon 24h	P & Y Davern	Wendy Blair
Tues 25th	P O'Donnell	Christine Woods (P)
Wed 26th	Mary Viney	Janine McGill
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Thurs 27th	Kaye Nailer	Sue Woods

# St.Marys Tennis Club

Club Championships

The Club Championship draw is now on display at the Clubrooms. The Championship Finals will be held on Saturday and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of March 2003.

#### Christmas Raffle

The winner of our Christmas cake, Chocolates and Wine Raffle was Heather Lodge. Many thanks to local businesses who assisted the Club by selling tickets and also to Linda Faulkner for making such a superb cake again!

**Junior Championships** 

Any student (up to and including grade 10) who wish to compete in our Junior Championships in late March please leave their name with Maureen Bushing at the school office. The date for this event to be advised.

**Night Roster** 

Our next Roster will be starting on Monday 24th February. The amount of nights the roster will be over and its duration depending on the number of participants (we anticipate finishing in May going on numbers from the previous roster). If you would like to participate as a permanent player please forward the form together with \$15 fee per player to one of the Night Roster Committee - Susan Miles, Randal Faulkner, Maureen Bushing, Chris Gunson, Mark Williams and Jill Faulkner by Thursday February 13th. The Committee will then meet to prepare and distribute rosters prior to the starting date. As this is a time consuming task, no late entries will be accepted. If you have any further queries, please contact Susan or Randal. A reminder that all participants need to be financial members for the season 2002-2003. Fill-in players are also required, please phone Susan Miles and leave your name and telephone number.

**Twilight Tennis** 

Twilight Tennis is on at the Club every Thursday night from 6 pm.

General Meeting

The next general meeting will be on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 pm. All welcome to attend.

Susan Miles Secretary

#### Midweek Women's Roster

Intending players for the 2003 season starting in February, please check the notice at the Club regarding your intentions, either add or delete your name by Friday 14th February.

Thank you, K. Nailer, A Davey.

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# THE SAY by Cage Rattler

The Valley Voice will run a forum for responses to some issues that surround the Valley, hoping that this will encourage healthy debate and ideas on a whole range of matters that confront us. If you feel strongly for or against any issue raised by 'Cage Rattler', then write and have your say.

The opinions expressed here are not necessarily those of this paper.

# C'arn the Tigers

We've heard many locals lately slamming the football club for not easily getting off the ground this year. As I write, no one is really sure if it is going to happen or not. That said, I'm quite convinced that a number of these people are one of the major reasons why the club is struggling to survive. There is still the dedicated diehard bunch of stayers within the club and their heart and soul is first and foremost for the Tigers, but there has not to date been enough help for even them to be overly optimistic at this stage. Club loyalty for a growing number is on the wane. We all know this is true because we are contributing to it.

Another concern is that of the lack of commitment from many local players who have been hard to convince to play for the side, even in these difficult times. Unfortunately the old saying 'the club is bigger than the individual' has fallen on deaf ears in many cases. I truly wish these persons could have seen the magnificent efforts of the Tigers in the mid 60's and late 70's who kept coming up week after week copping hidings, losing close grand finals year after year and actually winning one in '72, but above all, committing to the club.

As a kid I can recall playing Mini league under Mick Gatty as coach and how much we looked up to the senior team members. Committee, Harold Thomas, Augie Newman, Ian Faulkner, Dale Wright, Kelly and Brian Birrell were just as important and the team thing just oozed out everywhere. Never so evident was it than from that little tin shed that passed for a kiosk in those days. A St Marys mark or goal resulted in a crescendo of pots, pans and utensils from the ladies who looked after everything.

Many of the stalwarts from 30-40 years ago are now gone and I'm certain that if they only knew that the Tigers could fold, they would have every right to turn in their graves.

If it happens that 2003 does see the Tigers run out again, then we

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#### East Coast Cricket Association Inc.

**One Day Games** 

Saturday 15th February
St Helens A v's Scamander
St Marys v's St Helens B

Saturday 22nd February
Scamander v's St Helens B
St Helens A v's St Marys

#### Finals (One Day Games)

Saturday 1st March ECCA Grand Final

Saturday 8th March NECA Grand Final (ECCA winner v's NECA winner)

#### The Say continued

must all support them and equally the players must support the club and community and a watershed year might occur. Conversely if they do not, then many of us should hang our heads in shame because it will be the last rites of a more than century old club.

What is worse it will mean all those great years will become faded memories rather than living history as they should be.

What do you think?

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