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Unusual mailing for Wombat Post

New Cornwall resident, artist Elizabeth Turnbull recently gave the staff at Wombat Post a pleasant surprise when she requested special care in post marking and forwarding her contribution to an International Festival of "Postal Art" which is to take place at Pezenas (France) in April 2003.

The envelope exterior (a pre-printed Australia Post one appropriately bearing a picture of a wombat as the stamp) had been painted (gouache & found objects) to represent "Australian Summer" — with images of the hot sun, burning trees and the starry southern night sky together with actual dry leaves and bark. This was in keeping with the overall Festival theme for 2003 - "The Seasons".

Postal Art – both in the form of envelopes and even larger three dimensional works - is a very important art form in Europe and particularly in France, where it is highly regarded.

It is frequently exhibited and published in book form and is a popular collector's item – the French Postal Service even has a special section devoted to seeing that these works are handled carefully and safely delivered to their destinations.

Elizabeth contributed to the Pezenas Festival (now in its seventh year) for the first time last year when she was the sole Australian participant and intends to make this an annual event in the future.

St Patrick's Day 17 March and here is a little bit of Irish thanks to David, which will be continued in the next few issues

Things Irish

While others may cash in on the slenderest of Irish connections, the Valley has remained free of The Big Shamrock and wood crafted leprechauns, despite claiming the oldest Irish place name in Australia and a density of Irish connections possibly unrivalled outside Killarney! Even our marshlands might qualify as bogs!

As a boy I went to Ireland with my father on fishing holidays; we fished Kelly's Lake, visited Killarney, I kissed the Blarney Stone (twice!), and saw the sun go down on Galway Bay; and stood at the meeting of the rivers in the Vale of Avoca, the inspiration for Thomas Moore in 1807 to write "The Meeting of the Waters";

"There is not in the wide world a valley so sweet As that vale in whose bosom the bright waters meet"

I did not know then that 50 years on I would live in another valley on the other side of the world in another island, a valley where solitary towns nestle beside sparkling rivers, flanked by mountain ranges and majestic peaks, where eagles float and stars blaze in vaulted skies, where was to be found another Avoca, and where the returning traveller was welcomed by St Patrick.

At the head of the Break O'Day Plains, the eastern end of the Valley is dominated by St Patrick's Head, the oldest Irishman in the valley, and indeed in Australia, being so named in 1773, so that more than 60 years later the surrounding area would be called the St Patrick's Head District. Who was St Patrick? He was born in Britain and went to Ireland in 432 as a Christian missionary. The Irish accepted Christianity and came to consider Patrick as their patron or guardian Saint, celebrated on March 17.

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Things Irish continued

While Patrick introduced the Roman alphabet and Latin literature to Ireland, the naming of Patrick's Head did not confer similar benefits to the valley, nor did Irish monastries flourish here as centres of learning.

From 1820 the impact of settlement in this New World Valley was significantly Irish. From Avoca in the West to St Patrick in the east, the broad acres were taken up by Irishmen such as Gray, O'Connor, Kearney, Talbot, Stieglitz and Legge, the names of their properties and the towns echoed their origins, Malahide, Killymoon, Cullenswood, Avoca and Fingal. Ironically at a time when England was transporting and driving the Irish out of their own land, Irishmen were taking up large tracts of an English colony. While such settlers were the ones whose capital and influence could secure the maximum land grants, four square miles or 2560 acres, to which they added by purchase, there were others from Ireland who also took land in the valley in smaller areas whose origins were more obscure.

Bartholomew Egan arrived from Dublin on the 'Kinnear' in 1842, transported for 14 years for "shooting at a person". By 1870 he was running Bona Vista property at Avoca, and in 1881 he owned a 640 acre sheep run at "Milford" Ben Lomond. He died and was buried at Avoca in 1900, age 94.

Egan was tried at Co. Westmeath, as was James Gilligan, probably the earliest settler in the valley and possibly the person who named the Break O'Day Plains. Gilligan was transported "for life" to NSW in 1809, and sent to the Derwent in 1814. He seems to have arrived in the valley before 1820 when the area was unexplored, and the source of the South Esk River unknown. His subsequent presence must have been known for he was pardoned in 1826, during which year he was advertising sheep for sale, at the Break O'Day Plains. In 1827 the Land Commissioner Roderic O'Connor wrote in his journal:

"Ride over the land up the South Esk, it is a miserable sandy forest of little or no value to within a short distance of Gilligan's Hut who has a grant of one hundred acres. He has become a rich Man in the course of seven years, having now about thirteen hundred sheep and two hundred and fifty head of cattle, which he is about to sell and intends returning to Ireland and misery. He is now old and fears to die in this unchristian place, as he calls it, where he cannot conveniently confess his Sins before he departs of have the rights of his Church, nor can he have in this wildemess the same numerous attendance at his wake or Funeral, reflections nearest and dearest to an Irishman's heart, here he dies unpitied and unknown, there he is attended by a host of friends and relations, paying the last sad offices to his remains with tears and loud lamentations, which are luckily forgotten in the nearest Public House, when all their grief is drowned in a glass of good Poteen"

In the same year James was charged with stealing a heifer, but discharged for lack of evidence. However Gilligan was evidently keen to maintain the standard of the neighbourhood, for the next year he wrote to James Grant of Tullochgorum objecting to the possibility of one Reynolds being leased Crown Land. Grant fully agreed with Gilligan and wrote so to the Colonel Secretary at Hobart, enclosing his letter. The wonderful thing about the letter is that it appears to be written in an Irish accent!

Readers will have to wait to next issue to read the letter with the Irish accent!

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International volunteers

St Marys has again had the benefit of a visit from Conservation Volunteers in partnership with Break O'Day Council workers. The Council employees cleared blackberries by using brush-cutters with the Conservation Volunteers Australia group removing them from the steep banks along the St Marys Rivulet.

Team Leader Peter Heading supervised the group of nine volunteers who came from around the world, two from Japan, two from Germany, one American, one French Canadian, one Australian and two from England, these people put in a great effort particularly with the steepness of the banks. The assistance of Greg Louden was appreciated, he assisted in the willow removal, this involved wading up and down the river cutting out willow with his chainsaw.

This is an ongoing project involving a local St Marys community group and the Break O'Day Council and is proving to be a worthy project.

Community notices

TLC. Tasmania Lymphoedema Centre meeting on Monday 17 March at 10 am in the Dayroom St Marys Community Health Centre

Probus Club of Scamander

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

Public meeting concerning funding cutbacks for **Studentworks** students. St Marys Community Hall Tuesday 18th March at 1 pm.

Easter Bonnet Parade hosted by CWA Tuesday 9th April 11 am to 3 pm Community Hall St Marys More details in advertisement

Regular **Yoga** classes are currently being held in St Marys and in other local towns. If you are interested or would like to know more, please ring:

Jack Foreman 6372 2034

St Marys District Hospital Auxiliary raffle drawn on the 24th December 2002 raised \$1,003.20.

Winners were: Doll's House: Darrell & Vera Manton Epping Forest.
Painting: Jacob Spilsbury St Marys
Cricket Bat: Clare Bean St Marys
Many thanks to all who helped and participated. R Cranch Secretary

Drawing Workshop

with Lorraine Biggs All levels - all ages



Friday 14th March 11.30 - 12.30

At Grassy Bottom Regional Arts HQ (next to Purple Possum) Storey Street St Marys

Bring your own drawing board.... the bigger the better. Cost \$5 All enquiries: 6372 5533

Brackets and Jam



Friday 14th March
Grassy Bottom HQ
St Marys
Musicians, Poets, Singers, Actors
Come ye ...Come all ...

Please note:

Deadline for Valley Voice contributions is midday on the Tuesday of the week the paper is published.

The Valley Voice is a fortnightly paper.

Support appreciated

Thanks and appreciation go to Grant at Caltex St Marys for his donation of fuel for the whipper snipper being used at Wombat Walk and also to Chris who has donated his time and the use of his Dingo machine, saving us a lot of extra work moving woodchips.

Thank you Grant and Chris

Contacts for Valley Voice

Ron: 6372 2105. Audrey: 6372 2337 Fax: 6372 2172

Leave written material with Kathryn, St Marys Health & Beauty Centre or post:

Post Office St Marys Tas 7215

Valley Voice Advertising Rates: Classifieds (25 words or less) free. Small ad. \$6. ¼ page \$15. ½ page \$25 Full page - \$40

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ST MARYS NEWSAGENCY

Ph 6372 2143

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Friday: depart St Marys 10 am, depart L'ton 6 pm

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Ph 6372 5689

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Rosa Byard 6372 2238

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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

Open Sessions
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9 am to 12 noon
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20th March

3rd April



Garage Sale

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> Saturday 22nd March

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chairs
Buffet & glassware
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Bookcase & books
Kitchenware

Keeping in touch

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Have had a note from Kath Cooke. Kath and Leon who moved from St Marys nine years ago, still subscribe to the Valley Voice and have commented on all the unfamiliar names mentioned in the paper now.

Hello to Kath and Leon from your friends at St Marys, there are still a few familiar faces here!

> St Marys Op Shop



Open 10 am to 2 pm Monday-Friday

TLC Inc. community partner for new health service

The University of Tasmania's School of Psychology and it's Department of Rural Health are working together to place Psychology Interns in the Break O'Day municipality this year.

Psychology Interns are post-graduate psychologists doing two to four years of extra supervised practice. Up to three Interns will come to Break O'Day to provide the service four to five days a week.

The people they see are those with problems following stroke, spinal injury, multiple sclerosis, head injury and any other on-going conditions.

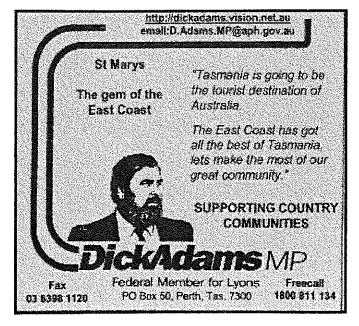
Associate professor Clive Skilbeck will review the work in the Break O'Day area once a month and will be happy to meet with people.

The Tasmania Lymphoedema Centre Inc. has agreed to become the community partner after meeting with Assoc Professor Skilbeck and Professor Judith Walker from the Department of Rural Health University of Tasmania, recently. Some objectives of the project are:-

- ★ To reduce levels of depression and anxiety among people with chronic conditions
- * To increase life activities
- * To improve quality and type of services to the people, their carers and families
- * To give Psychology Interns a better understanding of rural and remote practice AND maybe encourage someone with these skills to move here or another rural area.

We all hope this project will be a success.

Jan Sparkes TLC Inc.





Break O'Day Seafood & Symphony Festival

Expressions of interest are sought for food, wine and craft stalls for the above festival to be held in St Helens on Saturday 3 May 2003. Please contact Chris Hughes or Marissa Walker on 6376 1281 for further information.



Community Project Assistance 2003 - 2004

Each year the Break O'Day Council allocates a number of small grants as kind assistance to worthwhile community

well as in-kind assistance to worthwhile community projects and activities in the municipal area. The Council is currently calling 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 P O Box 21, St Helens, 7216

Closing date for all applications is Friday 28th March 2003. For further information contact Marissa Walker on 03 6376 1281

David Morcom General Manager



Membership nominations sought

Break O'Day Natural Resource Management Special Committee of Council

Break O'Day Council recently established a Special Committee of Council to facilitate the implementation of the Break O'Day Natural Resource Management Strategy.

A number of open nominations for membership of the special committee are being sought from individuals or representatives of groups with a demonstrated interest in the use and sustainable management of the municipality's natural resources. In particular, representation is being sought from marine industries, coastal and other interest groups and indigenous representation.

For copies of nomination forms and an information package, please contact:

Mr Peter Stafford, Break O'Day NRM Facilitator on 6376 1281. Nominations need to be lodged at Break O'Day Council, The Esplanade, St Helens by COB 3 April 2003

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EASTER BONNET PARADE

Hosted by the

Country Womens Association St Marys

Date: Wednesday 9th April 2003

Time: 11 am to 3 pm

Venue: St Marys Community Hall Supper room

Parade: Free

A lucky door prize will be given, and a raffle will be held. Prizes will be given for the best hats, both for adults and children.

A light luncheon will be served at a cost of \$6 per person

All welcome to join in the fun



Learn Computer basics

Free course offered by the Volunteer Resource Centre and Neighbourhood House



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| Wed 19th | Lorraine Gill | Barb Saunders |
| Thurs 20th | Kath Read | Rhonda Hoskinson |
| Fri 21st | Trish Pike | Bob Yates |
| Mon 24th | Tina Floyed | Jackie Death |
| Tues 25th | • | Rayleen Hall |
| Wed 26th | Pam Lynch | Lynda Bean |
| | Gail Gamble | Sue Woods |
| Fri 28th | N & A Challis | Julie-Ann Claridge |

Letter to the Editor

Public meeting being called

My 14 year old son was one of a few children selected to attend Studentworks in Launceston.

Studentworks has been a government funded program for 25 years. This facility is a part of the children's school program. Year 9 and 10 students with an intellectual disability or having difficulty with the school program attend every second week.

These children board in Launceston, travelling on Sundays to arrive Sunday evening, work at Studentworks until Friday afternoon, catch a bus back to any towns between Launceston and St Helens. They attend school the next week, then leaving on the Sunday once again to Launceston. St Michaels Hostel is a wonderful secure boarding facility which supply the children with 3 meals a day, personal hygiene products, bedding and support staff. St Michaels has been working with Studentworks for quite a few years.

Students who attend arrive at 8 am and work until 4 pm. They learn all aspects of carpentry, spray painting, welding, glass work as well as working in their own Café serving customers, and also work at the front desk answering phones and dealing with the public. There are only a few places available at Studentworks, and it is a necessary program for our son to attend.

Studentworks has over 95% success employment rate. This may be the only opportunity that can help our son and others to succeed in life. Our son's confidence is so high just after attending for 2 weeks.

Now after 25 years, Centrelink is refusing to cover all costs associated with boarding, only paying \$11.86 per night. Who can board away from home at that price?

Most of the children attending are from low income households who cannot afford the shortfall of nearly \$760 per year. What do we do? Take our children out of the program? Who is going to tell my son he can't go anymore? We are going to fight for our rights. It is not fair to discriminate against rural children.

A public meeting will be held at the Community Hall, Main Street St Marys on Tuesday 18th March at 1 pm.

We will be inviting Break O'Day Mayor Mr Salter, politicians, parents, school officials, members of the community, television stations, radio and an official from Studentworks and St Michaels Hostel. Everyone is welcome . Please come and help us fight.

Deanne Lindsay St Marys 6372 2128



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Dr Geniola on call phone: 6374 2288

Dr Shah on call phone: 6372 2311

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000 or

The Ambulance on: 1800 008 008

Dr Geniola will be returning to work on Monday 17th March. He will be working restricted hours until otherwise advised.

Mornings- 9am-11am

Afternoons-1:30pm-3:00pm

Please be patient during this time.

<u>DAY CENTRE</u> GANASH CLOTHING DISPLAY

When: Wednesday 26th March
Where: St Marys CHC
Time: 11am-1pm
All welcome to attend.

Just pop in and have a chat and a look!

TRAVELLING ROAD SHOW Strength Training with

CAMERON BLIGHT

When: Wednesday 26th March Where: St Marys Day Centre

Tíme: 11am-12noon Phone Hayley on 6372 2111 for further details.

WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE?'

18 March Speech Pathologist 10-11

18 March Tom Baine-Barrister.

20 March Lorraine McGee, Child Health

Clinic. Appoints from 9-12 For afternoon appoints. Phone Lorraine on 0409 361 005

21 March

Diabetic Clinic with Sue Hayes Diabetes Educator. For appoints,

Phone 6372 2111

2003 NATIONAL COFFEE MORNING WEDNESDAY 19TH MARCH

The Meningitis Foundation would like to thank you for your support of National Coffee Morning which will raise vital funds needed to help us lead the fight against Meningitis and Meningococcal Disease.

When: Wednesday 19th March
Where: Day Centre @ CHC
Time: 10:30am- 11:30am
Cost: \$2.00/ or \$2.50 with morning tea

Raffle tickets will be available for \$1.00, see if you can win yourself a morning tea hamper.

For further information phone Hayley on 6372 2111

If you can walk, you can dance
If you can talk, you can sing

A Zimbabwe saying

Great things are not done by impulse,
But by series of small things brought together.

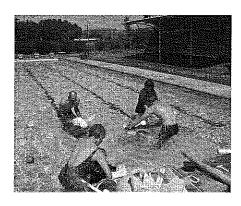
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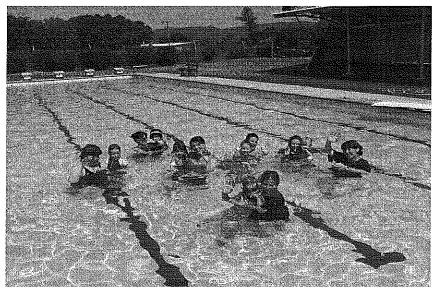
Information on this page was submitted by the St Marys Community Health Centre, Gardiners Creek Road, St Marys, TAS. 7215





Thank you to everyone who participated in the "Water Awareness" Safety Course. Here are some snaps of the toddlers and parents and grand-parents hard at work. Thank you to Alison Napier for conducting the course at such short notice.







PARENTS & FRIENDS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 25TH MARCH

7.00pm in the staffroom.
ALL WELCOME





SHORT COURSE on OFFER **DANCE**

Dance classes have now started on Tuesday afternoons.

6 - 8 years old

3.30 - 4.00pm - 10 weeks \$35.00

9 years upwards

4.00 - 4.30pm - 10 weeks

\$35.00

We are still able to take <u>late</u> enrolments. If interested please phone Liz at the school on 6372 3900.

Please note:

**********Children MUST be supervised by an adult whilst waiting for dance classes to commence at 3.30pm.*******



NEW OP SHOP HOURS

Monday - Friday 10.00am - 2.00pm





St Marys District High School

WHAT: Parent/ Child Sessions

WHEN: Mondays 1.30 - 3.00pm

WHERE: St Marys Kindergarten

Commencing 17th March

This session is provided for children who will turn 4 during 2003. Parents must accompany their child and younger brothers and sisters are welcome. A fee of \$2 per child or \$3 per family is required to cover the cost of materials. Please bring a hat, a drink and a piece of fruit (for your child or children.) First session:
17th March - an informal session (get together) where we will become organized for the year.

SEE YOU THERE

Anne Bennet and Christine White



INTERIOR DESIGN with Jo Kelly

A six week course in D.I.Y. skills in painting, paint finishes (eg: rag rolling, sponging etc) colour co-ordination and basic interior design.

COST: \$48.00 for six weeks

Venue: Home Economics room - St Marys District High School

Date: course begins Tuesday 1st April - Tuesday 13th May (no classes during Easter break)

Time: Tuesday afternoons - 5.00 - 6.00pm

If interested please leave details with Liz at the school office 6372 3900 by Tuesday 25th March.

Adult Education Term 1 2003 ST HELENS / ST MARYS

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NK3329 Starts 7 pm Thursday 27 March 3 weeks, 2 hr sessions \$35.20. Conc. \$25.30, SC \$31.90

Clay Modelling

Learn how to model using clay. Model anything from your pet, your child, grandchild or your own creation, maybe even something for the garden. Bicheno - Jennifer Andrews

NK3320 Starts 10 am Saturday 29 March 2 weeks, 41/2 hr sessions \$64,90, Conc. \$46,20, SC \$59,60

Portrait Drawing - Beg. to Advanced

Portrait drawing is learning how to draw people and animals realistically using pastels and pencils.

Our tutor will cater for all levels of portrait drawing.

St Helens Neighbourhood House - Dale Hunter

NK3262 Starts 1 pm Wednesday 5th March 10 weeks, 2 hr sessions \$134.20, Conc \$103.40, SC \$124.30

Basic CPR

This course is designed to teach the knowledge and skills necessary to maintain or restore breathing and circulation in an adult, child or infant.

St Helens Neighbourhood House - Red Cross NK3309 Starts 1 pm Saturday 22nd March 1 x 4 hr session \$55.00 No concessions

Botanical Art

For beginners and those with some experience in botanical art. Explore a variety of botanical art styles and experiment with some pencil and watercolour techniques to represent a plant on hot pressed paper. Drawing and watercolour painting skills necessary

Bicheno -Jennifer Wilkinson

NK3323 Starts 10 am Sat & Sun 5th & 6th April Weekend course 2 x 6 hr sessions

\$128.70, Conc. \$105.60, SC \$121.00

Massage - Swedish

Promote general relaxation, relieve muscle tension and stimulate circulation. Learn the basic techniques for massaging feet, legs, arms back, head and face.

Fee includes oils.

St Helens Neighbourhood House Christina Henri

NK3308 Starts 10 am Sat & Sun 3 & 4 May Weekend course 2 x 6 hr sessions \$88, Conc. \$68.20, SC \$81.40

TO ENROL OR FOR MORE INFORMATION PHONE: 6336 2666

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Church Services

Catholic Parish of St Marys

Priest: Father Bill Egan 6372 2252

Fingal

Every Friday Mass 10am 1st and 3rd Sunday Mass 10,30am

St Marys

Every Sunday Mass 9am

Bicheno

Every Sunday Mass 4pm

St Helens

Every Saturday

Vigil Mass 6pm

Mangana

5th Sunday Mass 11am

Anglican Parish of the Northern Midlands

Services each Sunday

Avoca

8.00am

Fingal

10.00am

Mathinna Monday 10am

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8am and 10.30am

Every Sunday

St Marys 10am No service 5th Sunday

Monday JAM:

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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

Hodgeman Street Scamander Sabbath School 10am Divine Service 11am

New Beginnings Church

Every Sunday at 10.30 with children's time, tea and coffee afterwards.

Last Sunday of month we will share lunch together.

108 High St Mathinna Ph 6377 1234

New Beginnings Church is a branch of The Vine Church A.O. G Launceston

St. Marys Tennis Club

Night Roster

There will be an extension in the number of rounds to the current Night Roster. A revised edition will be given to all participants this week

Club Championships

The Championship Finals will be held on Saturday and Sunday 22nd and 23rd of March 2003.

Junior Championships.

Any student (up to and including grade 10) who wishe to compete in our Junior Championships in late March/early April please leave their name with Maureen Bushing at the school office. The date for this event will be Saturday 5th April, 9am start.

The cost will be \$5 per player for those students who are **not** included on the Family Membership.

Coaching

Our Club Coach (through Tennis Tasmania) Michelle Rowell, will be holding tennis coaching for juniors and adults on Saturday at the Club. For bookings please phone Michelle directly on 0408 832 075

Sunday Pennant

The East Coast Pennant Grand Final will be on Sunday 16th March at the Club between St.Marys Red and St.Marys Blue, All spectators welcome!

Twilight Tennis

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

General Meeting

The next general meeting is this Thursday 27th March at 7.30 pm.

Susan Miles Secretary

East Coast & Fingal Valley Junior Football Association

AGM 10 March 2003

The meeting was held and new office bearers elected are as follows:

President: Leigh Spilsbury
V. President: Roger Norton
Secretary: Helen Child
Treasurer: Dave Cannon
Public Officer: Chris Wright
Auditor: Murray Bennett

Auskick 'Sign Up' day will be held on Sunday the 13th April at 10.30 am with a family BBQ afterwards, followed by a quick meeting with parents of participating children to discuss the coming season. More information will be in the next issue of the Valley Voice and in school newsletters.

Any queries, please phone Leigh Spilsbury on 6372 2220

Soccer

The new soccer season will be starting after the Easter school holidays in late April. We will have a regular weekly practice and will have Junior and Senior games against St Helens and hopefully with other teams as well.

We would like to hear from any adults who are willing to spare some time to help out with the soccer club. It is not necessary to be familiar with the game and we do not even mind if you are a Manchester United supporter!

Any queries about the soccer club to Jack Foreman 6372 2034

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St Marys Sports Centre News

by Kackhander

Almost but not quite, I refer of course to the East Coast Bowls finals where our boys managed an excellent first semi-final win against Scamander to advance to the preliminary final. Unfortunately on that day we came up a lousy 7 shots short and winning on two rinks with another rink losing by 1 shot. That's pretty darn close.

Congratulations anyway to the whole team who did a marvellous job coming from stone motherless last just three weeks before. Swansea was just too good that day and they eventually went on to go within a sniff of the grand final against eventual champs St Helens.

While on bowls, a reminder to all our players that this weekend March 16th is the playing of the Clive Berwick Memorial Challenge between us and East Launceston. There will be about 20 bowlers from East joining us on Sunday. It is a 10 am start and we need all our players available to make it as memorable a day as what East did for us last year. See you there.

Don't forget that on Saturday March 29 it is our Bowls / Golf Fun Day that will bring everyone together for the Best and Fairest count presentation of 2002-2003 championship trophies and break-up. All the family is invited for what should be a top day.

Now to golf and a HUGE reminder of our Annual Tournament on March 22 and 23 and the need for heaps of support. Last year our first attempt at a March tournament was a little disappointing for numbers and we need more players to come forward to kick it along. There will be some great trophies and let's see you there.

Our Pennant defence in A Grade commences the following week March 30th with a home game against Malahide. We have a few loyal names on the board already but a few more would be great to see. Let us make another top effort to really stand by last years fantastic result.

We wish club stalwart Peter Davern a speedy recovery from a sudden illness last week. Pete is a great supporter of the club and he was a little worse for wear the other day. See you up and at'em again soon Mo.

Finally our sincerest sympathy must go to a current member of our club and a former long time lady member after their recent loss. To Nan Stuart and Bobbie Harwood and the whole family we wish you all the best thoughts after the loss of Hilary. We are all thinking of you.

Anyway until next time.

good hitting and rolling.



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The Say by Cage Rattler Water you know?

I would really like to be able to ask the engineers and designers of our new and improved water plant, what went wrong this summer just gone, in St Marys. Seeing as our water was supposed to be basically inexhaustible from the underground bore system and not so reliant on how much water was in the reservoirs fed by the catchment, how come we managed water restrictions? A little strange you might well ask.

Is it possible some-one might have miscalculated the storage and pump capacities or is there another reason? Let us hope we can be enlightened on what the problem actually is.

I recently contacted the Council office and was told if the current demand on the water resources did not fall, then more severe restrictions may well soon apply.

I did not think that we lived in a third world country just yet, where many basic tasks had to be curtailed due to water delivery problems.

Maybe through the pages of this paper the engineers could respond in this forum, explain the situation, and at least clarify what the problem is.

Let us hope that it can be fixed for the future. Let us also hope that should a response be forthcoming that we are not treated like country bumpkins, stupid we are not.

What do you think?

(The opinions expressed here are not necessarily those of this paper)

Volunteer Career Positions now available

- * Befriending the frail and aged, Marine Radio Operator
- * Kiosk Attendant, Op shop and/or Toy Library Attendant
- * Driver, Gardener, Fire Services, Committee positions
- * Befriending a person who may have a mental illness

 So come on your community needs YOU!

 Contact Penny at Break O'Day Volunteer Resource Centre
- * St Helens Neighbourhood House: Mon-Wed 6376 1545
- * Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House. Thurs. 6374 2344
- * St Marys Community Hall Office. Fridays 6372 2693

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Tasmanian Mail 6 June 1903 Seymour

This is another small settlement about three miles north of Douglas River. The holdings are not large and the respective owners combine dairying with a little farming.

The post office and telephone instrument for the surrounding district were attached to the residence of one of the settlers, but as he had the misfortune to lose a member of the family through a contagious disease recently, the facilities were temporarily removed to the dwelling of Mr Jessen of Douglas River.

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