

# THE VALLEY & EAST COAST VOICE

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## Much looked forward to event

Thanks to support from the local community, the third Break O'Day Seafood & Symphony Festival, held at St Helens on Friday 18 and Saturday 19 March, was a great success.

Visitors from other parts of Tasmania and interstate joined locals at Friday evening's concert Travel by Night, performed by the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra under the leadership of Concertmaster Jun Yi Ma.

The Portland Memorial Hall in St Helens was transformed for the concert by teams of local volunteers who dedicated many hours to the work. Members of the St Helens Garden Club created glorious flower displays much appreciated by the Orchestra, while a further team from the Men's Shed installed the seating and backdrop for the stage.

The large audience sat transfixed during a superb performance of music by Mozart, Corigliano, Bach, Boccherini and Schoenberg.

The concert provided the opportunity for Break O'Day music lovers to show their support and appreciation of the TSO following a week in which the Orchestra faced an uncertain future. St Helens has become a regular venue for the TSO and the enthusiastic response from the audience clearly delighted the performers.

The concert was followed by Dinner with the Orchestra at the Doherty Resort St Helens. Managing Director of the TSO Nicholas Heywood thanked the Mayor of Break O'Day Stephen Salter and guests for the warm welcome by the St Helens community.

Saturday's Breakfast on the Deck in the sun was accompanied by champagne and a much-appreciated quartet from the TSO's string section.

Later in the day, a second concert featuring popular performers Island Selection packed out the Portland Memorial Hall. Featured artists were John de Jong, Di Briffa, Michael Stocks, John Ralph, Ben Austin and Tom Ward. The multi-talented group presented a mix of Irish and Scottish music as well as semi-classical pieces and were so well received that they were called back for a second encore.

The Break O'Day Seafood & Symphony Festival has become a regular event at St Helens and continues to grow in popularity.

## Why always a different date?

A much often asked question is 'why isn't Easter always on the same day each year'?

Prior to A.D. 325, Easter was variously celebrated on different days of the week, including Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. In that year, the Council of Nicaea was convened by emperor Constantine. It issued the Easter Rule which states that Easter shall be celebrated on the first Sunday that occurs after the first full moon on or after the vernal equinox.

However, a caveat must be introduced here. The 'full moon' in the rule is the ecclesiastical full moon, which is defined as the fourteenth day of the tabular lunation, where day 1 corresponds to the ecclesiastical New Moon.

It does not always occur on the same date as the astronomical full moon.

The ecclesiastical "vernal equinox" is always on March 21. Therefore, Easter must be celebrated on a Sunday between the dates of March 22 and April 25.

### Contacts for Valley Voice

Account queries: Mary 6372 2328

Please leave written material at the St Marys Health & Beauty Centre, Main Street St Marys. or Post: C/- Post Office, St Marys Tas 7215

Audrey 6372 2337. Fax 63722172

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## LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD

### Notice of General Review and Invitation for Submissions

## BREAK O'DAY COUNCIL

The Local Government Board is conducting a General Review of Break O'Day Council under the *Local Government Act 1993*

### WHAT IS THE REVIEW ABOUT?

The Board will examine structural and operational issues including the following:

- \* Communication and Consultation with communities;
- \* Governance and Regulatory functions of Council;
- \* Financial and Asset Management.

### HOW TO MAKE A COMMENT

The Board's review is a public process involving consultation with any council or community affected by the review.

**Written Comments:** Interested people and organisations are invited to make a written submission concerning any of the above matters to the Board at the address below. The contents of any documents provided to the Board will become public documents.

**Submissions must be received by Noon on 13 April 2005.**

Please forward submissions to:

The Chairperson  
Local Government Board  
GPO Box 123  
Hobart TAS 7001

By fax 6233 5602

By email [sarah.forward@dpac.tas.gov.au](mailto:sarah.forward@dpac.tas.gov.au)

**Verbal Comments:** The Board will be conducting public hearings on the 10 & 11 May 2005. Venues for these hearings will be notified once they are confirmed.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

Please contact Sarah Forward for a written guide to making your submission or for any other general information on the review on:

Telephone 6233 5993  
Fax 6233 5602  
Email [sarah.forward@dpac.tas.gov.au](mailto:sarah.forward@dpac.tas.gov.au)

## Crime report

There have been reports of Domestic Violence recently in the St Marys area, each incident has resulted in the arrest of an offender.

There have been further incidents of garden lights being stolen from residents and a party in Clive Street has resulted in several reports of damage. Police are currently investigating these reports.

With a number of accidents recently on the Esk Main Road and in surrounding areas people are reminded that with the onset of winter they should have their cars serviced and tyres checked. People should also take care when driving on roads and consider the condition of the road and the weather at the time.

Local police were pleased with the Easter period in general with no major incidents occurring in the area.

Any businesses in the St Marys area who do not have their contact details listed at the Police Station please come in during office hours and pass on those details so as in the event of anything occurring we can contact you without delay.

As of Monday 4th April general office hours will return to normal.

Constable Cameron Tanner

### Deadlines!

If you wish to have articles or advertising placed in this paper, it would be most helpful if you could PLEASE meet the Tuesday deadline.

Next paper deadline is  
Tuesday 12th April '05

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Centre

**Tasmanian Lymphoedema  
Centre Inc.** next meeting at St  
Marys Community Health Centre  
Monday 18th April at 10 am.

**North East Bioregional Network**  
meetings:

Tuesday 19th April at St Helens.  
Tuesday 17th May at St Marys.

**St Marys Tennis Club** next meet-  
ing Thursday 28th April at 7.30 pm

**Woodwork Guild** meet last  
Saturday of the month.

### Raffle winners.

The Tasmania Lymphoedema  
Centre Inc raffle drawn 21st March  
2005 at the St Marys Community  
Health Centre.

1st prize: Pauline Woods Fingal  
2nd prize; Chris Hughes St Helens  
3rd prize: S Sexton Launceston  
4th prize; J Viney St Marys

Many thanks to all who supported  
this TLC fundraiser.

### St Marys District High School Reunion

for years 1979 and 1980  
is being planned for October  
2005.

Contact either :  
Janine McGill on 6374 2269 or  
Dale Ridgers on 6372 5620

**JAM** resumes on Monday 4th April, 3 pm to 5 pm. We look forward to  
seeing all our children again, especially the newcomers.

*Melanie, Joanna, Hannah and Felicity.*

## Memories

*Memories like people fade away... ..oral history is forever.*

Are you interested in capturing the memories of a local identity whose  
knowledge is important to the history of your community? Perhaps you  
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## Out of the woodwork

President Reon Johns 6372 2094

The Guild would like to thank all the people who purchased a snag  
on St Patrick's Day. Big thanks to Pete, Tiger, Reon and Wendy who  
gave up their spare time to tend to the BBQ.

Our first monthly meeting went well with a couple of new people  
attending and throwing in some new ideas and views. Remember that  
we hold our meetings on the last Saturday of the month and all inter-  
ested people are invited to attend.

Pacific National has sent the Guild a letter outlining their terms for a  
lease and it appears very reasonable, so good days ahead.

The Guild has had interest from mainland with people intending to  
retire in the area and looking for a new hobby to pursue. My, how word  
travels.

A reminder that all membership dues are now overdue and we would  
appreciate if you would kindly remit at your earliest.

I hope that you all found lots of Easter eggs and thanks again for all  
the support that we have received over the last few months.

Congratulations to all who were involved in the Break O'Day Stitchers  
Exhibition at St Helens over Easter. It was a great showcase for the  
work of the talented people we have, particularly in this municipality.

Shame and thumbs down to the person who recently bought a Fisher &  
Paykel washing machine and dumped the packaging and their old  
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To book or for more information on these events please phone the Healthy Community House on 6376 5242

### Something to work on!

Present were an MP, a broker, a lawyer, and a doctor. Their names (not in the same order) were Alfred, Alexander, Albert, and Aloysius. Alfred and the broker were on bad terms with Albert, but Alexander was on the best terms with the doctor. Albert was related to the lawyer, and the MP was a good friend of Aloysius and the doctor. Can you pair up the profession with the name?

## CORNWALL NEWS *From Jim Haas*

How many Valley Voice readers would know where the Tea Pot Rock is? Most of the "born and bred locals" would know, but I doubt if many of our "new settlers" would have heard of it and yet in days gone by it was much more popular as a place with a view than South Sister.

Tea Pot Rock is situated on the eastern end of the Mt. Nicholas Range directly above Cornwall and if you look up over the township from the Cornwall road the rock has the shape of an old tea pot, hence the name. You have to look at it for a while to let the shape form in your mind, but it is there, the handle, body and spout become more prevalent the longer you look. The rock to the east of Tea Pot is called Five Fingers simply because it has five points of rock reaching skyward. This rock, however, is surrounded by sheer cliffs and is only accessible to the experience rock climber.

Tea Pot Rock is visible from many parts of the Valley as well as the Coast; in fact when I'm playing golf at Scamander and people ask where I live I point out the rock and tell them I live just below it. Well, as the crow flies its not far.

In the early days of Cornwall and even when I was growing up it was quite common for families to pack a picnic and head off to the Tea Pot Rock for lunch. The old track, which at that time was well worn, led from the old Cornwall Bank Top up a quite steep slope to a rather flat marshy area, here the track wound through marshes covered with large cutting rushes until it reached the foot of the rock. From here you climb up to a gap in the rock that takes you through to the northern side where it is a rather easy climb to the top and you are rewarded with a magnificent view equal to South Sister.

Once on top you can lay back, eat your picnic and drink in the brilliance of the countryside from the valley to the mountains and down to the sea.

Tea Pot Rock, in the early days, was a bigger icon than South Sister because there was no road to the Sister until the television and fire towers were built in the late sixties. Before then, the two main walks with a view around Cornwall and St Marys were St Patrick's Head and Tea Pot Rock. I remember my Grand Father on my Mothers side Arthur "Stumpy" Ford of St Marys, who never owned or drove a motor vehicle, he walked or rode his pushbike everywhere and when my family would take him to Launceston or, on a rare occasion to Hobart, he would always sigh and make comment as we drove back up the Valley and Tea Pot Rock came into view: "Ah, there's Tea Pot Rock, I can bloody well walk from here!"

**PS:** If there are any "Old Timers" out there who have a story they would like published in Valley Voice and have not the time nor the energy to write it, maybe I can help.

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## Noise annoys

Noise annoys particularly when we want to relax and enjoy our leisure time at home. It can affect the nervous system, disturb sleep, spoil concentration and damage hearing.

### Neighbourhood noise

Neighbourhood noise problems are among the most frequent causes of complaints received by local Councils, the Police and the Department of Primary Industry, Water and Environment.

### Noise in the community

Noise in the community has a variety of sources of which power tools, trail bikes, industry, entertainment, lawn mowers, heat pumps and animals are the most common.

The information below indicates whom you should contact about a particular problem during normal working hours.

- Workshops
- Small factories
- Earthmoving equipment
- Building construction
- Backyard workshops
- Barking dogs/crowing roosters
- Chainsaws & Lawnmowers
- Power tools etc.
- Amplified music from domestic and commercial premises

**- Contact the Local Council**

For any complaint outside normal working hours contact your local **Police Station.**

Next paper:

'Permissible hours of operation'

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## Know Your Neighbour

by D Clement

Previous articles under this title have concentrated on one neighbour. However, this offering deals with a number of our neighbours, some of the hill dwellers on our highest peak, at South Sister, neighbours unlikely to be seen about the town, but who have been resident here for many years.

"The Australasian" of Jan 4th 1896 devoted two pages to "picturesque" St Marys, including a picture of Mount Little Sister, now North Sister, and descriptions of "romantically situated mountain hamlets of Germantown and Dublintown," and "The Sister, sometimes called Mount Mary."

A hundred years later the neighbourhood still scores highly on "location, location"- in excellent ecological condition, with outstanding habitat attributes," "numerous feeding opportunities," "top quality habitat," "a profusion of wildflowers and fruits provides a striking display of colour and form," "this readily accessible site features many highlights that would provide a memorable experience," "a panoramic and scenic background." So, a very nice neighbourhood.

How about the neighbours? Most have been resident for some time, so it is a self-contained community, but very friendly and welcoming. Some tend to be a little loud, 36 different families of birds were counted on Census Day 19 Jan 2005, including all 4 robin families, and the dawn chorus of the native birds is described as 'exceptional'. There are also a few exhibitionists, "Male butterflies displaying "hilltopping behaviour," and loud humming can be disturbing at times, as "a high diversity of native bees is present in the area."

The night life is remarkable - there are 18 moth families, containing at least 90 species. The moths add to the exclusive nature of the neighbourhood, as at least three of them live nowhere else in Tasmania. However, newcomers may take some time to come to terms with the behaviour of the migratory Bogong Moths who spend

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## The Say by Cagerattler

### Whole community can be involved

Two topics this issue, and both directly involve our township's actual make up.

Lately I've been walking my dogs around our town in the quiet late hours of the day, particularly around the back streets and up along the higher areas above the hospital complex.

As you walk, you pass by houses of course. One thing that continually strikes me is the incredible influx of new people to St Marys. I can vividly recall as a child that the old country adage of everyone knowing everyone else's business being pretty much true, and in fact we all knew where everyone else lived.

Not any more. With many properties I have recently really struggled to decide who actually lives there now.

I think this is wonderful, because it means that people from elsewhere are discovering a great little town and are choosing to live here.

Maybe some of these people have come here for a quiet peaceful life, others for the chance to develop and enhance businesses, possibly to develop artistic and cultural ideas or even to share in a community that has fought long and hard for a unique identity.

Many places that have faced the obstacles St Marys and Cornwall have in recent times would have not handled it quite as well, I'm sure. The amenities we have here are only still in existence because of the fighting spirit and will of the collective people of our area.

St Marys is a pretty place with a certain charm, and the properties in general are a clear indication of this. Each has their own history. There will always be debate on how both St Marys and Cornwall and of course Fingal should if at all market themselves. Some say that we need as much development as we can get, others would prefer to keep these Fingal Valley communities our little secret.

Perhaps it's somewhere in-between. Personally I think development can and only should go to a truly manageable level. Therein lies another debate.

The second topic springs from this:

We all realise that in 2007 we will be celebrating our Sesquicentenary at St Marys, only 21 months away. What a fantastic showcase for our town that could encompass a range of events through the course of that year.

Perhaps it's time we ask our local Council and local Groups and Clubs to look at planning a steering committee for this special time. Coordinating a range of activities would be better if we were all working in the same direction. This would also be a great chance to bring in our new community members who doubtless have some great ideas on what we should do during 2007.

I know the Valley Voice has always welcomed the chance to receive views and introduce new people to our area and hopefully some of our most recent 'St Marians', 'Cornwallians' and 'Fingallians' can add their insight on topics such as this.

It's important to embrace new concepts.

Let's really hear from people this time, on how they see the Sesquicentenary because it's really not that far away.

What do you think?

## More Reminiscing

by Maisie Finney

I must talk about my Mother's cooking. Everything was fried or baked in deep fat. Eggs fried in hot fat, the fat being spooned over the eggs. Bacon fried in fat, and potatoes. For breakfast, without fail, was a large pot of rolled oats porridge and thick cream, followed by eggs and bacon and fried potatoes every day.

Roast beef (we slaughtered our own) was cooked in a dish of fat, with roast potatoes floating in the fat. We used a lot of beef suet, especially for puddings. This suet would be kept in a jar of plain flour, which kept it very well. Rabbits were very plentiful. My mother would put 3 seasoned rabbits in a baking dish – with lots of fat.

I remember my mother making her own baby food. This was plain flour baked in the oven, stirring frequently to get an even brown, cooled, and stored in a jar. This was used for the babies, adding milk and sugar to make a porridge.

My mother was a wonderful cook, and the food tasted delicious. It is not recommended to cook this way in this day and age, but I have to say we were all healthy children, none of us were overweight. Maybe it was because the food was all plain and we were rarely exposed to processed food.

We had a travelling salesman come to our home about twice a year. He had a horse drawn caravan in which to carry his goods. There was such an array of things, such as pins, needles, hairpins, tape, elastic, thimbles, lace and ribbons, to name but a few. It was a great day for we children, as we loved to see all these things.

We all loved to go walking in the bush. We made our own slippery slide down the gully. We found a vine covered slope with soft juicy vines, and after climbing up and down them a few times they became quite slippery. What fun we had. I would go home day after day with green pants. As a result I was threatened with pants made from a sugar bag. This did not stop us though, as it was such great fun.

Another great game was swinging on young wattle saplings. My older brother, the ring leader, would pull the sapling down, then we would take turns to hang on, then my brother would let the sapling go and up in the air we went. This was great fun and we never had a broken bone.

One of the other great playgrounds was the barn and hay loft. We had such fun finding baby mice in the hay. It was a lovely place to slide around.

In this barn was a great big chaff cutter. My brother turned the handle at great speed, and that was when I had my finger cut off!!!

But that is a story for next time. Maisie

## Know your neighbour continued

the summer in reproductive diapause secreted in rocky cavities, but hey, in this neighbourhood they live and let live!

There is a wide range of eating experiences available to residents, with the moth families in particular recommending the local lichens. This is in fact a source of some contention among residents, as some of the longest established families are lichens, 178 species being identified in a two day door knock of the area.

The area is considered "lichenologically significant," so if you can't hack it with the lichen, possibly this is not the place for you! Some of them are, quite frankly, a bit up themselves – one is resident in only 3 other places in Tasmania, and the South Sister family is regarded as the best, another has never been found previously in Tasmania, and a third has only been found in one other place in the world.

The hundred or so botanical residents of the area are the Dicots, the Monocots and the Ferns. Dicot Drive includes some of the more exotic residents, such as Ants Delight, Purple Cheeseberry, Pendulous Pinkberry, and the Golden Shaggy Pea, although they are considered somewhat vulgar by the likes of *Lobelia gibbosa*, and the endangered *Euphrasia collina* ssp *deflexifolia*, very much the Hyacinth Bucket of the neighbourhood.

Many pioneers in our district spent their early days living in hollow logs, before they could build more substantial habitat. Early residents of South Sister never quite made it out of the logs, and today it is still possible to see the Blind and Giant Velvet Worms living in their rotten fallen logs on either side of Parapatry Line, Blind Worms on one side and Giant Worms across the road, forever separated as the result of some ancient feud.

To newcomers who aspire to the social heights, the Lord of the Manor at South Sister is undoubtedly the Wedge Tailed Eagle, and you will indeed need to fly high to sit at his table. He is regularly to be seen inspecting his demesne, but it is advisable not to be presumptuous, and wait to be addressed.

Echidnas, tiger snakes, wombats, possums, devils, quolls, bandicoots, numerous skinks, and even native snails are other residents you may meet while taking your evening strolls in this multicultural and cosmopolitan community, described by one social commentator as a "biodiversity hotspot," a pristine environment in a continually changing state of dynamic equilibrium, but on an upwardly mobile social scale – this could be your new address, South Sister, Germantown, Over St Marys.

David Clement



## Meals on Wheels Roster

April	St Marys	Fingal
Mon 4th	Audrey Wright	Carole Woods
Tue 5th	Ruth Aulich	Alana Johns
Wed 6th	Wendy Aulich	Barbara Saunders
Thu 7th	Kaye Nailer	Rhonda Hoskinson
Fri 8th	Claire Bean	Christine Woods (S)
Mon 11th	Tina Floyed	Sharon Hall
Tue 12th	M & P Berwick	Robyn Holder
Wed 13th	Pauline Berwick	Janine McGill
Thu 14th	Liz Rice	Simone Walker
Fri 15th	Jeff Herrmann	Robyn Miller

## Church Services

### Catholic Parish of St Marys

Priest: 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: 2nd & 4th Sunday  
monthly at 11.30 am

#### Daily Office Reading

Avoca Tuesdays 10am  
Fingal Tuesdays 12 noon  
Ross Wednesdays 10am

### Anglican Parish - St Helens

6376 1144

St Helens Every Sunday  
8am and 10.30am

#### KANGA Sunday School

10.30 am - 12 noon every  
Sunday for children 5 -12 yrs

St Marys 10am

(No service 5th Sunday)

#### JAM: Mondays

3.15 pm to 5 pm for children  
5-12 yrs (resumes after Easter)

Pyengana 7.30 pm

5th Sunday months only

### Break O'Day Uniting Church

The Manse St Helens 6376 2405  
Interim Minister, March, April '05  
St Helens 9.00 am  
Fingal 11.15 am

### Seventh Day Adventist

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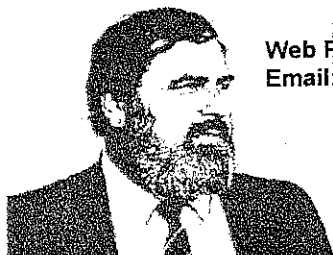
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## South Sister Update by SOS

SOS members were relieved to hear on Monday March 21, 2005 the announcement made by Forestry Tasmania that they will *"defer harvesting at South Sister until after the Merits Hearing by Resource Management and Planning Appeals Tribunal (RMPAT) set down for early June 2005"*. SOS members had been calling on FT to voluntarily refrain from logging until the Final Hearing after FT had initially announced they would begin logging in the week starting March 21. Break O'Day council also called on the Minister for Forests Bryan Green to *"defer logging activities until the findings of the hearing have been determined"* and that he *"request Forestry Tasmania to take no action in the interim"*. The Attorney General had been asked to seek a temporary order on the applicants' behalf however to date, no reply has been forthcoming.

After the first RMPAT decision on March 4, the Applicants had been asked to show they had a "proper interest". The Chairman of the Tribunal gave his decision on March 18, 2005 that *"information given at this stage satisfies the Tribunal that each of the remaining applicants is prima facie a person with a proper interest as required by section 48 of the Act"*. The Final Hearing is expected to last for three days.

SOS members now call on FT to remove the *exclusion zone* which was instituted when roading activities began in February. This exclusion zone prevents the general public from having access to much of the forest on South Sister. With no harvesting in the next few months, there are no safety reasons which require the prolongation of the exclusion zone. Failure to remove this zone would mean experts for SOS, who will perform further field studies in the coming weeks will be unfairly disadvantaged as will the general public who will only be able to access the summit and a small area surrounding the summit).

The vigil has now been closed and evidence is being prepared for the final Hearing. SOS members would like to thank all community members who have supported them over the past months and to those that continue to provide support. For further information please see [www.southsister.org](http://www.southsister.org)

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# St Marys Tennis Club News

## Club Championships

A new round robin format was trialled this year which created more tennis for participants. Unfortunately there were not enough entries for the Ladies Doubles and Singles.

The results were:

**Mens Singles Winner:** Jack Forman **Runner Up:** Ray Grambower

**Mens Doubles Winners:** Warren Blackberry/Ray Grambower

**Runners Up:** Mark Oliver/Jack Forman.

**Mixed Doubles Winners:** Warren Blackberry/ Fran Lowe

**Runners Up:** Randal and Linda Faulkner

These players received their prizes at the Club dinner.

## Junior Tennis Tournament

A big field of students competed in our recent Junior Championships - 12 girls and 7 boys. The results were:

**Winner:** Ella Cooke **Runner Up:** Beth Rosskelly

**Winner:** Todd Spilsbury **Runner Up:** Daniel Cooke

Many thanks to Randal Faulkner for organising the event and all the members and parents who supported the students as spectators and umpiring.

## Club and Pennant Dinner

The East Coast Tennis Association Best Players award was announced at the Pennant and Club Dinner at the e.Scape Café on 19th March in a "Brownlow" fashion. The winners were Gary Townsend, Fran Lowe, Todd Spilsbury and Linda Faulkner. Congratulations to those players!

## Easter Raffle

The raffle was drawn at the St Marys Newsagency on Thursday 24th March. The winner of the big chocolate egg, chocolate block and scratchies was Bonnie Faulkner.

## Anzac Fun Day

There will be a Doubles Fun Day using the 'paddle-pop' system on Monday 25th April, 9 am start at the club for players 14 years and over. There is a \$5 entry fee to cover the cost of balls and prize. If you are interested in playing in this Fun Day please contact Susan Miles on 6372 2431 by Thursday 21st April.

## Caltex Mixed Doubles Fun Day

This event will be held in May and date will be confirmed after the next General Meeting.

## General Meeting

The next General Meeting will be held Thursday 28th April 2005 at 7.30 pm.



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will kick off next  
Wednesday 6th April.

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The club will be running a number of weekend games with St Helens and we hope other fledgling teams on the East Coast.

We would be very grateful if any parents or other sport enthusiasts will be able to help with our Wednesday afternoon programme as we have a wide range of junior age groups and abilities.

We hope to run some senior games this season and anyone who wants to play could please give me a call.

Looking forward to seeing our players from last season and also extend a welcome to any new players who wish to have a go this season.

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## St Marys Sports Centre News by Kackhander

You've heard the phrase 'The joint is really jumping', well at the Sports Centre the joint is really jumping, in fact it's pretty hard to keep up with all the activity.

It's great to report a hugely successful working bee on the golf and bowling greens, brand new fence work, and of course the improvements to the clubhouse.

Believe me the difference is incredible and it's nowhere near finished. Just shows you what can be done if more than one or two want to get their hands dirty and have a go. Not only that but we've had all sorts of queries about memberships, gained already a few new members, and have ideas about upgrading the whole structure of our club during the coming months.

There's too many to thank individually at the moment, we'll leave that until all the improvements in the current round are nearly finished, but it's a fantastic place to be a part of at the moment with the enthusiasm that exists. Well done to you all.

Congratulations to Jack Viney in conducting the Bowls AGM and equally congratulations to Mark Birch on taking over the position of President of Bowls for 2005/06 whilst Jack focuses more generally on the club. Jack has done a magnificent job in the past 2 years and we're sure Mark will do the same.

While still on bowls, there are working bees, trips and annual dinners coming up in the next month so let's keep it all rolling on.

To golf, and with Pennant still about 7 weeks away the sub-committee through Glenn "Macca" McDonald, has been working extremely hard to develop the major events in conjunction with a variety of great fundraising days, all geared to raising cash to offset course improvements, not least the much dragged out water developments.

We now have a club member who has very generously donated his time and equipment to dig in the main pipe-work for us as soon as practicable. Thanks so much Greg.

The Floyed Family Funday on Saturday 2nd April will be either a 9 hole or 18 hole comp, depending on the 'energy levels' of the players, commencing at 10 am for 18 holes and 1 pm for 9 holes. Hoping for a good roll-up.

Rod McGiveron and Glenn McDonald are coordinating a teams Indoor Bowls Comp for winter, and it will be run (on two mats with a bit of luck) mid week. Last time we held it in 2000 it was so much fun. Teams of 4 or 5 are required. Please list your team at the club or with Glenn or Rod during April. We need 6 to 8 teams to play a round robin finals.

Another important winter activity is Mark Carrick's Fun Footy Tipping. This is a great comp and has become very popular, but please, if you're not in it yet as you read this, it's not too late, but don't muck around. Slip into Value Plus and enter soon.

Greg "Frog" Cooper is a little bit crook at the moment and is not going to "croak" or anything but we wish you all the best mate so you can be back at your joke-telling best soon

*Anyway until next time good hitting and rolling.*

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