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New Community Transport Services bus for St Marys

In 1988, Community Transport, under the umbrella of HACC (Home and Community Care) placed its first bus in St Marys, and in it's seventeen years of transporting the elderly and disabled to doctors, medical services and social gatherings, the service has seen out three busses, and the fourth, a new state of the art Toyota Hi Ace Commuter with wheelchair access, was delivered to St Marys last month.

This is a beautiful vehicle, and will be, I'm sure, appreciated and utilised by the people of the Fingal Valley, Scamander, Rossarden, Mathinna and all outlying areas.

A special thanks should go to Community Transport Services for the bus, and their continued funding, St Marys Health Centre for their efforts in organising the bookings, the ten or so volunteers, all of whom give up their time three days or so a month to drive the bus and look after the clients, and of course our current co-ordinator, Dave Mallett, who organises the rosters, takes care of the bus and handles all that mundane administration that goes with the job.

But as we admire our new bus we should not forget Jack Bullock and all the wonderful volunteers who lobbied to bring this service to St Marys and build it up to what it is today.



The new HACC bus, with Hayley Gilbert from the St Marys Community Health Centre. Hayley is also a volunteer driver.

SOUTH SISTER GROUP WITHDRAWAL FROM RMPAT HEARING RAISES CONCERNS OVER LEGISLATION

Onus of Proof Should be on Forestry that Environmental Harm Will Not Occur

The Tasmanian Greens today said that the decision of the Save Our Sisters group to withdraw from the Resource Management and Planning Appeals Tribunal (RMPAT) hearing against Forestry Tasmania highlighted problems in the legislation governing the process.

Greens Opposition spokesperson for Planning Nick McKim MHA said that the Greens would examine Tasmanian statutes carefully to ensure that individuals and communities taking action in RMPAT were not unfairly disadvantaged against larger organisations by the threat of costs being awarded against them.

"The Greens will closely examine the situation, including forestry's current exemption from the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (LUPA), with a view to amending any Act which stacks the deck against smaller applicants in RMPAT," Mr McKim said. "The fact that forestry operations are currently exempt from the provisions of LUPA gives rise to a series of problems which disenfranchise and disempower local communities."

Mr McKim said that it is clear that legitimate concerns remain about the effects of planned logging on South Sister, including the risk of landslips and contamination of groundwater.

"The decision by Save Our Sisters group to withdraw from the RMPAT process in no way indicates that Forestry Tasmania's proposed harvesting operations are either sustainable or desirable."

Mr McKim said that RMPAT had previously found that the South Sister group had a prima facie case.

"Although the Government claims to have fixed up the issue of costs being a deterrent to applicants, the ongoing feedback from the community is that this is not the case."

Nick McKim MHA

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Deadline for
articles to be
included in the
next Valley
Voice is 5pm
Tuesday
October 25,
2005.

PAINTER

Ray
Rosskelly

Phone:
St Marys 6372 2218



Community news

St Marys Hospital Auxiliary meets the first Monday of every month at 2pm at the **St Marys Community Health Centre**.

The Annual General meeting of the **St Marys Pacing Club** will be held in the committee room under the grand stand on **Friday the 14th of October**, at 7pm. Any interested persons will be made very welcome.
Eric Bean, Secretary.

North East Bioregional Network:
Next meeting: Tuesday October 18.
4pm. 10 Bowen St., St Helens. (Blue fence, opposite Ambulance Station.)

The Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild Inc. meets every 4th Saturday at 2pm at the goods shed behind the St Marys Railway Station.

Grassy Bottom Regional Arts

Next meeting : October 30th 2pm at 2 Storey St, Community Art Space.
This meeting is a **Meet & Eat**. Please bring a plate for afternoon tea.
New people always welcome.

Walking Club. Around St Marys.
Get ready for Summer, and try to lose that excess weight.

PH: 0439 824 354 or 0405 032 393

Grassy Bottom Regional Arts makers & growers Saturday market

9am – noon, 5th November
and the first Saturday of every month.

With an evening market,

5 – 8pm Sat. 17th Dec.

Outside St Marys Town Hall
Main Street, St Marys

For more information contact Rod
at e.ScApe

Community news cont'd

Make a quilt – a bit at a time!
Choose from 4 patchwork blocks to create an unique quilt in any size you like, from cot quilt to double bed. Every second Wednesday 1-3 pm. Cost: \$10 per session, inc. tutoring, tea and coffee. For enrolments & materials list, see **Rita @ Gone Rustic Quilt Studio & Gallery**, 37 Main St., St. Marys (phone 0409 289 997)

L'il Miss Rustic – stitch an adorable country style bear complete with pretty dress and accessories. One day workshop on Saturday, 29th October, 10 – 4. Cost: \$22 + shared lunch, includes kit (members \$20); to be confirmed. Tutor: Bronwyn Fidler. To book, please ring Rita on 0409 289 997 or call in @ **Gone Rustic Quilt Studio & Gallery**, 37 Main St., St. Marys.

Scrapbooking – celebrate your life, your family, your special occasions! Cut, paste and create while sharing ideas and tips. Group meets every third Saturday of each month, 12 – 4pm. Cost: \$5 + shared lunch. Join us @ **Gone Rustic Quilt Studio & Gallery**, 37 Main St., St. Marys (ph: 0409 289 997).

Opening hours @ Gone Rustic – please check timetables on door of Studio & Gallery. 37 Main St., St Marys for opening times, workshops and activities. These change each month, but will be more consistent once the Gallery is completed. Give Rita a call on 0409 289 997 if you would like to come in outside these times – she will open for you by appointment if at all possible!

Community news cont'd

Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House, located in the Old Tasmanian Hotel Community Centre, Talbot St Fingal. PH: 6374 2344

OP shop Specials

The last Tuesday in October and November will see a great special of **\$5 bag days**. Good quality items at a great price. Don't miss out.

First Aid with Roxie Cowie CPR Course

This will be held on the 24th October at a time to be advised.

Cost will now be \$30. This price has been subsidised by a grant received.

Come along and enjoy an hour of interactive fun with **Rainbow the Clown**, **Free of charge**. Two sessions. 10.30 - 11.30am and 1.30 – 2.30pm.

Wednesday the 9th of November.

St Marys Playgroup

We meet every Friday morning (schooldays) 10 – 12pm.

In the kindly room.

Cost: \$2, plus fruit to share.

New families are always welcome with any pre-school aged children. (Babies and toddlers included.)

Coming up:

14th Oct – Making fairy bread

21st Oct – Farm visit

28th Oct – Painting, & watching school sports carnival.

First Aid:

Caring for kids first aid certificate.

Anyone interested please contact **Tanya: 6372 2534** or

Playgroup 6331 6599, by 20th Oct.

Sessions to be held at **St Marys Health Centre 26 Nov & 10th Dec.**

9am – 3pm (both days)

Cost: \$35 playgroup members, \$60 non members.

NOTE: this course meets (CPR) pool key requirements for SMDHS. Maximum: 20 participants.

Only 5 months until..... St Patricks Head Festival 2006

A planned meeting for the 2nd St Patricks Head Festival (to be held on St Patricks Day, Friday 17 March 2006) has been organised for 4pm Sunday 16th October, 2005.

The inaugural St Patricks Head Festival held this year was a great success with many in the community taking part in varied roles, and the event was well supported with a strong turnout. The most talked about aspects of the inaugural festival were the appropriateness for St Marys to celebrate St Patricks Day with St Patricks Head so dominate in our lives, and the St Patricks Head Photo Competition.

Everyone with an interest in developing the St Marys – St Patricks Head Festival, please come to a 'Planning meeting' e.ScApe Café Gallery 4pm Sunday 16th October, 2005

Classifieds

Items for sale

Pine dresser in excellent condition.
3 glass door cabinets above 3
drawers and 3 cupboards. \$300.
PH: 0419 536 067

1987 XF Falcon, auto station wagon.
Immaculate body. Running. No rego.
Good car. Needs some work.
Good project. \$500 O.N.O.
PH: 0437 205 236

Honda CT110 1988 Postie bike.
Reliable. \$550. **PH: 6372 2200**

Fire fighting/bore/lift pump. Onga
Vanguard. 6 HP Briggs & Stratton.
Little use. Good Cond. \$290. ONO.
Roof trusses (3). Each 6 metres long.
Fabricated tubular steel. Never used.
Good Cond. \$200. ONO.
Quantity of good second-hand roof-
ing iron sheets, and yard junk - tank
stands etc. Offer for the lot. (Cheap)
Ph: 6372 2840 or 0417 051 332
(If no answer, please leave message.)

1 bath, 1 corner vanity unit,
1 wash trough, 2 internal doors and
door frames. All secondhand.
\$280 the lot, or will sell separately.
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Fire Fighting Pump
2003 GC Onga 160 pump
with 5 HP Honda motor, as new:
\$500. **Phone: Fred or Fiona on:
63722088**

Bikes 27" ladies, \$30. 20" girls \$25.
20" girls \$15. 16" girls \$10.
1 6 drawer dressing table \$40.
2 bedside tables \$25 each.
2 Q.B. valances: 1 mist green \$15.
1 dark green with pillow cases \$15.
Contact D Floyed Ph: 6372 2176

Large trampoline in excellent
condition \$100.
Wheelbarrow \$15
Alfresco 4 burner barbecue with
trolley, includes 9 kg gas cylinder
and rotary \$300.
PH: 6372 2437 after 1pm

"Pamarchello Casper"
2 y r old boar buck
Pure bred and registered.
Proven sire.
Can view kids. \$150. O.N.O.
PH: 6372 2846

Classifieds *cont'd*

5 HP garden chipper, used for one
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\$850. ONO. **PH: 0400 593 344**

HZ Kingswood Station Wagon
Good 202. V8 running gear.
Great project or parts. \$300.
Also 2 cars almost complete,
for free.
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Blackwood single bed. \$60.
12' aluminium dinghy, rough.
\$350.
Sportco .22 Hornet, with scope.
Good condition. \$450.
Alloy head, suit EA Falcon \$100.
3 speed auto gear box,
suit EA Falcon. \$100.
4 mag wheels suit EA Falcon \$100.
Phone: 6372 2107

Wanted to buy

Wooden double bed base.
PH: Mob 0400 605 624

Clearing/Garage Sale

Max Freeman,
224 Irish Town Road, St Marys
22/23 Oct 2005
More Details
Examiner Saturday 15 October.

HOUSE CLEARANCE SALE

54 Frank St, Falmouth.

All inside & outside furniture,
mower, tools, ladders etc.
everything must be sold.
Owner moving interstate.

8.00am to 5.00pm

Sat & Sun

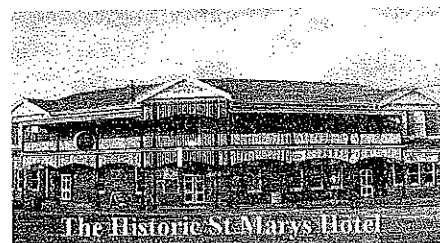
22nd & 23rd October.

PH: 6372 5006

Auction

Sunday 16th October, 2005
10.30 am, 2 Frank St, St Marys.

Books, chairs, tables, burls, welders,
wash stand, old boxes, dresser,
coffee table, high chair, old doll's
pram, book case, huon pine &
blackwood timbers, sink, rotary hoe,
old tins, chainsaw parts, gramophone,
electrical tools, blackwood double bed,
2 x 4 wheel drive vehicles, and many
more



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Where: Recreation ground
(pigeon loft)

When: Monday 5.45pm- 6.45pm
Thursday Power bar
No running, no jumping
Strength training
\$5.00

Classifieds in the Valley Voice are
free of charge.

If your articles are not sold after the
first entry, we will repeat the ad. in
the next issue.

Please inform us if your items are
sold.

St Marys Post Office News

Christmas –We know it's early but we have just received a small but interesting range of Australia Post exclusive gifts, including some wicked mini remote controlled cars, soft and cuddly toys, books and games etc. at very reasonable prices. We also have a good range of well priced Christmas Cards. Come in and check them out!

Mobile Phones– There have been some substantial price cuts on Telstra mobile phones. Nokia 2600 colour GSM phones are now only \$99 (including \$10.00 credit) and the Nokia 1100 monochrome GSM phone is only \$89 (also including \$10 credit). We have a good range of both GSM and CDMA phones in stock, camera phones and the new Motorola E398 with camera, integrated MP3 player, removable memory, video playback and heaps more. This is the top of the range mobile as featured on MTV and only \$269. We also have a good supply of both GSM and CDMA starter kits.

Also, next time you need a Telstra mobile recharge, pick up your loyalty card that entitles you to a 10% discount on every third recharge you buy from Australia Post.

Stamp Collectors – The 2005 Collection of Australian Stamps Book is now available. The standard edition is \$74.95 and the Executive edition (leather bound) is \$105.95. Order your copy now as these tend to sell out quickly.

Planet Ark – We now have a Planet Ark recycling bin for toner and printer cartridges so don't chuck them out, drop them off for recycling.

We are constantly trying to increase our range of products; with increasing fuel prices it pays to shop locally, so pop in and have a look at our range. If we haven't got it we can usually get it in by the next day. This is extremely handy for printer cartridges and larger office machines, printers etc.

CERAMIC LANDSCAPES

Local Mount Elephant artist Judith Woods has an exhibition opening this Saturday at e.ScApe Gallery at 2:00pm.

The exhibition consists of landscape inspired ceramic vessels and forms.

e.ScApe Gallery coordinator Anthony White says 'It is always fantastic to show the work of local artists, it is obvious that there is a real wealth of creative talent in the Break O' Day area.'

Drinks and nibbles will be served at the opening and everyone is welcome.

Exhibition Opening: 2pm Saturday 15th October '05

Exhibition Dates: October 15th – November 14th

e.ScApe

21 Main Street St Marys
(opposite the Post Office)

Out of the Woodwork Reon Johns President 6372 2094

As I travel through life I am amazed at the different way people view life.

Some are content to stay put and raise their families and become solid members of the local scene.

While others prefer to travel, take on challenges and overcome obstacles that get in their way.

Both have the same ability and intelligence, but view life through different philosophies.

I have found that if you are after a solution to a problem both people will have views that are based on their life experiences. That is, a local and global view.

Combined together you will achieve insights from all aspects. I personally try to find gems of wisdom in all people.

The Guild's treasurer, Pete, is currently in hospital after a major operation. Our thoughts and best wishes are with Pete, Fran and family for a speedy recovery.

The Guild has reached a financial understanding with a retired woodworker in buying all his equipment, which will greatly benefit the club. The next meeting is on the 29th October at 2pm in the old Railway Goods shed.

Here are the rules again for the Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild's logo competition.

1. The design must be on A4 paper.
2. Must be in black and white.
3. Must contain the words "Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild Inc."
4. The Guild reserves the right to change or alter the winning design.
5. All entries remain the property of the Guild.
6. The competition is open to any one.
7. You can enter as many times as you like.

All entries can be lodged at the e.ScApe Café.

Make sure you have your name, address and telephone number on each entry.

Volley Ball Thumbs up to Ian Bradbury and Co. for getting the volley ball up and running again. We hear Tuesday and Thursday nights are coming alive again at the school gym, with ten teams competing, and that's great for our town.

A Little bit of Heritage by Jim Haas "The Dalmayne Fiasco." Part one

The Dalmayne coal beds, eleven kilometers south of St Marys, an eastern extension of the Fingal Valley Coal fields, was found in 1861.



In 1901, two short exploration tunnels were driven, and it was discovered after tests on steam trains with Tasmanian Railways, that coal was of a much higher quality than was currently being mined at Cornwall.

However, because of the isolation of the coal seam, no more was done until 1914, when a Victorian company after a feasibility study, where they claimed the coal seam had accessible reserves of 28 million tons, made an application to the Tasmanian Government to mine coal at Dalmayne, build a railway to Seymour, and export coal from an existing wharf in the southern bay at Seymour, to Victoria.

In the meantime, however, an English company tended to build a self acting aerial ropeway, constructed with 42 pylons, using local blue gum and iron bark timber and capable of carrying 50 tons an hour, a 1,000 ton hopper and a new wharf at Piccaninny Point, five kilometres to the east and in direct line with the mine.

Despite warnings from locals, and engineers, that Piccaninny was too open to the sea, the mine management accepted the English company's tender and went ahead with construction. But due to hold ups in construction, and machinery for the aerial ropeway not arriving from England on time, it was 1917 before the entire infrastructure was completed, and the mine was ready for production. By this time a thirteen foot seam of high quality coal with an expected output of 120,000 tons per year was opened up.

The first of the coal was mined and carried to the hopper at Piccaninny, by the sophisticated aerial ropeway. On the 17th August, 1917, the Minister of Mines, Sir Elliot Lewis, and his official party travelled to St Marys by night train, arriving in time for breakfast, then went by motorcar to Dalmayne, opened the mine, had lunch at Piccaninny, and returned to St Marys for a dinner hosted by Dalmayne Collieries.

But somebody had made a blunder. The water at the end of the wharf was too shallow for the larger ships needed to carry the coal to the mainland. In desperation, the company looked at the Hobart market, and a smaller ship called the 'Wiena' was called in. But halfway through loading, a storm came up and buffeted it against the wharf, then bounced her onto the sea floor. She was forced to leave with extensive damage to her keel, causing water to leak into the engine room.

The Wiena did manage to load 30 tons of coal, but by the time she reached Maria Island, her engines had failed and she was under sail. Another storm hit, forced her onto a reef, and she was completely wrecked.

Dalmayne Collieries immediately set about extending the wharf, but it was August 1918 before the ship the 'S.S. Hillmeads' came in, loaded 200 tons of coal, and headed off to begin supplying the Victorian Railways.

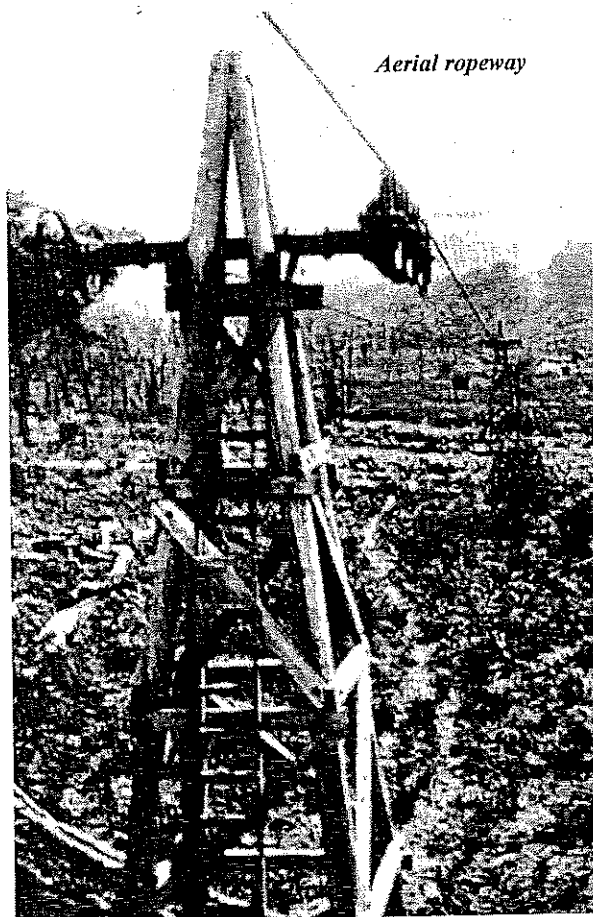
The company was delighted. After four years of planning and construction they were on their way. The future at last looked rosy. But alas, their celebrations were short lived. Only a few days after the departure of 'S.S. Hillmeads', a south-easterly storm of 'unabated ferocity' blew up, and lasted for several days, completely wrecking their new wharf.

Dalmayne Collieries' capital was exhausted. In four years they had only produced 1,530 tons, of which less than half had been sold. Consequently, in September 1918, the mine was shut down until more suitable transport options could be found.

100 men lost their jobs.

Next issue:

Second phase 'The Coles Bay Railway' saga.



Aerial ropeway



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Exhibition dates: October 15th – November 14th

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Dr Mohan Singh- 6372 2111

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CanTeen

National Bandanna Day Friday 28th October 2005

Bandannas were chosen as a symbol for CanTeen as certain types of treatment result in hair loss and many young people choose to wear a bandanna during this time.

This year, CanTeen has a new range of funky bandannas, designed by Industrie Clothing. So, purchasing and wearing a bandanna not only supports young people living with Cancer, but you will look good too!

Bandanna merchandise are available from the Community Health Centre.

- Bandannas \$3.00 each
- Pens \$2.00 each

Thanks for your help!

'WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE'

- 17 Oct **TLC Meeting** 10am Day Room, CHC
- 18 Oct **Tai Chi** with Dawn Denholm in the Day Room. 11am-12noon, \$5.00hr Beginners welcome.
- 19 Oct **Alcoholics Anon (AA)**. Anglican Church St Helens at 8pm every Wednesday evening.
Phone 6372 5026 for further details.
- 19 Oct **Podiatry**, Lightfoot Podiatry with Perry Daly. Referrals to the Service from your GP.
- 19 Oct **Day Centre** at the CHC 10am-2:30pm
- 21 Oct **Alcoholics Anon (AA)** Holy Trinity Church St Marys at 8:00pm.
Please phone 6372 2725 for further details.
- 21 Oct **Physiotherapist** at the Centre
- 25 Oct **Tai Chi** with Dawn Denholm in the Day Room. 11am-12noon, \$5.00hr Beginners welcome.
- 25 Oct **Child Health Session** with Lorraine McGee 9am-12noon.
Afternoon appointments available by phoning 0428 136 381
- 26 Oct **Anglicare Financial Counselling** for appointments please phone 1800 243 232
- 26 Oct **Day Centre** at the CHC 10am-2:30pm
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Information on this page was submitted by:

St Marys Community Health Centre, Gardiners Creek, Road, St Marys, TASMANIA. 7215

St Marys RSL Sub-branch Annual General Meeting

The AGM of our St Marys RSL Sub-branch was held on Monday the 10th of October, and as a result, the members have elected a new committee.

Congratulations are in order to the elected members: Max Rawnsley, President, Noel Bradbury, Vice President, Alan James, Secretary, John Marsh, Treasurer, and committeemen Leo Barnes and Wendy Johns.

A very special vote of thanks to our outgoing Secretary/Treasurer, Colleen (Polly) McGee, was moved and passed unanimously. Her contribution to our Sub-branch over many years has been enormous and we all thank her sincerely for the hard work she has done. Her shoes will be large ones to fit, and I personally hope she remains very active in supporting our old diggers. Well done, Polly.

Coming up of course is Remembrance Day on November the 11th, and we plan to have a small Service at the Cenotaph to especially honour and remember those who selflessly put their very lives on the line at the call of our Nation.

We extend a warm invitation to those in our community to attend, and if you would like to have an active role at the Service please don't hesitate to contact one of our members so that something can be arranged. More details on this and forth-coming occasions will be in the next edition of the Valley Voice so as they say - Watch this space!

Alan James, Secretary

St Marys School Op-Shop

Opening hours
Monday - Friday
11.30 - 3.30

The volunteers and committee of the St Marys School Op-shop wish to thank the community for and encourage continued support of this valuable community asset.

Donations can now be left safely at the St Marys Newsagency during opening hours.

(If the Op Shop is closed)
(a big thank you for this generous offer)

If anyone is able to take bags of unusable clothes through to Launceston, could they please collect them from the Op-shop during opening hours.

Finally, if anyone would like to volunteer on an occasional basis could they please contact Kelly on 0427 361 547 or Terese on 6372 2846.

Watch for \$2 bag days
Books and Bric-a-brac needed



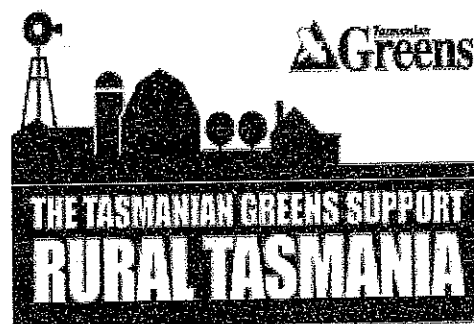
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Tim Morris MHA

Greens Member for Lyons

33 Burnett St, New Norfolk 7140

Phone: (03) 6261 8048



www.tas.greens.org.au

Contacts for Valley Voice: Fax: 6372 2172 PH: Judy 6372 2155

Email: j.spilsbury@tassie.net.au Accounts: Mary 6372 2328

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

Advertising: Classifieds: 25 words or less free

Community notices: free

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Phone Dana 6372 2033 or Craig 0439 722 032

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VOTE 1

ROBERT LEGGE

For

MAYOR

EXPERIENCE

ABILITY

CAPABILITY

I will commit my efforts to rebuilding the elected Councillors. Council should not be a one man band. The achievements of Council are not solely the efforts of any one person; they should be the combined effort of the whole Council Team .

If elected as Mayor I will make it a priority to

- * Unite the Councillors
- * Make sure that Councillors each have a portfolio, and remain accountable to the ratepayers.
- * Establish formal committee structures to deal with issues.
- * Make sure that future development is well planned and in line with environmental standards.
- * Deal with all complaints on a face to face conciliatory basis.
- * Insist that Council becomes part of the community and remove the misconception of them not us.

above all, I will listen to the people.

Authorised by John McGiveron, St Marys, Tasmania

Community Artspace and Youth Annexe @ the Garage

Oh, scrubbing and scrubbing, in between bouts of red tape, to get the building it's change of use, sorting, collecting and more scrubbing – it's a big garage and quite a lot of floor space to cover. If you have any carpet which you no longer need and would like to donate it for the Artspace, please don't take it to the tip because it is against the rules to retrieve it from the bins even if its on top, still clean, dry and even has the underlay sitting right next to it within easy reach!

Chris Hughes, the Community Development Officer for Break O'Day is assisting me with the official end of things and hopefully soon all will be sorted. Meanwhile back at the Garage. I will be starting to hang artwork from local artists, and building benches, etc. so that the space is ready when the paperwork is. If you have any timber off-cuts to donate, please bring them along to the Garage– Just about anything is useful at this stage as there are trestles, benches, easels, shelves and drying racks to be made. If you have any ideas about this project they would also be useful!

I have had an inspired thought about the Artists Co-op and have decided to broaden the field by running it as a Makers Cooperative. The Garage is a commercial premises so I would like to extend an invitation to everyone who makes things, whether it be art, craft, seedlings, jewellery, jam, or whatever, to take advantage of an opportunity to sell what you produce through the shop front. I am collecting names at present and will hope to have a meeting of interested parties to work out the terms and conditions of the Cooperative. There will be studio space available in the Garage if required. Please feel free to call in if I'm there, or ring me on 0438 571 291 Cheers, Eo Greensticks

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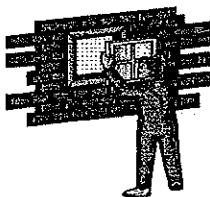
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St Marys Police report

There has been ongoing vandalism occurring within the Winifred Curtis Reserve at Scamander. It would appear that the offenders are youths on mountain bikes, that find it a challenge to skid the bikes into wooden path markers on the walking tracks. This senseless damage is a frustration to the volunteers who give their time to maintain the reserve and paths, and these markers are essential for the safety of walkers to find their way throughout the reserve.

A police presence will be stepped up to try and apprehend the culprits. It is believed the offenders are local youths from Scamander, and if you have knowledge they are riding in the reserve, ask yourself the question, "is my child responsible?", and in turn question them. Should any information be forthcoming as to who is responsible, those parents can be liable for the cost of repairs to any property damage.

Spring is certainly about, and the ladies who attend to the garden at the St Marys Bridge and Wombat Walk report that there are several little ducklings hatched out under the bridge. These ball of fluff have everyone excited, and are providing enjoyment to onlookers and tourists. This is apart from several boys who find it entertaining to throw rocks at them. If you see these happenings, tell them the error of their ways, or report it to the Police Station.

Years ago there were the extra large trout under the bridge that was a well known tourist icon, so these little ducklings could be the town's new attraction. As a community we have a duty to keep a watchful eye on them to ensure their survival.

On to other matters, and another concern to Police is the number of unregistered vehicles that are being driven around our local towns. Random stop checks are being carried out and several motorists were detected last weekend. The excuse of "I didn't know" does not hold. It is the driver's responsibility, so if you are not sure, look at the date on your windscreen registration label **NOW**. Police are aware of several that are being driven, and it is only a matter of time before apprehension. If you cannot afford the full year, then 6 month payments can be made.

If the vehicle is unregistered and you are involved in an accident, there is no coverage of medical expenses by the Motor Accident Insurance Board (MAIB). The fines for unregistered and uninsured vehicles is as much as full registration.

There were no reports of crime within the Fingal Valley over the past week, which is pleasing. But remain vigilant, and ensure your property is secure in any absence.

Sergeant Mike DAVIS
St Marys Police.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SOUTH SISTER TRIBUNAL HEARING?

COME TO THE SOUTH SISTER MEETING

TONIGHT

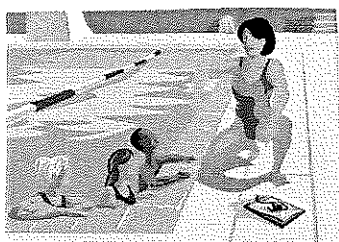
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2006 Swimming Pool Season



The swimming pool will hopefully be open
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Keys	\$154.00	} GST inclusive
Resuscitation Mask	\$5.50	
Key Deposit	\$10.00	
TOTAL	\$169.50	



Please note that costs will remain the same as the 2004-05 season. Payment by instalments can be arranged with the School Executive Officer.

As this is an unsupervised pool, **EVERY** key holder and any "designated adult" (meeting the criteria stated in the rules) supervising swimmers **MUST** have a current CPR or First Aid Certificate.

Keys and rules will be available from the office from Wednesday October 19th. When collecting keys, please ensure that you have your valid **CPR / First Aid Certificate** with you for us to copy and keep with your key application form.

ST JOHN AMBULANCE CPR COURSES

St John Ambulance CPR courses with Jenny Singline will be held on:

MONDAY OCTOBER 31
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Cost for this course is \$40.00 and certificates are valid for 12 months.

Bookings and Payment must be made directly with St John Ambulance. Please contact St John Ambulance on 63 434226 or 1300 360 455 to book and pay for your preferred session.

- 11.30 - 2.30pm (for people who have not attended previous CPR courses)
- 2.30 - 4.30pm
- 5.00 - 7.00pm

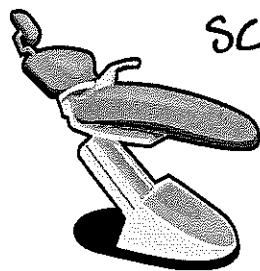
OTHER COURSES

Other courses in the following locations are also available:

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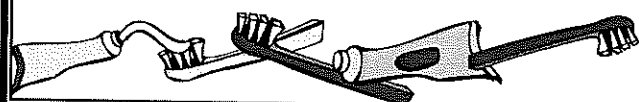


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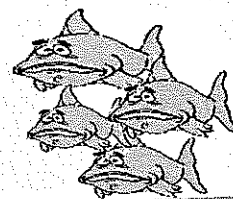
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October 2005

Scamander Fun Fish 2005 Sat Oct. 15th



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24th Oct. • Primary Assembly 11am 6 Hunt to lead.	25th Oct. • Dental Service	26th Oct. • Country Gold Cricket Training • Pool Opens	27th Oct. • Athletics Carnival	28th Oct. • Big Newsletter • Athletics Carnival
31st Oct. • St John Ambulance CPR Course	1st Nov.	2nd Nov. • Country Gold Cricket Training	3rd Nov. • Mini Fun Fair - Primary • Dental Service	4th Nov. • STUDENT FREE DAY 

Break O'Day Council Elections

John Charles McGIVERON

I was born in St Marys and have lived here all of my 62 years. Married to Ruth for 38 years with two grown-up sons and two grandchildren all raised and still living in Break O'Day.

I worked for the Cornwall Coal Company for 41 years starting as a fitter progressing to Engineer-in-Charge Underground and Surface, Coal Preparation Manager and finally, for my final eight years with the company, Operations Manager. I was responsible for open-cut, rehabilitation, environment, contractors, projects, civil works and marketing. My work also included managing water treatment and budgeting for works which will be vital to the people and economy of Break O'Day well into the future.

Living and working in this area has given me an extensive knowledge of the entire Break O'Day municipality and a close affiliation with its people and the problems they face.

I am a charter member of the St Marys Lions Club and over the 30 years of this club's existence I have held positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer. The St Marys Lions Club's reputation for participation in valuable and effective community projects and charitable fund raising is well known in the area.

I have been associated with Game Fishing Clubs for over 35 years during which time I have developed a keen understanding of all coastal area matters and the range and adequacy of related facilities.

Retiring from full-time employment in July 2000 has given me time for new challenges and interests and provides me with the focus necessary to be an effective councillor.

Having a strong industrial and community based background has provided me with a realistic and level-headed approach to the full-range of issues and problems that arise in a council environment and I have the experience and pragmatism necessary to work through issues and make decisions with practical common sense.

Decision making is not easy. Important council decisions can only be made by consultation, working through all the facts, considering all options both practical and financial but most of all keeping the interests of ratepayers in mind. Once decisions are made it is then important to stand by them. I believe that I have demonstrated this skill in my involvement with council Works, Barways and Community Committees during my four years as a councillor.

My current term as a Break O'Day councillor has been a solid learning experience, an "apprenticeship" that has enhanced my capacity and ability to be an effective contributor for the ratepayers that I have been elected to serve.

I would appreciate your support in the upcoming Break O'Day elections with a No 1 vote but please don't waste your democratic right – please vote correctly for your preferred candidate/s.

John McGiveron
St Marys
October 2005-10-05

Authorised by Ruth McGiveron, 11 Newman St, St Marys 7215

MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER

Sept	St Marys	Fingal
Mon 17th	G & M Derbyshire	Kaylene Sutton
Tues 18th	Dawn Lodge	Debbie Speers (N)
Wed 19th	Ruth McGiveron	Tom Brady
Thur 20th	Pat O'Donnell	Lynda Bean
Fri 21st	Geoff Herrmann	Robyn Miller
Mon 24th	Annette Davey	Shirley Parker
Tues 25th	Pam Lynch	June Hall
Wed 26th	B & B McAllister	Susan Woods
Thur 27th	D & V Rice	Simone Walker
Fri 28th	Pauline Berwick	Shirleen Woods

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The Say, by Cagerattler

'On the right track, are we?'

What about this rail system issue then? We live in a community that until 1983 still had an active rail link to the town.

In the good old days, much of the freight and heavy goods relied on our line to be delivered, and of course was heavily used to send out everything from coal and timber, as well as livestock.

We didn't see large concentrations of large trucks either, carting the same stuff. Building products, supermarket supplies and furniture also came in by train.

Does anyone recall the cartage contractors picking up, sometimes dropping off goods to dispatch at the station? I certainly do.

Now, I ask you, is it a major contributor or just a coincidence that our now diabolically poor road surface, particularly between St Marys and Fingal, has deteriorated since the concentrated haulage by heavy trucks in the past twenty plus years?

Unfortunately, for long periods of time, our coal and timber needed to be carted by truck out of the immediate area, as we all know.

Now that freight services by the network company are in dispute with the State, and maybe even the Federal Government, does this mean that places similar to ours will also find issues that involve heavy truck movements? Let's hope not.

With ballooning fuel prices it could almost certainly mean that product costs will increase, because in turn, freight will need to flow on those fuel costs to the consumers. Quite apart from the actual physical presence of these large vehicles on the roads. Isn't it about time a sensible solution to try and negotiate a viable rail network is found?

This would be good for all sorts of reasons, but particularly for a bit of longer-term sustainability of our secondary roads that really may not be up to coping with constant use by such heavy trucks.

I wonder how long it would take the State to save the estimated \$100 million dollars in road maintenance budgets, to allow upgrades to the rail system, and make it work efficiently? I suspect not too long in the scheme of things.

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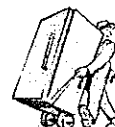
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Break O Day Concerned Residents Against Plantations

Council to dump Mathinna Plains Road

The Local Government Board's "Report into the Findings of a General Review of the Break O Day Council" states (pg 123):

"Council will attempt to hand over several roads, basically used by logging traffic, to the State Government or private enterprise. A typical example is Mathinna Plains Rd , approximately 11 kms long with heavy 24 hour a day log traffic. No ratepayers front this road, it is purely for forestry operations and attracts high maintenance demands in winter "

So, farm land is bought at a tax scheme inflated price, everybody moves out, trucks wreck the road, Council gives them away, the roads are ploughed up for more plantations, more of the municipality passes out of ratepayers hands, and you can't get to where you used to. Forestry Tasmania control 45% of the Break O' Day, Gunns own a fair swag, and more farmland is going under plantations controlled by investment companies.

Council has done nothing to establish an overnight stopover for mobile homes and campervans on the Rec at St Marys, but if plantations go in all around the place, it might not be long before it sells off Harefield Road , it will be surrounded by plantation and leading to plantations!

The Planning Scheme needs to be changed to stop the easy ride given to the forest industry. Council needs to become an objector to PTR's on public interest grounds. Instead of giving roads away because log trucks are wrecking them it should impose load limits and charge a maintenance fee.

It should impose time limits when they can be used so that residents don't have to put up with trucks at 2.30 am.!

David Clement St Marys

Sports Centre news cont'd

To bowls, and unfortunately the Opening Day was called off due to the constant heavy rain, but it's hoped to officially open the green just prior to our first pennant match, versus Scamander, this Saturday, October 15th, provided our guests can make it at such short notice. The club welcomes new members, including Mal Austin from South Launceston, and we hope for a big year. Don't forget Thursday night practice and Friday nights, if you can make it.

A special mention to our new bar staff, who have done a great job so far, and Friday nights are becoming extremely popular lately. Let's keep it going. The club passes on to our great mate Graham Hayes, our very best wishes at the moment, and expect to see you out there soon putting those 'not too stinkin'' down again.

The November long weekend is the home for the Annual Awesome Foursome Challenge. Mark, Coxy, Trevor and Roger are again putting on this golf Ambrose event. Not saying too much, but only they can reveal what is going to take place. Should be heaps of fun.

The golf bag and fancy buggy tickets are available at the moment, and we hope that this will at least double our investment. Will be drawn at Annual Dinner night if it is well supported. Come on, it's only a dollar a go.

Finally, to anyone out there interested in joining our club and who are hoping to re-develop both the course and clubhouse over the next little while, please make an enquiry of any committee person or member, and you will soon be part of this happy, vibrant club.

Anyway until next time, good hitting and rolling.

Grassy Bottom Regional Arts presents.....

'Searching for the Bohemian Bard'

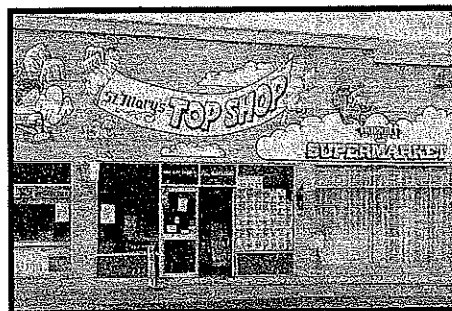
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Sports Centre news by Kackhander

The next leg of our championships are now complete with the running of the Men's Foresomes. Yet again another good field was evident, with 22 golfers taking part. It was also great to see our good friend Umesh Pratap come and join us this year. Umesh has been a fantastic supporter of the club all the way from Hobart, and continues to remain a member.

It was well worth the trip up, as he teamed up with Chris Davern to take out the handicap championship for 2005. Both Chris and Umesh played very well.

In the gross championship Dale Ridgers, and John Miles likewise put in a top effort to again win this year's title. Congratulations to you both. Special mention to Jack and Damon Viney, being equal 2nd in the gross, whilst Barry Harrison and Col Payne continued excellent performances, to be only one shot behind in the nett.

Thanks again to Alana, Trev and Janice for your efforts with the tucker and bar for the 2 days.

The next championship is the mixed foresomes over 27 holes on November 13th. Let's see another good roll-up there.

There was no golf last weekend because of all that beautiful rain, but next weekend there will be a single stroke on. The main golf fixture next weekend, Sunday October 16th, is a big working bee to start putting in pop-up sprinklers around the greens, do the bunkers, remove two dead wattle trees, reshape 'the dip' area and maybe start topdressing a couple of the tee beds. It would be nice to see at least 20 there, and the club will put on a barbecue lunch. Can you see how much the course has improved lately? We want this to continue. See you there on Sunday from 8.30am.

We must be doing something right because we've had quite a few enquiries for memberships lately. It's also good to report that, contrary to the trend, there are a couple of very keen junior girls getting right in to it. This is fantastic and like all juniors they must be really encouraged to play, because there aren't many clubs with girls playing.

May and the ladies have done a great job with their coaching efforts which has also seen a couple of new lady members already joined up. Great effort.

Still on golf, and at the recent golf meeting a fantastic idea came forward to run chicken runs all week, instead of just one night. The concept is that provided you have at least one other playing partner, you can have a go any day between Monday and Friday. For a cost of \$2 per round, you can have several tries at winning a chicken, meat tray, voucher etc. for the week.

It's hoped there will be at least 20-30 cards go in each week.

For more details and commencement date, see the club notice board.

DON'T FORGET the Scamaryhide Cup at St Marys on Sunday, October 23rd. It's important to get plenty of teams. Harwood Plumbing Services have kindly offered to sponsor this three way event between ourselves, Scamander and Malahide. Thanks Russell and Bobby for this great gesture. It's a two person aggregate stableford. Both your stableford scores combine together. Men, women, any configuration. Let's see at least 15 teams from St Marys.

A tentative date for a spit roast has been set for Friday November 25th, subject to availability of the equipment involved. This will also be our Presentation Night for our championships and other awards for 2005. We will confirm this in our next report. Should be a top night.

Whilst on food, a kind offer of another Hungi night has been made by a very supportive member which should be in early summer. The committee is also exploring the possibility of having light meals regularly on Friday nights at the club in the near future. This should be a goer.

Thanks to everyone who supported Bob and Charlie's night last Friday. Approximately 50 people came along, including the Mayor, Mr Stephen Salter, to wish them both well.

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