

# THE VALLEY & EAST COAST VOICE

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## WE HAVE A CHAMPION IN OUR TOWN

Congratulation to Michael Williams of St Marys on winning the StateYard Dog Championship two weeks ago at the Westbury Show, with his dog Mack.

Michael also won the Novice and the Improver Class, with two of his other dogs. This is the first time anyone has done this in the 25 years of this event being run, in the whole of Australia.

Well done, Michael.

*Michael is pictured, right with his youngest daughter Georgie, and his champion dog Mack.*



## Greens Member in Town!

Tim Morris MHA is available for private appointments on Thursday 8th December by phoning: 6261 8048.

Deadline for articles to be included in the next Valley Voice is 5 pm Tuesday December 6, 2005.

## St Marys Police report

Fingal Valley has remained crime free for the past weeks.

There are several important issues that need mentioning and bringing to attention.

### 1. Dangerous driving and "hooning"

Several complaints have been received of dangerous driving and "hooning" within the St Marys and Scamander areas. The names of several offenders were passed on and they have been spoken to about their behaviour by police. There seems to be a belief amongst the younger male drivers of the area that it is accepted behaviour to speed, do burnouts and generally hoon about our streets. A prime example is the top of the Pass and at the Cemetery. Be warned that it is not acceptable and action will be swift with severe penalties. New Legislation states a person must not operate or control a vehicle in a public place

\*In a manner that makes or emits unnecessary and unreasonable noise,

\*In an exhibition of speed, acceleration or sustained loss of traction.

If caught a driver will have his vehicle impounded for two days, face a long disqualification of his licence and could face a term of imprisonment not exceeding three months.

### 2. School Leavers Parties

With school finishing soon no doubt there will be some celebratory functions and parties held by our school leavers. Police ask that our younger ones be responsible with their behaviour both at parties and when leaving. Parents also have a responsibility to ensure adequate supervision is maintained to stop unruly behaviour or gate crashers.

St Marys Police have a limited supply of "Party Planners" and can provide advice on how to safely run a party.

### 3. Speed limits at Road Works

Road works are still continuing on the Esk Highway at "Killymoon" and St Marys Pass. There are reduced speed limits in place both for the safety of the workers and all motorists. These changed speed limits are applicable 24 hours a day and attention will continue to be given by police. Why loose demerit points and money through impatience?

### 4. Trail Bikes

An ongoing problem of trail bikes being ridden on streets is still occurring in the towns. It is an offence to ride any recreational vehicle which includes trail bikes within 500 metres of a dwelling house.

Most are unregistered and the riders unlicensed.

It is also worth mentioning that should "Santa" bring a present of the small replica motorcycles with the 45 cc engines to children, that these are also not allowed to be ridden on the streets.

**Sgt Mike Davis**

**St Marys Police**

## Community news

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

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

Next meeting will be the **AGM** on the 26th November, 2005. 2 pm start.

### CHANGE OF DATE

**It's not back to Cornwall in January as stated in the last issue of Valley Voice, but it is now Back to Cornwall in February.**

Due to clashing with a number of other events the Lions Back to Cornwall Day and opening of the Coalminers Heritage Wall will be on **Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup> February 2006** from 11.00 am on.

If you have any connection with Cornwall, Coalmining, Heritage or just want to have a good day out, mark this date on your calendar.

### WALKING TRACKS

Over the past six months or so a committee, under the direction of St.Marys Association for Community Development, has been working towards establishing new and developing existing walking tracks in the St.Marys/Cornwall area.

Unfortunately, due to bureaucratic issues and lack of public support, the success of this project has been rather negative. As a result, a meeting with Forestry Tasmania and National Parks and Wild Life officials will be held at the e.ScApe Café on Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 10.00am

If you have any interest in the tourist potential of your area, or to simply have interesting places for locals to walk and enjoy with friends it is imperative that this meeting is well attended or this project, like many past worthwhile projects, will die a natural death and even the current track to St. Patrick's Head could be threatened.

Jim Haas, Meeting Coordinator.

**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)

**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).

**Christmas Workshops - Yes, Christmas is coming up fast**

**... Christmas Table Runner** (9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 1 - 3 pm; \$20), and **Baby's Cloth Book** (1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> December, 1-3 pm; \$10). For enrolments & materials lists, see **Rita @ Gone Rustic Quilt Studio & Gallery**, 37 Main St., St. Marys (phone 0409 289 997)

**Next GBRA meeting: today** Thursday Nov. 24th at 3.15 pm. 2 Storey St, St Marys.

Grassy Bottom Regional Arts is seeking a computer whiz, someone with computer skills, willing to volunteer time to update our web-site. Contact Robyn: 6372 2309 or Rachel 6372 2255

**Thank you**  
to

Aunt Phyllis, Irene, Fe, Maryanne, Alan, Jancinta, Madie Patti, Glenys and especially Reon for making me feel special on my birthday.

Wendy

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## Classifieds cont'd

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Fingal Valley Historical Study.

Author: Lindy Scripps.

Printed in 1999.

PH: Marcia Hughes on L'ton:

6331 1481

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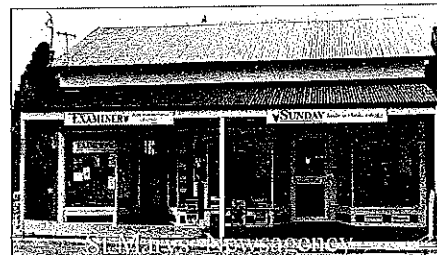
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## The Say by Cagerattler 'Life be in it'

Some time back I wrote an article about how our valley and coast had so much to offer in terms of a place to be active, and exercise. And it's happening. Wherever you look you see people doing aerobics, cricket, walking, powerwalking, walking their dogs, playing tennis, golf, bowls, volleyball, swimming at the pool, horseriding, and other activities. It's fantastic to see.

Just recently a rerun of ads from 30 years ago relating directly to Wally on the couch and 'Life be in it', have been shown on TV. It's never more pertinent than today.

Back in the 70's it was really only the TV that stopped our kids from being outdoors. Now it's not only TV, but videos, computer games, x box, and everything associated with these things. To some they can be so addicted to such indoor activities that they hardly ever exercise at all. Now that's tragic.

Perhaps because of our unique ►

situation and so on, we could market the East Coast as a place to go to re-invent an active outdoor lifestyle, and this in turn could assist the local economy.

Why not see our economic developers focus on such an aspect, as we suggested before. As we note, it's already happening within the community, but we need to be co-ordinated, and have a plan.

I heard someone the other day recall our intra-town cricket matches that used to take place when there were about 6 teams involved, over a few weeks.

Others have commented on bushwalking, camping groups, which already dipped their toe in the water I believe.

There's fishing needing attention, skateboarding, bike riding (heaps of people ride bikes), but what if we had an organised group again? This is all fine, but we need to market it, don't we?

We don't have a lot of scope for industry here there days, but what we do possess is a fantastic uncluttered community with a myriad of possibilities as a recreational destination for those who like to be active.

Why not cash in on this?.

The seeds are already there.

What do you think?

Bills travel through the mail at twice the speed of cheques.

Remember, once you get over the hill you'll begin to pick up speed.

Whatever hits the fan will not be evenly distributed.

Everyone has a photographic memory. Some, like me, just don't have any film.

Dogs have owners. Cats have staff.

### AN OPEN INVITATION

On Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm JAM (Jesus And Me) will be hosting an end of year celebration.

The Salvation Army Band from Launceston Corps will welcome guests sharing wonderful music and friendship.

**Everyone is welcome!**

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## St Marys Post Office News

Christmas is creeping up on us more quickly than most people would like but for us at the Post Office it is the busiest time of the year. As a general rule, even though our "official" opening time is 9.00am we open the doors of the Post Office each morning once we complete our mail sorting which is usually around 8.30am.

With the Christmas mail rush about to start we are expecting a dramatic increase in the volume of mail each morning, so we hope that everyone understands that it may not be possible for us to open the doors for business prior to 9.00am from now until Christmas.

Also both local and overseas Christmas stamps are now available and we also have a good range of Christmas Cards and gift wrapping material.

## OUT OF THE WOODWORK

by Reon Johns President 6372 2094

It's hard to believe that the Guild is one year old this Saturday, that 9 people gathered in our lounge room and decided to form a woodworking club. How time flies!!!

This Saturday will be the Guild's first AGM and a new committee will be elected. Good luck to the new committee members and I hope they do a good job as there are still a few hurdles to overcome.

I have received some phone calls from people offering to sell the guild job lots of timber, burls and other stuff. Unfortunately, the Guild is unable to take advantage of these generous offers at this time. We are still in an embryonic state and all grants monies are allotted to paying Council fees etc, and having the Shed kitted out in order for the Guild to occupy it.

Our bank balance is minimal at best and we are constantly seeking ways to boost the balance till we can get the shed up and running.

The XMAS GIVE AWAY prizes will be on display at the Health and Beauty for you to see. So get your free tickets where you see the GREEN SIGNS and if you are not offered one for your purchase over \$5.00 just ask the friendly staff for one.

As the Guild will close down for the month of December and this will be the last "Out of the Woodwork" for this year the Guild would like to thank all its members and supporters for their time, efforts and generosity and wish all a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year.

### Here are the rules again for the 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 anyone.
7. You can enter as many times as you like.

All entries can be lodged at the e.ScApe Café. Make sure that you have your name, address and telephone on each entry.

The Guild's Annual General Meeting will be on the 26 November. All committee positions will be up for election. This is also the Guild's first birthday and there will be a BBQ for the members after the AGM.

REMEMBER START TIME IS 2 pm

## Ransley's Appliance Service

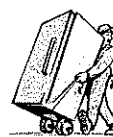
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Nominations are currently being sought for the 2006 Australia Day awards in the following categories:



### Citizen of the Year

To be eligible, the person must be 27 years or older on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2006.

### Young Citizen of the Year

To be eligible, the person must be under 27 years of age on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2006.

### Community Event of the Year

Presented to the person or group who has staged the most outstanding community event during the year.

### Health Initiative Award

*Sponsored by the Break O'Day Healthy Community Project*

This award is for an initiative that encompasses an approach to health and wellbeing including social, emotional, spiritual as well as physical.

### Award for Outstanding Volunteer Effort (Individual)

This award is for a volunteer who has demonstrated a strong commitment and dedication by contributing their time and skills to our community.

### Award for Outstanding Volunteer Achievement (Organisation)

This award will be presented to an organisation that has made a valuable contribution and can demonstrate their dedication and achievements to the general community.

*Nomination forms are available from the Council office or by emailing [chris.hughes@bodc.tas.gov.au](mailto:chris.hughes@bodc.tas.gov.au).*

*Completed forms should be sent to:*

*Australia Day Awards*

*Break O'Day Council*

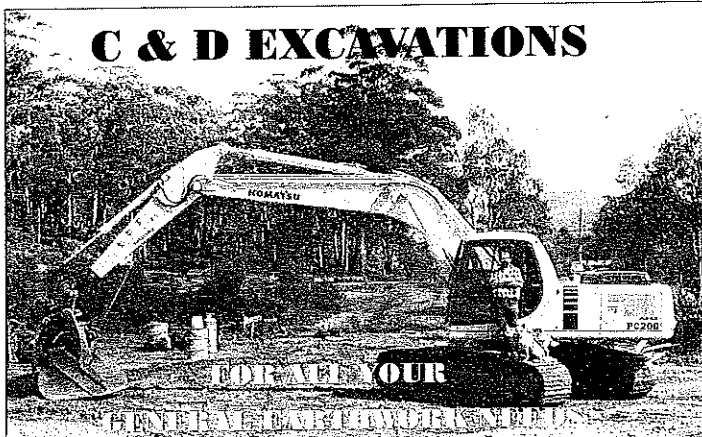
*PO Box 21, St Helens, 7216*

*or emailed to:*

*[chris.hughes@bodc.tas.gov.au](mailto:chris.hughes@bodc.tas.gov.au)*

*All nominations must be received by 5.00pm  
Wednesday 21 December 2005*

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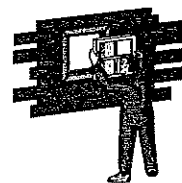
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## A LITTLE BIT OF HERITAGE: *by Jim Haas*

### Cornwall Community Hall:

When we look back on the history of our wonderful State and study the way in which towns were built we find that in most cases the first community buildings to be built were their churches and then their community hall. The churches, of course, were important because of the deep religious belief that was imbedded in our ancestors, and a place to worship their God. Fellowship with fellow believers on the Lord's Day was an essential part of their week.

Then there was the Community Hall which provided a place to meet as a whole community. Here they were all equal. They could have fun, meet and talk, raise money for their organization, play their music, dance or play sport, conduct meetings and form committees to enhance their community. Catholics, Protestants and None Believers alike, could come together and build fellowships that would bond communities for decades.

Cornwall was no exception. From what we can ascertain from talking to our senior citizens, the first Cornwall Hall was built sometime in the 1890's. It was a shed type building with a billiard table at one end. As you can imagine, it was the most popular building in town; here the miners, after a hard day under the mountain, could relax with a game of billiards, hold a meeting, place an SP bet, practice for the Cornwall Brass Band, or simply relive their day's work over a cigarette or a pipe, which were quite popular in those days.

Whilst this meeting place was rather small, it served its purpose until 1930, when times became quite hard for Cornwall and its miners. It was the start of the Great Depression, and the local miners were following their Mainland counterparts in lobbying for better wages and conditions. The Cornwall Coal Co. too, was finding it hard. Costs were escalating, and markets were falling due to the Depression. The story goes that "Foreigners" (mainly Scots) came to Cornwall and offered their services at the mine for less money than the locals. Many were employed over the local miners, causing turmoil that would see abuse and fighting in the streets almost daily, leaving a thick tension hanging over the town that could be cut with a knife. All of which led to many houses being burnt down. Legend has it that the hall was burnt down after the "Scabs", as they were named, held a meeting in it.

Most of the "Scabs" were driven out of Cornwall in the early 1930s. Locals were re-employed and wages and conditions began to improve despite the state of the economy. But the town was without a hall until 1934 when a public meeting was held in the school and a committee was formed to build a new hall.

Mr. George Tickle, a mine manager at the time, told the meeting that a hall, 36 feet by 24 feet, with a stage of 17 feet by 12 feet with two ante rooms each 12 feet by 9 feet, would cost approximately 225 pounds for materials. However, he pointed out that there was already 30 pounds in hand and Mr. Ted Nicholson was prepared to donate a piece of land in the centre of town almost opposite the school.

Mr. Tickle also proposed to the meeting that all families in the town who had a member working should donate one shilling per pay for 25 pays to raise the money needed to complete the hall. This was approved, and collectors were appointed to collect promptly each fortnight. On top of this, Cornwall Coal Co. gave a donation, and the State Government gave One Hundred Pounds towards sealing the road in front of the new hall.

The hall was completed solely by volunteer labour towards the end of 1935, but it wasn't until March 1936 that a Grand Ball was held for the opening. Before the big event the floor was covered with saw dust, sprinkled with kerosene, left for a few days then sweep up leaving the floor squeaky clean. Then candle grease was shaved into small pieces and spread over the floor and the kids would have great fun sitting on bags and dragging each other around the floor to rub in the candle grease. This of course, was all necessary to make the floor slippery and suitable for dancing.

The big night arrived. Local musicians the Nolans, Strochnettters, Maddens, Brouchs and Targets, were all up on stage tuning their instruments. All the locals, dressed to their nines, were joined by their neighbours from St. Marys, Cullenswood, Gray, German Town, Irish Town, Dublin Town and Fingal. Everyone was on their best behavior, as the then Premier Robert Cosgrove and his wife arrived and joined in the Progressive Barn Dance. At 10.00 pm the ladies brought out a massive spread for supper, and Premier Cosgrove officially opened the hall making special mention of the magnificent community effort that had gone into this wonderful facility.

For decades following the opening, Cornwall Hall was the focal point of the town. Every week it catered for meetings, band practice, card evenings, fairs, kitchen teas for every local girl who was to be married and the local musicians would play for a dance once a month or so. And, of course there were the sports: badminton and indoor bowls in particular provided great entertainment for young and old alike. The first kitchen tea to be held in the new hall was in 1936 for Cornwall's now oldest living resident, Mrs. Una Camplin, who was married that year.

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## A little bit of Heritage *continued*

But times have not always been easy. In the early 1960s a dispute broke out between the badminton club and the hall committee. The badminton club claimed that they were the main users of the hall at that time and needed a full size court. The only way this could be achieved was to take out the stage, which, they claimed, was never used. Arguments were thrown back and forth, meeting were held with police presence to maintain order. The town was split in two for months, but finally the badminton club won out and the stage was removed.



Sadly, times have changed. Less people seem to go to church, so our buildings are pulled down or removed and turned into houses. Maintenance, they say, is too great for a facility with little use. Our halls are going the same way. Small country towns are finding it more and more difficult to upkeep buildings, pay rates and keep them covered with over inflated Public Liability costs. Although with modern trends our halls are not used to their full potential, they are town icons, and are a significant part of our town heritage. The loving workmanship our forefathers put into these buildings should not be forgotten or cast aside like futile garbage.

To walk away and let them rot or sell them to the highest bidder is a sin, and a slur on those who devotedly worked so hard to build a facility that they believed would serve their families and the community for generations to come.

Cornwall, like many small towns, has lost enough in recent times, and to lose their Community Hall would be a sad day to say the least. Surely such buildings are worthy of heritage listings, so that they can be protected. Surely for the little costs involved, Local and State Government could pull together and stand by their small towns people, and help preserve the town icon which is the Community Hall, so that they too don't become a pile of broken concrete and stone like our churches.

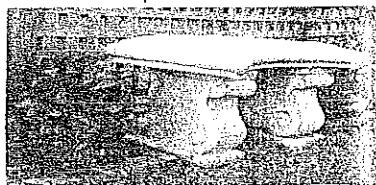
PS: Neither the Lands and Titles Office or the Break O' Day Council has any deeds or record of title of the land on which the hall is on. The only conclusion is the land was given by Mr. Ted Nicholson in 1934 and signed with a hand shake; a practice quite common in those days.

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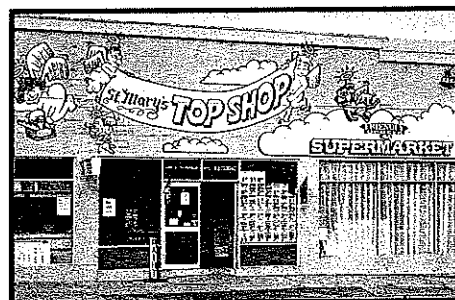
### Letter to the Editor

The Editor,  
Dear Sir,

Just a little note of thanks to your wonderful town for giving me the opportunity to remember my late dear husband at your moving remembrance day ceremony.

My dear friends stopped on our way home to Launceston. I will make sure on my next visit to Tasmania I will stay in your delightful town. A special thank you to the kind lady who gave me the address of where to send this note of thanks.

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**January to June, 2006**

The Break O' Day Council is currently seeking information for its 2006 Calendar of Events - January to June, 2006.

If you are holding an event between January and June this year, and would like to advertise your event free of charge on the calendar, please contact: **Chris Hughes** on 6376 7900 or email:

**chris.hughes@bodc.tas.gov.au**  
and provide the following information:

**Name of Event**

**Date of Event**

**Contact Name**

**Contact Phone Number**

Information must be received by  
Friday the 16th December, 2005.

Chris Hughes, Break O' Day Council

## MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER

Nov/Dec	St Marys	Fingal
Mon 28th	Trish Pike	Debra Speers (W)
Tues 29th	Hannah Rubenach	H McKenzie
Wed 30th	Geoff Herrmann	Patsy Death
Thur D 1st	Kaye Nailer	Jan Marshall
Fri 2nd	N & A Challis	Julie-Ann Claridge
Mon 5th	Tina Floyed	Carole Woods
Tues 6th	Ruth Aulich	Alana Johns
Wed 7th	Wendy Aulich	Barbara Saunders
Thur 8th	Liz Rice	Rhonda Hoskinson
Fri 9th	Claire Bean	Christine Woods (S)

## Church Services

### Catholic Parish of St Marys

Priest: Ph: 6372 2252

#### **Fingal**

Every Friday Mass 10am

1st and 3rd Sunday Mass 10.30am

#### **St Marys**

Every Sunday Mass 9am

#### **Bicheno**

Every Sunday Mass 5pm

#### **St Helens**

Every Saturday

Vigil Mass 6pm

#### **Mangana**

5th Sunday Mass 11am

### Anglican Parish of the

#### Northern Midlands

Services each Sunday

Avoca 8 am

Fingal 10 am

Mathinna 2nd & 4th

Sunday monthly at 11.30am

#### **Daily Office Reading**

Avoca Tuesdays 10 am

Fingal Tuesdays 12 noon

Ross Wednesdays 10 am

### Anglican Parish – St Helens

Ph: 6376 1144

St Helens Every Sunday

8 am and 10.30 am

#### Kanga Sunday School

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

St Marys 10 am

(No service 5th Sunday)

Pyengana 7.30 pm

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#### Break O'Day Uniting Church

The Manse St Helens

Ph: 6376 2405

St Helens 9.00 am

Fingal 11.15 am

#### Seventh Day Adventist

Hodgeman Street Scamander

Sabbath School 10 am

Divine Service 11 am

## St Marys Pacing Club news

Once again our Annual Race Meeting is almost upon us, and we look forward to another successful day of racing. This year due to Sky Channel Sunday race agreements, our club will be racing on New Year's Eve, December 31st. It will be a normal afternoon meeting.

Some attractions aside from racing will be:

Ray Singline and Two Horse band, playing till about 9 pm. Race lady contests will be held for both seniors and juniors. Prize money and sashes for both. Both these will be held in conjunction with the Cup, each lady drawing a horse, and cup winner decides who wins the contests. \$100 lucky programme and \$100 unplaced tote ticket competition. Jumping castle and face painting for the children.

Our club is holding the only race meeting in Tasmania on this day so with the Tote and bookmakers operating we are expecting a great crowd, and good racing.

A lot of effort has gone into keeping this club going, and is still being done. We have cemented in new barrier post holders for a new starting place, a new safety fence on Harefield Road side of the track, a new stand for the video camera operator, and this week we began to reclad the grandstand and fit new doors etc. This last task is being financed by our local Council, who also had new steps to grandstand erected and are at present changing glass in windows to safety glass. We are very thankful for their assistance, and it will probably stop me moaning about them for some time.

A lot of effort is put in by our committee and volunteers, just for one day, but we believe it is a special day for our people, our town and surrounding districts, and the whole East Coast and the State. Thank you to all our loyal supporters over many years, and if any new helpers wish to come along and assist on the day or at any time, please do. You will be made very welcome. Remember, great bar service, plenty of food, cordial, sweets etc. excellent afternoon tea, all served with good old fashioned country hospitality.

Hope you can make it to the races on New Years Eve.

Eric Bean, Secretary.

Dec 9th: Christmas Party for children.

Falmouth Hall 10 – 12 pm

Please bring plate for morning tea and small present for your child to the value of \$10.

Parents dinner: e.ScApe 7 pm. Cost: \$20 plus drinks, includes nibbles on arrival.

Roast lamb or seafood, chocolate mudcake & fruit.

All past & present members of playgroup are welcome. Celebrating 30 years of playgroup in Tasmania. RSVP 2/12: 6372 2534- 6372 5297-

6372 2320

## St Marys Playgroup

St Marys Playgroup meets every Friday 10 – 12 pm, in the School Kindy Room. Cost \$2, with fruit to share.

### **Coming up for the rest of the year:**

Nov 25th: Calendars for Christmas (Bring small photo if you wish)

Dec 2nd: Christmas cards and decorations. (Last playgroup at school for 2005 ) (RSVP dinner) ►

## AUSTRALIAN VOLUNTEERS INTERNATIONAL

Every year Australian Volunteers International (AVI) recruits, supports and prepares hundreds of Australian volunteers to live, work and learn in communities in developing countries. AVI and its volunteers are committed to sustainable development.

Volunteer placements are made in Asia, the Pacific, Africa, the Middle East and Latin America. Volunteers are skilled professionals recruited from the health, education, management and administration, communications, social development, finance, environment, agriculture, urban development and skilled trade sectors.

All volunteer placements are in response to locally identified needs. Placements are for two years (in most cases) and volunteers are provided with airfares, visas, accommodation, travel insurance and a 'local' wage.

**Youth Programme:** AVI runs a Youth Programme in partnership with Youth Challenge Australia. Young Australians aged 18 – 28 are eligible to participate in the 10 week programme. Participants can choose to volunteer in India, the Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Vanuatu, Guyana and Costa Rica. Volunteers work with local communities on projects such as working with street kids, building or repairing community facilities or running educational activities.

**Remote Recruiting Service:** Skilled volunteers can be placed in remote indigenous communities.

### AREAS OF FOCUS

**Building Futures:** A range of skilled volunteers have helped to build new water supply systems, roads, power supply facilities and more.

**Protecting the Environment:** A growing demand has seen placement of volunteers skilled in conservation and environmental management, with assignments in e.g. agricultural chemistry, soil analysis, marine biology, community forestry, flora surveillance and even catching illegal poachers.

**Sharing Knowledge:** Education has been a key focus for AVI for more than 50 years. Last year, more than 250 Australian Volunteer teachers were on assignment.

**Strengthening Communities:** Assignments can be at national, provincial and local levels as well as in non-government organisations. Lawyers, accountants, human rights workers and IT Workers work alongside local people to assist in rebuilding communities.

**Fighting HIV / AIDS:** Apart from medical and nursing volunteers those skilled in education and training roles are frequently sought by those countries where the HIV / AIDS crisis is occurring.

**Playing Sport:** The power of sport as a tool for community development is widely recognised on a global scale. It reaches across boundaries of culture and religion, including all members of a community.

**For more information contact : Marguerite McWatters**

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## **Twilight Netball**

There has been a very good response to notices about the proposed Twilight Netball Competition. Following on from the successful Volleyball competition it is hoped that each of the Volleyball teams will make up a mixed netball team and any resultant vacancies in teams can be made up by the "spare" players that have nominated – seven players take the court in a netball game.

At this stage it is likely that we will try and organise a junior (12 and under) "scratch match" combined with some coaching and skills development at say 5.00pm (some help from parents will be required). At 6.00pm we can have three games on the outside courts at the school and subject to the number of teams willing to play we could have another three games at 7.00pm. If there are still more teams we could consider further games at 8.00pm or have games on another night.

To kick things off we will try and organise an evening when all teams/individuals can participate in a "lightning competition (a series of 10 minute games)" on one night after the volleyball season has finished where the teams can get organised, vacancies can be filled and rules and a fixture can be discussed.

Keep an eye on the next Valley Voice; any enquiries or suggestions give us a hoy at the Post Office.

**Tim Morris MHA**  
**Member for Lyons**



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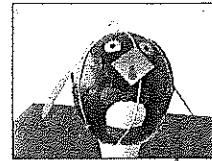
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## **WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE**

- 25th Nov **Alcoholics Anon** Holy Trinity  
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Please phone 6372 2725 for details.
- 25th Nov **Physiotherapist** Dianne Seeney
- 26th Nov **Northern Playgroup Association**  
First Aid Course 9:00am-3:00pm
- 30th Nov **Podiatry**, Lightfoot Podiatry with Perry  
Daly.
- 30th Nov **Anglicare Financial Counselling** for  
appointment phone 1800 243 232
- 30th Nov **Jewellery Display in Day Centre** from  
1:00pm with Angela Carossi. All  
Welcome
- 30th Nov **Alcoholics Anon** (AA) Anglican  
Church St Helens at 8pm every  
Wednesday evening. Phone  
6372 5026 for further details
- 2nd Dec **Physiotherapist** Dianne Seeney
- 2nd Dec **Alcoholics Anon** Holy Trinity  
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Please phone 6372 2725 for details.
- 3rd Dec **'International Day of People with  
Disabilities'**. SEE OVER...
- 5th Dec **Auxiliary Meeting**, Day Room
- 7th Dec **Alcoholics Anon** (AA) Anglican  
Church St Helens at 8pm every  
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6372 5026 for further details
- 13th Dec **Child Health Session** with  
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Information on this page was submitted by:

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



international day *celebrate!* of people with disAbility

# **St. Helens Foreshore**

**Saturday 3rd December**

**10.00am - 2.00pm**

The Healthy Community Project, Break O'Day Health Resource Association and Break O'Day Council are proud to invite you to a day of fun and activities to celebrate international day of people with disAbility.

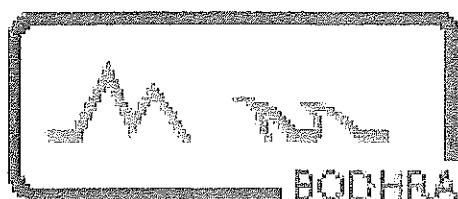
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# November / December 2005

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
.	.	.	24th Nov. • Leavers Dinner • St Marys SWS	25th Nov. • Grade 10 Leave • Grade 10 Mystery Bus Tour • St Marys SWS
28th Nov. • Primary Assembly 4/5 Mac. to lead	29th Nov. • P/1's Excursion to Launceston • Kinder Excursion to Natureworld • St Marys 'Idle' time - evening TBA	30th Nov. • 6-7 Orientation • Secondary Course Selections	1st Dec. • 2/3's Sleepover • Student Leader Elections • Dental Service	2nd Dec. • State Athletics • Dental service
5th Dec. • Drumming Workshop - Primary • Grade 10 References available	6th Dec. • Rehearsals for Presentation Day • Dental service	7th Dec. • Presentation Day • Dental service	8th Dec. • Dental service	9th Dec. • Next Newsletter

## SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

Thursday 1st December  
Friday 2nd December  
Tuesday 6th December  
Wednesday 7th December  
Thursday 8th December

Please feel free to contact them regarding your child's dental health on the numbers below:

St Marys Dental Unit	63 722488
St Helens Dental Unit	63 761713
Northern Dental Unit	63 364100

## St Marys 'Idle'

**Finalists**

**Samantha Patterson  
Billy Harris  
Emily Miles  
Eliza Payne  
Liam Norton**

**Final to be held on the evening of Tuesday 29th November**

**Plus last years finalists:  
Naomi McDonald  
Annie Evelyn**

# Inter-high Athletics Carnival



Friday, 11th November, 2005  
at St Leonards

On Friday, the 11th of November, an elite group of around 45 St. Marys students ventured off to take on the rest of the Division 3 schools in the North. We competed against St Helens District High, Cressy District High, Flinders Island District High and Campbell Town District High Schools.

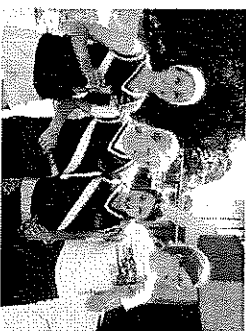
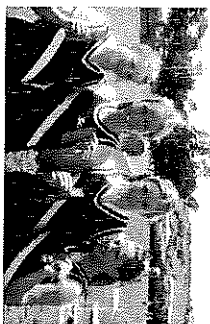
They got off to a great start with victories in the 200m by Matt Bourke and Christa McColl. We continued the great form into the next round of events, with more victories and close seconds in most events.

We asserted our dominance of the distance events, proving that slow and steady does win the race! We had a quinnella in the senior girl's 800m and 1500m races, which Leah Nash and Courtney Olds dominated from the outset. Ella Cooke and her big brother Daniel also proved their strength to take out their events.

The 100m events were hotly contested. St Marys showed its depth of talent by placing in all heats. We were also the only school to have runners in each race.

At lunch time the points were tight, with St Marys sitting in the front group. Some 400m events tested our strength and endurance with the hot day putting added pressure on our multi-event athletes.

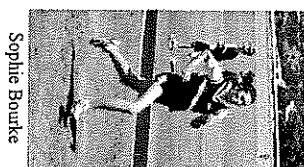
When it came to the relays, we called on our last reserves, asking younger students to step up a division (or two) to help the team. In typical St Marys spirit, they came through to help each other out.



# E.N.E. Athletics Carnival

**Congratulations** to these team members who competed in the ENE Athletic Carnival at St Helens on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November!

## Grade 3



Sophie Bourke

Patrick Bourke  
Sean Harris  
Luke Graham  
Chris Evans  
Sam Wardlaw  
Kerby Bradbury  
Taylan Busting  
Tameka Davenport  
Bonnie Panoff  
Kara Nankervis

## Grade 4

Sam Barnard  
Shant Wright  
Brendon Hennessey  
Liam Gough  
Aaron Webb  
Katie Singline  
Emily Miles  
Georgia Williams  
Jodie Thomson

## Grade 5



Tyler Pistock

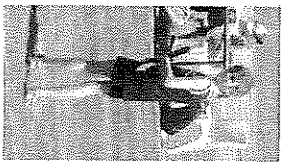
Duncan Gillies  
Christin Heron  
Jacob Spillbury  
Tyler Pistock  
Liam Norton  
Caitlin Viney  
Keira Gavaghan  
Shari Donald  
Belinda Cox  
Rebecca Cooper  
Georgia Frobose  
Kirsty Panoff

## Grade 6

Kodie Donald  
Toby Macek  
Alex Hennessey  
Sam Child  
Sophie Bourke  
Elise Wright  
Jessica Heron  
Emma Squires



Alex Hennessey



Patrick Bourke

The students all performed well, trying hard to do their best. There were so many individual place-getters that I couldn't write them all down!

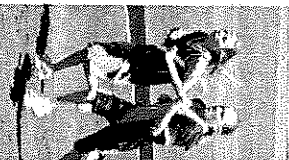
One outstanding highlight was the finale of the day - the Composite Relay team of Pat Bourke, Katie Singline, Duncan Gillies and Sophie Bourke blitzing the other teams in the home stretch! With such terrific results, 26 of these athletes have now been selected to compete at the Combined ENESSA Athletics Carnival at St Helens on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

We wish all the students the best of luck for selection to the State Carnival.

Susan Miles  
(Team Manager)



Brendon Hennessey



Emma Squires (left)

## ENVIRONMENTAL ART

### Do you have a really BIG Idea? – Expressions of Interest Sought

Tasmanian Regional Arts and Ten Days on the Island invite regional communities to be part a major land art project in Tasmania being developed as an element of the next Ten Days on the Island festival in 2007. **Elizabeth Walsh Artistic Director of Ten days on the Island and Lucy Kenneth, Executive Director of Tasmanian Regional Arts will be visiting St Mary's on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> of December, Escape Wilderness Gallery and Café St Mary's at 7pm to talk about this project. All community representatives are welcome to attend.**

The intention is to create is a contemporary art based project comprising three site-specific landscape installations of scale that reflect and celebrate Tasmania's unique identity, people and places. Existing Tasmanian Regional Arts branches are invited to express interest in hosting one of the three projects in their area. Local artists will be engaged to work with geographically specific communities and local businesses to develop the projects. The resulting artworks will be part of the of Ten Days on the Island 2007 program with an event being hosted during the 2007 festival. Donna Jackson of Hubcap Productions will be the projects Artistic Director, the project will be co coordinated by TRA with a local co -coordinator appointed in each community to support the artists in each community.

#### All three projects will be characterised by

- Resonance and response to it's place
- A project launch that links to a community celebration as part of Ten Days on the Island which incorporate the local produce of the specific region
- The resulting art work is at least 30m by 30m
- Can be safely viewed by the public from the road
- Does not damage the landscape – sustainable

#### **Project Partners**

**Ten Days on the Island (TDOTI)** burst onto the cultural scene in 2001 with a unique celebration of island culture and firmly established itself as Tasmania's premier cultural event in its inaugural year. Strengthening Tasmania's position as a place that is culturally vibrant, innovative, creative and unique Ten Days on the Island has something for every taste and pocket across the state, including dance, theatre, music, opera, film, literature, exhibitions and installations, inspiring discussions, gastronomic feasts and much more, showcasing Tasmania's diverse landscape and encouraging visitors to explore remote regions of the island.

Ten Days on the Island has produced a number of projects, which invite artists to create new works with different communities in Tasmanian. These projects include artists in residency (Overheard at Inveresk) and skills development (Choral Island). Ten Days on the Island has also had an active relation with Tasmanian Regional Arts (TRA) in touring and supporting a range of initiatives for the festival. For the 2007 festival Artistic Director Elizabeth Walsh has invited Donna Jackson of Hubcap Productions to explore a process based project with TRA as the main partner.

**Tasmanian Regional Arts (TRA)** reaches over 60,000 people annually through it's three program areas: Arts 2U (visual and performing arts touring), Arts Assist (regional arts fund grants / volunteer training) and Arts Plus (community development). Every three years TRA undertakes a major community development project across a number of regional locations. The projects aim to increase the professional skills of regionally based artists / arts workers and increase wider community engagement in the arts through consultative process. In late 2005 the community development project 'Island Life' will be completed. Devised by TRA 'Island Life' first received funding in 2003 and sought to give voices to different issues that communities face. 'Island Life' locations were selected through a Expression of Interest process. The communities selected were Swansea, Launceston, Meander and Dover. Through 'Island Life' over 1,200 people participated and over 7,000 viewed a diversity of arts activities in their local communities. TRA are very excited to have been invited by Ten Days on the Island to work with leading artistic director Donna Jackson. Donna is well known to regional arts having worked closely with Regional Arts Victoria on a number of large projects including Such Fertile Ground, Bute Utes and Meeting Place (Regional Arts Australia's National Conference 2004)

Project locations will be selected on artistic merit, community involvement and coordination ability. Expression of Interest are only open to TRA Branches and close: February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2006. Please contact TRA for further details: **6426 2344**

**Grassy Bottom Regional Arts**

**makers & growers**

### **Saturday market**

**9am – noon, 3rd December**

**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**

**Around Australia in 48 days**  
by Dot French (*Final installment*)  
**Day 45**

We visited Penrith Market and were very happy to spend hours there, as there was so much to see. Then went on to St Marys Club to have lunch. I was particularly interested to visit here, just because of the name. I purchased Bruce a pin from the club for his hat collection. Toured around and had tea at Bankstown Club and returned to Wallacia via Fairfield.

**Day 46**

First to Cobbity Winery for wine tasting with biscuits, then to Bankstown and into Sydney City. My favorite place was the Queen Victoria Arcade. Here we watched the movements go round the clock and just viewed the shops. Some you would need a hefty spending allowance to buy from. Next on the agenda, Simply Markets, China Town and Paddies Market then a walk through The Cross.

We went three times around the city centre on the Monorail just to make sure we didn't miss anything. Sydney always appears to be pulling down buildings and putting more up, especially in the city area.

We went by train over the Harbour Bridge and walked back over it, then drove over it and returned under it via the tunnel. We bought pies with mushy peas at a landmark on the wharf and returned to Wallacia via The Cross and Parramatta Road after seeing Sydney under lights.

**Day 47**

Departed at 9.30am, heading north, and succeeded in getting lost at Gosford. We by-passed Newcastle and continued on to Karuah for lunch. Here there is a replica of Ayres Rock (Uluru) as a café, but on a much smaller scale of course.

Continued through Taree, Port Macquarie, where you turn westwards to Tamworth, and further north to Coffs Harbour for the night. We arrived at midnight, one second to Fathers Day. This day was too long as we missed some of the scenery in daylight.

**977kms**

**Day 48**

This is to be our last day. We set off, going north from Coffs to Woolgoolga and Grafton, then we visited Evans Head where there is an Army Barracks. On to Ballina and left into Byron Bay. We visited the lighthouse here, and it is here where people view the humpback whales when they migrate north in season.

Back on the Pacific Highway, next came Murwillumbah, Kingscliffe, and Tweedheads where we crossed the border back into Queensland. We visited the Airport at Coolangatta and rode the monorail at the Casino to the shops where last minute shopping was done, then visited Paddies Market, arriving back at my place in time for tea. **583 kms.**

*Hope you enjoyed my ramblings*

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**Tuesday before publication**

**Notice of Annual general meeting**

Electors of Break O'Day Municipality are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of Council to be held at the Chancellor Inn, Scamander on Tuesday, 29 November, 2005 commencing at 6.00 pm.

Copies of the Annual Report will be available at Council in St Helens and at Holder Bros General Store, Fingal.

Members of the Community are invited to make submissions in writing on any aspect of the Annual Report for discussion at the Annual General Meeting.

Submissions, Motions or Questions on Notice are to be lodged with the undersigned by 5.00 pm on Monday,

21 November, 2005.

Brian Inches,

**General Manager.**



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¼ lb butter

Melt butter with condensed milk then add to dry ingredients. Press into flat tray and ice with lemon icing.

(Apologies, recipe was incorrect last issue)

## MAYPOLE DAY ADDRESS

ST MARYS 6 November 2005

Councillor David Clement

**Why are we celebrating here in St Marys, in November, a traditional European ceremony held in May in the northern hemisphere ? The connections are fourfold - Springtime, Hawthorns, Nature and Magic.**

May Day in Europe celebrates the return of Spring, the rebirth and blooming of flowers after the winter, a day in Roman times honouring Flora, the Goddess of Spring.

So, with the 6 months difference in the seasons between the northern and southern hemisphere, May Day in Europe is celebrated here in November. But our Grassy Bottom Regional Arts celebration is Maypole Day, rather than "November Day"! We use the traditional activity of Maypole dancing as symbolic of the day itself, whether it is in May or November, celebrating the return of Spring.

In Europe, the May flower represents the flowers of Spring, as at this time of the year the May flower is in full bloom across the countryside. "May" is the common name for the Hawthorn, because it blooms so widely in the month of May. Here in The Valley, particularly between Fingal and St Marys, the roadsides and landscape at this time of year are redolent with Hawthorn blossom, a heritage of the European settlement of the district from the early 1820s, so it is appropriate for us to celebrate May Day in the floral sense.

Maypole Day is the second event in the Grassy Bottom Regional Arts calendar which is linked to the natural calendar. The first event is the Winter Solstice, held on the shortest day of the year, celebrating the return of the Sun as the days start to lengthen. The natural calendar is based on the sun, and the division of the 24 hours between day and night, and recognises 4 significant times, the Winter Solstice, the Spring Equinox, the Summer Solstice and the Autumn Equinox.

At the Equinox, day and night are of equal length, moving towards longer days in the case of the Spring Equinox (21/22 September), or shorter days at the Autumn Equinox (21/22 March). The Solstices are the days when the day is shortest (the Winter Solstice at June 21/22), and longest (the Summer Solstice at 21/22 December).

May Day is not held at the Spring Solstice, but is a recognition of a natural cycle in the year, the emergence and blooming of flowers, of rebirth and renewed fertility. May Day has its earliest associations with pagan fertility rites, and with magic. The maypole is thought to represent the link between earth and sky, or even to be a phallic representation of fertility. The Hawthorn is believed to ward off evil. Joseph of Arimathea in his mission to bring Christianity to Britain invoked Divine help when he thrust his Hawthorn staff into the ground and it burst forth into leaves and flowers. The natural cycle of life is recognised by all faiths, beliefs and philosophies.

The St Marys town sign states "Town of the Eastern Highlands and Break O Day Plains". We are linked here between earth and sky by the mountains that surround us, Mount Durham, the Nicholas Range, South Sister, Cheeseberry Hill, St Patricks Head, Mount Elephant and the Gray Hills, that amphitheatre of mountains that cradle the stage on which we live our daily lives, which form an integral part of our townscape and which is the focus of our "sense of place".

We live in a magic place, a place of forests, mountains, passes, valleys, plains, and rivers, and it is appropriate that we celebrate a day that recognises the natural cycle of life, and the values of our natural surroundings.

In celebrating Maypole Day here at St Marys, we are not just celebrating the start of Spring, but are acknowledging our sense of place and the natural values of the place in which we live. Maypole Day is a reaffirmation by us that this is a place to be protected, a place to be handed on unspoiled, a place to be enjoyed for what it is, not for what can be ripped out of it, a place to be protected for its long term natural values, not exploited for short term dollar returns.

When we return home of an evening, we are welcomed by forested mountains, each with its own individuality, its own personality, which we recognise as much as we recognise the individuality of our friends and neighbours, a personality which can change as circumstances change, with cloud or sunlight, under blue skies or in rain, in early morning or at twilight.

R L G Irving, an English mountaineer, wrote:  
"A mountain becomes great as a human personality does, by extending its influence over the thoughts, words and actions of mankind".

John Muir, a Scottish naturalist, declared:  
"Thousands of tired, nerve shaken, over civilized people are beginning to find that going to the mountains is going home; that wilderness is a necessity: that mountains are not just fountains of timber and irrigating rivers, but fountains of life".

While Psalm 121 rings through the ages:  
"I will lift up mine eyes to the hills from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord who hath made heaven and earth".

We live in a Magic Place. Today we celebrate it.

### **St Marys Community Garden (based on school grounds)**

We are looking for donations of goods to help us further develop the garden. Any of the following would be of use.

- \* Old garden tools (e.g. wheelbarrow, spades, forks, children's tools)
- \* Seeds
- \* Straw
- \* Shade cloth
- \* Netting

If you are looking for a volunteer activity that is low cost, few meetings, gives you fresh fruit & vegies, is very hands-on - at your own rate - then the community garden could be for you. We are planning a working bee Thursday 1st December.

More info: Tanya or Ross C/- School 6372 3900



## St Marys Sports Centre news

There are only a few names up for our Spit Roast and Trophy Night on Friday December 2nd. Please try and indicate if you can support the function by the end of this weekend, so that we know how much food we'll need. It's a bit hard to guess. It will be a great feed and plenty of fun, so let's try and support it with at least 50 people. Any trophy recipients, could you please try and have someone there to collect your trophy if you can't make it.

Sunday golf has kicked off with Macca's day last weekend. It wasn't a huge field, and poor old Macca was also on call again, but it was still a good event. Thanks Macca. Congratulations to John Cox and Roger Donald in winning the event. Well done.

The next two Sundays are Scamaryhide Cup events. Upcoming on the 27th November is a single stroke at Scamander, and we need a good crew to go along from St Marys to show commitment. The next week it's the replaying of the event from our flood weekend. This event is an aggregate two person stableford, so let's get at least 10 teams taking part. It's a great concept and we must support it.

Don't forget to get behind the chicken runs and Sunday golf, and also, don't forget that if we do it right, Saturday golf is a goer right through summer. The course is great at the moment, and we certainly have enough non-bowlers to play if they decide to come along. It's in our own hands if you want it.

After a shaky start the bowls pennant team has come up with a couple of huge wins in the past fortnight, to really climb the ladder. If only we could get all our rinks settled, who knows how far we could go this year.

A 12-2 win with only 15 players came against St Helens Blue, followed by the maximum 14-0 result against Bicheno. A special thanks to our friendly 'copper' and member Cameron Tanner, who skipped for us last week to help out. Thanks Cameron, and you bowled well too.

This Saturday we travel to Scamander, but unfortunately we have a few out again. Any player who can help out will be gratefully received, provided you are registered of course.

The singles are going well at the moment, and the highlights have been our two juniors. Bradley McDonald pulled out a fantastic effort to win a high quality game, whilst Kodie Donald amazed all with a magnificent display, to go down by only one shot to one of the club's best bowlers in Jim Rankin.

Jim was very impressed with you Kodie. Keep it up.

The darts team kept on their winning way and after a tense battle versus Rossarden last Friday night, won by one game, 6-5. Well done, keep it going.

Just a reminder that over the coming months there will be quite a few working bees around the course, bowls green and clubhouse, so any help will be truly appreciated. Also if you need to pay any subs and are in doubt about them, please contact the club. Overdue members will be sent reminders in the next few weeks just in case you've forgotten about them coming into the festive season.

Once again:- Remember: Dinner, Scamaryhide Cup, at Scamander. Scamaryhide Cup sponsored by Russell and Bobby Harwood, at St Marys, and subs.

Anyway, until next time, good hitting and rolling.



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