

# THE VALLEY & EAST COAST VOICE

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## Queen's Birthday Honours

An Order of Australia Medal for services to the community, was awarded to Mrs Margaret Osborne of St Helens.

Mrs Osborne is well known in the Break O'Day community for her many years of dedicated service to youth, sporting and recreational activities, and also to local government.

Her contribution to Little Athletics is long standing and along with Netball and the St Helens Carnival, these are just a few of the many organisations that Mrs Osborne is keenly involved in. All who know Mrs Osborne would be proud for her to win this award.

Congratulations Margaret.

Congratulations also go to Neville Peake of St Marys, who was recognised with a Queen's Birthday Honour, being awarded an Ambulance Service Medal.

Neville's involvement with ambulance work goes back to when he moved to St Marys from Dunedin in New Zealand. In 1978 he was asked if he would be interested in becoming an ambulance driver, and was happy to become involved in community work, and so began his career in ambulance service.

The following year, Neville became Secretary of the St Marys Red Cross Branch, a position which he held until 1993, after which he took on the position of President of Red Cross in St Marys, and was involved in the changeover from St Marys Red Cross Volunteer Ambulance Service to Tasmanian Ambulance Service, St Marys Branch.

Neville is a current member of the Volunteer Ambulance Officers Association of Tasmania Inc. and had been a Treasurer for the Association until his move to Launceston in November 2004, for work as a Patient Transport Officer for the Launceston General Hospital.

On being congratulated on his award, Neville said, "I was surprised and happy that I was nominated for the Ambulance Service Medal, and I thank the St Marys Volunteer Ambulance Group both past and present, Vollies and Paramedics, for their support and friendship over the years."

Congratulations Neville.

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

## Winter Solstice

A wonderful evening was had by all at the 6th Annual St Marys celebration of the Winter Solstice.

The organisers should be very proud of their efforts, as they improved on all dimensions of the event.

It was good to see so many other community groups involved in running stalls and raising funds for their particular concerns/groups. It indicated to me that the Winter Solstice is a true community event.

The entertainment got underway with a performance by the valley's own line-dancing troupe, the Valley Coasters, and the entertainment kept coming with the Taiko Drummers, Puppet Theatre, St Marys School Drummers, Shadow dancer, The Choirwainers on Gary Greenwoods leather instruments, Gypsy dancers, Lanterns, Fire Sculptures and a top fireworks display.

It's been reported around 1500 people attended across the evening, and they all seemed very happy.

A special thanks to Charles for keeping the fires stoked, and every one else warm. The lighting and sound were great. Well done to all the food stalls.

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**S.O.S AGM** 13th July, 7pm at e.Scape.

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

**Indoor Bowls** Cornwall are hoping to re-start indoor bowling. We are calling on old bowlers, and those who would like to learn. Indoor bowling is a great sport. We are hoping to play on a Thursday from 1.30pm. For further information please ring **Una Camplin** on 6372 2248

**The Annual General Meeting** of the St Marys Sports Centre Inc. will be held in the Clubhouse, **Friday July 8, at 7.30pm**. Business includes: previous AGM minutes etc. officer's reports, Treasurer/Auditor reports, election of Office Bearers, Auditor and Patron, setting of subscriptions, honorarium, Life memberships and specific business and general discussion. Rod McGiveron (Hon Sec) (Please note date change)

### National Tree Day for St Marys

Sunday 31st July at 10am at Wombat Walk. If you would like to help plant a tree, please feel welcome to come along. Come armed with tools, water and sun hat.

The trees are being donated by the Break O'day Council, with ferns donated by the Timber Communities.

### Community news cont'd

**St Marys Playgroup** meets every Friday 10 – 12 pm in the School kindy room. Cost \$2 plus fruit to share. New members always welcome.

#### Coming up:

- \* 24th June: Playdough activities
- \* 1st July: Visit from Shan with parenting tips!
- \* 8th July: No playgroup, pupil free day

#### More info: contact

Janelle 6372 5297

Tanya 6372 2534

### Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House

#### Op Shop Sale.

To make room for new stock you will get one shopping bag of clothing of your choice for **free!!** Only on Thursday 7th July from 1pm – 2pm

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#### Change of Centre times

*Commencing 1 July 2005 this Centre will be open on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month.*

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Grassy Bottom Regional Arts would like to thank all the sponsors, local community groups and the dedicated volunteers, who helped to make the St Marys Winter solstice 2005, a successful night.

GBRA would especially like to thank: The St Marys Pacing Club, St Marys Sports Centre, The Lions Club of St Marys, St Marys Football Club, St Marys Girl Guides, Fingal Valley Line Dancers, Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House, St Marys Fire, Police and Ambulance Services, St Helens Healthy House, St Marys Playgroup, Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild, The St Marys, St Helens and Bicheno Schools.

The support from St Helens, St Marys, Scamander and Bicheno businesses has been fantastic and overwhelming. There was not a shop in St Marys who did not contribute. What a great community we live in!

#### Acknowledgement of Sponsors

Tasmanian Regional Arts, Break O'Day Council, e.Scape Wilderness Café, Findoc Farm, St Marys Top Shop, Faulkner's Garage, St Marys Hotel, Purple Possum, St Marys Health and Beauty, St Marys Post Office, Ratha B'zar, St Marys Value Plus Supermarket, Coach House, Asmacs St Helens, Festival St Helens, Scamander Supermarket, Pyengana Milk, Chancellors Inn, Eureka Farm, St Helens Building Supplies, Bicheno Backpackers, White Sands Resort, Mt Elephant Pancake Barn, St Helens Kodak Shop, Carpet Walk St Helens, St Marys Newsagency, Mayor Stephen Salter.

#### Grassy Bottom Regional Arts

Upcoming event. Re: 'The Lightkeeper'

On the last leg of a countrywide tour, Mainstreet Theatre brings to you 'The Lightkeeper', a one man show written by Verity Laughton and directed by Teresa Bell.

The Advertiser says, "a rip-roaring tale of shipwrecks and survival, romance and skullduggery on the high seas."

The Age says "A masterful performance."

Performance at the St Marys School hall, Tuesday 12 July, 7.30pm

Tickets: \$12/Concession \$10, Kids 5-16 yrs \$6, Family \$30

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## Letters to the Editor

The Editor  
Valley Voice,

Kerry and I feel compelled, as relative newcomers to St Marys, to compliment all concerned with the recent Winter Solstice held at the sports ground.

We had a fabulous time, ate some great food, had a few cold beers, some mulled wine and thoroughly enjoyed the sights and sounds of a well planned and flawlessly executed event. The combination of drums and fireworks at the finale sent shivers down our spines – it was absolutely world class.

When we announced our intention to move to St Marys about 12 months ago, many of our friends asked us about why we would want to move to a small country town in rural Tasmania. Can't say we had an answer at the time, besides from our business ambitions with the Post Office.

Not long after arriving, however, we enjoyed the community atmosphere of the Christmas Eve procession and festivities. We had neighbours drop by with an ice cream container full of fresh picked raspberries or bags of apples, pears or nectarines. We have eaten fresh crayfish and feasted on scallops not long off the boat.

We were delighted to participate in the St Patricks Head festival and are confident that it will have a strong future. We have been overwhelmed at the friendliness of the people of St Marys, and how we have been made to feel welcome. We also appreciate the concern so many people have expressed over how all of our family have settled into our new environment.

Working in the Post Office we are exposed to a variety of views and opinions, some incredibly diverse, as you would expect in a small town.

The one thing that struck us about the Winter Solstice though, was that there was a tangible feeling of pride and ownership, a very real feeling of community spirit and togetherness, plus a very visible and public display of the incredible level of talent in the town (Eo Greensticks in particular –take a bow).

So we have been in St Marys little over 6 months and have observed and participated in three major community events – not bad for a small country town!

There is an awful lot to be proud of within St Marys, maybe even more than we all realise. We are certainly proud to be part of this wonderful community.

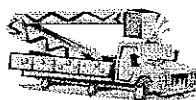
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The Editor  
Valley Voice

Dear Sir,

I refer to previous correspondence regarding harassment by the gnome at St Marys Newsagency.

Apparently it is gnomadic, and has removed itself to a tonsorial establishment within the town, where it continues its degenerate practices.

However, the newsagency is now infested with poultry, with customers subjected to raucous quacks as they approach the counter.

This is apparently a marketing scheme for an Irish cook book stocked by the newsagency, "Deardwees Wecipes for Kwacker Night," which contains a recipe for Canard a la gnom.

The book is illustrated, reasonably priced, and the first purchaser will receive a complimentary duck.

This should be a "gastrognomic" experience to remember.

We need to reclaim our shopping space, before it is infested by battery driven life forms.

Gnomes and ducks today, what might we have to suffer tomorrow?

Is this to be the future for St Marys?

Grumpy  
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## POSSUMLY FASHION

A possum fur coat with hat and gloves to match?  
Or a bikini of silky possum skin?

In New Zealand the anti-fur protesters have given these garments the thumbs up. In fact, they support any use for these cute marsupial immigrants because they, along with all New Zealanders, consider that the only good possum is a dead one.

Their only natural enemy is the car, whose numbers don't match the 90 million possums destroying the forests.

Possums chomp their way through the new growth and leaves of native trees, competing for food with native birds, and eating their young and eggs as they go. It is estimated they chew through seven million tonnes of vegetation each year. It's either the possum or the forests.

Hunters and poison have failed to control these pests, which were introduced from Australia in 1837. Recently, industrial entrepreneurs have stepped in to provide a financial incentive for the animals' slaughter.

Their pelts are made into a range of fashion garments for cooler climates, and possum skin gloves are sought after by yachties and golfers.

When spun in a mixture of 60 percent sheep's wool and 40 percent possum, the fibre has the softness of mohair, and the resulting sweaters, scarves and socks are luxury items.

*An extract from the New Zealand Tourist Times in the Otago Southland.*

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## ST MARYS SALVAGE

*Taken from the official Derwent Valley Railway newsletter.*

On Saturday 16 April, a team of eight keen members set off very early in the morning to reach the East Coast former Fingal Line terminus of St Marys, in time to put in a full day's work.

The team's assignment was to lift a hundred yards of rails, place them on top of two wagon frames and lash everything together in readiness for their pick-up on Monday morning by a transport contractor.

The wagon frames were the remnants of a couple of mobile camps that had been purchased by a local land-owner. The camp bodies were removed and the under-frames became part of the display at the old station, which also included diesel-electric loco X 30. The loco is now resident at New Norfolk.

An arrangement was made with the wagons former owner and the Lions Club was happy for the DVR to have the rails that were still laid beside the platform.

By 1615 hrs, all work at St Marys had been completed and the tired little bunch headed home, but not before a much-earned refreshment stop at Campbell Town. The wagons and their rail load arrived by Kellara Transport semi-trailer on Monday morning (18 April) and were rolled off the tilt-tray trailer onto the D.V. line, but not without incident.

Difficulty in maneuvering the trailer over the tracks to enable a straight run-off for the wagons, caused the trailer to tilt slightly. The heavens decided to open and the wagons slid to one side of the trailer on the slippery deck. A fork-lift was quickly acquired and the unloading went smoothly thereafter. Rails were unloaded that afternoon and the wagons re-entered service for a short run around the yard to a siding.

A wagon, nor necessarily one of those mentioned above, is to form the centre-piece of a tourism display at Lawitta on the Lyell Highway, just west of New Norfolk. Sponsorship has been obtained for that project, and part of those funds was responsible for the transport costs. By swapping bits and pieces between several wagons at New Norfolk, the vehicle destined for display will be the one with the least operable equipment remaining on it.

Many thanks are extended to the wagons former owners, Dale and Audrey Wright of St Marys. Audrey is also a volunteer of the local newspaper "Valley Voice", and D.V.R. is maintaining contact with the people of St Marys through this newsletter and via the local paper.

The two wagons were not readily identifiable except that one was a small goods wagon of 1885 vintage (builder's plate still in situ) similar to the A class, and the other a former 6-wheel vehicle (inner wheel set missing) which makes it an old carriage.

Some quick research and hasty e-mailing seems to have identified the 4-wheeled vehicle as formerly being OF 13 (flat wagon). It had been extended slightly at each end to accommodate the camp, and became 76-N-1. The other under-frame was Camp 106-N-1 and its origins are still being traced (it may be a B-class carriage).

On Saturday 23 April, the old body of 208 was transferred to OF 13 from its long-term residence on under-frame PC 3. The latter was then placed in the engine shed for preparation for use as an advertising display at Lawitta.

D.V.R. congratulates the effort of the St Marys team in being able to quickly organise and carry out the aforementioned tasks.

## St Marys Police Station Change of office hours

We have certainly had a change in staff through the Division since Christmas time! Constable Cameron Tanner has settled in well and I have received some favourable feedback concerning his activities within the community, so that was good to hear.

Secondly, the new St Marys Sergeant commences later this week, and we are all looking forward to Sergeant Mike Davis coming to the valley.

Mike started his career at St Marys as a young junior constable a few years ago, so he knows the area and will be a considerable asset to the community.

Earlier this year, we also welcomed back Linda Faulkner after a period of maternity leave, and Charlie Cormack left us for a short time and has now returned to fill in a few gaps in the Customer Service area.

Speaking of which, there will be a change in the opening hours of the St Marys Police Station over the next couple of months. This has been caused by one of our staff at St Helens taking a fall down some stairs, that has put her out of commission for a while, and while Charlie is available to fill in the gaps.

So from next week the station hours will be:

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9am 4pm (lunch 12-1pm)**  
**Tuesday & Thursday 9.30am - 4pm (Lunch 12- 1pm)**

If this causes any problems please let me know at St Helens and we will try to fully accommodate the needs of the community. Thanks for your time.

Inspector John Arnold.

**Contacts for Valley Voice. Fax: 6372 2172**  
**PH: Judy: 6372 2155 Accounts: Mary: 6372 2328**  
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## THANK YOU

### Nailer – Maurice

Bettie (Sumner) along with her family, would like to thank those who sent cards, letters and made telephone calls, on the passing of her brother Maurice.

## Please note

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wishes to advise all clients

that the salon at 46 Main Street St Marys, is **not** for sale, is **not** under contract, and won't be in the near future.

I will be taking leave from September to November, but the salon will continue to trade as usual.

If there are any questions please contact:

Lyn: 0407 725 442

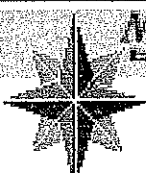
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## Out of the woodwork

By Reon Johns (Pres. Ph: 6372 2094)

What a great night the winter solstice was.

Congratulations to Grassy Bottom Regional Arts, and the people who organised this event.

If you missed it, then I suggest that you mark your calendar for next year.

The Guild would like to thank the members, Reon, Pete and Mike, who manned the food stand, Wendy for making the soup, and everyone who purchased a snag or a cup of soup.

The Guild has received a letter advising that our request for a seeding grant has been sent to the Premier for his approval, and we are expecting to hear back from him soon. Here's hoping that he feels generous.

Now that the solstice is out of the way, we can start new projects around the town. We have decided to have a logo, and will be running a competition for a design.

The logo must be appropriate to woodcraft, and contain the words "Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild." There will be a prize for the winner.

So get to work and think about it. More details in the next issue of The Valley Voice.

The next meeting is Saturday 30 July at 2pm, at the goods shed, behind the St Marys Railway Station.

Afternoon tea will be provided at this meeting, for a gold coin.

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### Thumbs down

The St Marys Lions Club members are very disillusioned with the continued vandalism of the new free BBQ in the Lions Park, which was supplied at considerable cost.

Parents –are your children in the park at night?

## The Say by Cagerattler

In recent months there has been a fair bit of discussion involving walking tracks in our area. Some have suggested the potential of the Cornwall to St Marys mine track, around the Mt Nicholas area and even St Patrick's Head, being made more accessible.

Apparently though, the major sticking point is liability, and on what jurisdiction the possible tracks are.

Bushwalking is a popular and healthy activity, and the potential to market our area with some interesting, signposted and safe walks, would only be a good thing, and act as a showcase.

It seems that one keen local interested in developing the idea, has been told that even though the Tasmanian Government departments involved are very sympathetic, they are bound by liability, and other restrictions, that must be adhered to at all times.

Even our iconic "Paddy's Head" falls into this category. That's fair enough but: surely there must be a way around these problems fairly expediently. This area needs ongoing projects to encourage people to stop and enjoy what we have to offer, particularly in the summer months.

Not only this of course, but I'd imagine there is potential for employment whilst the tracks were being built, and perhaps some ongoing maintenance work once established.

The spin-offs of course, would be that money would be spent directly and indirectly, back into the community. This is quite apart from the ideal way of showing off our beautiful, tranquil area, to a lot more visitors.

The Cornwall Miners' Wall, which I believe is a fantastic initiative, and a great dedication to all those who worked so hard to help achieve what we have now, is still on the way, as another columnist in the Voice, regularly updates us with.

Once again though, legal and building issues have caused delays, which is frustrating the keen band of locals, who want to get on and make it a reality as soon as possible.

Come on you lot in power. Give us a bit of a helping hand and encouragement. It's only fair. We're having a go here.

What do you think?

**Children's puzzle page answers: Across:** 1 Sunrise, 4 Lotions, 7 Toys, 10 foot, 11 Mouse, 13 Item, 14 Weed, 17 Uses, 20 Cobalt, 21 Trip, 23 Itchy, 26 Morsel, 28 Happy, 30 Axe, 31 Rented, 32 Martians.

**Down:** 1 Steam, 2 Rot, 3 Say, 4 Lifted, 5 Tool, 6 Nurse, 8 Opens, 9 Skirt, 12 Upsets, 15 Empty, 16 Flat, 18 Sudsy, 19 Murmur, 22 Piled, 24 Chum, 25 Taxi, 27 Sit.

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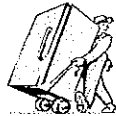
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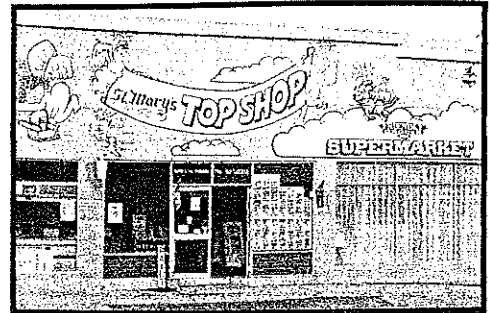
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## Around Australia in 48 days

Cont'd. by Dot French

### Day 1

We left Coombabah at the top end of the Gold Coast at 9am, and traveled north on the Bruce Highway through Brisbane, Caloundra, Maroochydore, and Noosa Heads, which were all very touristy and expensive. The coast is very pretty and the palms are an accepted sight. Then we continue on to Gympie, Maryborough, Hervey Bay, Childers, and Mirriam Vale, stopping at Rockhampton for the night, arriving at 8pm. Each night we checked out the towns and their industries. **779 km**

### Day 2

Departed Rockhampton early and breakfasted at Kunwarara. Truck stops are great for meals, cheap, clean and plenty to choose from. We then continued on to Mackay, Proserpine, Airlie Beach and Bowen. Great views from high cliffs on this part of the coast and very heavily used by tourists from every state. We arrived at Townsville at 8pm, a large, very busy part of the coast. Even though we had rung earlier accommodation was hard to get. **810 kms**

### Day 3

Left Townsville at 8am and on to Ingham, Cardwell, and Innisvale then visited the Opal Gem Factory at Cairns, and then on to Daintree. A very high class Motel at Port Douglas, however we were more interested in the early Pub in the Daintree. A Pub, come Store, come Tearooms, with a lot of history. Very lush vegetation in this part of the coast and still reasonably busy traffic wise. Then we returned to Cairns on the Captain Cook highway to our Motel, arriving at 5.30 pm. **503 kms**

### Day 4

Departed Cairns at 8.30am and returned north to Smithfield, then turned southwest over the Atherton Tablelands to Mareeba. We were now on the Kennedy Highway and here the terrain was very different. It was certainly high and more of a farming area. Next, Mungalli Falls at Camp Mungalli. When you experience the St Columba Falls and the likes we take for granted in Tassie, these falls were a drop of about 5ft.

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We then came to Three Rivers where there is a very noted country song by Slim Dusty called Three Rivers Hotel. The motel has a large painting of Slim and Stan Coster on the front wall. There is also a monument to Stan Coster at the front of the Pub with inscription from Slim engraved on it.

At the rear of the accommodation area there is a large tree with a strange name but better known as the sausage tree. It has green foliage and large, brown hanging fruit, not unlike sausages. There are only three known trees like this in Australia. One here, one in the Botanical Gardens in Adelaide and the other on the Queensland coast. We went over the Great Dividing Range to Charters Towers, arriving at 5.30pm.

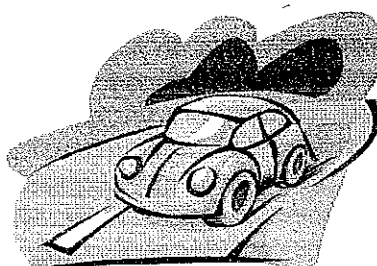
There is a cluster of bronze horse-men at a pond in a park here in memory of the early settlers. The shops and hotel buildings are very old. **670 km**

### Day 5

Departed at 7.45am to head west on the Flinders Highway to Hughenden, where there is a large Dinosaur center complete with re-erected skeletons of different sizes. Outside this building there is also a coolabah tree.

We continued to Richmond and here the feature is Kronosaurus Corner. A large fibreglass Kronosaurus is outside and it is a lovely place for a cuppa and to view more prehistoric bones. Then we went on to Cloncurry. A very friendly town, we were told of the history surrounding the area so we decided to deviate the next day in order to view the birthplace of the Waltzing Matilda song and the Blue Heeler Hotel. **665 km**

Cont'd in next edition.



### Dog Poo

**No one wants it on their shoes**

Council has received complaints about dog owners not picking up their dogs' faeces.

Under the Dog Control Act 2000, a person must immediately remove and dispose of, any faeces left by a dog in a public place, or a place not owned by the person.

**A fine not exceeding \$330, can be awarded.**

That's the big stick, but I would rather appeal to people's sense of community pride and respect for their neighbours, and ask that they carry a plastic bag etc. to remove their dogs' faeces. No one likes to see, smell or step in dog faeces.

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Roger Norton  
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Break O'Day Council

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Vigil Mass St Helens 6pm

Sun Mass St Marys 9am

Sun Mass Bicheno 2pm

2nd, 3rd, 4th Sundays of  
each month

Liturgy of the word with Holy  
Communion

(Mass if a priest is available)

### Vigil

Sat St Helens 6pm

Sun St Marys 9am

Sun Fingal 10.30 am

Sun Bicheno 2pm

### Weekdays

Wed St Marys 10am

Thurs St Helens 10am

Friday Fingal 10am

### Anglican Parish of the

### Northern Midlands

Services each Sunday

Avoca 8 am

Fingal 10 am

Mathinna 2nd & 4th Sunday  
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### Daily Office Reading

Avoca Tuesdays 10 am

Fingal Tuesdays 12 noon

Ross Wednesdays 10 am

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## A LITTLE BIT OF HERITAGE

By Jim Haas

How many of us today would survive if we had to endure the "Great Depression" which began in 1929 and continued until the outbreak of the Second World War in 1939? Whilst it began in the United States it quickly spread World wide and by 1932 stock exchange prices had fallen to only 20% of their 1929 value.

Millions upon millions of workers in the Western world became unemployed. Millions of people died of starvation and the many rampaging diseases and our little part of the World was not exempt. Our parents and grandparents had to endure some of the hardest times in modern history. Employment was scarce and Government benefits were almost nonexistent.

But they survived, perhaps, much better than their city counterparts, because they were able to grow their own vegies, milk a cow, and fortunately, rabbits and wallabies were plentiful for food, as well as their skins, and along with possum and ringtail could be sold to the main skin buyer of the time, E.B.L. Dawson, who owned and operated what is now the Top Shop at St.Marys, as a general store.

Ringtails were the most valuable skins at that time and many of the men folk would walk up to ten or fifteen kilometers into the mountains and spend days, sometime weeks, camped in the bush trapping.

Some would camp in hollow trees, others under canvas held up with a frame made of bush poles, and a few made huts of bark, split palings and stone chimneys. Many ruins of these trappers' huts can be found in our surrounding mountains today.

There was an unwritten law that each town had its own area to trap in. St.Marys men went to what was called "Legges Hills", the mountains to the south of Cullenswood. Cornwall men went to "The Huntsman", a St. Patrick's Head shaped mountain just north of the Mt. Nicholas Range.

As well, each man had his own "Run" to trap in and it was war if anyone crossed a boundary or touched another man's camp or gear. Because of the weight of skins on their backs coming home, their traps were normally left in the bush.

Back in the 1960s when the road was first formed from Mt. Nicholas township to the Huntsman, I took my old Uncle Walter Haas for a drive. As we drove around the base of the Huntsman he began pointing out land marks of his trapping days, and trees that ringtails always lived in. Then suddenly he called me to stop. He got out of the car, walked fifty metres into the bush to a big, old hollow tree, moved a few rocks away from its base and revealed a couple of dozen ringtail traps, still in first class condition.

"Well, look at that, boy," he smiled, "I left them there thirty years ago."

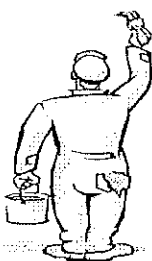
Ringtails are scarce today, but in the nineteen thirties they were a blessing to many families.

## PAINTER

Ray Rosskelly

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St Marys



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## **ST MARYS DAY CENTRE**

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28th June **Child & Family Services**- Susan  
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29th June **Alcoholics Anon** (AA) Anglican  
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28th June **RED NOSE DAY**- Merchandise  
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30th June **Child Health Session** with  
Lorraine McGee 9am-12noon.  
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1st July **Cornwall Coal** 7:30am-3:00pm

1st July **Alcoholics Anon** Holy Trinity  
Church St Marys at 8:00pm.  
Please phone 6372 2725 for  
further details.

4th July **Hospital Auxiliary Meeting** in the  
Day Room.

## **DOCTORS APPOINTMENTS AND SCRIPTS**

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Information on this page was submitted by:

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

## Police report

Recently there have been several acts of vandalism in the St Marys area. These have included graffiti on walls and picnic tables, damage to BBQ and surrounding area behind the library, and other items around the town have been damaged. These matters will be investigated and any person involved will be charged with damaging property. Please take care of the area and anyone with information about the damage can call **Crime Stoppers** on 1800 005 555 or come into the station.


Police were in attendance at the Winter Solstice festival held on Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> of June 2005, and I am happy to report that the night was generally trouble free, with only a couple of isolated incidents that involved police intervention. These matters were minor ones and I would like to thank everyone who attended for the good manner in which they conducted themselves.

Once again I will remind people of the inclement weather conditions at the moment and ask that you drive carefully.

Constable Cameron Tanner

## St Marys Tennis Club Notice

**Sunday Pennant.** There will be an important meeting about Sunday Pennant, for all interested players **TONIGHT**, Thursday 23rd June at the e.Scape Café At 7.30pm. See you there!



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## Sports Centre news *Cont'd*

Now to the players. What can I say. Lyndon Dakin, thank you, I think, for bringing up the Longford mob. Rod Bushing likewise for organising the p..... pots from Scamander, and the Malahide teams for joining us as well as a nice few from Launceston, and dare I say it Perth. Yep, we even let Charlie Wright, Les Newman (bad jokes and all) Damien Lavelle, Chuggy and a few other ratbags play. We're not fussy. Yes even Chiko Britton and Scotty Bean and John Hollis turned up.

All jokes aside, it was fantastic to renew old friendships, and apparently this continued into the wee small hours. It was a wonderful day, and once again to the McDonald family, thank you for a great effort.

To other matters, and last week the ladies commenced their club Championships, with Carole Gunton playing particularly well. Hopefully we will have all the winners for the next issue.

There will be no competition this Saturday, because of a big working bee on the course, to do some duties around the place. Bring your block splitters, trailers, rakes, brush-cutters etc. from about 8am onwards.

On Sunday we will be holding a Pennant players comp and barbecue and a few drinks about 10am. It will be Matchplay, with many games already organised. Check the board for details, or contact Rod McGiveron.

The 8 ball team had a good win last week against Mathinna 1, with it coming down to the black in the final game with Smokey Dawson pulling off the win. Well done.

Finally and with apologies to anyone it might affect, the club has no option but to reschedule the Annual General Meeting to Friday July 8 at 7.30pm, from the previously advertised June 24th date.

Unfortunately the audit cannot be completed in time because of unforeseen circumstances, so the decision was made to hold it on the new date.

*Anyway until next time good hitting and rolling.*

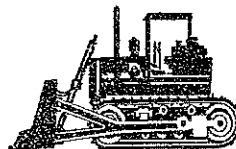
## St Marys Soccer Club

**Reminder to all players.** This Saturday 25th June is a match day at St Helens. Kick off 9.30am, Rec. Ground, St Helens. Senior game 11am. Anyone interested in playing seniors are welcome to contact **Dave: 6372 2320, Tanya 6372 2534**

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# Sports Centre News

By Kackhander

What can I say! At the risk of using a television adage: **What a big fortnight it's been in golf!**

Congratulations to everyone who has contributed, with the club winning its fourth consecutive A Grade flag, and the 25th overall, last weekend. The winning streak has now stretched to 27 matches since the middle of the 2002 season, which is well and truly a record for East Coast Pennant. In the last three seasons 2003 -05 conclusive, the team has remained undefeated.

Unfortunately of course this year it was only a one round competition, which disappoints everybody. A special thank you to everyone who played in the team, and helped to secure the flag.

Last Sunday in the final game St Marys won 6 -1 against Bicheno. Magnificent effort this year to Jack Viney, undefeated and winning his second consecutive Player of the Year Award for the ECTGA.

The other stars of the season were Bob Hersey, who won all four games he played for us, particularly the essential results at Malahide and Scamander. Thanks Bob. John Miles, four great wins, likewise Brent Leedham in his first pennant season. Andrew Marshall three wins, Chris Davern helping out, two games for two wins, Damon Viney and Rod McGiveron two wins. Mark Birch and Todd Spilsbury as well. Well done fellas, and let's show them in town that we can make them squirm in a few week's time.

In A Reserve it's great to report the team finished on a high with an excellent 3-2 win against Bicheno. Bicheno are a good solid team, always hard to beat. Top wins were with Mark Birch, Mark Carrick and Todd Spilsbury, with Bluey Spilsbury just missing out as did our youngest player Kodie Donald. Kodie had a fantastic first season and look out whoever plays him next year, because he's going to be very hard to beat. Hopefully 2006 will be successful for A Reserve.

Next Sunday we are having a Matchplay Challenge day, commencing 10am, followed by a barbecue lunch and a few drinks, to thank out players for a great season. All pennant players or otherwise are encouraged to come along, have a game of pennant and a feed. Check the main board for who you are likely to take on.

Now to the really big one for the past two weeks. To Glenn, John, Raz, Brad, Leanne, Valda, Debbie and the whole McDonald family, you are bloody marvellous, make no mistake! This is not a misprint. 102, yes 102 players took part in the long weekend McDonald's Cup Team Ambrose Challenge. It was incredible. Not since the heady days of the Legacy events have we had that many players on the paddock at once. Glenn sent invitations to all parts, and received a wonderful response, as you can see. Apologies to anyone who didn't receive one but it wasn't Glenn's fault. Just an incomplete list to work from, that's all.

Through this terrific response we will be able to commence the course improvements with a fair degree of funds to help. Special thanks to the other major sponsors. They are Aurora Energy, Boags, St Marys Hotel, and our good friends Ross and Tracey Bean at the Coach House. This is of course, not to mention St Marys Value Plus, St Marys Top Shop, and Dale 'Roy' Ridgers for food items etc. and raffle prizes which were greatly appreciated. Also to Garry at the Carpet Walk, St Helens. Ben Hur had less crew than we did, a cast of thousands, and if I forgot anyone, it's unintentional.

The 'Booze Bus' crew, Janice and Tammy, the course crew Bob and Skeeter, the office crew, Trevor Viney and Mark Birch, and the catering geniuses, Leanne, Valda, Charlie, Debbie and anyone else who helped feed the hungry hoardes. The apple pie was unbelievable too. Let's not forget all those who did bar work or any other duties during the day.

The 'Booze Bus' sold nearly \$700 on course on the day, and the raffle another \$300. *Cont'd inside page*



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