

# THE VALLEY & EAST COAST VOICE

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## His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania's visit to St Marys

On Saturday August 15, 2005, His Excellency William Cox and Mrs Cox visited St Marys to present the recently completed mural to the citizens of the township.

He was welcomed by the Break O'Day Mayor Stephen Salter.

His excellency complimented all the artists on their work, mentioning the uniqueness of the project.

A presentation was made to the principle artist, Lyn Piscitelli by His Excellency. Commendations to Jenny Quinn, Deanna Peardon and Crystal Binns, three High School students, were given by their Principal, Mrs Charlotte Marshall, for their contribution of art work to the mural.

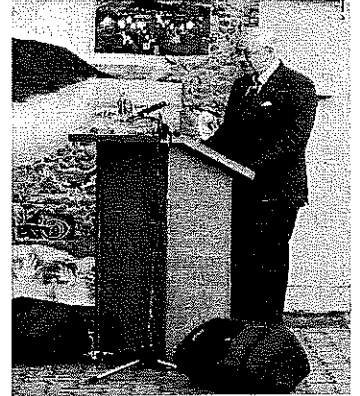
After the presentation, His Excellency and Mrs Cox visited the St Marys Community Health Centre to inspect the on-going reconstruction work. After the partaking of morning tea, the official party departed for a Civic Reception at St Helens.

St Marys Association for Community Development Inc. first started planning for a mural for St Marys approximately 3 years ago. Finally with the help of Lyn, the mural started to take shape over 12 months ago. The man-hours contributed to this project must be colossal, and the Valley Voice wishes to congratulate each and every one involved for all the excellent work. It is a credit to you all.

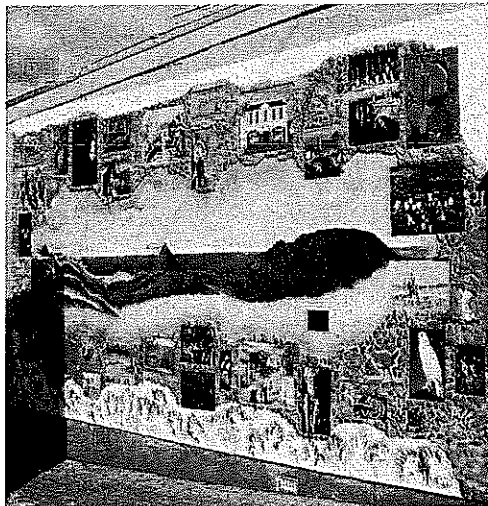
Along with Lyn Piscitelli, the other artists are: Jan Clement, Eo Greensticks, Robyn Oh, Arthur Progly, Paul, Rosa, Penny and Chris Byard, Jo Woodbury, Guy Pascoe, Loris Pascoe-Hall, Jenny Binns, Patti O'Donnell, Peter Witton, Anthony White, Bree Piscitelli, Jenny Quinn, Crystal Binns, Deanna Peardon. There were also Primary school students who did the hand stenciling, and several hard working people who did the grouting and stone work. Thanks to Rod Corfe for being MC for the presentation. Congratulations to all for a job well done.



*Mayor Stephen Salter welcomes His Excellency*



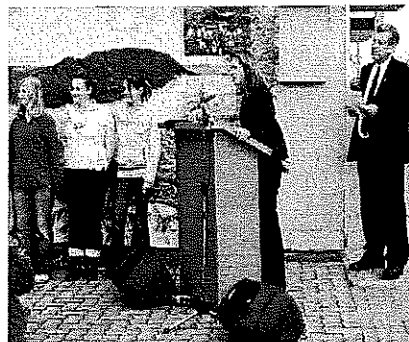
*His Excellency presents the mural*



*The completed mural*



*L to r: Lyn Piscitelli, one of the major artists, Mrs Cox, His Excellency the Governor William Cox*



*Commendations were given to three St Marys High School students, by the Principal, Mrs Charlotte Marshall. L to r: Crystal Binns, Deanna Peardon, Jenny Quinn.*



*Ongoing reconstruction work at St Marys Community Health Centre, which was inspected by His Excellency, the Governor of Tasmania, William Cox*

**Deadline for articles to be included in the next Valley Voice is 5pm Tuesday August 30, 2005.**

## Community news

### Rustic Ragamuffins

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### St Marys Hospital Auxiliary

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

**Quilt Bank** - work together to make quilts for those in need in the Break O'Day region. Every 2nd Friday, 10 am -12 noon (check calendars in Studio window). Gold coin donation. **Gone Rustic Quilt Studio & Gallery**, 37 Main St., St. Marys (ph: 0409 289 997)

**Handmade Teddy Bears** – create a beautiful, one-off bear to keep or give away. Workshop includes all materials for 1 bear. Please bring own sewing equipment & plate of lunch to share. Cost: \$30: includes kit, tea & coffee. Date: Saturday August 27, 10am – 3pm, plus extra day to be decided. Sign up now at: **Gone Rustic Quilt Studio & Gallery**, 37 Main St., St. Marys (ph: 0409 289 997)

**The AGM** of the **St Marys Association for Community Development** will be held on the 26th August at 5pm. at the St Marys Online Access Centre, 23B Main Street. All welcome.

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

### St Marys Tennis Club Annual General Meeting

Our Annual General meeting will be held on Thursday August 25, at 7.30pm at the clubrooms. All members are invited to attend. **Susan Miles** (Secretary)

**Expressions of interest:** Artist's Co-op to be based in the garage at 2 Storey St., St Marys. Proposal to set up studio space, workshop venue and gallery on the premises. Please contact **Eo Greensticks** on 0438 571 291 or C/O PO St Marys 7215

## Community news cont'd

### St Marys Playgroup

**Reminder:** There will be no playgroup held this week (19th August) due to the Book-fair in the kindy room. Parents are invited to look at the book fair on Thurs/Friday.

#### Coming up for term 2:

**August 26** Finish paper making activity.

Father's Day cards and book-marks.

**Sept 2** Kite making (last day of term)

Playgroup meets Friday morning 10 –12pm, at the school kindy room. Cost is \$2 with fruit to share. New families welcome.

More info? Telephone:

**Janelle 6372 5297**

**Tanya 6372 2534**

Once again we are preparing shoe boxes for needy children. This year's distributions will be in Papua New Guinea, Fiji, Solomon Islands, Cambodia, Thailand, Vietnam and Central Australia.

Thanks to the generosity of Tasmanians, 8,623 boxes were delivered last year. 3,500 were diverted to Tsunami orphans.

The last two years we had shoe-boxes generously donated by interstate businessmen. This year I have boxes for the elderly, or anyone else who wants them, for 50 cents each. Contact Eileen McManus if you need a box.

**Eileen McManus,  
35 Hammond St,  
Falmouth. Tas. 7215  
Ph/Fax: 6372 5480**

### St Marys Association for Community Development Inc.

Paddy's Head Walking Group met on Sunday the 8th of August at the start of Dalmayne Road, Gray. The idea of the exercise was to walk into the old Dalmayne mine site.

The walk was a great success, with eight souls making the effort. However, despite three members with previous visits to the mine site, and a map, it was not found.

But don't despair, we'll find it and have another walk there in the future. Next walk is a mystery walk, meeting at Cornwall Park at 10.30am on Sunday the 4th of September.

On Friday the 26th August a meeting will be held at the e.ScApe Café at 10.00am with Forestry and National Parks, to hear their reports on the viability of walking tracks in our area.

*This is an important meeting for the future of St Marys tourism, and all members of the community are invited to attend to hear proposals and have your say.*

*See you there!!!*



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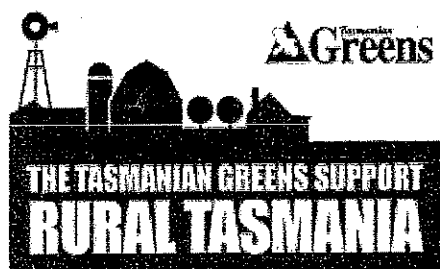
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Karen, Leigh, Hannah, Jacob and Jackson would like to thank our wonderful family, friends and work colleagues for everything you have done for us leading up to and after the passing of our beautiful mother, mother-in-law and grandmother,

'Grace'

The cards, flowers, phone calls, cooking and baby sitting, and just a shoulder to cry on was overwhelming.

We will never forget what you have all done for us.

Karen and Leigh Spilsbury and family

### Grassy Bottom Regional Arts

## Saturday market

3rd September

10am – 2pm

And the first Saturday of every month.

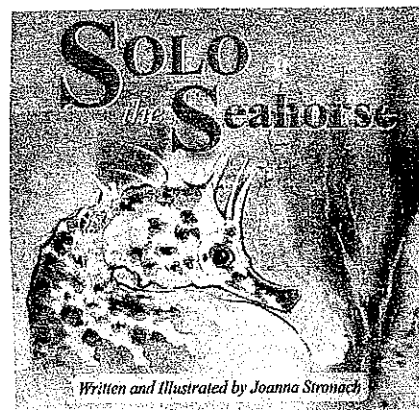
Outside St Marys Town Hall,  
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For more information  
contact

Rod at e.ScApe.

PH: 6372 2444

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

Email: [j.spilsbury@tassie.net.au](mailto:j.spilsbury@tassie.net.au)

Accounts: Mary: 6372 2328

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Deadline for articles: Tuesday before publication.

## SPEECH PATHOLOGY: New Service visiting St Helens & Fingal Valley

Parents often wonder how well their child's speech and language skills are developing. You may be one of these parents. The best way to find out how your child is going is to have a chat with a Speech Pathologist.

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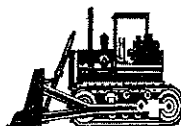
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## A LITTLE BIT OF HERITAGE: by Jim Haas.

I'm sorry folks but I'm dreaming again. I'm driving through the Valley, its spring and the paddocks are as green as the Irish on St. Patrick's Day. Everywhere there are sheep in their thousands with their snow white lambs jumping and diving here and there like cotton balls in the wind.

Its shearing time at Tullochgorum and the shed is full of activity as rousers, pressers, classers, cooks and farm hands go about their chosen tasks. And the shearers fill the air with colourful words as the blood, sweat and tears flow in their bid to become the "Gun".

At Fingal stockmen on horse are herding their sheep to paddocks close to Malahide homestead because they are the next shed in the run. Their shed will provide work for dozens right up to Christmas.

Further on towards St.Marys and the scene changes to herds of dairy cows. Jerseys with their light brown and white coats and faces full of contentment, mingle with black and white Friesians, with their huge bags almost touching the ground, and their heads down grazing the rich grass, all of which makes a colourful foreground to Mt. Elephant and St. Patrick's Head.

I pass Geoff King in the milk truck as he drives to pick up the milk from Cullenswood, for the cheese factory at St.Marys. His morning has been busy picking up milk from Falmouth, Gray, Irish town, German Town, Dublin Town and down the Valley.

I could picture all the little dairy farms milking twenty or thirty cows, their owners working from dawn to dusk, seven days a week. But it is a happy, fulfilling lifestyle, monetary values are not an issue, the fact that they were contributing to the community and that their little family business was theirs and had been for generations was what mattered.

A train pulling a string of goods wagons has just headed off towards St.Marys after shunting empty coal trucks into the Cornwall Siding for loading.

At the old bank homes a row of Hydro trucks were parked and eighteen men worked repairing power lines. Behind them, eight P.M.G. (Post Master General) men worked on telephone cables.

There were people everywhere in St.Marys. The two banks were a hive of activity as people moved in and out like bees. The two general stores, the two butchers, two pubs, chemist, clothing stores, shoe shop, newsagency, takeaways and four garages were all doing well.

I was looking forward to a game of hockey, volley ball or footy on the weekend and go to the pictures on Saturday night. On Sunday I could take the family for a long drive in my new FC Holden.

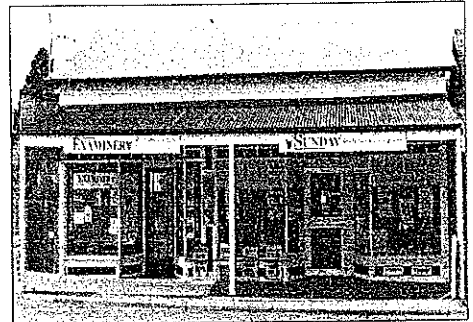
But, oh damn, I've woken up again and there's no cheese factory or dairy farms, there's only half as many sheep, half as many businesses in town, no pictures or Todd's Hall, no P.M.G., the Hydro is cut to a third, the train line has been pulled up, no footy or cricket, fuel is too expensive to take the kids on a Sunday drive, the young have all left town to find work and the farmland is being turned into forests.

Oh please, let me go back to sleep!!

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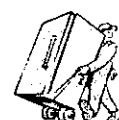
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## St Marys Police report

There always seems to be some excitement for Police in the valley, especially in the past four weeks, with horses wreaking havoc on the streets of St Marys.

Police have received three call-outs, of horses on the streets, with one incident at 2pm in the afternoon like a scene from the "Man from Snowy River" the horse galloping at full speed down the centre of Main Street, where it then did a left turn down Storey Street.

While it may have provided impromptu entertainment to the shoppers and motorists, it may have had dire results to pedestrians, vehicles and the horse itself, had it slipped over.

Approximately one month ago at about 10pm, two horses escaped their enclosure and one reared up and collided into the side of a vehicle passing through St Marys outside the Post Office. Damage was caused to the vehicle and left one very startled driver.

Stock owners have a responsibility to ensure that their horses or cattle are properly secured, and fences are in good condition, to prevent stock from straying.

Should stock roam on the streets and be involved in an accident with a motor vehicle they may be sued for damages.

On Wednesday afternoon last week, two dogs attacked several sheep in a paddock in St Marys township. The sheep were terrorised for some time, but escaped any serious injury due to swift action by the owners of the property. As a result of the attack the dogs were caught and later had to be put down.

This is a reminder to all owners of dogs that they have a duty to ensure they are not at large, and ensure they do not attack any person or animal. The owners can face prosecution for these offences. Those dogs found offending or at large on rural land may be destroyed on that land.

It is extremely distressing for land owners who have sheep mauled and in turn for the owners of dogs to have them destroyed. In most cases these dogs are family pets but once involved in attacks they can continue to return and kill or maul sheep.

As for crime in the valley, there have been several incidents of diesel theft from machinery at logging sites in the Tower Hill area. The amounts stolen were quite substantial and there is no doubt the offender/s have gone prepared with a large container to transport the fuel.

A request is made for residents to remain vigil for any vehicles sighted, or suspicious activity occurring in isolated areas such as logging coupes.

The public may call **Crimestoppers** on **1800 055 555** or their local Police Station. While the perpetrators are benefiting from others the theft of the fuel from the machinery has a huge impact on the daily operations carried out by the contractors. Police enquiries are continuing into the thefts.

Sgt Mike Davis  
St Marys Police

## Letter to the Editor

I refer to Cage Rattler's letter in the last issue of the Valley Voice. I wholeheartedly agree with the comments, and I think that it is a good idea.

I am involved with a few different committees, and I find that it is the same people who are doing the work.

There is a lot of ideas out there and a lot of work to do, however there are not a lot of people doing it.

It is easy to sit down and write what should or should not be done, it is a whole lot harder to get things off the ground.

So, Cage Rattler, why don't you call a meeting and start the ball rolling???

That's what I think...

Reon Johns



## Are you interested in becoming a Councillor? Would you like more information?

If so, you are invited to attend one of two Election Seminars to be conducted by the Break O'Day Council and the Tasmanian Electoral Commission to be held on 22nd August, 2005.

These seminars are aimed at raising awareness of the Local Government election process and to address any issues or questions that may arise.

The venues are the Fingal Neighbourhood House Community Centre between 1.00pm and 2.30pm, and the St Helens Council Chambers between 5.30pm and 7pm.

If you are interested, please contact Simone on **6376 7911** by close of business on Friday 19th August 2005.

Brian Inches  
General Manager

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## Out of the woodwork

By Reon Johns (Pres.) 6372 2094

Last Thursday was an historic day for the Guild. Michael Polley MHA presented a cheque for \$6000 as a seeding grant.

Also in attendance were several members of the Guild and the Mayor of Break O'Day Council Mr Stephen Salter. Everyone gave a speech and some interesting stories were told of early life in the valley, and the people who lived there.

Afterwards we all sat down to a nice cuppa and a fruit and cheese platter.

Mr Polley and Mr Salter were asked if they would do the Guild the honour of becoming our Patrons. They both answered in the positive.

The next step is obtaining a lease from the Council. Arrangements have been made to bring this to fruition.

With this grant the Guild can now start to organise the electrical work, benches to be built, and the sourcing of machinery and tools. Hopefully we can purchase second hand tools, or if there is anyone who would like to donate any, please feel free to contact the Guild on 6372 2094

I have contacted the Principal of St Marys School, advising that the Guild is running a competition for a logo. We have already received a few entries, and we look forward to a lot more.

### The rules for the 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 you have your name, address and telephone on each entry.

Next meeting Sat August 27 at 2pm at the Goods Shed behind the St Marys Railway Station.

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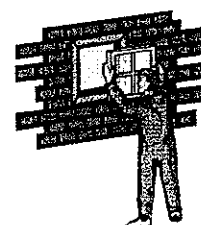
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Tues 23rd	Dawn Lodge	June Hall
Wed 24th	Pam Lynch	Karen Iohrey
Thur 25th	D & V Rice	Simone Walker
Fri 26th	Mary Viney	Shirleen Woods
Mon 29th	Trish Pike	Shirley Parker
Tues 30th	Leith Gatty	Susan Woods
Wed 31st	B & B McAllister	Janine Burt
Thur 1st	Gail Gamble	Rhonda Hoskinson
Fri 2nd	N & A Challis	Mim Woods

## 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 3pm

#### 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

5th Sunday months only

#### 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 GIRL GUIDES



Hi all,

We would like to let the Community know that we have now been going for 6 months and we have 30 girls that attend every week which is fantastic.

Recently we did the tree planting day which was fun for all who attended.

We would like to Thank the Council and Mick Kringle for getting the Community garden underway and allowing the Guides to plant some plants. We are looking forward to it. Thank you.

Last week we had our Promise Ceremony and we are pleased to say that all girls and leaders have now made their Promise. It was wonderful to see so many parents and friends attend.

St.Helens Girl Guides have invited us to attend a sleepover with them on the 26<sup>th</sup> August that should be fun.

We are now taking names for Girls interested in Girl Guides for next year. They will be placed on the waiting list, so any Girls aged 6 and over please contact Guide Leaders.

**Gaylene 63722654**

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## Rate Tenures

Break O'Day Mayor Stephen Salter is pleased that Council has agreed to withdraw charges recently applied for tenure properties.

This action was taken due to a number of extreme results that had been identified by ratepayers.

General Manager Brian Inches said that Council Officers had no way of knowing the impact of some of the results until all the data was processed and rates notices were issued.

On investigating some of the reasons for these results, it became apparent there were inconsistencies with the valuations causing similar properties having vastly different rating levels.

It was also apparent that Council's minimum rate impacted on the application of tenures more than anticipated.

Mr Inches said that as soon as the extent of these anomalies were known, we immediately started to address the problem which led to Council's decision taken.

Mayor Salter said that it was unfortunate that this problem had arisen, but was pleased that it had now been resolved.

New rate notices will be issued to all affected property owners in the near future.

For further information please contact Mayor Stephen Salter on Mobile phone 0417 316 760 or home phone 6372 2387.

One day, I'd just stamped an envelope ready for posting, when I was reminded of these words:

"Man is like a postage stamp – he gets licked, depressed, stuck in the corner, sent from pillar to post.... But he gets there in the end, if he sticks to it."

## The Say by Cagerattler

Back in 1997 there just happened to be a State Government of the day who tried (and initially succeeded) in taking away our fantastic country hospital. Certain politicians then, in principle, supported but reversed suddenly a Private Members Bill, to retain the hospital on its second reading, which seemingly led to the ultimate demise of our much needed facility. We have long memories of those times.

If the politicians of that day had truly given their original consideration to the imminent closure and around the clock service, a great deal of anguish may have been avoided at the time.

During the process leading up to the decision I was asked to give evidence to a Legislative Council Inquiry, along with about 90 other people. I was asked questions on what impact I felt a hospital closure would have on our area, and I could only recall the brilliant help and care this hospital had offered to my extended family for generations, and how if lost, a void would surely exist, even possibly dissuading new people to our area because of a lesser medical capability.

Those Legislative Councillors seemed to be sympathetic to our views, but eventually the doors were closed as a full on hospital later that year, as we all remember. How many of us sat in the freezing weather as a protest vigil at the time, to show our personal disgust in the decision. Many did.

When it finally became a 9 to 5, 5 day a week Medical Centre, it was like a red rag to a bull for our much vaunted Hospital Support Group, and they kicked into action. The Government didn't know what hit them.

The Hospital Support Group raised community awareness, they were dedicated to the point of exhaustion, and they engendered all sorts of evidence and support, and reminded the Government that we weren't going to go away.

During the 1998 State Election campaign the then Labor Opposition made a promise, if elected, to try and eventually re-establish a 24/7 service to the valley, and that's exactly what happened after a doctor was finally found from South Africa. Once again this was achieved with much of the legwork done by the Hospital Support Group. It took a little while but it actually happened. Who said you can't fight City Hall and win? The next as you know is history.

Perhaps in a way those 1997 bureaucrats and politicians who rationalized a closure of the hospital did us a **rather large** favour.

It brought out a country fighting spirit and community pride that initially meant a newer hospital that was rebuilt, an avenue to a more expanded Tasmania Lymphoedema Centre, within the hospital, and now a fantastic re-development again that is currently in progress, that will service this community for generations to come.

The point of all this is:

(1) Never give up the fight for something you truly believe in because look what can happen.

(2) Those politicians and health department officials, I'd respectfully suggest, they may have been incorrect closing down our 24/7 facility.

Otherwise how could all this have happened since.

What do you think?

You don't stop laughing because you grow old. You grow old because you stop laughing.

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## Around Australia in 48 days continued

### Day 14

Today we headed to Kakadu. Paid the entrance fee, but was not informed you may not visit all the area without prior arrangement with the aboriginal groups.

Here we were amazed at the size and height of the termite mounds. These anthills we found were a different shape from other states. Apparently these are built with the door always facing the rising sun. In the Territory they are all tall and slim where as in the west they are fatter and not nearly as high, and can be seen even on the lip of the highway.

We arrived at the large crocodile shaped motel and had some refreshments and a look around. To appreciate Kakadu properly you need to fly over it or take extended boat rides. This was not one of my favorite places especially the distance needed to travel for what we saw there.

On our return trip we stopped at East Alligator River for a cuppa. This is where twice-daily boat rides are available to go crocodile feeding. On our return to Darwin we toured the city and paddled in the water on the northern tip of Australia.

We had tea, and our unit looked over the Botanical Gardens, the Casino and Mindil Beach. At sunset the contrast of green grass white sand pink/purple sunset was magnificent.

659 km

### Day 15

A free day checking out Darwin. Visited the big gun sections around the coast where Australia was protected from invasion in the Second World War. There are also many abandoned airfields around Darwin as reminders of this time.

To visit now, it is hard to believe this beautiful city was flattened by cyclone Tracy in 1974. The city centre has lots of alfresco eating, and shops galore. This is a very large city, and very commercial. There is a large Army, Navy and Air Force presence in Darwin. It's home to the largest Army base in Australia at Robertson Barracks. Quite a place to revisit.

Departed Darwin early, and arrived at Katherine for lunch, and filled up with fuel, as our destination was Kununurra on the Victorian Highway just over the Western Australian border.

Next stop was Victoria River, then onto Timber Creek, where we found our first 12kms of winding road through Gregory Gorge, and saw our first Boab tree. Boab trees are a stunted tree with very potty trunks and funny limbs like thin arms.

We arrived at the border of Northern Territory and Western Australia at 5pm N.T. time, 3.30pm W.A. time. Just 30k more to Kununurra.

The motel there smelt like stagnant water. Apparently this is because of bore and reticulated water.

The smell was so bad it remained in our clothes, that were out of our bags, even the next day. This was a small town and seemed to have all the industry in the main street.

888 km

### Day 17

Left at 7am, still heading west, but now on the Great Northern Highway, and first port of call was Wyndham, the most northern town in West Australia, and then we returned to the highway west of Kununurra, then Turkey Creek, Halls Creek and Fitzroy Crossing.

If you could travel this road without calling at Fitzroy Crossing it would be terrific. I have yet to see a place anywhere as awful and ugly as this.

We called at Willare and continued toward Broome. This we found the hardest day, as without a caravan, accommodation was non-existent.

In this part of Australia there is no twilight and we found ourselves in the dark with still 160kms to go. With no fences, and cattle and brumbies on the road, it was slow traveling and hard on the eyes. After calling at Derby, I was very pleased to reach Broome without incident.

1983 km



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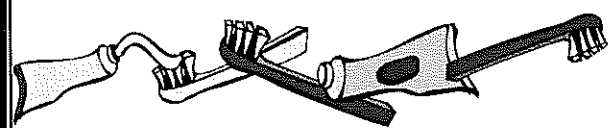


## SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

- Monday 29th August
- Tuesday 30th August

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
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## THE BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

**On Thursday 18th and Friday 19th August,  
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The books will be available for viewing and purchasing in  
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**Thursday      9.00am - 4.00pm**  
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All purchases will benefit our school library, as 30% of all  
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**Please support our Book Fair.**

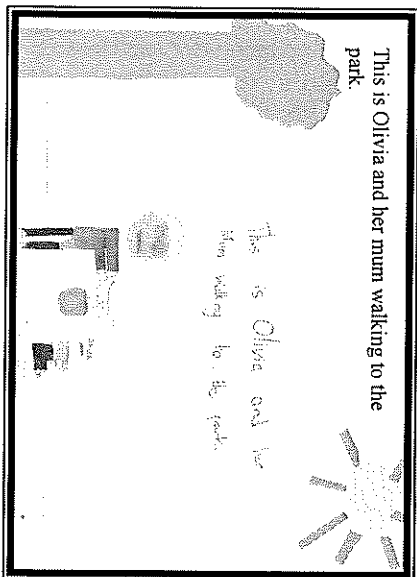
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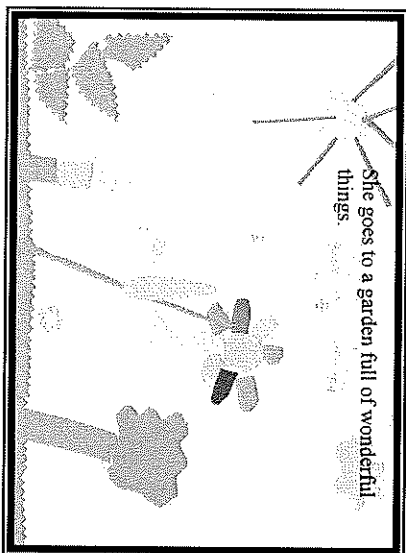
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22 August • Dance event at St Helens	23 August •	24 August • Uni TAFE Taster - grade 10	25 August •	26 August •
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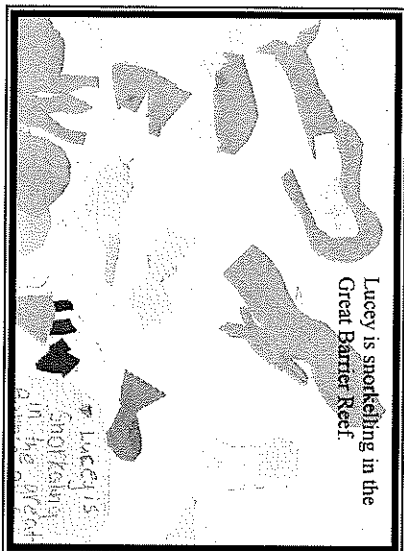
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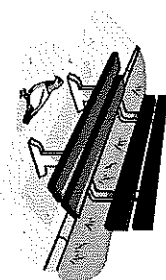


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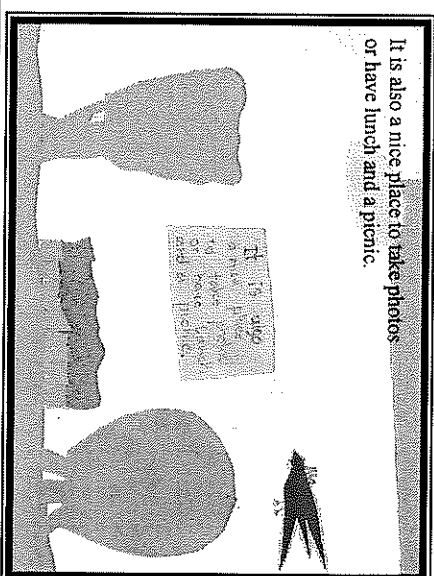


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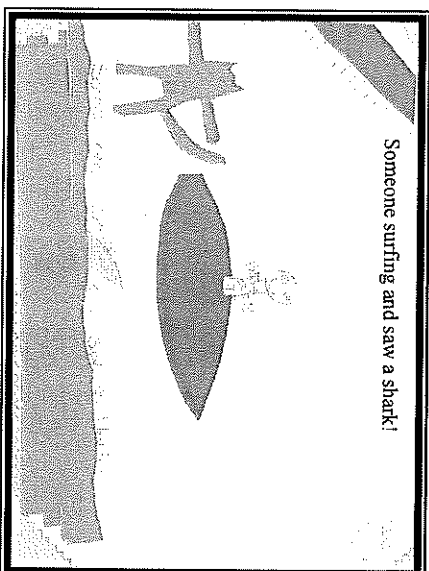
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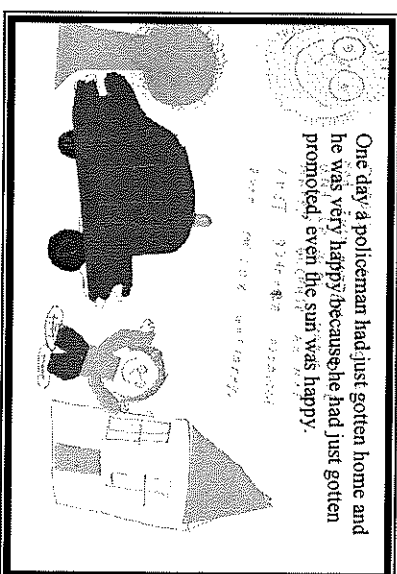
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Corey Thow



Aaron Webb



Kees Walker

# ST MARYS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

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## **PODIATRY SERVICE**

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- 19th Aug **Physiotherapist** at the Centre
- 19th Aug **Alcoholics Anon** Holy Trinity Church St Marys at 8:00pm. Please phone 6372 2725 for further details.
- 23rd Aug **Child Health Session** with Lorraine McGee 9am-12noon. Afternoon appointments available by phoning 0428 136 381
- 23rd Aug **Tai Chi** 11am- 12noon For details phone Fiona Watts at the Healthy Community Project on 6376 5242 or Hayley Gilbert on 6372 2111. All welcome!
- 24th Aug **Women's Health Clinic** with Dr Libby Reekman. Waiting list available by phoning 6372 2111
- 24th Aug **Anglicare Financial Counselling**. Appointments available by phoning 1800 243 232
- 24th Aug **Alcoholics Anon** (AA) Anglican Church St Helens at 8pm every Wednesday evening. Phone 6372 5026 for further details.
- 26th Aug **Cornwall Coal** 7:30am- 3:00pm in the Day Room of the Health Centre.
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- 26th Aug **Physiotherapist** at the Centre
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- 31st Aug **Lightfoot Podiatry**, Perry Daly.

Information on this page was submitted by:

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## **BLOOMING OLD (ER)**

**BLOOMING OLD...(ER)** a community event, to promote "*Older people behaving actively*", will be held in St Marys on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September.**

At **BLOOMING OLD...(ER)** you can ride on our bus around Cornwall and St Marys and enjoy experiences you may have been wanting to try.

You may decide to volunteer some time, bash, bowl or bat a ball, check your fitness, dig and plant , go online, belly dance, line dance or try Tai Chi.

You may create a fantastic masterpiece out of cloth, wood, stone, beads, charcoal or pastels...or maybe make and fly a kite.

You can check out and get advice on your medications with the pharmacist, have your blood pressure checked or learn about safety in the home.

There is a **photography competition** which you can enter now which will be judged on the day, **prizes have been donated by the Wombat burrow and Targetts pharmacy.** Please contact the St Marys Community Health Centre for more details on how to enter or fill in the '**Photography Competition Entry Form**' in this edition of the Valley Voice and submit.

And much more...

Come and join us for a fun filled, creative and informative day on ;

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## Photography Competition

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### Guidelines;

- A person of any age may enter competition, but Photos must be of "seniors behaving actively" (in other words photos must be of an older person in an active way, i.e. sport).
- All photos except those entered in the enlarged section are no larger than standard size.
- Photos may be block mounted but not framed.
- Photos are judged in a semi-formal manor the 7<sup>th</sup> September, prior to "Blooming Older" day, 8<sup>th</sup> September. Entries must be received by 6<sup>th</sup> September either by post or in person.
- Name must be on back of photo to save confusion. Once the judge makes the decision it is final and prizes will be awarded according to the section entered.

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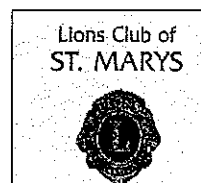
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## **St Marys – Plantation Town**

Anybody living in St Marys who is concerned about being caught in chemical drift from aerial spraying, about respiratory problems from burn-offs following helicopter fire bombing, about their property values falling, about their water supply failing, about the slaughter of local wildlife by poison and shooting, about losing sight of your local scenery, about living in a town with a declining population because new settlers don't want to live among that sort of stuff, about failing businesses because tourists see nothing worth stopping for in the middle of nothing, about driving through miles of the same sort of tree set out row after row after row, seeing no sheep or cattle, no eagles flying high, property houses dozed up, roads ploughed up, fences ripped out so that the plantation owners pay only vacant block rates, should take out an hour of their life this Sunday to go to the Escape Café at St Marys at either 1pm or 3pm to see Filmmaker David Warth's film "Two Visions-a Future for Tasmania".

David Warth has documented the blueprint for the destruction of Tasmania's forests, and the effect on country communities- the 2020 Vision, a plan of the plantation timber industry and Federal and State governments with the stated aim of increasing the country's timber plantation resource from one million to more than three million hectares by 2020, implying the planting of some 90,000 ha per year. The strategy is based on removing plantations from planning schemes by fast track Private Timber Reserves, by removing meaningful objection processes, and financing plantations by tax schemes to write off establishment costs against investors other tax liabilities.

David travelled around Tasmania to talk with local communities about what was happening in the real world as a result of 2020. Through a series of interviews, a picture emerges of the effect that the push for plantations is having on communities.

Communities die! Local shops have closed and entire towns are now gone, Meuna and Preolenna totally converted to plantations, the plantation and investment companies have moved through the state buying up farm land at inflated prices financed by artificial tax breaks in the North West, and then to the east of Launceston at Lilydale, Scottsdale, Tullendenna, Branxholm, Derby, Ringarooma, Moorina, Weldborough, Pyengana, and now into our back yard.

Some 4 years back the plantations moved into Upper Esk past Mathinna, now they have spread into the Tyne, and down towards Fingal through Evercreech. The agents and the Acquisition Officers of the plantation companies have now moved into the Break O Day Plains and offers are being made for properties surrounding St Marys.

The threat to your present way of life is real and immediate. What is happening in the forests and on the farms is no longer something which happens to 'them', it is starting to happen to you. 45% of the Break O Day Municipality is State Forest, and all of the Fingal Valley is farm land. The plantation companies key targets are cleared farm land in highland water catchments near public roads, so that in addition to the tax break they have minimal clearing costs, and their operations are subsidised by free water and the use of public roads. The valley is a plum prize. This one hour film has more relevance to your life than anything that is on the television. This Sunday, the tip stays open until 5, and it will be too cold in the garden. Nobody in St Marys, or Fingal, can say "I didn't realise what was happening"

David Clement

## **New appointments to key road safety panel**

Senator Guy Barnett has announced the appointment of Federal Hotels and Resorts Corporate Affairs Manager Brendan Blomeley and Break O'Day Council Mayor Stephen Salter, to the Australian Government's Road Black Spot Consultative Panel in Tasmania.

"As chairman of the panel I am delighted that Messrs Blomeley and Salter have accepted their appointment. I know they will make an excellent contribution towards the safety of motorists and pedestrians in Tasmania," Senator Barnett said.

Almost 220 projects have now been approved in Tasmania since 1996, worth \$9.4 million.

Under Senator Barnett's chairmanship, Consultative Panel members represent various councils, the Local Government Association of Tasmania, the RACT and Federal and State Government officials.

Projects selected are forwarded to the Minister for Local Government, Territories and Roads Jim Lloyd, for final approval.

The Road Black Spot program has been extended until 2007-08 financial year.

It was originally due to close at the end of the 2005-06 year.

# Greens Member Visiting The North-East



**Tim Morris MHA**, Greens Member for Lyons will be visiting the North East on Wednesday 31st August and Thursday 1st September to discuss community issues with local residents.

All members of the public are invited to attend the public forums to discuss any concerns or requests. Private appointments are also available.

## PUBLIC FORUMS

**Wednesday 31 August**

7 - 9pm

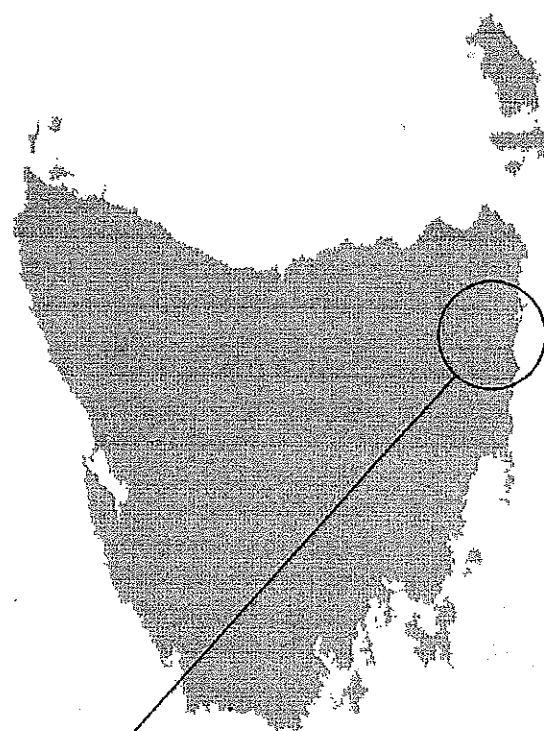
Doherty's St Helens Resort - 1 Quail Street,  
St Helens

**Thursday 1 September**

12 - 2pm

E Scape Cafe Gallery - 21 Main Street, St Marys

Please call 6261 8048 if you would like to make a private appointment outside the above times. Tim can come to your place if necessary.



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

33 Burnett St, New Norfolk 7140

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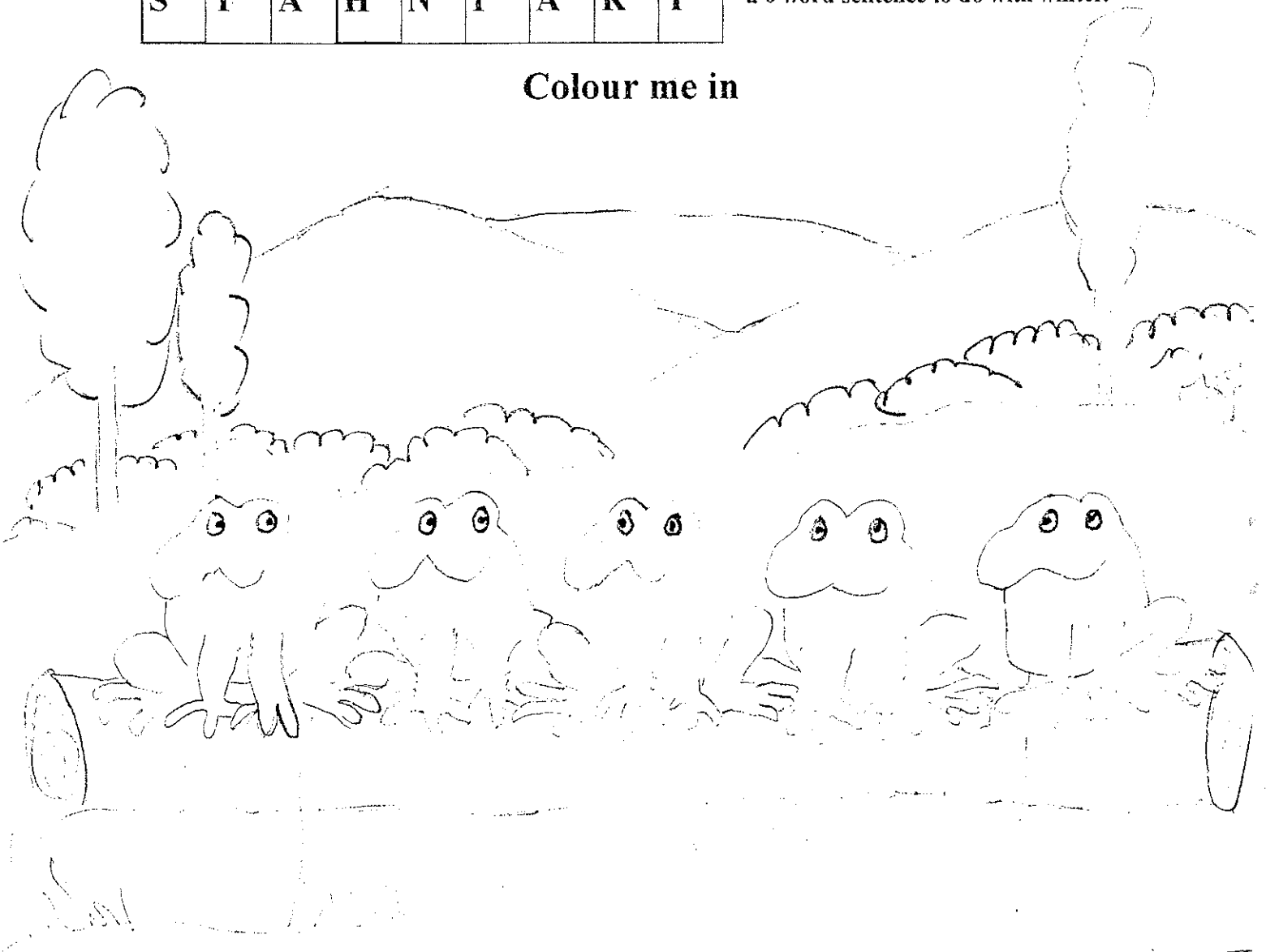
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## St Marys Netball news

### Major Semi-Final report

After maintaining their good form in the last regular club games all three teams were pitched against arch rivals Surfside in the major semi-final with a berth in the Grand Final at stake.

#### Division 3

After being the front runners all year a few nerves and inconsistent shooting for goal saw the St Marys girls go down to Surfside by a single goal. It was a very exciting game, with the result in doubt until the very last seconds. The girls should still make it to the Grand Final, but will need to improve their shooting skills and be a bit tighter in defence if they want to bring home the silverware.

#### Division 2

The girls pulled out all stops in a gutsy win against East Coast to cement their place in the Major semi. In the semi the girls made a slow start but then really showed their mettle with a gutsy and determined four point victory over Surfside to ensure their place in the Grand Final. A truly thrilling game with all the excitement and emotion you would expect of a final. A terrific team effort with all their hard work starting to pay off.

Considering they were beaten by Surfside by 27 points in the first game of the season the level of their improvement is simply outstanding.

#### Division 1

After a very good hit out with a comfortable last round win against the Jets, the girls faced up to Surfside in the major semi. A very tough and entertaining match with St Marys right up there for three quarters, but Surfside eventually wore them down to win by 14 points. Again the girls should still make the Grand Final and if they play to their potential will give Surfside a real run for their money.

**Two observations:** Firstly, considering the number of talented St Marys girls playing for Surfside (particularly in Divisions 2 & 3) the small village of St Marys really is the dominant force in junior netball in this area. Secondly, it was great to see the level of spectator support for the St Marys teams, I'm sure the Division 1 girls appreciated the many junior players and parents, friends etc. who stayed on to support them. There was a real sense of village pride and support on show which appears to be unique to the St Marys teams. Congratulations to all.

Sunday August 21, will see Division 1 and 3 teams playing for the right to contest the Grand Final.

Don't forget the presentation function to be held at the St Marys Sports Centre on September 3, starting at 5.30pm.

## St Marys Soccer club

There are 3 remaining training sessions for the season. The next game is at St Helens, August 27, 9.30am start.

The last training session (last week of term 2) will be used to give our certificates.

It would be appreciated if all players could attend.

More info: **Dave 6372 2320**

**Tanya 6372 2534**

**Michelle 6375 1335**

### Grassy Bottom Regional Arts

Our next meeting is a 'play clay' meeting to be held at 12 noon at the supper room of the St Marys Town Hall Friday, 26th August. All welcome. Please bring a plate, a cuppa will be available.

#### Raffle Winners:

1. Kim Mathews -\$50 Carpet Walk voucher
  2. Kim Mathews -Hair care kit
  3. H. Lodge- Ratha B'zar gift pack
  4. Tamatha Mahoney - Wooden trays by Michael Brown
  5. Rod Bond - 4 Litres of jelly beans
- Pick up prizes at Ratha B'zar

#### Upcoming events:

Tas Dance presents 'Sprung' the workshop tour coming to St Marys Sept. 8th

. Creative dance workshops, limited spaces.

Enrolment forms available from Ratha B'zar or Purple Possum, or check posters in our new community notice board, built by our own Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild.

Notice Board is available for long and short term use. Key at e.ScApe.

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### Bay Surf Shop 2

2 Pendrigh Place  
St Helens

Ph: 6376 1755

## St Marys Sports Centre news

It's a credit to everyone for supporting the club as they are at present. The Saturday fields over the past few weeks have been outstanding. All we need now is a drop of substantial rain to help us with the course. I can't remember in winter, needing to have preferred lies on the fairways because of their dryness, but that's what applies now, until that proper rain arrives.

Congratulations to Col Payne who has won the past two club comps. The first was Stableford with an excellent 40 pts, closely followed by Mark Carrick, 39 pts and Barry Harrison, 38 pts. In last week's Mulligans event Col shot 56 with Mark Carrick and Brent Leedham on 58 and Glenn McDonald, Damon Viney and Andrew Webb on 59.

Just a reminder that in the next two weeks we have the first 36 holes of the club championships, and the very popular Spilsbury Trophy being run in conjunction on this up-coming week August 20 /21, and the following week it's the St Marys Annual Spring Tournament on Sunday 28th August, over 27 holes.

The Championships will be on the first day, 11am for 11.30am start and 12.30 pm for those running businesses. Day 2 will be in same order at 11.30am onwards. Let's keep up the fantastic numbers like we're experiencing at the moment.

The tournament (1 day only) will include the St Marys Open for men and women as the main events. Entry fee is \$10, which includes a bite to eat.

In the following weekends we have Malahide Tournament, which we really should support strongly, and then the Scamaryhide Cup at Malahide the following week, before our championships conclude on Saturday 17th September and Sunday 18th September.

We're also extremely happy to have the Ray Ridgers Memorial Trophy on the Saturday to add to the Championships. As you can see it's going to be a hectic few weeks on the golf course.

New lady members, don't forget the free coaching sessions at the club. It's not too late to be a part of it.

To bowls, and the green looks magnificent for this time of the year, and is a credit to all concerned. With the season fast approaching the bowls committee urges all current and prospective bowlers to get to the club and enjoy what promises to be a big year. Watch this column for details on the new season which is just around the corner.

Great news! The 8 ball team have won through to the Grand Final, hoping to emulate last years' premiership. A great win at Rossarden in the second semi-final. Apparently it was a nail biter. Well done.

To club news, and all those wishing to express interest in greenkeeping or bar duties for the current club year, must have their expression in writing to the Secretary by this Friday, 19th August, to be considered. No exceptions, to be fair to all. Contact the Secretary for further details.

To all members; the subscriptions for our really local people have been left on the table at the club for a couple of weeks to save on postage, and plenty have been collected. Otherwise, in the next week or so they will be mailed to you. They can be paid any time between now and the 1st of October, but for capitation fee deadlines, the sooner the better would be appreciated.

Great effort everyone for supporting the club so strongly. Spring time will see some major projects make a much awaited start.

The last thing is the footy tipping comp. It is going gangbusters and looks like going down to the wire, with a great concept. You're never really out of it. Thanks Mark.

Anyway till next time, good hitting and rolling.



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##### Next week's specials

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