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"THE MAN WITH THE DONKEY" 1892 -1915

JOHN SIMPSON KIRKPATRICK

John Simpson Kirkpatrick was a hero. A war hero. A very special type of war hero.

He killed no-one, and he led no great charges, but with a stray donkey he named Murphy, saved many lives.

Again and again he ferried wounded ANZAC soldiers to safety from the front line trenches to the beach-head at Gallipoli.

He died at the age of 22, leading his donkey and a wounded soldier down Shrapnel Gully.

Private Simpson seems to have shown essential Australian qualities: courage, physical strength, independence, singlemindedness, comradeship, compassion and a dislike of authority.

A bravery that sought and received no awards.

John Simpson Kirkpatrick died an Australian.

But he was born a South Shieldsman of a poor, immigrant Scottish family.

His life before Gallipoli was typical of so many of the period. He was born at No.10 South Eldon Street, in the densely populated Laygate area of South Shields (England), where row after row of two up, two down terraced houses were inhabited by working-class people, their livelihoods totally dependent on heavy engineering, the ship-yards, docks and coal mines.

The family moved to 14 Bertram Street, a few hundred yards from where he was born and it was there that John was brought up. His three brother and a sister all died in childhood, and his father was crippled at work.

Young John attended Barnes Road Primary School and St Marys Sunday School.

His education was cut short by the need to support his parents and youngest surviving sister. He worked as a milk boy until his father died in 1909.

A week later he left South Shields for a life at sea. He was never to return to South Shields. He jumped ship in Australia in 1910, hoping to find his fortune in the Queensland canefields, the coal mines of New South Wales, and the gold fields of Western Australia.

John found no fortune and few friends. He returned to sea in 1911 as a steward and then as a stoker, working out of Fremantle on a number of small coasters.

His ships called into Hobart on several occasions during that period.

At the outbreak of the Great War, Kirkpatrick joined the 3rd Field Ambulance in the Australian Army Medical corps.

John was missing his beloved mother terribly, and believed the army would take him to France, and eventually to England and his mother. Instead, the army took him to Gallipoli. He was one of the first ANZACS to land on 25th April, 1915.

In the 24 days that followed, Kirkpatrick was to achieve a greatness and fame that had previously been denied him, and the comradeship and admiration of his fellow soldiers.

He was buried at Queensland Point at Gallipoli.

A bronze statue of "The Man With the Donkey" was erected at the Shrine of Remembrance in Melbourne.

Another statue was unveiled in Canberra in 1988.



John Simpson Kirkpatrick. Credited with helping to save over three hundred 'diggers' in World War 1 at Gallipoli, by rescuing them for the front line and ferrying them down hill with his donkey, whom he named Murphy. He did this miraculous feat for 24 days, before losing his own life at the age of 22.

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Please note: Deadline for articles to be included in the next Valley Voice is: 5 pm Tuesday, April 24, 2007.

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 the last Saturday of the month at 4pm at the goods shed behind the St Marys Railway Station.

Grassy Bottom Regional Arts are holding General meetings on the first Tuesday of every month at 2 Story St, St Marys at 6pm. Come along to share your creative ideas and help Grassy Bottom maintain an artistic culture in our community.

The Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre Inc., holds meetings every 3rd Monday of the month at 10 am at the St Marys Community Health Centre.

St Marys Yoga Room, Wednesdays 5.30pm—7pm. 7 Storey Street. Inquiries to teacher Jack Foreman. 6372 2034. All welcome to come and try. \$10 per class

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Ray Wright
 is having a birthday.
 Help him celebrate at the
St Marys Sports Centre.
Sunday 29th April
2—5pm

Learn a New Appliqué Technique - *Padded Appliqué* class on 5th May, 9-12 am (Break O'Day Sew n Sews) Cost: \$10 plus materials. To book, call Rita at Gone Rustic Quilt Studio & Gallery, 37 Main Street, St. Marys, Tues-Fri, 11-4. Phone - 6372 2724 or 0409 289 997; email—gonerustic@hotmail.com

I wish to apologise for inadvertently putting Vol.38 instead of Vol. 39 on the last three issues of this paper. Could the National Library of Australia, Canberra, please note this error and change the issues accordingly? Ed.

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Please phone now to book in on **6374 2344.**

You will need to bring your own lunch, pen and paper.

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When: Tues, 17 April 2007, 10.15 – 11.00 am

Where: St Mary's Online Access Centre, Main Street, St Mary's

Scottsdale

When: Wed, 18 April 2007, 10.15 – 11.00am

Where: Scottsdale Library, King Street, Scottsdale

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We are holding a display of "the way things were transported in yesteryear" in June 2007, and we need photos and other memorabilia for our display. Your photos will be copied and returned to you immediately. Only the copies will be displayed.

If you can be of any help with taking a trip down memory lane please contact Reon on 63722094.

We hope to make this event a success and with your help I am sure it will be.

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We are desperately short of active members and encourage anyone interested, to be more involved in their child's school, and the school community.

The St.Marys District High School Association
is responsible for the



School Canteen, Community Garden,
St.Marys Op-shop and the School Pool.

This year the portfolio has expanded to include the St.Marys Idol, to be held early second term.

The Association is made up of parents,
Teachers, school employees,
and community members.



As a parent or guardian of students at this school
you are already a member.

Meetings usually occur twice a term in the school staff room at
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A LITTLE BIT OF HERITAGE: by Jim Haas
The Fingal Line

When we look back over history there are significant events, happenings or inventions that changed the World. Perhaps the most innovating was the discovery and development of the power of steam by James Watt in 1776. What happened from then onwards needs no explanation.

Arguably the most significant day in the history of St Marys and indeed the Fingal Valley, has a direct link to Watt's invention. It was the opening of the railway from The Main Line at The Corners (Conara) to St Marys on the 29th June 1886.

We can only imagine what it would have been like on that historic day when many of our ancestors stood on the platform of the newly built station and welcomed the special steam train full of dignitaries as it huffed, puffed and hissed its way into the railyards of St Marys. One can only wonder if they realised how much their lives would change from that day on.

St Marys could now go forward as an industrial centre. The abundance of coal found in the Mt Nicholas Range could now be mined and transported cheaply and safely to Tasmanian industries. Our farm produce, in particular the award winning cheeses that was being made here, could reach the markets of Hobart, Launceston, or Sydney and beyond much more quickly. Our timber industry that Julius Aulich had just started at Mill Ridge, east of St Patricks Head, could now expand beyond the Break O'Day Plains.

The opening of the Fingal Line was overshadowed the same evening, however, when the special train, which left Hobart on the 28th June 1886, loaded with some 100 dignities, many of whom were government ministers, which included the Premier, The Honourable Doctor Agnew, left the rails on a five chain curve just twenty miles from Hobart. The train itself was extensively damaged and all persons on board were injured in some way, with the driver, Mr Bradshaw killed instantly, and the stoker, Joseph Rogers, dieing the following day. All other passengers, although many had broken bones and scalds, made full recoveries.

The Fingal Line itself has a good safety record. The only major disaster was on Saturday the 16th August 1946 when, after heavy rain which was compared to the 1929 floods, an embankment a mile east of Ormley at Rosstrevor, collapsed. This caused a "Q" class steam locomotive and the twenty trucks of coal and timber it was hauling to leave the tracks killing the driver, Eric Britton. The train and its carriages were extensively wrecked and it was a miracle that the firemen Fred Guy, guard R. Causley, and passengers Mr and Mrs Athol Bean and their baby daughter, were uninjured.

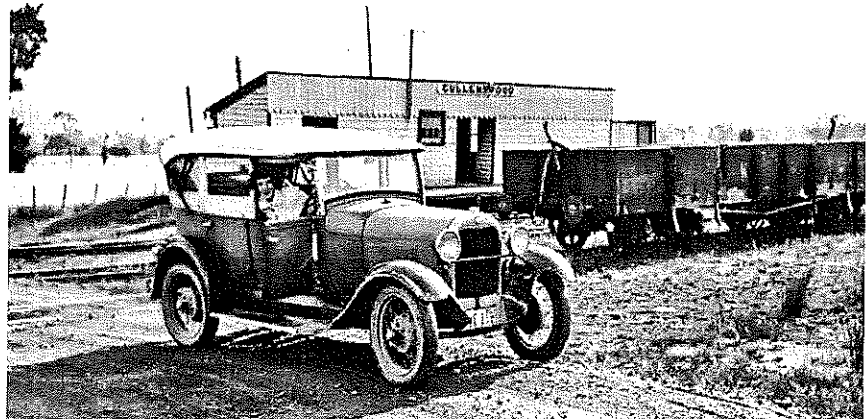
For almost a hundred years the Fingal Line was the most important link with the outside world. It carried our coal, timber and farm produce to market. It provided a passenger service to the city and it carried our goods into the valley. But as the motor car developed and roads were upgraded, more and more freight and passengers preferred road travel to rail and the "Camel Car" passenger service, as it was known, ended in 1957.

Now fifty years on, although the majority of our coal and a small amount of timber are still carted out of the valley by rail, we have seen a gradual shift of all freight towards road transport. Today when we drive down the Esk Main Road and pass the many trucks carting both timber and coal, one can only wonder if our rail system will survive for much longer. Or will it too be abandoned and pulled up like the St Marys to Fingal line was in the 1980s?

I guess now in hindsight we should not have stood back and allowed this to happen, but instead ran a campaign similar to our hospital, doctor and environmental protests, and fought to have this significant part of our history preserved. What a wonderful tourist attraction we could have now with a regular steam train running up and down the Break O'Day Plains as a living memory of that important time in our heritage.

I have fond memories as a young boy waking up to the sound of the morning stream train as it huff, puffed, clickety clacked and whistled its way from Cullenswood station up into the Cornwall screens with the daily supply of coal wagons. I remember looking down from Cornwall and seeing the stream train hauling its long line of coal wagons as it headed off down the valley. The plume of white smoke and steam would trail a mile or so behind, before it disappeared into the atmosphere.

Sadly our train line and the sounds of a steam train may have been lost for ever. But thanks to Darlene and Michael Wright, who have taken an interest in the wonderful old station building, which dates back to 1886, and lovingly restored it to what you see today, St Marys still has a significant icon that will continue to stand for generations as a living reminder of our rail history, as well as providing a place to relax and learn the heritage of our valley and its people.

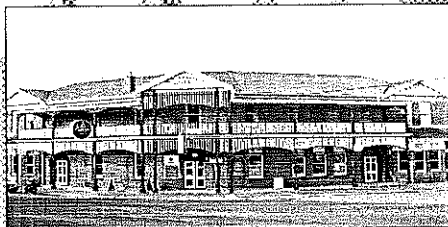


Jan Johnson (nee Oliver) with 'Lizzie' in front of the Cullenswood Railway Station.

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OUT OF THE WOODWORK

by Reon Johns. President 6372 2094

Since we have received the certificate of occupancy, the Guild workshop has taken on a new lease of life. The members are very active and the dust extracting system is nearly complete.

The Guild applied for the Council's small grant, but we were unsuccessful. We might have better luck next time. The training classes are well attended and there are some surprising skills emerging from people who did not know that they had them. Well done.

Ian Summers (pictured right) is progressing well on the Avro Avian model plane, and it looks like it will be finished on time for the

History of Transport in St Marys in June.

The Guild is working, together with the e.ScApe Café, on a special project for ANZAC DAY, and it is almost completed.

A reminder to all members that your membership fees are due by the 30 June, 2007, and the AGM will be held in conjunction with the August meeting.

The Guild meets on the last Saturday of the month in the Goods Shed behind the St Marys Railway Station, at 4pm.

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St Marys Hospital Auxiliary Easter Raffle

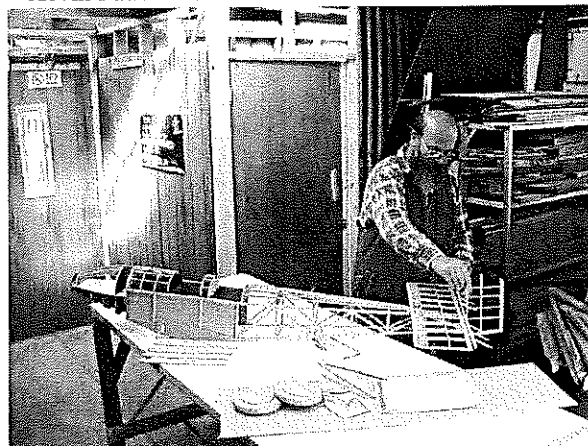
The winner of the raffle drawn 5th April, with proceeds to the "Heart Monitor" purchase, was Kath Blair of St Marys. Congratulations Kath.

A big "thanks" to all supporters, for the magnificent effort in raising \$1061.00 for our cause. This included \$300.00 kindly donated to the cause by such generous people as "Lucy" and the "Scamander Resort Social Club".

This, together with such wonderful previous support allows the Heart Machine to be purchased, and placed in valued use for the benefit of all within our community.

Once again, our heart-felt thanks for your support and inspiration, allowing yet another goal to be achieved.

Kevin Faulkner. Sec.





Healthy Community Project Art Exhibition



We are planning to coordinate an exhibition to be held on the first Anniversary of the bushfires in December. The exhibition will be an opportunity to record your experiences of the bushfires, and also record the survival and rebuilding over the following 12 months.

The aim of the exhibition is to allow people the opportunity to express their feelings, thoughts, ideas and to promote a positive recovery process.

All individuals are invited to record their experiences during and after the bushfires, to be included in an exhibition.

Suggested types of mediums are: photos, videos, pottery, music, glass, paintings, drawings, quilts, embroidery, jewellery, stained glass, stories, poems, interviews, woodwork etc. This is an opportunity to be creative, anything goes; perhaps individuals have a particular item that was affected in the fires.

Please pass the message around to encourage individuals to record the recovery on an ongoing basis over the next 9 months. The initiative is at a very early stage, however we would like to ensure people are aware, and have the opportunity to participate in this special recovery process. The exhibition will be an opportunity for the community to work collaboratively towards recovery. Let's make this a brilliant, positive event.

We will be seeking to secure funding to support the project, and would appreciate letters supporting the initiative.

For more information or to discuss this initiative further please contact **Jan Sparkes** on 6372 2433 or **Fiona Watts** on 6376 5242.

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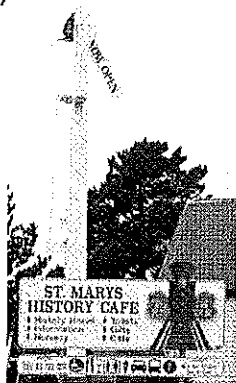
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September 30th: Practice/Fun Day
October 21st: End of Year Club Day/BBQ
December 2nd: Grass Track Event
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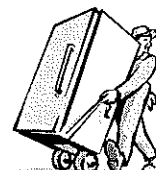
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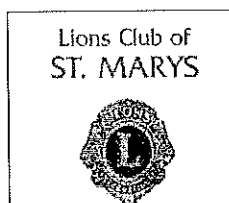
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Fire regeneration funding

The Lions Club of St Marys has available a limited amount of funding that has specifically been provided to assist with plant regeneration following the recent East Coast bushfires.

Accordingly, any resident or community group from the Break O'Day council area is invited to apply for funding to assist with the purchase of plants/trees/shrubs for either private or community based use.

The money allocated (by way of vouchers which can be redeemed at local nurseries) will be based on the number of applications received, with a view to having all monies disbursed and/or allocated by the end of the current financial year.

Individuals need only forward a simple written request, advising of the address of the property where plants will be replaced. Community groups should provide a summary of the location and nature of works proposed.

Applications should reach St Marys Lions Club by **May 31st, 2007**, and can be simply addressed care of St Marys Post Office.

Any enquiries can be directed to Harry Veldums at the St Marys Post Office on 6372 2124, or John McGiveron, St Marys Lions Club Secretary, on 6272 2231

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The Say by Cagerattler

A very respected media outlet is about to revisit our area to say thank you to the communities for help in broadcasting and other assistance given during the December bushfire crisis.

It has been called 'Back to St Helens', according to the written information in the newspapers. Let it be said that this is a terrific thing to happen, and a great concept.

Without being too controversial though, I'd strongly suggest to the producers of this event (April 21st) that it include quite a bit of input from Scamander, Four Mile Creek, Cornwall, Fingal, Mathinna and St Marys, where, just like St Helens, support from the businesses and the community was amazing over those weeks late last year.

In some instances, we had people out there providing their expertise, fighting/managing the fires, servicing the crews AND running businesses, all at the same time. Some of these people weren't even sure if their own properties were safe. For Scamander and Four Mile Creek, homes were lost, others lost infrastructure, directly affecting their livelihoods, and others still lost access, causing hardship and trepidation. Perhaps some of these people will be included, to see how they have moved on.

I'd expect that the incredible local volunteer firey's, volunteer firey's from around the state, Tas Fire Service crews, SES, Parks and Wildlife and Tasmania Police will get a special recognition, as should the hospitals, paramedics and volunteer ambulance crews.

What about the local and statewide Aurora crews who were literally replacing poles in the hundreds, while the fires were still burning, so that power supplies could be restored as quickly as possible? And Telstra Technicians worked similarly to repair vital communication links. I'd expect they will also get a mention or two during the day, as would Break O'Day Council for their excellent efforts informing the community.

Works Tasmania road crews, local council road crews and associated transport authorities similarly deserve recognition during the show, you'd anticipate, for getting roads safe so quickly.

In the aftermath of the fires, all this coincided with the conclusion of the school year, and the efforts of all our local schools, but particularly St Marys District High School, with many students directly affected due to pass closures (etc) were tremendous. I understand that children from St Marys and St Helens schools will be part of the wonderful music performances on the day. That's great.

As mentioned above, to have this through radio the week after next in St Helens is fantastic, and thanks must go to the conveners, but perhaps it should be called "**Back to Break O'Day**", just to remind people that this affected so many communities, and there are thousands of people to thank right across our state, not just here. I'm sure we will turn our radios on, or be there to take it in.

What do you think?

Grassy Bottom Arts Rave

Our first Friday night market was held in the Town Hall on Good Friday, and it was very good. We held it inside the hall as the afternoon was chilly and didn't promise to warm up any. The new acoustic set-up has made a remarkable difference to the building and a good time was had by all.

We drew the Easter raffle, and the winner was Timothy Aulich. We found him gardening at his parents house, and they all seemed quite happy with the win. Congratulations Timothy, and thank you to everyone who supported the Winter Solstice Fireworks Appeal by buying a ticket.

We are still looking for people who would be interested in volunteering to help with the Winter Solstice.

To sign up: please ring John on 6372 2413

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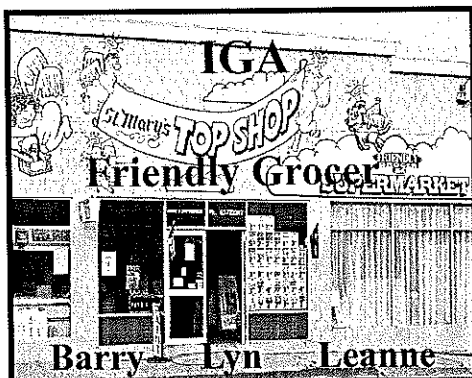
Registration day
for the
East Coast & Fingal Valley
Junior Football Association
Auskick programme
will be held at the
St. Marys Recreation Ground
on Sunday April 22nd
at 10.30am.

As part of the upcoming Sesquicentenary celebrations we are looking for the oldest vehicle in St Marys and the oldest vehicle that is still registered.

Please contact Ian Summers, Grant Faulkner, Bill Targett or Reon Johns.

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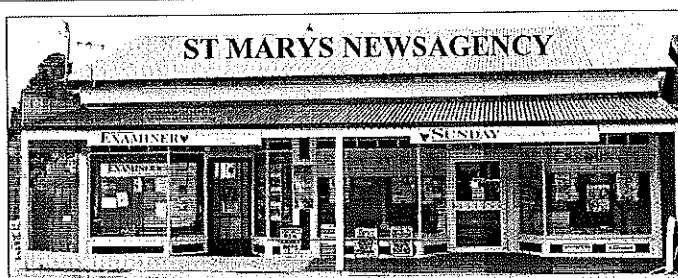
ST MARYS SESQUICENTENARY COOKERY BOOK

Do you have an **old** family recipe (no matter how quirky) or a favourite one of your own that you would be willing to pass on to the St Marys Lions Club for inclusion in our upcoming publication?

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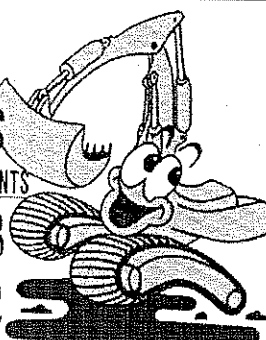
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Fri	20th	Claire Bean	Julie-Anne Claridge
Mon	23rd	Fe Gillies	Kaylene Sutton
Tues	24th	D & K Floyed	Tom Brady
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St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
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Campbell Town 5.00pm
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4th Week: LITURGY

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Fingal 9.30am

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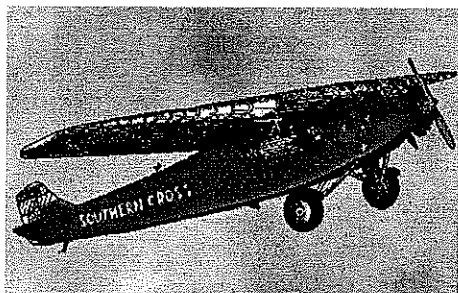
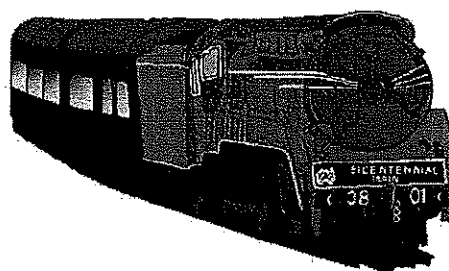


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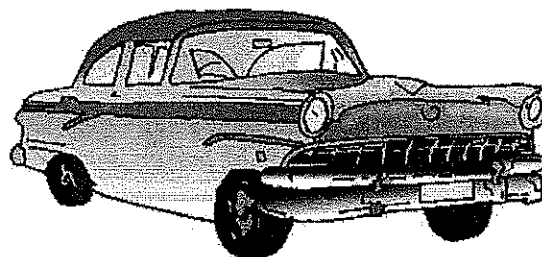
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Combined Probus Club of Scamander Inc.

Presidents report 2006/2007 by outgoing President Roz Bayley

As my year comes to an end, it is interesting to note how our Probus ideals..i.e. "keeping our minds active and stimulated," "expanding our interests" and "enjoying fellowships and friendships" with one another, have been met.

Firstly, our minds were kept active with our guest speakers. We started the year with the Surf Lifesaving movement. Melinda Payne and Peg Ryan. It was unfortunate that I missed that first meeting in April by being in Brisbane, But your Vice President saved the day.

May meeting saw Jason Elmer, the Sgt of Police at Scamander, keep us on the straight and narrow.

June followed with Lindsay Miller from the RFDS, then on to a different tack with Mick Tucker—a champion woodsman among other talents, spoke in July.

August saw Michael Aulich teach us all about communications in the outback, and the use of radios and their history.

September we had Rob McKerrow from Aurora, and we all gained something from his talk.

October saw John McGiveron who enlightened us about the workings of the Fingal coal mines.

November saw us all gaining an insight into fishing, and the do's and dont's of catching and releasing undersized fish and keeping a lookout for those who aren't quite as correct.

December was a month I'm sure we would all like to forget, with the horrendous bushfires. We (quote) "Cancelled" December, as I am sure a lot of others in the area would have liked to do too.

The New Year saw us ready for more mental stimulation, and our guest speaker was Yonah Denman, who explained how grateful less fortunate children are to receive the lovely Christmas boxes filled with goodies, sent with love from all around Australia. These are the Samaritan Purse boxes and Yonah was an inspiration to us all giving. Coming after the horrendous December we have suffered as a community, it was a sobering experience to remember there are always others who are worse off than ourselves.

February saw Libby Raynor from Neighbourhood House explain just how the community house worked and who could benefit from all the programmes available to the community that are held there.

It is with sincere thanks to Peter Zurowski for his efforts in securing each of these different, varied and very interesting guest speakers we have enjoyed this year. Thank you Peter.

Expanding our interests: With this we come to our day trips. Here we must thank Barry Aulich for an excellent job. Although Barry makes this tour director's job seem 'like a breeze', there must be many frustrating moments when I am sure he would like to scream! It begs the question,- does he enjoy those wonderful trips as much as we all do? This past year he has excelled in choosing some wonderful places that most of us had not been to previously.

We started the year in April with two farms. The Honey Farm at Chudleigh, and then on to the Salmon Farm at 41 deg south, where most of us came away with some smoked fish.

Next trip was our 2 day extravaganza to Hobart and Bruny Island in October. The highlight of this trip was the Peppermint Bay Cruise from Hobart. We all stayed at the Wrest Point Casino, but no-one seemed to leave the next day with any jackpots!

Our next day trip in November was to the beautiful Woolmers Rose Garden where we all marveled at the quality and number of roses, whilst checking out their vegetable garden that supplies the restaurant at Woolmers with fresh vegetables. We then headed off to Westbury to the tractor museum. This was a complete 'dark horse' as some thought looking at a 'bunch of tractors' was hardly exciting...but...that was before we were all totally amazed at the number of tiny replicas on display. Hundreds of them, and all reproduced to scale. It would have been a little boy's total delight, and the big boys loved it too.

Earlier this month we were treated to an even more exciting day trip to Launceston to see the glass blowers at Breadalbane, lunch at the Casino... with enough time to have a 'flutter', before boarding the coach and heading off to the Waverly Woollen Mills and then to the Museum of Vintage Cars— where we saw the current display of Chevrolets as well as other reminders of our youth.

How interesting each of these trips have been, with Kerry and Joanne from Franklins Coaches catering to our every need and serving delicious morning and afternoon teas each time. It is true... Probus members do like their food.

8 new members have joined us this year: Bev and Lance Newman, Val and Tony Ikin, Joan Harris, Bruce and Jill Davey and Bob McIntee.

Our club has enjoyed friendship lunches after some of our meetings. In April Bill Deacon was our first host, October, Henry and Pauline Biggelaar, January we enjoyed a BBQ at the Scamander foreshore and February saw us at Kath and Mort Francis' home for a BBQ. A big thank you to all.

2006 was a special year in that it was the first time the Probus Rendezvous was held in Tasmania—in Launceston—in September. Scamander Club was involved from the beginning with Hugh Jestrinski and myself taking part in organising a trip for the delegates to the East Coast, in company with the Launceston Host Clubs. Barry Aulich and Harvey Lear joined in with us, and the trip we planned to Lake Leake, the Walnut Farm, Abalone Farm and then lunch at White Sands, where our club members turned out to meet and greet these delegates, turned out to be the most popular trip of the whole week of the Rendezvous. The positive feedback we received from some of the delegates via letter, proves to us that all the hard work paid off.

Last and really the most important, my heartfelt and sincere thanks go to my committee, without whose help and support my year as your President would not have been possible.

I would like to close by wishing the new 2007/08 President and committee the best of luck and may your year be as happy as mine has been.

This report has been slightly abridged due to space available.

Letter to the Editor – April 2007

Given his recent comments, (*The Mercury*, 29 March) Federal Forest Minister, Eric Abetz has again demonstrated that he has no real knowledge about Forestry Tasmania's fire programs and to cover his ignorance he deliberately tries to confuse the issue, when he persists in talking about fuel reduction burns and the so-called regeneration burns as if they are one and the same.

The mushroom like clouds of smoke we have just started to see again around the state are what Forestry Tasmania refers to as regeneration burns. These are fires that are conducted after a forest coupe has been clear-felled and the vast quantity of wood and debris that is not removed is either burnt in high intensity burns and then sown with native eucalypts or is piled into rows and then burnt in preparation for plantations.

Fuel reduction burns on the other hand are undertaken when it is ascertained that forest material lying on the forest floor is in such quantities that it will exacerbate a wildfire. This material is removed with low intensity burning. Sometimes this is after selective logging and often it has no relationship to logging activity at all.

The Greens are not opposed to well planned and managed fuel reduction burning to protect property. Good fuel reduction burning programs mean less property damage, greater protection for forests and native animals as well as less carbon emissions by reducing the extent and severity of summer bushfires.

Senator Abetz is also wrong when he says that the massive regeneration burns are not bad for climate change. The facts are that forests accumulate large stores of carbon, not only in the wood but also in the soils. Much of this carbon is released to the atmosphere when a forest is logged and burnt. Then, because over 80% of the wood goes to woodchip and is made into ephemeral things like disposable paper products, these also release their carbon within a short timeframe. Only a small proportion of what is logged traps carbon as solid wood.

A new forest can gradually replace the lost carbon, but forests managed for regular 80 year logging rotations never catch up to undisturbed forests and capture only about a third of the carbon found in mature forests.

It is wrong to claim that the Greens refuse to acknowledge that bushfires also contribute significantly to Tasmania's carbon emissions – of course they do. We have acknowledged that for decades, and our policy is, and has always been, aimed at minimising the risk of catastrophic bushfires by careful and well-managed fuel-reduction burning and other manual techniques such as slashing.

The two types of burns have absolutely nothing to do with each other, and for Senator Abetz to suggest they do is mischievous to say the very least, and only shows his ignorance about what happens in the forests and his illogical hatred for the Greens and wish to bag us at any opportunity, even if it means misleading the public in the process.

I am available for to take Senator Abetz out in the forests anytime he would like to improve his understanding of what is actually going on out there.

Tim Morris MHA
Greens Shadow Native Forests spokesperson
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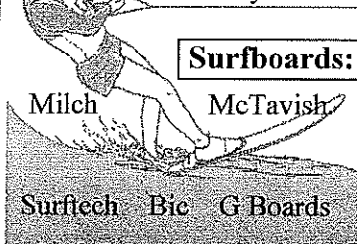


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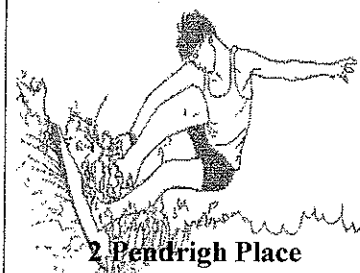


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23rd Apr. ↳ Primary Assembly - 4/5Fisher to lead 11am ↳ Dental Service		24th Apr. ↳ Dental Service		25th Apr. ↳ ANZAC DAY		26th Apr ↳ Aboriginal Music and Dance performance. ↳ Newstead Performance Excursion grade 9/10.		27th Apr.	

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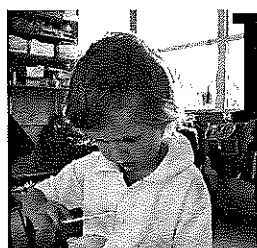
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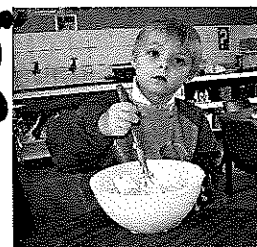
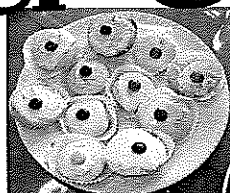
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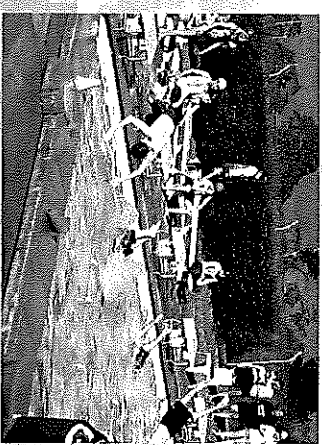
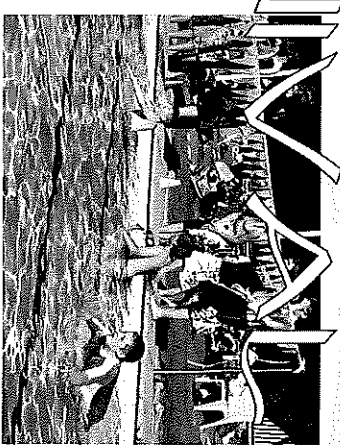
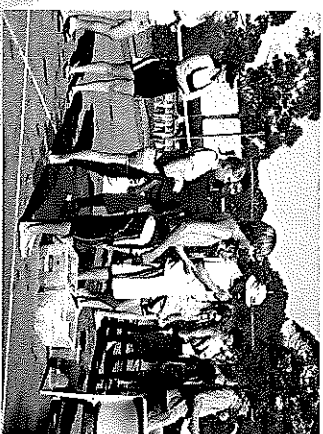
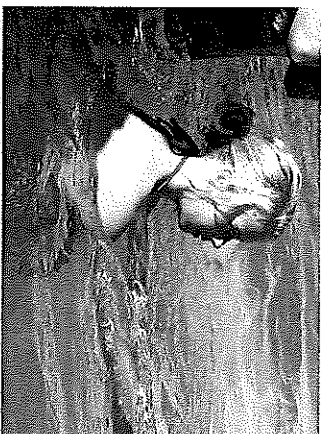
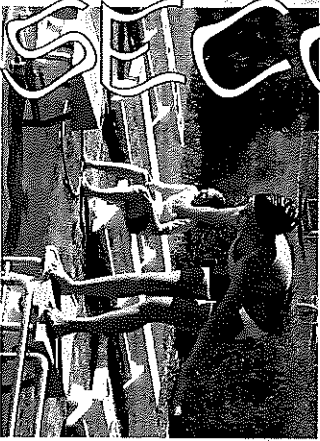
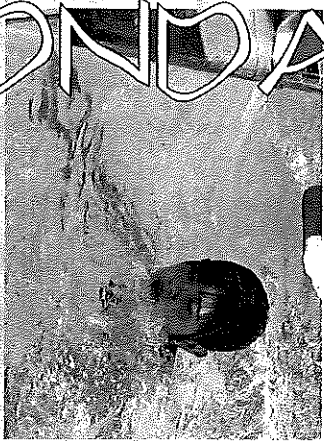
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They all agreed the best part was the eating. YUM!!



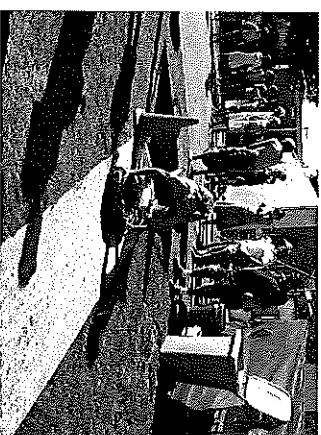
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Grade 7 Boys Jacob Spilsbury	Joshua Male
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Grade 8 Boys Dan Male Shannon Rosskelly	Joel Bennett
Grade 9 Girls Jacqui Midson	Kate Wright
Grade 9 Boys Max Turner	Sam McCullagh
Grade 10 Girls Ruby Wallace	Beth Rosskelly
Grade 10 Boys Ned Hyland	Shaun Cannon

Old Record	New Record
Kara Turner	Grade 7 Girls 25m Freestyle 16.09 15.02
Jacqui Midson	Grade 9 Girls 25m Freestyle 16.36 16.04
Ruby Wallace	Grade 10 Girls 50m Freestyle 36.63 36.47
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'WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE'

12 Apr

Physiotherapy, Margaret Van Der Merwe
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13 April

Relationships Australia, Lyn Marie

17 April

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19 April

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23 April

Psychiatrist, Dr Peters. 1:00-1:30pm

24 April

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25 April

ANZAC DAY- NO DOCTORS CLINIC

26 April

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26 April

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27 April

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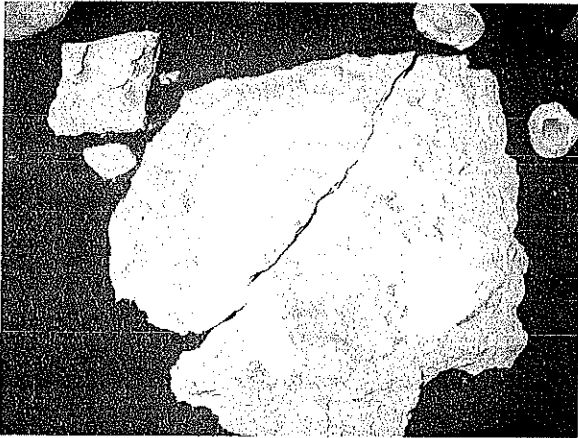
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ST MARYS DAY CENTRE **FOSSIL VIEWING ON THE GRAY**

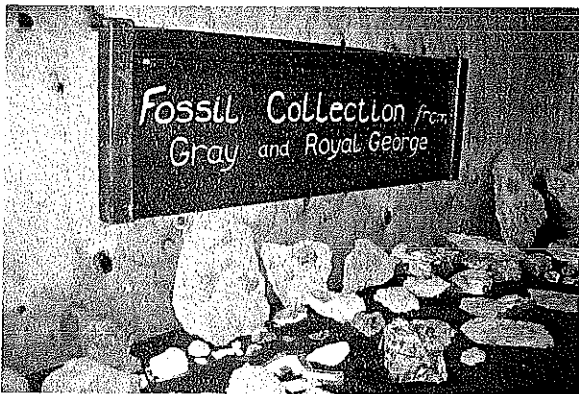


On Wednesday 4th April 2007 the St Marys Day Centre went to view an amazing collection of fossils out on the Gray near St Marys. The collected fossils are found in a local family's personal collection and have been sought from around Gray and Royal George areas.

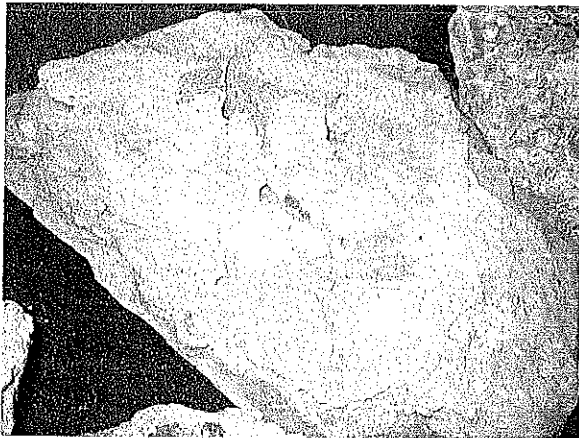
Pictured Left: A scallop shell shape embedded into one of the rocks found

Some of the fossils on display are natural rocks that when split in half display an amazing crystal formation inside.

Whilst others have very distinct shell and leaf shapes



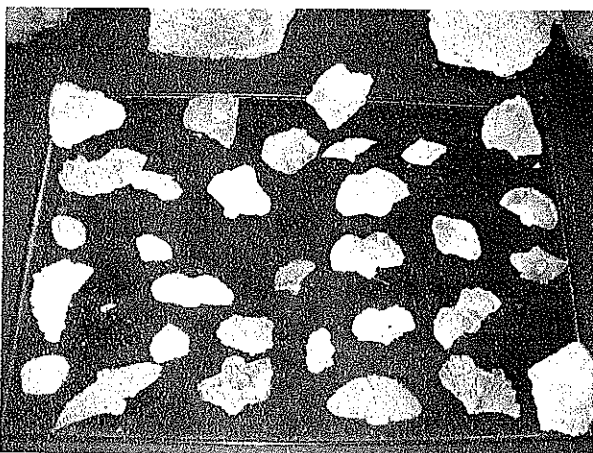
Picture above: Some of the smaller pieces in this collection



Picture above: More shell formations in one of the rocks

Picture right: L-R

David Mallett, Neville Triffitt, Malky Wardlaw, Maisie Finney, Barbara Kringle, Jessie Dare, Peter Rubenach, Heather Lester, Mark Reynolds, Margaret & Scott Kringle, Rosa Byard, David Gill and Gary Munday



One of the most amazing things about this collection is the location where they were found. When looking at the Gray, Elephant Pass and Royal George locations in comparison to where the sea is, it is hard to imagine how this sea life came to rest so far up the mountain and inland.

One of the fossils displayed was actually still alive! A giant millipede. The Millipede displayed itself as a tight black ball that one might confuse for a large, black, shiny necklace bead. We were not fortunate enough to see it at full length as it was in defence mode with so many people around.

Like the millipede some of the items in this collection are quite rare. So to share them with us was a great privilege.

It was a very interesting visit and we would like to thank Peter Rubenach for taking the time to show us around his very interesting collection.



Picture left: A selection of smaller fossil pieces

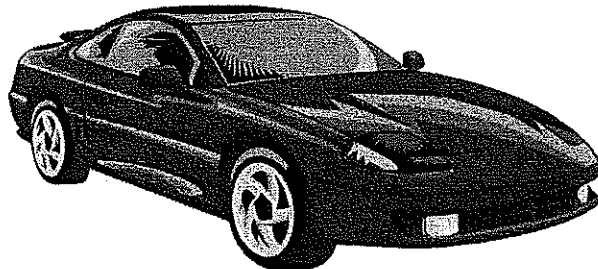
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St Marys Sports Centre news by Kackhander

Thank you to all who supported Macca's 'Swish and Fish Day' on Good Friday, and to Trev, Roger, Mark Carrick and of course Macca, for another excellent day. Once again a fine roll up, and it has quickly become a regular event on the calendar.

It's always a quiet time for the club over Easter, with family activities going on, so to have such an event is a big bonus. Now Easter is finished, the full golf calendar kicks in.

This Sunday, April 15th, is a fun Mulligans Event at 11.30am. The following Sunday is a single Stableford, preceded the day before by a special Bowls Annual Dinner and green wind up. Then on Saturday April 28th, the club is holding the first of the perpetual trophies, that being the Ruth and Geoff Gill Memorial Trophy, commencing at 11.30am.

The club is looking at holding quite a few extra fund raising events this year, to help quickly raise enough money to offset the purchase of a new fairway/rough mower. So if you would like to help out by sponsoring a day, it will be greatly appreciated. There are still quite a few free dates available in the calendar, so please contact the club. Likewise, if any member can support the comps, let's see you there. The new calendar, listing all major events is now being finalised as we speak, but can always be added to.

The Double Chance Stroke Event a week or two back was popular, with Barry Harrison and John McDonald successful.

A special mention of our ladies, who competed in the recent Country Week Golf events. What an effort! And the big highlight for them was coming second in the Teams Event. This is no small feat, compared to the numbers from other much bigger clubs. Individually Bobby Harwood, Carole Gunson and May Cook, all did very well in a variety of events. This week our girls, combined with Malahide, hope to do well in their next home pennant game. Good luck to you.

As briefly mentioned above, the Annual Bowls Dinner is to be held on Saturday April 21st, preceded by a few ends comp to close the green for winter. Invitations have been sent out and replies are needed as soon as possible.

Also, **very important:** The Pairs and Singles have to be completed in the next week or so. If you can't play please just say so. We can then organise the finals to be held prior to the dinner.

Congratulations to Chris Davern, John McDonald, Jim Rankin and Rod Field, in taking out the Bicheno Easter Fours title at their Carnival, in emphatic style. In game three, their opponents could not score a shot at all. Almost unheard of.

The runner up prize also went to a predominately St Marys team with Kodie Donald, Rex Floyed and Rod McGiveron, combining with Neil Pearson from Bicheno.

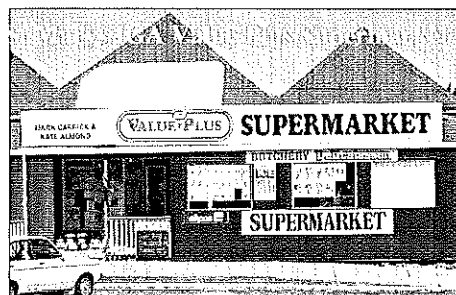
Graham Hayes, Roger Donald, Jim Turner and Trevor Viney came within a hair's breath of winning all three games and at least playing off. "So close it was!!". Well done to you all.

A huge thank you to Bicheno for making it a great Carnival to attend at Easter once again. It's a very friendly event, played in great spirit. Perhaps this is why we all love going to it each year.

Don't forget the Association Dinner and AGM is in May, and as East Coast Champions it would be great if all of us can be there that night to enjoy this. More details about that next issue.

It's great to see Jim Haas home and feeling much better. See you on the course again soon Jim.

Anyway, until next time, good hitting and rolling.



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