



## Jan Sparkes takes the Honours

On August 7th, along with 29 other prominent Tasmanian women, local lady Jan Sparkes was inducted onto the Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women, at a function held at the Launceston Country Club.



*Jan & her friends at the induction luncheon.*

The honour roll was established by the State Government in 2005, and recognises women of achievement throughout the state. There are now, along with the new inductees, 201 women on the roll.

Jan was recognised for her inspirational work in the community, including the formation of the Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre at the Community Health Centre in St Marys, and for being the inspiration behind the publication of the book 'Regener8' after the bush fires in 2008, as well as involvement in numerous other groups, committees and projects that have enhanced our community.



*Local resident Jan Sparkes.*



*Jan receives her award.*

Jan and a group of friends celebrated her achievements at the induction luncheon. It was a day to remember; good food, plenty of stories and laughs, a chance to catch up with old friends and acquaintances and to celebrate being a woman and living in a thriving community.

Afterwards, we went to Esther Rubenach's house in Trevallyn where we enjoyed more stories and laughs over afternoon tea before heading back home.

Premier David Bartlett said that the latest 30 additions to the honour roll are all inspirational.

"They have made a real difference in the lives of others and have assisted in building a culture of social inclusion," he said. Their diverse stories reveal an im-

pressive range of contributions to the Tasmanian community.

"The members of the Honour Roll have set a precedent that will continue to inspire all members of our community."

We are all very proud of you Jan, and appreciate the endless work you do in our community. Congratulations. An 'Honour' well deserved. *Story: Hannah Rubenach & Judy Spilsbury. Photos: Hannah Rubenach.*



*Afternoon tea at Esther's.*

## CALOWS COACHES are excited to announce two new bus services for the East Coast:

**ST HELENS – LAUNCESTON via Fingal Valley (School days only)**

Depart St Helens at 6.15am – dropping off at both Newstead and Launceston Colleges. This will enable year 11 and 12 students to travel to and from school each day if they wish to. The bus will leave for St Helens again at 12.30pm.

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Depart Bicheno at 7.45am (school days) 8.15am (school holidays)

This bus will leave from St Helens again at 2.15pm.

For a full timetable or further information, please contact Darren on 0400 570 036 or Tracea on 6372 5166.

**Please note: Deadline for articles to be included in the next Valley Voice is: 5 pm Tuesday August 25, 2009.**

**email address: [judith.spilsbury@bigpond.com](mailto:judith.spilsbury@bigpond.com)**

## 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 2pm at the goods shed behind the St Marys Railway Station.

**Grassy Bottom Regional Arts** General Meetings are now held at 5pm on the first Wednesday of every month in the Supper Room at St Marys Hall. Come along and enjoy the fun and bring along your ideas for the Arts 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 Ladies Midweek Tennis** 9.30am each wed. Need new players - of any standard - beginners welcome - childminding included - lovely safe place to bring toddlers while you play. **Ring Annette-6372 2224.**

**St Marys Playgroup** meets each Thursday at 10.30am at the kindergarten. All preschool aged kids welcome to bring a carer/parent/granny/pa for a play and morning tea. Very chilled relaxed group of all ages - we love new members. **Contact Danyelle Briggs:**

**WOMBAT WALK LANDSCAPING GROUP** meet every Wednesday 9am to 12 Noon (weather permitting) at St Marys Musical Playground area to plant and maintain the rivulet park and flower bank - anyone interested in joining us - please come along and meet our group. **Contact - Robina 6372 2022.**

**Break O'Day Wine & Food Appreciation Society** meets once a month on the last Sunday.  
**Ph: Jan 6376 1661 or Leanne Ph: 6372 5291.**

**The Scamander and Beaumaris Community Development Association** meets at 7 pm at the Scamander Sports Complex every third Wednesday of the month. New members are most welcome.

**St. Patricks Head & Esk Valley Historical Society** meets on the third Sunday of every month, except December, at St. Marys Online Access Centre at 2.30 pm. Meetings are informal and fun and new members are needed. Please contact **Barry Aulich** on **6372 5752** or **Jim Haas** on **6372 2127.**

**The Falmouth Community** centre would like to advise members and the community that the new contact for bookings of club facilities is Ben Morgan. Ben can be contacted on **03 6372 5604.**

**Suncoast Singers** meet every Friday at 10am in the Catholic Hall - Cecilia Street St Helens. New singers always welcome.....If you can yawn - you can sing. Phone Mary-Anne Wadsworth 6376 2969.

**St. Helens Al-Anon Family Group Meeting:** St. Pauls Anglican Church Hall - every Sunday 2pm Contacts: **Ann, John 6376 3270 or Rose 6376 3335.**

### NEWS FROM GONE RUSTIC

**Just in** - decorative paper pads, cut-out chipboard alphabets, scrapbooking packs, leaf buttons, curly paper clips, double sided mounting tape and decorated tag sets - great for cardmaking, scrapbooking or mixed media art!

Gone Rustic makes every effort to support Australian artists and artisans, especially from Tasmania, and locally where possible.

Exhibitions, handmade gifts and décor, winter woollies, craft, art, cards and more!

**Journal quilts** - a selection of these small textile artworks are on display until September. These have been made by art quilters from all over Australia and New Zealand.

**10 % off everything discount night** - first Wednesday of each month, during Rustic Ragamuffins. Members only (want to join? It's only \$15 per year ...)

**NOW HERE** - swatches of *designer fabrics* based on Rita's original drawings. Drop in and have a look; available as orders only.

**Win enough quilt blocks to make a quilt!** Join *Rustic Ragamuffins* to enter each month. All you have to do is *rise to the challenge* - the *block challenge* that is. Participants are *given a small kit to get started*, but the rest is up to each individual. Finish the block, put your name in the hat, and *you could win all the blocks!* We have had two winners so far ... Next block challenge *begins this week*, so call in to Gone Rustic today and find out more so you can have a chance to win.

**Free quilt block patterns** - available to *anyone* who drops in to Gone Rustic ... just ask!

**Rustic Ragamuffins** - every *Wednesday*, 7-9. Bring your *current stitching project* and enjoy chat, friendship and laughs! \$5 per night - includes *tea, coffee and home-made cake.*

**Quilting Bee** - once a month, as part of Rustic Ragamuffins. An opportunity to help to make quilts for those in need. *Next one 26<sup>th</sup> August ...* Please bring your *sewing supplies.*

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## Classifieds

### For sale

**1992 Toyota Corolla.** Goes well, good condition. \$3,000.ono. **Ph: 0428 362 958.**

**Motorised Treadmill. Pro Series.** An oldie but a goody. \$100. Will deliver if required. **Ph: 6372 2535.**

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**Maytag toploader washing machine.** \$100.

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**Volvo 440 '95.** \$1500. ono. **Ph: 6375 1540.**

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**Subaru Brumby '89** dual range, bull bar, UHF, CD player, good tyres, 136k, very good condition. \$6,200.

**'02 VX Commodore,** auto, mags, April '10 rego, very good cond. \$8,200. **Stock hurdles** to suit 8' x6' flat tray.

Near new. \$500. **Wrecking '93 Hilux** 4 x 2. **Forklift tyres.** 5.00 x 8.00 8 PR, 6.50 x 10.00 10 PR.

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### Meals on Wheels

#### Annual General Meeting

**August 19<sup>th</sup> 2009 At 2.00pm**

St Marys Community Heath Centre

Agenda - Election of Office Bearers

Secretary, Susan Woods.

### WANTED

**Double Bed & Mattress in good order.**

**Ph: 6372 2762.**

### WANTED

**Pottery wheels for art classes.**

**Phone Big Shed Studios, 0428 725 228.**



**Grassy Bottom Regional Arts Raffle Winners.**

**1st - B Styles -** 2 course family meal at  
Surfside Motor Inn

**2nd - G Toppink -** \$20 voucher from  
IGA Scamander

**3rd - G Toppink -** \$5 voucher from  
Hollywood at Home

Thanks to all those who bought tickets  
and all the businesses who donated.

**If anyone is interested in playing indoor bowls at  
St Marys Sports Centre  
please ring Lillian on 6372 2531.**

### ST MARYS NETBALL PRESENTATION DINNER

**WHEN: 22ND AUGUST**

**WHERE: ST MARYS SPORTS CENTRE**

**TIME: 6-30PM START**

Everyone is welcome to come along to a great night, have fun and to congratulate all the girls on a wonderful year.

**PS: All to bring a plate of finger food  
if possible.**

**Children's heavy duty material indoor playhouse tent.** "Bazoongi" brand. Great birthday or Xmas gift. As new. \$30.

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

### **"Memories from Don Smith"**

One of the most interesting forms of history research is sitting down and taking to the "old hands" about their lives and experiences in a time unimaginable to the vast majority of the folk today. They have lived through a period where the world saw technological and political changes never seen before, and most probably will never see again.

Don Smith of St Marys remembers when the motor car was rare around here. He remembers when he had to walk or ride his push bike to the Jubilee coal mine to work, or when things were bad in the mines he had to walk to the Mr Foster Range, or Legge's Hills as they were known to the locals, to snare possums or ringtails for their skins to supplement his income.

Don remembers the dairy herds from around the district when they were taken up onto the Mt Foster marshes to run for the winter. There were eleven herds of around twenty to thirty from Gray and a herd of fifty from Coopers at Seymour. As well, McShanes of Royal George would bring a herd up to Dukes Marsh in the Meadstone area. To add to the cattle, properties like Cullenswood, Killymoon, Malahide and Tullochgorum would take large mobs of sheep up to graze in the hills.

From Seymour to the Dome at Avoca the Mt Foster Range is dotted with marshes, most of which were given names by the early farmers and hunters. The largest of these are called: Thompsons, Jacks, Dairy, Round, Dukes and Gibraltar. Today they are grown up with tea-tree and bull rushes, but in days gone by the farmers would head up into the hills in September and burn off the marshes and the hills around them so by the time winter came around everywhere would be a mass of lush green autumn growth.

This would also be good for the winter hunters because the fresh growth would attract the wildlife as well. The hunters would set a row of snares in the bush around the edge of the marsh so the livestock wouldn't set them off and their prey would be caught as they came in to feed.

Some years ago Don went back to Dairy Marsh and found an old horse drawn plough and the remains of a hut belonging to Dudley Strochnetter and Doug Lehner. Don remembers the hut as being well constructed from split palings and shingles, with a stone chimney and a loft where the men used to sleep. For many years both men spent their winters up there tending the herds and hunting for skins which they would bring home every so often and take back what provisions they needed.

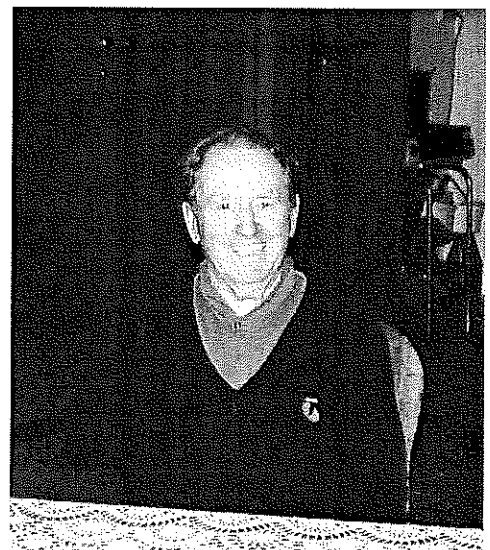
Don says the only real danger up in the hills in those days were the Jersey bulls. They were savage brutes, especially if they were left at the marshes for any length of time. Most blokes would carry a gun just to ward off the bulls if they were chased.

Bill Mitchell and his mate had a hut out near Dukes Marsh which overlooked Royal George. They gave the hut to Don in the 1950s and everything, including the pots and pans, were in good condition despite being out there for twenty odd years.

In the 1960s when most of the coal mines closed, Don went to work for the Forestry. One day whilst he was working in the Dome area above Tullochgorum he came across the sheep yards used by the Marshall's when they used the hills for winter sheep runs. The yards were all post and rail with three 250 millimetre (10 inches) wide rails slotted into the post in each panel. Each post and rail was split to a perfect size and fitted together in a way that would make any tradesman proud.

Men were fit in those days, but few were as fit as Kevin Gillies who it was said used to spend three or four hours going around his snares at the back of Cullenswood on Saturday morning and arrive home in time to play football. Kevin, like Don and a lot of their mates were good footballers and no doubt the kilometres they covered chasing the once valuable possum skin contributed to this.

Most of the folk from that era are gone now and the few who are left are like Don, in their eighties, but they have lived through a time when men were men, made tough by the environment and the way in which they were forced to make a living. We must preserve their memories because every story they tell has a momentous place in our heritage.



*Don Smith, at his home in St Marys, relates his eighty or so years of wonderful memories.*

**Grassy Bottom Singers** are seeking new members for their choir - they meet every Thursday at 6pm at the yoga room (next to the Purple Possum) in Storey St, St Marys. For more information call Leissa on 6372 2686 or 0408 208 658.

**WOULD THE PERSON  
WHO HAS INADVERTENTLY TAKEN  
THE WIRE GATE  
FROM BEHIND THE PHARMACY—  
PLEASE RETURN IT.  
THANKS. ANDREW.**

## Letters to the Editor

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### Against amalgamation

We are appalled and concerned about the lack of information that the Break O'Day Council have supplied about the amalgamation.

Many of us having lived in the valley most of our lives remember the local government amalgamation of Fingal and Portland and together with ratepayers who have moved to the area in later years and are now convinced that amalgamation should not be on the agenda again.

What did the ratepayers especially the lower end of the Valley gain by the previous partnership, in our view nothing.

We have been losing out ever since, example, capital works, the road to Ringarooma over the Mathinna plains would have been sealed years ago as the then Fingal Council was upgrading and sealing around 2 kms per year, this ceased immediately and not a metre has been sealed since. Secondary roads at Mathinna, Fingal, Mangana, St Marys and Cornwall were yearly upgraded and sealed, after all these years not many have seen this occur since and also what roads were sealed are now worn out and need resealing again.

Infrastructure, we had near new council offices at Fingal which were very accessible to this area, it was not long before they were closed and all administration was moved to St Helens good for the coast perhaps but a big loss for this area. Also council then sold off some of their buildings, which could have been rented out etc. i.e. Fingal Town Hall & Mangana School Community Hall which were heritage listed and used for community functions.

Whilst we commend the appearance of the towns of St Helens, Scamander and St Marys what with grants and ratepayers money spent on street makeovers etc in recent time, more attention should be given to this end of the municipality for a change, after all before the last amalgamation Fingal Council was in a very good financial state at the time and we feel we have received a somewhat raw deal ever since.

How are we going to fare if another amalgamation occurs? Only worse off than before as the numbers game is against us very large coastal area versus smaller rate based hinterland, equality should prevail as we can not all live on the coast, anyway we like living where we live, **once bitten twice shy. All we can do is base our decisions on previous experiences.**

Signed,  
Gillian McDiarmid, President,  
For & on behalf of  
The Fingal District Progress Committee Inc.

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Dear Editor,

After a town meeting to discuss the proposed merger between the Break O'Day and Glamorgan Spring Bay Councils it was decided that we the Fingal District Progress Committee Inc., compose a written submission of questions and concerns that people have regarding the proposed merger. We hereby submit the following:

- Could you please identify the benefits?
- What sort of debts will the 'new council' be incurring if the two councils merge?
- Will we keep our own local depot and local staffing levels and equipment once merged?
- Where will the council chambers be located? Will there be a shop front or local agencies available throughout the whole community?
- What core services will be made available to our community? An example of this would be a community bus/car that would be available to take members of the community to various appointments at the hospital or locations.
- Will the merger have any bearing on the rates that our residents pay?
- What made Glamorgan Spring Bay Council change their minds from saying no to the merger to saying yes?
- Would there be adequate representation to the Fingal Valley region if the proposed merger takes place?
- If we didn't want to merge with the proposed merger, do we have an option of merging with another council? The coastal part of BODC and GSBC has a lot in common with the coastal areas and the valley has more in common with adjoining rural councils. We are identified with other associations with other rural tourism projects: Greater Esk Tourism ([www.valleyofadventures.com.au](http://www.valleyofadventures.com.au)) and also the Esk Valley Historical Society.
- What are the ramifications of a voluntary merger with BODC and GSBC councils that we would face?
- What extensive community consultation have we had, prior to the report from the review board going to the minister?
- Has Ben Lomond water had an influence over the proposed merger? e.g. the loss of revenue to councils from the water and sewerage board taking this over. Has this influenced the talk of merger in any way?
- What name would the new council be taking on if merged?

Some of our concerns are:

- \* Lack of consultation and information
- \* Impact on communities such as Fingal
- \* Extenuated exclusion from the Coastal part of the municipality as part of the proposed merger
- \* At the moment we appear to be a part of social exclusion. As being on the outside of many different things, we aren't recognised as part of the one municipality.
- \* What would be the staffing and transitional arrangements for the voluntary merger and what would be the time frame of jobs being completed within our community.

Signed,  
Gillian McDiarmid,  
President,  
For & on behalf of  
The Fingal District Progress Committee Inc.

Come & have your say at the meeting at St Marys on 7th September between 11am—1pm.

## 60th Wedding Anniversary



Joyce and Jack Wines were joined by friends and family at the St Marys Hotel recently where they celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary.

We would like to thank Julie, Bruce, Audrey and Laura for helping to make this a wonderful day for Joyce & Jack.

Julie you provided us with a five star meal which we could not fault.

Thank you so much ... The new lounge is fantastic ... May this, your first function in the new surrounds be the first of many.

Peter & Annette Wines.

## LONG-TERM SOLUTION FOR ST HELENS BAR WAY NEEDED

*Report submitted by Jim Playsted,  
State Liberal candidate for Lyons*

A meeting will be convened to gauge the extent to which there may be local community support for the establishment of a Georges Bay Trust to manage access to St Helens port.

St Helens is regularly beset with the problem of access to its port and this puts the local economy at serious risk.

Safe access to the port is vital for local business investment and job security, concern about reliable and safe port access is a major disincentive for mariners and industry.

At present, problems with the bar way are dealt with in a crisis management fashion.

Generally there is constant wrangling between various agencies and governments and long periods of delay occur while nothing much is done.

However, whenever the problem becomes sufficiently acute the State Government is then finally forced to act to provide funding to undertake the required dredging or related works.

The presently completing contract for a \$1.5M project to improve access to Georges Bay is welcome news in itself, but was a long time coming and will not provide a long term solution for the port.

The concept of a 'Georges Bay Trust' which is managed locally, and has regular income streams from a variety of sources including the State Government could be a superior model to provide for ongoing and regular maintenance which will keep access to the port of St Helens safe and reliable.

Following some preliminary discussions with local stakeholders including representatives from the Break O'Day Council and the Barway Committee there is value in having further exploration of this concept.

A meeting involving stakeholders and the local community will be a first step in deciding whether it may be worthwhile further investigating the establishment of a 'Georges Bay Trust' as a solution to the problems of port access.

Shadow Minister for Infrastructure Jeremy Rockliff and Liberal Member for Lyons Rene Hidding have been briefed on the concept and are supportive of further discussion of its possibilities.

Jim is available for further comment on 0437 222 600.

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Parade with his story on October 31st?

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or e-mail to [historyroom@bodc.tas.gov.au](mailto:historyroom@bodc.tas.gov.au)  
for The Friends of the History Room.



## CHANGES TO EAST COAST BUS SERVICES

**Bus service changes to be introduced in September will provide improved links between East Coast towns.**

The Minister for Infrastructure, Graeme Sturges, pictured right has announced that the changes followed the recent Review of Core Passenger Services.



From Monday 21 September there will be a new service between Bicheno, St Marys and St Helens, operated by Calows Coaches five days a week, which was previously not available.

"The district high schools in St Marys and St Helens will also benefit from this new service, as students will be able to travel between the schools," Mr Sturges said.

"The previous service from Bicheno, via Swansea and the Lake Leake Road, to Launceston will no longer operate because of low passenger numbers.

"Once this service ceases, new arrangements will be introduced for travel to Launceston from the East Coast.

"The new arrangements will take passengers from Bicheno to St Marys, then via the Esk Main Road to Launceston. Travel will also be available through to St Helens from Bicheno which was previously not available.

"Calows Coaches will also trial a new early morning service from St Helens to Launceston from 21 September. This service is available to the general public and, most importantly, will provide an alternative for students who currently live away from home, allowing them to travel daily to school in Launceston," Mr Sturges said.

"The Government has a duty to ensure that bus services continue to be affordable for passengers, profitable for business and sustainable for government."



## Jim Playsted, Liberal candidate for Lyons

Liberal Lyons candidate Jim Playsted is a third generation Tasmanian working in his own consulting business, JAM Consulting PL based in Hobart. JAM was founded in 2007 and is retained by clients from various sectors where Jim has

expertise, including waste management, construction and contracting.

Born and schooled in Launceston – Jim had a 35 year career in the construction machinery supply sector commencing with International Harvester in 1969 as a cadet in Tasmania before progressing to several interstate assignments, then joining William Adams CAT in 1989 where he was Tasmanian Manager before moving to KOMATSU Australia in 1999 and serving as GM Marketing & Sales for KOMATSU Australia & New Zealand, based in Sydney until 2005.

During his career Jim has served as a board member of the Tasmanian Chamber of Industry (TCCI), Australian Antarctic Foundation (AAF), University of Tas Antarctic & Sthn Ocean CRC, the Institute of Quarrying of Australia (IOQA), the Beacon Foundation and the Choir of High Hopes, Hobart. In July of 2009 Jim became a Spring Bay Triabunna Club Rotarian.

Late in 2008 Jim completed an assignment with RMIT University for a national client, involving establishing the carbon footprint of recycled construction materials for use in major infrastructure works of the future. He has a keen interest in climate change and the adaptation of the Tasmanian economy to our changing circumstances.

In February of 2009 after expressing concerns that Tasmania was heading in the wrong direction - Jim was endorsed by the Tasmanian Liberal Party for the seat of Lyons where his particular interest is infrastructure planning and population growth through jobs in sustainable industry.

Jim chose Lyons because of the many relationships his industry past has allowed him to form within the electorate over a long career and because of his personal interest in the future of Lyons communities. Having served small business clients Australia wide, Jim has the proven experience and commercial skills with which to represent Lyons and to underpin stable and progressive government in Tasmania.

Jim's wife Margaret was raised on a farm at Runnymede in the SE of Lyons, Jim and Margie have 6 adult children between them residing in London, Perth WA, Melbourne and Launceston. Jim & Margie now travel between Hobart and Orford where they enjoy the outdoors and a break from business pressures.

For more detail of Jim Playsted's CV see [www.jimplaysted.com.au](http://www.jimplaysted.com.au)

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## The Say Cagerattler

Ever since the first mention of merging/amalgamation of the Break O'Day and Glamorgan /Spring Bay Councils I have stayed pretty quiet about it. Some of this is in all honesty because I hadn't really considered it as much as I should. For that I should be ashamed.

In more recent times though I have begun to think about this extremely important issue and I'm using this column to strongly urge you all to do the same.

I think it's about time all the facts and figures are laid bare on the table for all of us to see. We need to know nuts and bolts, not just the conceptual ideas of a merger/amalgamation.

We need to know up front about how we as ratepayers can be clearly heard and our opinions are carefully considered.

We definitely need a process whereby ALL of us have an opportunity to express our opinions aurally or by written means so that a clear and decisive outlook can be the MAIN reason for change. It shouldn't come down to the personal opinions of a few, I'd suggest strongly.

Perhaps in the next weeks and months we all need to lobby our elected representatives and the Local Government Board and Minister about briefing opportunities and most importantly extensive community consultation right across the proposed merger area. Unless this happens, how can we make informed judgments on what we really want for our future?

If there is clear and overwhelming evidence by a wide range of the community that a merger/amalgamation is the right step then that's great, but if, however, it turns out to be inconclusive then why bother at all. It's a simple decision really but I urge you to think about it seriously and very soon, and start asking questions. I certainly will be.

What do you think?



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## REBECCA WHITE CONGRATULATES VANESSA GOODWIN

Sometimes it is important to put aside party politics and give credit where credit is due.

I offer my congratulations to Vanessa Goodwin who has been confirmed as the winner of the Pembroke by-election.

The Tasmanian parliament will welcome the election of a young, professional woman who has had the courage to put herself in front of Tasmanian voters on three occasions.

Vanessa has been determined to serve the public as a member of parliament and her tenacity has paid off.

Last year she and I attended a lively forum and I remarked at the time she promised to be a rare breath of fresh air in what is an otherwise out-dated and tired-looking Liberal team.

I do hope Vanessa lives up to the trust the people of Pembroke have placed in her. I would also like to pass on my thanks and best wishes to former Labor MLC Allison Ritchie who was an outstanding local member.

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## Vietnam Veterans Day at St Marys

A Vietnam Veterans Day/Long Tan commemoration Service will be held on Tuesday 18th August at the St Marys Cenotaph.

The service will start at 12.30pm with a march of Veterans of 5th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment from the TARDIS at the pub junction in the middle of town, along Main Street to the Cenotaph through an Honour Guard of senior students from St Marys District High School, to the tune of the Regimental March of the 5th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment, "Dominique".

The service, which will be held between 12.30pm and 1pm, will commemorate and honour the service of the 50,000 Australian forces personnel who served in the Vietnam conflict, a conflict which cost the lives of over 500 Australians. A Roll Call of the Fallen will particularly remember those who died at the battle of Long Tan and all Tasmanians who died while serving in Vietnam.

Similar commemorations will be conducted in cities and towns throughout Australia, and the service at St Marys provides an opportunity for our local community to remember and honour the service of Vietnam Veterans and to acknowledge the sacrifices made and price paid by their families for this service.

Vietnam Veterans will deliver the Prayer, the Commemorative Address, the Ode and the Valediction, St Marys District High School student Shannon Roskelly will declaim the Roll Call of the Fallen and Envoy Melanie Norton of the Salvation Army will deliver the Commemoration of the Fallen and the Recessional. It is estimated that the service will close at 1.00pm.

Members of the 5th Battalion, the Tiger Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment Association were so impressed with the Anzac Day ceremony at St Marys that they have chosen to hold their 2009 commemoration at St Marys.

The service is being conducted in association with the St Marys Memorial Service Association, and a welcome and invitation is extended to all residents of St Marys and the surrounding district to join in this commemoration and remembrance of those who served in Vietnam.

## 5RAR at St Marys Commemoration

Last Monday John Smee, the Tasmanian Rep for the 5th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment addressed senior students of St Marys District High School on the Vietnam Veterans Day /Long Tan Commemoration service to be held at St Marys next Tuesday 18th of August.

John gave the students a brief overview of the history of Phuoc Tuy Province, and described operation "Hardihood" on the 24th May 1969, which was the first operation in which the men of the 5th B'n took part; he described the battle of Long Tan and the support given to the men of D Company 6 Battalion R.A.R by the Artillery units firing in support, the R.A.A.F helicopter crews who delivered much needed ammunition, to the troops on the ground who were fighting for their lives, and finally the following days up until the 20th of August when the men of 6B'n assisted by D. Company 5th B'n finished the weary task of securing the Long Tan battlefield and burying the enemy dead.

On Tuesday John appeared on Star FM. He was asked the reason for a service at St Marys. John explained that by holding services away from the larger population centres, the Regimental Association was aiming to be inclusive and supportive of those individual veterans who for reasons of their own had moved away from the general community and the Veteran's organisations by providing an opportunity to take part in a local community commemoration.

He expressed the Battalion's deep appreciation of the support and welcome extended by the local St Marys and district community for its commemoration service. For more background on 5th Battalion RAR from the Net, Google 5RAR and click on the eye of Quintus the tiger.

## Notice of Road Closure Main Street St Marys Vietnam Veterans Day , Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August

A Permit for the march has been issued by Tasmania Police, and Main Street at this location will be closed to traffic for the estimated two minutes of the march.

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Federal Member for Lyons

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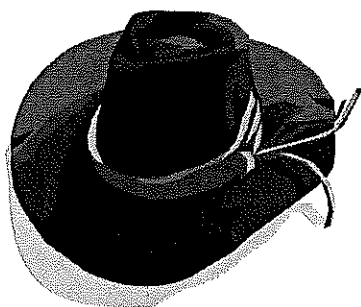
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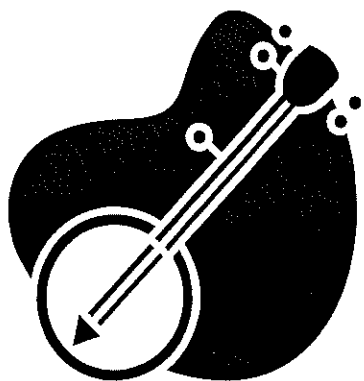
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Proud grandmother Fe Gillies points out their final flight details to her granddaughter KC at the St Marys Online Centre before their flight out to Dallas Texas, for 3 months, while granddaughter KC attends New York University.

### THANK YOU

On behalf of St Marys Catholic Parish I would like to thank the organisers, the cooks and all those who patronised the Christmas in July dinner on the 24th July, by their presence, by donations or obtaining raffle tickets.

The meat melted in your mouth  
and the sweets were magnificent.

It really was a great occasion and I'm sure a lot of catching up was done among those present.

#### Raffle prize winners are:

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### Launching into Learning – East Coast

Tasmania's youngest children need the very best possible start in life, especially at that very significant time when they begin their first years of schooling.

The Labor Member for Lyons, Heather Butler said it is important that children and their parents have a firm foundation and support to help children enter what will hopefully be some of the best years of their lives.



*St Helens Kindergarten  
last week.*

That's why the State Government is increasing the budget for the Launching into Learning programs to \$4.25 million, up by \$224,000 from last financial year, and is continuing on the program for the next four years.

Ms Butler said that partnerships and linkages with other agencies have led to cooperative work practices especially between schools, Child Health and Parenting, community houses and child care services.

The Principal of Bicheno Primary School, Andrew Woodard said that the LiL initiative has enabled his school to provide a network for parents to develop friendships, gather information and create early links with educational staff.

"Bicheno Primary provides a balance between a playgroup and the *Let's Play* program, early literacy programs such as *Let's Read* and *Let's have a Story* as well as a pathway of programs for early introduction to school life for children and their parents," Mr Woodard said.

*Playgroup* – weekly on Friday mornings from 9.00 until 10.45 am for children from birth to 4 and their carers.

*Let's Have a Story* fortnightly on a Monday Afternoon. This is for all preschool children and their carers.

*Early Birds* – Weekly for third term. This is an introductory program for the following year Kindergarten class. Children at first attend with their parents.

A recent initiative for the Bicheno LiL Program is an Early Childhood Parenting Network Group developed in conjunction with the Regional Health Service in the Glamorgan Spring Bay Region.

This group will work with parents to provide specialist assistance in areas such as Speech Pathology, Lactation Consultancy, Health Nurses and other relevant professionals.

The group is organising an Early Childhood Expo in Bicheno during October.

A major focus of the Bicheno Primary LiL initiative is to provide networks, information and learning pathways for parents who are geographically isolated, single parents and Grandparents who are Carers.

"This ensures that they are able to embrace support and learning opportunities for themselves and their children," Mr Woodard said.

The Assistant Principal of St Helens District High School, Melanie Thorne said that the school has two sessions running on a Thursday.

Birth – 3 years old group for families from 11-12.30pm.

Pre-Kinder children and their families 1.30-3pm

Ms Thorne said that the parents stay with their children for the sessions and are involved in a variety of activities including outdoor play, art activities, puzzles, games.

"The focus of all of these activities is oral language – developing the child's speaking and listening skills," Ms Thorne said.

"The teacher who runs the programs, Eloise Matthewson, also has a whole group time where stories are read and songs and rhymes are introduced to the children.

"We have an excellent attendance at the sessions and they provide the parents with the valued opportunity to meet other parents in the community, as well as opportunities for social contact for the children.

"The children also have the opportunity to borrow books to take home and return the following week."

Ms Thorne said that Launching into Learning dovetails beautifully into our Kindergarten and early years programs.

"The children are comfortable to come into the school environment which helps set them up for success when starting formal schooling."

Ms Butler said that Launching into Learning has been embraced by educators, parents, carers, schools and other community stakeholders, with a total of 121 schools from around the state now involved.

"Feedback from many parents in various areas has been very positive about these programs," Ms Butler said.

"Launching into Learning is playing a very important role in establishing a solid educational base for our youngest Tasmanians and it's fantastic that four more years' of funding is guaranteed through the 2009-10 State Budget."

Ms Butler said that extensive research has shown that patterns of learning in the first three or four years after birth are particularly crucial, and have a lasting impact on children's health, learning and life success.

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The line ran from the Western Tiers in the west to St Patricks Head in the east and over several weeks moved south east. Arthur's plan was to drive the aborigines into the Tasman Peninsular and block them off at Eagle Hawk Neck.

The incident was seen as a costly and fruitless exercise, as it was said only one old man and a boy were captured. It did, however, shake the aboriginal population so much that they were willing to accept the terms offered by the Government appointed mediator, George Augustus Roberson, and allow themselves to be resettled on Flinders Island.

This move did what the Black Line failed to do and eventually saw the demise of the original owners of what we now know as Tasmania.

For more on the history of the Fingal Valley and Tasmania log onto our website: [www.fingalvalleyhistory.com](http://www.fingalvalleyhistory.com), visit the Cranks & Tinkerers Museum in Main Street, St Marys, call into the St Marys Online Access Centre, or phone: Barry, 63725752, Darlene, 63722116 or Jim 63722127.

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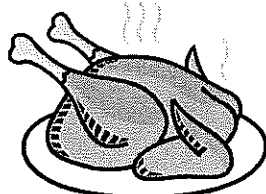
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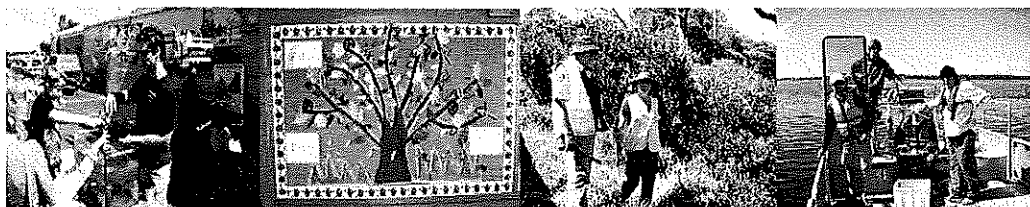
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Sun Aug 30 9.30-12.00	Restore Skyline Tier	Skyline Tier Beaumaris	Todd Dudley / 63761049
Sun Sept 06 9.00-12.00	Friends of Bay of Fires working bee	Binalong Bay Car Park	Wayne Linton / 63768324
Sun Sept 13-10.00-1.00	Sea Spurge Training Session	Bicheno	Polly Buchhorn / 0447 312 448
Sat Oct 03 9.00-4.00	Bushland Management workshop	Scamander	Alison Hugo / 0488 677 727
Sun Oct 4 2.00-4.00	St Mary's Rivulet gorse working bee	St Mary's Rivulet	Frank Ciles / 0419 372 192
Sun Oct 25 9.30-12.00	Restore Skyline Tier	Skyline Tier Beaumaris	Todd Dudley / 63761049
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Monthly Tuesday 9-12	Georges Bay Water Monitoring Group	Georges Bay	Alison Hugo / 0488 677 727
Every Wednesday 9-12	Wombat Landscaping Group	St Mary's Rivulet	Robina Balzer / 63722022
Every Wed/Thurs 9-12	Restore Skyline Tier	Skyline Tier Beaumaris	Todd Dudley / 63761049
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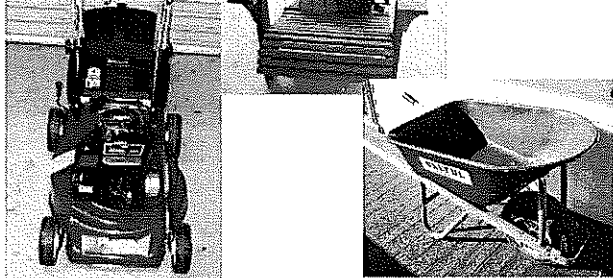
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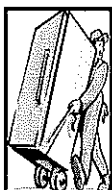
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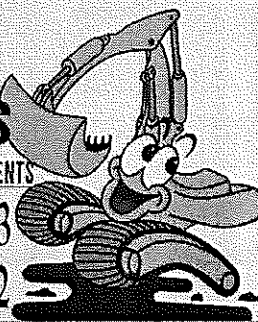
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### Recreational Scallop Season Closes

The recreational scallop season closed at midnight on Friday 31 July.

The Minister for Primary Industries and Water, David Llewellyn, pictured right, said there were around half the numbers of recreational fishers taking out a licence for the 2009 recreational scallop season, as had been the case in the previous year.



"The reduced uptake in licence numbers is not surprising, as the D'Entrecasteaux Channel was closed for the 2009 season; and in previous years 98% of the fishing effort has focused on that area," Mr Llewellyn said.

"All other State waters were open for recreational dive-fishing for the 2009 season.

"This was the fifth recreational season since the recreational fishery was re-opened in 2005, following many years of total closure.

"Hopefully, by closing the D'Entrecasteaux Channel for a relatively brief period, we can enjoy better scallop seasons in the future.

"The Tasmanian Aquaculture and Fisheries Institute has been conducting surveys of scallop stocks in the D'Entrecasteaux Channel.

"The Department will assess this information to see if there needs to be minor changes to managing the Channel fishery to secure the future sustainability of these scallop stocks."

Mr Llewellyn reminded fishers that the Marine Police would be on the lookout for those who are taking scallops out of season.

"Members of the public can help protect our fisheries by reporting any potential illegal fishing activities to Fishwatch on 0427 655 557," he said.

Further details on recreational sea fishing rules are available from the Department's Recreational Sea Fishing Line (03) 6233 7042 or the website

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Clearly mark the price on each item. You will be required to sign the "For Sale Book" and provide your name, phone number, description of item[s] and price.

**All unsold items will need to be collected by 5pm that day.**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT ANNETTE 6376 2256 OR FIONA 6376 1328.**

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**ST MARYS ASSOCIATION FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INC.**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Monday 31st August 2009**

**St Marys Online Access Centre**

**At 12.30 pm**

**ALL WELCOME**

### DOING THE ROUNDS Cllr Reon Johns.

**Like to raise an issue? Feel free to contact me on mobile 0429 722 091 or Fax 6372 2098**

A petition was received from some residents at Binalong Bay, over a series of works in the car park. The Mayor's motion to reduce the speed limit in Welborough was moved by the Mayor and seconded by Cllr Johns and passed by all.

Cllr Clement moved a motion, seconded by Cllr Johns, for "reports on benefits of amalgamation" Cllr Clement argued that there was not enough information on this topic and the residents were entitled to all information and that the Departmental Managers supply a report on any benefits to the community of amalgamation.

Motion lost 5-2.

Cllr Clement moved a motion seconded by Cllr Johns, to introduce by laws in respect of the application of pesticides within the Break O'Day municipality.

#### Questions without notice.

To the Mayor

1. Have you, or the General Manager, within the past 12 months commissioned any report by a consultant, firm or agency on the potential impacts of a merger with the Glamorgan Spring Bay Council that would identify any benefits to ratepayers of the Break O'Day municipality of such a merger?

To the Mayor

2. Have you asked the Local Government Board for an individual private meeting with the Board to discuss the possible merger with Glamorgan Spring Bay, separate from any meeting by the Board with Council as a whole?

The Mayor answered NO to both questions.

The new Environmental Health Officer proposed a new set of fees and charges for Health and By-Laws for the 2009/2010 financial year. Cllrs Clement and Johns asked that this proposal be moved into a workshop as this officers recommendation was complex and there was consensus that not all Councillors understood this recommendation. The new fees were passed 5-2.

Water remission on all water meter accounts under \$5-00 as at 30 June 2009.

The Grassy Bottom Regional Arts applied to have all Hall fees waived; Cllr Johns moved that Grassy Bottom be given a lease for 3 years. This was supported by all Councillors.

The Council decided to agree to a lease on the Old Exhibition Building at St Marys Recreation Ground to the St Marys Fitness Group. This was decided after the St Patricks Head and Esk Valley Historical Society withdrew their request. Grassy Bottom advised that they would only want it for storage; this could lead to OH&S issues.

The Council decided to refuse consent for a Development Application for Optus to install a communication tower on the St Marys Recreation ground due to the impact on the landscape; however the communication tower at Scamander tip was supported.

#### DO YOU KNOW?

That the Council owns the scavenging rights to the waste transfer station? All the attendants have been advised that there is to be no scavenging at the tips. Council is in the process of establishing "tip shops" at Scamander and St Helens.

**Please note that I have changed my visits to the LAST Thursday of each month.**

**I will be in Fingal, at 08:30 to 9:30, at the Neighbourhood House. Mathinna from 10:00 to 11:00, at the Post Office. St Marys, 11:30 to 12:30 at the Bakery. Then on to St Helens Neighbourhood House from 2:00pm till 3:00pm. Mouth Café Scamander from 3:30 to 4:00pm.**

I would like to invite any other Councillor to share this article with me and help keep the Break O'Day informed.

### **VIETNAM VETERANS TO REMEMBER ON THE 18<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**



The Vietnam Veterans Association of Australia East Coast (Tas) Sub Branch will hold its annual remembrance service to commemorate Vietnam Veterans Day on Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> August 2009.

All veterans, their families and members of the community are invited to attend this service which will be held at the Vietnam Veterans memorial site at the St Helens Foreshore commencing at 11.00am. Vietnam Veterans will be marching from the St Helens Memorial Park to the Foreshore at 10.55am and all ex servicemen are encouraged to join also.

Australia's military involvement in the Vietnam War lasted from August 1962 until May 1975. The Australian commitment consisted predominantly of army personnel, but significant numbers of air force and navy personnel and some civilians also took part. According to the Nominal Roll of Australian Vietnam Veterans, almost 60,000 Australians served in Vietnam.

On Tuesday 18th August Vietnam Veterans and their families will pay tribute to those who served, suffered and died in and as a result of the Vietnam War. Veterans and interested parties are invited to lay a wreath at the service as a mark of respect.

Following the service we will return to the East Coast Veterans Information and Support Centre at Quail Street to rededicate and bless the Vietnam Veterans Remembrance Wall.

For further details please contact VVAA East Coast S/B secretary Janet Munday on 6373 6132.



**MEDIA RELEASE**  
**HODGMAN MIDLAND HIGHWAY VIDEO**  
**A DANGEROUS STUNT**

TALKING to passengers can be as dangerous as talking on a mobile phone according to university research. The revelation follows the release this week of a video of Tasmanian Liberal leader Will Hodgman taking his eyes off the road to talk into a video camera while driving along the Midland Highway.

Ironically he was filming the video to get publicity for what he claims are the highway's safety problems.

A 2006 study by the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute showed "drivers who have conversations with passengers exhibit similar levels of driving performance as drivers who use cell phones" said Michigan university's news service website.

"Will Hodgman is illustrating perfectly that driver behaviour is the Midland Highway's biggest problem," says Rebecca White, state Labor candidate for Lyons.

"The Midlands Highway needs sensible solutions, not stunts. Mr Hodgman takes his eyes off the road to speak to the camera and is concentrating on his rehearsed lines, not the road, where his focus should be.

"He is setting a very poor example for young drivers.

"Mr Hodgman should find safer, more appropriate ways to get his message across that do not put himself or other road users at unnecessary risk."

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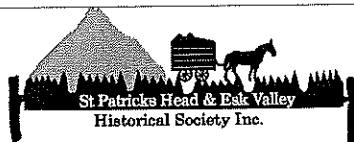


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**ST PATRICKS HEAD  
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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

To be held at the St Marys Online Access Centre  
 on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> August at 2.30pm.  
 Signed: Jim Haas, Public Officer.

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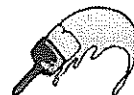
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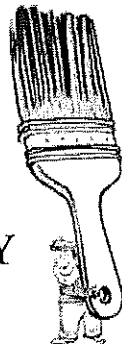
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ALL MEETING ARE HELD AT THE HOME OF MRS SHEILA CHUGG,  
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PHONE: 6372 5406

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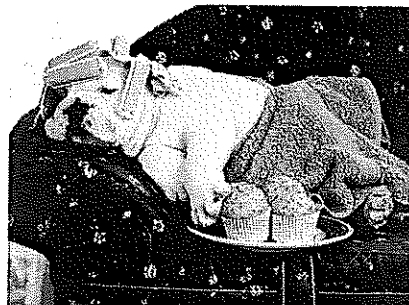


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Tuesday	18th	Patricia Barr	
Wednesday	19th	Liz Rice	
Thursday	20th	Yvonne Salter	
Friday	21st	Diana Foster	

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Monday	24th	Audrey Wright	Sharon Hall
Tuesday	25th	Pam Bretz	
Wednesday	26th	Dianne Troode	
Thursday	27th	Pam Gillies	
Friday	28th	Wendy Aulich	

## Church Services

### Catholic Parish of St Marys

Sr. Lorraine Groves  
Parish House. Ph: 6372 2252  
Mob: 0409 172 741

#### 1st Sunday: MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm  
Bicheno 9.00am  
Swansea LWC 9.30am  
Fingal 11.30am  
Campbell Town 5.00pm

#### 2nd Sunday: LITURGY

St Helens Vigil LWC 6.00pm  
St Marys LWC 9.00am  
Bicheno LWC 9.00am  
Swansea LWC 9.30am  
Fingal LWC 9.30am  
Campbell Town LWC 5.00pm

#### 3rd Sunday: MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm  
St Marys 9.00am  
Swansea 11.30am  
Campbell Town 5.00pm  
Bicheno LWC 9.00am

#### 4th Sunday LITURGY

St Helens Vigil LWC 6.00pm  
St Marys LWC 9.00am  
Bicheno LWC 9.00am  
Swansea LWC 9.30am  
Fingal LWC 9.30am  
Campbell Town LWC 5.00pm

#### 5th Week MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm  
Bicheno 9.00am  
St Marys 11.00am  
Swansea LWC 9.30am  
Campbell Town 5.00pm

### Anglican Parish of Northern Midlands

Avoca: 11am 2nd/4th Sundays  
Fingal: 3 pm 1st/3rd Sundays  
Mathinna: 3pm 2nd/ 4th Sundays  
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Campbell Town: 9am every Sun.  
(3rd Sunday - Family Service)

### Anglican Parish of Break O'Day

Ph: 6376 1144

St Helens Every Sunday  
8 am and 10.30 am  
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10.30 am - 12 noon  
every Sunday for children 5/12 yrs  
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The Manse St Helens

Ph: 6376 2405

St Helens 9.00 am  
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A.B.N. 40 486 390 317  
13 Gray Road, St Marys, Tasmania, 7215.

**St Marys District High School Association**

**Next General Meeting  
To be held  
Wednesday, 26th August  
7pm in the School Staffroom**

If you have any issues that you would like to be discussed at the meeting please contact Tanya Greenwood on 6372 2187 to include item on the Agenda.

## **SCHOOL CANTEEN HELP NEEDED**

*If you are able to help out in the School Canteen on a volunteer basis please contact either Cate Deak or Barry LeFevre on 6372 3900. We really need your help - particularly between 9.30am and 1.00pm.*



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**Tuesday  
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Beach Resort**

**6.30pm**

  
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## **AUGUST 2009**

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
10 Aug	11 Aug ✦ NEET Ski Trip	12 Aug ✦ NEET Ski Trip ✦ St Marys Has Talent 5.30 BBQ, show starts 6.30 in Hall	13 Aug	14 Aug
17 Aug	18 Aug ✦ Vietnam Vets Day ✦ Parent Teacher	19 Aug ✦ Parent Teacher	20 Aug ✦ Country Gold	21 Aug ✦ Country Gold
24 Aug	25 Aug	26 Aug	27 Aug ✦ Next School Newsletter	28 Aug ✦ Cultural Performance.



# GRADE 9 LEAD

On the 21<sup>st</sup> of July, all grade 9 students and some teachers left St Marys to enjoy the long bus trip to Hobart for our grade 9 camp. Packing took forever but when we finished we travelled down the Elephant Pass to collect the Richmond students. We left Richmond and had a long, annoying and boring bus trip to Richmond for lunch and to explore the Richmond mazes. The Richmond bakery was pretty good, most of us ate there while others brought a packed lunch.

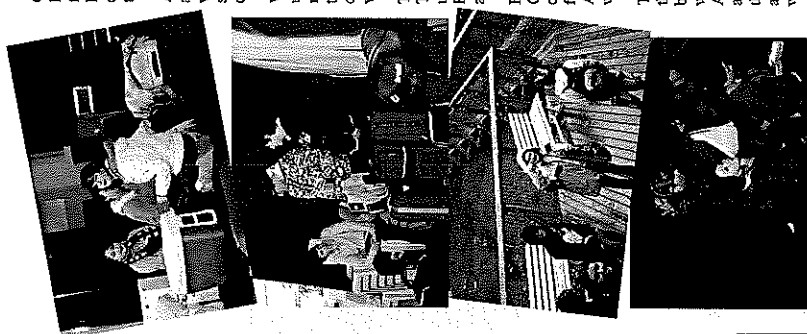
After lunch we walked down to the Richmond maze, we were lucky enough to get in and out before the rain came. Everyone had to run back to the bus so we didn't get wet from the rain. We had a bit of a wait on the bus at Richmond because of two students that decided to do the maze again but as soon as they got back we were on our way.

We arrived at Hobart and had a couple of hours to kill so the teachers decided to take us all to the botanical gardens. We were amazed at how big it was and because not many of us had been there we enjoyed it a lot. We boarded the bus again and travelled to the Seven Mile Beach Holiday Park. Unpacking was fun but tiring, cooking tea came next, then we had a bit of relaxation time, a few movies, then it was time for everyone to stay in their own cabins.

The next day was our activities day. We had a choice of three activities: Mini Golf, Ten Pin Bowling or Ice Skating. Before we went to the activities we had an unexpected stop at Kangaroo Bluff for half an hour. We got to walk around at Kangaroo Bluff and look at the old cannons and everything else. We left for our activities.

First we dropped off the Ten Pin Bowling people, then the Ice Skaters then the Mini Golfers. After we had finished at the activities we went for lunch then to the aquatics centre for a while. After we finished at the aquatics centre we had a trip to Eastlands for a couple of hours. Back on the bus we went for the trip back to Seven Mile Beach. As soon as we got back we were in to the cooking again for that night. That night was just a relaxation night where we could do whatever we wanted.

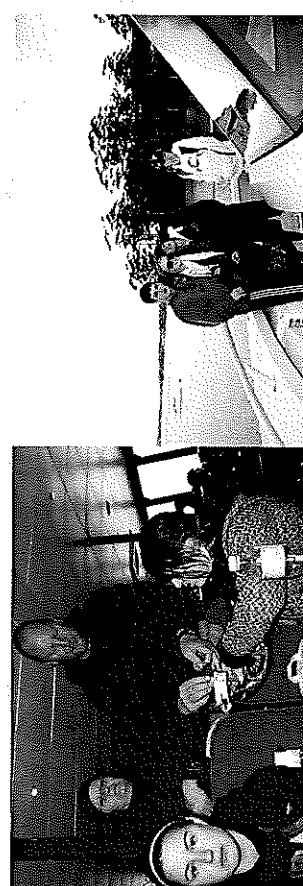
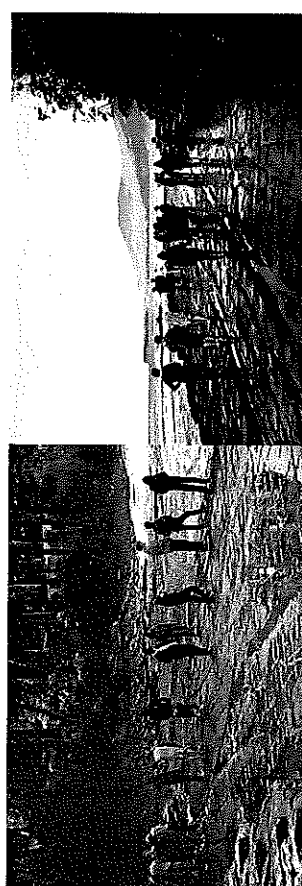
The next day was our hike day. We travelled down to Eaglehawk Neck and started the Devils Kitchen walk but unfortunately it started raining so we had to get on the bus but that was ok, instead we went to the blowhole in Eaglehawk Neck and we also went to the paved rock area. We all boarded the bus once again and travelled to Port Arthur. Once we got there we had enough time before our tour for some lunch so we ate at the café there. After that we started our tour around Port Arthur. We walked through the convict house where all the convicts stayed while they were there, we also walked up to where the soldiers stayed and kept an eye on the convicts. We walked along and came across the hospital and the punishment house which was



where they would whip the convicts with the cat-a-nine tail whip, a whip with nine knots on each tail. We kept walking and we got to the jail house and we got to walk inside, we could go into a few of the rooms but most were blocked off. We got the chance to have a look at the black room, the black room is a room with one metre of solid cement on every wall. It also had 3 doors. When you shut all the doors it was pitch black. From the outside you can't hear a single thing. After that we had a bit of time before the cruise to walk about. We split up and some of us went to the haunted houses and some went to the old church. We all met back up at the boat ready for the cruise which was pretty amazing.

Back on the bus we went, we travelled back to camp with a stop so we could grab some tea. We got back to camp then just stayed in our cabins till morning. The next day, Friday was packed up day, it took us so long to pack up but we eventually got it all done. The bus trip home was so long and tiring and I think we were all pretty tired once we got back home. We thank all the teachers so much for letting us have one of the best camps ever.

Written by Cassandra McGivern & Mollie Bantick.



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# ST MARYS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

## DOCTORS ROSTER

Dr Z. Hudda- 11th Aug-21st August

### AFTER HOURS SERVICE CONTACT NUMBERS

PLEASE PHONE GP ASSIST ON 1300 780 011

AMBULANCE 1800 008 008 or

EMERGENCY 000

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE 6372 2111

### BEFORE PRESENTING AFTER HOURS.

St Marys Community Health Centre

GP Surgery Hours:

Monday—Friday 8:50am-12:30pm

12:30pm-1:30pm LUNCH

NO PATHOLOGY SERVICE 12:00-1:30PM

### FLU LIKE SYMPTOMS

**PLEASE PHONE 1800 358 362 BEFORE COMING TO THE MEDICAL CENTRE TO BE ADVISED ON THE APPROPRIATE ACTION**

## DISABILITY PARKING AT THE CENTRE

There is 1 Disability Parking Bay at the Entrance to the Centre. Additional bay will be available in the future.

**DISABILITY PARKING MEANS—** you have a *permanent disability* which prohibits independent access and you hold a current Parking Concession approved by Transport Tasmania.

Disability Parking **is not available** to people who *do not hold a parking concession card* and have *temporary disorders* or where their condition is *expected to improve in time*.

**Emergency 'Drop Off Zone'** is the Ambulance Bay at the rear of the Centre.

This allows closer access to Accident & Emergency Services.

## DIABETIC CLINIC

### ST MARYS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

Regular consults available at the St Marys Community Health Centre. If you require an appointment please see your GP for a referral and GP North will contact you with an appointment time. **Next session at St Marys is: 17th July 2009**

Physio Therapist Locum Peter Jenvey will be working as from Monday 17th August at St Helens and Tuesday 18th August at St Marys until 29th December.

### Tom Bain, Rae & Partners Lawyers.

At the Community Health Centre Tuesday fortnights. For appointments please phone 6337 5555

## LAUREL HOUSE COUNSELLING

PHONE 6334 2740

A.H. & WEEKENDS 0409 800 394

Support for women, men and children who have experienced rape, sexual assault/ harassment or child abuse. Local appointments available.

## WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE

- 12th Aug **Day Centre**— For details on the group please contact Ann Jetson on 6372 2111
- 12th Aug **Social Worker**
- 5th Aug **Psychologist** Dohotay Teboul— appointments by referral from your GP. 8:30-5:00 pm
- 13th Aug **Social Worker**
- 14th Aug **Social Worker**
- 14th Aug **G.P. North**  
9am—5pm  
**Diabetes** For appointments please see you GP for a referral.  
**Dietician**— Appointments by referral from your G.P  
**Exercise Physiologist** by referral from your G.P
- 14th Aug **MAHS** Diabetic clinic
- 17th Aug **Eyelines**  
Appointments made through provider
- 18th Aug **Child Health Session** with Sue Gofton.  
Every Tuesday by appointment. Please phone 0428 136 381
- 18th Aug **Physio**—Peter Jenvey
- 19th Aug **CRS** 10 AM
- 19th Aug **Day Centre**— For details on the group please contact Ann Jetson on 6372 2111
- 20th Aug **Social Worker**
- 21st Aug **Social Worker**
- 24th Aug **Relationships Australia** Lyn Marie phone 1300 364 277
- 24th Aug **St. Giles**
- 25th Aug **Tom Bain—Rae & Partners Lawyers.** For appointment please phone 6337 5555.  
Available Tuesday fortnights at St Marys Community Health Centre
- 25th Aug **Child Health Session** with Sue Gofton.  
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## ST MARYS DAY CENTRE IS HOLDING A RAFFLE GREAT PRIZES

**\$1.00 PER TICKET**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE AT ST MARYS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE**

**A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE BUSINESSES WHO DONATED PRIZES ENABLING THE RAFFLE TO GO AHEAD.**

**PRIZES ARE LISTED ON THE REVERSE PAGE**

# Day centre raffle

1st PRIZE—\$50.00 GIFT VOUCHER

BAY SURF ST HELENS

2ND—\$30.00 GIFT VOUCHER

HAPPY BELLY DELLY ST MARYS

3RD PRIZE— \$30.00 GIFT VOUCHER

ST MARYS PHARMACY

4TH PRIZE—FAMILY PIZZA

COACH HOUSE ST MARYS

5TH PRIZE— BOTTLE OF WINE

ST MARYS HOTEL

6TH PRIZE—BOX OF CHOCOLATES

IGA SUPERMARKET ST MARYS

7TH PRIZE— BASKET OF SOAPS AND FUDGE

STRAWBERRY JELLY

8TH PRIZE— MENS HAIR CUT

DESIGNER HAIR STUDIO ST MARYS

9TH PRIZE— ONE WEEK MOVIE HIRE

ST MARYS NEWSAGENCY

10TH PRIZE— FUDGE

MOUNT ELEPHANT FUDGE

11TH PRIZE— \$10.00 GIFT VOUCHER

PURPLE POSSUM WHOLEFOOD &CAFÉ

12TH PRIZE— CUP &SAUCER

SECOND HAND ROSE ST MARYS

13th prize—BOTTLE OF PORT

IAN BRADBURY

\$1.00 per TICKET

DRAWN 9TH SEPTEMBER 2009



# Fingal Primary School News

## Hagley Farm School Camp Grade 3/4/5/6



### School Camp

Dear diary,

7:00- On Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> of August at 7:00 Miss Smith came into my cabin and woke us up. I got up and had a shower because I was on breakfast duty.

7:15- Seven other people and myself walked to the dining hall to set up for breakfast.

7:30- All the kids came to the dining hall to have breakfast. There was cereal and toast to have for breakfast and we got a hot Milo at the end.

8:15- I had finished breakfast and was on my way back to our cabins.

8:30- I have done most of our packing and Miss Smith was checking our bags for Jayden's camera.

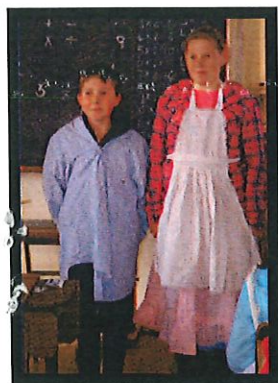
9:30- I have loaded our bags on the bus and we are about to head off to Chicken Feed.

10:00- I have arrived at Chicken Feed and had 10-15 minutes to buy what I wanted with my money.

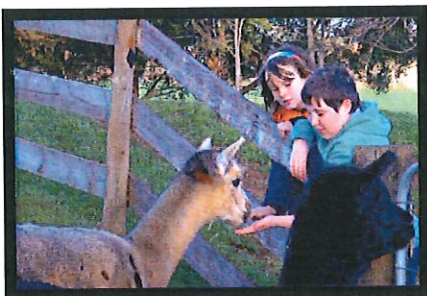
10:20- I am back on the bus and ready to go home.

11:40- I have arrived back at school and some people have gone home.

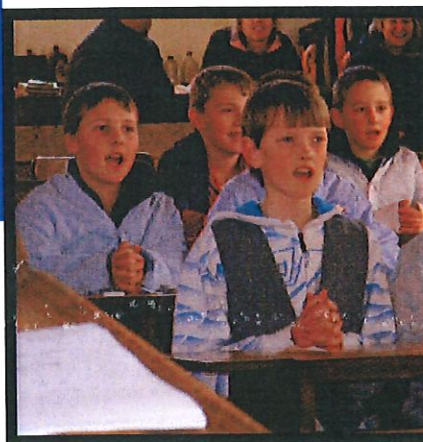
By Breeana Francis



Kurtis Tuck and Breeana Francis.



Zoe Simpson and Sydney Rushton.



Kurtis Tuck, Sam Herbert, Harvey Flynn and Leo Davies.



Elizabeth Bosworth and Taylah Munro.



Kimberly Burns

### My Diary

On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> of August I went to Hagley Farm for a school camp. When I got there I sorted my cabin out. In my cabin there was Breeana, Chloe, Jorgia and Grace. When I had unpacked my bag I went for a walk around the school. Once I did that I had recess and lunch. After that I got to feed the goats and the ducks. Then I walked to St Marys church. When I got back I fed all of the animals. After that I got to go play because all of the Hagley children had gone home. Some people went to their cabins. At 5:15 some people had to go to tea duty to get ready for tea. At 5:30 everybody went to have tea. For tea I had 3 serves. The first was soup, main meal and dessert. It was yummy. Once I had finished I went to the Activity Museum. I did lots of old things like doing washing in the olden days, dressing up, playing shops and being a builder. Then I went to my cabin. I had some treats. Then I went to bed. It was fun.

By Miss Carley Baldwin

## Calendar of Events - August

17th Parent Teacher	18th Parent Teacher Vietnam Veterans Day Service & Sausage Sizzle 10.45 a.m.	19th Aboriginal Dance Day Practice at Avoca	20th Launching into Learning 1.30-3.00 p.m. Country Gold Carnival Assembly 2.15 p.m. K/P/1/2 to Lead	21st Country Gold Carnival
24th School Association Meeting 6.30 p.m. Gr. 5 Parent Meeting 2.30 p.m.	25th	26th	27th Launching into Learning 1.30-3.00 p.m. Newsletter	28th Premiers Reading Challenge Ends

## St Marys Sports Centre Inc. news Kackhander

First of all it's great to see good fields happening again on Saturdays at the club. In the past fortnight comps have been well attended and the ladies Barclay Shield has been played. Terrific stuff.

In the men's comps the winners have been Barry Harrison and Craig Frieboth in the Hidden Nine event while in the stroke last week John McDonald and Col Payne did well. Also welcome to Stuart Falconer to the competition ranks. Great to see you playing Stuart.

The Barclay Shield qualifying winners were Bobbie Harwood and May Cook with runners up being Carole Gunson and Beth Haas. Congratulations to you all.

Over the next few weeks are perpetual events, Club championships and all sorts to be played so watch out for all of this.

In the past week or two the club invoices have been issued. Thanks Craig. Also thanks to Jim Turner and Glenn McDonald for a fair bit of paperwork and initiatives in this regard too.

Another special thanks goes to our outgoing Patron and friend John McGiveron. Although John's busy schedule prevented him from being around the club as much as he'd like, he still carried out his duties over the past few years with aplomb and generosity. Thanks for being a worthy patron John. When our new patron is appointed we will notify you all through the normal channels.

Finally we hope that you will have the opportunity to use the membership nomination provided in the pack you received to encourage both new or old members to fill in over the next 12 months.

Anyway, until next time, good hitting and rolling.

### Love

A man was sitting on the settee watching TV when he heard his wife's voice from the kitchen.

"What would you like for dinner love, chicken, beef or lamb?"

He said, "Thank you, I'll have chicken."

"Shut up. You're having soup. I was talking to the cat."

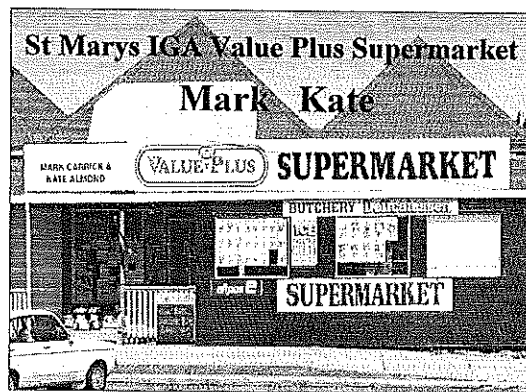
I was in the pub yesterday when I suddenly realized I desperately needed to 'break wind'. The music was really, really loud, so I timed myself with the beat.

After a couple of songs, I started to feel better. I finished my pint and then looking around I noticed that everybody was staring at me.

It was only then I suddenly remembered that I was listening to my iPod.

A woman is standing nude, looking in the bedroom mirror. She is not happy with what she sees and says to her husband, 'I feel horrible; I look old, fat and ugly. I really need you to pay me a compliment.'

The husband replies, 'Your eyesight's darn near perfect.' And that's how the fight started .....



38 Main Street St Marys  
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Mon - Fri 8am - 6pm  
Sat 8am 12 noon

### This week's specials.

#### *From the butchery*

Legs of lamb	\$ 8.99kg
Porterhouse steak	\$14.99kg
Mince	\$ 8.99kg
Homestyle chickens	\$ 4.99kg

#### *Instore specials*

Chum dog food 700g	\$1.09
Quilton toilet tissue 6pk	\$3.79
Quilton paper towel 2pk	\$2.65
Just Juice 2lt	\$2.79
Black & Gold Wh/wholem bread 680g	\$1.99
Duck River soft butter 500g	\$3.99
So Good lite & regular 1lt	\$1.79

#### *From the Deli*

Pandani cooked silverside	\$11.99kg
Shredded pizza topping	\$ 7.99kg

### Next week's specials.

#### *From the butchery*

Lamb loin chops	\$14.99kg
Free range chicken breast	\$14.99kg
Chicken drumsticks	\$ 4.99kg

#### *Instore specials*

Kleenex toilet tissue 6pk	\$3.99
Kit-e-Kat canned cat food 410g	.89
CSR white/raw sugar 2kg	\$2.79
Berri longlife juice 2.4lt	\$3.79
Chum dry dog food 3kg	\$5.65
Devondale sparkling apple cider 750ml	\$2.39

#### *From the Deli*

Pandani 4 x 4 sandwich ham	\$ 6.99kg
Boneless ham off the bone	\$14.99kg

## Stallholders Market Inc.

Is a non profit organisation holding markets every Saturday from 8am in St Helens, at the Library car park.

There is a variety of stalls and the fees charged to stall holders is donated to various charities.

For stall booking or any other inquiries, please phone Sylvia on 6376 8390.

Saturday mornings only:0447 589 803.