

The Valley & East Coast Voice

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Dear Valley Voice readers,

As you may know, the building housing the Cranks and tinkerers museum is up for sale, and we are consequently seeking new premises.

A grant is being sought from the Tasmanian Community Fund to erect a new building not far from the railway station, and to assist us with our application we need letters of support.

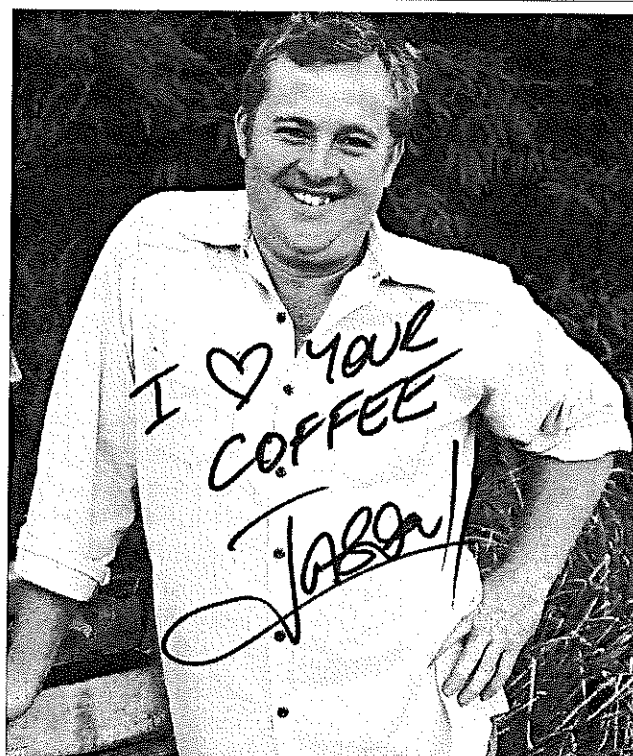
Letters should address several things:

- Benefit to the community over the three years of operation
- Perceived future benefits of keeping the operation going
- Any other positives you can think of, such as opportunities for volunteers, custody, safe-keeping and display of both personal items and town memorabilia, playing a part in having motorists stop for a while instead of driving through...

If you think you can put pen to paper to give your written support, would you please do so by the end of the month? Either drop it in to the museum itself, leave it with Grant Faulkner, or with Rita at Gone rustic.

Many thanks in advance for your help with our project.

Ian Summers.



We may not get many celebrities in our small town, but guess who was tickled pink, gob-smacked and star-struck at the Purple Possum last Thursday when Jason Hodges, a television presenter on *Better Homes and Gardens*, called in for a coffee. I'm told he was also recognised by Ruth Spencer?

Sandra is walking tall, because she made him his coffee!! I believe he was also coerced into visiting the school for a talk with some of the students.

**A warm welcome to
Dr. Cyril Latt
and his delightful family.**

**We all hope you have a long
and happy stay.**

From the St Marys Community.

**Congratulations to Rita Summers for
the great night, good food, and
wonderful visual experience obtained
from the beautiful display of quilts at
her Gallery, Gone Rustic.**

Reon and Wendy.

Please note: Deadline for articles in the next Valley Voice is 5pm Tuesday March 8, 2011

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St. Marys Tigers Football Club Inc.

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First (light) training run, meet and greet etc.

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6.30pm for 7.00pm start

Friday 11 March 2011

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Christmas Eve 2010, was a fun filled afternoon for the residents of St Marys and surrounding areas, with the Christmas Party and Parade being hosted once again by the Lions Club of St Marys Inc. Tents, tables, chairs and BBQ were set up ready for the afternoon activities. Ute loads of presents, ice creams, cordial fruit drinks, fresh hamburgers etc. were all carted and set up ready for the party.

3pm, and the party was just beginning, but by 3.30pm Faulkner's Green was alive with families from around the district. Raffle tickets for the Christmas stocking were selling well, with much

interest in the contents of this great prize.

The BBQ was running hot and was very well patronised during the afternoon. (great work Brian and Harry) Free tickets were handed out for raffle draws of presents for children and adults. Ice creams, drinks, chips and sweets were all free for those attending. A jumping castle and ball pit (also free) were a great favourite with the younger children.

4pm and Santa arrived, by courtesy of local Fire Service, as Santa's sleigh was being serviced ready for the night's work. Santa was absolutely swamped by the children with their last minute orders for the "big night". He gave out 200 packets of sweets during the afternoon to excited boys and girls. Santa left the party as 4.45pm to go and join the Christmas Parade before it got underway.

What a Parade! Fire trucks, ambulances, paramedics, Aurora, plus many varied floats from St Marys and Scamander, children on their decorated bikes and many dressed up to delight all who attended. Kirk McGiveron gave his experience as MC for the day, announcing prize draws and playing CDs during the afternoon, thus keeping everyone entertained between events.

Lions Club of St Marys Inc. wish to thank Jeff and Margaret Faulkner for once again allowing us to use "Faulkner's Green" for our Christmas Party. A perfect venue for so many to enjoy. Our thanks also to the local businesses for their financial assistance, and to members of the public who turned up to help. As our club is shrinking and ageing, your help was much appreciated. 24 appreciation certificates have been sent out—a great testament to our community.

The winner of the Lions Club Christmas stocking was Jacqui Bianci of St Marys.

Float prizes were: 1st: Paul Aulich and family

2nd Lyn Plummer

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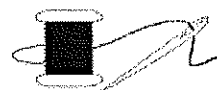


*Olga Targett of St Marys,
who is celebrating her
88th birthday
on 23rd February.*

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MUM.**

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Break O'Day Stitchers Inc. Exhibition 2011



QUILTING & EMBROIDERY EXHIBITION

Saturday 23rd - Wednesday 27th April 2011,
10am to 4pm

Portland Memorial Hall, St. Helens

This year's challenge is 'Butterflies' along with our usual entries of Quilts, Cross Stitch, Embroidery, Knitting, Journal Cover, Dolls and Teddy Bears, miscellaneous, with Men's and Novice sections.

Juniors - This year to encourage more junior entries, you can enter three times for free

Section 1/13 **BAGS** - Sponsored by Sew Knit, Launceston (see entry form for more details)

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Section 2 - **Judged Categories**

1. Challenge: Butterflies
2. Patchwork & Quilting:
 - Hand quilted
 - Machine Pieced - Machine Quilted on a Domestic Machine
 - Machine Pieced - Machine Quilted by a professional
 - Mixed Technique
 - Art Quilt,
 - Group Quilt
3. Embroidery: Candlewicking, Hardanger, Crewel, Stump Work, Ribbon Embroidery
4. Cross Stitch and Canvas Work: Long Stitch, Needlepoint, Tapestry
5. Dolls & Teddies
6. Knitting, Crochet, Tatting, Lace Work
7. Men's Section
8. Junior Section - Entry fee \$2.00
(Three entries for free)
 - Ages 10 and under - Ages 11 - 16
9. Novice - First attempt at anything
10. Miscellaneous includes Basketry & Weaving
11. Journal Cover
12. Exhibition only

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Paradise not lost

A Tassie expat is leading the recovery push in Queensland's storm-battered north, writes Hannah Martin, of the Sunday Tasmanian.

The Tasmanian-born Mayor of cyclone battered Cairns is urging southerners to holiday in tropical North Queensland. The palm trees might be leaning to one side and the odd beach shack has lost its roof, but Val Schier says its the perfect place for a family getaway.

"We're open for business," she said.

"If people want to help us out in any way, come and have your holiday in the tropical north."

Ms Schier, 60, said the Cairns community was coping well in the aftermath of Cyclone Yasi.

"We're a very resilient community," she said.

"The sorts of people that tend to choose to live in the tropics tend to be independent, adventurous and resourceful."

So how's the Tassie expat coping in the wake of Yasi?

"I'm fine," she said.

"I'm one of those very strong and focused people and at a time like this I guess the community really needs leadership and I've been there being as calm, as measured and as informative as I can be," she said.

But the region is doing it tough financially.

She said the tourism industry had slumped in the face of the strong Aussie dollar and the global financial crisis has put a halt to population growth.

Until 2008, the population of Cairns was growing by three per cent each year.

"At one stage 75,000 people per year were moving to Queensland," Ms Schier said.

The population explosion has taken its toll on resources, housing and the state's once enviable affordable lifestyle. But the slowdown isn't all bad news to Ms Schier.

"We had been struggling to deal with the population growth and we need to plan very well for the future, particularly with the natural disasters that have visited Queensland."

"It's been a huge challenge for Queensland to try to cope with [and] a huge burden on local and state governments trying to provide roads and schools and all of the infrastructure that's needed for all of those people," she said. Ms Schier was one of the early sunseeking migrants to settle in Queensland.

She left Tasmania for the big island after graduating from university in 1970. After spending time in the Northern Territory and Western Australia, she travelled to North Queensland. "Then I discovered the tropics and decided that's the place I'd prefer to live, rather than in cold Tasmania," she said. That was about 30 years ago and during that time Ms Schier has worked as a teacher, cook, mining treatment plant operator, motel manager and joined the state public service where she held senior managerial positions. She was elected mayor in 2008 the first woman to hold the position.

"I just love the laid-back tropical lifestyle and that suits me," she said.

Ms Schier said she visited Tasmania once a year and hadn't ruled out a permanent return in retirement.

She owns a "little cabin on half an acre" in Falmouth, on the East Coast, where she spends most Christmases with her brothers and other family members. Her ancestors were pioneers in the area.

"I love visiting Tasmania," she said.

"I see Tasmania as being very similar to tropical North Queensland, as in they're both stunning areas with creative people, with stunning coastlines, but were remote from major centres which brings challenges."

But she didn't find it difficult to leave her birth state.

"When you live in Tasmania, you're always aware that there's a big wide world outside and I always wanted to travel," she said.

"I think travel and living in other places certainly broadens your life experiences."



But Ms Schier said she still had a "very strong emotional connection to Tasmania".

"I just feel incredibly privileged in some ways, because I feel that I have two home bases," she said.

"I think, in the end, what anchors us in our community is the environment and friends and family. I'm lucky because I have that in two different places and not many people have that" Her only son and his wife also live in Cairns.

Ms Schier isn't the only Tasmanian to forge a career in Queensland politics.

Brisbane's Lord Mayor is Campbell Newman, the son of two one-time Tasmanian federal politicians. Kevin and Jocelyn Newman, who were both Coalition government ministers.

Campbell Newman, a Liberal, has held the position since 2004.

This story and photo was published in the Sunday Tasmanian on February 13, 2011.

Val's brother David, forwarded this to the Valley Voice.

All of Val's family are very proud of her achievements, and I am sure the community here is also just as proud.

Well done Val. Many of us watched as it all unfolded, and you were a credit to us here in Tassie.

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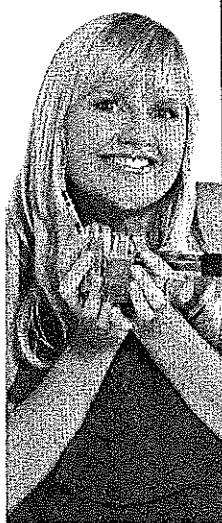
\$2 entry fee for each competition.

**Entries to be left at Hall between 4 and 5pm on 4th March or before
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For more information phone Colin 6372 2707.

**All money raised from markets funds Tasmanian Regional Arts Tour-
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OUT OF THE WOODWORK

Wendy Brennan, Secretary 0408 656 014.

Many thanks to **Reon Johns** who drove the troops to Scottsdale, while under the supervision of **Dave Mallett**. (From all members: **Dave we hope and know that you will soon be back with the bright eyes and bushy tail we all know**).

It was an interesting and enlightening day especially when we were given a lesson in the beautiful art of marquetry. It made us appreciate the assiduous detail that goes into these pieces.

On our journey home we stopped at the Derby tin museum which took us all back to yesteryear with the realisation of how hard times must have been, when using such primitive apparatus in the search for minerals. **Wendy Fowler and Dave Mallett** empowered the group with their expansive knowledge of the mining history of the town and the wonderful displays were mesmerising.

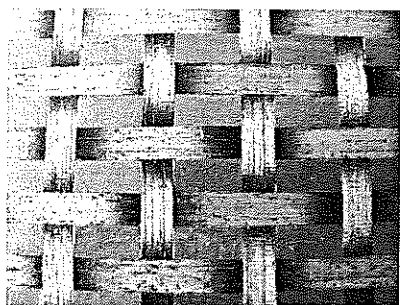
Our garden is progressing slowly and I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank **Lorraine Gill** whose help has been paramount in restoring some look of semblance to what a garden bed should resemble.

While on the subject of plants many thanks to **Mrs Heather Lodge, the Duck and Kim Watkins** from second hand rose who kindly donated plants. One especially will be treasured, as it was propagated from Heathers grandmother's private grounds.

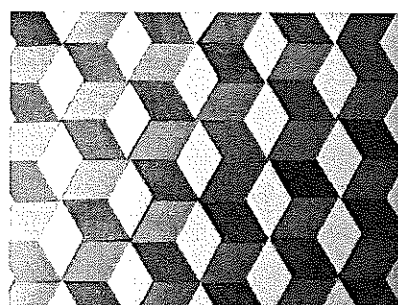
As winter is approaching and it's near time to batten down the hatches the committee has decided that over the colder months we will cease the **Woodcraft Guild's Market in the hall commencing in March**. We would like to thank the **Tasmanian Regional Arts** who have been very supportive and remind people to get behind the great market which they hold on the first Saturday of every month. Many thanks to all the stall holders and hope to see you at our **ANNUAL OPEN DAY ON THE 16TH APRIL AT THE OLD RAILWAY SHED IN ST MARYS. SITES WILL BE FREE TO ALL OUR MEMBERS.**

Finally the Guild would like to extend to **Kelly Bond (Strawberry Jelly)** a sincere thank you for all the support she has given our organisation over the years and we sincerely wish her and the family all the best on the new road travelled.

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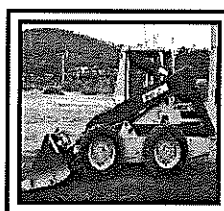


*Photos of
marquetry
by Wendy
Brennan.*



**OUR GANG SAYS...
'DON'T FORGET TO BE AT THE
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AT THE
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**Tuesday, March 1, 2011.
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**For any enquiries, including new
enrolments, please phone Mel on
6372 2099 or 0409 838 816.**

Councillors Corner

By Cllr Reon Johns.

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

The Council is currently involved in Strategic Planning for the Break O'Day. This process is supposed to be carried out every 5 years.

In order to complete this massive task the Council decided to employ a company who is an expert in this field.

I have been asked how this process works. It is quite simple really. Council or someone on its behalf organises a series of community consultations throughout the region and records what the community would like to see. A letter was sent out inviting comment from people who could not be present at any of the meetings.

These ideas are then presented to the Council and senior staff and grouped into various categories, e.g. Community Building, Governance, Environment etc. From memory I think that we ended up with 10 categories. As there is only so much that can be carried out in the 5 years, we decided on what we believed were the most important. The 5 are:

1. Community Building
2. Economic Development
3. Environment and Planning
4. Leadership and Governance
5. Asset Management

All of these have clearly defined strategies and goals.

This is then presented back to the community by community consultations throughout the region, for comment and any changes. This then goes back to the council and senior staff for review. Then, again, this is up for public review before it is finalised.

At the present stage the plan has been well received and is in the final review before the last public comment.

This Strategic Plan is totally in the hands of you, The residents of the Break O'Day and not the Council or Staff, all ideas and comments have been sourced from the community and the only ones who can rubber stamp this Plan is **you.**

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1.00 pm 3.00 pm

Where: NEET Centre 13 Gray Rd St Marys. 7125

Information/Selection sessions will cover information about course content, costs, and time commitments related to this course, in addition to career pathways. Following the Information Session you will be offered an opportunity to complete an application for entry into the March intake and to complete a written task (literacy and numeracy) to determine your suitability for this course. Certificate III in Aged Care is conducted 1 day per week over 3 school terms

Important: to be considered for a place in this course you must attend this session.
For more information call **Mary Targett on 63723900**

handpainted fabric class with cindy watkins of deep peace studio

This talented and multi award-winning textile artist will be sharing her talents and techniques with us again in February.

Come and be inspired! Create your own unique fabrics, to use in projects such as quilts, bags, cushions, etc. – the only limit is your imagination!

Date: Saturday, 26 February 2011

Time: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Cost: \$65 (members \$60) – to be confirmed

Bookings: deposit of \$20 required with booking

Materials: see list

BYO lunch; tea and coffee provided

2011 quilt challenge

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Deep Peace Studio

materials list for handpainted fabric class with cindy watkins

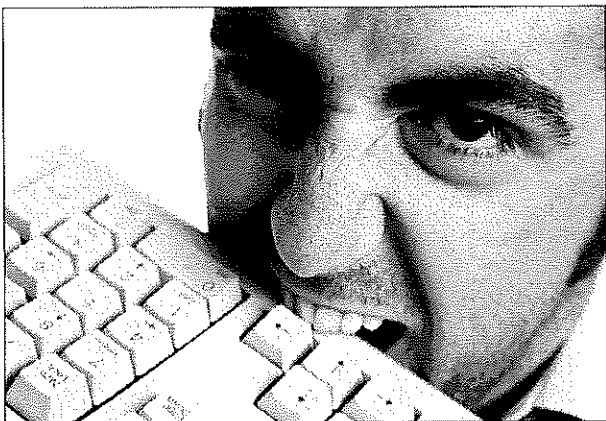
- ☐ Lunch and a mug. Tea & Coffee provided.
- ☐ Note Book, Pen.
- ☐ Plastic ice cream container.
- ☐ 8 to 10 pieces of white or light fabric.
- If you bring calico it must have been washed at least twice. 30 x 30 cm Must be cotton.
- ☐ Old towel.
- ☐ Rubber gloves. The disposable ones are fine.
- ☐ Something to cover your clothes. Apron or old shirt.
- ☐ 2 White rubber erasers
- ☐ Craft knife
- ☐ Any Rubber craft stamps you have.

N.B. - Cindy will provide dyes, brushes and other items needed for this class – this is included in the price.

Class will start at 10 am and finish at about 3pm.

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**St Marys- Day Centre
Thursday 24/2/11
10.30am-12.30pm**

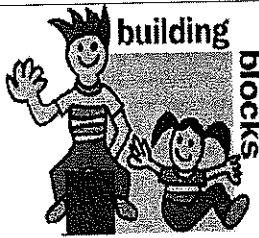
**Fingal - Fingal
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February 2011



Building Blocks also has home visits so feel free to contact me, to arrange a time if you are unable to travel or are homebound.

Play & Learn Sessions are on:

15th Feb at St Marys Community Hall
18th Feb at Pyengana Community Hall
23rd Feb at Fingal Park
28th Feb at St Marys Playgroup at Falmouth Community Hall

All sessions are from
10.30-12.30

March 2011



Play & Learn Sessions are on:

1st March at St Marys Community Hall
9th March at Fingal Park
11th March Pyengana Community Hall
15th March at St Marys Community Hall
16th March at Bicheno Community Hall
23rd March at Fingal Park
25th Pyengana Community Hall
29th St Marys Community Hall



For more information and to share ideas/suggestions

Please call Cathy at Healthy House on 6376 5242

Or email: cathy.parker@healthyhouse.org.au

All Building Blocks sessions are free of charge

The Say Cagerattler

Remember a rather contentious issue I touched on last year regarding parking in our town? It caused quite a bit of angst and discussion and I promised not to mention it any further unless developments occur. I think developments are beginning to occur and since a very recent discussion with the town's most prominent retail employer, I have had to think closely about what he told me. Over recent days I have also canvassed other locals on this issue and am truly gobsmacked to admit that almost every one of the dozen or so I have spoken to have indicated strongly that angle parking is preferred to parallel parking for all sorts of differing reasons.

Personally and mainly on the grounds of unblocked viewing of moving traffic I still like the idea of parallel parking and if done right, scope for aesthetically pleasing footpath development might be realistic but in total fairness it would be very wrong to disregard the opinions of so many fellow residents and business owners. It has become totally evident to me that the community in general wish to stick with the status quo. As they say, majority rules and this being the case I'd have to yield to popular opinion in a democratic community.

One of the original recommendations was a realignment of the centre line by a metre thereby giving reversing drivers from the parking bays that much more clearance to see vehicles moving toward them. If angle parking was to stay, surely the additional metre could be converted for added safety reasons.

I cannot agree entirely that because no serious collisions have occurred then NOTHING needs to change. I know there have been near misses and I know the frustration of becoming impatient whilst having a few tries at getting a clear view when backing out. Be honest. It's happened to us all but with a conciliatory approach to angle parking improvements and street modifications then the majority might yet see it stay.

One of our most respected councillors told me only a few days ago that Council cannot dictate this road design. It's not their road to administer but I'd like to think that relevant recommendations by Councils are considered by D.I.E.R. This State Government statutory body is ultimately responsible for the road in question it seems. Whatever the final outcome is, please don't blame Council for it all but I'd suggest that Council should pass on any decisions pending, to the community as a matter of course.

One last point that I need to clarify in this column is this. I wasn't asked to write the article last year. It was my decision entirely. The topic came from discussions I had with another prominent resident and business proprietor who sees benefits in parallel parking and has had experience in other places for such things. I really liked the concept. I still do on most fronts. Equally though I have now been made more aware on how so many fellow townsfolk, friends, business people and community members feel in regard to parking changes. It is crucial that ALL OPINIONS are given the fullest consideration by D.I.E.R. in coming months before final decisions are made, maybe even with concessions as needed on some points because we all have to use this precinct so we had better get it right if at all possible. We all have to live here. D.I.E.R. officials don't.

On the illegal dumping of rubbish touched on in the first Valley Voice, I was dismayed to find further rubbish (disused 20 litre oil drums) left on the track right adjacent to one of the water courses there this week along with other items. Can those people PLEASE take these things with them when they leave. Just a favour and consideration to others. Thanks also to the same councillor previously mentioned for his advice on procedural matters re a future more effective and expedient clean up of the main offending "tip" up on Mt Nicholas. Much appreciated.

What do you think?

Deliberations

By Charles Trollope

We are entering a time of the greatest disruption that the world has ever known. Many of the things that we rely on will be either destroyed or greatly altered.

As always, people are ignoring the many signs that should be noticed and have gone into a state of disbelief expecting the system which they have relied on over the years to keep going as it always has. Even so, nobody can deny that there is a "feeling in the air" that something big and sinister is imminent. They are in for a very big shock as has happened before in other lands where people have ignored the warnings.

The World's Monetary System is now unsustainable and will collapse very soon. America is so deeply in debt that they cannot possibly ever recover. They have been for a number of decades, running on credit, which they cannot ever service and will very soon go "Belly Up". Recently, Hillary Clinton signed an agreement with China acknowledging that the massive debt owed to them by America is secured by an agreement allowing China to take sovereignty over the land.

With the debt ever increasing, this now means that America has agreed to allow China to take possession of parts of America to pay the huge debt. Although this is a betrayal of the American people and a major breach of the American Constitution, it was the only way out to keep the ship afloat, albeit only in the short term.

When, not if, the big crash occurs, there will probably be civil war, fighting in the streets, and the greatest time of hardship that the world has known. China has only been propping up America for two reasons. First so that it can take possession, and the other, because it relies on the American market to buy Chinese imports. So when America collapses, this will destroy the Chinese export industry, which will in turn destroy Australia's export of raw materials etc. resulting in the collapse of the "Total World Monetary System"!!! Preparations have already been made, as in a large number of American states, huge "concentration camps" have been built to hold the protesters.

Recently, the Federal Reserve has resorted to printing very substantial amounts of money to keep afloat. This has been always shown historically to be the last desperate act of an economy about to collapse.

Hyman Minski's "Financial Instability Hypothesis", pointed out several years ago that owing to greed, "uncontrolled financial institutions were totally unsustainable, much to the derision of the "experts". He has been proven correct, with the "top financial experts" such as Alan Greenspan, Ben Bernanke and others of their ilk reeling in "shock, horror and disbelief"!!! And Europe is not much better, with calls now being heard to abandon the Euro and revert back to independent sovereignty as they had before. When one examines what has happened in Iceland, Spain, Portugal, Ireland, as well as the UK, with the other nations not far behind, it is obvious that the plan for "World Government" is not working. And how can it, when people show loyalty to their own country and their own flag!

So where do we go from here? People who rely on essential services will as always, find themselves in a very vulnerable position. How can they cope if the power stops working, the food stops being delivered to the shops, or the Banking System crashes???

We may find that the safest place to be is to live in a small rural community. Then one will find that civilisation has gone full circle!!!

Sorry about the bad news

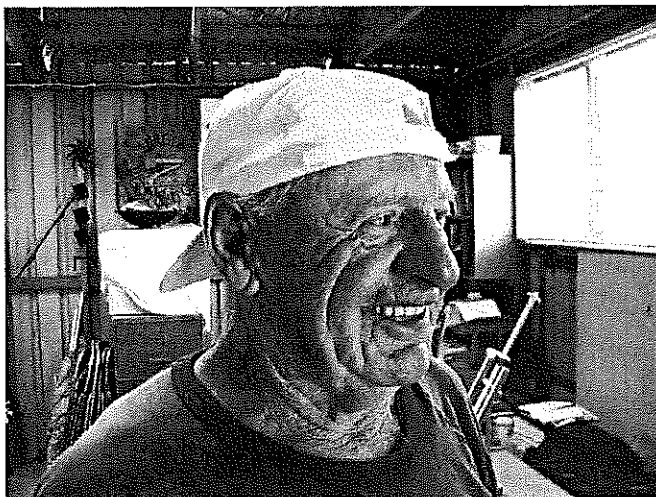
WAKE UP TIME

When the shearing sheds are silent,
and the stock camps fallen quiet,
When the gidgee coals no longer glow,
across the outback night,
And the bush is forced to hang a sign,
'gone broke and won't be back,'
And spirits fear to find a way beyond the beaten track.
When harvesters stand derelict,
upon the wind swept plains,
And brave hearts pin their hopes no more
on chance of loving rains.
When a hundred outback settlements
are ghost towns overnight,
When we've lost the drive and heart we had
to once more see us right.
When 'Pioneer' means a stereo and
'Digger' some backhoe,
And the 'Outback' is behind the house,
there's nowhere else to go.
And 'Anzac' is a biscuit brand
and probably foreign owned,
And education really means brainwashed
and neatly cloned.
When you have to bake a loaf of bread
to make a decent crust,
And our heritage once enshrined in gold
is crumbling to dust.
And old folk pay their camping fees
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And fishing is a great escape; this is until you're caught.
When you see our kids with yankee caps
and resentment in their eyes,
And the soaring crime and hopeless hearts
is no longer a surprise.
When the name of RM Williams
is a yuppie clothing brand,
Not a product of our heritage that grew off the land.
When offering a hand makes people think
you'll amputate,
And two dogs meeting in the street
is what you call a 'Mate'.
When 'Political Correctness'
has replaced all common sense,
When you're forced to see it their way,
there's no sitting on the fence.
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an outcast in this land,
Perhaps your heart will tell you then,
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(Penned by an ex soldier, author unknown)

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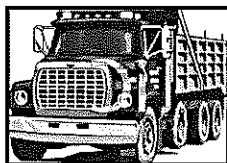
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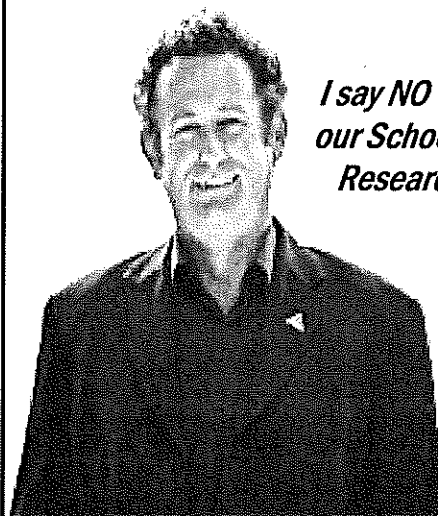
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No Doctor's Surgery on this day but normal surgery hours will resume on Tuesday 15th March.

(St Marys Community Health Centre

GP Surgery Hours:

Monday—Friday 8:50am-12:30pm

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Oral Health Competition

The St Marys Health Centre has been running an Oral Health Campaign during the last month with a competition to win an electric tooth brush simply by completing a questionnaire about Oral Health . The winner of the toothbrush was: Jackson Spilsbury— drawn by Leni Miles 16/2/11.

SOCIAL WORK SERVICES

Due to a rotating Social Work Roster please be aware that Shan Williams will be the Social Worker available during 2011 at the St Marys Community Health Centre. For appointments please phone 6372 2111. Shan is available on a Thursday and Friday and every second Wednesday.

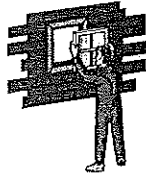
WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE FEB 2011

24th Feb	Eyelines- For appointments please phone 1300 139 363. All consultations Bulk Billed to Medicare
	Social Worker- Shan Williams appointments available by phoning 6372 2111
25th Feb	Diabetes Educator (GP North) – Appointments available by referral from your GP
	Dietician (GP North) - Appointments available by referral from your GP
	Exercise Physiologist (GP North) - Appointments available by referral from your GP
	Social Worker- Shan Williams appointments available by phoning 6372 2111
	TABIS (Tasmanian Acquired Brain Injury Service) Hannah Rubenach.
1st March	Child Health Session with Sue Gofon every Tuesday— Appointments only. Please phone 0428 136 381
2nd March	Day Centre- For details on the group please contact Hayley Gilbert 6372 2111.
	GP North Mental Health Worker- Brady Young for appointments please see your GP for a referral.
3rd March	Social Worker- Shan Williams appointments available by phoning 6372 2111
	Drug & Alcohol Counsellor. As by arrangement with Counsellor. For referrals please see your GP.
4th March	Social Worker- Shan Williams appointments available by phoning 6372 2111
	TABIS (Tasmanian Acquired Brain Injury Service) Hannah Rubenach
7th March	Hospital Auxilliary Meeting 2:00pm in the Day Room
8th March	Tom Bain, Rae & Partners Lawyers. At the Community Health Centre Tuesday fortnights. For appointments please phone 6337 5555
	Child Health Session with Sue Gofon every Tuesday— Appointments only. Please phone 0428 136 381
9th March	GP North Mental Health Worker- Brady Young for appointments please see your GP for a referral
	Social Work- Shan Williams. Please phone 6372 2111 for appointments
	Day Centre- For details on the group please contact Hayley Gilbert 6372 2111.
10th March	Relationships Australia- Leanne McMurtie for appointments please phone 1300 364 277
	Social Work- Shan Williams. Please phone 6372 2111 for appointments.
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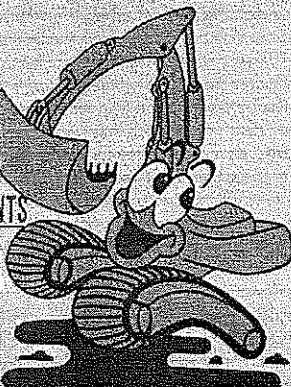
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Wednesday	2nd	Val Spencer	
Thursday	3rd	Heather Griffiths	
Friday	4th	Claire Bean	
MOW Contact		Phone:	0488 384 344
Monday	7th	Wendy Dawson	Neighbourhood House
Tuesday	8th	Pam Bretz	
Wednesday	9th	Barbara McAllister	
Thursday	10th	Kaye Nailer	
Friday	11th	Pam Gillies	Neighbourhood House

Church Services

Catholic Parish of St Marys

Sr. Lorraine Groves
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Mob: 0409 172 741

1st Sunday: MASS

St Helens Vigil L/W 6.00pm
Bicheno L/W 9.00am
Swansea LWC 9.30am
Mangana 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

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

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Break O'Day Uniting Church

The Manse St Helens
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St Helens 9.00 am
Fingal 11.15 am

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Hodgeman Street Scamander
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Contacts for Valley Voice

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St Marys Sports Centre Inc. news. Kackhander.

Bloody rain. Summer (what Summer?) Give you the s..ts, are what members are saying at present, going on the rain still falling. This weekend another crucial Bowls pennant game and more likely than not, vital East Coast championship games at Scamander will be cancelled. One thing is certain. You can't control the weather.

Thanks to all those who were available to help get the maximum result really needed last weekend to help in the push for the finals in a few weeks time. A shame further chances were missed after the most recent washout. We couldn't do it without the crucial help of our female bowlers who almost always find ways of propping up the men's team when required. We thank them greatly for this help. Also to our intrepid band of catering ladies. You are incredible. There is only 3-4 of these wonderful people but they NEVER let us down and it is highly appreciated by us all. Similarly to our volunteer bar people each week. Last time it was Chris Arratta and Roger Donald. Thanks again.

Next weekend we have a vital match at St Helens, so if players are unavailable can they please let the selectors know by Thursday night. Thanks. Also we really need to get club games done fairly soon (when the weather allows) because next season St Marys is Host Club and any greens work will need to be done before autumn begins to bite in late March/April.

Look out for golf aplenty soon. BAZ IS WORKING ON THE CALENDAR - So be warned....

Anyway, until next time, good hitting and rolling.

Childbirth at 60 ?

With all the new technology regarding fertility, recently a 60-year-old was able to give birth.

When she was discharged from the hospital and went home, I went to visit.

'May I see the new baby?' I asked.

'Not yet,' she said 'I'll make coffee and we can visit for a while first.'

Thirty minutes had passed, and I asked, 'May I see the new baby now?'

'No, not yet,' she said.

After another few minutes had elapsed, I asked again, 'May I see the baby now?'

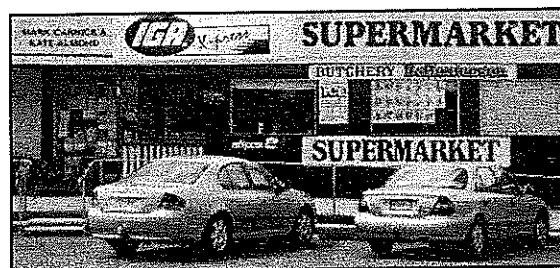
'No, not yet,' replied my friend.

Growing very impatient, I asked, 'Well, when can I see the baby?'

'WHEN HE CRIES!' she told me.

'WHEN HE CRIES?' I demanded. 'Why do I have to wait until he CRIES?'

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