

# *The Valley & East Coast Voice*

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## THE MIGHTY TIGERS ROAR!

Our third game of the season was played under lights at Windsor Park in Launceston last Saturday night. Our opponents were Sorell, a team St Marys played in it's very first Masters game at Campbelltown early last year. That time, St Marys went down narrowly so we thought we might be in with a chance this time.

The game started at a cracking pace and it was frantic end to end football. Sorell scored the first goal but St Marys quickly responded with a great snap from Darren Jones and from the sidelines you knew it was going to be a close game. Sorell were relentless in attack and had a couple of quick on-balls constantly firing the ball into their forward line, but the St Marys boys were rock solid in defence and repelled attack after attack. Gary Cooper, Chris Turner and Michael Cooke were in everything, diving into packs and clearing the ball to players running past. The teamwork, talking and backing up were superb and you could really sense the boys bonding into a well drilled and disciplined team. St Marys managed to keep their nose in front and by half-time were a goal up.

The boys continued in the same vein in the second half. Erin Carr was simply superb in both attack and defence and became the go-to man in the centre. "Carrie" is a big man yet to see him scoop up the ball with one hand, side step a couple of opponents and then drill the ball 50 metres into the forward line was a sight to behold. Chris Smithurst continued his strong performance in the forward line and managed to kick a goal with his very first kick in his shiny new boots. What a great acquisition Chris has been to both the town and the team. Paul Whitecross was everywhere and so many times backed up his team mates and ended up on a long clearing run. "Zippy" was also in the thick of things and like all great players always seemed to have that extra half second to gather and clear the ball. The teamwork was fantastic; handpasses over the top to players in the clear or running past. Accurate short passes and great leads, strong marks, backing up and talking - it was all there and everyone I spoke to after the game commented on what an entertaining match it was. St Marys just got better and better and kicked away in the last quarter to win comfortably 6.7. 43 to 3.3. 21. While it was a relatively low scoring game it was more of a reflection of great attack and solid defence from both teams. It really was a great game of football and the only sad point was that the good folk of St Marys didn't get to see their team really hit their straps and perform at such a great level against worthy competition.

Goal kickers - Darren Jones 3, Ray Squires 1, Chris Smithurst 1 and Roger Salter (who bravely came off the bench with a crook hamstring) also kicked 1. Best Players - Man of the Match performance from Erin Carr. Other outstanding performances from Paul Whitecross, "Zippy", Chris Smithurst, the evergreen Michael Cooke (until an injured knee forced him from the ground) and Darren Jones who was deadly around and in front of goal. What a joy it was to see the boys in a huddle singing the team song; they like everyone else at the ground knew they had put in a great performance.

Next game is a double header at St Marys on Sunday 24 July where we will be playing a joint Sandy Bay/Claremont team. Watch for further details.

Thanks to the Dawson boys for running the water, Craig Freiboth for a great performance as umpire and a special mention to Bradley Mitchell who stood on the sideline for the whole St Marys game as an emergency reserve and then volunteered to help out as an umpire in the second match and did a great job. Thanks also to Roger Donald for the use of his mini-bus.

A truly great night for the St Marys Tigers!

Harry Veldums,  
Club President.



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**EMAIL ADDRESS: [judith.spilsbury@telair.com.au](mailto:judith.spilsbury@telair.com.au)**

## 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 for meetings the last Saturday of the month at 2pm at the goods shed behind the St Marys Railway Station.

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

**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 Monday 10.30am - 12 noon at the Falmouth Community Centre, during school terms. \$2 a session per child or \$3 per family. Please bring a piece of fruit to share and your child's personal drink bottle. Bikes plus helmets welcome. **Phone or text: Danyelle: 0427 073 100.**

**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.**

**St Patricks Head & Esk Valley Historical Society Inc** has a meeting one month and a field trip the next. We invite everyone to come along on the third Sunday of the month and enjoy an informative time with lots of fun. For more information Phone: Barry Aulich (637225752) Darlene Wright (63722416) or Jim Haas (63722127)

**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.

**The Falmouth Community centre** would like to advise members and the community that the new contact for bookings of club facilities is Rachel Woods. Rachel can be contacted on: 03 6372 5118.

**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.

**Break O'Day Regional Arts** - General meetings held on the first Wednesday of each month at 5.30pm in the supper room at the back of the St Marys Hall. All welcome. Inquiries to Colin 6372 2707.

Meeting dates for **Friends of St. Helens History Room & Museum for 2011.**

**Executive Meeting Dates:** 01/08/2011- 07/11/2011

**General Meeting Dates:** 22/08/2011- (AGM) 28/11/2011

Contact the Centre at 6376 1744.

**St Helens Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** Wednesday 8pm Weekly. St Pauls Anglican Church Hall, St Helens. Murdoch 6376 3335.

**St Helens Al-Anon Family Group (Al Anon)** To help families and friends of alcoholics recover from the effects of the living with the problem drinking of someone close. Sunday 2pm weekly. St Pauls Anglican Church Hall St Helens Anne or John 6376 4270 or Rose 6376 3335.

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**WHERE:** Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House  
**TIME:** 7PM  
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*Enquiries to the president on 63722783.*



### Sunday Market

*Happening :*

*At the Old Tasmanian Hotel*

*On the last Sunday of the Month*

*Please ph 63742344 or mobile 0488 562 538*

*to book your table/trestle*

*Needed: fruit & veggie stall holders*



### 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 and other inquiries, please phone Marilyn on 6376 1858.



### St Marys Market

Rain hail or shine the markets will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday every month in the community hall 9am till 2pm.

New stall holders welcome

Phone Colin 6372 2707 or Sue 6372 2512

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## SHOP LOCALLY AND SAVE

### MANGANA MISSION MUSICIANS JAM NIGHTS

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Jul. 8<sup>th</sup>, Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, Nov 11<sup>th</sup>, Dec 9<sup>th</sup>. Starting time will be 6.00 pm. BYO meat and drinks for a BBQ. All styles of music, instruments and vocalists are very welcome.

For more information call André or Kate on 6374 2212

Classifieds in the Valley Voice are free of charge. If your articles are not sold after the first entry, we will repeat the ad in the next issue. Please let us know if items are sold. Every effort will be made to have correct details and phone numbers. However if there is a mistake, it will be corrected in the following issue.

## Classifieds

### For sale

Lovely white steel frame Q/S bed. As new. \$95. Mattress optional. Clean as new Q/S mattress protector. \$15. Hardly used Q/S electric blanket. \$20. Set golf clubs, used twice. \$65. Venetian blinds- 2 x 6' wide x 4' drop \$10ea. 1 x 6' wide x 3' drop. \$10. 2 x 3' wide x 3' drop. \$5ea. Off white. Ph: 6372 2531.

Bosch 2sp Power drill. 420w, 800rpm—1500rpm. Ex con. \$35. Whirlpool washing machine, top loader, 8kgs. Ex con. \$130. ono. Ph: 6372 5541 - 0418 992 217.

Everhot combustion stove with low pressure hot water cylinder, in good working order. \$500. Ph: 0427 603 488.

'80 Subaru 4Wd 5spd touring wagon, running order good drive train, unreg, wreck or relic.

\$550. ono. '87 Hiace LWB Van, 5 spd petrol running order, unreg, wreck or relic. \$550. ono.

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Blue sofa bed . \$100. Timber plant stand . \$30. 3 drawer cane bedside table. \$30. Pine 3 drawer bedside table. \$30. Ph: 0418 343 092.

Panasonic Sensor Inverter Microwave Oven 32L capacity stainless steel 18 mths old in "as new condition", 1100 Watt power. \$140. ono. Ph: 63742325.

Aluminum window 2276 x 165cm with amber glass at top. \$80. Dining table - extending, and 6 chairs. \$50. Ph: 6372 2446.

Palsonic 19" LCD TV, very good condition. \$75. Girls computer/make-up cabinet with lights and mirror. Pink and white melamine. Very good condition. \$100. Coffee table/ chest (900 x 500w x 500h) excellent condition. \$120. LG DVD player (as new) \$50. Samsung DVD player, excellent condition. \$50. Contact Karen Polden Ph: 6372 2438 or mob: 0439 333 398.

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## FINGAL SCHOOL

With the Fingal School threatened with closure, it is interesting to look back on the history of this wonderful institution. One important fact to be remembered is that the main building has been a large part of the lives of children and parents of the Fingal community for 127 years.

In the mid nineteenth century, Fingal was the hub of the Fingal Valley. It was there that the Police District was administrated and where all births, deaths and marriages were registered. It was also the headquarters of the first council, formed in 1863. It is no wonder then that the first public school in the Fingal Valley was founded at Fingal in 1856. By this time the Probation System at Fingal had finished and the Probation buildings were used by other Government organisations, including the school.

Although the Probation buildings were rather elaborate structures, it appears few organisations wanted to share the space and all worked to have their own buildings erected. The Council was the first to move out when the foundation stone for a Town Hall was laid in 1882. The school followed a couple of years later in 1884. All of which points to a very busy time in the building industry at Fingal around that time.

To add to the council and school buildings, the Fingal Hotel was built in 1844, Holder Brothers Store 1859, St Peters Anglican Church 1867, St Josephs Catholic Church 1880, St Andrews Presbyterian Church 1881 and the Railway Station 1886. Whilst all this was going on the Prince of Wales Hotel and stables were under construction, plus the Probation Station was being dismantled and the stones relocated to build the Tasmanian Hotel, now the Neighbourhood House.

Like many other buildings in Fingal the school and master's residence were constructed from freestone taken from a nearby quarry. The proof of strength and durability of this material, coupled with the craftsmanship of the tradesmen, can be seen today when we look at these building still standing proud and sturdy, with little effects of passing time.

When the new school opened in 1884 it boasted an enrolment of 65 students, with one teacher and one assistant. The student numbers have not changed all that much over the years, but today from grade 7 on they have to travel to St Marys.

As the school has developed, playground facilities have been improved and new classrooms erected, but the original structures have been preserved, making the learning precinct one of only a handful in Tasmania with a nineteenth century history. This in itself, one would think, has enough merit to keep this school open.

But a school in a country town is much more than bricks and mortar; it is the life of the community. It is a place where infants first learn to interact and go on to gain those fundamental qualities necessary for future learning. Where better, can early schooling take place but their own town, in their own environment, being taught by friends and neighbours they have known most of their lives. By the time they do have to hop on a bus to travel to St Marys they have had a good basic education, making them much more able to cope with a larger, unfamiliar campus.

One can only imagine the fight the Fingal people had almost 130 years ago to get a school in their town. Today circumstances are quite different, but again the people have to stand together and fight, this time to keep what their ancestors built. Let us hope the Government of 2011 is as compassionate as the Government of 1856 and does not close what is not only part of Tasmanian history, but imperative to the current 50 plus students, their parents, teachers and, indeed, the town in which they live.

Few communities in Tasmania would have lost more industry, or businesses and services than Fingal over the past couple of decades. The "Heart of the Valley" is much weaker these days and now to lose their school for a mere pittance of what it would save the Government is a tragedy. The community can ill afford another loss, particularly one that will surely have adverse affects on the children.



## Letters to the Editor

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Dear Valley Voice,

Thanks to Dr Alison Bleaney and her concern about water quality in the George River, St Helens residents now enjoy some of the purest tap water in Tasmania. This is because almost no other water supply in the state has an activated carbon purification system fitted to the intake.

Last year after the *Australian Story* program: Something in the Water went to air, the Director of Public Health, Dr Roscoe Taylor took the issue of water quality so seriously that he had an activated carbon purification system fitted.

The state government's Water Panel advised that there is no risk from, and no additional research needed on, the highly toxic foam in the river. Against this advice Dr Taylor spent a considerable amount of government funds (perhaps \$80,000) to further research the water quality of the George River. The two reports he commissioned are yet to be made public.

The recent apology by the ABC regarding the *Australian Story* program Something in the Water did not undermine the original claims made by the program that there are high levels of toxins in the George River and that these most likely have come from a plantation of eNitens.

Rather, the apology referred to 'contextual accuracy and balance' and this phrase related to the views of the state government, which according to Mark Scott, the Managing Director of the ABC, were not sufficiently conveyed in the program.

The state government's views were not conveyed in the program because state authorities would not speak to the program team. The production team did attempt to elicit comment from these authorities, and these attempts were detailed in the credits at the end of Part 2. It is unfortunate that ABC management has decided to apologize and in doing so, have unfairly punished their own journalists.

St Helens residents now have some of the purest tap water in the state, thanks to the concerns of the local doctor, Dr Alison Bleaney. However, for those people above the carbon filter there is on-going concern about their water quality as there is for the fish farmers in George's Bay.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Andrew Lohrey.

Come hail or rain  
Pass closed again.  
Whatever we do  
Mail must get through.  
.....And it did!  
Well done and thanks.  
The Brewsters.

## Have you heard of the proposed National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)?

The proposed NDIS will ensure every Australian with a disability and their families/carers have access to a secure and consistent pool of funds to provide the support they need. It will be focused on the individual and on meeting their specific needs. The aim is to help everyone reach their full potential and be active in the community.

The Productivity Commission has recommended disability funding needs to be double that of the current nationwide disability budget to operate an effective system. The proposed NDIS will be federally funded, as disability service access currently varies greatly from state to state.

Anyone, anywhere, anytime can acquire a disability.

*Do you want to have assurances if you or a family member acquired a disability they will be able to continue to participate in the community and access support services?*

*Do you believe Australia needs a NDIS?*

If so, please go to [www.everyaustraliancounts.com.au](http://www.everyaustraliancounts.com.au) or join up through Facebook. Also, there are currently postcards in the Purple Possum and St Marys Post Office (there will be more locations in other towns soon) for those who do not have internet access and wish to sign up.

The NDIS needs people to add their voice to the campaign to ensure the Federal Government approves the scheme.

Hannah Rubenach, phone 0417 528 088.

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## Congratulations to Barbara McAllister

On Sunday 26th June on a gloriously sunny, if cold morning, Bishop John came to visit the Holy Trinity Anglican Church in St Marys for a very special occasion.

Barbara McAllister was accepted into the Anglican church by Bishop John during the regular Sunday morning Family Service held at Holy Trinity.

This special occasion was shared with the regular church goers and accompanied by some wonderful singing.

Barbara's acceptance into the church was celebrated with a shared lunch, where parishioners brought a plate of food to share. Many of you will know Barbara from the parish work she does around the St Marys Area.

Don't forget the next Anglican Church Supper on July 9th at 5.30pm "Bridging The Gap Between Hunger and Abundance" - (see notice next column).

We encourage those who attend to bring some non perishable food items to contribute to the Anglicare food hampers which go to families in need in the area. If you're unable to make the dinner and want to contribute to the hampers then donations can be left at Gone Rustic (usual opening hours Tues- Sat 10-4) or the St Marys Op Shop (Winter opening hours Mon-Fri 11-3)

*Photos and articles: Janet Drummond.*



## Bridging the Gap between

## Hunger and Abundance.

**Community Dinner — All are invited!**

Help us Help Anglicare  
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**Time: 5PM**

**Place: StMarys Anglican Church**

**When: 9<sup>th</sup> July**

**RSVP 6th July**

Call Barbara on 6372 2428  
or Juanita on 6372 2952

If you are unable to make the dinner but would like to make a non-perishable donation they can be dropped off at any time at

**"Gone Rustic"**

## From Elaine and the staff at the Possum — a very big and sincere Thank You!

What with Winter, and then St Marys Pass closing for more than a month, and now Elephant Pass closed for a similar period, business at Purple Possum has been slow and things have been tough.

But our wonderful customers have stood by us. We appreciate this loyalty and support from the bottom of our hearts, and we promise to maintain our very high levels of quality and service, even if we've had to trim our hours a little for the duration. Once again, a big Thank You from Elaine and the team!

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## The Say Cagerattler

We certainly face some difficult weeks as we watch what takes place regarding the possible closure of the Fingal campus of St Marys District School under the State Government's cost cutting programme.

What really interests me is that twenty schools around the State, generally in rural and remote areas, have been targeted mostly on the grounds of numbers. I've been listening to ABC Radio whereby some of these locations have called in to talkback, to say that their enrolments are either trending upwards or remaining steady. In other cases as documented by way of concerned parents or School Association personnel, some schools mooted for closure have superior NAPLAN results from those that the transplanted students would need to attend. This is after the Education Minister and other politicians involved in this exercise have claimed that this is as much about "improving educational outcomes and opportunities" as it is for financial savings.

Sometimes I wonder about the people we put in parliament, especially when things like this occur. Apparently we need to close up to twenty schools to save 24 million dollars over the next four years to help repair a 1.2 billion dollar budget black hole over four years. So for us to save around a tiny 2% (24 million dollars), we need to displace all these students if my maths is somewhere near correct. That equates to 6 million dollars a year out of 300 million dollars a year in simple terms.. REALLY WORTHWHILE isn't it? Get this... if each of the half a million or so Tasmanians were to put a five cent coin into a jar each day for 2 years and 219 days, equating to about \$48 at that time, then gave it to the Education Minister, we would have the 24 million dollars to secure the schools savings amount. THAT'S thirty five cents a week per Tasmanian. What about that?

In my opinion and I'm sure just about everyone else's for that matter, one of the prime needs for our young people is to provide all with as much of a stress free education as is possible. Making students (especially really young ones) have to endure maybe up to 45 minutes each way bus trips, five days a week for most, if not all their school years, and still learn all they need to, seems a little shortsighted when based essentially on a short term financial dilemma that we seem to be in at present. There must be a better way.

To be totally fair though, there might be one or two of the identified schools that come under threat due to extremely low numbers or lack of educational programmes, but surely shared resources or joint days with nearby schools might be an alternative. I trust all this would be fully investigated first before the doors close for the last time.

Another valid issue is infrastructure. It has been mentioned more than once by those involved in many of the schools that the BER (Building Education Revolution) was of great benefit adding much needed amenities, buildings, and equipment to their school, now seemingly on the chopping block. In many cases this is half a million dollars or more. It seems that should that school end up closing, this infrastructure would be gifted to the community and local council. What if they can't afford the upkeep? Otherwise it will be put up for sale and lost forever in the main. Once again a bit shortsighted, I'd suggest.

An over-riding theme with ALL OF THE SCHOOLS talked about in the media, not least Fingal is that these schools are mainly in small farming/rural communities where that school serves as a meeting place and a social hub for the whole area, and to lose this facility will only add to a sense of the community breaking up to a degree.

It's not just those twenty schools that are forced to change. What about the schools that take on the students from the closed schools. There is space, bussing, staffing and overall management issues involved there too of course, so essentially this needs to be a much wider decision by EVERYONE who is affected by any of these closures. It would affect a lot of people in all sorts of ways.

This is why we need to send a message to Parliament that school closures really need to be the LAST OPTION on the table and not just to save a few measly bucks in the whole big picture. Let's hope this ends up being the case.

What do you think ?

### GUESS WHO'S TURNING 70?



DON "SCROOGE" BARR  
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## Out of the Woodwork

Wendy Brennan, Secretary 0408 656 014

As there are many unfamiliar faces in St Marys, the Guild would like to take this opportunity to reiterate our objectives and policies for any newcomers who may have heard of us but are still unclear about what our club has to offer. We have been in operation since 2004, after an idea was floated that we needed a place where old wood working techniques could be taught and shared. Where new settlers could integrate and have social interaction in a new community. A club that would look after the needs of the socially isolated (both men and women) by offering a centralised meeting place where they could engage in structured activities and gain access to relevant services and information within our community. Thus, the formation of the Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild.

Full membership is **\$16.00 per year** which entitles you to full access to all our machinery and \$2.00 per day or \$5.00 a week to cover electricity, some materials, tea and coffee. We stipulate that each new member before operating any machinery must do an induction course. **Still interested and would like to find our more?** Feel free to pop down for a cuppa and have a chat to any of our members either on Monday, Wednesday, Friday or Saturday from 10am till 4pm.

Help support our club by purchasing one of our "most hated most eaten sausages" from our Sausage King Entrepreneur at the Tasmanian Regional Arts Market held on the last Saturday of every month; all monies are put back into our club.

Thank you to **Mrs Heather Lodge** who has donated more plants for our garden. It is much appreciated.

**A gentle reminder that subscriptions are now up for renewal.**

The Guild would like to extend a warm welcome to whoever is successful in leasing the Old Railway Station, and hopes that the camaraderie which has been built up from previous occupiers will continue.

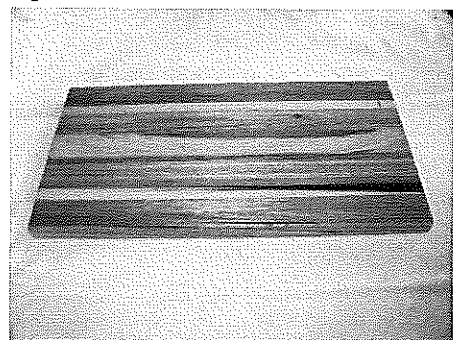
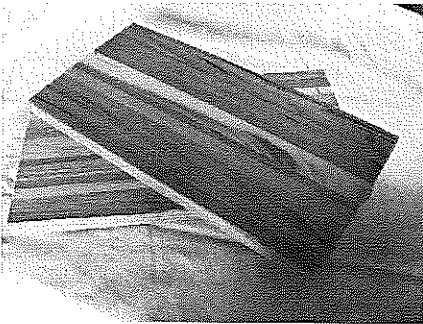
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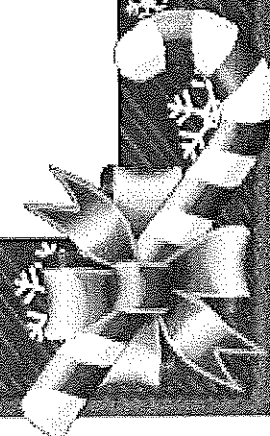
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## Councillors Corner

Cllr Reon Johns.

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

It is a relief that the St Marys Pass is now open. Business in St Marys can now get back to normal winter trade and St Helens should benefit too, as the flow of goods to and from the coast can take the shorter route. The crew who worked on the Pass deserve a hearty pat on the back for a job well done. They worked from dawn to dusk to achieve the repairs and open the Pass ahead of schedule.

That's the good news now the bad.

The State Government has decided to look at closing some schools that fit into a selection criteria, when this is done they will then go into community consultation phase.

I feel that this is being done backwards and not all sides of the question are being looked at. To this end, I moved an emergency motion at the Council Meeting on Monday 27 June 2011; this was passed by all Councillors. Below is the motion.

Notice of Motion- Council Meeting 12 July 2011- Cllr Johns

**That Council calls upon the State Government to reconsider its decision to close Fingal campus of St Marys District High School.**

### SUBMISSION IN SUPPORT OF MOTION

The closure of these schools will have an impact on the travel time for the students.

The statement by Minister McKim -"that no student will travel anymore than 40 minutes." is incorrect.

This statement is making light of the fact that this is only from school house to school house, some students live beyond the school house: e.g. a student living in Mathinna is 30 minutes from Fingal School. If this student were forced to travel to St Marys, another 30 minutes away then all up they are travelling for 60 minutes each way.

The economy of small settlements could be affected by these closures, as much needed cash flow will diminish as teachers and staff move from the closed schools. A knock on effect could develop as other businesses are forced to downsize or worse, close.

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Brekkie	Mad Mondays with "The Mad Hatter"	Brekky with Mary Anne	"Wake up" with Bobster	Bob's Breakie Show	Bobs - Friday Breakfast Show	Evie on Toast And Fishing Show	Sunday's Sunny Side Up with Evie
Morning	RFM On Star FM	Have a Hoot with SKOOT or Marc	Starry Starry Morning The Trace Element	Down under with DJ - BJ	The Silver Fox's Classic 60's Music Mix	Sammy's Sizzling Saturday	
Arvo	In the mood with Mary-Anne	Trace Element's 2 for Tuesday	"Enjoy the Arvo" with Terry Post	Around the world with Tim	Friday round-up with RFM	Brian's Saturday Show	Colin's Mystery Music
Late afternoon	Damo's Drive Show	After School with Neesha and Chloe	Damo's S Drive Show	In the back seat with Angela	In the Car with Jackie		Dave's Blues Mix
Eve	Mellow Monday's with Roger	Neville's Country Corner	Mary Anne's Thanks for the Memories	Easy Listening with "Wally"	Marc's Boiler Room	Get into the Party Mode with Stido's Party Mix - til late	
	Dr Sax with Roger	and more			Stido's Blast from the Past and Party Mix		



## ***Uncertain Future for Nine Lyons Schools***

**Federal Member for Lyons Dick Adams was shocked to learn that nine schools within the Lyons electorate face uncertain futures under the 2011/12 State Budget.**

**Bracknell Primary, Avoca Primary, Glenora District High School, Westbury Primary, Kempton Primary, the Fingal Campus of St Marys District High School, Mole Creek Primary, Sassafras Primary and Meander Primary all face uncertain futures.**

"In the unfortunate event that all nine of these schools do close, more than 500 students will be without a school to attend, over 50 teachers without a job, and more than 50 support staff, including cleaners, teachers aides and office staff will be out of the job", Mr Adams said.

"This will also mean that \$3.8 million of BER funding will have been wasted", he added.

Mr Adams said that while these schools might have small enrolment numbers, they were nonetheless vital to the communities in which they are located.

"In some rural areas populations tend to peak at about 200, and student numbers in these schools make up a considerable portion of the town's residents. This should not dissipate the importance of the education that those students receive", Mr Adams said.

Mr Adams also added that closing schools would add extra costs to communities, with some students having to leave their local communities to attend school, there will be gaps.

"A number of students hold after school jobs in local businesses. If students have to leave their local communities to attend school, local businesses will soon find that they no longer have the after school help that many local businesses rely on," Mr Adams said.

Mr Adams also added that closing schools would mean extra transport would need to be found to get students to the nearest school.

"For a number of communities, this is simply not possible, and where it is, the cost of getting that transport has to be considered", Mr Adams added.

"There are a number of students who live in far flung areas of the Derwent. If Glenora District High School closes, that will mean these students will have to travel greater distances or move to New Norfolk to complete their high school education", Mr Adams said.

"This is a strain that neither parents nor students should have to feel", he added.

Mr Adams also questioned a statement made in 2007 that said under the Future Schools Fund no small regional or remote schools would be closed.

"This is the complete opposite of this promise, and is a slap in the face for parents in rural areas of Tasmania who only want the best education for their children", Mr Adams said.

Mr Adams also said that while small student numbers were being brought into question, he says that this is not a bad thing for students in regards to having one-on-one time with teachers.

"Smaller class sizes means teachers can spend more quality time with each student to ensure that they are getting the best education and the latest technology allows them to interact with the rest of the world. This is where schools in Lyons have an advantage.", Mr Adams said

Mr Adams said that education is something that is very important to him, and it seems ironical to him that all these schools are around timber towns.

"Give us more timber and the schools will be viable!" he said.

"This is not the end. I have always believed that all students, whether they live in rural or suburban environments, deserve to have the best education possible. These nine schools are certainly no exception. I will do everything in my power to ensure that these schools are not closed", Mr Adams said.

### **The Break O'Day Stitchers recently held their AGM.**

From the proceeds of our Easter Quilt Raffle we presented cheques to the representatives of our chosen charities as follows-

\$4000 to the Royal Flying Doctor Service,

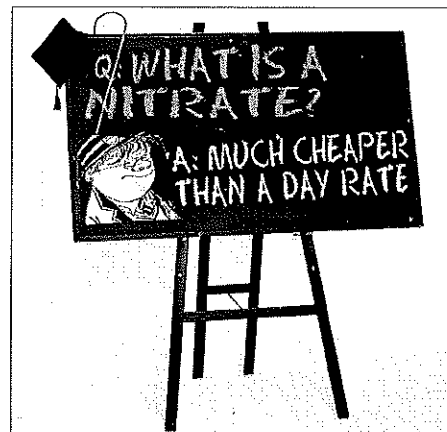
\$2000 to the Community Car and

\$500 to the Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre

The cheques were presented at a morning tea held in the Bungalow at Neighbourhood House, St Helens.

At our AGM on Friday 24 June, 2011, Peggy Ryan was elected President, Ann Luttrell was elected Secretary, Judy Hensley as Treasurer, and Marj Aulich as Public Officer.

Agnes Johnston,  
Publicity Officer.



Answer by student to an exam question!!



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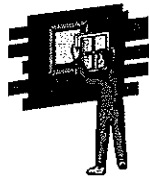
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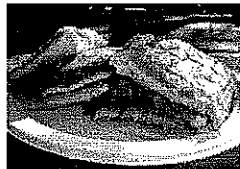


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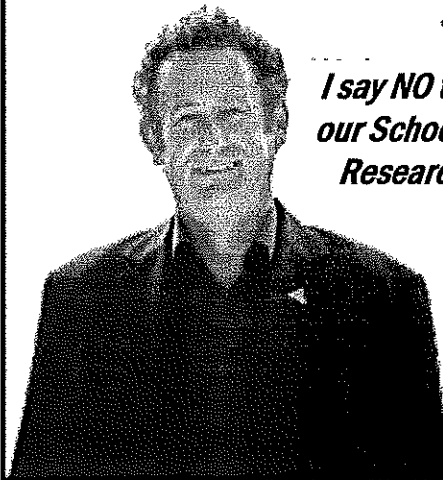
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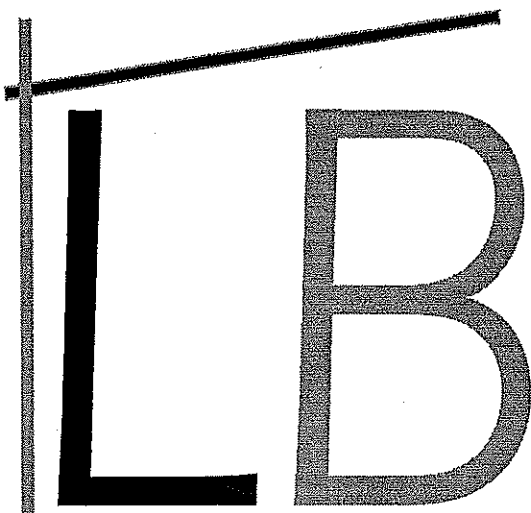
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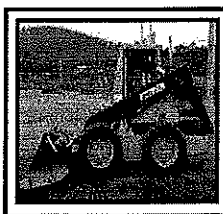
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### St Marys Community Health Centre

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#### **'NATIONAL WEE WEEK' is 18th- 24th July 2011**

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## **WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE**

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Social Work- Shan Williams. Please phone 6372 2111 for appointments.  
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- 1st July TABIS (Tasmanian Acquired Brain Injury Service)- Hannah Rubenach phone 0437 076 100  
Social Work- Shan Williams. Please phone 6372 2111 for appointments
- 4th July GP North Mental Health Worker- Brady Young for appointments please see your GP for a referral  
Hospital Auxiliary Meeting 2:00pm in the Day Room
- 5th July Lightfoot Podiatry- Perry Daly. Phone 6331 9568 for appointments.  
Child Health Session with Sue Gofton every Tuesday- Appointments only. Please phone 0428 136 381
- 6th July Day Centre- For details on the group please contact Hayley Gilbert 6372 2111.  
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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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[www.schools.education.tas.gov.au/stmarys](http://www.schools.education.tas.gov.au/stmarys)

Try.A.Trade was really good and there were a lot of people there from different schools. I enjoyed doing the Design and Clothing which was one I didn't pick but was wrapped I was put into it. We drew faces of random people with pencils that we shaded them with. I did the Barista course and made a cappuccino and gave it to Zac Simpson to enjoy. I also got into Children Services where we made play dough and slime. I felt like a little kid again. We got to have a short stop in Kings Meadows on the way home to buy snacks. I had a fun day talking to people on the bus and new people at the Try.A.Trade

By Amber Saddington

## Try .A. Trade



On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> of May a group of year 9 students travelled to Launceston with Mrs Hindley and Mrs Johnson. We went to Try. A .Trade to have a go at 3 different trades.

My first trade was Landscaping and Paving which was awesome to have a go at. The guy was helpful with telling us how to get into this trade.

My next one was Barista with Tim Jaroz who comes out to our school to show us the art of making a great coffee. I made a Latte

which was very nice. I was allowed to make one when I got back to school with Mr Stonehouse now that I know how to make them.

Third trade was Building and Construction where I got to use many different tools. We put together a frame for a door and a wall using a nail gun which was a gas one for this. We used a drop saw and a drill. I got a lot out of going to Try.A.Trade as now I know a little bit more about these different areas.

By Kaleb Trotter



My time at Try.A.Trade was entertaining as I got a taste of some of the trades that were on offer in the area of Building. Bricklaying was the most skilled one there I thought because you need a lot of technique and skill to put things together. I got to work on a V8 Holden Monaro !! Doing standard checks like oil, battery and brake fluid. I wish it had been longer for each session because as I was getting into it the bell would ring for us to move on. Thanks to Sally and Mrs Hindley for taking us.

By James Mason





# Bush Care Afternoon

## At Fingal Campus

On Tuesday 24 May we celebrated the completion of our Bush Care Project undertaken with the assistance of Todd and Paul. Parents, Todd, Paul, Alison Hugo and Biz Nicolson came to the school to view the weed clearing and planting of local natives at the back of the oval. Students from Ms Yodgee's class provided some background information about their contribution to the project and guided visitors and students around the rehabilitated site. A bonfire was lit at the end of the tour, burning all the weeds cleared from the area. The celebration concluded with an afternoon tea prepared by Janine Burt, Robyn Miller and friends of the school. Thank you to everyone involved in the afternoon.



### Our Bush Care Project.

In Term One, our class started a Bush Care Project with Todd and Paul in the bush at the back of the oval. We wanted to learn about the plants.

We learnt what is native and what is not. We talked about what a weed is.

The class chopped out the weeds while Todd and Paul poisoned the weeds with poison.

I hung onto a branch and it nearly fell down on top of me. We planted some trees and we watered them. We are going to have a bonfire with the trees that Paul chopped down.

I am excited because we are going to have a big bonfire to celebrate our Bush Care Project.



### Helping the Environment

In term one, Ms. Yodgee said that we would have a few guests who would be doing a Bush Care project with us. Todd and Paul helped us to identify and eradicate weeds. Alison Hugo was the coordinator and helped plan and organise the whole event. We started this program on Wednesday 9th of May 2011 in the bush behind the oval. We planted natives to help the environment.

First we all talked about which plants are native and which plants are introduced and what were weeds. On that same day Todd and Paul took the whole class on a tour down the bush track. We had a look at what we could find.

Our next job was to cut down the most of Broom because it is an over grown weed, and we poisoned it.

Lastly a few students went with Alison and planted some trees. Some students got to cut down branches of Gum-trees and collected seed pods. Alison put the seed pods in a bag so the pods would dry out and drop their seeds.

I feel I have learnt lots of interesting things about land care and have a better understanding from Allison, Todd and Paul how to Care for our bush.

By Sophie Guy





## MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER

July		St Marys	Fingal
Monday	4th	Wendy Dawson	Neighbourhood House
Tuesday	5th	Trish Pike	
Wednesday	6th	Val Spencer	
Thursday	7th	Heather Griffiths	
Friday	8th	Pam Gillies	
<b>MOW Contact</b>		<b>Phone:</b>	<b>0488 384 344</b>
Monday	11th	Debbie Barnes	Neighbourhood House
Tuesday	12th	Pam Bretz	
Wednesday	13th	Barbara McAllister	
Thursday	14th	Kaye Nailer	
Friday	15th	Hannah Rubenach	Neighbourhood House

## 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 L/W 6.00pm  
Bicheno L/W 9.00am  
Fingal 11.30am

#### 2nd Sunday: LITURGY

St Helens Vigil LWC 6.00pm  
St Marys LWC 9.00am  
Bicheno LWC 9.00am  
Fingal LWC 9.30am

#### 3rd Sunday: MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm  
St Marys 9.00am  
Fingal 9.30am  
Bicheno 9.00am

#### 4th Sunday LITURGY

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm  
St Marys 9.00am  
Bicheno 9.00am  
Fingal 9.30am

#### 5th Sunday LITURGY

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm  
St Marys 9.00am  
Bicheno 9.00am  
Fingal 9.30am

Eng: Baptisms & Weddings  
Ph: 63 31 4377  
Church of Apostles  
Presbytery  
Officer Hours: 10.00am - 3pm.  
Sr Marjorie Ph: 6381 1122.

### Anglican Parish of Northern Midlands

Avoca: 11am 2nd/4th Sundays  
Fingal: 3 pm 1st/3rd Sundays  
Mathinna: 3pm 2nd/ 4th Sundays  
Ross: 11am 1st/3rd Sundays  
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  
St Marys Every Sunday  
10am

Pyengana: Kids Church,  
2pm - 4th Sunday every month.

### Salvation Army TUESDAY JAM

3-5pm every Tuesday.  
excepting school holidays.  
Envoy Melanie Norton Ph: 63722099

### Break O'Day Uniting Church The Manse St Helens Ph: 6376 2405

St Helens 9.00 am  
Fingal 11.15 am

Seventh Day Adventist  
Hodgeman Street Scamander  
Sabbath School 10 am  
Divine Service 11 am

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Thursday 10 am - 3 pm  
Friday 10 am - 3 pm  
Saturday 11 am - 2 pm

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new roster. If anyone is interested in going  
on a casual list to cover when regular  
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please call in and see Janet at the shop on  
a Monday or a Thursday.

*Please note change of phone number  
whilst Tracy is convalescing.*

## St Marys Sports Centre Inc. news Kackhander

It is pleasing to report that despite some predicted doom at the Annual General Meeting on June 18<sup>th</sup>, that more than usual in recent years attended to show real support. It was quite simply fantastic. Thank you one and all. The meeting resulted in a very positive mandate for a club that is integral for this town and surrounds. Can you imagine St Marys without it? I can't.

An over-riding theme from the meeting was lack of numbers which makes putting on events much more difficult. Seeking new members, or those who would like to return, is the number one priority of the club this coming fiscal year beginning in August.

To see the amazing work from the Tuesday Crew (our intrepid volunteers) with not too many enjoying the fruits of their labour is heartbreaking for them, and it's understandable why they are disappointed, but to their credit they keep at it. The course at present is JUST MAGNIFICENT. It really is. It's never been in as good a nick as it is now. It is a massive credit to all involved. Let's start enjoying it soon.

Similarly, the Bowls Green is scheduled very soon for a major improvement of the surrounds and the green itself (thanks to Damon's ongoing efforts) mainly is looking great already for host year duties.

A very big thanks to Kim Chappell who has taken on the Secretary role. She knows her stuff. And to Jim Turner who has kindly accepted the Treasurer's job. Rod McGiveron will sit in the President's chair. It is thrilling to report that the Committee and these people are true keen supporters of the club: GLENN McDONALD (great to have you back Macca), MARK CARRICK (ditto) CHRIS DAVERN, (fantastic supporter) BOBBIE HARWOOD (never gives up) and a very new but very enthusiastic member being DENNIS (DIESEL) COLEMAN. Thank you to you all for this commitment to our club. Very lucky to have you.

Also very pleasing was the attendance of our popular Patron Kevin Faulkner, who gave great encouragement and kindly accepted the role again this year. THANKS KEV.

Another special thank you goes to Clr. John McGiveron, who attended and answered some very prickly questions on behalf of Council. John has always supported the club and we appreciate his efforts very much. Subscriptions were unanimously voted to rise by \$20 to meet inflation on just about everything, but there will be put in place various easy payment options, designed to help the members and club alike. Thanks again for all support offered at the AGM.

Just a reminder to any prospective Indoor Bowls Champions that we hope to run a PAIRS NIGHT at the club this Friday July 1<sup>st</sup>, with a \$50 cash prize to the winning team. Own choice of partner, but if you haven't got one don't worry, because someone will be on standby to play if required. Be there by 6.30pm if possible. Similar cash prize nights will follow in triples, fours and maybe singles if enough want it. Bring along a non member if you wish. No restrictions.

Follow up nights to the recent and hugely successful PANCAKE FEAST are very likely also. Friday nights should be quite popular with any luck. Further great news is the return of the formerly very popular Sunday Golf. So... even if Saturdays are not possible then Sunday will provide an opportunity to enjoy the course and club. Not only, but also, a new innovation (through one of those returning Committee members) is forming an ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE to organise several great ideas focusing on the social aspects of our future (Thanks Macca and Crew). Incredible idea and a big thanks to those who will come on board. Further details next time. Looks like Christmas in July is one of those functions. Details in this issue.

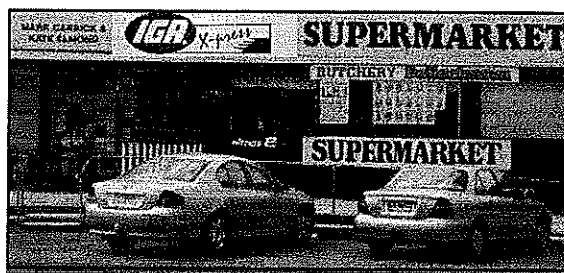
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Until next time, good hitting and rolling.



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Ingham microwave chicken	\$ 5.99kg
Ingham chicken thigh fillets	\$10.99kg

### *grocery lines*

Berri long life juice 2.4lt	\$3.99
IXL conserve jam/marmalade 600g	\$3.99
Palmolive dishwashing liquid 500ml	\$2.49
Arnotts family assorted biscuits 500g	\$3.49
International Roast coffee 200g	\$5.99

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Maggi Fusion cup noodles 58/68g	.99c
Arnotts choc TimTam/Slice/Crowns/Royals	\$1.99

### *Next week's specials* *from the butchery*

Easy carve lamb roast	\$16.99kg
Gerello roasts	\$ 8.99kg
Lamb forequarter chops	\$ 9.99kg
Primo cheese kransky	\$11.99kg

### *cleaning needs*

Earth's Choice floor cleaner 1lt	\$2.49
Earth's Choice toilet cleaner 750ml	\$1.99
Earth's Choice shower cleaner 600ml	\$2.99
Spree dishwashing liquid 1lt	\$1.99
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