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Students showcase language skills at St Marys School.

Language Perfect was originally made by a young New Zealander to help him with his own studies. It has now grown to an all year vocabulary building course and includes a global competition attracting schools from America, the UK, Asia and Africa as well as several European counties and of course Australia. Last year 2011, only one of our students entered the competition. Freya Prebble came first in Tasmania with a Bronze medallion and the youngest primary student to reach this level in Australia.

Private and public schools, colleges and Universities are all part of this competition which is growing every year. Over 800 different schools competed in 2012 and divisions were based on numbers of students *not* age, ability or country of origin, there were close to 150,000 students. Over the ten day competition in 2012 our students really pulled out the stops and as a team we totally rocked.

Our team came 1st in French in the world. We came first for combined languages in our category in the world.

The big one though was that we came 3rd for combined languages over all categories. That is third in the world!

Students answer questions in vocabulary, number, verb and sentence. They have to translate spoken word and written word both to and from their chosen language. Points are awarded as they get the questions right four times. They get more points by repeating them 24 hours later and again a week later. Repetition is the key... and perseverance. Our individual results show just how dedicated the members of our team were.

Lukas McDiarmid worked on Japanese, largely alone. He came 16th out of all students in Tasmania doing Japanese. But almost more significantly he came 50th in TAS for combined languages out of almost 1000 students. Yet another example of an amazing performance is the 'seventh' in Tasmania, for German - Lachlan Bradbury also alone, and mostly outside of normal class time. Lily-Mae Hayes was a bit overwhelmed by the whole thing to start with, but in the end really came through and achieved a bronze. She also came 40th in Tasmania.

With sports commitments, ballet and numerous other things that make a full life, Paris Pribil really earned her silver medal (2000+ points). She was also 18th in Tasmania for combined language and ninth in Tasmania for French.

Chloe Harris came 5th in Tasmania for French, and for German was actually 70th in the state. That is an incredible achievement.

Melanie Guy came 4th in Tasmania for French and 4th for combined languages. "At this point the combined languages and French scores become very cohesive, as St Marys was at the top of the state and we had basically blown everyone else into the weeds" remarked teacher Heather Marshall. She went on to add "Officially there is no platinum award, I confess that I invented it to help motivate the students". It requires incredible perseverance and long hours. You begin to walk, talk and see computer screens even in your sleep.

Freya reached her goal of Platinum and 2nd in French in this state, 2nd in Combined languages in the state. She was also 39th in Australia. Finally she ranked 90th in the whole World.

Finally we have the Elite award 10,000+ points. Leon Latt spent night and day working towards this and was of course first place in the state. He was also 8th place in Australia and 23rd in the world!

Congratulations to the students. You have done yourselves, your teachers and your school proud!!



Pictured from left : Paris Pribil, Lukas McDiarmid, Lily-Mae Hayes, (back) Mrs Heather Marshall, Chloe Harris, (middle) Freya Prebble, Lachlan Bradbury, Melanie Guy and (front) Leon Latt.

Please note: Deadline for articles in the next Valley Voice is 5pm Tuesday February 12, 2013

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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 Karon: 6372 2382 / Dana: 6372 2033.**

Playgroup at Falmouth Community Centre. Fridays 10.30 - 12.30. \$2 per family. Please bring a piece of fruit for sharing and your child's own drink bottle & sun protection. Bikes and helmets welcome. Details contact **Michelle: 6372 2835 / 0418 271 315.**

St Patricks Head & Esk Valley Historical Society Inc meets every second month on the third Wednesday at 3pm at various venues throughout the valley. For details please contact: Barry (6372 5752) (email: aulich@bigpond.com) or Jim Haas (6372 2127) (email: jimhaas@bigpond.com) Alternately you can check out our website :www.fingalvalleyhistory.com

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 Tuesday of each month at 4.p.m. at Mt Elephant Fudge shop. All welcome. **Ph: Michelle 6372 2056.**

The Cornwall Community Development Group Inc welcome all interested persons to their meetings in the Cornwall Hall on the first Tuesday of each month at 6.30 p.m. **Wendy Dawson Public Officer - Ph. 0403 430 452.**

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.**

St Marys Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) Friday 8pm Weekly. Holy Trinity. Mick & Shiril: **6372 2909.**

The Break O' Day Stitchers meets each Friday in the Bungalow at Neighbourhood House in St Helens from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and participants are welcome to stay for as long or short a time as they may choose. The choice of projects to work on is also optional - either to bring your own work or join in and assist on a group project.

Scamander Garden Club meets at Scamander Sports Complex at 1.30pm on the third Monday of each month. Enjoy sharing garden activities. Contact Val: **6372 2762.**

St Marys Cranks and Tinkerers Museum @ the Railway Station - open Monday - Friday, 10 am to 3 pm, or by appointment (0417 648 845). Curator Ian Summers invites you to come and have a chat and a browse! Interesting railway and mining memorabilia, photographs, books, models and much more on display. Closed for Christmas/New Year from 20 Dec 2012; re-opening Monday 7 Jan 2013. Please note: entry fees to be introduced soon to cover costs; in the meantime, donations will be very much appreciated.

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 Cheryl on 6372 2194. Leave message.

CHRISTMAS BREAK-UP & VIEWER'S CHOICE AWARD PRESENTATION - Wednesday 19 December, 7-9 pm, at *Gone Rustic Studio & Gallery, 37 Main Street, St. Marys.* Please bring a plate of Christmas nibbles to share; drinks provided. Project: make a giant paper star to decorate your home. Cost: \$10 plus materials. Find out whose UFO was the most popular in our UFO's exhibition during November/December! **RSVP - 03 6372 2724.** (diverts to mobile if unanswered)

Suncoast Singers. Christmas Carols and Nine Lessons

Sunday 16th December at the Uniting Church St Helens at 7.30pm, in conjunction with the Uniting, Catholic and Anglican churches. The Suncoast Singers once again bring you Carols and Nine Lessons.

Bringing you the true meaning of Christmas with wonderful traditional Christmas Carols and readings - this brings to everyone the true spirit of the Christmas Season.

A gold Coin donation will be collected for Thom Ryan's Anglicare Christmas Appeal.

SEEKING ROOM FOR RENT.

My name is Carol and I am looking for a room to rent. I am a mature female on a pension and can only afford up to \$70 per week. In town, St Helens, St Marys or Fingal. **My contact Number is: 0424 406 697.**

SHOP LOCALLY AND SAVE

For sale

Classifieds

Wanted

New Madison front door with glass panels. Handyman bits and pieces. Camping equipment. Ladies new Hussey bike. Extendable table and 4 chairs. 2 small vacuum cleaners. Plus other oddments. Available between 18th—23rd December. At 10-12 Greenbank Drive, Four Mile Creek. For information Phone: 0429 054 053.

Good Christmas presents:

Bissell Vac, as new. \$150. was \$400. has attachments & bags. 1 large cane basket. \$20. 1 lined cane basket. \$10. 1 card table. \$10. 1 kitchen stool. \$10. 1 pr ladies pink gumboots, size 8. \$10. 1 butler's tray. \$10. Ph: 6372 2489.

Paslode gas framing nail gun and accessories. As new. \$450. 50lt spot pak weed aside sprayer (foliage sprayer) designed to mount onto 4wd, motor bike, ute or trailer. 12 volt, brand new. Cost \$450 sell for \$350. Stefani earthenware water filter. \$40. Ph: 63771209.

Criterion computer/office desk. \$180. 4 man tent, used once. \$40. Gas portable heater. \$30. Roller door. \$50. Coffee maker. \$20. 2 x 9kg gas bottles (current) \$15 ea. Camp 3 burner gas stove. \$30. Used computer desk with draws. \$20. School locker. \$10. Black wood coffee table. \$40. Double bed/bunk, mattresses, as new \$200. 2 x new heated towel racks. \$20ea. Round blackwood table. \$80. Electric radiant heater. \$15. Freezer pright. \$20. 3 point linkage grader blade h/duty little use. \$1400. set of 3 harrows. \$150. Drop saw. \$20. Ph: 0427 742 235.

Husqvarna 445 chainsaw, new chain, 18" bar, 3 years old GC \$450. Ph: 0427 979 835.

Pine dresser 1200 wide with 2 drawers and cupboards. VGC \$75. ono. Also 2 pine stools in very good condition. \$10ea.

Westinghouse washing machine older style but in good condition, goes well. \$75. ono. Computer desk, large corner home office type with side drawers. \$60. ono.

Heater IXL freestanding with timer and thermostat. \$100. ono. Goods are in St Helens area.

Ph: 0417 385 787 or 6372 5101.

Chooks. \$10 each. MUST GO!! St Marys. Ph: 0427 713 195.

All as new: Card table. \$15, was \$30. Column oil heater. \$50. was \$110. Bissell Pet Vac with attachments & bags. \$150. was \$400. Chocolate lounge with Chaise. \$150. was \$488. Bags of cleaning towels. \$10. Lge red mat. \$10. Bag of lge bath towels. \$20. Ladies smart gumboots. \$10. Bag of 4 lge SB flannelette sheets. \$20. Car cover. \$20. Bag of assorted bed linen. \$30. (inc DB doona covers, pillowcases. Older Pioneer record player, amp, 2 speakers & country LPs. \$50. Ph: 6372 2489.

Innovative quilting machine - a great set-up if you don't want to have to pin or baste a quilt together before machine quilting. Table frame with rollers included, as well as manual, DVD (assembly instructions) and pantographs (quilting patterns). Help offered with setup at no extra cost. Large machine comes with extension table (can also be used as stand-alone sewing machine) and extra large space under the 'arm' for rolling up the quilt as you sew. \$3000 for the lot, or best offer. Phone 03 6372 2724 or 0417 027 424.



**ST MARYS SPORTS
CENTRE INC.**
Every Friday—6.30 - 7.30pm
drinks at discounted prices
Ph: 6372 2177

Wanted to buy

Second hand roofing iron in good condition.
Ph 0409 541 235.

Wanted to buy

Exercise Bike
Ph 0437 227 123

Work wanted

Experienced house cleaning lady. \$16 phr.
Ph: 6372 2814.

Work wanted

Gardening and odd jobs. \$15 phr.
Ph: 6372 2814.

WANTED TO LEASE -PADDOCK'S

20 TO 40 ACRES, CLOSE TO ST MARYS.
SUITABLE FOR STOCK. NEED LEASE FROM
AUGUST 2013 ONWARDS. LONG TERM LEASE
NEEDED. NO TIME WASTERS.
PHONE JASON. 0419 514 947.

WANTED

Farm House plus 1 acre of land to rent/lease, rent/buy, caretake, in St Pauls Plains, for pensioner/descendant of early settler. Ph: 6223 6634.

Cottage Garden Plants for sale - \$2.50 each.

50 St Patricks Head Road, St Marys.
Ph: 6372 2512.

FOR SALE. HAY. Small squares. Cutting now. \$5 per bale. Ph: Bung 0447 151 871.

FOR SALE small bales of grass and clover hay. Available now. In paddocks. \$5 per bale. Ring A.J.: 0407 944 158.

Barley for sale. 20kg bags, \$13. 20kg bags crushed barley, \$17. Contact Jason: 0419 514 947.

Orders taken for Sheep Poo - for the Scouts.
\$5 a bag. 0412 803 027.

"Moo-Poo". Finely screened. Any quantity. See Norm.
Ph: 6372 2380. Now doing mint mulch.

Garden mulch, in big round bales. (wheat straw, weed free) \$60 a bale, delivered free in St Marys area.
Ph: 0407 944 158.

Tractor slashing available. Ph: 0407 944 158.

Frozen blueberries - \$11 kilo Phone 6372 2341.

**Merry Christmas
everyone**



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.

Letters to the Editor

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Letter to the Editor

Many thanks to Judy Spilsbury for the many years, and hours, she has devoted to the publication of the little gem of a newspaper we call the Valley Voice. All her work has been much appreciated, and as much as I am sure many will be sorry for her to hand over the editorship, the time has come for her to call it a day. All good things come to an end, so they say. All the best Judy.

Sincerely,

Toni Brewster,

I am so pleased that the President of the St Patrick's Head and Esk Historical Society Inc. has cleared up an issue for me. "That the History Room is still alive and active". I thought Mr Aulich may have had a problem with his answering machine and mailing system.

As Secretary of the Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild I left three messages on his answering machine asking if his organisation would like to attend our open day. When there was no reply or recognition of the calls, I sent out an invitation.

I now know that Mr Aulich was not being discourteous, it was just a breakdown in communication. I would still get that answering machine and letter box checked!

Wendy Brennan

Secretary

Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild.

Editor of the Valley Voice

St Marys and the Fingal Valley residents have always believed in decency and morals. So I believed up until now.

In St Marys people have always had enough decency to discuss what they would like to sell, before the fact. So that they do not take away opportunities from other concerned parties.

This is not the case anymore apparently. What has happened to good old fashioned morals, decency and common courtesy? The things that MOST of us still believe in.

I was under the belief that a certain person believed in these values as well.

My business has been operating since 2007 and I am open to discussions.

Kim Watkins,

Secondhand Rose.

A big thank you to Dean Rice. He was seen on his tractor mowing the nature strips of people's properties along Gray Road this weekend. You're a legend Dean!!

Letter to the Editor

I would like to state some facts that Mr. Barry Aulich has inadvertently overlooked in his article dated 16th November, 2012.

On the 2 February, 2011 I attended a meeting with Sue Atkinson along with members of the Cranks and Tinkerers regarding applying for funding for a Cranks and Tinkerers museum. At this meeting Ms Atkinson advised that the Tasmanian Community Fund would be unlikely to approve grants for more than one application in the same area.

I was aware that the St Patrick's Head Historical Society Inc was going to apply for a grant and so was the Woodcraft Guild.

I made contact with the St Patrick's Head Historical Society Inc through one of their vice presidents, Darlene Wright, who was very supportive, to see if the society would be interested in housing some of their historical items in the St Marys Railway Station if the Council could purchase it. I can only assume that this was passed on to Mr. Aulich as he called me a few days later and said that I should have contacted him directly about this matter as he was the President.

On the 10 March 2011 I arranged to have Councillors visit the Railway Station in order that they could get a feel for this iconic piece of local history.

At the Council meeting of the 15 March 2011, I moved the motion to buy the Station and in my "submission in support of motion" paragraph three clearly states that "The History Society is keen to have a home for its amazing collection and the Station would be ideal."

In August 2011 the Council invited members of local organisations to a meeting in the St Marys Hall to discuss the future of the Railway Park, the St Patrick's Head Historical Society was there led by Mr. Aulich. From this meeting a plan was drawn up and presented for comment.

There was also an expression of interest seeking any organisation who wished to use part or all of the Station. Only two organisations applied, The Cranks and Tinkerers and the History Society, who then withdrew the application. What I find fascinating about Mr. Aulich's letter is he states the Society was not able to raise the number of volunteers and it was not financially viable.

So what was the point that Mr. Aulich was trying to make??

Cllr Reon Johns (these are my views only)

This edition is the final for 2012. Thank you to all the volunteers who help me get this publication out, week after week. You all know who you are, and without mentioning names, I couldn't do it without you. So as this may be my last as editor, I would like to offer my heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you.

This thank you covers everyone from the delivery boys/girls, contributors, distributors, collators, staplers, advertisers, joke suppliers, photographers, and in particular, my own family members. You all know how much I appreciate your help.

If I am lucky enough to find someone to take over the reins, I would like to wish them the very best of luck in the job. It has been a pleasure to work with you all. Judy.

It's all happening New Year's Day in St Marys

Hello all. Just a quick update for you all in regards to our up-coming race day on New Years Day .

The organisation of our race day is going to plan, with the help of some wonderful local sponsors coming aboard to help with the running of the day and providing sponsorship towards not only the horse races but towards other events to be held during the day.

There will be a fashions on the field contest sponsored by Cense Business Centre St Helens, with a \$200 prize for the best dressed, with other prizes donated by Suncoast Shoe Hire for classic shoes, Essence for best accessories, Ambient Beauty for raciest hairstyle, St Marys Pharmacy for most sun protected patron and Ana Hair and Beauty for races style of fashion award, This will surely be a keenly contested event and fun for all who have a go.

There will also be a tiny tot, junior, and teen event for our younger race goers to contest as well. Other trophies donated by local people to be won on the day are:

Best novice driver, donated by Peter & Janine McGill, Halyer junior driver incentive award, donated by Eric & Ana Hayes and family. Winning driver of the St Marys Cup, donated by Mr Kevin and Mrs Jill Faulkner. Winning Trainer of the St Marys Cup, donated by St Marys Newsagency.

We would also like to say a big thank you to our loyal sponsors again this year for sponsoring their respective race once again, St Helens Mitre 10, Gazzmans St Helens, Harris Funerals, Beach Front Bicheno, Scamander Beach, Prompt Electrical. With their help we have been able to provide every winning horse a rug to take home.

A big thank you to O'Keefes Hotel Launceston, who provided sponsorship towards our club which enabled us to have St Marys Pacing Club stobbie holders produced, which will be on sale on the day.

Once again we have club T-shirts available which can now be purchased from the St Marys Newsagency and on the day.

There will be a major raffle to be drawn, with many prizes to be won, with first prize a wheel barrow full of goodies. Donated by local businesses, with numerous other prizes.

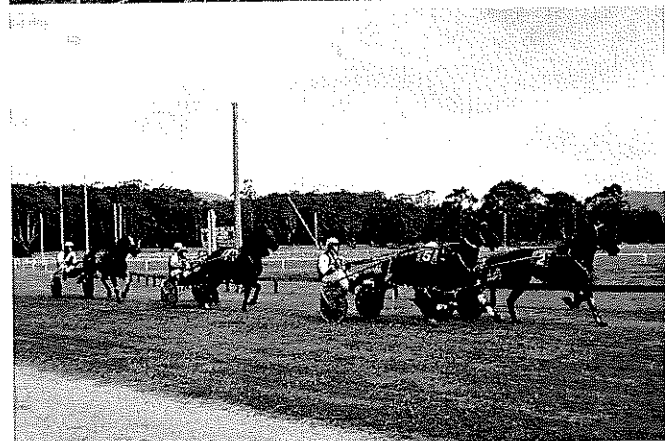
During the day there will be pony races which is always a crowd favourite.

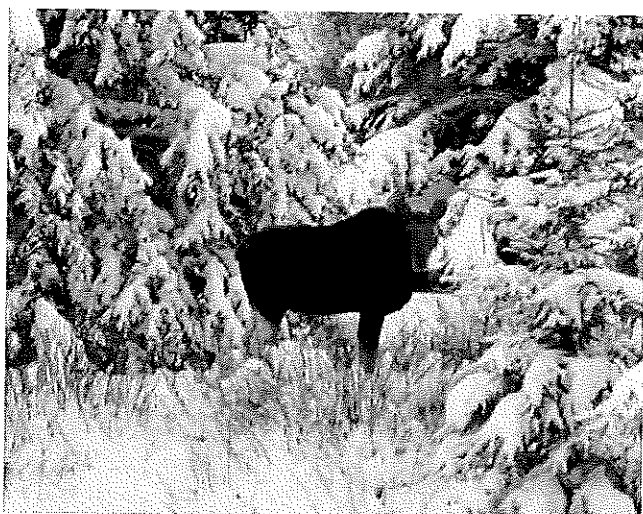
We anticipate there will be eight races as allocated by Tas Racing, so a fun, action packed day will be had by all who attend.

The committee are having a working bee next Wednesday night at 6.00pm to have a tidy up ready for the trials which are to be held on Saturday the 22nd Dec, and for the race day. After the trials on Saturday there will be a BBQ for those who come along to help out. We are desperately seeking helpers to help out on race day with jobs such as gate keepers, bar workers, kiosk workers plus many other small jobs. If you could spare an hour or whatever to help out, it would be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to let any committee person know or contact Craig woods on Ph 6374 2381, 0437 742 351 or email zugylarry@yahoo.com.au. -if you could kindly help out. Have a Merry Christmas and hope to see you all New Years Day.

Craig Woods.

(Photos from file 2011)





Continuing the story of our 3 local adventurers, Allie, Fern and Emma.

Our adventures continued from Lillian and Richard's to our third farm. This farm is a couple of hours from Bonnyville, just outside the town of Mayerthorpe.

We met Wendy in Mayerthorpe and headed out to their family farm, where they breed and raise Canadian Warmblood horses. They have around 200 horses on 5 sections (800 Acres) of land. The 200 horses was a big jump from the 3 we had just been looking after.

The farm is called Touchstone, and once again we were welcomed into their family, this time it is a much bigger family. Wendy and her two brothers Chris and Ken and their 91 year old mother Mavis, have owned and ran the farm since 1974, with help from the many WWOOFers over the years.

On average there are eight to ten people most of the time but there are always friends and family visiting. They usually have a large number of WWOOFers to help with the horses but at the moment there is only we three girls and two other WWOOFers. Jerome is from France and we have a great time with him as he is still learning English, so he has trouble understanding us and we have trouble understanding him. It's quite a laugh.

The second WWOOFer is Vanessa and she is from England she has been here for two years now and manages a lot of the work in the barn as well as taking many photos of the horses and property.

We have now experienced three completely different WWOOFing places, even though they have all included horses. We have met three different families and have made many new memories, friends and life experiences. We have met people from all around the world and experienced their culture and how they live and interpret things differently.

We work hard to keep the farm running smoothly and all the horses fed. We are in a routine now that we do nearly every day, such as feeding, taking horses out of the barn and cleaning horse poo. Like every farm there are always other things to do and many things that can go wrong. We have had tractor problems, flat tires, broken fences and runaway stallions, each day is different from the last.

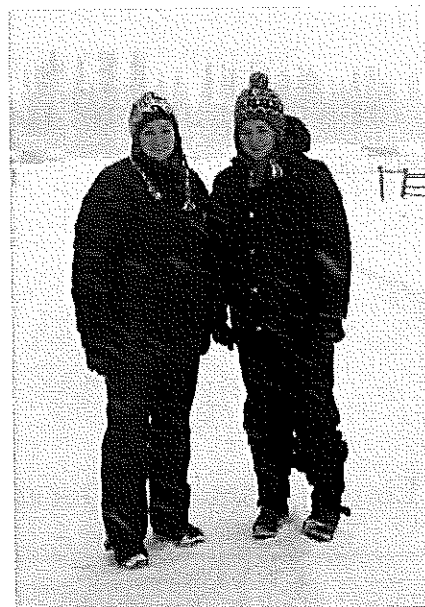
The snow has fully covered everything now, our coldest day so far has been -27 degrees and it is good to have some warm clothes. Emma's eyelashes even froze on that day. The snow, even though cold, is so amazing, it falls like rain but not as wet and with no sound. It is peaceful and beautiful. We are getting used to the cold weather now, we had a day that was 0 degrees and we could have walked around in our t-shirts.

While here we have eaten a variety of different foods we would not eat at home. We have eaten horse meat as well as bison liver and heart. Fern and Emma were not so keen to try the heart though, and they are foods we would not eat regularly. We still didn't get to see any bears but we did get to see a moose, they are very interesting creatures. →

We have had many laughs while being here and have done many stupid things, but nothing compares to my very blonde moment I had when I ACCIDENTLY stuck my tongue to metal while licking the snow on a day that was -22, and it got stuck. I freaked out, as I couldn't get it off the metal, I had to rip it off and it hurt very much and then become swollen and sore. I suppose I had to learn the hard way this time.

We have been away now for almost 5 months and we love travelling, I'm sure we will have the travel bug now and will want to travel throughout our lives but for now we are nearly ready to come home.

We are missing everyone as well as Australian food such as vegemite and BBQ shapes. Yummy. We are coming up to the final stage of our adventure and will be heading to Banff soon to do some winter activities, snowboarding, skiing and ice skating. We are getting very excited, hopefully we won't fall over too many times. We miss everyone at home and can't wait to be back to tell all our stories. Merry Christmas to all and a Happy New Year.
Love Allie, Fern and Emma.



Cheque presentation

The St Helens Community Market was delighted to be able to present a donation of \$2000 to St Helens Community Car to support the great service they provide.


Other recipients for this year's donations are Riding for the Disabled and St Helens Netball Association, each receiving a donation of \$2000.

The donations are made possible from the fees collected from Stallholders and in this way the Market supports its community.

The Market is held every Saturday from 8am - 12noon. More stallholders are always welcome and at \$5.00 a table the cost is hard to beat! For more information or stall bookings contact Cheryl 6372 2194 or Sue 0419 529 719.




In the photo are Cheryl Cox, President of Stallholders Inc. Presenting the cheque to Pauline Williams, Coordinator Community Car.

**MT ELEPHANT FUDGE**

THANKS

**So much everyone
for your support this year!!!**

Have a Happy & Safe Christmas..



Lizzie - Tasmanian Queen of Fudge !!

"Harry & Kerry at St Marys Licensed Post Office would like to wish all our customers a safe and happy Christmas.

Our special thanks to our ever reliable postie Craig Freiboth who for another year has not missed a day and provides a wonderful service to the residents of St Marys, rain, hail or shine.

We would also like to thank Ebony Bennett for her help in sorting the Private Box mail and parcels and express our genuine appreciation to Ruth McGiveron and Lil Jones for allowing us to take a much needed break every now and then. 2012 has been a good year for us despite the best efforts of some people. We mightn't always get it right but at least we are always there."



Lost, driving from Fingal to St Mary's last Saturday 1st Dec, WOODEN DRAWER from old dressing table. Approx 8 inches by 8 inches by 3 inches, I would love to get it back as it was my nans.

Thanks. Jenelle Speers.

Ph: 0418 368 840 - 0417 320 142.

Press Release:
**From Gazzmans
at 21 Quail Street, St Helens**
The 32" Hisense LCD TV Competition was drawn by Mrs. E Verschoyle on Friday 30th of November, 2012, in store. The winner drawn from the many entries was **Mr. M. Page of Scamander**. Congratulations Mr. Page. Thank you to everyone that participated in the competition.

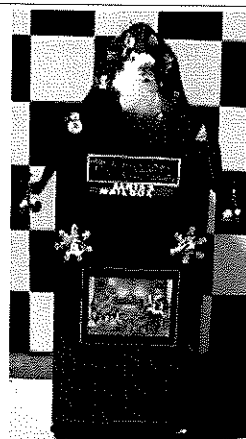
SANTA HAS BEEN!!

Santa has dropped off his post box to St Marys Post Office.

Write Santa a letter, but please, write your name and address on your letter so Santa can send a reply.

Postage is free for this service.

Just post your letter in the big red box.



Double congratulations to Esther Rubenach (now Esther Beveridge):

Firstly, on her marriage to Dennis and secondly, on her success in completing her Bachelor of Nursing at UTAS.

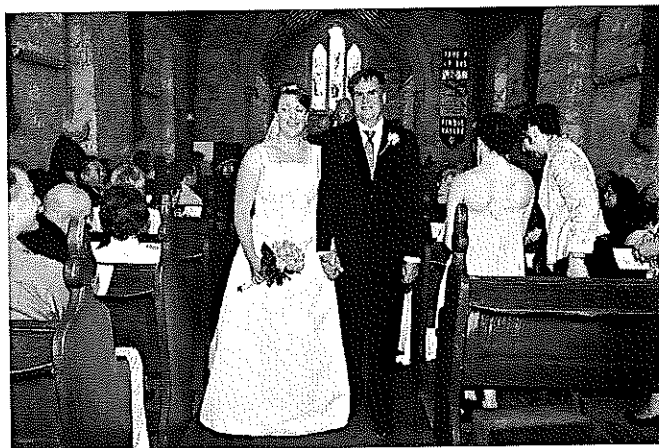
On 24th November, the weather was good, the food great and the company wonderful as over 100 people gathered to celebrate the marriage of Esther Rubenach and Dennis Beveridge.

The ceremony was at St Peter's Anglican Church, Fingal and the reception in the gardens of the Rubenach home at Gray.

Thank you to all who contributed and shared in making the day so special. A big thankyou to Peter Troode for his expert photography.

We give Esther and Dennis our blessings and best wishes as they leave soon to make their home together on King Island.

Peter and Beverley Rubenach.



Photography: Peter Troode.

ST MARYS SPORTS CENTRE NEWS:

Golf: We hosted the Ladies Day for the Veteran's Golf last Thursday and on all reports, everyone had a fun day and all were pleased with the facilities, catering and the course for the days event. Thanks to "Speed" Maher again for his input and the ladies for afternoon tea. There were just over 30 players on the day and nice to see a few people utilizing our course.

Our Midweek Chicken run was won by Kath Blair 29.5 from Graham Hayes 32, Bobby Harwood 32.5, Macca 34, Beth Haas 35, Johnny Mac 35.5, and Marcia Bennett 43.5. Good to see the numbers up for this competition, Also great to see two veterans in Graham and John enjoying a hit again. Keep the numbers up during the Summer and over the next few weeks we are having a Ham Run. So get your clubs out, dust them off and play any day or evening of the week and have some fun.

Get ready for this one! Saturday the 22nd of December will be our break up day for Christmas. A twilight event, consisting of 9 holes of golf, 3 person Ambrose and 9 ends of bowls, commencing at 3:00pm. The day includes a BBQ afterwards at a cost of \$10 per adult and \$5 per child. Good fun for everyone. This will be a good chance to catch up with all members before the break and also to thank the many helpers in the club.

Bowls: Good to report that despite some desperate times recently, that numbers are starting to improve to the stage where we fielded full teams in both divisions last week. Well done to our new bowlers and also some experienced ones that came back and helped the club out. Against Bicheno the previous week on the Coast, saw Division One win two rinks and tie one, to gain some much needed points, well done John Vincent, Kodie and Kirsten and their players. Division two went down on both rinks but at least we participated.

Last week against Swansea at home, Division One had great wins on all three rinks, John Vincent created a new personal record by winning two weeks in a row, whilst Macca and Brent Leedham also had easy wins. Nikki Viney came up with a narrow loss in Division Two a good effort with such an inexperienced side and Roger Donald had an easy victory, to gain some valuable points.

Fundraising: Michael Cook is the new "Heavy Weight Crib Champion of the World!"

Of course he now has bragging rights for a while, don't say we did not warn you.

Whilst on the subject of functions, it was very disappointing to those that are organising evenings at the club to see the numbers so low at our last couple of events. Just remember, these nights are put on to benefit ALL members of your club and whilst we encourage people to turn up to your own club, we will stop short of using a cattle prod to get you through the door. Please support the club functions.



THUMBS UP

To Dean and Troy for cutting the long grass in Gray Road, when no one else seems interested.

St.Marys Sports & Social Club

TWILIGHT CHRISTMAS BREAK UP

**SATURDAY
22nd DECEMBER
COMMENCING 3:00pm**

**9 Holes of Golf –
3 Person Ambrose**

**9 Ends of Bowls –
2 Bowl Triples**

**Followed by a BBQ
and refreshments**

**COST: \$10 per Adult
\$5 per Child**

**Please support our
Christmas break up to
thank all the helpers at
the club**

GARAGE SALE

**15 Gray Road,
St Marys.**

**Saturday
December 15th.**

9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

The Lions Club of St Marys will be once again running the St Marys Christmas Party and Parade on 24th December.

PARTY STARTS 3PM ON FAULKNERS GREEN.



FREE DRINKS, CHIPS, ICY POLES AND SWEETS.

FREE JUMPING CASTLE & BALL PIT.

FREE TICKETS IN THE AGE GROUP DRAWS.

SANTA WILL BE MAKING AN APPEARANCE TO TALK WITH THE CHILDREN & TAKE LAST MINUTE REQUESTS.

5PM CHRISTMAS PARADE STARTS IN NEWMAN STREET.

Push bikes to assemble at the Library, and only ride down to the corner of Cameron & Main streets then return along the footpath to Faulkner's Green to collect your gifts, as there will be presents for all push bike entrants.



1st, 2nd and 3rd Prizes for the best floats in the Christmas Parade.

A BARBEQUE WILL BE ALSO BE HELD WITH SAUSAGES & HAMBURGERS FOR SALE ON THE DAY.

The Lions Club of St Marys will be once again running the St Marys Christmas Party and Parade on 24th December.

Party begins at 3pm on Faulkner's Green with the usual give-a-way presents for different age groups as well as an adult prize. There will be free ice creams, icy poles, sweets, chips and drinks.

Santa will be making an appearance to meet the children & take a few last minute requests.

The Christmas Parade will start **IN** Newman Street at 5pm sharp.

Those with push bikes please assemble at the Library, and only ride down to the corner of Cameron & Main streets then return along the footpath to Faulkners Green to collect your gifts, as there will be presents for all push bike entrants.

There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd Prizes for the best floats in the Christmas Parade.

Our Lions Club would be grateful of some assistance during the afternoon to sell last minute tickets in the Christmas Stocking as well as hand out the free prize draw tickets & distribute drinks, sweets & chips.

Just make yourself known to Ruth or John McGiveron if you are able to assist on the day as all names of helpers need to be recorded.

We would also appreciate some assistance with Traffic Control at the following intersections:

Newman Street corner,
Hotel & Main Street corner,
Cameron & Main Street corner
Groom & Storey Street corner.



The free Jumping Castle and Ball Pit will be available for all children again this year.

The President & members of the Lions Club of St Marys Inc wishes everyone a safe & happy Christmas and look forward to serving our Community again in 2013.



Regional Arts Youth Company

**Drama Music and Dance
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Michelle: 0407 046 865

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Please note that anything left in LAY-BYS will be returned to the general stock on 1st January 2013.

Thank you for your understanding - Op Shop Co-ordinator.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all my valued customers over the last year, and previous years. I have thoroughly enjoyed delivering the Valley Voice to you.

Unfortunately, this is my last year, as I leave year 10 at school. Merry Christmas and a safe year to you all. Thanks once again.

Blake Polden.



The Say. Cagerattler

It was a real pleasure the other day to visit the newly opened Railway Station Museum. This will undoubtedly be a centrepiece attraction to locals and tourists alike as it expands and increases. It will focus on railway history as a mainstay I believe, but there are hopes that many other facets of our colourful past will be showcased as well.

Our more than capable curator Ian Summers has already done a great job in the first couple of weeks and plans to research a display on the railyard. He has photographs but I'm sure he'd appreciate a few long term locals dropping in to add extra information to his data base.

The best part is that this historic Railway Station of ours is being used once again and lots of congratulations must go to Council for having the foresight to buy the property for this purpose.

One day maybe, even more potential for history displays will only add to the museum concept. We have a fantastic opportunity here, as there is already a fully functioning and well supported, and, can I say, greatly appreciated Woodcraft Guild by those fortunate enough to get involved with it's services, and at some stage in the future a new Cultural Arts building may be added to the precinct.

With the support of Council, Ian and helpers, and the local community, this new museum is going to be a nice first contact from the western entrance to St Marys and with further developments/improvements will only be better. Congratulations to all.

Also thanks to Ben Lomond Water for a change... I had a personal issue with water last Saturday and I contacted them on Monday. One of their local operatives visited me later that day and explained the possible causes and issues to me which was very much appreciated indeed.

Not sure whether our fantastic editor Judy is continuing next year yet or not, but whether she is or isn't, I'd like to thank her immensely for a wonderful job and if she does finish up she'll be greatly missed but equally greatly appreciated not least by me and my scribbles over the years. Thanks Judy.

To all, as this is the last Valley Voice of 2012, thanks for your responses and contributions either through the paper or personally. Hopefully again in 2013 and have a safe and happy Christmas/New Year.

What do you think? (Column by Rod McGiveron)

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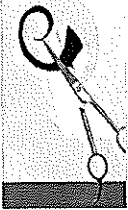
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and happy Christmas and hope that your
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Tree.

These gifts will be donated to Ana's charity
of choice, which this year is the Salvation
Army.

The Salvation Army will be collecting the
presents at close of working day, Tuesday
18th, and distributing them to families in
the local area, in the days leading up to the
festive season. Thank you every one, the
response has been phenomenal.



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Closed Christmas Day & Boxing Day

St Marys Day Centre Christmas Luncheon

On Wednesday 12/12/12 the St Marys Day Centre celebrated their end of year Christmas Luncheon at the St Marys Community Health Centre with 34 people in attendance.

It's hard to believe that it's this time of year again but the Christmas spirit was alive and well in the Day Room on Wednesday. What a lovely atmosphere it was with so much laughter and frivolity radiating through the corridors of the Health Centre.

Day Centre has a very relaxed social atmosphere and it's lovely to share this environment with the people who have helped support us throughout the year. Special recognition was given to our wonderful Community Transport Drivers and Coordinator Jan Saunders, we are truly very lucky to have these dedicated people assisting us. And the wonderful 'Team' at the Health Centre. Each and every department contribute to the success and support that we have of our weekly group- so thank you to you all!

The Day Centre has had another busy year, from fishing trips, movie mornings and lunch outings, to health promotion competitions, laughter therapy and a fortnightly exercise routine with Naomi our Physiotherapist. A highly ENTERTAINING exercise class I might add, thank you Naomi. These are just a few of the things we have participated in this year as there are too many to mention.

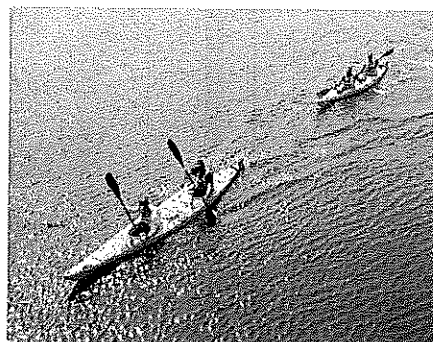
Day Centre will close on Wednesday 19/12/12 and will resume on 30 January 2013. If you are interesting in finding out more about the group or you would like to come and join us in 2013, ring Hayley at the Health Centre on 6372 2111 or just pop in to the Day Centre one Wednesday and have a look for yourself.



Mark Webber Challenge. Day 3. The day started with a 6.5 kilometre run on the beautiful white sands of Four Mile Beach and then along rugged coastal rocks to the mouth of the Falmouth River. Then it was onto the kayaks for a sea paddle, along the beautiful coastline to Scamander itself.

The east coast of Tasmania from Swansea to Scamander has some of Tasmania's most spectacular scenery, often in complete 180° seascapes. The area is known for its fresh seafood and premium cool-climate wines. Scamander is around three hour's drive from Hobart. After crossing the sandbar at the river's entrance to the sea at Scamander, the teams continued to paddle upstream to St Patrick's Head car park. By the time they got on their bikes, they had completed over 19km in their kayaks. The mountain bike ride took competitors 36 kilometres through to St Mary's. It was a tough climb of over 600 vertical metres along the way.

A six kilometre run and a 13 kilometre mountain bike ride saw the teams cross the finish line at the White Sands Resort, back near Four Mile Creek Beach, exactly where they started the day.



Photos: Dale Matheson.

Story: Taken from the Mark Webber Website.

www.markwebber.com

Grand Opening

Well the grand opening was a fantastic day. The Cadets of TS Argonaut can hold their heads high. They did themselves, their families and this community proud. Under brilliant sunshine, although a tad windy, the cadets of TS Argonaut along with 7 members from TS Hobart (The bandies as we call them) paraded in style.

In front of an enthusiastic crowd of dignitaries, invited guests, family, friends and members of the general public, the cadets marched to the beat of the Navy cadet band. With crisp white uniforms and polished shoes the cadets performed crisscross precision marching that had the gathered crowd amazed.

This special occasion has been a long time coming. It all started with a young boy watching an ad on TV and saying "Hey mum why can't we have navy cadets in St Helens?". That young man was Ashley Schmidt who went on to join the RAN and is now a leading seaman marine technician and has now served just over 10yrs in the RAN.

TS Argonaut has had 180 cadets through its doors and currently have 12 former cadets serving the ADF, Navy, Army and RAAF, and they have a place on the wall of honour in our new building.

Commanding Officer of TS Argonaut, SBLT M Montgomery gave a warm welcome to the crowd before the cadets took to the parade ground.

CMDR M Mann, ANC, took the salute from the cadets march past and LCDR A Vidler, RANR, had the honour of jointly cutting the ribbon with our newest cadet SMN K Harvey. Mrs Fran Still had the honour of christening the building, as grandmother of Ashley and mother of Sblt J Watkins (Ashley's mum). Although the bottle didn't want to smash first go, when it finally smashed against the building it was an emotional moment. We also had the president from Rotary MS Kylie Loffel cut the ribbon to the "Rotary Class Room" and Mr Matt Osborne from Lions Club cut the ribbon to the "Lions Den Class Room".

The Rotary and Lions Clubs from St Helens kindly donated money to assist us with furnishing these class rooms.

On Saturday night we also had our end of year dinner, the first time we could get all the cadets, staff, committee and families seated on our very own maindeck to enjoy a meal cooked in our very own galley. The

Awards this year were: "The Aries Award" for best ceremonial going to LS Zac Hume, proudly donated by Mr Guy Barnett and the "Golden Fleece Award" for best new recruit going to LS B Smith, proudly donated by Banjo's bakery. A huge thank you to the local community for all their support and we look forward to a very bright future and welcome all inquiries on joining the cadets and interested parents and friends wishing to help out on the committee. Contact SBLT M Montgomery 0417 371 485 or SBLT J Watkins 0418 362 640.



Mascot: Smeggle

News from the Break O'Day Child and Family Centre

1 Groom Street, St Helens/ ph 63767170.

The end of the year is rapidly approaching and we would like to share the happenings at the Centre with our community.

The Baby Chat Cafe has been very busy at the St Helens and Fingal sessions and provides a wonderful opportunity for expectant mums and those with children 0-2 to come and share experiences in a relaxed environment. Some guest speakers have been visiting including Susannah Koch from the Breast Feeding Council of Australia. The Cafe hopes to see mums of the older children become mentors for newcomers in the new year.

The East Coast Maternity Service has been a fabulous new service with new parents so pleased not to have to travel to Launceston for appointments and to have such excellent care provided locally.

Connecting with Cooking has been a very successful program. The Philippines was the topic last month and music, food and a cultural quiz were explored. The menu included Fried Rice, Chicken Adobo and Steamed Cake and Fruit Salad. Coming soon will be the chance to discover the Dutch culture.

In partnership with Healthy House, Beer and Bubs 4 Dads 2 B is on Saturday 15th December at Crossroads Winebar at 6pm, and Sunday 16th at St Marys Hotel at Midday. Beer and Bubs is an informal and fun blokes session in a pub where 'expectant dads' learn how to support their partner through the birth of their baby. Contact Theo at Healthy House to book on 6376 5242.

As we approach the end of the year, some of our regular services will finish up which will include Playgroup, Little Launchers and Launch into Learning and we already look forward to seeing them in 2013. The Centre will be closed from the 21 December to the 7th January. Sue Gofton the CHAPS nurse will still be available from Wed 2nd of January, Please ring door bell for access and phone Sue for appointments on 0428136381.

January will be a busy time with Holiday Fun by Kaelene Crossingham. These sessions will be run 1030-1230 on Tuesdays for 0-5 year olds. Themes to be explored will be 'At the beach', 'Circus fun', 'Down on the Farm' and 'Gorgeous Grandparents'. Bring a plate to share for lunch and a hat, sunscreen, bathers or change of clothes and get ready for some messy fun! Please contact the Centre to express your interest in attending.

In January we will be holding another 'Caring for Kids' First Aid Course. This will be on Wednesday 16th January 9-3 and is a St John Level 1 Certificate. This course is provided free of charge but bookings are essential. This is a really important course to enable us to provide first aid and to help keep our kids safe and healthy.

We have some other great things coming up in the new year which include, Aboriginal Storytelling, 'Building Beginnings'-involving dads, grandads and male carers building with Duplo, and in conjunction with Healthy House Friendship Program we also hope to invite grandparents to participate in story/craft to become great role models and to connect with young children and their families in our community.

So if you would like to make a booking or find out more about the wonderful programs and services for the 0-5 year olds in our community as we celebrate the end of the year and the exciting beginnings for 2013, please drop by to 1 Groom St. St Helens or ph 6376 7170.



Jasmin Snooks with her son Jakih Curtis at Playgroup.

Parenting tip of the month courtesy Triple P, Positive Parenting Program, www.triplep.net.

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ICE

Once again a big thank you to Judy and her team. Thanks for another year of great Valley Voicing. Merry Christmas to all our lovely customers and a safe 2013.

All at St Marys News.



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Thank you to everyone who bought or donated into Wayans Box at the Purple Possum. We reached the target of \$300 with a bonus of \$120.

Water quality is the biggest health issue in Bali. This year 3 filters were installed in 2 villages on the eastern coast of Bali. The plan is to increase the number.

Currently the filters are working well, providing 100 people with clean water daily.

To continue with the project there is a New Possum Bric-a-Brac shop, through the garden behind the Purple Possum.

Inside, besides all sorts of interesting articles, books, jewellery etc., there is a rack of new women's clothing. All proceeds from clothing will go to purchase more filters.

There is information available about the filters, and of course any donation is welcome.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and goodwill to all.

Cheers, Anne.

THANK YOU

As most people know, after fifty years as Secretary of the St Marys Pacing Club Inc., I have resigned, through ill health.

I would like to thank everyone who has helped me through the years, especially my wonderful wife and family.

Craig Woods is the new Secretary and is doing a great job.

I hope everyone gives him the same support as you have given me, thus ensuring our great little club keeps going for a long time.

Thank to all,

Eric Bean.

OUT OF THE WOODWORK

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On behalf of the Guild members, our esteemed ambassador Pat Wells and our four legged furry mascot "Sammy," we would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and we all extend a thank you to the following for their on-going support.

Mark and all the staff at the I.G.A. Scott, Aaron and Danny for supplying the Sizzler King with the Haute Cuisine snags.

Judy Spillsbury and all the volunteers from the Valley Voice. The Fingal Valley Neighbour Hood House. The Break O'Day Regional Arts for supplying free table space at their monthly markets. The Coastal Column. Second Hand Rose. Harry and Kerry from the Post Office, Tracy and Ross from the Coach House. The Fingal Focus. Trish and Cathy from the Healthy House. Garry King. Evelyn from the Bakery. Tracy Macdonald and Ping.

"A merry day Christmas and a Happy New Year, we all hope this is a Christmas without any tears"

The Guild meets on the last Saturday of every month at 2pm in the old railway goods shed situated behind the Railway Station complex. New members are always welcome, both men and women. We are open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. Other times by appointment. *(Please note that our previously advertised day of Friday has now been replaced by Thursday)*

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BEER AND BUBS 4 DADS 2 B

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It's ideal for expectant dads who have done antenatal classes, but have come out the other end with little practical understanding of their role at the birth.

It's also perfect for a brush up when it's been a long time since the birth of the last child.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

What should you never say to a woman in labour?

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How can you go in to bat for your partner if things get ugly with your caregivers?

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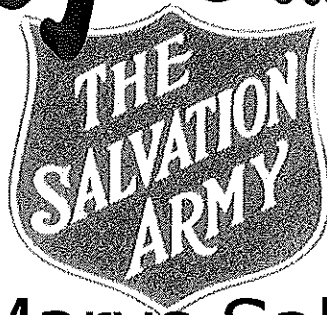
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Carols by Candlelight



The St Marys Salvation Army
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Carols by Candlelight
on Sunday December 16th
at the Salvation Army Headquarters
commencing at 7pm
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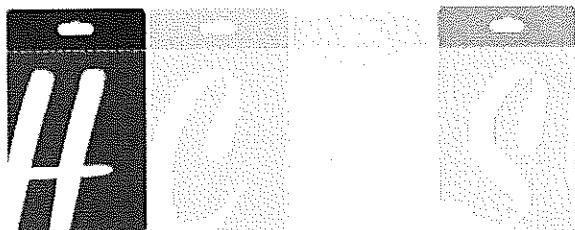
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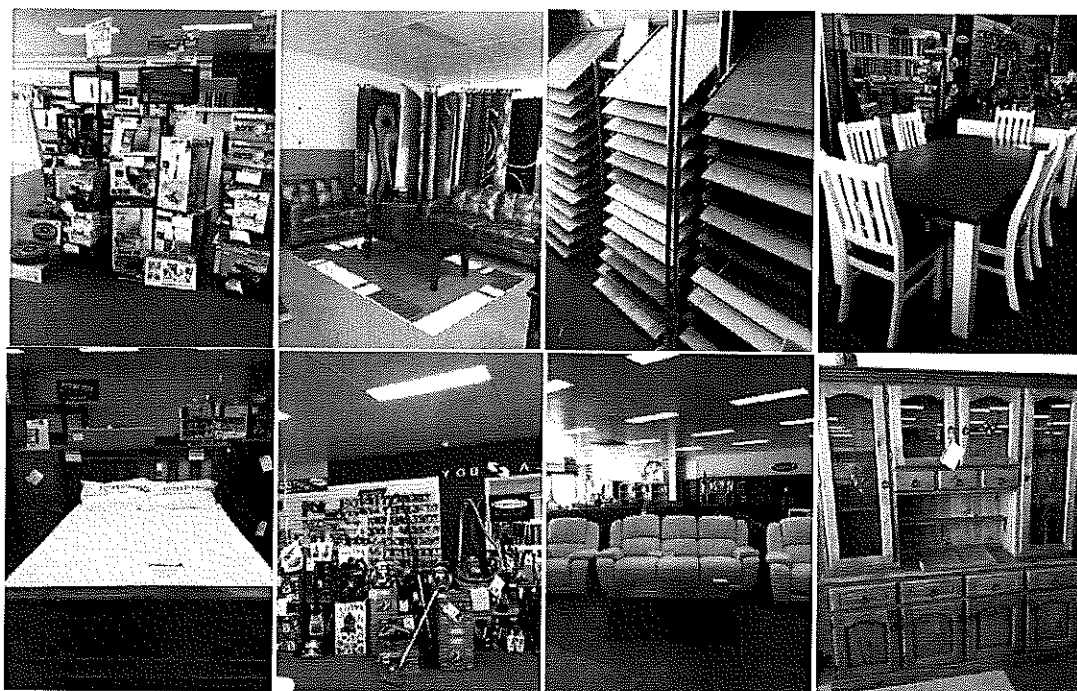
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The Cataract Gorge is touted as "the most popular tourist destination in Launceston" and the Scamander Probus club heartily endorses the comment. The destination for our November trip was the Gorge, incorporating a stop on the way for morning tea. Morning tea was scones with lashings of homemade raspberry jam and oodles of cream. We enjoyed this delight at Avoca and during the break the group wandered through the Avoca museum. Some people may not be aware of the museum. It is housed in the old school building which is in the park. It is well worth a visit and for many of us it rekindled memories of our school years.

We arrived at the Gorge in time for lunch at the Gorge Cafe. The food was excellent as was the service. It was a "getting out and strolling" weather day, so after lunch many of us wandered off in different directions to explore the gardens. Some walked over to the restaurant via the river walk, others strolled across the bridge, whilst the brave ones rode in the chair lift. Others sat in the Cafe and had another coffee, licked an ice cream and enjoyed the view. Which ever way you turned the view was great and tourists and others were also enjoying the experience. It was a relaxing day.

Our Guest speaker for November was Andrea Fleming from the Asthma Foundation. Andrea outlined the probable causes of asthma, and individual triggers. She also discussed with us the medications that are available and correct usage, demonstrating the use of the "new age spacers". Andrea's talk was very enlightening for many of the members. For asthma sufferers the talk gave them new information about the managing of their condition.

Christmas is upon us. The so called "silly season" is here. The club this year will be celebrating our Christmas lunch at the Beach Front Motel at Bicheno.

The club sends its best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all readers. If in 2013 you are semi retired and or retiring perhaps you may like to join the Scamander Probus Club. We are able to guarantee "Fun, Friendship and Fellowship and of course the fourth one being Food. If you would like to join us, our meetings are on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 10.00 - 12.00 at the Scamander Beach Resort.

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Record prize money for Australia's most unique art competition

Billed as 'part competition, part festival, all fun', International Mural Fest in Sheffield, Tasmania is inviting artists to submit entries for the 2013 event.

And with a whopping prize pool of \$27,000, this week-long 'paint off' in the Town of Murals has never looked so good.

Previous winner and five-time finalist, the new Arts Manager Julian Bale said Mural Fest was founded on the Aussie spirit that everyone who wants to have a go is welcome.

"All artists are invited to submit entries – from beginners to seasoned professionals," Mr Bale said. "It doesn't matter whether you've painted a mural before or not, if you have the desire to have a go, we want to hear from you."

Very fitting for this year's theme, *Wild and Free*.

"I don't know of any other art competition offering the same experience and benefits as Mural Fest," he said.

Now a highly prestigious event in the Tasmanian Arts Calendar, the 2013 winner will receive \$12,500, and their mural a place in the new Walk of Fame.

Other awards are: Highly Commended, Visitors' Choice and People's Choice.

In addition, finalists receive \$1,000 for their participation and are provided with accommodation and paint. Not to mention loads of attention.

"The opportunities for artists in this event are unparalleled," Mr Bale said. "Apart from the great prize money, there's no other competition I know of that you get paid to paint in, and which provides such wide exposure."

"We're also keen to focus on assisting artists to sell their murals after the event."

As a seasoned finalist and 2012 Guest Artist, Mr Bale said the public interaction, fun events, and camaraderie between the artists creates an electric atmosphere.

And if the impressive 4.8m x 2.1m size seems daunting, you're welcome to find a mate and paint in pairs.

For your chance to make a big impact, go to www.muralfest.com.au to download the entry form or contact Julian on 0447 370 008. Entries close January 18, 2013.

My husband and I were in St Marys in September looking for a rural property to purchase. A few of the locals suggested we put a small ad in your paper to see if anyone is interested in selling.

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Some Christmas Reflections from Childhoods Long Gone

As our family work together to prepare for Christmas, I thank God for His blessing of family and for simple things like traditions and stories that are passed on from generation to generation. My childhood was delightfully filled with traditions and stories from my mother.

Daisy Dale Farm, Lower Germantown - late December 1950's

"Christmas is so wonderful!" My mother smiled as she arranged fragrant Sweet Williams in the vase that graced the mantel piece of the farm homestead. "I've grown Sweet Williams for Christmas for as long as I can remember. One year when I was just a young girl, I grew so many I sold bunches to people in St Marys. With that money, I was able to buy my sisters a vase each", she announced proudly. "Two of the vases were meant to be given as a pair for they were a boy vase and a girl vase. I couldn't afford two vases for one person, so I gave the boy vase to Elsie and the girl vase to Clarice". I smiled - I always admired those vases in each of my Aunts' homes. —————>



Once my Mother started reminiscing, she was unstoppable and so the Christmas stories of her childhood continued, "how hard each of us 8 children would work to help with Christmas preparations - for Christmas Day saw our family entertain many relatives and friends. But one year, my brothers and sisters labelled me a bludger. I couldn't help it. I had a sore hand. See, I've still got the scar. Wow! Her thumb must have been almost severed so I asked what had happened.

She didn't need much encouragement to tell her story:

"Well, it was the last week of school for the year and the school inspectors were coming to St Marys to test the ability and aptitude of all students. Being shy country bumpkins, Tom, Gwen and I pleaded with Mother to let us stay home on that dreaded day. Amazingly she agreed provided we collected ferns for bedding for the pigs for Christmas. Soon Tom was swinging the fern hook with all the exuberance freedom from school could muster. Gwen and I challenged each other on who could load up their cart the fastest. Somehow, in my haste my hand and Tom's fern hook connected. My thumb was almost severed. The nearest doctor was at Campbell Town so Mother did what she had to do! Soon she was busy with needle and thread. Once the thumb was reattached, Mother made a paste of flour and water to staunch the bleeding and bind the wound together. Within weeks it was as good as new. Next year all three of us faced the school inspectors", she smiled ruefully.

"Then there was the Christmas when Gwen went missing", she recalled. It must have been traumatic, for after 30 plus years, the memory caused my mother to shudder, but she continued:

"Every year, two days before Christmas, Old Silas, the peddler would visit remote homes selling an incredible assortment of items. He carried everything in a big sack on his back. The sack was so big our brothers frightened us girls by telling us it was big enough to hold a person – dead or alive. Silas always rang a bell to announce his arrival. Father would leave his farm work to make annual transactions. We children were forbidden to get too close to that 'old gypsy'. So we stayed at a safe distance where we could look wide-eyed at the amazing articles and listen to the conversation. Every year, Old Silas would look intently at my Father and say, "Mr Newman, you can have credit anytime you want or you can take all I possess (at this point, he would wave his hands over all the items from his sack) – I would exchange it all for that little black-haired angel. My wife longs for a child and that one is perfect". His grubby finger would point at Gwen who cowered in the background. "Anytime you wish, Mr Newman, we will do an exchange", his beady black eyes stared at us and he gave Gwen a sinister, toothless grin.

Well that particular year, Old Silas came as usual. Father bought a hoe. He told Old Silas there were other things he needed, but times were hard, money scarce. "Then let us talk business, Mr Newman", the peddler suggested. He and Father moved out of earshot. This bored us children, so we moved away, but soon our attention returned to Father. Old Silas left with his big bag. Father carried a small bag of items. "I wonder what Father has bought and how he had the money to get anything, Gwen?" I asked, but Gwen did not reply - Gwen was gone! "Gwen, Gwen, where are you! I screamed." But I was met with silence. Then it dawned on me. "Old Silas has kidnapped Gwen", I shouted, panic-stricken. My fear was contagious. Soon the whole family were calling out to Gwen. Twilight began to descend, but there was no trace of her.

Father looked increasingly anxious, so he finally said, "I think I'll saddle up Dobbin and go for a bit of a ride." I knew what he intended to do. He was riding to find where Old Silas had camped for the night. He would go boldly to the old kidnapper and demand Gwen's release. How my heart soared with pride for my heroic Father. But then, the terrible truth hit me! Gwen had not been kidnapped – she had been exchanged for the items father now possessed. Father himself had made the transaction! I ran screaming my accusation at Father as Dobbin's rump disappeared down the road in the growing night-time gloom. —————>

"What's the matter, Lin?" a familiar beloved voice asked close beside me. I turned. There was Gwen – hair and clothes covered with hay, but alive and well and free. Safely inside the house, she explained how she had crept close to Father and Old Silas to eavesdrop. She heard Old Silas say to Father that the items were his, for it was a fair exchange, and she saw the 2 men shake hands. Certain she was the 'exchange material', she hid deep within the barn of hay. She heard us call agonizingly for her, but she was too afraid to respond until nightfall. Then the darkness become more frightening than the thought of being Old Mrs Silas' adopted daughter.

The door opened and in came Father. "I've been organising the neighbours for a search party for Gwen come first light", he announced. "But Father, I'm here", Gwen said running to him for a hug. She stopped mid-stream. "Father, why a search party? You were the one who was going to exchange me for items from Old Silas," her trembling voice accused. "No Gwen, no" he said collapsing in a chair, "I would never do that." "Then how did you get the things you couldn't afford?" Phylis asked bravely. Father explained, "Old Silas knew I desperately need seeds. So we made a deal – I take the seed this year, and next year, I'll have a Christmas ham waiting for him".

Come Christmas dinner, and Mother passed our Christmas ham to Father. "Want to carve up 'Old Silas', she asked cheekily as she leaned and lovingly touched Gwen's black curls. From that time onwards, our Christmas ham was called 'Old Silas'.

Then there was the time when a couple of weeks before Christmas, newly wed Elsie made a mysterious announcement, "Ted and I will be here at 11 o'clock Christmas Day. We will be arriving in grand style. I cannot wait to see the surprise on all of your faces". She smiled smugly and tossed her head arrogantly.

Near 11 o'clock Christmas Day, the peace was broken by a distant, unfamiliar broom, broom sound. That strange sound grew louder by the minute. Father jumped to his feet, startled, "No! Surely it cannot be one of those new-fangled contraptions?" "What?" we asked curiously. Father's indignation continued, "No daughter of mine would dare go near one." "I will not have such a rubbishy, monstrosity on my property", he declared with venom.

"Please John dear, don't swear", Mother pleaded. But Father was adamant. "Such vile things would make a Parson swear", he fumed. All the while the broom, broom sound came closer. It's Elsie and Ted," Gwen realised, "and they sound like they are near Scrubby Corner". "It's a motorbike!" Frank and Tom declared, racing down the road to greet the source of their delight.

The rest of us just stood stunned. The broom – br-oo-m increased. Ted was revving that machine to ensure the couple made their promised grand appearance.

But then, it came – the heart-stopping sound of trees being relentlessly destroyed. Then horrible, frightening silence! Trembling with trepidation, we ran to Scrubby Corner. A trail of flattened scrub led down the bank to the creek. We saw Ted's hat floating down-stream. But Ted was safe. There he was neck-tie askew, dashing suit embroidered with black berry bushes, gallantly helping ashen-faced Elsie from the over-turned side car. All of us, except Father, went into action patching up scratches and removing thorns.

Amidst our mercy-mission, came the sound of clip-clop. Without saying a word, Father and old Dobbin went to work retrieving the motorbike. That motorbike, which minutes before had been an object of pride, a symbol of prestige, was now dejected, scratched and dented – an object of humility. Just to add a finishing touch, Father gave the motorbike a very hard kick. He then reached into his pocket and treated old Dobbin to a very juicy apple. "Actions speak louder than words", my mother concluded.

My reflections – Gray, December 2012

Upon the death of my Auntie Elsie and Auntie Clarice, the boy vase and girl vase, given to them by my mother all those years ago, are now in my possession. (They were finally reunited as a pair after 50 years of separation). I fill them with Sweet Williams at Christmas time and I think of my Mother and her family.

For over 70 years, until her death, my Mother carried the fern-hook scar. Seeing it probably inspired Christmas recollections.

Our Christmas ham has never been called 'Old Silas', but as Peter carves our ham on Christmas Day, I picture my own Father doing likewise at family gatherings long past.

My late Grandfather and I rarely agreed on anything, but we did have one thing in common – we knew horses were far superior to motorbikes.

Finally, my Mother's words still echo throughout the years – "actions speak louder than words". As we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, may our actions display the spirit of the season; the reason for the season; hope, joy, peace and love. These last not only from generation to generation, but for eternity.

Beverley Rubenach, 4th Dec 2012.



TasBash 2012

Every year, one week in October, people from all walks of life, come together for Variety Clubs Tasbash.- we gather with our wacky cars and head through the bush, to our next destination. Along the way gifting monies and goods to help supplement schools, and disadvantaged individuals with the specialised equipment they need to help with their integration to Society.

We raise a minimum of \$4000 a car to start. And we also collect donations on the way. We are the smallest fleet within Australia, the proudest and the wackiest and we still run our classic cars- this makes us very attractive to our mainland counterparts, and we have 4 regular interstate participants that make the journey each year to give a share to our Tasmanian children.

19 years involved and almost \$200,000 raised by myself and individuals that have travelled within the cars that I have entered. Our cars have represented the St Helens, St Marys, Fingal areas for all of that time frame and will continue this for the 2013 Tasbash! Every year I am going to retire, but every year I still line up. There will always be individuals and schools that need and appreciate the help we give! This year – so many highlights-it was noted – wow what a day at Fingal- and the bashers were still talking about the little boy- who announced, “This is the bestest day ever!...” we hope he’s a potential basher! And the whole school in the fire truck laugh.

And the Lunch that was put on at St Marys School- the best lunch stop- plenty of great food and kids with manners- truly a great day, and great example set –well done St Marys School!

Every year we see sooo many things that are just too hard or emotional to describe, to see a child that is given a specialised walker, and becomes upright for the first time, in his or her life, to see a child whom is confined to a wheel chair, play in the park and have their first swing- all amazing stuff, brings the hardened of people to tears, to see a child who communicates by ipad- wow -what technology can bring to the lives of the not so fortunate!

We’ve never had a major sponsor- as to the status of industry in our area- those that could afford rejected our requests usually because they sponsored some out of area event, so our fundraising motto has always been, if we just get 400 -\$10 donations our \$4000 entry is there, (which equates to 0.25 of a wheelchair) so it’s been hard work for many years. To all my consistent local sponsors - you are the people that help us do this and I can’t thank you or show my gratitude enough- Every year when asked- you always give, and when times have been tough, you still find what you can afford- Thank you.

StartBurnie – blinky loses wheel on way- whoops. Saturday 13th October to Bronte Park- great driving –whoops accelerator sticking issue-...oops shocker issue... and what would you know- Bill Humphries who donated \$500 to Variety and shocked to see Cherie grown up. 14th Oct Bronte park to Launceston- steal a clown day- 15th Oct Launceston to Scamander- clown takes a trip around with the pirates! School visits- 16th Oct Scamander , Fingal- St Marys schools. 17th Oct Scamander to Swansea – Bicheno school -got lost first time in 16 years- won’t live that down- clown navigator-

beach fun stop- sesame won- go girls -kite and beautiful dolphin sands! Great to see Bondy and Slippery again! 18th Oct Swansea to Cambridge- Orford school- shooting at Redbanks- terrific my first year at school was at Orford primary- 19th Oct Cambridge to New Norfolk –Great always at

Longley Pub with the Longley long necks! Great snail race! Great night -20th Oct New Norfolk to Hobart... Salmon ponds- night on the pier! Perfect Finish. Good food- Great company -Great cause- you gotta do it!

Well done Pirates- kraken...Spirit of the bash and Don Carter memorial award. And when I get home we’ve got 5 kittens that look like clowns!...

2013 fundraising year, (oct 2012-october 2013) ENTRY NOW AT \$5030

Cherie participating in 5th Bash – special achievement, my 20 yr involved with variety and 17th Bash /Tasmania.

This will be the last year- I have kokoda trail on the to do list, and unfortunately the hips won’t last if I keep bouncing around in a Valiant chariot!

We are hoping that your support will continue for the 2013 year- If any one from our communities would like to participate in 2013 Tasbash- or take over my car for 2014 please contact me- if anyone wishes to participate and join me for the Kokoda trail 2014 please do make contact-

Thank you once again and stay safe. Merry Christmas.

Splash Tasbash teams- and Lynne, Cherie and Charlotte.





Liberal Party calls for candidates to join the Liberal team for the State election

Liberal Party State President Geoff Page has announced that the Liberal Party has opened the process of endorsement for the next State Election and has advertised in all three Tasmanian papers.

"The coming state election is an exciting opportunity for Tasmanians to be part of the Liberal team that gets Tasmania back on track," Mr Page said.

"This State has been let down by this failed minority Government experiment, we need a strong Majority Liberal Government.

"The Will Hodgman-led Liberal Team is very enthusiastic about Tasmania's future, and has a strong plan to deliver jobs and opportunity for all Tasmanians."

Mr Page said that the Liberal Party process of candidate identification has been ongoing for some time, and he was encouraged by the calibre of people interested in joining the Will Hodgman team.

He added that the Party had built maximum flexibility into its process to allow it to put together the best team possible to deliver the Majority Liberal Government Tasmania so desperately needs.

Anyone interested in discussing candidacy further should contact Mr Page or the State Director for a confidential discussion.

Media release

Mr Adams running away from labor?

Federal Liberal candidate for Lyons, Eric Hutchinson, has questioned whether Labor's Dick Adams intends to run again for the Party at the next election.

"It appears from Mr Adams latest newsletter that he is running from his party, not for it," Mr Hutchinson said.

"The glossy four page brochure does not mention the word Labor once.

"There are no Labor party motifs, and the Labor red has been replaced with pink."

Mr Hutchinson said the people of Lyons had a right to feel completely betrayed by Mr Adams for his failure to stand up for them on the disastrous forestry peace deal and for other blatant sell-outs to the Greens during this term of government.

Lyons constituents are openly questioning whether Mr Adams will run again, and if so, whether he will run for Labor. "So conspicuous has he been by his absence of late, this clear attempt to distance himself from his own party will only fuel that," Mr Hutchinson said.

Mr Hutchinson said that if Mr Adams felt so aggrieved by his own party that he couldn't even bring himself to mention it in his summer propaganda blitz, then he should at least have the courage of his convictions to stand up to it.

Instead, there's been barely a peep from Mr Adams at a time when the electorate has desperately needed him to try to stop the Labor-Greens minority governments in Canberra and Hobart from destroying Tasmania's productive industries and economy.

It is just further evidence of why Lyons needs a Liberal Government and the strong representation that Mr Hutchinson will provide.

Barnett to express interest for Liberals in State election

Mr Guy Barnett, will express interest for the Liberal Party to run at the forthcoming State election. The Liberal Party advertised (in Tasmania's 3 daily newspapers) (Saturday) for expressions of interest.

"Tasmanians deserve a new start. It is time to replace despondency and despair, with hope and opportunity. Record lows in investor and consumer confidence, a struggling economy, and the highest unemployment in the country. We must rid this state of the anti-development agenda that permeates the air we breathe. The Greens have been leading this government by the nose. Enough is enough.

Tasmania desperately needs some 'can do' leadership with an unequivocal growth development and jobs agenda.

The answer is a majority Liberal Government led by Will Hodgman MP.

I have been inundated with requests to run for Parliament. Hardly a day goes past without people asking and some imploring me to run.

Representing one's community is a privilege and I cherished my role as a Senator. Being part of a team to help Tasmania harness its untold potential would be an honour.

I will be expressing interest but will not make a final decision until early in 2013.

The Tasmanian Green/Labor government is focussed on one thing – its political survival. The Green's price for Labor to stay in power is more lock-ups, industry closure and their extreme social agenda. The pendulum has swung too far. We need a more balanced approach.

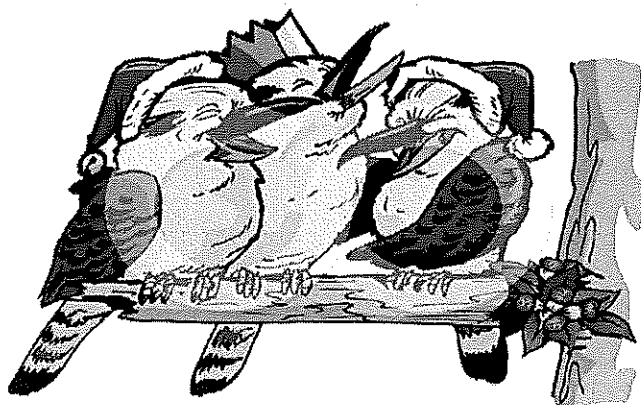
The so-called forest peace deal is a dud and a con. The government has no mandate for this deal and should take it to an election", Mr Barnett said.

Mr Guy Barnett, a lawyer and consultant, was a Senator for nine and a half years including five years in the Howard government. "One important lesson from my time in the Howard government is that we need a strong economy to afford sustainable health, education and police services", he said.

He attended Hagley Farm school and has worked as a lawyer in Melbourne and Washington, D.C. and was senior adviser to the former Premier Robin Gray at age 26 years.

He also owned and managed his award winning government and corporate consulting business for 13 years.

Mr Barnett who has type 1 diabetes, has been a champion for healthy lifestyles and is Ambassador for Diabetes Australia and Diabetes Tasmania. He is married with three children.



Tim Morris MP

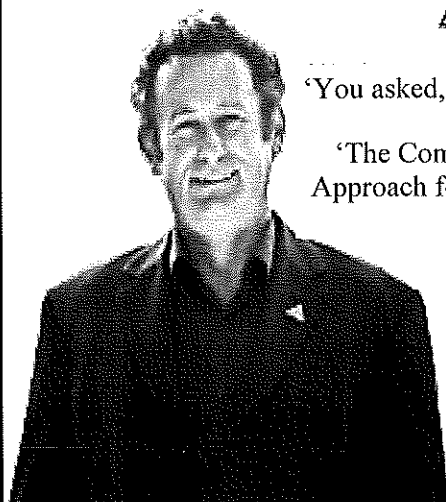
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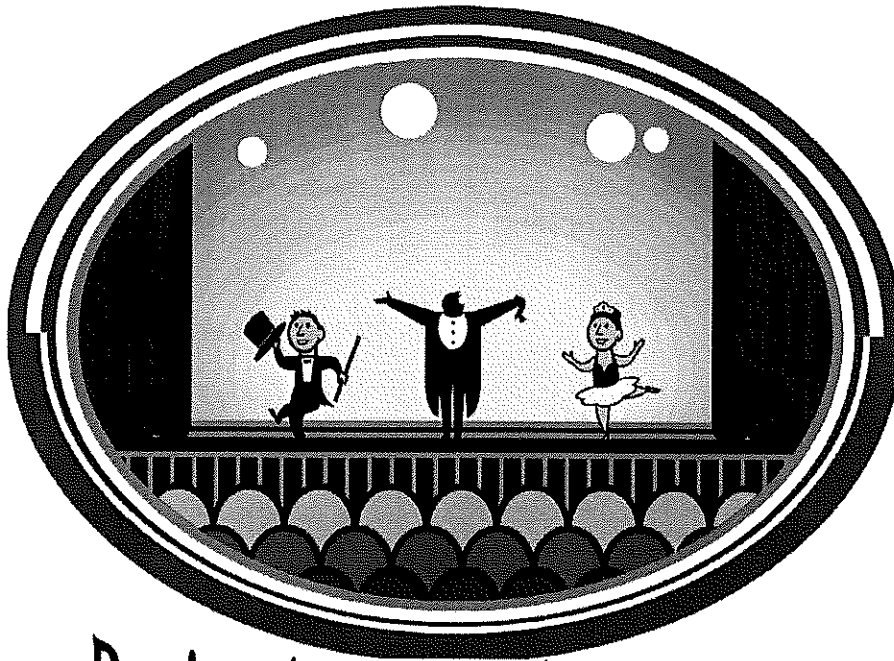
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MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER			MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER		
January 2013	St Marys	Fingal	Jan/ February	St Marys	Fingal
Monday Dec 31st	Val Spencer	Neighbourhood House	Monday 28th	Ruth Aulich	Neighbourhood House
Tuesday 1st	Trish Pike		Tuesday 29th	Lundy Vosper	
Wednesday 2nd	Lorraine Gill		Wednesday 30th	Lorraine Gill	
Thursday 3rd	Heather Griffiths		Thursday 31st	Val Spencer	
Friday 4th	Claire Bean	Neighbourhood House	Friday Feb 1st	Lundy Vosper	Neighbourhood House
MOW Contact		Phone: 0488 384 344	MOW Contact		Phone: 0488 384 344
Monday 7th	Debbie Barnes	Neighbourhood House	Monday 4th	Lundy Vosper	Neighbourhood House
Tuesday 8th	Pam Bretz		Tuesday 5th	Pam Bretz	
Wednesday 9th	Lundy Vosper		Wednesday 6th	Lorraine Gill	
Thursday 10th	Kaye Nailer		Thursday 7th	Heather Griffiths	
Friday 11th	Lundy Vosper	Neighbourhood House	Friday 8th	Claire Bean	Neighbourhood House
January	St Marys	Fingal	February	St Marys	Fingal
Monday 14th	Ruth Aulich	Neighbourhood House	Monday 11th	Debbie Barnes	Neighbourhood House
Tuesday 15th	Trish Pike		Tuesday 12th	Trish Pike	
Wednesday 16th	Liz Rice		Wednesday 13th	Drew Adam	
Thursday 17th	Yvonne Salter		Thursday 14th	Kaye Nailer	
Friday 18th	Hannah Rubenach	Neighbourhood House	Friday 15th	Lundy Vosper	Neighbourhood House
MOW Contact		Phone: 0488 384 344	MOW Contact		Phone: 0488 384 344
Monday 21st	Pam Lynch	Neighbourhood House	Monday 18th	Ruth Aulich	Neighbourhood House
Tuesday 22nd	Val Spencer		Tuesday 19th	Pam Bretz	
Wednesday 23rd	Lorraine Gill		Wednesday 20th	Lorraine Gill	
Thursday 24th	Lundy Vosper		Thursday 21st	Lundy Vosper	
Friday 25th	Drew Adam	Neighbourhood House	Friday 22nd	Hannah Rubenach	Neighbourhood House

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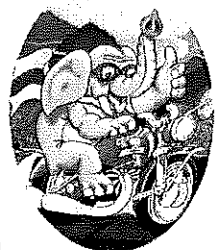
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a Happy New Year to all our
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Michael and Louise.





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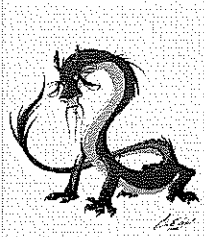
Please take the time to have fun and play table tennis. It is light, but full of fun. Most people can learn to play in 2 or 3 weeks. Plus it costs nothing. All is provided, you could even share a cup of oriental tea, have a chat about travel teaching, Chinese culture etc. Pass the time easily. Plus, there is so many more little gifts for you and your loved ones.

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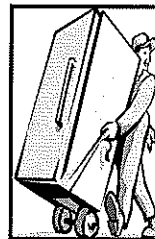
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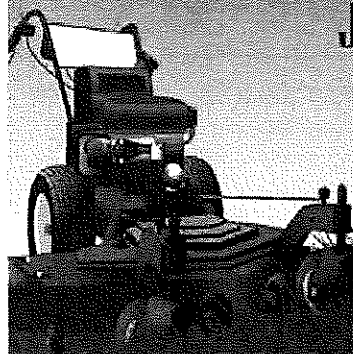
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Written and Authorised by Dick Adams, 53B Main Road Perth

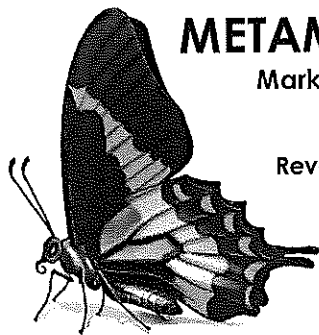


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Valley and Coast Hobby Craft and Arts Guide.

Thanks to all those contributing to this guide for either groups or individuals.

Your permission to add content to these great activities in knowledge skills or information will hopefully aid others keen to try new things. We welcome more groups to add as time goes on so ring Rod McGiveron on 6372 2215 or email me at rodneymcgiveron@bigpond.com any time to come on board. Thanks again.

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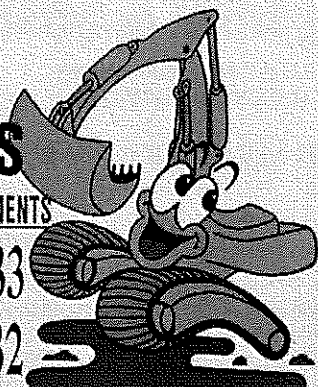
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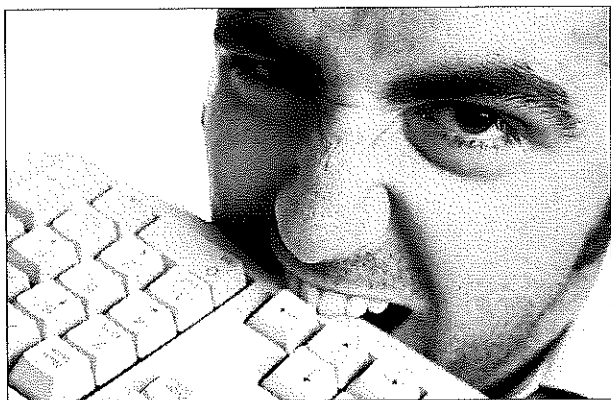
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10:30am- 12:30pm

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For appointments please ring Reception during opening times. Appointments will not be taken at other times.

SCRIPTS AND DOCTORS APPOINTMENTS

Please ensure doctors appointments are booked **prior** to your medication/s running out or **in advance** if you are attending this practice regularly. **PLEASE BE PATIENT** waiting periods can apply to see the doctor.

Please speak to our reception staff about ordering scripts over the phone— as fees apply. Scripts are unable to be done over the weekends, ensure you have enough medications in advance.

Announcement for our Community

The St Marys Community Health Centre would like to announce that Dr Cyril Latt has renewed his contract with the St Marys Community Health Centre.



AFTER HOURS CONTACT NUMBERS

Please phone
GP ASSIST ON- 1300 780 011

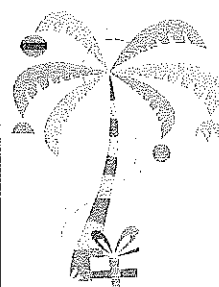
AMBULANCE 1800 008 008 or
EMERGENCY 000

ST MARYS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE
6372 2111

Please RING before presenting after hours

INR TESTS

A doctor's appointment is required if you are having an INR test. **Please let reception staff know when making your appointment that you are having an INR test.** This requires a 5 minute doctor consult.



On behalf of the staff at the St Marys Community Health Centre we wish you all in the community a safe and healthy holiday season.

We thank you all for your continuing support of the Community Health Centre and look forward to assisting you in 2013.

ST MARYS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE

- 12 Dec **Day Centre**– End of year Christmas Luncheon. For details on the group please contact Hayley Gilbert 6372 2111
- Social Worker**– Shan Williams. Please phone 6372 2111 for appointments.
- Physiotherapist**– Naomi Ide . Please see your GP or Health Professional for a referral to the service.
- 13 Dec **Relationships Australia**– Leanne McMurtie for appointments please phone 1300 364 277
- Social Work**– Shan Williams. Please phone 6372 2111 for appointments
- 14 Dec **Dietician (TML)** - Appointments available by referral from your GP
- Diabetes Educator (TML)**- Appointments available by referral from your GP
- Exercise Physiologist (TML)**-Appointments available by referral from your GP
- TML Psychologist**. For appointments please see your GP for a referral
- 17 Dec **Physiotherapist**– Naomi Ide . Please see your GP or Health Professional for a referral to the service.
- Mental Health Clinician/ Case Manager**– Faye Thordardottir. For appointments please phone 1800 332 388 where a referral will be lodged for you.
- TLC Meeting (Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre)** 10:00am in the Day Room
- Audio Clinic**– For appointments please ring 6334 1466
- 18 Dec **Counsellor**– Ellen Naef. Please phone 0409 864 182 for appointments. Ellen is located downstairs at St Marys Health Centre in the Healthy House
- Physiotherapist**– Naomi Ide . Please see your GP or Health Professional for a referral to the service.
- Mental Health Clinician/ Case Manager**– Faye Thordardottir. For appointments please phone 1800 332 388
- Child Health Session** with Sue Gofton every Tuesday– Appointments only. Please phone 0428 136 381
- Lightfoot Podiatry**– Perry Daly. Phone 6331 9568 for appointments
- 19 Dec **Day Centre**– For details on the group please contact Hayley Gilbert 6372 2111. Last week for 2012. Day Centre will resume on the 30 January 2013.

WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE Continued...

- Mental Health Clinician/ Case Manager**– Faye Thordardottir. For appointments please phone 1800 332 388 where a referral will be lodged for you
- 20 Dec **Social Worker**– Shan Williams. Please phone 6372 2111 for appointments
- GP Podiatrist**– Annabelle. For appointment please see your GP or Health Professional for a referral.
- 21 Dec **TML Psychologist**. For appointments please see your GP for a referral
- Social Worker**– Shan Williams appointments available by phoning 6372 2111
- 25 Dec **Christmas Day**– Public Holiday
- 26 Dec **Boxing Day**– Public Holiday
- 1 Jan **New Years Day**– Public Holiday
- 17 Jan **Dr Libby Reeckman**– Women's Health Clinic



What's on at the Centre 2013

Please check with your service providers about their availability during January 2013. Not all service providers will be operational during this time.

Enquiries can be made through reception on 6372 2111 or by contacting the providers directly. These service providers include: Physiotherapy, Social Work, Child Health Nurse, Diversional Therapist, Ellen Naef, Mental Health Clinician, Laser Therapy, visiting services from Launceston i.e. Eyelines, Relationships Australia, Podiatry, Lawyers and Solicitors etc.

PODIATRY NORTH

Please note that Podiatry North's next session for the 19 December has been rescheduled until 2013. Dates for 2013 Podiatry days will be advertised when available.

For further details please call Podiatry North on 63365155

St Marys Day Centre

The St Marys Day Centre will celebrate our last week of 2012 on Wednesday 19 December and will resume on 30 January 2013. Please phone Hayley on 6372 2111 if you are interested in being involved with the Day Centre in 2013.

WOMEN'S HEALTH CLINIC

Regular Women's Health Clinic's are held at the St Marys Health Centre. For appointments ring 6372 2111.

Next session: 17 January 2013

It is with regret we inform you that the St Marys Health Centre will not be having a Float in this years Christmas Eve Parade. We will endeavour to be involved again in 2013.

MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER

December		St Marys	Fingal
Monday	17th	Pam Lynch	Neighbourhood House
Tuesday	18th	Trish Pike	
Wednesday	19th	Liz Rice	
Thursday	20th	Yvonne Salter	
Friday	21st	Hannah Rubenach	Neighbourhood House
MOW Contact		Phone:	0488 384 344
Monday	24th	Lundy Vosper	Neighbourhood House
Tuesday	25th	Christmas Day	
Wednesday	26th	Lorraine Gill	
Thursday	27th	Ruth Aulich	
Friday	28th	Drew Adam	Neighbourhood House

January and part February rosters can be found towards front of paper.

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
Fingal 11.30am

2nd Sunday: LITURGY

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

3rd Sunday: MASS

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

Enq:
Baptisms & Weddings
Sr Lorraine
Ph: 6372 2252

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Anglican Parish of Northern Midlands

Avoca: 11am 2nd Sundays
Fingal: 2pm 2nd Sundays
Mathinna: 2.30pm 4th Sundays
Ross: 10am 5th Sunday
Campbell Town: 9am every Sun.

Anglican Parish of Break O'Day

Ph: 6376 1144

8am St Helens
10am St Marys
10.30am St Helens
4th Sunday Kids Church
Pyengana, 2pm
3rd Saturday of each month –
Community Dinner @ St Marys
Christmas Services times →

Salvation Army TUESDAY JAM

3-5pm every Tuesday,
excepting school holidays.
Envoy Melanie Norton Ph: 63722099
SUNDAY JOY 12.30pm
this is a bring-and-share lunch followed
by a great time of friendship
and fellowship. You are very welcome
to join us and share our JOY!
Ph: 0409 838 816.

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

Contacts for Valley Voice

PH: Judy: 6372 2155
email: judith.spilsbury@telair.com.au
Accounts: Mary: 6372 2328

Please leave written material at the
St Marys Pharmacy,
Main St, St Marys,
or post: C/- Post Office, St Marys Tas 7215

Advertising: 2012

Classifieds: 25 words or less: free
Community notices : free.
Small boxed ads. Garage sales. Greetings.
Thanks etc. \$12.
¼ page \$20. ½ page \$30.
Full page \$50.
1 year posted subscription \$40.
Copy of guidelines available on request.

On Air Now!

Vision FM 88.0 at

St. Marys, St Helens and Fingal.

The Breakfast program is now hosted by
Matt and Karen on weekdays.
There are now over 500 stations
Australia wide.

100% positive music & talk all day long;
connecting faith to life.

National Vision Radio Network.
Phone 1800 007 770.
web www.vision.org.au

Below are the Service times for the Anglican Church of Break O'Day for Christmas.

16 Dec. at Uniting Church, Quail Street,
St Helens - 9 Lessons & Carols - 7.30pm.

Christmas Service, 23 December - Sunday
Pyengana Anglican Church, 7.30pm.

Christmas Eve, 24 December – Monday
at St Helens, 11.15pm.

Christmas Day, 25 December – Tuesday
9.00am at St Helens & St Marys.

30th December - Sunday
Church in the Valley 11am.

ST MARYS AND CAMPBELL TOWN CATHOLIC PARISHES

MASS TIMES:

CHRISTMAS EVE

CAMPBELL TOWN 5.00PM
ST MARYS 7.00PM
ST HELENS 9.00PM

CHRISTMAS DAY

BICHENO 8.00AM
SWANSEA 10.00AM

Council Auction Update

Council recently conducted an auction for unpaid rates.

In the past Council has set very low reserves - from Council's point of view, this was allowing the market to set the price and taking them from a non-rate paying situation into a rate paying situation.

We have, however, recently been given legal advice which compared these sales to mortgage default sales through the banks, and requiring that Council try and get a 'fair market price' for each property. This is to ensure that Council, in achieving our desired outcome, does not do so unfairly at the expense of the former property owner.

A total of 10 properties went under the hammer. Regrettably only three of those 10 sold on the day. The remaining seven properties will remain on the market at fixed price through LJ Hooker, St Helens.

Having tested the market through the auction/reserve process, some price flexibility is reasonable.

Offers are therefore encouraged.

Interested parties should contact Glen

McGuinness on

63 762 300 or have a look at

<http://sthelens.ljhooker.com.au/>

We are still taking orders for all your Christmas requirements, such as HAMS, TURKEYS, CHICKENS, DUCKS, PORK, BEEF or LAMB ROAST, SILVERSIDE, FRESH PRAWNS, FROZEN COCKTAIL PRAWNS and many more items.

Just call in and see one of our helpful staff.

* EXTRA TRADING HOURS FOR CHRISTMAS *

SUNDAY 23RD DECEMBER - 9AM - 3PM

WILL BE CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY, BOXING DAY, AND NEW YEAR'S DAY.

OPEN ALL OTHER DAY AS REGULAR.

**TRADING HOURS 8AM - 6PM MON - FRI
8AM - 12NOON SAT**

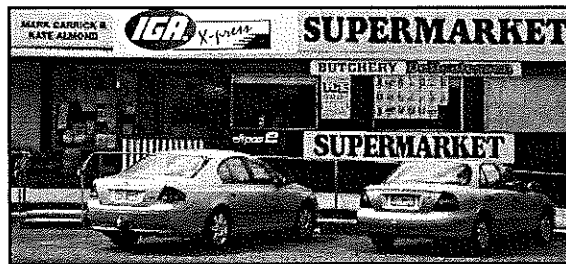
Mark and all at St Marys IGA would like to thank all of you for your support in 2012 and to wish you a safe and happy Christmas. We look forward to seeing you all in 2013.

St Marys Sports Centre Sports and Social news inside this issue.

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Sat 8am - 12 noon Sun - closed

This week's specials.

(available from Thurs 13th Dec - Wed 19th Dec)

from the butchery

Topside beef roast	\$ 7.99kg
IGA corned silverside	\$ 5.99kg
Nichols turkey rump roast	\$ 4.99kg
Beef stirfry strips	\$12.99kg
Nichols turkey drumsticks	\$ 2.39kg

get ready for Christmas with...

Cadbury Milk Tray 200g	\$6.99
Cadbury Roses boxed chocolates 225g	\$6.99
Cadbury Favourites 300g	\$6.99
Erica's Kitchen pavlova 500g	\$8.99
Lethborgs Tas Gold nugget ham 1.5kg	\$13.99
Pepsi Max/ Solo canned soft drink 30pk	\$14.99
Cascade Apple Isle sparkling drink 750ml	\$ 2.25
Tandaco stuffing 200g	\$ 1.75
Foster Clarke's UMT custard 1lt	\$ 2.89
Peters choc wedge vanilla bonus 12pk	\$ 4.99

next week's specials

(available from Thurs 20th Dec - Wed 2nd Jan)

from the butchery

Rump steak	\$ 9.99kg
Leg of lamb	\$ 9.99kg
BBQ meat pack	\$ 9.99kg
Nichols whole bagged bird	\$ 4.99kg
Beef mince	\$ 8.99kg

get ready for Christmas & New Year

Ingham frozen ready to roast turkey breast roll 1kg	\$16.99
Ingham frozen ready to roast turkey thigh roll 1kg	\$11.99
Ingham frozen chicken Sz17	\$8.99
Black & Gold fruit cake 800g	\$3.79
Highland Bakehouse fruit mince pies 6pk	\$3.99
SPC Cranberry sauce 300g/Apple or plum 375g	\$2.49
Pauls brandy custard 1kg	\$3.99
Pura brandy cheer dessert cream 300ml	\$3.99
Nichols whole turkey	\$10.75kg
Lethborgs leg ham on bone	\$9.99kg

