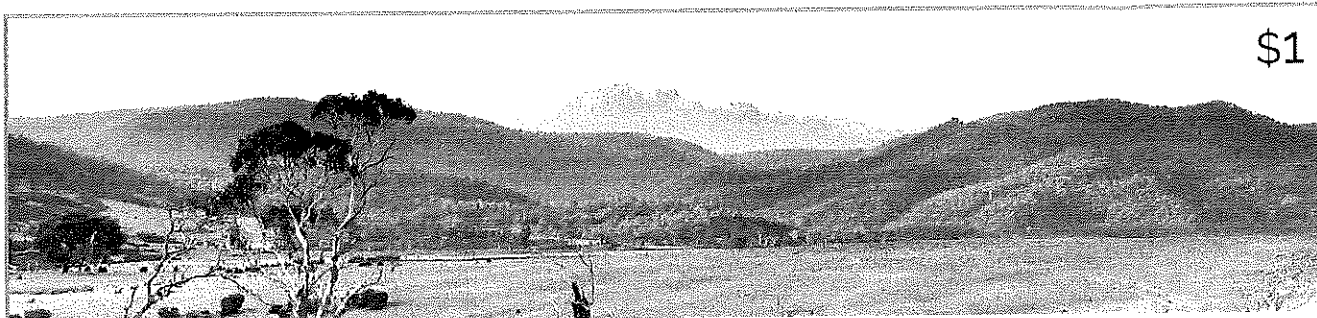


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2016 St Marys Car and Bike Show gallery, p19

The Valley Voice's winning entry *Old Bag* (right) in the 'Memories' section of the 2016 **Wrap A Power Pole** competition. Thanks to Lynne Dawes for all her hard work.



Paul Ryan (former art Prize winner), Ellie Ray (Director of the Devonport Regional Gallery) and Jon Cattapan (Professor at the Victorian College of the Arts)

Bay of fires Art Prize Winner

Delicately woven from glass, this year's winning Bay of Fires Art Prize entry by Jenni Kemarre Martiniello is an exploration of cultural heritage. More on p5

Bay of Fires Youth Art Prize 2016 winners are ...

NRM Environmental Award
Charlotte Howells with
"Message in a Bottle"
People's Choice Award
Tara Bursic with "Tangled"
15 to 18 Age Group
1st William Hurd
Runner Up Daniel Newton-Denholm
Encouragement Jade Irvine
12 to 14 Age Group
1st Sara Greenwood
Runner Up Tara Bursic
Encouragement Erinn Spilsbury
8 to 11 Age Group
1st Genevieve Marshall
Runner Up Charlotte Howells
Encouragement Annabelle Hawthorn
7 & Under Age Group
1st Elsa Howe
Runner Up Maddy Lowry
Encouragement Nyssa Lavers



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Meals on Wheels

Meeting dates for 2016

August 18, and AGM

November 17

Lundy Vosper, St Marys

St Marys District Hospital Support Association Inc. advise members that subscriptions of \$5 are now due and payable to the Treasurer by June 30, 2016. Payments can be left at the St Marys Post Office.

Thank you.

Len Miles, President

Murray Bennett, Treasurer

Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House Inc.



Committee meeting

Mathinna Country Club

Wednesday June 22 at 6.30pm

Community welcome

FVNH commuter bus will leave Fingal at 6pm

Free Basket Making Workshop

Using materials from the garden

Saturday June 18, 2016

at FVNH 10 - 3pm

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The Valley Voice would like to congratulate all the
people involved in the successful
2016 Car and Bike Show.

What an amazing day, wonderful exhibits,
markets, stalls, atmosphere.

Well done all.

Editor.

A well oiled machine!!!

That was the **St Marys Car & Bike Show** event,
and special thanks to the organizing crew!!!

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Letter to the Editor

(This letter was omitted from the previous issue by error. Editor)

Dear Editor

In response to Cagerattler (49.01) I, for one, do not believe Martin Bryant was the sole murderer at Port Arthur 20 years ago. Maybe he played a part, but evidence (which I understand was never used in court) suggests at least two gunmen, and one was at least a sharpshooter. So was the massacre an authoritative setup to introduce gun laws?

An amazing array of coincidences on that day would suggest so. Was it designed to create fear and mistrust? I'm extremely grateful that strict gun laws were introduced, but surely they could have been done without tragedy and setups.

Another interesting point concerning the Port Arthur massacre - recently I asked various people their views on asylum seekers. Some were adamant that asylum seekers are a threat, even a danger, to Australian society and they cited the killer at the Lindt cafe as an example! These people also believe Martin Bryant was the sole mass killer at Port Arthur. Therefore, I asked, 'If you believe all should be judged and condemned because of the actions of one person, where does that leave all of us Tasmanians? After all, Martin Bryant was not an asylum seeker, or refugee, but a home grown Tasmanian.'

Beverley Rubenach, Gray

"The recent floods and extreme weather experienced across Tasmania have devastated many in the community. In the midst of this tragedy the spirit of the Tasmanian community has remained strong. Tasmanians are a giving people, and are always willing to lend a hand in times of need.

There will be many Tasmanians ready and willing to help those affected by the current floods, providing moral support and practical assistance to their friends, families and neighbours.

The next best way to help is to donate time or money to help the work of our local charities and volunteer organisations.

People interested in assisting with the clean-up can register with Emergency Volunteering CREW (Community Response to Extreme Weather) on the Volunteering Tasmania website, and may be called upon to help when and if required: www.volunteeringtas.org.au

Helping others is part of the DNA of the Tasmanian people, and I am certain our state will again come together to support those affected over the coming weeks."

Guy Barnett MP Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier and Liberal Member for Lyons

On this day in 1840 : **New Zealand becomes a dependency of New South Wales.**

The first Englishman to explore New Zealand was James Cook, who charted and circumnavigated the North and South Islands late in 1769. In November, Cook claimed New Zealand for Great Britain, raising the British flag at Mercury Bay, on the east coast of the Coromandel Peninsula. This signalled the start of British occupation of the islands which had previously been occupied by the Maori.

Closure of St Mary's People Poles Project

Thank you to all the people who supported the People Poles Project. Unfortunately due to ill health and other reasons I have been unable to continue with the project on my own. I was hoping that some other people, group or organisation would take on an active role in managing it. I was particularly hoping the committee of Greater Esk Tourism, the nominal body incorporate for funding applications and holder of the money raised, would take on some of the management of the project.

However, earlier this year (23 February) I read in the GET meeting minutes they had decided "that due to lack of interest" the People Poles Project would cease to exist and a notice would be put in the Valley Voice asking for ideas, otherwise GET would make the decision as to what should be done with the more than \$1,000 raised.

I immediately wrote to GET and suggested that all of the significant donors (\$25 plus), many not from St Marys, should be notified first as to their wishes rather than a just a general local notice made.

I contacted all these donors and, overall, the consensus was the money should go to St Marys School for a significant/ individual project.

On 23 March I notified the donors and GET of this and contacted the school to arrange a meeting. This meeting was delayed for some time due to staff absences and commitments, but when held in May with the Principal and Heads of junior and senior schools, their preference was for the money to go to building a training track for

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mountain bike riding to be situated on the school grounds between the swimming pool and the road, that would be open to the public as well.

The majority of work would be done by the school and volunteers, including a backhoe and driver, with the PPP funds contributing to the building materials.

Unfortunately after notifying donors and GET of this successful meeting with St Marys District School I was contacted by the secretary of Greater Esk Tourism, who informed me that, despite being aware that discussions were being held with St Marys School and without any consultation with me or any other donors, the committee of GET had decided that the money was to go to a different recipient and this situation could not be reviewed until their next meeting in July.

Hopefully this situation will be resolved as soon as possible, and the school will be able to commence work on the mountain bike training track soon.

Thanks again to all the supporters of the project.

Diana Foster
Mariton House B&B
St Marys

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Based in Canberra, Kemarre is descended from the Arrente desert people and her piece, *Loop Weave Dillibags #5 and #6*, are reminiscent of that indigenous heritage. She described her glass weaving technique as challenging and an exploratory experiment that began in 2011, but

said her interest in weaving began when she was a child. "I remember visiting a museum with my grandmother and seeing woven eel traps that were exhibited like they were relics. This piece is a way for me to say to people that these works would not exist without that tradition and that tradition is still alive and practised today.

Kemarre said working with glass was extremely rewarding as it was not just about the glass, but about utilising a hidden medium, light.

Ellie Ray, Director of the Devonport Regional Art Gallery was one of the judges for the Bay of Fires Art Prize this year and said all three judges were impressed by the skill and representation of an indigenous tradition in this way.

"The artist clearly knows her medium and the ways of skilfully manipulating it to respond to, and represent traditional aboriginal objects, yet these two glass pieces transcend mere 'recreation', they have a language of their own which is subtle and fragile yet accessible.

"This language is born out of the crafting of fine glass threads that mimic grasses and seaweed woven and encased within semitranslucent vessels.

"The passage of light that passes through the vessels highlights elements of the subtle colour shifts and woven patterns of fine threads."

The winner of the prestigious Bay Of Fires Art Prize receives \$20,000. Highly commended works included former Glover winner Josh Foley's *Deathscape* and Janet Bush *Mindforms*, who also received the Artery Award for her intricate silver ink on black paper piece.

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Regional Forestry Agreement

Senator the Hon. Eric Abetz, Liberal Senator for Tasmania June 1, 2016

Labor must state its policy on renewing the RFA

Labor Environment Spokesman Mark Butler must use his visit to Tasmania (today) to say whether Labor will match the Liberal Government's commitment to renew the Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) for another 20 years.

The Liberal Government has given regional towns and communities' security and stability by announcing that a returned Liberal Government would continue the Agreement until 2037.

"Tasmanians need to know Labor's position on this issue. It's critical for regional towns and communities right across our state. As Labor's Environment spokesman, Mr Butler must come clean on Labor's policy," Senator Abetz said today. "This is one of the most important issues in the election for Tasmanians and Mr Butler must not be allowed to squib it. When the Greens and Labor were in Government in both Canberra and Hobart, they worked together to shut down the Tasmanian forest sector, sending shockwaves through our economy and causing serious job losses. If Mr Butler remains silent on this issue it will confirm that Labor are prepared to do another deal with the Greens to form a minority Green/Labor Government, and we all know what that would mean for our forest workers and all the workers in the associated supporting industries."

"Only the re-election of Malcolm Turnbull's Liberal Team, including the strong Tasmanian Liberal Senate Team, will ensure stability and security for our regional towns and communities."

RFA Review Response Locks in Native Forest Destruction Senator Janet Rice – Australian Greens Forests spokesperson

Senator Nick McKim – Australian Greens Senator for Tasmania May 7, 2016

The Tasmanian and Commonwealth governments' response to the Review of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) is a clear indication of the Abbott-Turnbull government's wilful blindness to the ongoing destruction of our native forests, say the Australian Greens.

"To put the response to the Tasmanian Regional Forest Review out at 8pm a couple of days before the Federal election is a clear indication of what they have to hide," said Australian Greens Forests spokesperson Senator Janet Rice. "This weasel-worded response completely ignores the fact that native forest logging is an industry stuck in the 19th and 20th centuries, at the behest of vested interests. The response does nothing to bring the industry into this century by completing the transition to the economically sensible path of 100% plantation-based wood products."

"Our native forests are worth much more for new economy industries like tourism, for the iconic birds and animals that rely on them, and for the clean air and water they produce. And when we need to be taking urgent action to reduce the effects of global warming, native forests are a vital tool to store carbon."

"The government's willingness to roll over these destructive management practices until the late 2030s is an appalling direction, not just for Tasmania, but for native forests across Australia. As we hurtle towards a federal election, the Greens call upon all parties to pledge not to simply roll over this outdated destructive mismanagement of our forests," concluded Senator Rice.

Greens Senator for Tasmania Nick McKim said review is all about resource security for logging companies, and locks in a business as usual approach that is a proven public policy failure. "This is a delusional and dangerous response which ignores global warming, threatened species like the Swift Parrot, and the need to protect high conservation value forests," said Senator McKim. "It's yet another rendition of a tired old business-as-usual mantra. It ignores the value of carbon and biodiversity in Tasmania's native forests, and locks in ongoing public subsidies that should be used to restore funding to schools and hospitals slashed by Liberal governments in Tasmania and Canberra."

"The rent-seeking logging companies will be overjoyed, but once again it is our precious forests and the creatures and carbon in them that are the big losers. The response is full of weasel words and evasion on environmental outcomes, and blindly and culpably enthusiastic about propping up a native forest industry that cannot survive without taxpayer hand-outs. The Liberals have also belled the cat on their plan to burn native forest for electricity and heat, which is simply irresponsible in today's carbon constrained world. The Swift Parrot is sliding towards extinction, but all we're getting from the Liberals is more of the same," concluded Senator McKim.

Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) Tania Rattray MLC Independent Member for Apsley

The Agreement attempts to balance the full range of environmental, social, economic and community values for the benefit of current and future generations.

The important question is would unwinding the RFA weaken or remove the protection of bio diversity, old growth forests and the existing identified wilderness areas and create issues for secure access to wood resources that provides certainty for industry's future?

The RFA when it was implemented was based on world's best practice and had the support of nearly all the stake holders. It was an all-encompassing report, taking into account the views of world renowned scientists, a process and outcome that I support.

It has never been a more important time to provide certainty for the industry and our communities who believe that appropriately managed timber resources deliver a renewable and sustainable Forest industry supporting Tasmania's economy. Any further report would involve experts in their fields and obviously take into account new trends and science which would be beneficial to the industry .

Regional Forestry Agreement

Dr George Lane, independent candidate for the senate, Tasmania.

The Greens' response to the recent renewal of the RFA clearly exposes their desire for native timber forestry to be replaced with tourism. It's too bad then, that tourism is bad for the environment. An avoidance of travel, especially by air, is one of the key pieces of advice that is given to those who wish to minimise their carbon footprint. For all the carbon emissions produced from tourism, from the fossil fuelled plane trips and the fossil fuelled hire-cars, there is nothing to show for it but photographs. It's even worse than burning fossil fuel in a power station, for at the very least the power station produced something useful. And then you have the elevated road kill and other local impacts that tourists cause. The presentation of tourism as an environmentally sound alternative to forestry is a farce, it doesn't stand up to the slightest scrutiny. Or course there are sound economic arguments for tourism, it's an important revenue source for the state, but it's bad for the environment; will we ever hear the Greens acknowledge that?

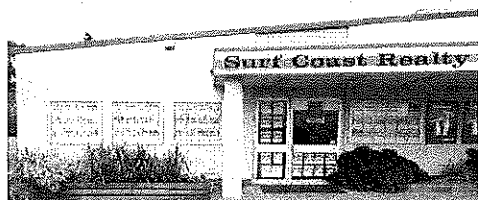
Forestry on the other hand is one of very few truly sustainable industries. The use of paper and cardboard in packaging instead of fossil-fuel plastic is a positive environmental outcome. So is the use of timber in house construction, instead of steel or aluminium. The continued harvesting of native timber under the RFA should be welcomed, both for the important economic opportunities it creates and for the environmentally friendly nature of the products that are produced. I support forestry precisely *because* I am an environmentalist. Our vast native timber resources are a tremendous gift and should form the basis of a continuous sustainable forest industry. Those who value forestry also understand that it needs to be managed responsibly, with the right balance between economy and environment maintained.

The real environmental vandals are the ones who argue for a complete shut down of this sector, depriving society of a sustainable base for the paper, timber, energy, chemicals etc. that we would otherwise have to replace with non-sustainable alternatives. The ability to burn forest scrap to generate baseload renewable energy should be welcomed, in contrast to the attitude of the Greens. The extra baseload supply will have a positive feedback effect by allowing extra intermittent renewable generators like wind and solar to operate. The idea that the grown-burn-grow cycle is not carbon neutral is absurd, the carbon released upon combustion is the same carbon that was absorbed during the growth phase. The Greens have morphed from environmentalists to enviro-hedonists. They should rename themselves the tourists party. The party that tried to close down our schools cares more for the entertainment of tourists than for Tasmanians. A party that can not understand the benefits of a vibrant forestry industry, while in parallel spruiking tourism, has no right to describe itself as environmentalist. And indeed, many an environmentalist is recognising this and abandoning their support for the party in this state.

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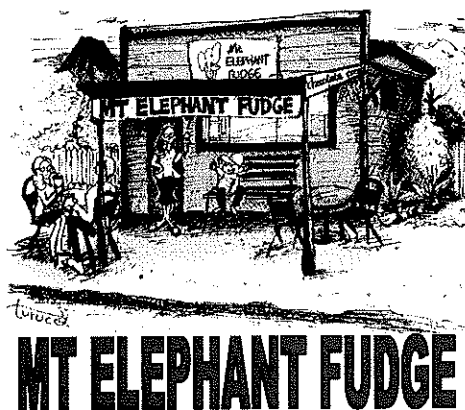
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The truth is, Tasmania should embrace both tourism, for the revenue and the pleasure of meeting people from other places, and forestry with its myriad of downstream derivatives, for the revenue as well as for the fact that it's a sustainable industry.

The liberals have also welcomed the continuation of forestry under the RFA. I don't agree with the liberal party on a lot of issues, their disastrous foreign policy in Iraq and elsewhere has created a flood of refugees, abject misery and suffering abroad, and compromised the security of Australians at home and around the world. They have no plan for improving housing affordability, a major problem which affects almost everyone.

However, they do at least recognise the sensibility of a sustainable forest industry that uses our native timber resource responsibly, whereas federal Labor maintains its bizarre stance of insisting that forest residue not be considered a renewable power base.

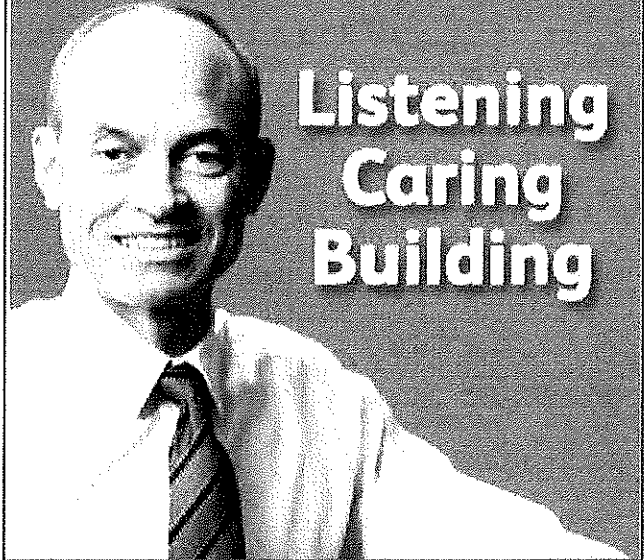
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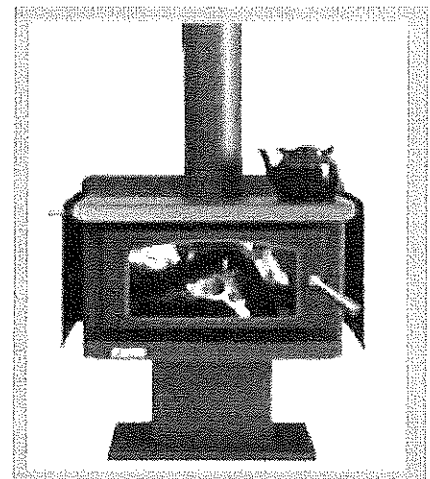
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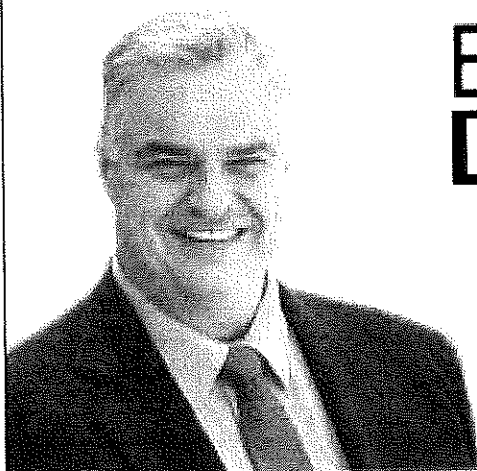
Brian Mitchell and Labor will sink ex-HMAS Tobruk off Tasmania's north-east coast as a tourism dive wreck.

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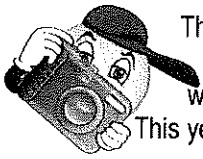
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Photographic Competition 2016 THEME "Promote the Fingal Valley"



The Greater Esk Tourism Photographic Competition for 2016 will again be judged by Tasmania's Master Photographer Owen Hughes who will select 12 finalists and the overall winner, but the public will have a say too. This year's theme is "Promote the Fingal Valley" so get out exploring and then get clicking.

Entries must be submitted by 5pm September 8, 2016. No late entries will be accepted.

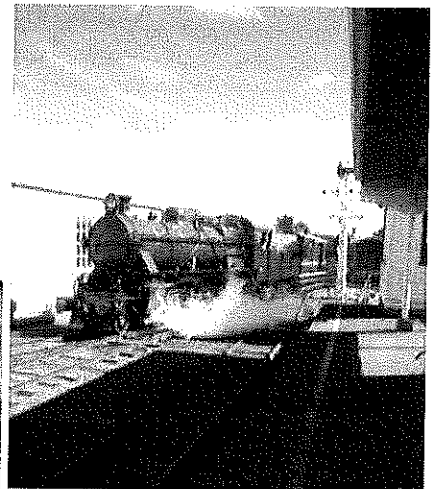
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Cash prizes are **\$500** for the winner, **\$250** for Under 18 and **\$150** for the People's Choice. All finalists will have their work exhibited in the Purple Possum for the next tourist season.

MS passenger steam train to the Fingal Valley???

This beautifully restored steam engine with carriages is at the Tasmanian Transport Museum in Hobart and has all permits and insurances to carry passengers. All we need now is permission from Tas Rail for a passenger train.

The Fingal District Progress Committee has restored the Fingal Railway Station. The exterior is completed and **Working Bee dates** to complete the interior are: **June 19 and 26** (10am - 3pm). Please come along and help this station promote a part of history that was so vital in the Fingal Valley.



The Say, by Cagerattler

Last week's floods that hit the east coast of Australia, including Tasmania and particularly the north/north west and south of the state, showed just how at risk we are. Absolutely tragic loss of life with three or four much loved people being washed away trying to escape the raging water. So incredibly sad. There was also livestock being lost as well in many places; then of course roads, buildings, railway tracks, fences and other infrastructure inundated.

The great work done by emergency services and councils etc is just fantastic - police, ambulance, fire and SES deserve great respect as do the Aurora and DIER crews.

Why do unmitigated idiots - and I do mean idiots of the highest order - ignore the "Road Closed" signs when put out? I personally know that drivers ignored signs at the Railway station and going around them, and was at the Museum when Stornaway arrived to re erect the signs after some unauthorised goose removed them earlier in the morning. How dumb and dangerous.

What would or could have happened if one of these inconsiderate people had got into trouble after being warned via signage. Emergency services may well have to put their lives and resources at risk to try and rescue or retrieve these persons, and that causes further stretching of those services needed for genuine threats that were unavoidable or accidental. Those caught ignoring warnings should suffer a pretty decent fine, just to send a message.

What a day the St Marys Car and Bike Show was! Absolute kudos to all the volunteers, major sponsors, participants (about 300 I believe) and the wonderful support of the local businesses and patrons, both local and visitors. I spoke to several visitors and (apart from the chilly day) the auto show integrated with markets, kids entertainment and open businesses was a real master stroke.

One chap from New South Wales who came across the day by accident and was looking at Mustangs the same time I was, was literally thrilled with the day and he and his wife loved the concept.

Another master stroke has to be closing the Main Street - it was a very clever, safe and well organised area that allowed a relaxed and safety orientated approach to the day.

This event has really hit the mark and adds yet another feather in the cap of our town. Congratulations to all the winners and to all those who worked so hard and professionally to make the day so enjoyable ... It was terrific!!

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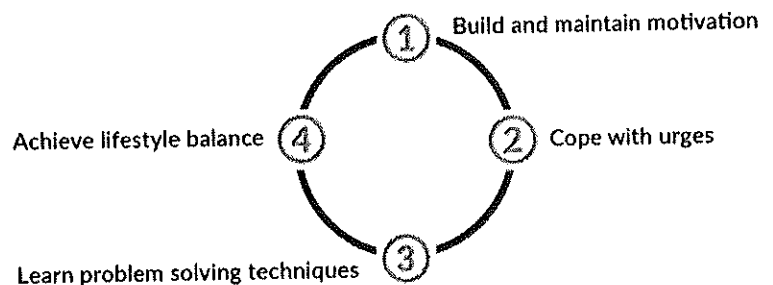
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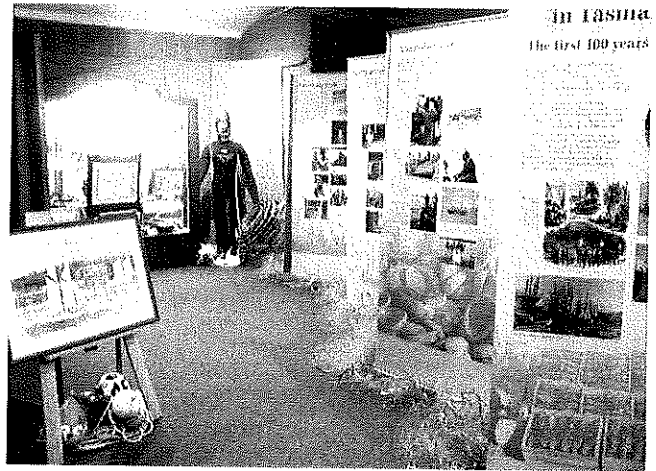
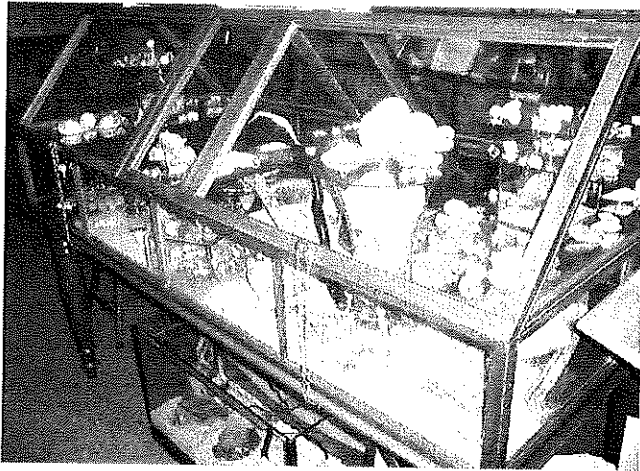
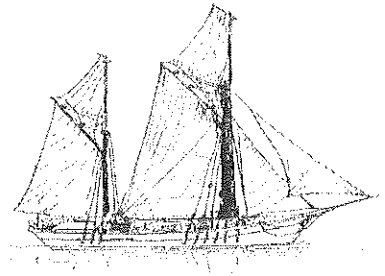
Official Opening of 'History of the Fishing Industry' exhibition

St Helens History Room invites you, your family and friends to the official opening of the History of the Fishing Industry exhibition at the St Helens History Room on Sunday June 19, 2016 from 2 pm at the St Helens History Room.

The display consists of a Travelling Exhibition from the Maritime Museum of Tasmania covering the state's fishing history. These eight banners are augmented with local fishing memorabilia and information from St Helens. In addition, the historical 'Ward Case' in the St Helens History Room is displaying its Tasmanian Shell Collection. All items are completely catalogued for easy referencing. Those Beachcombers amongst you will be in heaven! Come and see the changes to the industry, who were the first fishers of the region and the all female game fishing team to win a Tasmanian Championship.

The exhibition will be officially opened by Mr. Neil Stump, Executive Officer from Oysters Tasmania.

Kym Matthews Curator



Out of the Woodwork

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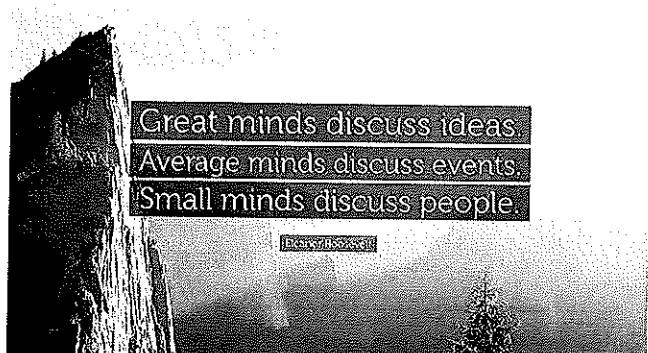
The Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild committee would like to thank Wendy and Reon for their fund raising efforts at the St Marys Car and Bike Show, Mark and all the staff of the St Marys IGA, Chris Ogden, Tracy Macdonald, Ted Koops and the Tasmanian Vintage Karting Club. Not to forget the community support. Monies raised will be put towards much needed tools and metal lathe.



In Memory of "Dudley" Our furry mascot and friend who sadly left us on the 1st June, 2016




Tips to Surviving Australia, by Douglas Adams

- * Don't ever put your hand down a hole for any reason whatsoever. We mean it.
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- * Always carry a stick.
- * Air-conditioning.
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- * Thick socks.
- * Take good maps. Stopping to ask directions only works when there are people nearby.
- * If you leave the urban areas, carry several litres of water with you at all times, or you will die.
- * Even in the most embellished stories told by Australians, there is always a core of truth that it is unwise to ignore.



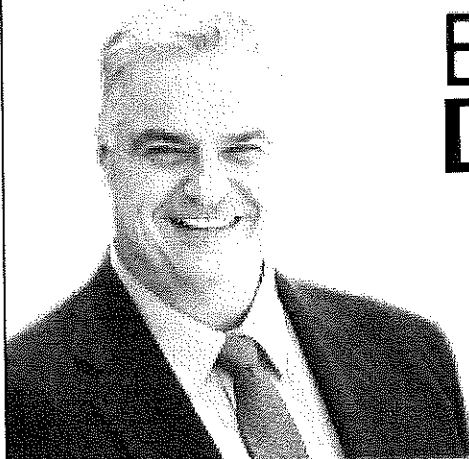
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AGM will be held on July 2 at 2pm. Nominations for committee members welcome. Forms are on display at the club house and nominations close Thursday June 30.

Golf news Too wet for much action. Wind blew plenty of wet bark and sticks around.

The St Marys Salvation Army

would like to thank Rod Drummond for helping us join the long list of St Marys shop fronts proudly displaying a "Whirlygig" on their premises.

We also give a big shout-out to Les Thompson for making ours look so fantastic.

Wish the Valley Voice was in colour so you could see the pulsating RED love heart!

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*Article and photos by Mel Norton,
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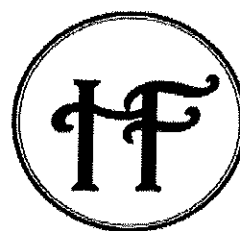
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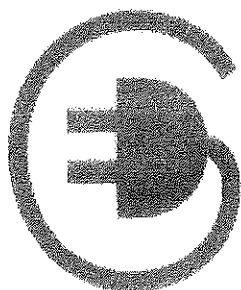
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**** 2 prizes will be awarded at the end of each term ****

The Rules ... yes, we have to have them!

- ♦ Your entry must be your own work
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- ♦ Entries will be published anonymously throughout each term
- ♦ Entries must be in by the closing date ... no late entries will be accepted

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Term 1 April 4

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MAKING QUINCE HONEY

We watched and waited, and waited until the quinces were ripe. Finally by the end of March they were ready to pick.

We cut them in half and then we boiled them in water until they were soft.

We strained the juice in to a glass measuring jug it was green. We also measured the sugar we mixed them all together and then we put it back in the pot and on the stove it went.

As it boiled it changed. The pot of yellow water turned into burgundy honey ready to pour into clean glass jars and stick the labels on.

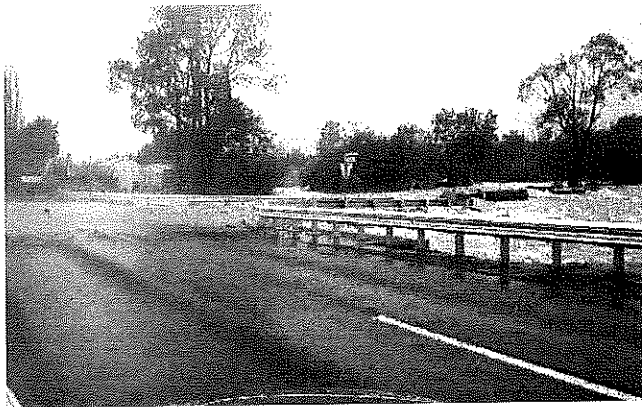
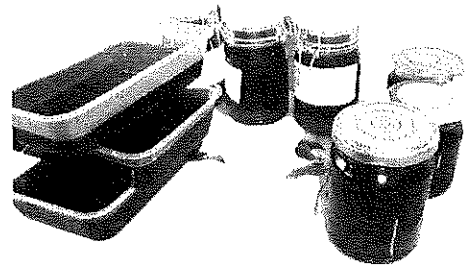
What to do with the strainer of cooked fruit?

Into the "mouli" for mincing then measuring and putting in the same amount of sugar then on the stove. It looked a bit like yellow bubbling mud and then it changed colour to pale pink. We had to wait for it to cool down just a bit when it cooled down enough we had to put it in to the containers.

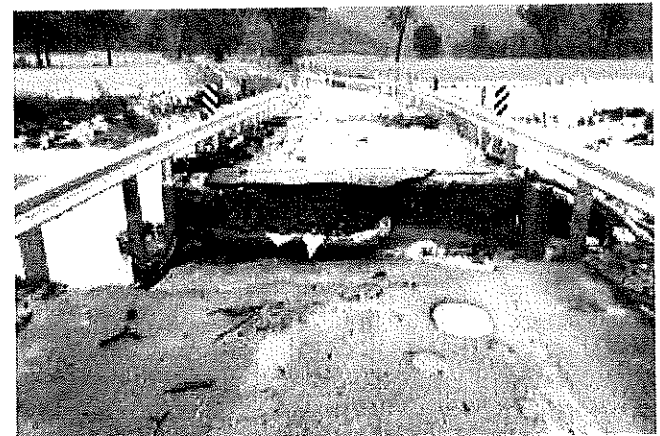
How would it taste? Delicious with cheese and a drink of hot chocolate.

We shared it with our family and friends who all said it was yummy, except my brother but that just made more for me to eat.

(Thank you to this Year 4 student for this great entry. Editor)



Flood damage in Fingal (above left) and Scamander (above right) June 7

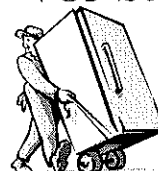


Flood damage in Fingal (above), Mangana (right) and Binalong Bay (below) June 7



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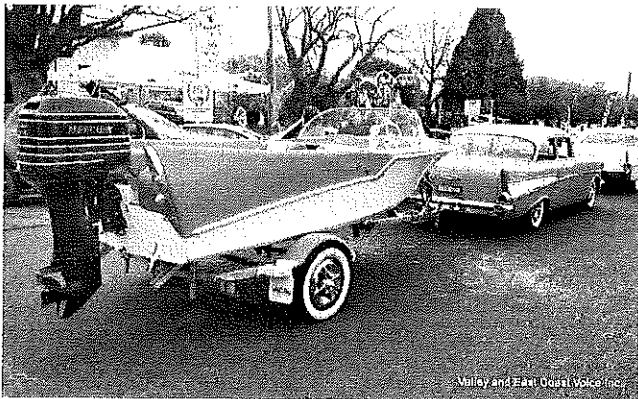
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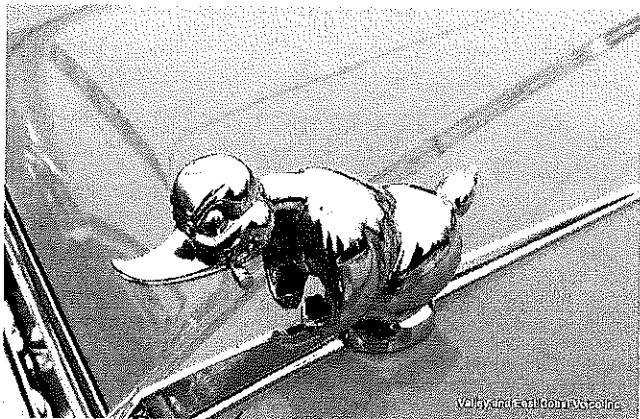
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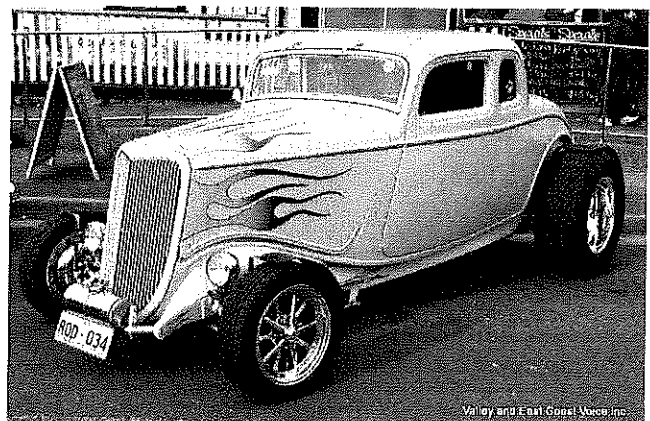
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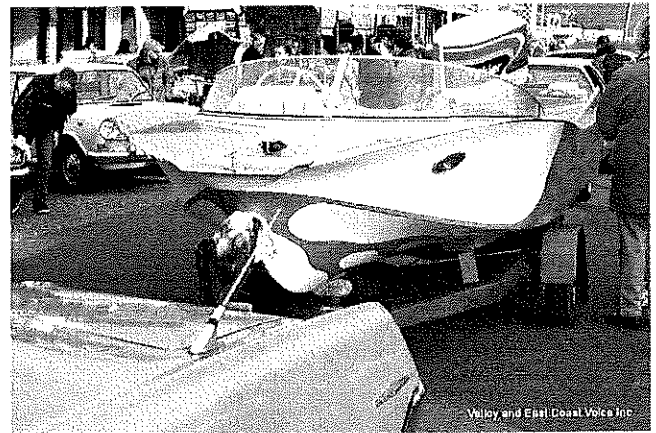
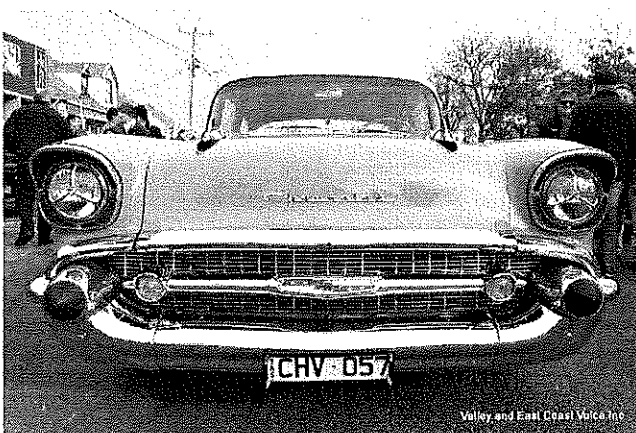
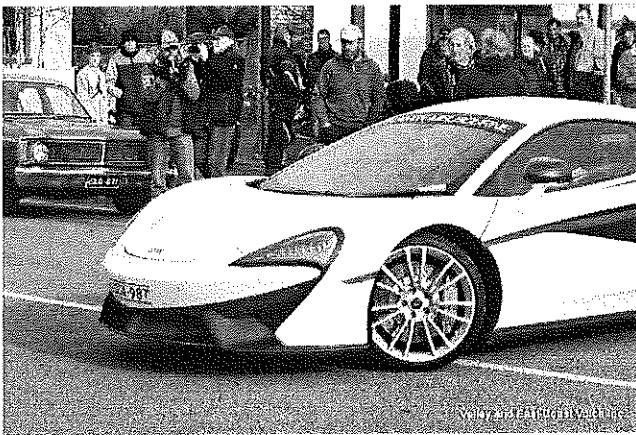
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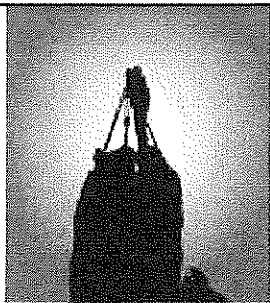
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Fingal Mathinna RSL will receive \$2000 to reimburse fuel costs

St Helens-St Marys RSL will receive \$4500 for a new PA system

St Marys Association for Community Development will receive \$2650 for fuel, electronics, furniture, appliances and office equipment

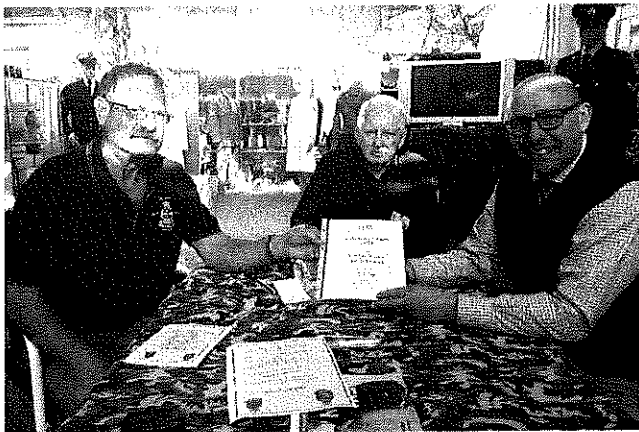
TS Argonaut Navel Cadets will receive \$4800 for first aid training and other tools

Organisations across regional Tasmania will benefit from more than \$100,000 in funding thanks to the Turnbull Liberal Government's Volunteer Grants.

"The grant funding is designed to make the work of these volunteer organisations and their dozens of members easier, safer and more enjoyable," Eric Hutchinson said.

“Volunteers play a critical role in building stronger and more resilient communities and this funding demonstrates the Liberal Government’s commitment to supporting those who support others.

The grants of between \$1000 to \$5000 enable organisations to better support their volunteers and the community by purchasing much-needed equipment and computers, helping with training and meeting fuel costs, or undertaking background security checks.”



Right: A 17th century map of Tasmania, showing the parts discovered by Tasman.

What is the next number in this sequence:

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Hint: Try writing the numbers as words.

Answer: 22. This is a sequence of numbers that contain the letter O. One, two, four, fourteen, twenty-one, twenty-two,



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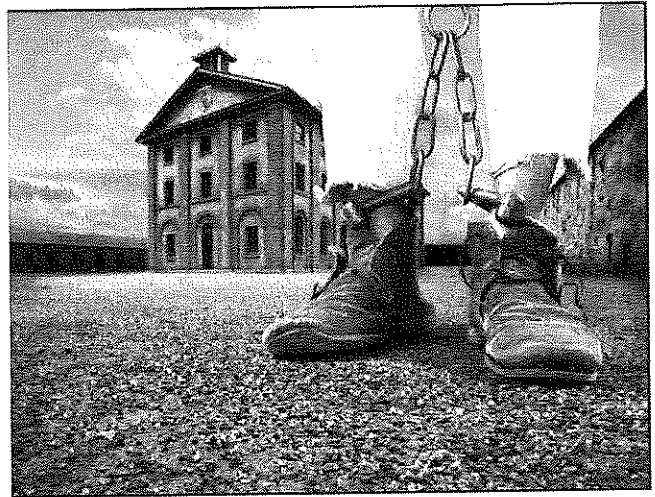
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Thomas Pickering: Convict Stone Mason

by Wendy Fowler (R.N. B.A.(Hons) for submission to the School of Public History Monash University. August 2007

As his time at Norfolk Island was during the last years of the settlement, after the notion of disbanding the settlement was debated in the House of Commons, it is highly unlikely Pickering's skills as a stone mason were used to any great extent. There is little evidence of stone buildings being erected in the final years of the settlement. There is, however, some evidence of monumental masonry in the Island's cemetery during this period and perhaps the remaining stones provide a trace of material evidence of his time on the island. He returned to Port Arthur in November 1854 and it is here that the threads of his story are drawn together. One of the features of Port Arthur is the island cemetery, chosen by Reverend Manton some twenty years before Pickering went there. Initially convict graves were unmarked and even in later years, as attitudes changed, and markers were erected but the



separation between convict and free continued and generally convict markers were simpler. From even the most casual observation it is clear that a number of graves, both convict and free, are marked, and a closer examination provides an extraordinary amount of information about the lives of those who lie on this "lovely little island about half a mile in circumference". This information is available to us because of the headstones and it is those headstones which are the next chapter in the Pickering story. A walk around the island reading the stones exposes one to pathos, duty, accidents, illness and misguided escape attempts. The literacy and numeracy of the stone masons, or those who dictated the epithets, is a matter for a quiet smile in many instances but some of the stones are different. Some of the stones demonstrate a pride in workmanship which one would not necessarily expect from unskilled labourers working as part of their punishment - they are clearly the product of a skilled artisan.

It is these stones which tell the Pickering story with more eloquence than official records. As an example a close examination of the grave of William Mansfield, a young convict who died under sentence at Port Arthur tells us much. The script across the top of the stone is very similar to that on stones in the Norfolk Island Cemetery, but other features are quite different. Across the base of the stone we see the name of the stone mason, T. Pickering, but that is not the only sign of an individual's pride in his work. Around the edges is carved a fine rope twist, beautiful work which provides an elaborate border for the floral decoration else where on the stone.

When images of the Norfolk Island cemetery are examined one is drawn to some conclusions. The style of text on the top of the Pickering stones at Port Arthur is similar to that found on the stones of John Duffy and Charles Turner. It is likely both these stones were erected after Thomas arrived on Norfolk Island, and they demonstrate a divergence from previous styles. Whilst the Norfolk Island stones are not marked with the name of the stone mason, the similarities are such that it is reasonable to attribute the work to Thomas Pickering. Equally the rope twist which adorns all the headstones marked with his initials also adorns a number of other stones of the same era at Port Arthur, so a similar conclusion as to the stone mason can reasonably be drawn. The floral decoration on Mansfield's grave stone is also repeated; though to a lesser extent, on other Pickering stones at Port Arthur. A casual examination of the remaining stones on the Isle of Dead provides some extraordinary spelling and punctuation but not on the Pickering stones, it is clear that the hand on the chisel was that of a man with some education. Following Pickering's departure from Port Arthur in 1864, the rope work design seems to have disappeared from the Island and subsequent stones are of a much simpler style.

So when we consider the Thomas Pickering legacy we certainly examine some crumbling headstones, but his life is much more than that. The son of a London shopkeeper travelled across the world as reparation for fairly minor offences committed with the folly of youth. He struggled against the authority of a punitive reform and punishment system which broke the spirit of lesser men. His time on Norfolk Island was towards the end of a regime noted for its brutality and summary justice, or miscarriages of justice, depending on one's point of view. He spent time in chain gangs on at least six occasions, endured two floggings and five stints in solitary confinement before being granted a Colonial Conditional Pardon on February 9 1864. He left Tasmania on February 1 1864 for Sydney and it is then he disappeared. Thomas Pickering sailed for Sydney on Alarin and seemingly vanished without trace. The International Genealogical Index records a death in 1864 with no detail as to how and when, and parental details are at odds with the 1841 census. It is clear that Thomas Pickering started his life in about 1820 in Church Street, Bethnal Green and it was from this address that he departed for Van Diemen's Land via the Central Criminal Courts and the hulks in the Thames. Somewhere along his journey he learned a skill which made him stand out from his fellows, a successful product of Jeremy Bentham's mill or a young man who just required the opportunity to release his creative spirit, who can say?

But where did his journey end? There appears to be neither beautifully carved stone decorated by "Pickering Rope", nor even a crudely chiselled and badly spelt simple slab to mark his last resting place. Possibly his true memorial is in the beauty and dignity with which he marked the final resting places of both his peers and his superiors. Safely protected within a carefully managed historic site where extensive stabilisation work should ensure the cemetery continues as a reminder of those for whom this place served as a suitable site "where to deposit the earthly remains of the departed...", perhaps that is sufficient. It is likely it is rather more than that enjoyed by those buried in other places, subject to the ravages of time and the expansion of city precincts, or the neglect of country church yards.

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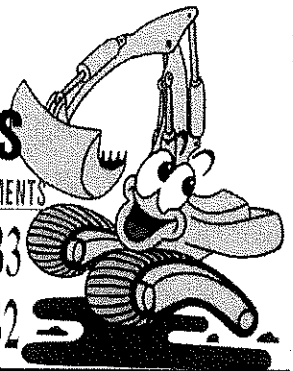
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Mt Elephant and Beyond book review by Pam Bretz, St Marys

Behind the Beautiful Forevers by Katherine Boo is a non fiction account of the lives of the residents of a slum that has existed for 25 years on vacant land beside the Mumbai International Airport. Rather than being presented as a piece of reportage, however, it is written in the form of a narrative and as we lose ourselves in the account of these lives, we have to remind ourselves that these are real people in an actual place.

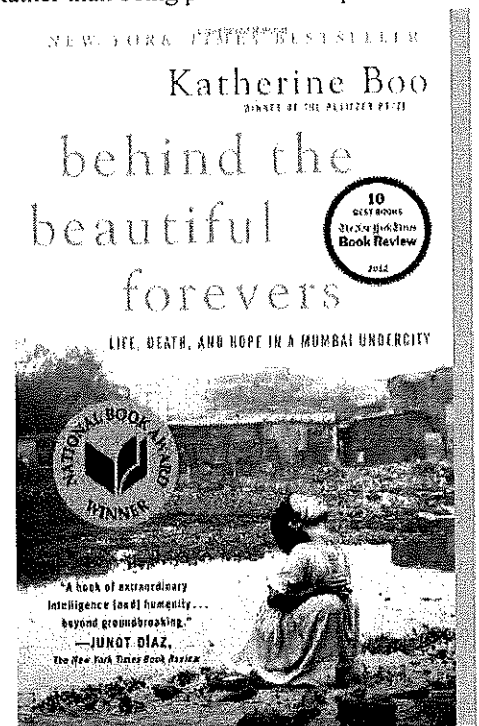
The author is an American journalist working for The New Yorker magazine. The Author's Note tells us that she has "spent the last 20 years reporting from within poor communities, considering how societies distribute opportunity and how individuals get out of poverty." This is her first book and it was nominated as one of the 10 best books for 2012 by the New York Times Book Review.

Telling a story rather than writing a journalistic account brings to life the struggles and hardships that the families in the slum called Annawadi endure in pursuit of their goal to "get ahead". This book is the result of 4 years of regular recording and interviewing. The conditions in which they live may seem to us abominable. The slum sits on the edge of sewage ponds which overflow in the monsoon season' large families share spaces so small that not every member has room to even lie down to sleep at the same time. Amid this squalor the hopes, fears and aspirations of the "characters" are revealed to us. Most of these people are of the lowest castes and have come from small villages, where life is harsh with little hope of change, to settle on the edge of the teeming city of Mumbai scratching a living by collecting rubbish which they then sell to dealers for recycling. Their slum squats behind a wall on which is emblazoned an advertisement for household tiles which will be "Beautiful Forever". What a contrast there is between the lives of these people of the "Undercity" and those of the international travellers just a stone's throw away or the citizens of the "Overcity", Mumbai.

The "story" opens after a terrible incident in which a woman sets fire to herself culminating in a lingering and painful death. The son, husband and daughter of the neighbouring family are accused of causing her death and are arrested. Gradually we learn of the circumstances that led to this event and in the process learn of the rampant and blatant corruption so much a part of Indian life involving the police, the legal system, the medical service, education department, government officials right down to the residents of the slum. It's dog-eat-dog and each is out for him/herself because in this society there is no safety net and the advancement of the family is ultimately the only goal.

What saves this book from being totally depressing is the wry and ironic tone in which aspects of this society are recounted. There is no sentimentality, authorial judgement or commentary, and ultimately it is the resilience and determination of most of the people we get to know that stays with the reader.

It serves to remind us what privileges and freedoms we enjoy in our lucky lives.



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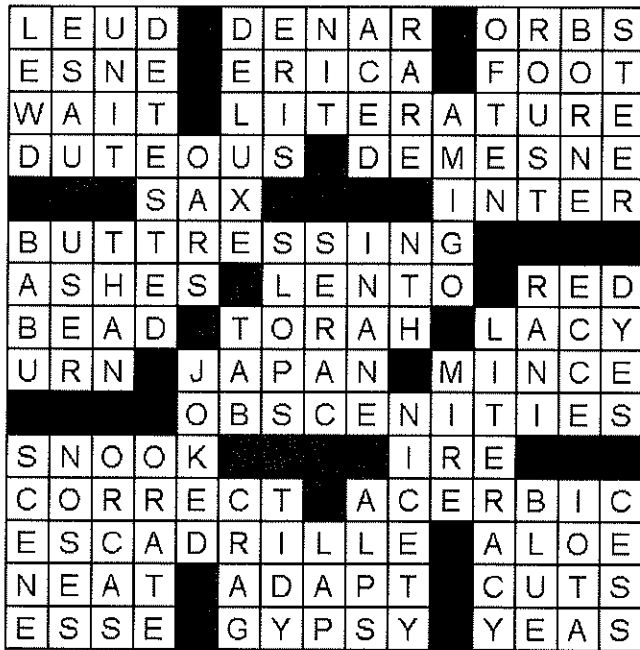
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 Sugar cost two pence a pound.
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 Most women only washed their hair once a month, and, used Borax or egg yolks for shampoo.

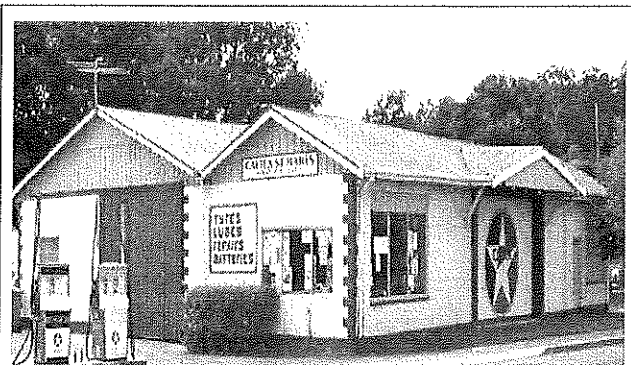


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cued	ecru	pier	ride
cup	eider	pierce	rip
cupid	epic	pierced	ripe
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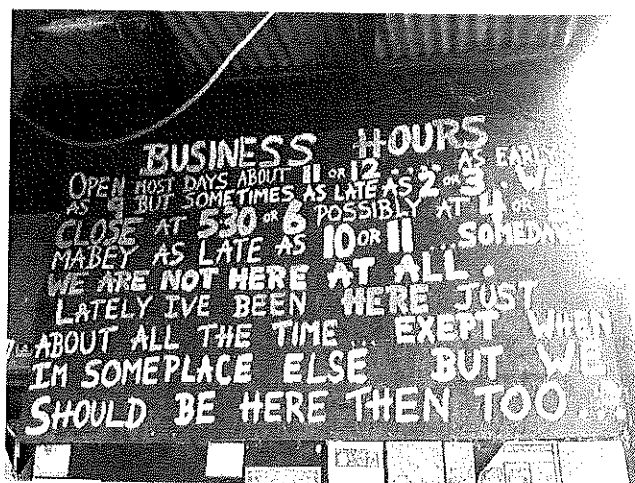
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