

THE VALLEY & EAST COAST VOICE

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EDITORIAL

Preparing Today for Tomorrow

Some people in the Fingal Valley and East Coast are saying that we are badly in need of work for our young people so that they don't have to leave the district. This is nothing new of course, but too many people are saying 'no' to every idea that is put forward "We can't do that, here."

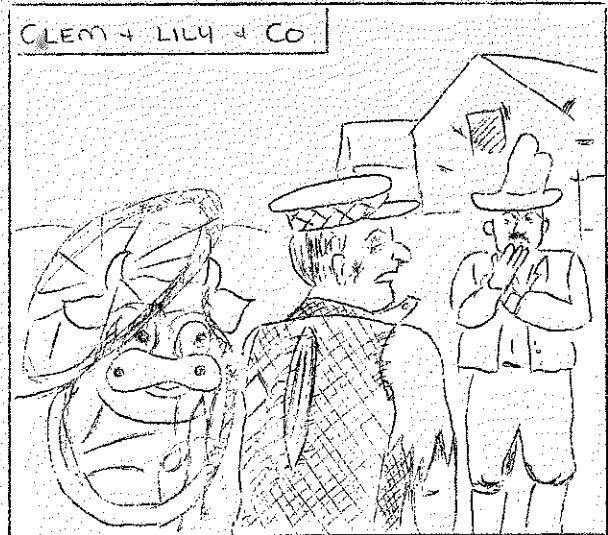
But take Break O Day Gowns. That is something that is growing. Perhaps we could start something else, knowing that often big things have little beginnings without any great initial capital outlay. Come on, people, put on your thinking caps and do some positive thinking! Several small starts could be made from peoples' everyday hobbies. There is quite an interest now in craft-work and cottage industries.

What about the C.W.A. craft teachers? Surely they could start an idea going. What we need is something positive and interesting and not people being so negative. We need people who will say 'yes' to any worthwhile idea; who know that things can be done when we really try. Help will then arrive as others become interested.

We live in a very interesting part of Tasmania; it is a part of a very nearly settlement, so there is quite a lot of history associated with us. Look around and listen to some of the older folk with their tales of the early days. Sometimes their stories, which are quite true, read like wild fiction. Look at some of our lovely old buildings. Did bushrangers come here, do you think?

Mathinna was a girls name, so was Mangana. What other name places do we have like that? The whalers landed up and down our coast; seen any try pots lately?

Surely out of all this rich material we can build for our childrens' future. It's not good enough just waiting for help from outside. That is likely to happen only as we try and help ourselves. How about it? Let's start building TODAY on what we have already got so that a brighter FUTURE is assured for those who follow us.



"IS THIS YOUR COW, MR. CLEM?"

TOUCHE'

It's great to see litter-bins located in the shopping centres of St. Marys. We congratulate the Fingal Council on making these available; such handy big ones too!

It appears that the public is responding to their presence and using them. The streets and footpaths are much tidier now. Could we appeal to all residents to consider the advice of a poster that is often seen in our schools?.....

"POPITINALITTERBIN"

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The Sunday School teacher was horrified when she saw the picture one of her pupils had drawn. "Why, its a cowboy walking into a saloon!" she said. "It is", said the child. "But its all right. He's not going to drink anything, he's just going in to shoot a man!"

Under the influence of T.V.?

ST. MARYS
BAKERY

J.&R. OWENS

CAKES PIES PASTIES
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL



LETTERS

Dear Sir,

With great sadness I see the old Bank building at Fingal has been condemned. This seems a dreadful waste. Also I thought that it was not to be pulled down for at least two years. After all the National Trust is a responsible body and would not advise saving it unless it was warranted. It's a pity that all our history has to be destroyed in the sacred name of progress for a lot of match boxes with large glass expanses. This is really official vandalism with a vengeance.

Irate Ratepayer.

Dear Sir,

A meeting to be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, 30th August at the Municipal Council Chambers, Fingal, has been arranged with the view to giving those already involved and the general public an opportunity to improve liaison and bring forward any suggestion to upgrade fire protection in the North-East. Last summers drought conditions revealed many problems which may be overcome by thorough pre-planning and co-ordination. It is hoped that anyone with an interest or a contribution towards upgrading our fire protection will attend or pass on any recommendation they may have to their local Council Clerk or the Regional Fire Control Officer for consideration by the meeting.

R.H. Livingston,
Regional Fire Control Officer.

THANKS

THE WIFE AND FAMILY OF THE LATE JOHN LEONARD MADDEN, SINCERELY THANK ALL FRIENDS FOR FLORAL TRIBUTES, CARDS, TELEGRAMMS AND PERSONAL EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY AND FOR HELP GIVEN DURING THEIR RECENT SAD BEREAVEMENT.

The LIONS CLUB of St. Helens wish to thank donors of batteries in the Bicheno St. Marys area. If anyone was missed, and they have batteries please contact Frank Titley's store, St. Helens 282.

MRS. GWEN SHEPHERD WISHES SINCERELY TO THANK ALL HER FRIENDS AND RELATIVES FOR THE MANY CARDS, LETTERS, GIFTS, FLOWERS AND VISITS DURING HER RECENT STAY IN THE LAUNCESTON GENERAL HOSPITAL. ALSO THOSE WHO HAVE SHOWN SO MANY KINDNESSES SINCE BEING HOME. AS THESE WERE TOO NUMEROUS TO ANSWER INDIVIDUALLY WILL ALL PLEASE ACCEPT THIS AS MY PERSONAL THANKS.

FOR SALE.....7 Cubic foot Westinghouse fridge. Ideal for weekend shack \$30. Apply No. Hardman, Scamander.

FOR SALE.....Light oak extension dining table \$15. 4 lounge chairs, very solid, \$5 each. Phone St. Marys 71.

ALL DRESSMAKING EXPERTLY CARRIED OUT. Prompt service. Satisfaction guaranteed. GLAMOUR GOWNS Upstairs Shaw's Arcade, Launceston. Phone 25170. Open Saturday mornings.

KING'S BUS SERVICE, St. Marys, St. Helens, Winnaleah, Bicheno, Swansea. Phone Winnaleah 218.

REDLINE BUS SERVICE, St. Marys. They distribute this paper quickly and efficiently. Why not let them work for you???

WANTED TO BUY.....Second hand roofing iron in reasonable order. Progress Association Cornwall. Phone St. Marys 130.

THE NEW CYCLAX NATURAL FORMULA..... Moisturisers, Cleansers, and Toners.

now at
ST. MARYS PHARMACY

THE NEW AZTEC COLOURS in CUTEX NAIL POLISHES 95c at
ST. MARYS PHARMACY

WANTED....Price to Lay Short Length of Concrete Path. Apply Dr. Marwood, St. Marys.

DAN-GARD SHAMPOO...Pleasantly foams away dandruff
\$2.10 at ST. MARYS PHARMACY

M E T A B A R B
and excellent sedative tonic for nerves. \$1.26 at
ST. MARYS PHARMACY

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24 Hour Towing Service

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CHAIN SAWS AND VICTOR MOWERS

miss piffle

ON SATURDAY EVENING Mr. & Mrs. Albert Semmens are entertaining their daughter Michelle and her friends to dinner on the occasion of her 21st birthday.

MARY DAWSON - a valuable member of the Valley Voice Staff - is travelling to Western Australia by car with her sister Jane.

THANK YOU

WE WISH TO THANK ALL OUR CUSTOMERS FOR THEIR PATRONAGE GIVEN DURING 3 YEARS OF BUSINESS IN ST. MARYS AND HOPE THAT YOU WILL GIVE YOUR SUPPORT TO THE NEW OWNERS PETER & OLGA GAVAGHAN. OUR SINCERE THANKS AND APPRECIATION TO ALL -

Jenifer & Len Miles.

MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER - ST.HELLENS

August 20	Golf Ladies
21	G. Macmichael
22	Lions Club
23	Pre-school
24	T. Williams
27	B. Campbell
28	C. LeFevre
29	Lions Club
30	N. Brownrigg
31	P. Burns

FROM OUR ROVING REPORTER

The Train Enthusiasts had a cool wait on the station. Four buses brought the visitors from St. Helens and Surfside where they had stayed the night. One visitor thought he came up a ravine to St. Marys.

There were 140 people from all states, New Zealand and U.S.A. all carrying cameras. St. Marys Station was well photographed.

As far as I know, this could be an annual event. One person has already booked for next year.

On their arrival at Scottsdale they were met by the school children who were so excited at seeing a steam train, they were souveniring the coal.

St. Marys kindergarten and two classes from the St. Marys District School together with quite a lot of local people farewelled them.

WHATSON?

AVOCA FOOTBALL CLUB Annual Ball Friday September 7. Memorial Hall. Matron, Belle, Junior Belle, Good Music (L'ion Orchestra) Supper. Gents \$2. Ladies \$1. Double \$3. Children under 12, 40cents.

BIBLE STUDY CIRCLE - Tuesday 21st August at St. Helens Rectory, 2.30p.m. All welcome.

SCAMANDER GARDEN CLUB meeting Wednesday 19th September. Mrs. Bartley's. 2.00p.m.

STREET STALL at St. Marys in aid of Methodist Church. Friday 31st August at 10.30 a.m.

BREAD & CHEESE at the Rectory, Fingal, Thursday 30th August. 12.30 - 2 p.m. All welcome. Donation & Stall.

COFFEE PARTY...Will be held at the Clinic Centre on Wednesday 5th Sept. at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. There will be a trade table and a raffle.

RED CROSS SERVICE...Sunday August 19th at 11 a.m. in St. Marys Methodist Church. All welcome.

PUBLIC MEETING at St. Marys Methodist Parsonage on Monday 20th August. 8 p.m. to arrange a Community Concert in November. All who helped us last year and other interested persons are invited to attend. A committee will be formed and a decision made concerning the allocation of proceeds.

BIBLE CLASS for Sunday School children will be held on Tuesday 21st August, 7.30 p.m. at the home of Mr. & Mrs. A. Faulkner.

JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB meets tonight in the Methodist Hall at 7 p.m.

SENIOR YOUTH Club meets next Friday, 24th August at 7 p.m. at the St. Marys District School.

PORTLAND GARDEN CLUB Spring Show and Parish Fair, September 8th Memorial Hall St. Helens. Stalls and afternoon tea.

VISIT GOULD'S COUNTRY

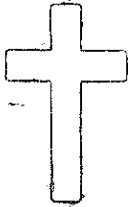
BAK MUSEUM OPEN SUNDAY

Church Service - 23 Sept. - 3pm

Afternoon tea after Service in Travellers Rest

ALL WELCOME

FROM THE PULPIT



Gold in the Billycan

The story is told in Queensland of a lone prospector who had been working for some time in the Gulf country and had gathered a billycan of gold. He was on his way back to civilisation, when, one night, he lay down and slept on the bed of a dry creek. Before retiring, however, he took the precaution to safely hide away his gold by digging a hole in the ground, burying his wealth, and lighting his camp fire over it.

During the night a tropical deluge came, and water rushed down the creek bed, forcing the prospector to hurriedly abandon camp and seek shelter on higher ground. In his haste he left the gold behind. Later, when the waters had gone, he returned and searched the site, he went onto his knees and dug here and there; but could not locate his billycan of gold. His months of labour had been in vain.

How like the unhappy man in the world today---unhappy because he has lost the treasure of spiritual experience. Where did he lose it? It was lost at the place where he ceased to witness and ceased to pray. All the years spent in God's service have been in vain because he has lost that which matters most. How may he find the treasure---his place in Christ's Kingdom again? By going back to the place from where he ran away, and there he will find it; by going down on his knees and searching in prayer before God. In finding and keeping this Treasure joy, peace, hope and God's fellowship become his for evermore. Are you that unhappy man?

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MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER

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| <u>ST. MARYS:</u> | Aug. 19 | Mr. Neville Rist |
| | 20 | Mrs. Ruth Owens |
| | 21 | Mr. Tas. Matthews |
| | 22 | Mr. Jim Napier |
| | 23 | Rev. G. Clarke |
| | 26 | Miss C. Faulkner |
| | 27 | Mrs. Margaret Bullock |
| | 28 | Mrs. Vicki Barr |
| | 29 | Mrs. Molly Aulich |
| | 30 | Miss Jean Lohrey |
| <u>FINGAL:</u> | Aug. 19 | Mrs. A. Oliver |
| | 20 | Mr. Tom Ransom |
| | 21 | Rev. T. Hendricks |
| | 22 | Mr. Robert Saunders |
| | 23 | Mrs. Murray Johns |
| | 26 | Mrs. J. Smith |
| | 27 | Mrs. Merv Barnes |
| | 28 | Mrs. A. French |
| | 29 | Mr. C. Bean |
| | 30 | Mrs. Y. Johnson |

CHURCH NOTICES

ANGLICAN CHURCH PARISH OF ST. HELENS

August 19th.

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| St. Helens | 8 am. | H.C. |
| St. Helens | 11 am. | H.C. |
| Balmouth | 9.15 am | H.C. |
| Fingal | 3 pm. | (Diocesan Service) |

August 26th

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| St. Helens | 8 am. | H.C. |
| St. Helens | 11 am. | M.P. |
| Pyengana | 11 am. | H.C. |
| Scamander | 3 pm. | E.P. |
- (At the home of Mr.&Mrs. Jenkins)

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ANGLICAN CHURCH PARISH OF AVOCA-FINGAL AND CULLENSWOOD

August 19th

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| St. Marys | 8 am. | H.C. |
| Fingal | 10 am. | H.C. |
| Fingal | 3 pm. | Diocesan Service |
- (All services after 3pm. cancelled)

DIOCESAN SERVICE (see above) This service is being held in every Rural Deanery on this Sunday. The official representative of each Parish will present the Diocesan Pledge for this financial year. See you all there!

August 26th

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| Avoca | 10 am. | H.C. |
| Cornwall | 3.45 pm. | H.C. |
| Fingal | 7 pm. | E.P. |
| St. Marys | 7 pm. | E.P. |

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ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. MARYS

August 19th.

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| Fingal | 8 am. |
| St. Marys | 9.30 am. |
| St. Helens | 11 am. |

August 26th.

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| Fingal | 8 am. |
| St. Marys | 9.30 am. |
| St. Helens | 11 am. |

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METHODIST CIRCUIT OF ST. MARYS-ST. HELENS

August 19th

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| St. Marys | 11 am | (Red Cross Service) |
| St. Helens | 7.30 pm. | Pastor Clarke |

August 26th.

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| St. Marys | 11 am. | Mr. George Shaw |
| Flinders Is. | 2.30pm. | Pastor Clarke |
| St. Helens | 7.30 pm | Mr. George Shaw |

FISHING NEWS

St. Helens Game Fishing Club held its annual meeting on Saturday 4th August. Office bearers elected were: President, R. Breen, Secretary, A.R. Jackson, Treasurer, Mrs. S. Breen, Committee, D. Bailey, G. Gadsby, P. Hume, J. Lidster and W. Stone. Club membership was 50. Fishing during the season was not good, but in spite of this, Bob Breen established a State record with his 17lb 9oz Albacore on 6lb line. The Club is pressing for the construction of an access road to Barnes Bay which is just South of the entrance to Georges Bay. A launching ramp there would eliminate the barway crossing in doubtful weather. The Club has also asked the Minister for Fisheries to consider the establishment of a marine park from Eddystone Point to Paddys Head for three miles to sea. As trout fishermen, bush walkers, skiers and even footballers have large areas reserved for their sport, we feel that the same principle should apply to game fishing. We have no worries with the professional fishermen, but we feel that large trawlers will ruin our sport and the livelihood of others.

The annual dinner was held following the meeting and annual trophies were presented by the Warden of Portland, Mr. C. Fysh and the President of the Tasmanian Game Fishing Association, Mr. E. Wigston of New Norfolk. The Minister for Tourism, the Hon. Brian Miller, M.L.C. thanked the Club on behalf of all guests. He praised the work of the Club as an asset to the tourist industry and reminded us of what game fishing had done for the industry in New Zealand.

Scamander Angling Club will conduct its next surf contest at Wrinklers Beach on Sunday 26th August from 2 to 6 p.m. Visitors are welcome at these contests.

SCAMANDER GARDEN CLUB

The August meeting of Scamander Garden Club was held at Mrs. Pat Luck's home, Shelly Beach. All members appreciated Mrs. Luck's generous hospitality.

Guests were Mrs. Maisie Royle and Mrs. Oliver from St. Marys. Members appreciated Mrs. Royle's demonstration of floral work.

Two rugs knitted by Club members were presented to local hospitals.

OBITUARY

On the 24th July the death occurred of Mr. John Leonard Madden of St. Marys. Mr. Madden was the pioneer and teacher of probably the most complete family of outstanding musicians in Tasmania. From the age of ten he taught himself to play a violin which his mother bought for ten shillings. Later he learned to play almost all of the musical instruments.

At the age of seventeen he went to the first World War and later joined the 40th Battalion Band in France. For many years he conducted a dance orchestra that played in many towns along the East Coast and the Fingal Valley. He was also the founder and bandmaster of the St. Marys Brass Band. Hundreds of people will remember Mr. Madden for the great pleasure he brought to them with his music, especially in the days before radio and television. It was his love of music that enabled him to do this without any help.

---SAVE THE BANK---

On Monday the Fingal Council made the decision that the outmoded Georgian style of architecture should no longer obstruct the view of the eye-level roof of our new council offices, the front door of which is to be found in the damp hollow just beside the Mathinna turnoff.

An amusing aspect of political solidarity was displayed after our local Member - Andy Lohrey - had spoken out against the destruction of the old corner shop, when his home team - the Fingal group of the ALP - was reported to have petitioned the Council to demolish the building.

The outcome of the attempts to save the Georgian shop was probably a foregone conclusion when the councillors chose to ignore the National Trust's classification of the building, and to have the new offices built in a position that assumed the old building would be removed in due course.

Perhaps loss of this case may serve to underline the need to give the National Trust, or some similar body, the "teeth" needed to stop demolition of worthwhile buildings before Australia reaches the position of New York City, which now has one of the strongest sets of preservation bye-laws, and almost no old buildings left to preserve.

WHERE I LIVE

I live in Mangana, which is a town with a history. Mangana was once a great mining town having two hotels, shops, two halls, more than 1500 residences and about 300 children attending the school, which went to Grade 8; after that you would have to go to school in Launceston.

Gold was mined in Mangana - there were five mines and the richest ones were The Entrance and The Sovereign. Three batteries were used for crushing the quartz, which was then washed and the gold taken out. Each battery had different sized crushers and stampers. The biggest was probably in the gully where the Sovereign and Entrance are. The water for these was brought from Ben Lomond creek by race, a distance of about 1½ miles. This creek was selected because it kept a strong flow while the others were dry.

In 1929 there was a cloud-burst in one of the gullies. After a few days a steady pouring rain, the creek burst its banks, and was gradually forced down the main road. It went right up to Carters Hill, which it couldn't flood over. At one stage a log went through somebody's house! Everyone in the main road was evacuated. After the floods receded the men built a wall where the flood had washed away the creek bank. No flood has broken it yet. The old wall is made of slabs of rocks built upon each other. Later on a cement wall was added, but this had already half fallen down. The only industry now in Mangana is farming. There are no tourist attractions except if you go to an old worked-out gold mine, but it would usually be full of water. There are no jobs or recreation and no shops of any kind. There are two churches; one is English and the other Catholic. The English church is made of wood; the Catholic church is made of cement and has stained glass windows. The disadvantages of living in Mangana are lack of jobs and schools and a lot of travelling to get to school in St. Marys.

The advantages are peace and quiet, no pollution and lots of room for gardens. There is space to ride a bike, a creek with lots of fish, lots of game, mineral water, and fresh water with lots of swimming holes.

Gavin Ward, 12 years.

(The article above, including last issue's 'Where I Live', is one in a series being contributed by students of The St. Marys High School.

We take this opportunity to thank these students and congratulate them in their venture.

PRESS STATEMENT

The Tasmanian A.L.P. Rural Committee, meeting at Longford, last Saturday 4 Aug, 73 expressed their concern at the decision of Federal Cabinet to phase out the Dairy Industry Subsidy in two years. Mr. Gil.Duthie M.P. (Secretary) said "the Committee was afraid the withdrawal of the subsidy would lead to the disappearance of many small producers who were the lifeblood of country districts".

The following resolution was carried unanimously at the meeting:-
 THAT THIS RURAL COMMITTEE CONDEMNS THE ACTION OF THE FEDERAL CABINET IN PHASING OUT THE DAIRY SUBSIDY IN TWO YEARS IN VIOLATION OF LABOR POLICY AS WE UNDERSTAND IT, WITHOUT PROPER DISCUSSIONS WITH THE TWO MAIN PRIMARY INDUSTRY COMMITTEES OF THE PARTY AND THAT WE ASK THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRY, SEN. WREIDT TO MEET OUR TASMANIAN RURAL COMMITTEE BEFORE THE BUDGET TO EXPLAIN HIS ACTIONS. FURTHER, THIS COMMITTEE IS DEEPLY CONCERNED THAT THERE ARE NO SPECIFIC GUARANTEES TO THOSE PRODUCERS WHO WILL BE DISADVANTAGED BY REMOVAL OF THE SUBSIDY WHICH IS IN CONTRAST WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S GUARANTEED ASSISTANCE TO THOSE INDUSTRIAL WORKERS WHO WILL BE DISADVANTAGED BY THE 25% TARIFF CUT."

Mr. Duthie said the Committee also dealt with the Minister for Primary Industry's decision to reject a 'One-Marketing-Authority' in Tasmania for apples and pears in favour of an Australian Apple and Pear Corporation.

Mr. Duthie said: "My Primary Industry Committee at Canberra, of which I am chairman, was NOT consulted on this matter either before Sen. Wriedt's announcement of the Corporation at Huonville on Sun, 29 July 1973.

My Committee did deal with the decision of a Corporation when it met in Canberra on Mon, 30 July and Tues, 31 July when, after much deliberation we persuaded the Minister to "INCREASE GROWER REPRESENTATION FROM THREE TO FOUR ON THE CORPORATION", Mr. Duthie said.

The Tasmanian Rural Committee carried the following resolution:- "THAT THOUGH WE DEEPLY REGRET THE DECISION NOT TO SET UP A TASMANIAN ONE-MARKETING-AUTHORITY WE WOULD GO ALONG WITH THE CORPORATION PLAN BUT INSIST THAT IT BE GIVEN SUFFICIENT 'TEETH' TO HANDLE THE AUSTRALIAN CROP FROM ORCHARD TO CONSUMER OVERSEAS. FURTHER, WE INSIST THAT THE CHAIRMAN, WHO IS TO BE APPOINTED BY THE MINISTER, SHOULD HAVE HAD EXPERIENCE IN THE GROWING OF APPLES AND PEARS AS WELL AS EXPERIENCE IN MARKETING."

Mr. Graham Page of Hagley was guest speaker at the meeting. He dealt with the story of stock shipment to the Mainland. Two new committeemen were welcomed by the Chairman, (Mr. Ivan Reid). They were from the Braddon electorate, namely, Cr. Graham Malley of Trowatta and Mr. Jack Berechree of East Wynyard.

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football

by Shortsighted.

Football patrons who attended the first semi games at Campbelltown on Saturday last were not disappointed.

Played under ideal conditions on the well appointed ground the crowd (a record gate for a first semi-final) got their money's worth.

Just before getting along to the serious business of the football itself I must say I admired the ground itself, the colour of it all with Club's pennants flying, the attractive grandstand and scoreboard and new electric controlled clock. All this against a beautiful backdrop of 18thC churches with their towering spires set among lovely English and Australian trees.

Schoolboy's game:

Swansea (46) d Avoca (31)

As usual these boys showed the public how football should be played. Throughout the season people who have gone along early enough in the morning to see these games have witnessed football at its very best. I would suggest to everyone to get along to these games for the rest of the season. Best players: Swansea, Bill Webb, Barry Pike, Stephen Press, Shane Flynn, Greg Dilger. Avoca, Dale Kitchen, Gerrard Mc Gushion, Paul Staeg, Robert Nicholson, Chris Perkins.

Reserves Game:

Avoca (56) d Campbelltown (51)

Another close and interesting game. A real pressure game climaxed by a tight finish.

Best players: Avoca, Charles Carroll, Dennis Williams, Danny Carroll. Campbelltown, Stan Hazelwood, Karl Earley.

Senior Game: St. Helens 14.14 (98) defeated St. Marys 12.15 (87)

Like the two previous games was evenly fought throughout and also resulted in a great finish. An orchid for umpire Blew (former V.F.L. umpire and now umpires coach for the N.T.F.A.) Well done Don. St. Helens settled down very early and Wayne Freeman kicked three goals giving St. Helens 22 points on the board before most of us had settled in our seats properly. In looking at the game in retrospect, that was when the game was won because from then on the game was evenly fought throughout. St. Marys had their usual forward line trouble and this contributed to their defeat, I feel. St. Marys got to within 6 points of St. Helens at the 20 minute mark in the final quarter and were finishing on well but St. Helens backmen held on grimly and they ran out winners by 11 points. Congratulations to St. Helens and all the best riding the road ahead. To the losers so far well played and that includes Avoca (some surprise victories) Fingal (looked good early in the season because of injuries) St. Marys: Great season and gallant in defeat last Saturday.

Second semi-final selections:

Thirds: St. Marys to defeat Fingal

Reserves: Fingal " " St. Marys

Seniors: Swansea " " Campbelltown

Premiers 1973:

Seniors: Swansea

Reserves: Avoca

Thirds: St. Marys

Congratulations to the following people who gained best and fairest Association votes for 1973.

Seniors: Scott Marshall (tremendous trier)

Reserves: Trevor Midson (nice mover)

Thirds: Dale Kitchen (bright future)

ORCHIDS TO: Campbelltown and St. Marys - terrific grounds and appointments.

Fingal - new shed and playground for children.

Axes to: Avoca - shocking scoreboard in hopeless position for viewing.

Fingal - 1890 style scoreboard with numbers to match.

Grapevine service: I have heard on the grapevine that both the Fingal and Avoca clubs are putting up new scoreboards this week. Good on you fellows, we will forgive you and look forward to seeing the new ones in operation for your final games.

I have also heard from my usual reliable "man on the spot" that Viv Sulzberger, his brother Greg, Graeme McCarter, Ian Mawson (returning from retirement) and Arthur Parsons intend beginning training for the 1974 season on Christmas afternoon next - following Christmas Dinner. Anyone else wishing to do so can join these enthusiasts at the Fingal Football Oval at around 3 p.m. December 25th. Light training runs of 2 rounds planned. Finally on a more serious note, football followers everywhere will be sorry to hear that Brian French broke his leg playing football a few weeks ago and the Valley Voice join everyone in wishing Brian a quick and complete recovery.

Best players for the Senior game:

St. Helens: Wayne Freeman, Derek Chapple, Rodney Krushka, Franks.

St. Marys: John Hollis (great game John) Les Newman, Wayne Morris, Greg Tapp, Stephen Salter, Garry Crawford.

IT IS WITH REGRET we note the passing of Mr. V. (Pudner) Lawrence. As a young man he was an outstanding footballer in N.T.F.A. ranks in Launceston. Later he joined the St. Marys Football Club and will be remembered as a clever footballer and an astute coach who led the Tigers to several Premierships during their "golden years", and he became a legend in his own time. To his family we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

STAR PROBE

By Pegasus

Fortnight beginning August 17, 1973.

ARIES March 21 - April 20

Be industrious, think for the good of all in your household. If you feel some swift and unexpected emotional disturbance, do not encourage it. Do one thing at a time and do it well.

Best days 22nd, 26th and 31st.

TAURUS April 21 - May 20

If you travel now you can have a splendid time seeing old friends here and there; spending evenings in total relaxation. Seek cultural events for enjoyment. You are tops with the one you have.

Best days 20th, 23rd and 27th.

GEMINI May 21 - June 20

If you write letters this month, be cautious of what you put in writing. It is best to keep yourself limited to the impersonal as much as possible. A relative deserves some help or your company.

Best days 20th, 27th and 31st.

CANCER June 21 - July 22

You may be on a journey to the place in which you feel you have been most happy. Do not let this ruin your family life or cause you to resent your present circumstances.

Best days 22nd, 24th and 30th.

LEO July 23 - August 22

In sports affairs take it easy for there are some rather forbidding aspects in this area. You could become ill from heat or being too highly strung from tensions of competition.

Best days 23rd, 26th and 28th.

VIRGO August 23 - September 22

When mid-month rolls around and vacation time is near, try to get in a little special shopping for vacation clothes. You may be going to a lot of glamorous places late in the month.

Best days 20th, 24th and 28th.

LIBRA September 23 - October 22

There is a danger of trying to get together with a person from your past and throw away a romance or marriage which deserves your loyalty. Be serious and not emotional about it.

Best days 20th, 25th and 31st.

SCORPIO October 23 - November 22

You can feel right along with the times when you take a new view of all you do and all your mental attitude. A loved one may not be reasonable about some of your desires - be tactful, you will win through. Best days 17th, 22nd and 27th.

SAGITTARIUS November 23 - December 21

This is no time to go in for pleasure a great deal. Serious matters need your attention and members of your family may be quite dependent on you for this welfare. Arrange for dental check-up.

Best days 18th, 23rd, 31st.

CAPRICORN December 22 - January 19

This is a month that favours vacation. A long trip can do you good; you relax best when you get out on the road or up in the air. Be cautious not to do or say anything phony.

Best days 20th, 25th and 29th.

AQUARIUS January 20 - February 18

Take under serious consideration a proposition meaning a new business. Catch up on your letter writing, especially to folks you like. Ignore the petty annoyance that life presents.

Best days 22nd, 26th and 30th.

PISCES February 19 - March 20

If you show any tendency to roam, you may lose the trust of a lifemate for good. Even if just dating someone romantically, you can lose that persons faith and may then wish you had been more loyal.

Best days 19th, 21st and 25th.

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