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THE CHRISTMAS STORY

At that time

Emperor Augustus sent out an order for all citizens of the Empire to register themselves for the census. Everyone, then, went to

register himself, each to his own town.

Joseph went from the town of Nazareth, in Galilee, to Judea, to the town named Bethlehem, where King David was born. Joseph went there because he was a descendant of David. He went to register himself with Mary, who was promised in marriage to him. She was pregnant, and while they were in Bethlehem, the time came for her to have her baby. She gave birth to her first son, wrapped him in cloths and laid Him in a manger - there was no room for them to stay in the inn.



RETURN THANKS CLASSIFIEDS

I wish to extend a very grateful thankyou for all the kind attention which I received during my stay in St. Marys District Hospital. Thanks to Dr. Naidoo and Matron Bartle, the sisters for the concern they showed for me, and the cheerful and efficient nurses who were always ready and willing to care for my needs and make me comfortable throughout the day and night. Also I would like to thank my fidds and relatives for cards, gifts, flowers and kind visits. Also I would like to thank the domestic staff who prepare meals which are nicely served. Thankyou one and all. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and lots of happiness in the New Year.

T. Hall.

I would sincerely like to thank my family, relatives, friends, Silver Threads Club and the St. Marys Bowling Club for their cards and gifts and visits during my stay in the Q.V. They were much appreciated. Thankyou one and all.

Dulcie Bushing.

I wish to thank all the people who showed concern for me following my recent accident. Particularly the Doctor, Matron and Staff of the St. Marys District Hospital whose care was firstrate. Thankyou one and all for cards, visits etc. May I also convey to you all the compliments of the Christmas Season and wish you all a Prosperous New Yoar. God Bless you all.

Kevin Dobson.

The Husband, Sons, Daughters of the late Ethel Hailer, St. Marys wish to thank all kind relatives and friends for lovely floral tributes and cards after the recent sad loss of their beloved wife and mother. Special thanks to Mr. Col Royle for the funeral arrangements and Rov. Colyer for a beautiful service. We thank you all.

JESS & DOUG CONTELIUS and family would like to thank the many friends for cards, phone calls, and personal visits following the death of a loved father and Pop.

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Miss Sandy Mitchell of Cairns will arrive home at Bicheno to spend the Christmas break with her family on Monday 20.

Cheryl Com is back in hospital at St Marys, her Mangana friends hope she will soon be well again.

The Sweeny family and the Pat Burt family of Mangana are going down to Bruny Island in wans for the holidays hope they have a good holiday.

Mr and Mrs Cliff Johnstone of Delor the have been spending a few days with Cliff's mother Mrs Johnstone of Mangana.

Silver Threads Club
The St Marys Allver Threads Club held
theward Christmas Dinner at the
St Marys Hobel on Friday 3 Dec, whe a
approximatily 30 members enjoyed a
most delightful repast supplied by
the hosts of the Hotel Mr and Mrs 1,
Yates. After dinner all adjourned
to the R.S.L. Hall, and the rest of
the evening was spent playing bowls
and cards L.H.Spilsbury Sect

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

TRIL & LATE MARNEY wish friends and relations a Haypy Christmas and prosperous now Year. NO cards please.

TSHING all our customers a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year. From Tables Hills Bar. Jack, Sally, Ray & Janice Walters.

WARD. THORNEURY & CHARLES would like to wish all their friends and relatives. Warry Christmas and Happy New Year. over to all.

VA. A MG. MAN LOHMMY wish their many Inlands and relatives a Heppy Christa s and a Prosperous New Year.

Thankyou everyone because you have be a so helpful and made my work pleasant. Also I wish one and all a bright and happy New Year.

Joy Luck.

TOUGHA' I believe alocal woman who avtends Bingo was under the impression she had \$5 in her purse. On further inspection she had only 2 helves of a \$2 note and a \$1. Fesheys that's why was only you half a game.

MARAONT

Adons Club Christmas Farty at Marys this Sunday Dec I9 at Stove Salter's property in the Go-kart area. BAB-B-Q sterts I2 noon. Santa arrives at 2-30 with gifts, drinks and chips.

There is a change in the date of the Elderly Citsens party at Bicheno; its Tuesday 2I instead of Wed.

P.F.A. Bicheno are holding a cabaret dinner at Silver Sands on Wed 22. Contest D. Catteral for details.

The St Marys Golf Club will be bolding a Xmas Eve Social evening. Good susic.
Commencing 8 P.M. All Members and visitors velcome.

The St Marys Brownies and Guides will hold their Breakup party at the Methodist Hall on Morday 20 at 4 P.M. Parents please note the date.

The Bichano Golf Club will be seeing the New Year in at the Club House. Starting about 4 P.M.

EMPERIATIONEME

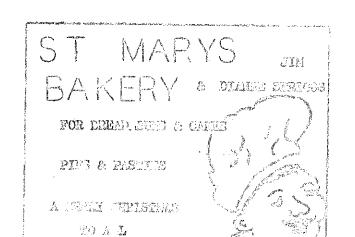
Hey 'all you "BINGO PLAYERS" roll up to our opening night December 30th. Cood prises assured in each and every gaze, so join in the Jun and spend an enjoyable evening at the St Helens Memorial Hall. 7-30 sharp for young and old. All proceeds go to the Cathelic Churches, St Helens, St Harre, Fingal

THE LICHS CLUB ST HELENS

A Bonnie and Clyde' night will be held at the Pygngana recreation ground on the I5th January beginning with a Bor-E-O at 6-30 and a dance in the hall at 9 F.M. This is a family night so cone and join in the fun ''' onjoy yourself.

CAROLS by CANDLELICHT

SUNDAY DECEMBER 19th 8-30 St Marya Hadrika).



I can't recall at what age I first became awars of Christmas but throughout my childhood all my Christmasis were a happy repetition. Thankfully my phoents were poor and this meant that Christmas

celebrations were simple.

Throughout the year, inspite of the constant efforts of my father, the roof leaked at the first heavy rain. As a result thuch "elbow grease" had to be applied several days before Strictmas to remove mould on the walls. Pictures were deverly esaminged to hid water stains. How we proved the rain would hold off entit after New Year.

throughouse containly years to new costs afford new wall paper. The bathroom of course clusge got a new coat. Newspaper was cheep and what a way to record the years news -relaxing in

the bub.

Christmas Eve meant transfermetion of our ramshabkled old home. How beautiful it looked by evening "New" curtains taken from amidst mothballs now hang in place of the faded old ones. Here they would stay for a from weeks uptil the time come to puck those away for another year, Beds proudly displayed "new" bedspreads, being rejuvinated by their unrual wash and dying. The small of freehly political floors mitaled with the scent of flowers. Sweet peas and county tofts for the bedrooms, Righerman's basket and roses for the from nom", Christmes lillies and Chilekmes bells for the kitchen.

Our evening meal was the happiest of all the uper Lomb chaps new polasses and green-peas served on the table covered with new

vil-beize. After tee came the highlight of the day - the gathering of the Christmas brees. Armed with exes we could go carml-singing to select our trees -wild cherry for decorating, gums for tying to the verandah posts.

What joy came with observing a days work well done. The trees waving happily in their places of honour; the smell of grass, cut labouriously with a sickle, wasting all around; the fire glowing in the

old fuel stove.

Darkness meant more pleasant tasks to perform - the tree to decorate with frayed tinsel and well worn paper bells, jellies to set, peas to pod and ginger beer and cake to got out for Some. Santa didn't care if we were poor for

he always left wonderful thing - n doll, a pineapple, paints and puzzlas. and a stocking filled with intrig-

ing goodles.

There was never much time for admiring presents that morning for Christmas Day meant homecoming of the rest of the family. That mean's much cooking Dinner was served promptly at 12 o'clock. Golden roost turkey with all the trimings and a huge, steaming pudding. By 2 o'clock every over-Gourged person lazied around waiting for afternoon the of garger beer and countless kinds of cakes.

. Christmas night was always kind of soil and ever so quite. with the family gone their :scherate ways for another year But who could remain unhappy for long for childhood is a joyous time and a contented peaceful heart ensured a perfect night's sleep.

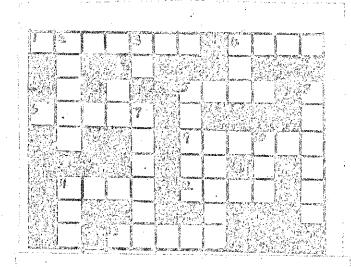
CHIBITIAN -DO YOU KNOW?

That no one knows in what month Jesus vins barn. St. Luke's gospel tells us that strephards were in the Relas of night keeping watch over their sheep. It was the custom in Judea at thick time to house the sheep in shellors during the winter time so many critics ergue that His birth therefore was not in December,

That it was the leaders of the 4th earliery Christian Church that decided full a feast calebrating Christ's and to an Esth. December. This date coincided with many pagan feasts. The Hornergian people held a fortial in the dark winter month of December to entice their gods to bring back the Spring. During Specie Pestivals they used a human specifica. It was supposed to be the reigning king but a criminal vices always used an a substitute. the Romans held a Frest of hights on December 25th. to menuncing this sen to ohine more brightly "For an this day it shows ob

That the leadition of the Christmas tree originated in Cermany. Instead of the traditional evergreen, the first Christmas bees were flowering brace such as almends or hawtherns. Although it was Winter, branches or amell trees were brought indoors at Christians line to induce them to blessom an Christmas Day. If this happened it indicated a fulful year cheed for the household. Fr it did not; it was a bod oman. Energy arms were later used, for Evergreen impressures timmortality.

That the Dutch gave the world Santa Clause or St. Nicholas. And that the French and Pelgians gave us the custom of hanging up stockings for him to All,



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- 5 Jesus brings us happy to The wicked king 9

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- 12 Christ ---- to save us
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DOWN

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- to the Virgin Mary had a buby-5 Joseph was of this lineage 7 Carried Mary to Bethlehem 3 Jesus' bed
- 10 Crease
- 11 "Unto be us a Child is born, Unio us a ... is given!



The club fixed the 3rd stage of A Series on Saturday 4.12.76 over double 300 yds under very rough conditions. Top scorer off rifle was G. Toombs with 64 results:— G. Toombs 32-32 (hdcp 0) 64, G. Schier 29-26(9) 64, P. Spilsbury 29-30 (3) 62, M. Spilsbury 27-28(7) 62, G. Scales 24-24 (I4)62, W. Scales 27-29(4)60

The club fired the 2nd, stage of D Series over 800-900 yard range on Sat. II-I2-76. Top scorer off the rifle was P. Spilsbury with 59.

Results;—P. Spilsbury 31-28(handicap 7.)
66, M. spilsbury 30-23(I2) 65, D. Izard
27-2I(I7)65, J.Scales 30-27(6)63, G.
Toombs 32-25(I)58, W Scales 2I-26(6)53,
G. Scales I4-I9(I5)48.

ST, MARYS BOWLS CLUB

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Bicheno V St. Helens

E. Haywood 32 Ld G. Woolley 15 V. Preese 17 Ld G. Morling 34 R. Haywood 25/74 ILT. C. Fysh 37/86

Ledies

B. Medson I8 LF.
 B. Russel 24 d
 G. Gregg 20/63 d
 E. Fysh 23
 M. Haley I4
 G. Burke I9/56

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St. Helens V St. Marys

G. Morling 32 d F. Singline 22

F. Wooley 28 d C. Berwick 26

C. Fysh 26 d I. Calvert II

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LADIES
St Marys
St Helens
S. Brennan 22 d E. Fysh I3
M. Royle 23 d M. Burke 18
M. Oliver 24/69 d M. Haley 16/47

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The 1976 student exhibition of paintings held last Friday night at Todd's Hall proved most successful. Between 70 and 100 people viewed the works on show and enjoyed sherry and savories.

The standard of work was quite high and was commented upon by all who attended.

Theawards for Best Paintings were as follows:-

1st Shirley Williams Rossarden 2nd Wendy Clarke St. Marys 3rd Mary Richardson St. Marys

Highly commended were entries by Vivienne Grose and Peter Rubenach.

MEALS ON WHEELS

St. Marys Bob Cooke Dec. 19 Sunday 11 Kath Lohrey 20 Monday 81 Jin Napier 21 Tuesday ~ 77 Robert Legge 22 Wednesday Margaret Bullock 23 Thursday ē\$ Kevin Faulkner 26 Sunday 11 Ruth Gill 27 Monday îi Jackie Mitchell 23 Tuesday 11 Jean Freeman 29 Wednesday Pearl Davern 17 30 Thursday Allan Jackson Jan Sunday 2 Ros Green 17 3 Monday Margaret Bullock 11 4 Tuesday Kevin Crowden 17 5 Wednesday Mary Targett 11 6 Thursday Carol Faulkmer 9 Sunday Susie Loane 13 10 konday Rod Maher 11 Tuesday Jean Schier 12 Wednesday



Kath Lohrey



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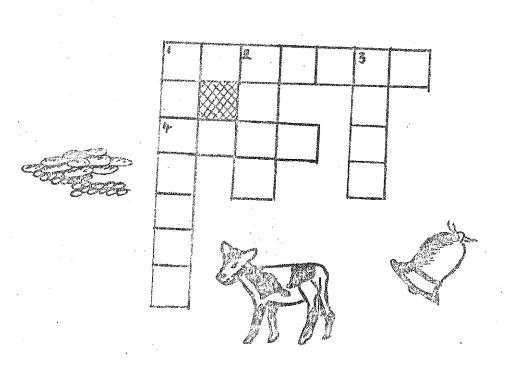
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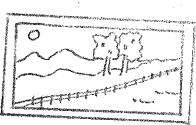
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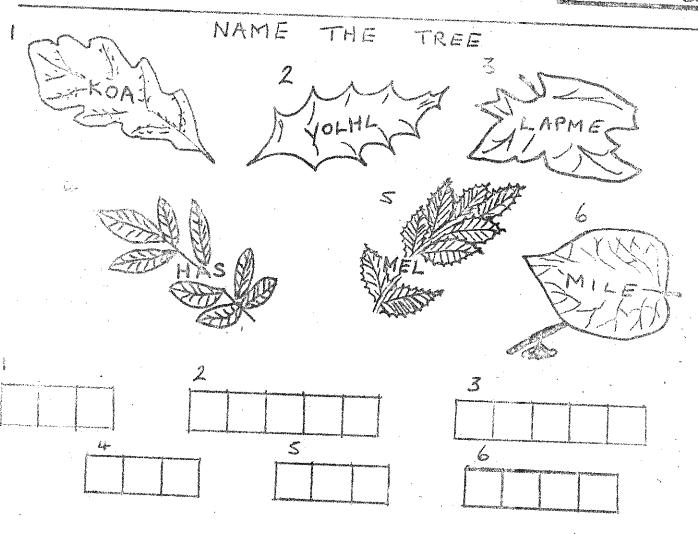
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FISHING MEWS

The less said about the last contestrun by St. Helens Surf Angling Club at Diana's Basin the better. In other words, the fishing was as poor or worse than all contests held in the last six months and we had better forget all about it for this year. The first contest in 1977 will be held by Scamander Angling Club at Four Mile on Sunday 2nd January from 3 to 8pm. It is hoped that Committee members will have recovered enough by then to officiate in their usual efficient manner - (that should get me a free beer). Next on the calendar is the annual Georges Bay competition on 8th January from 8am to 4 pm. This is run by St. Helens Surf Angling Club and usually results in a generous donation to some local cause. On 16th January, St. Helens Game Fishing Club will hold their first Rally day - weather and barway permitting). Bluefin have already been sighted on several occasions and the water temperature is rising but the fish have spurned the lures in favour of lots of natural feed so far. The Club raffle for that super-sized bottle of Scotch will be drawn at the Bay View on New Years Eve so hurry to get your ticket (20 cents). The winn er will be expected to bring it out to sea on the first Rally Day & lay alongside all boats competing. Well, this brings us to the end of 1976 (thank goodness). It is difficult to write on fishing when no fish are being caught so here's hoping for 1977. I wish all readers the compliments of the Season & tight lines for 1977.

Stop Press: There is no truth in the rumour that the fishing clubs will affiliate by took the lead but Hodskiss fought back with the St. Helens "Fun Club.

GOLF MOTES

Congratulations to Mick Curry on hitting a hole in one on the 5th hole. Spilsbury Trophy - 36 Hole -Stroke

1st Day		
M. Barnes	78-22-56	
K. Spilsbury	82-22-60	
R. Spilsbury	91-29-62	
S. Spilsbury	81-17-64	
S. Dawson	78-14-64	
P. Shennan	96-32-64	
2nd Day		
S. Dawson	71-14-57	
M. Barnes	78-19-59	
S. Spilsbury	78-17-61	

M. Barnes 113 nett Winner:

CRIID REALTH CLINIC RATFIC: Winner Mrs. Lola Freeman, St. Marys.

CYCLING

Cycling at Carrbelltown:

On Sunday the 12th of December 1976 Campbelltown Cycling & Athletic Club held their 30th Annual Carnival at Memorial Park. Some results of this are:

Patrons Handicap 1000 metres: Final lst: K. Whatley (Liton) 2nd: M. Osborne (Penguin) 3rd: L. Laskey (Liton) Campbelltown Wheel Race 2000 metres: Final 1st: N. Veale (Weegena) 2nd: G. Hodskiss (L'ton) 3rd: L. Laskey (L'ton) Campbelltown Gift 120 metres: Final 1st: M. Doherty (Devonport) 2nd: K. Anderson (Hobart) 3rd: G. Wescombe (Burnie) C Grade Scratch race 5000 metres lst: T. Burford (D port) 2nd: J. Mollison (Burnie) 3rd: D. Eaves (Burnie) B Grade scratch race 5000 metres 1st: M. Clasholm (S.A.) 2nd: R. Innes (Ulverstone) 3rd: C. Hammersley (L'ton) A Grade scratch race 8000 metres lst: G. Atkins (Sheffield) 2nd: G. Hodski. (L'ton) 3rd: K. Smoker (D'port) Running 400 metres 1st: D. Bryan (D'port) 2nd: G. Monson (Burnie) 3rd: G. Woodhouse (Ulverstone) 1600 metres running Div. 2 lst: R. Spirks (L'ton) 2nd: J. Briggs (Diport) 3rd: G. Harris (Diport) Div. 2: 1st: P. McMahon (Hobart) 2nd: T. Laves

For those who follow cycling and understand the sport I must mention the superb finish by G. Hedskiss in the Campbelltown Wheel Race. The middlemarkers were about 70m in front at the bell lap. Veale then strongand he sprinted alone for approximately 300 metres and failed to take Veale by only one length. Only one mishap occured during the day and it was an unlucky II. Jordon who was separated from his cycle. Many of the cyclists mentioned above including others who did not attend this meeting will be participating in the St. Helens Carnival during the Christmas Season. I must also mention the opening of the Velodrome on Friday the 17th December 1976, which will provide a great deal of entertainment for everyone.

(Somerset) 3rd: T. Keating (D'port)









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LIONS CLUB OF ST. MARYS

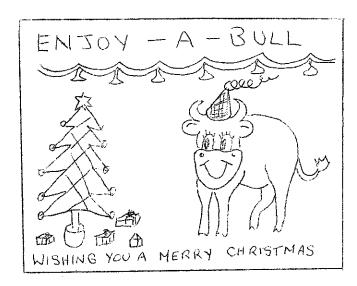
On the occasion of the official visit of the Lions In chational District Governor Max Cox on the 15th Decem m. a dinner meeting was held at the Scamander Hotel/Motel.

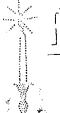
Approximately 70 persons attended. In addition to the District Governor, attending were the Cabinet Secretary Cyril Collins, Past District Governor Reg Whitmore, Zone Chairman Peter Langford, Deputy District Governor Trevor Eade and the President of St. Helens Lions Club Des Bailey and members of the St. Marys and St. Helens Lions Club. Members were accompanied by their ladies.

During the eveing, the district Governor presented perfect attendance avards to some 16 members of the

St. Marys Lions Club and also extension awards to the St. Helens Lions Club.

After the excellent meal provided by the management, visiting guests and members of the Lions Clubs of St. Marys and St. Helens and their ladies, enjoyed the remainder of the evening in a social atmosphere.







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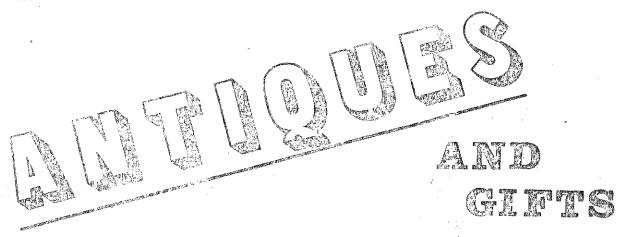
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By Mercury

ARIES: March 21 - April 20

Socially you will be quite active, while career brings rewards too. Travel is a possibility, do not lose your temper. Lucky days 22, 28.

TAURUS: April 21 - May 21

Be realistic in all you tackle just now. Keep your mind on what you are doing as this is not a time to neglect your mental powers. Lucky days 30, 3.

GEMINI: May 22 - June 21

The year can end happily if you relax and let others carry the ball a bit more, make full use of your talents. Lucky days 23, 29.

CANCER: June 22 - July 22

This is a good time for foreign contacts and correspondence, stimulating good influences for interesting work. Lucky days 24, 27.

LEO: July 23 - August 23

Travel and entertainment could be mixed with romance, do not spend more than you have to. Be very sure your ideas are practical before you try them. Lucky days 25, 28.

VIRGO: August 24 - September 23

This is a period likely to be honest hard work, voluntary service to others, and a desire to set personal matters straight. Lucky days 30, 6. LIBRA: September 24 - October 23

Co-operation and harmony with others is the trend at this period. Group activities may appeal now. This could be a good time to join a group connected with the arts. Lucky days 31, 5.

SCORPIO: October 24 - November 22

Give priority to an unpleasant chore you have been putting off. Change is in the air. Prospects are best later in the month so go slow just now. Lucky days 22, 1.

SAGITTARIUS: November 23 - December 21 Grasp opportunities to excel in creative work, keep your expenses within limits.

Indications are you are in for a very busy time. Lucky days 22, 27.

CAPRICORN: December 22 - January 20

Make the most of fortunate developments to improve family security. Press on with a creative hobby. Lucky days 29, 4.

AQUARIUS: January 21 - February 19

Make your environment more liveable. Inject beauty into it within your means. Be kind and friendly to get the most out of life. Lucky days 25, 28.

PISCES: February 20 - March 20

Do not be too fixed in your opinions. Be willing to move along with others. Service to others will be important to you just now. Lucky days 29, 6.



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