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Coming up trumps with spades.

When push comes to shovel there's no better place to be in early March than the Fingal World Coal Shovelling Championships.

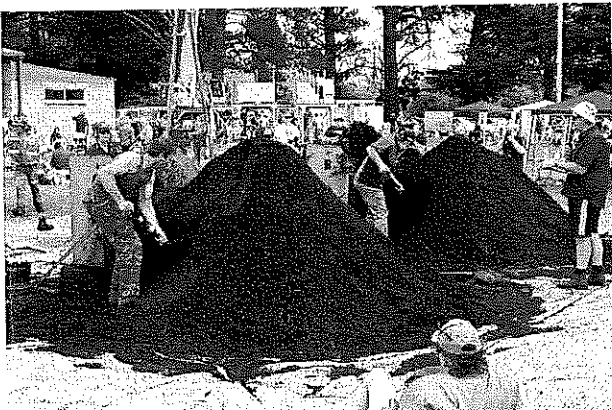
The cream of Australia's shovellers gathered last weekend for the 28th Championships to be held in the valley, with competitors coming from Queensland and New South Wales to join local shovellers.

Wollongong concreter Stuart Turner came with high hopes of defending his crown, aware that 5 times world champion Jim Sullivan wanted one more chance to regain the title before hanging up his shovel. 63 year old Parsons, a former miner from Queensland, has been a regular visitor to the festival for over 20 years and had been putting in extra practice for his final shot at the world title.

Using traditional miner's "banjo" shovels, competitors must shovel half a ton of coal (508 kilograms) into a hopper. Great care is taken to manicure and pat down the coal stacks into perfect shape so that the coal falls on to the shovel as contestants work their way up the pile – precious split seconds can be lost if the coal doesn't act exactly as the competitors want. Shovellers work their way up the stack so that there isn't so far to throw the coal as they tire. Top shovellers can shovel the half ton in a little over 30 seconds – that's a 12 kilogram shovel full about every one and a half seconds.

With competitions held throughout Australia there's great camaraderie amongst the competitors, but make no mistake, these ultra-fit sportsmen take their sport seriously. "I just love it. They are a special bunch of people and the sport helps keep me fit," says Stuart Turner, who practices at home each evening after a full day's concreting. "It's not the money. It's the prestige. To be able to tell people you are a world champion is fantastic," he says. Stuart believes that the sport is enjoying a resurgence in popularity but the heady days when competitors could win as much as \$3000.00 at a single championship have gone, with most events these days posting about \$1500.00 for the winner.

Three local and three interstate competitors made this year's final six, with the two fastest qualifiers, Parsons and Turner, competing last, and needing to beat the 38.13 seconds set by Malcolm Woods. Little more than a second split the final two shovelling gladiators with Turner victorious in a time of 31.67 seconds, beating Parsons by a little over a second. "I knew Jim wanted this title badly and has been putting in extra practice but I'm amazed by just how close it was in the end," said Turner.



Stuart Turner left, and Jim parsons competing.



World Coal-shovelling Champion Stuart Turner, aged 40, left, with former world champion Jim Parsons, aged 64, at Fingal last weekend.

This year's championship was filmed by an international television crew with footage being sent to over 150 countries around the world by satellite.

Fingal has, once again, established itself as the coal shovelling capital of the world and this unique club of men with big hearts have taken their spades to come up trumps with a splendid day's entertainment.

Article by John Fife, visiting journalist from Victoria who stayed at Addlestone House B & B over the Fingal Festival weekend.

Photos: Peter Troode.

Please note: Deadline for articles to be included in the next Valley Voice is: 5 pm Tuesday, March 25, 2008.
New email address: judith.spilbury@bigpond.com

Community news

St Marys Hospital Auxiliary

meets the first Monday of every month at 2pm at the St Marys Community Health Centre.

The Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild Inc. meets the last Saturday of the month at 4pm at the goods shed behind the St Marys Railway Station.

Grassy Bottom Regional Arts are holding General meetings on the first Tuesday of every month at 2 Story St, St Marys at 6pm. Come along to share your creative ideas and help Grassy Bottom maintain an artistic culture in our community.

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

St Marys Ladies Midweek Tennis 9.30am each wed. Need new players - of any standard- beginners welcome-childminding included - lovely safe place to bring toddlers while you play. **Ring Annette- 6372 2224.**

St Marys Playgroup meets each Friday 10ish at the kindergarten. All preschool aged kids welcome to bring a carer/parent/granny/pa for a play and morning tea. Very chilled relaxed group of all ages - we love new members.

Contact Jane 6372 5060.

WOMBAT WALK WEEDERS meet every Wednesday 9am to 12 Noon (weather permitting) at St Marys Musical Playground area to plant and maintain the rivulet park and flower bank - anyone interested in joining us - please come along and meet our group. Contact - Robina 6372 2022.

Break O'Day Wine & Food Appreciation Society meets once a month on the last Sunday.

Ph: Jan 6376 1661 or Leanne Ph: 6372 5291.

The Scamander and Beaumaris Community Development Association meets at 7 pm at the Fire Station Scamander every third Wednesday of the month. New members are most welcome.

St. Patricks Head & Esk Valley Historical Society meets on the third Sunday of every month at St. Marys History & Gifts (the old railway station) at 2.30 pm. Meetings are informal and fun and new members are needed. Please contact **Barry Aulich** on 6372 5752 or **Jim Haas** on 6372 2127.

The Falmouth Community centre would like to advise members and the community that the new contact for bookings of club facilities is Ben Morgan. Ben can be contacted on 03 6372 5604.

NEWS FROM GONE RUSTIC:

PLAYTIME! Create your own luscious background fabric designs while playing with fabric crayons - you can then embellish them with hand or machine embroidery and/or appliqué. Session held on Saturday, 5th April (9-12). Bookings essential; please call in for a materials list. Cost: \$10 plus materials. [Fabric crayons can be ordered now for \$5 per pkt; some will also be available for use on the day.]

BIRDHOUSE SAMPLER QUILT - an original design by Rita Summers. Join this class to make a quilt from "go to whoa", in your choice of colours and layouts. Starts Tuesday 15th April (1-3 pm; total of 8 weekly sessions). Cost: \$90 plus materials; minimum \$20 deposit with booking. *Bookings are essential; maximum of 6 enrolments only.*

FEATURED GUEST QUILTER - Lundy Vosper will exhibit her lovely quilts @ *Gone Rustic* from Wednesday 2nd April, beginning with a light lunch at noon, to help her launch her exhibition. Cost: \$5 per person. Book soon! *After lunch, why not stay on for*

THREAD PAINTING & EMBROIDERY! first session from 1-3 on 2nd April (will be every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month). Meet with like-minded stitchers to mutually improve your skills, gain ideas and keep the motivation going. Cost: \$5 per session; includes tea and coffee.

If you are interested in any of the above items, please contact Rita Summers on 6372 2724 (Tues-Fri, 11-4) or 0409 289 997, or drop in to Gone Rustic, 37 Main Street, St. Marys.

POSITIONS VACANT

ST MARYS VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICE URGENTLY NEED VOLUNTEERS

An information night for any persons interested in joining either the ambulance service or the SES, will be held at the Council Chambers, St Helens on Tuesday April 8th. 7pm - 8pm. If you have any questions please contact:

Coordinator: Ian Bradbury, 6372 2209

Assistant coordinator: Sally Spilsbury, 6372 2294

Grassy Bottom Regional Arts are calling for expressions of interest for a **Hooked Rug Making Workshop** with **Joanna Wild**. Cost will be: \$50 members/ \$60 non-members. This includes wool for rug making. Participants are to supply their own mesh, scissors and latchet hook (available at Spotlight)

For more info about hooked rugs, go to Joanne's website:

www.lasting-impressions.com.au

Proposed workshop date, April 26th, 2008.

If interested, please ring Eo on 0438 571 291

NATIONAL TREE PLANTING DAY.

Wombat Walk Weeders will again host National Tree Planting Day this year, to be held on 27th July, 2008, starting at 10.00a.m at Wombat Walk. Bring a hat, water to drink, and sun screen, and wear appropriate foot wear. Come along, bring the children and have a great day.

FRIENDS OF FOUR MILE CREEK

Public Meeting

2pm Easter Saturday (22nd March)

Village Green Four Mile Creek

All Welcome

Information: 0418 680799

Swap n Go gas cylinders now available from Gone Rustic, 37 Main Street, St Marys or call 0409 289 997 for opening hours.

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Ph: 0427 603 488.

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Desk top computer. \$50.

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Doors—various types. Make an offer.

Ph: Em. 637 22248.

1975 Holden. No rego. Goes well. \$800.

Ph: 0448 049 384.

Saxon woodheater, inbuilt, good condition. \$180, Ph: 6372 2686.

Toyota Tarago good motor, needs some TLC. \$500. ono. + 2nd Tarago for spares. Ph: 6372 2980

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Club lounge. 3 pieces. \$500.

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Ph: Karen Polden 6372 2438 or 0439 333 398.

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Wanted

Sheep to rent.

Property (12 acres)

at Four Mile Creek

requires a little lawn mowing.

contact Lisa

63722834 or 0438668583

WANTED

JAM (Jesus And Me) is in desperate need of a weatherproof shed (on site) for storage of chairs. Is there someone out there who could please help us?

Please contact Melanie Norton on 63-722099 or 0409-838816

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Would the person who left an amount of money for the Valley Voice at the Post Office last Friday week, please contact me on 6372 2155, as you have omitted your name and we don't know who you are.

A LITTLE BIT OF HERITAGE: Jim Haas
“The Large Family”

Nine Mile Beach runs along the western shores of Great Oyster Bay from Swansea to Swanwick and is, as the name suggests, around nine miles long. The area itself, with its long golden beaches, sparkling blue, boundless waters and rugged granite mountains rising from the sea as a back drop, is arguably one of the World's most beautiful places.

There are many days, practically in winter; if you walk along this beach you can be given the illusion that you are the only person on the planet. Then if you fossick among the millions of tiny shells that continually wash up from the depths of the bay there is a chance you may find a piece of broken blue and white willow patterned porcelain from an old plate or cup and saucer. There is also a good chance that this broken remnant was part of the belongings of the Large family who lost everything off Waterloo Point in November 1850. (Waterloo Point is the original name for Swansea and is where the golf course is today)

On the 5th November 1850 Thomas and Mary Large along with their six children and all their possessions left Hobart on board the cutter “Resolution” to start a life in Swansea by setting up a brewery at Schouten House. As the cutter rounded Maria Island and headed up into Oyster Bay a storm blew up from the Southern Ocean and turned the bay into a mass of raging, white water. The small cutter had already capsized in a storm on the Tamar River six years earlier and one passenger was drowned, so as they made their way up the Bay Captain Joseph Stanley worried that this might happen again.

By 11 pm they had made it to just off Waterloo Point, and the Captain decided to throw anchor and sit it out until daylight hoping the storm would blow out, or at least in the morning they would be able to see to make a landing.

But the storm developed into one of the worst Southerly's Oyster Bay had ever experienced. It blew hard, strong and constant, pounding the ship with waves that continually covered the deck with white, foaming, rushing water.

Sometime towards morning Thomas Large heard the rudder drag on the sand and moments later the bottom of the ship was thumped onto the sea floor. Almost immediately water began to fill the cabin where he and his family were huddled together. Helped by his wife and servant John Drinkwater, they wrapped the children in blankets and carried them up on deck.

But the ship was listing perilously to one side and with the waves continually dumping water onto the deck, trying to hold on as well as hold the children was getting almost impossible. The “Resolution” had become like a tiny insignificant cork tossed about on top of masses of white horses.

As morning began to break and Thomas Large looked around in the half light of dawn he became aware that the four crewmen had left the cutter, leaving himself, Mary, and Captain Stanley with one child each to hang onto, while John Drinkwater had two of the older ones. But where was William his second son? He was nowhere to be seen. Maybe he was taken ashore by one of the crew.

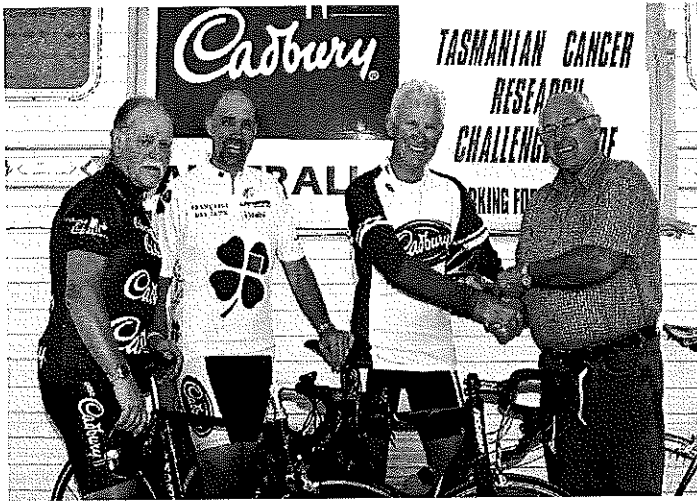
By now a group of townspeople, including a number of ticket-of-leave convicts, were on the shore watching the trauma unfold. The convicts were offered a free pardon to swim out to the ship and help with the rescue. Only one went forward, however, and he was soon driven back by the strength of the waves.

Next a whale boat was dragged across the beach and four convicts tried desperately to battle it through the ever rising surf. Finally, after four or five attempts they reached the sinking wreck, but the only one left on board, clinging to a section of the bow, was Mary Large. One by one, six children had been snatched from the arms of those who desperately tried to hold on, but the power of nature was too great. Five young bodies would eventually wash up on Nine Mile Beach, one would disappear forever.

An unconscious Thomas Large was found washed ashore and taken, with his wife, to George Meredith's house where he later recovered. His first words were: “My poor children.....” But the solemn faces and the silence of those around him told him what no father would ever want to hear.

The tragedy of the “Resolution” where six young lives were taken from their parents, just fifty metres off shore on that fateful November morning in 1850, can be remembered today if we stand at their graves which overlook the glistening waters off Waterloo Point, and then read the inscription on the headstone:

*“Weep not for us but be content. We was not yours but only lent.
Wipe off those tears and weep no more. We are not lost but gone before.
We was not yours but Christ's alone. He loved us best and called us home.”*



Graeme Milburn rides for cancer once again.

The Lions Club of St Marys Inc. has been involved with the Graham Milburn "Ride for Cancer" since its inception many years ago and while every year Graham is inclined to say "no more" he inevitably gets back on his bike the next year!

Pictured, left is President Len Miles presenting the Lions Club of St Marys donation to Graham on a quick stop while passing through St Marys on his 2008 ride.

Also pictured are fellow riders Jim Eades, left and Harold Flint.



Photo: Peter Troode

The Say. Cagerattler.

Lately I've been having a lot of discussions with some of our erstwhile councillors, on some interesting topics. Last week, two subjects occurred at the Online Centre steps, and both warrant a mention in this issue.

One of the newest councillors is in the process of putting an idea that has potential to inform and entertain the rest of us.

The idea is to delay-broadcast some of the major decisions that affect us all, by way of our local Community Radio Station.

Just think about it for a second or two. We often complain that as Council meetings are held when most of us are ourselves working, we can't really find out what's going on until we download minutes off the internet, and quite frankly, reading minutes is, shall we say, mundane.

Imagine being able to turn on to a segment time later that evening or the next day, to actually listen to what took place, on the issue/s broadcast.

The councillor informed me that it is a plausible method of informing ratepayers about what's happening at meetings.

Naturally, a bit of editing would be required prior to airing, but I for one would tune in if it was ever to happen. He wasn't really sure if this transparency occurs in any other council in Tasmania, but maybe ours could be a trendsetter. Who knows?

The other matter is not quite as exciting, but just as important to most of us. RUBBISH COLLECTION. I know I mentioned this before but.... How many of us get ticked off with the combination of fortnightly rubbish pick-up and two and a bit days the salubrious tip is actually open to us.

Whilst we were talking about the radio idea, another councillor came along, and the conversation eventually got to this subject. I asked how he saw it and he suggested that a community forum on all sorts of such matters, where all we ratepayers could have a real say on these things. If given the chance, I'd strongly suggest a review of tip hours be considered, even if only by extending the hours that the tip site is available to us all. This simple act might just lessen that 13th or 14th day of 'smelly over-spill' of garbage on many a nature strip in the municipality.

What do you think?

New CHEF New MENU

Lamb Shanks
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The Lounge will be closed on Saturday 15th March due to a private function but evening meals will still be available in our dining room.

COMING UP:

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Letter to the Editor

So the Morinna Power Station grinds to a halt after 100 years of electricity generation in the great North East. No more the rattle in the penstock and the hum in the great German alternators that were hauled into the Frome River by man and beast in 1908. It was the first Hydro Electric power station in all of Australia. While the rest of the world started a downhill race to see who could extract all the carbon from below the earth's crust and smoke stack it into our paper thin atmosphere the Morinna Hydro kept plugging away for 100 years. Carbon footprint? ZERO.

You would think such an achievement would be cut and polished like a brilliant sapphire from the nearby Weld River, then displayed for all the world to see and learn from. Not on your Nelly. It would seem that it was starved to death by the bean counters in the Hydro who were unable to pay enough for the power produced to enable the maintenance and replacement of both the pipe and power lines.

When you turn on the jug now, the energy will more likely be coming down Basslink from the great coal fired mainland carbon machines. That is until the Gas Fired unit is running at Bell Bay. Then when your jug grumbles we will have a home grown carbon producing power station. Privately owned mind you, so the jug will need to grumble a bit extra for the executive salaries, the stockbrokers commissions and the dividends for the shareholders who will all be making a profit when you throw the switch.

There are two places in Tasmania that seem to share the highest rainfall. One is Mount Read (which must be a real bog hole) and the other is Lake Margaret. I have been to Lake Margaret, and nestled in the valley below the lake is a power station just like Morinna. Same rattle, same hum but a mere pup having been commissioned in 1914. Just like Morinna it is now stone cold and silent for want of a new pipeline. While the Highland Lakes are receding and the trout fishermen have long hikes up to the boat ramps there is one lake in Tasmania that must be busting. Be a great place to have a Hydro Electric Power Station you would think.

Morinna Power Station used to draw its water from Lake Frome. A real heartbreaker of a lake with the forest of giant white gums reflected in the crystal clear water. It is odds on that some 'wet behind the ears' engineer will deem the 100 year old wall unsafe and it will be destroyed just like the Mount Paris Dam across the valley. More crystal clear sweet water running wild to Bass Strait.

We have already had a 17% power price rise (you haven't got the bill just yet) and you can bet that there will be 5 or 10% a year for the foreseeable future. We consumers don't have a choice. We either pay up or switch off. As more and more of our hard earned goes into the meter box, Hydro needs to be asked some hard questions. Just what is going on?

Bob Oates.



In the article "Doing the Rounds" 28 February 2008, Councillor Reon Johns did make some comments in relation to the Council agenda, the following is intended to clarify the matters raised.

To describe the change as a new "Scheme" is incorrect, it is a procedural change to improve the efficiency of preparing Council agendas/minutes and to ensure Council complies with Regulations. Also, it protects the personal information that Council has the responsibility to manage in accordance with legislation.

There are not two parts to the agenda, the agenda is the list of items that are to be addressed at the meeting. In addition to the agenda there are "associated reports and documents", these are available for viewing with the agenda at the Council Office 4 days prior to the meeting as well as at the meeting itself.

The associated reports and documents are not provided on the website as the information within them often contains personal and/or confidential information which needs to be managed accordingly. At no time are the public not given access to inspect these associated reports and documents in line with the regulations.

Tony Walker

Acting General Manager.

THUMBS DOWN

Thumbs down to the person, or persons, who it appears have taken it on themselves to "cull" cats on Cornwall. I wonder if it is realised that some of these little animals were much loved household pets and are now sadly missed by their owners.

If these animals were causing a problem wouldn't it have been more humane to speak to their owners first before cowardly causing them to disappear without a trace?

Jim Haas, Cornwall.

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**ST PATRICKS HEAD & ESK VALLEY
HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.**

Report by Jim Haas

As part of this year's Tasmanian Heritage Festival, St Patricks Head and Esk Valley Historical Society Inc. plan to stage an "Early Hunting and Bush Survival" demonstration, plus a display of memorabilia from the Fingal Rifle Association.

This will be held on Saturday the 19th April from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm at the St Marys Railway Yards and will include a market, plus entertainment from local musicians.

To enable the public to view and be part of this wonderful time in our heritage free of charge, the Society is running a raffle to cover costs.

If any business, or indeed individual, in the Fingal Valley would like to participate in this worthwhile event by donating a prize for the raffle we would be most grateful.

Contacts for the Historical Society are:

Darlene 63 722 007 – Barry 63 725 752

– Jim 63 722 127

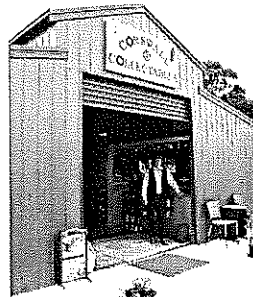
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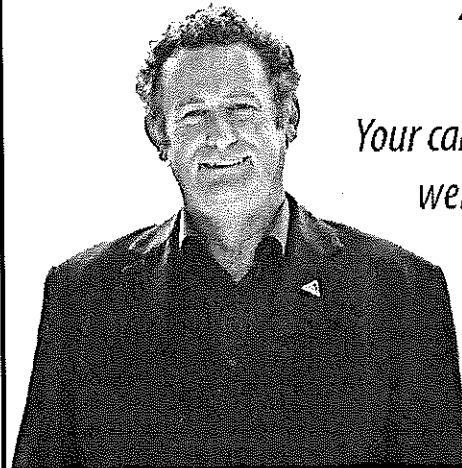
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The letter below was sent to Liz Dean from Graham Mann of the Spooky Men's Chorale, and Liz has decided to share it with the Valley Voice readers.

It Reads:

Dear Liz.

Re: St Marys Community Hall acoustics.

I am writing on behalf of the Spooky Men's Chorale, who performed at the Community Hall on January 15 this year during a series of appearances in Tasmania.

As you know, we are a medium-sized men's a cappella choir that performs throughout Australia and tours overseas, averaging more than 50 gigs per year. We usually perform with on-stage microphones and amplification, but take every opportunity we can to sing "un-plugged", both for the pleasure of feeling the sound "in the room", to achieve the best tuning among parts, and to get all the stands and mikes out of the way of the visual side of our performance. However few venues are up to this standard.

We all commented to each other on the night about the excellent acoustics in the Community Hall and agreed it was one of the best venues that we had performed at in the past year from a sound quality point of view. The singing felt effortless on stage and foldback from the room was clean and warm—it was a pleasure to sing there.

I understand that your community has invested significantly in acoustic modification of the venue. Congratulations—you need to know that the money has been very well spent.

Best wishes
Graham Mann.
on behalf of the Spooky Men.

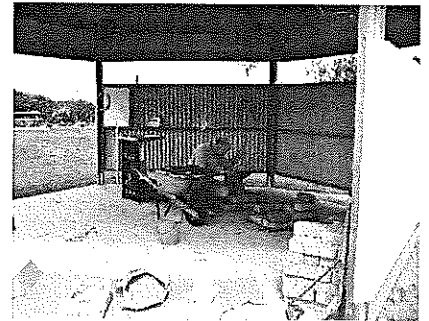
**CORNWALL NEWS
Report by Jim Haas**

WELL DONE COXIE!!! The Cornwall Community would like to extend a special thanks to Craig Cox for the wonderful work he has done in tidying up around Cornwall and burying our precious water line, making it safe from future fires.

The Cornwall Park BBQ, which has been funded by the State and Federal Governments Community Fire Recovery money, only requires an electrician for it to be functional.

This project, along with projects in other fire affected areas of Break O'Day, is designed to help the community recover from the trauma of December 2006, as well as be a lasting reminder of how vulnerable we are to bush fires and to always be prepared in the fire season.

Hopefully, at the next meeting of the Cornwall Community on the 1st April, a date will be set to hold the opening of our BBQ where all members of the Break O' Day community will be invited to attend.



"Ed Wolski of Scamander works on the brickwork for the fitting of the Cornwall Park BBQ"

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NOTICE

ST MARYS VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE RAFFLE.

THE ST MARYS VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE RAFFLE WHICH WAS TO HAVE BEEN DRAWN ON MARCH 1, 2008, HAS BEEN DEFERRED UNTIL MARCH 29, 2008.

SOME BOOKS FROM OUTLYING AREAS ARE STILL TO BE RETURNED.

SORRY FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE.
GERALD AULICH, GROUP CAPTAIN.

PUBLIC MEETING CALLED FOR BEAUMARIS

A PUBLIC MEETING IS TO BE HELD
ON SUNDAY APRIL 6TH,
SURFSIDE MOTEL, BEAUMARIS,
AT 2.00 P.M.
SUBJECT: HOME DELIVERY
MAIL SERVICE
FOR BEAUMARIS VILLAGE.

HISTORY:

Signatures on petition papers collected 12 months ago indicating more than the 50% required would welcome the service to each household, were forwarded to Australia Post, who replied that it was necessary to carry out their own private poll.

After this 'private poll', which, we believe, was conducted in the manner of opinion polls, that is on a percentage basis, indicated that only 32% OF THOSE POLLED returned their questionnaire.

The fact that they, the recipients, only had to return the forms if they *wanted* the service worked against the original intention, as many did not return their slips, having already signed our petition.

We, the residents, feel that we have been short-sheeted, and as Binalong Bay has a home-delivery, it is felt that the 6.5 kms. from Scamander should be no problem, and would serve the needs of many in the village who have to rely on friends driving them to the Scamander P.O. to collect mail.

The only dissension has come from a handful of residents whose costs of a private box would rise if the above service were provided.

9 politicians have been invited, as well as the Mayor, Robert Legge.

Kind regards,
Don Ives.

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Peter R Power. Civil Marriage Celebrant
The Break O Day region now has our own
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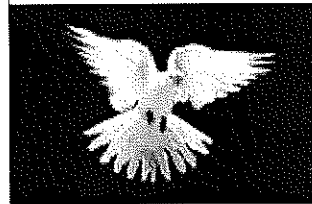
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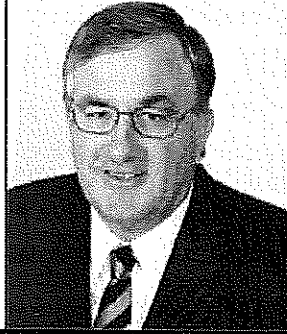
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OUT OF THE WOODWORK

By Wendy Brennan Treasurer 6372 2094

The Guild's trip to the Sassafras Heritage Farming Weekend was not only an enjoyable visit but a trip down memory lane. It was good to see that historians have recognised the importance of keeping old machinery still working and giving our youth an appreciation of the skills of yesteryear.

Guild members have been busy making plans with the St Marys Day Centre Respite Group to manufacture items which can be decorated and sold by them. I hope this venture provides many hours of joy for all who participate. We are only too happy to assist this worthwhile group in any of its endeavours and this valuable cause helps us recycle our off cuts.

Our application for the \$500.00 grant has been submitted to buy a drop saw. We all have our fingers crossed that this time we may be successful.

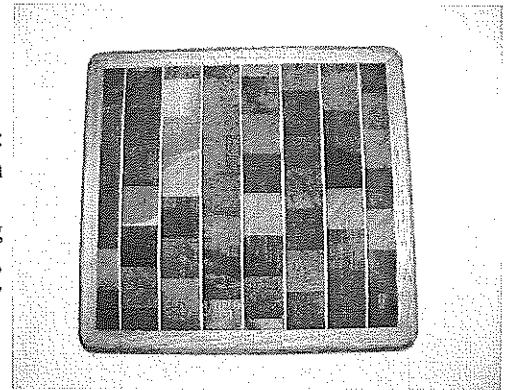
We are in the process of coordinating our official opening. We will keep you informed of our progress.

Congratulations to the Campbell Town Area Community Services Board and its chairman Deputy Mayor David Downie who worked with their town's health service on opening a men's shed in Ross. We wish them every success.

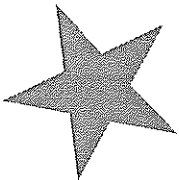
The Guild has 2 small coffee tables and 2 bedside tables for sale at &15.00 each or \$25.00 for both, please note that these are seconds.

The Guild meets on the last Saturday of the month in the Goods Shed behind the St Marys Railway Station, at 4pm.

The Woodcraft Guild workshop is open Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday from 10:00 till 4:00. Other times by arrangement.



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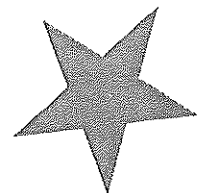
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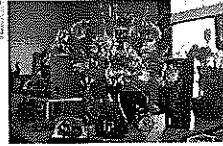
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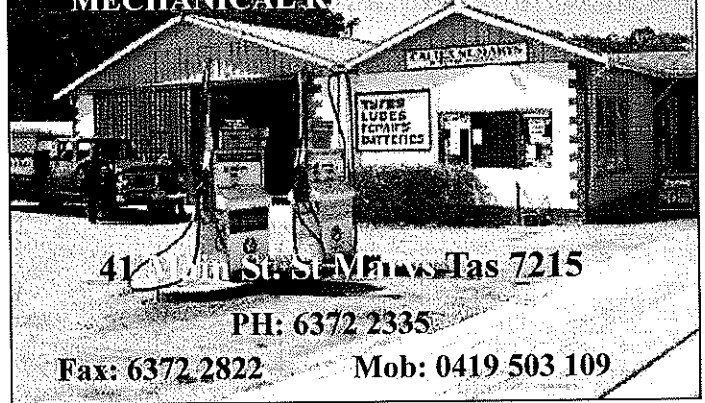
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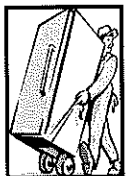
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Federal Member for Lyons

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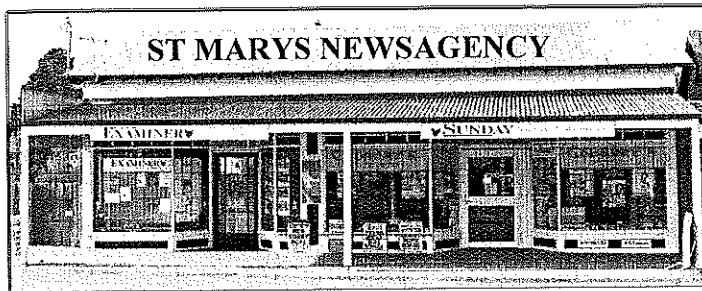
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There will be a Stitcher's Craft Shop, Daily Door Prizes, and demonstrations of Quilting, Embroidery, Machine Embroidery, Computer Quilt Design, Basket Weaving and much more.

We will be showcasing numerous quilts, embroidery, knitting, teddies, etc. Come and see who has won 'Best in Show'. There will be numerous prizes for other categories, with special prizes for juniors, as we wish to encourage younger entries.

This year we sent out a challenge to all stitchers for a mini A3 size quilt with the theme:

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We were very pleased with the interest shown from all over Tasmania and Interstate. We have started receiving quilt entries and are amazed by the different ideas and styles. They will make a very interesting display at our Exhibition.

Our raffle prize is a queen sized quilt made by Break O'Day Stitchers and monies raised go towards deserving local charities. Last year we supported The Royal Flying Doctors, St. Helens Community Car, and The Lymphoedema Association of St. Marys.

If you are interested in entering the competition or just exhibiting your creations you can contact

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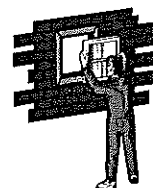
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Thurs 20th	Heather Griffiths	Maureen Hall
Fri 21st	Claire Bean	Julie-Ann Claridge
Mon 24th	Audrey Wright	Susan Woods
Tues 25th	Geoff Herrmann	Barbara Saunders
Wed 26th	D & V Rice	Sharon Hall
Thurs 27th	Yvonne Salter	Christine Woods (S)
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1st Week: MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
Bicheno 9.00am
Fingal 11.30am
Campbell Town 5.00pm

2nd Week LITURGY

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

3rd Week: MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
St Marys 9.00am
Swansea 11.30am
Campbell Town 5.00pm
Bicheno Liturgy 9.00am

Week 4 LITURGY

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

5th Week MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
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Ross 5.00pm

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Contacts for Valley Voice

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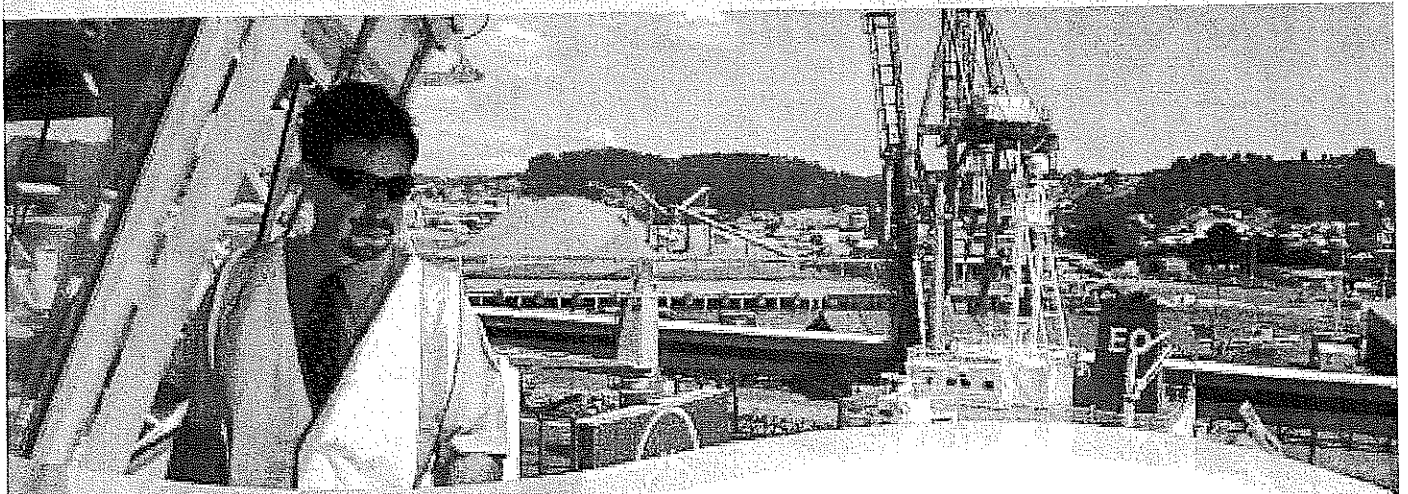
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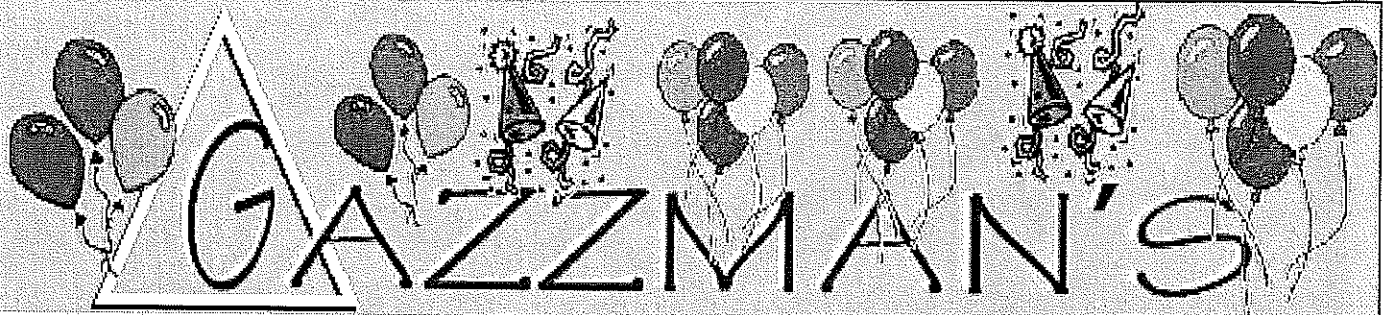
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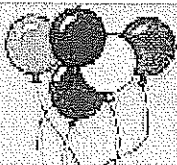
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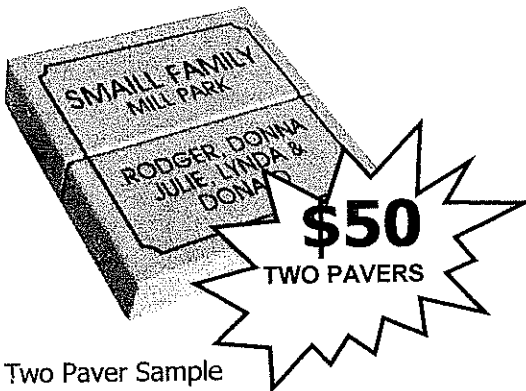
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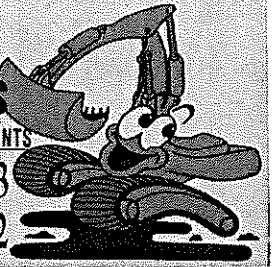
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- * Fingal
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- * Scottsdale
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Mount Nicholas Fauna and Flora Walkshop

- Talk and tour -

A public invitation:

You are invited to learn more about the unique fauna and flora
in and around St Marys
(donation at the door)

Saturday April 5, at the St Marys Town Hall:

9.30 – 10 10 am: David Leaman: Water and climate around the cloud mountains.

10 15 – 11 am: Peter McQuillan and Sarah Fayed: invertebrates on the Nicholas Range

11 00 - 11 30 morning tea - provided

11 30 – 12 15 pm: Sarah Lloyd and Bill Wakefield: birds and their habitat

12 20 – 1 pm: Todd Dudley and Nick Fitzgerald: biodiversity and reserve interconnection.

1 pm : lunch: (\$6.00 soup and homemade crusty bread)

2 - 5 pm Tours: Flora and Fauna walks on the Mt Nicholas Range

(easy walking: a bird, bug and plant tour)

Come along and see for yourself and hear the experts.

This Walkshop has been organized by Save Our Sisters Group and the North-East Bioregional Network:

For more information contact: Di Field: 6372 2535, or Andrew Lohrey: 6372 5585

Punctual arrival at sessions would be appreciated -

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			13th March	14th March
17th March	18th March	19th March • Dental service	20th March • Dental service	21st March GOOD FRIDAY
Easter Break			24th–28th March	
31st March	1st April	2nd April	3rd April • Dental service	4th April • Dental service
7th April	8th April	9th April	10th April • Next Newsletter	11th April



St Marys dates

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE



St Helens dates

- ☺ Wednesday 19th March
- ☺ Thursday 20th March
- ☺ Thursday 3rd April
- ☺ Friday 4th April
- ☺ Thursday 17th April
- ☺ Friday 18th April

Please feel free to contact them regarding your child's dental health on the numbers below:

St Marys Dental Unit 6372 2488
 St Helens Dental Unit 6376 5208
 Kelham Street Dental Unit 6336 4100

- ☺ Tuesday 8th April
- ☺ Wednesday 9th April
- ☺ Thursday 10th April
- ☺ Friday 11th April
- ☺ Tuesday 22nd April
- ☺ Wednesday 23rd April
- ☺ Thursday 24th April

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)

In May 2008 and in future years, all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 across Australia will participate in national tests that will assess their performance in literacy and numeracy.

Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students in Tasmania have been participating in literacy and numeracy tests for a number of years, so they will be familiar with the test formats and the type of questions they have to answer.

The main difference is that all students across Australia will be doing the same tests on the same days.

Students will be tested in numeracy, reading, writing and language conventions which include spelling, punctuation and grammar. The national tests will provide information on how students are progressing against national benchmarks (minimum standards) and support improvements in teaching and learning. You will receive an individual report that shows your child's results in relation to the national average and the national benchmarks. The report will also give a comparison of your child's performance against all other Australian students in their year level.

The best way you can assist your child is by making them feel comfortable about the nature and purpose of the tests and assure them that the tests will give them an opportunity to show what they have learned in class.

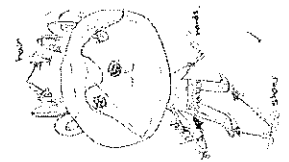
For more information about the national tests, including test dates and frequently asked questions, you can visit the NAPLAN website:
<http://www.naplan.edu.au/>

My Favourite Toy

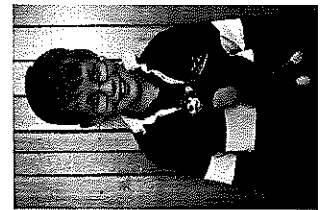
Grade 1/2 Hibberd/Miles have started an integrated unit of work on toys. As an introductory activity the students brought along their favourite toy to share with the class.



Trey Pennicott and his transforming truck



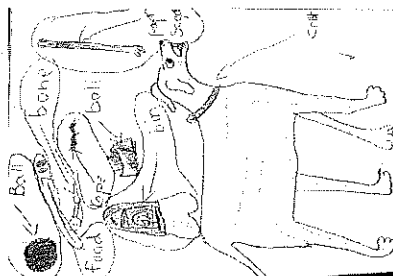
Chelsea Kringle - my two Beanie Kids



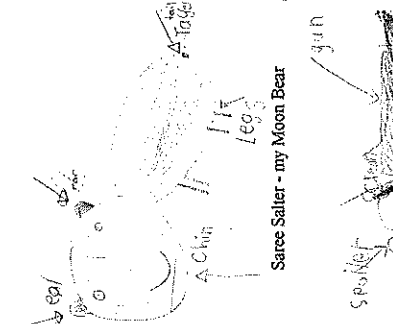
Kieren Gough and his Monkey



Lucy Miles - my Doodle Girl



Georgia Hodge - my Dog



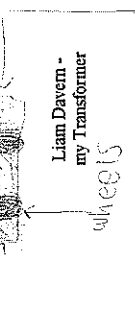
Saree Salter - my Moon Bear



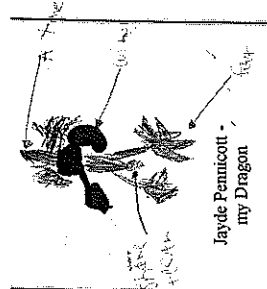
Paris Pribil - my Pixel Chix



Jacob Viney and his 'Cars' truck



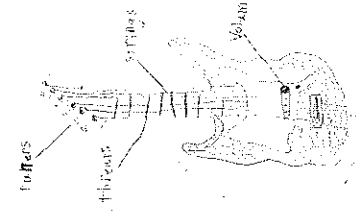
Liam Daven - my Transformer



Jayde Pennicott - my Dragon



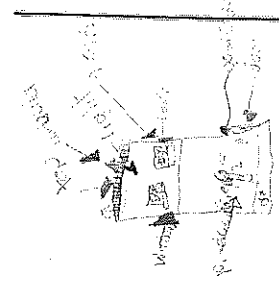
Chantelle Hennessy and her unicorn



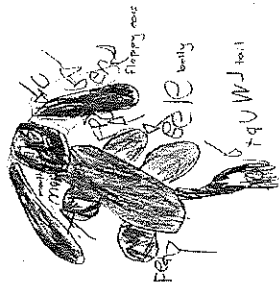
Jared Mason - my Electric Guitar



Lachlan Gee with his teddy, tractor and tiger.



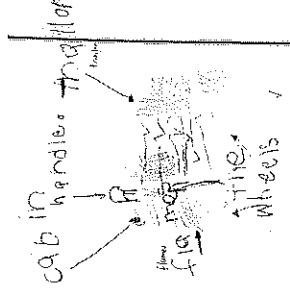
Chloe McCann - my Pixel Chix



Matt French - 'Sludge'



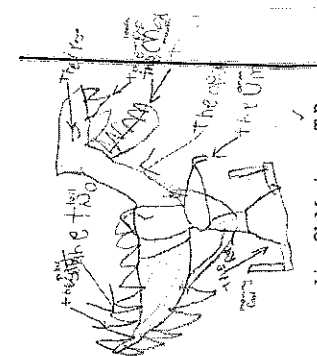
Jayden Cooper and his Pirate Ship



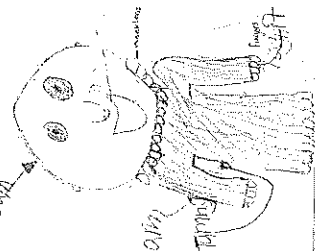
Jackson Spilsbury - my Truck



Tyson Haas - my Endangered Tiger



Liam Oll Marris - my T-Rex



Breanna Singline - my Baby Born



Michael Larby - my Whistle

ST MARYS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

DOCTORS on ROSTER

Dr Ottosen- 13,14,18,19,20, 26 & 27th March
Dr Reeckman- 17, 18, 19th March
Women's Health Clinics-14th & 20th March
Public Holidays- 21st, 24 & 25th March

AFTER HOURS SERVICE

PLEASE PHONE GP ASSIST ON 1300 780 011
AMBULANCE 1800 008 008 or
EMERGENCY 000

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE 6372 2111
BEFORE PRESENTING AFTER HOURS.

St Marys Community Health Centre
GP Surgery Hours:

8:50am-12:30pm

12:30pm-1:30pm LUNCH

Please do not phone during lunchtime as appointments
can not be taken by the nursing staff
1:30pm-5:00pm

SCRIPTS AND DOCTORS APPOINTMENTS

Please ensure doctors appointments are booked **prior** to
your medication/s running out or **in advance** if you are
attending this practise regularly. Patients can not request
scripts over the phone.

PLEASE BE PATIENT

Please be aware that **waiting periods can apply.**
Phoning in advance may save you a wait. Please
be patient, we are doing our very best and your
cooperation is appreciated. Everyone's health is
important to us. — K. O'Shea DON

AMBULANCE SERVICE FEES

Please note that fees **DO NOT APPLY** when using
the Tasmanian Ambulance Service in Tasmania.

During 2007 it was discussed to introduce an
Ambulance Levy Fee. In February 2008 it was
agreed not to introduce this fee.

If you require the Services of the Tasmanian
Ambulance Service please call 000 for emergencies
and 1800 008 008 for non emergency cases.

PODIATRY SERVICES 2008

Bookings for private Podiatry Services can be made
by phoning: Lightfoot Podiatry Services Launceston
Phone 6331 9568 for appointments.

Next Podiatry Session- Wednesday 19th March

Please abide by the **SPEED LIMITS** and **ENTRY** and
EXIT SIGNS set in and around the Community
Health Centre. Some access ways are **ONE WAY**
ONLY.

WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE

14th March **Arthritis Support Group** with Heather
Donaldson from Arthritis Tasmania at
10:30am. Please phone Hayley on
6372 2111 for further details.

17th March **TLC Meeting** 10am in the Day Room.

21st March **Good Friday- NO SURGERY**

24th March **Easter Monday- NO SURGERY**

25th March **Easter Tuesday- NO SURGERY**

25th March **No Child Health Session-** resume as
normal 8th April 2008.

ARTHRITIS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

Friday 14th March 2008 at 10:30am CHC
This will be our first meeting in 2008.
All welcome to attend, bring a friend!

EMERGENCY PHONE

The phone located on the side of the Community
Health Centre building near the ambulance bay is
for communication with 000 services **ONLY.**
THIS IS NOT A PUBLIC PHONE

This initiative was on review on the strategies used
in the Bushfire Management when the Community
Health Centre was relocated to Fingal last year.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT DRIVERS

URGENTLY NEEDED

Do you have some time to spare to help the
wider community?

If you do then Community Transport needs you!

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Please phone David Mallett- Transport Coordinator:
6372 2773 or 0409 802 536

UPDATE OF PATIENT INFORMATION

If you have recently moved or changed your phone
number have you updated your patient details on your
doctors file?

An 'UPDATE OF PATIENT INFORMATION' form is
available at the reception area at the Community Health
Centre. Please ensure your contact details are
currently valid. **UPDATE OF PATIENT INFORMATION**
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Seniors lets get together & have a BLAST in 2008!



(Better Living for ALL Senior Tasmanians)

Did you know ?

If you are over 65 you have a 1 in 3 chance of having a fall this year !

For over 85's it is a 1 in 2 chance of having a fall in 2008.

10 % of falls lead to Hospitalisation due to fractures.

Hip and wrist injuries are the most common.

Some of the leading causes of falls are :

Decrease in leg strength & Impaired Balance.

What can you do about it?

Come along to one of the exercise classes at Physio & improve your balance & leg strength.

Have a BLAST with us at one of Physiotherapist's
Exercise Classes:

Chair based exercise group
or Strength Training Class
or Balance & Stability Class

At St Marys Community Health Centre or Fingal
Neighbourhood House, Mondays & Thursdays.

For Information & assessment of your present
fitness & ability level contact David or Margaret on :



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Fingal Primary School

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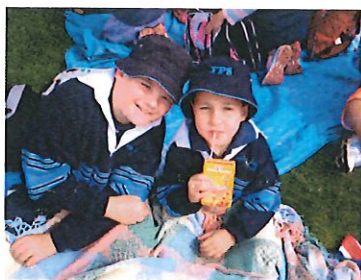


Calendar of Events - March

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			13th ENE Sports Association Meeting 4 p.m. St Marys	14th Guidance Officer visit to the school
17th	18th Easter Service Kinders begin full time at school	19th	20th Big School Newsletter ENE Swimming Carnival at St.Marys	21st Good Friday
24th Easter Monday	25th Easter Tuesday	26th Easter Holiday	27th	28th

Fingal and Avoca Combined Swimming Carnival

Children from both Fingal and Avoca Primary Schools braved some chilly conditions for their Swimming Carnival on Tuesday, 4th March at the St. Marys District High School pool. The Carnival, organized by HPE teacher Mr. Cameron Lynch, ran very smoothly with some wonderful swimming performances from children from both schools.



Alex Johns and Connah Tuck both of Fingal prepare for their events dressed in their new school rugby tops.



Ashleigh Templar of Mathinna tries her best to keep warm.



Kurtis Tuck and Sam Herbert both of Fingal enjoying the novelty events.



Catherine Bean of Fingal having fun on the water slide.



Alicia Lowe of Fingal enjoys the rings activity.



Aaron Rush of Fingal is ready for action.



Daniel Newton of Mathinna in the noodle event.



Jorgia Woods of Fingal all rugged up ready for her next event.

St Marys Sports Centre news. Kackhander

This upcoming Sunday it's great to report that the Men's Bowls Pennant Team has the opportunity to win the 2008 title, after comfortably securing victory in the 2nd semi-final on March 1st at Bicheno. Our opponent, either St Helens or Scamander, won't be decided until the day before, so we will have to wait until then to know that fact.

In the game just mentioned the margin was 34 shots, but we already know that the Grand final will unlikely be quite as easy. The boys have done very well this year, and the versatility is the secret to being very consistent during the season. The really hard part of the Sunday is picking the actual team. Two players will miss out unfortunately. Every single person involved with the side deserves a game but that won't be possible. Please understand that should you be one of those players it will not be because you are not worthy, but only that the selectors wish to balance each rink accordingly for that game. Every one who plays this year is equally important to the success. That's an ironclad fact. Please do your utmost to be at practice this Thursday night to aid in your selection.

Just as incredible is the monumental success of our Ladies Team this year. They have reached the Preliminary Final to be played this Sunday against Bicheno, with the winner taking on St Helens in the Final on Sunday.

Consider this: Prior to this season none of our intrepid ladies had any competitive experience at this level and now they have a genuine chance to reach the ultimate game this weekend. They need to lock in a solid performance and they can make it through. That would be marvelous. Once again a couple of their players will miss out, but once again anyone who does, although disappointed, will be just as big a part of the team as those actually chosen. Good luck to you all, and see you at practice.

Club games are still going on and the Men's Singles and Pairs will be completed very soon. We will report the winners as they occur.

To golf now and Men's Pennant is still requiring quite a few names to make it a possibility. Please put up your name very soon if you can help out. It doesn't matter if you've never played pennant before. It will only take a game or two to find your feet, so just make yourself available in the next week or so before the deadline. The first game is a home match against Malahide. It's up to us if we play or not.

The new golf season commences soon, and any ideas to encourage more participation is very welcome. The pennant, originally set for April 6th, has been brought forward to March 30th, so this has stuffed up a few things, but that's that. Definite though, is Macca's Swish and Fish Day on Good Friday. Over the past 4 years, this has proven to be an extremely popular event, and once again ALL are welcome. Golfing prowess is not important.

As soon as our new syllabus is locked in we will let you know.

The club has secured Saturday April 12th for the Trophy Night. The difference is that it will be a joint Golf and Bowls Presentation. For golf it will finally present the 2007 championship awards, but also for bowls we will do likewise for the 2007/08 champions across the board. There will be plenty of great food, similar top drop available, and of course fantastic company, so please try and book soon for a fabulous night.

Finally to some terrific news. **THE NEW PUMP IS UP AND RUNNING.** Yes it is. An enormous thank you must go to all our hard working members who have gone over and above the call of duty to add this crucial infrastructure to our club. You should all be very proud of your efforts.

*Anyway, until next time, good hitting and rolling.
(especially on Grand Final Day)*



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Mon - Fri 8am - 6pm

Sat 8am 12 noon

In-store butchery

This week

Porterhouse steak	\$15.99kg
Regular mince	\$ 7.99kg
Tasman bulk sausages	\$ 4.99kg

Next week

Silverside	\$ 6.99kg
Rump steak	\$ 9.99kg
Nichols chicken rissoles	\$ 9.99kg

In-store specials

This week

Fab laundry powder 1kg	\$ 2.99ea
Cashmere Bouquet soap 4pk	\$ 3.99 ea
Sorbent toilet tissue 8pk	\$ 5.00 ea
Fine Fare cream biscuits 250g	\$.99 ea

Late week

Black & Gold sliced bread 680g	\$ 1.89 ea
Kelloggs muesli bars 187g	\$ 1.99 ea
Dynamo laundry powder 2kg	\$ 4.99 ea

Next week

Spree laundry powder 2kg	\$ 3.99 ea
Whiskas canned cat food 400g	\$.99 ea
Cottees cordial syrup	\$ 3.49 ea
Fountains tomato sauce 600ml	\$ 1.79ea

Late week

Smiths potato chips 175/185g	\$ 1.99 ea
Cocacola/Zero/Sprite soft drinks 1.5lt 2 for \$3	
Peters Original icecream 4lt	\$ 4.99 ea

DADDY, HOW WAS I BORN?

A little boy goes to his father and asks "Daddy, how was I born?" The father answers: "Well son, I guess one day you will need to find out anyway! Your Mum and I first got together in a chat room on Yahoo. Then I set up a date via e-mail with your Mum and we met at a cyber-cafe. We sneaked into a secluded room, where your mother agreed to a download from my hard drive. As soon as I was ready to upload, we discovered that neither one of us had used a firewall, and since it was too late to hit the delete button, nine months later a little Pop-Up appeared that said: 'You've got Male!'"