

New ownership for bowling club

Woy Woy Bowling Club is expected to continue operating under new ownership and management.

An agreement was struck between a local business syndicate, Ettalong Beach Memorial Club, and St George Bank allowing the club to continue operating.

The agreement put paid to the expected closure of Woy Woy Bowling Club on Monday, June 9.

The agreement came in the wake of unsuccessful rescue offers from Woy Woy Leagues Club and a Sydney-based club.

Negotiations between the parties are being finalised.

The club's acting secretary-manager Mr John Bourne said: "I'm pretty sure that negotiations will be successful."

"Only the dotting of 'i's and the legal side remain to be dealt with."

Mr Bourne said that the local business syndicate met fully the club's financial commitment to the bank and the Ettalong Beach Memorial Club will commence managing it officially on July 1.

Ettalong Beach Memorial Club general manager Mr Peter Hale was unavailable for comment.

Con Orfanos, June 11.



Bowlers at Woy Woy Bowling club

Poor water quality

Woy Woy Bay has been rated as having one of the lowest quality levels in the Gosford area, with only Erina Creek, Kincumber Creek, and Terrigal Lagoon scoring worse.

Gosford Council has been collecting water quality data for Brisbane Water, the four coastal lagoons and feeder creeks and has produced a map giving each area a star rating.

Council engaged consultants WBM Oceanics to review the historical data collected to date, and provide advice as to the current health of local waterways.

The consultants also provided advice and direction for future monitoring, and a guide to come up with a state of the art monitoring regime and a water quality index which can be

reported on regularly.

Council is now seeking community input into that program, and is inviting people to a workshop.

Jennifer Ingall from councils' community liaison office:

"Council is seeking community input into the program," said council's community liaison officer Ms Jennifer Ingall.

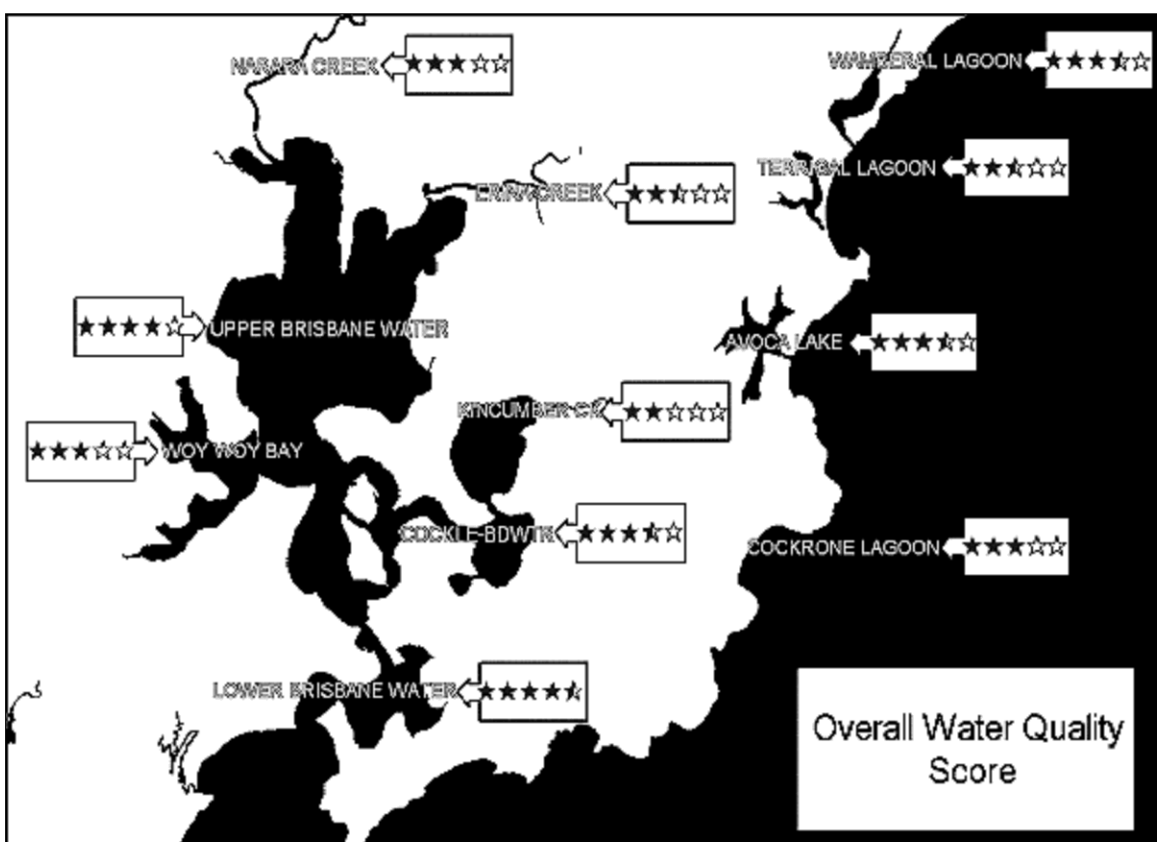
"People can get involved in this innovative project, and help us to determine the best way to protect the values of our aquatic ecosystems."

The workshops are to be held on Monday June 23, from 2 to 4pm or 6 to 8pm at the council chambers at 49 Mann St, Gosford.

Light refreshments will be provided.

Enquiries should be directed to Leah Smith on 4325 8912.

Press release, June 5



Public meeting to seek solutions

The Umina Beach Action Group, together with Club Umina and NRG Security, will hold a public meeting to seek solutions to some of the problems facing the community.

The meeting will be held at the

PCYC, in Osborne Ave, Umina, on Thursday, June 26, at 7pm.

Issues to be considered include crime in the area, skate park and beach front concerns, adult entertainment on the Peninsula and problems facing children including under-age

drinking and lack of entertainment.

The group will welcome anyone concerned about these issues and look forward to their input.

For further information, telephone 0409 155 674.

News release, June 13

Mini-bus drivers wanted

Brisbane Water Secondary College is looking for volunteer drivers to help with the school agriculture program.

Drivers are needed to shuttle Woy Woy campus students to study agriculture at the Umina campus in the college minibus.

With a pool of drivers this may only involve a few times in each week for each driver.

Any parent, who has a licence to drive a minibus and is interested in helping the college out, should contact the college principal, Mr Pat Lewis, at the Woy Woy campus on 4341 1600.

School newsletter, June 6

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Readers will be aware that this newspaper restricts itself to news related to the Peninsula, but there are differences of opinion as to where the Peninsula should start and finish.

Geographically, the Woy Woy Peninsula encompasses the land mass from Woy Woy to Patonga bound by the Rip Bridge on the East and an arbitrary line at Kariong on the West.

However, there are areas outside this that are closely aligned with the Woy Woy Peninsula for shopping, schooling etc and are for all intents and purposes part of it.

These other places have the same post codes as the geographic Peninsula suburbs and we have chosen to use the wider Australia Post defined region being post codes 2256 and 2257.

In this way we include Daleys Point, Empire Bay, Hardys Bay, Bouddi, Killcare, Koolewong, Pretty Beach, St Huberts Island and Wagstaffe.

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The paper actively encourages all groups and individuals on the Peninsula to contribute their news, opinions and items of interest for publication.

Contributions to the paper are edited to consistent standards of readability. Guidelines are available for intending contributors.

Community members are also invited to contribute by taking photos, joining the association, typing, or participating in committees.

There are 14000 copies of Peninsula News printed and distributed within the 2256 and 2257 postcode areas as well as to subscribers.

Concern about Taylor St development

Residents of Taylor St, Woy Woy Bay, have written to Gosford Council about a development at 92 Taylor St following a facilitation meeting in February.

Points raised by the eight writers, which have been presented as a petition, include concerns about an unsafe driveway, loss of public road, and loss of views, privacy and amenity.

The petitioners stated that a better driveway solution was for the applicant to use the existing driveway at number 90 (owners have agreed) which would place

the lower height garage at the south-western end of the block.

They wrote that approval of the dwelling in its current position would prevent future road widening and footway access for residents, which would render the narrow strip of the road unsafe for children and residents.

According to the residents, the developer agreed at the site facilitation meeting that the building should be moved to the south-western end of the block towards number 94's driveway, build on a concrete slab and that the dwelling be "excavated partially into the site".

Council agenda P.044, May 27

Committee declines visibility request

The council traffic committee has declined a request to improve pedestrian visibility on Araluen Dr, Killcare.

Mr David Abrahams had asked for a ban on parking on the north eastern section (waterfront side) and that bollards be provided to segregate pedestrians from vehicles.

Mr Abrahams requested that consideration be given to a no parking area being established on the water side of the road, a

further reduction in the speed limit to 30km/h, general signage informing motorists of children, and temporary bollard segregation of the roadside.

Council decided that none of these requests would be completed except that officers of council's road safety and traffic unit would arrange for the installation of children warning signs on Araluen Dr north of Killcare Rd.

Council agenda, TR. 03.060, May 6

Win ticket to Oz show

Peninsula News has obtained three double passes for The Wizard of Oz Show, which is running during the July school holidays at Gosford High School Hall.

To win one of the double passes, send in an envelope to Peninsula News, PO Box 532, Woy Woy NSW 2256, with the name of the city to which Dorothy and friends follow the Yellow Brick Road.

Please be sure to include your name, address and telephone number. One entry per household only will be accepted.

"Children can look forward to

participating in lots of activities with their favourite characters, including Shakey the Scarecrow, Shiny the Tinman, Scarey the Lion," programme co-ordinator Christine Laul said.

"All together, there is heaps of music, dancing, singing, and fun at the Wizard of Oz Show along with many interesting characters like Glinda the Good Witch, Munchkin Dixie and Funny Bunny," Ms Laul said.

Everyone is invited to join the characters from Oz in their adventure along the Yellow Brick Road to the Emerald City.

The show will be staged at 22 locations around the state.

Glen Purse, June 13.

No traffic calming for Killcare Rd

Gosford Council has refused a request for traffic calming and/or guardrail on Killcare Rd, Killcare, on the bend near number 17, following a request from Ms M Schwehm.

Ms Schwehm advised of a recent accident where a vehicle lost control at the top of Killcare Rd, mounted the kerb and gutter and collided with a parked car.

The council traffic committee minutes reported: "A site inspection has revealed that due to the proximity of access crossings at this location, the provision of guardrail would not be possible.

"The accident described appears to be an isolated incident and traffic calming is not considered warranted at this location.

"The hairpin bend at the top of Killcare Rd is sufficient to slow traffic entering Killcare Rd."

Council agenda TR.03.059 May 6

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Aquatic centre on schedule

The new Woy Woy Regional Aquatic Centre development project is on schedule despite recent rain.

At the end of May, the demolition of the old facilities was almost complete and clearance of the site had commenced in line with DA approval.

Clearance of the site involved removal of several established trees including a blackbutt tree synonymous with the old Woy Woy Pool.

Rot discoloration of timber resulting from past limb breakages made the wood unsuitable for commercial

purposes.

The timber will be recycled and used for landscaping the new facilities.

The new Regional Aquatic Centre, which will open late next year, will offer residents a range of facilities including upgraded swimming facilities.

The heated, indoor Olympic standard pool will have a state of the art technology water filtration and treatment system.

New grandstands and facilities will enable the Central Coast to host regional and school swimming carnivals, water polo competitions, and national and state championships.

Press release, May 22



Electrical apprentices receive their certificates from Mr John Della Bosca

All welcome at Mingaletta garden

The Mingaletta Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation has started a "Grow Your Own" project at Brisbane Water Secondary College, Umina campus.

The organisation aimed "to enhance the quality of life for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander residents of the Peninsula", according to Peta Sealy from Mingaletta.

It also aimed "to become a model organisation, to help Aboriginal people to become independent, and to protect their culture".

"Our community garden is for everyone, not just indigenous people," said Ms Sealy.

"Mingaletta means 'meeting place' and also 'bringing people together'," she said.

The aim of the project was to increase vegetable, fruit and bush food consumption among

Aboriginal families in the Peninsula area.

Project officer Stephen Hamilton will oversee the management of the program.

The project will have a working bee for anyone interested on Sunday, June 22, from 11am until lunch.

A barbecue and refreshments will be supplied.

Mingaletta will be launching the "Grow Your Own" project for NAIDOC week on Monday, June 30.

An official opening will be followed by a flag-raising ceremony and entertainment performed by the Mullawah Dancers from the Hunter School of Performing Arts.

For more information, contact Stephen Hamilton on 0438 812 843.

Jonathan Reichard, press release, May 30

Electrical apprentices receive certificates

A group of young electrical apprentices have been presented with graduation certificates on completion of their pre-employment training at Umina.

NSW Minister for Commerce and Minister for the Central Coast, Mr John Delia Bosca, made the presentation.

"These 17 apprentices have been trained over eight weeks by Electro Group Training, a not-for-profit company part-funded by the New South Wales government," Mr Delia Bosca said.

"Following their pre-employment training, the majority have secured apprenticeships with Star Electrical and will work on the State Government's \$200 million upgrade of Gosford and Wyong Hospitals.

"Electro Group Training has made these young people 'job ready', with the skills they need to

be placed with host employers.

"During the last eight weeks, they have received occupational health and safety training, the WorkCover induction green card, mathematics for the electrical trades, skills to assist in the installation of electrical equipment and four trade-based modules which give students advanced standing in their trade course."

The Minister presented certificates to 17 apprentices,

including two women, at the Umina Surf Club, where the group has been trained.

Electro Group has now trained approximately 1400 apprentices over the past nine years and has further vacancies on the Central Coast.

Electrical contractors on the Central Coast who are looking for apprentices can contact Electro Group Training on 9736 1076.

Press release, May 30

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It has just dawned on us that we really are being incredibly selfish.

We really ought to be sharing our secret with everyone so that you can all share in these benefits.

What have you to lose but your aches and pains.

I'm 80.

There are lots of younger people in the class. Some are older.

Until I tried it, I would not have believed how much better I could feel.

So come and join us and learn our secret.

Interested people can call Margo Brennan on 4360 2705.

Eileen Phillips, Hardys Bay

Home needed for rowing club

I am the head rowing coach for the Brisbane Water Rowing Club located temporarily on the Woy Woy waterfront and would like to make your readers aware of our plight.

We have been formed for the past year and, on June 20, we will be holding our first annual meeting.

We have accumulated lots of interest and have now over 30 financial members.

We are currently based at a waterfront reserve property at the end of Park Rd, Woy Woy, allowed by the good nature of the home owner there.

We have many clubs in NSW that have donated boats and I have purchased two quad sculls.

Unfortunately, we do not have the storage space on the waterfront property to house more than one boat. The boat that all the members use is kept

outside within the above mentioned property.

I am currently trying to arrange crews for next season's competitions along with other coaches and the club captain.

I guess we need to go through the hard yards, as they say, but it seems that the task at hand isn't getting any easier.

We have received over 160 signatures for the club's existence in a few hours at Deepwater Plaza.

There seems to be no shortage of support, but we need a permanent place on the waterfront now.

An approach to Gosford Council has been a "too hard basket" affair.

Do any of your readers have any constructive ideas that can retain the Olympic sport of rowing on the Peninsula for our youth and others to enjoy.

David Cullen, Woy Woy

Radio licence was appropriate

In response to your correspondent Richard Newby (Peninsula News, June 3), I would point out that 2CCC has a general community radio licence, that is, its programs are for the whole of the community, not just a specific few.

Therefore it was quite appropriate to issue a licence to Radio Five-0-Plus for the specific audience of the 50 and over.

The fact is that Radio Yesteryear's application to play music of the 1930s to 1960s meant that it targetted a similar audience, but for reasons to do with the detail provided in it's application, the ABA evidently gave preference to Five-0-Plus for this audience group.

Three applicants gave 93.93 FM as their first choice and since Five-0-Plus were the first station approved, they were given that frequency.

No matter what you or I may think of the broadcasts of Hits

and Country, they are subject to the same conditions as any other community station, including the requirement to play not less than 20 per cent Australian content, and to have the support and involvement of the local community.

With regard to PCR-FM, according to their application, most of their funding came by way of government grants, which may or may not continue.

Therefore they were required to establish a case for private funding.

It would appear that they did not do that to the satisfaction of the ABA so they were refused.

Incidentally, they were not the only applicant to own their own equipment.

Quite correctly, the ABA were found to be in error in issuing a licence to Gosford Rhema in breach of the application conditions.

Mr Newby's call for the recall and re-allocation of all licences is quite spurious.

R Lambert, Umina

Community Forum

Letters to the editor are welcomed and should be addressed to Peninsula News, PO Box 532, Woy Woy 2256. Contributions in Word format sent via e-mail to mail@pennews.zzn.com or on disk to save us having to retype them are preferred. Forum contributors are reminded that full contact details, including phone number, must accompany submissions. Please include a date with all contributions. Name and suburb will be published. Anonymous contributions will not be included. Submissions may be published in an edited form.

Seniors entitled to two stations

Richard Newby claims Radio 50 Plus has the same target audience as CCC.

This may be true, but surely we seniors are entitled to two radio stations, after all there are three commercial rock stations.

I know little about CCC, but Radio 50 Plus has the greatest mix of music on the Coast, no doubt in Australia.

They play every type of music there is, with the possible exemption of minimalist music.

So, if you want to hear real music, turn to 93.3FM and you'll be delighted as I was about five years ago and I have been a devoted member ever since.

Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

National parks form conservation umbrella

As the world approaches the goal of 10 per cent of every nation conserved in national parks, keeping safe for all time the earth's wonderful biodiversity, we urgently need a new concept to complement this great one first developed at Yellowstone in USA in 1872.

The English, determined not to be left behind the upstart Americans, created their own "national parks".

These were parts of Great Britain where humans had not destroyed but lived in harmony with nature.

The Lakes District is the best known, though today almost 10 per cent of this nation is conserved in what the more logical French term Regional Parks.

The idea spread so today at least 40 nations have these

conserved.

Put simply, it means placing a "conservation umbrella" over where people live and work.

There is no change in land ownership, only some management controls on what humans can do,

On the back cover of my book "Saving Australia", published in 1988, was a picture of a wheat farm side by side with the Stirling Range National Park.

This place is one of the crown jewels of the park system of Western Australia.

My caption closed with the words "we need both".

What has happened since then?

Australia has come a long way. We now have some of the world's largest regional parks.

They have a number of names. That does not matter.

It is the intention which is important.

Most States are working hard

on the problem but we need more, not only 10 per cent of the nation.

Louis Bromfield, the American author, wrote some 50 years ago he had a dream of all of the United States being one vast regional park with the national parks like diamonds to conserve biodiversity.

Humans do not always destroy, sometimes they enhance.

What are our largest regional parks?

First formed the Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Marine Park, next the Sharks Bay World Heritage Park which also includes the largest sea grassbeds in the oceans of the world.

Then more recently came the Great Australian Bight Marine Park, conserving the largest animals which have ever lived, the blue and right whales.

Finally and most recent the sub-Antarctic islands with the seas which surround them.

The last two are not well known but our national government can be proud they created them, adding a diadem of beauty to Australia's natural crown.

The Central Coast has a number of regions which residents love and want to keep.

A regional park "conservation umbrella" can do just that.

Vincent Serventy, Pearl Beach

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Hotel moves for rebuild

The Ettalong Hotel has moved across the road to Pacific Ave while construction takes place on its former site at Ocean View Rd.

Mr Greg Hertmanni, manager-licensee of Ettalong Hotel, said that the temporary premises were "much nicer and cleaner than the previous with full air conditioning, TAB facilities, and a glycol beer system.

"We're also trading better," he said.

"Unfortunately, we're not licensed to cater for children."

Construction on the former site was expected to start on Monday, June 16, with the demolition of the existing

building.

A four-storey building will be constructed over 11 months and will house the hotel on the ground floor and 14 two-bedroom units on the floors above.

An underground car park will cater for unit residents while the existing beer garden area will be turned into a car park for hotel patrons.

The hotel will include TAB, bistro, beer garden, bar-lounge, and drive-through bottle shop amenities.

Mr Hertmanni said: "The construction will be a major economic boost to the town in many ways.

"We'll probably employ at least four times as many staff."

Con Orfanos, June 11.



Ettalong Hotel is in a temporary location

School speed cameras are now in use

The fixed digital speed cameras being trialled in two Peninsula school zones started being used to issue infringement notices with fines and demerit points on June 11.

Warning letters have been sent to motorists detected speeding during commissioning and testing.

The cameras, announced last year, have been installed as part of a trial aimed at improving road safety in school zones.

They will operate 24 hours a day, enforcing 40km/h during school zone hours of 8-9.30am and 2.30-4pm on school days and 60km/h at other times.

The RTA spokesman said warning letters had been issued because speed cameras in school zones were a new initiative.

"But from June 11, the NSW Police Infringement Processing Bureau began issuing infringement notices to speeding motorists and licence demerit points are being recorded.

"School children are among the most vulnerable road users and the RTA urges all motorists to take extra care and observe the speed limit at all school zones."

The school zone speed cameras are located at Woy Woy Public School in Blackwall Rd and at Woy Woy South Public School in Ocean Beach Rd.

The usual warning signs on the road approaches to the cameras will be supplemented by newspaper advertisements and brochures distributed through the schools.

Shadow Roads Minister Mr Don Page has said that new speed cameras outside schools were being used as Government revenue raisers.

Mr Page said that comments by RTA communications director, Paul Willoughby, that the additional speed cameras were not Government cash cows, flew in the face of an admission by the Premier that the new cameras were being installed specifically to raise money.

"In January this year, Bob Carr

announced that 10 new speed cameras across NSW would raise around \$11 million over four years from motorists, with revenue directed towards spinal research," Mr Page said.

"There can be no doubt at all that these new speed cameras are being used by the NSW Government as revenue raisers - just ask the Premier.

"On one hand, we have the RTA's chief spin-doctor saying he hopes no one is caught by the speed cameras, and on the other we have the Premier saying that these cameras will be vital in providing \$11 million for spinal research.

"Perhaps this is the reason why the Government will not install flashing lights to warn motorists that they are approaching a school zone.

"If the Premier was serious about spinal research, he would fund it from the recurrent budget and, if he was serious about encouraging drivers to slow down outside schools, he would investigate measures such as warning lights outside school zones," Mr Page said.

Both Peninsula school zones with speed cameras are signposted.

Press releases, June 12

Disability placement

Eagle Boys Pizza store at Umina has recently employed a person with a disability with the assistance of First Contact Disability Placement Division.

Store proprietors David and Michelle Collins said that they were happy with their new kitchen hand, a young girl with a learning disability.

"Right from the start, she was a very enthusiastic worker, willing to learn and picked up her duties very quickly.

"I can already see that she will

become an asset to the team."

First Contact assisted people with a disability to find work, providing training in the new job and ongoing support to ensure both the employee and the employer are happy with the outcome, according to disability services manager Mr Brian Yates.

Mr Collins commented: "Having a trainer on site to assist the new employee makes it a lot easier.

"It takes the burden of training from our staff and makes the whole process very effective."

Press release, June 11

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Andrews' petition is misinformation, says Lloyd

Federal Member for Robertson, Mr Jim Lloyd, has criticised State Labor Member for Peats, Ms Marie Andrews, for circulating a petition about the Federal Government's "Fairer Medicare" package.

Speaking in parliament on May 26, Mr Lloyd said: "This misinformation only serves to frighten residents unnecessarily and is a total waste of taxpayers' money."

Mr Lloyd said that the petition falsely claimed that the Government's Fairer Medicare package would result in the loss of access to bulk-billing.

"The Government's package provides an extra \$917 million," said Mr Lloyd.

"As is the case now, doctors will be free to bulk-bill whomever they choose.

"For the first time, we will be strengthening the availability of

bulk-billing to pensioners, concession care holders and low-income people, but nobody will be precluded.

"[Doctors] can choose to provide care at no cost to a patient regardless of whether the patient holds a Commonwealth concession card and regardless of their income.

"The state's hospitals are in crisis.

"[Premier Bob Carr and Marie Andrews] have rejected that very generous five-year Medicare offer from the Commonwealth to inject a real increase of 17 per cent into the state hospitals simply because the Commonwealth has asked them to be honest with the Australian community [about] how much money they are putting into the state government hospitals."

Ms Andrews has stood by her petition.

"There is absolutely no doubt whatsoever that the number of

doctors bulk billing on the Central Coast has fallen dramatically since the Howard Government came to power in 1996," she said.

"In the past two years, bulk billing has dropped almost 20 per cent on the Central Coast.

"I am outraged by these proposed changes and have registered my opposition by speaking on Medicare.

"Under the Federal Government's proposed changes to Medicare, millions of working families will lose access to bulk billing and will be forced to pay extra to see their doctor.

"Instead of launching an attack upon me in Federal Parliament, the Member for Robertson should inform his constituents of where he stands when it comes to ensuring that bulk billing will become an attractive option for the majority of Central Coast doctors.

"Also the Federal Member should let everyone know what he is doing about encouraging more GPs to our region and overcoming the current huge shortage of nursing home beds."

Press releases, June 4

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4344 2704

Long-time resident dies

A funeral was held for Margaret Jaquet of Woy Woy on June 10 at Point Clare Cemetery where Reverend Jamie Newans and grandson-in-law Reverend Paul Seiler conducted the service.

Margaret Isabel Jaquet, affectionately known as Belle was born in Condobolin NSW on February 3, 1906, to James William and Margaret Shakespeare (nee Bailey).

When Belle was two years old her mother passed away in childbirth and Belle was raised by her sister Edie who was 13 years old at the time.

Belle had three brothers - Claude, Norman, and Jack - as well as her sister Edie.

Her father remarried Susanah Hay and the family moved to Patonga, when she was 10 years old.

Her stepmother had nine children, whose names were Mitchell, Billy, Anne, Bessie, Jean, Alma, Joyce, Keith and Maisie.

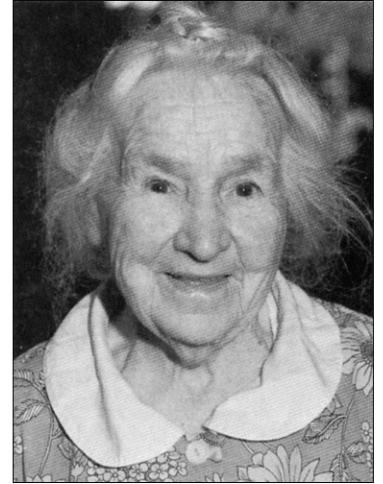
Belle assisted in bringing up her stepbrothers and sisters.

Belle's sister Edie started the first school in Patonga which Belle attended.

She left school when she was 14 years old to help with the family and remained in the family home until 1926, when at the age of 20 she married Walter Percy Jaquet, who was a local poultry farmer.

They lived on a poultry farm near Veron Rd for a few years, and then later moved to Hillview farm where they took up dairy farming.

Walter had the local milk run and delivered his milk with a



Margaret Isabel "Belle" Jaquet

horse and cart.

Walter and Belle had two daughters - June (Dillon) and Dawn (Morris).

Belle's husband passed away in 1971 due to a heart attack and most of the farm was sold to the Housing Commission and LendLease.

Belle kept a small portion on which she lived till she was 95 years of age.

The last two and a half years of her life were spent in a nursing home in Sydney, where her daughter, Dawn, visited and fed her each day.

Belle had a very strong faith in God throughout her life and a long association with Woy Woy Presbyterian Church.

Her Christian commitment demonstrated itself in the many years which she ran a Sunday School at South Woy Woy Progress Hall.

She will be sadly missed by all her family, her daughters, grandchildren and great grandchildren and friends.

Eulogy, June 10



Woy Woy Lioness Club president Michelle Smith with fellow members Vivienne Upton and Denise Taylor

Goods for bushfire victims

The Lioness Club of Woy Woy Peninsula has presented clothing and general household goods to Canberra bushfire victims.

Members of the club, along

with several members of the public, gathered donations late in March.

A caravan full of donations was taken to the Canberra Lions Club representative, Mr Gary Parker, in Canberra.

Letter, June 5

Fact sheets on village closures

The NSW Fair Trading department has produced a new fact sheet on the rights of retirement village residents if there are plans to close their village.

"An operator cannot wake up one morning and decide unilaterally to sell the park," Fair Trading Minister Ms Reba Meagher-said during a visit to Gosford recently.

"Any talk of the park being sold off can be very stressful for elderly residents, especially when misinformation abounds.

"The Retirement Villages Act 1999 is very clear in this situation and provides a rigorous process which village operators must follow if they are planning to sell the village.

"Residents must be given at least 12 months' written notice of the operator's intention to apply to have their contracts terminated.

"After the period of notice expires, the village operator must then apply to the Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal for a termination order.

"If it comes to the worst and contracts are to be terminated, operators must help residents find accommodation of a similar standard elsewhere and compensate them for such things as removal and utility connection expenses."

Ms Meagher said the fact sheet outlined the rules involved in retirement village closures so both operators and residents knew where they stood when it came to the law.

A similar fact sheet was released earlier this year on the rights of caravan park residents when the operator wants to sell the land.

The fact sheets are available free from all Fair Trading Centres or by phoning 133 220,

Press release, June 12



A drainage litter trap full of rubbish soon after installation

Litter collected in stormwater pits

Gosford Council has installed baskets in stormwater pits in Umina and last month 120kg of litter was collected.

Mayor Cr Robert Bell said: "Our environment is unique.

"Maintaining and improving the quality of our waterways is a priority.

"This initiative has highlighted how much work still needs to be done to prevent pollutants entering our waterways.

"Baskets were installed, because we expected to capture a lot of rubbish, but we weren't

expecting to capture this much.

"Everyone has been surprised at just how much is being captured, including cigarette butts, plastic bottles, chip packets, silt and leaves."

There has been floating litter booms at these outlets for some time now, but these nets do not catch the fine material, and are worn out quickly."

The baskets are lined with a geotextile fabric, which captures all gross pollutants down to less than 1mm in size.

Gosford Council was successful in obtaining a grant from the NSW Environment

Protection Authority Stormwater Trust to install these new pit baskets devices in Gosford CBD and Umina Beach CBD, as well as larger gross pollutant traps at Avoca Beach and Ettalong Beach.

This has been combined with community education campaigns – the message being "use your brain, not the drain" and "hefty" fines for those caught dropping any litter on the street.

For further information, telephone council's environmental project officer Ms Leah Smith on 4325 8912.

Press release, June 4

Rescued from rock face

A 38-year-old man and his dog were rescued from a rock face near Pearl Beach on Sunday, June 8, after being stranded for almost 12 hours.

Woy Woy Police were contacted by a friend of the Pearl Beach man at 4.10pm after they became separated during a walk from Patonga.

A command post was established at the end of Green Point Ave at Pearl Beach and a search commenced.

Shortly before 6pm, officers from the Broken Bay Water Police Shark Cat located the man and his dog trapped on a

rock face above Flathead Beach.

A crew member climbed ashore and found the man cold, wet and dehydrated while "Molly", the golden retriever dog, had suffered cuts to her paws from the rocks.

Ambulance officers reached the man about 7.15pm and treated him for hypothermia.

The Westpac Rescue Helicopter was able to airlift the man to Umina Oval about 11pm while ambulance officers and Molly made their way to safety on foot.

The man was reunited with his dog at 11.45pm

Media release, June 9

Inspection

The council's natural resources officer will make a site inspection at Palmers Lane, Empire Bay, and report findings to the next meeting of council's wetlands management committee.

The inspection follows suggestions made for signage and closing access to children riding trail bikes and push bikes, which were causing erosion and damage to wetlands in the vicinity of Cockle Bay.

Council agenda WM.016, June 3

Club reduces fees

Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club has reduced its membership fees to \$3.30 for social membership and \$5.50 for voting membership.

The lower joining fee applies not only to new members but also to existing members renewing their membership in July.

The price of a year's non-voting membership was previously \$9.

Renewals are due from July 1 to July 31 and may be paid between 10am and 7pm daily at reception or by phoning through credit card details on 4343 0112.

Photo membership is compulsory for members under 25 years of age.

Photos are taken at reception upon joining or renewing.

Upon joining or renewing in

July, members are automatically entered into a draw for a chance to win \$2000.

Club newsletter, May 10.

Eco-Villages and Co-Housing

A workshop at Ourimbah Campus Sunday, June 29, 9.30am - 4pm

Discuss projects which draw together people to form communities with a low impact way of life through shared land ownership. Themes will include:

- Environmental sustainability
- Intentional community
- Affordable housing
- Quality of life
- Urban and rural design
- Economic activity

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History

A successful publican

Jim O'Donnell was the licensee of the Woy Woy Hotel (The Old Pub) for at least two decades.

He was a very successful publican and a brilliant entrepreneur.

Jim was of average height and a natty dresser.

He always wore a business shirt, a vest, smartly creased trousers, highly polished shoes and sported a bow-tie on all occasions.

Jim moved around the bar at peak times, chatting, lighting the odd cigarette and shouting the odd beer.

If the Woy Woy football team had won the final or his daughter had a birthday, or any other auspicious occasion, Jim would shout the whole bar.

A meticulous operator, he always supervised the bar and cellar and made sure his beer lines were cleaned regularly.

His Tooheys beer was the best on the Coast.

This fact stemmed from Jim's exceptional management and supervision.

As an entrepreneur, Jim introduced professional and

amateur entertainers to his beer garden on Friday and Saturday nights and on Sunday afternoons and evenings, to bona fide travellers only in those days.

There were singing waiters, a four-piece band which included a banjo player of world-renown.

He was a remarkable player.

There were talent quests, singers, comedians and female impersonators from Sydney.

Lots of old-time sportsmen used to frequent the pub: old footballers, boxers such as Norky Fowler, and old jockeys.

One little chap, an ex-jockey, used to get himself legless.

Jim, the perfect host that he was, would call a taxi and then escort the old jockey to the cab.

Yes, Jim was the perfect gentleman, yet he ran a tight ship - no rough stuff.

He was quick to get rid of trouble-makers.

Jim was also very physically fit.

He would swim the tidal baths opposite the pub every morning, summer and winter.

Sadly, all good things end.

Jim and his family sold up, and the Woy Woy hotel was never the same.

Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

Local link to circumnavigation

The Australian aborigine who took part in the first circumnavigation of Australia 200 years ago was born in Koolewong, according to a local tourism operator.

Koolewong-born Bungaree (Bungary) was the first aborigine to sail around his homeland continent, according to Mr Wayne Peters of Coastal Eco-Tours.

Monday, June 9, marked the bicentennial of the circumnavigation of the Australian coastline in 1803 by Matthew Flinders who took Bungaree with him aboard the Investigator.

Bungaree later went on to become a tribal elder within his Stingray-totem clan, the Guringai-Walkeloa, said Mr Peters.

Mr Peters said: "The really sad thing to me is that although Bungaree was a Coast-born Koori legend, very few children on the Central Coast are aware that he existed."

"This Koolewong-born Guringai Koori discovered Tasmania with Bass and Flinders (1799), sailed around Australia twice (with Flinders 1801-3 and Parker King 1816-7) and was designated by the British Colony as the first Aboriginal King of Australia.

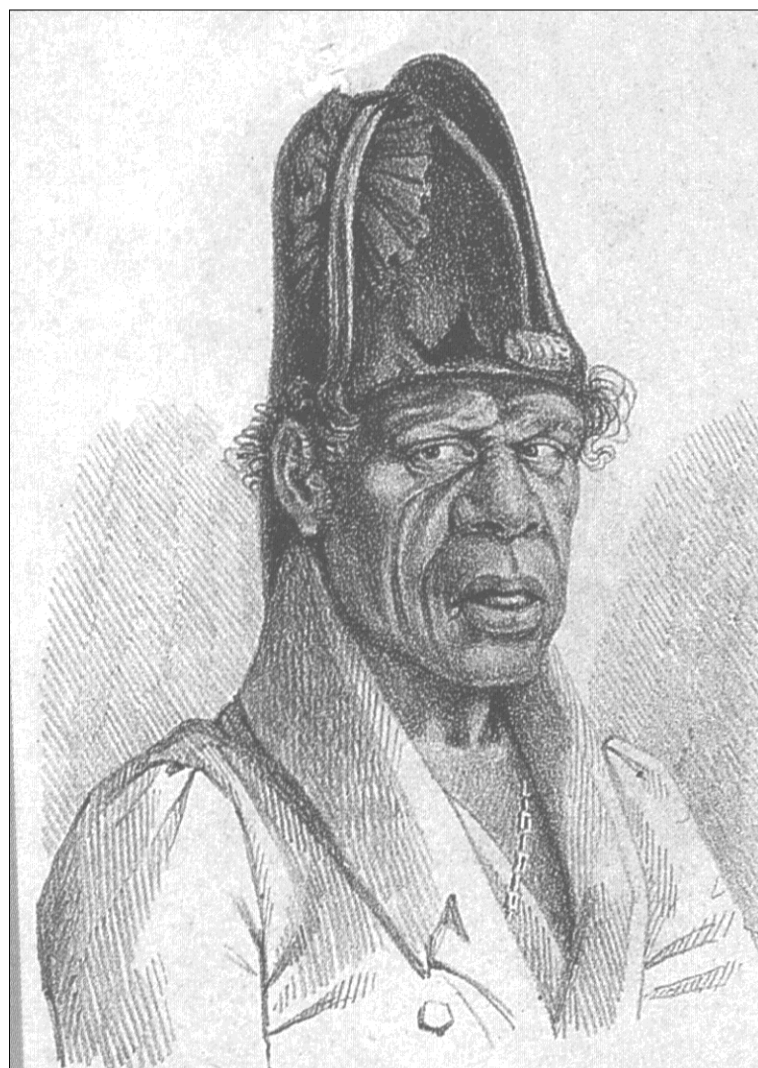
"And no one knows about him in his own backyard," said Mr Peters.

"The Walkeloa or Wannungine-Wannerawa speaking people were the traditional residents and landowners of the NSW Central Coast region up until around 1815.

"By 1816, most of Bungaree's tribal clan folk relocated with him to Mosman or Middle Harbour - a move orchestrated cleverly by the then Governor, Lachlan Macquarie.

"For well over 25 000 years, the coastal Guringai/Walkeloa aborigines hunted, explored and fished from the vast natural resources of the many rain-forest valleys and temperate woodland forests that greet the shores of our richly stocked waterways.

"The Walkeloa people survived three world ice ages and a sea level that changed as many times by using clever bush craft."



A portrait of Bungaree

Coastal EcoTours held an informal "friends of the Guringai/Walkeloa" gathering (Bora) at its survival base camp on Sunday, June 8.

The afternoon included a series of short seminars on the heroic exploits and achievements of King Bungaree and the Guringai bush tucker and medicine of the Broken Bay and Brisbane Water regions.

Press release, June 3.

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Religious teachers need a miracle

I am an original board member (a rather desperate one) of Religious Education Ministries (REM).

We are not in the habit of writing "begging" letters.

All our support is provided by God, through the combined churches on the Woy Woy Peninsula.

I feel, however, it is now time to ask for support from further afield.

The Religious Education Ministries is a non-profit public company limited by guarantee and does not have share capital.

Donations \$2 and over are eligible for tax deductible expenditure (ABN 18072 696 121).

In the past 15 years we have employed various teachers for the two high schools, solely supported by the church, by straight out gifts and also fundraising.

All denominations have been involved.

The Education Department is happy to have these teachers on staff and the subject is assessed and treated as part of the normal curriculum.

The Education Department does not contribute to their salary although the schools have found great benefit from the presence of our teachers, particularly in "crisis" situations.

Jeff Roffey who has been with us for 10 years has been able to act as chaplain several times.

The teachers also contribute to the sporting and musical life of the schools.

Jeff also teaches Higher School Certificate RE in his own time (and ours).

The Education Department will only pay a teacher for 12 or more students (years 11 and 12).

The young people on the Central Coast really do need to know about Christianity and according to staff the tone of the school at Umina, in particular, did greatly improve.

Community Forum

Letters to the editor are welcomed and should be addressed to *Peninsula News*, PO Box 532, Woy Woy 2256. Contributions in Word format sent via e-mail to mail@pennews.zzn.com or on disk to save us having to retype them are preferred. Forum contributors are reminded that full contact details, including phone number, must accompany submissions. Please include a date with all contributions. Name and suburb will be published. Anonymous contributions will not be included. Submissions may be published in an edited form.

A great many students come from broken homes and need all the love and care we can give them.

The churches have been coping with the budget of \$80 000 until recent years when income has not increased with the increase in expenditure.

The increase in wages, the provision of long service leave and superannuation, and the introduction of the college system has caused the budget to grow to over \$115 000.

Many of our supporters are pensioners and families with mortgages.

This year Umina High School (years 7-9) and Woy Woy High School (years 10-12) became Brisbane Waters Secondary College.

A bequest of \$70 000 last year encouraged us to continue a presence in both schools.

Last year we employed 1.8 teachers and this year 2.4 teachers.

Next year the numbers of teachers will increase yet again.

The situation at the moment is both exciting and desperate.

Exciting because at our AGM on Monday, May 12, we elected new board members and a new chairman.

The teachers' reports were enthusiastic and positive about their work in the classroom and interaction with the students at lunchtime and during after-school

activities.

We can see God working in the lives of these young people.

Desperate because of the financial situation.

Last year the budget deficit was \$31 000.

The short fall came out of the bequest which is dwindling rapidly.

This year already - in four months - the deficit is \$19 000.

We have \$23 000 left of our bequest.

We need a miracle to the tune of \$50 000 or we must cut back the work.

After 15 years of growth and great success, this is a heart-breaking thought.

Which classes miss out? Which teacher must go?

This money could come from one special benefactor or 50 giving \$1000 each.

Please pray about any contribution you could make.

God may prompt you to provide our miracle.

We need the money urgently as we have to decide and let the schools know by August this year which classes we can cover in 2004.

Doreen Janes, McMasters Beach

Senate provides protection

Thank heavens Australia has the Senate it has: **vigilant, active, democratically-elected and stopping the worst draft legislation our amateur Governments dream up.**

It provides the only real opposition to the two-party tyranny of look-alike major parties which have long ceased to inspire the electorate.

A feature of the much-praised but little-understood Westminster

system is directly responsible of the lack of quality of our Governments.

That is that Ministers must be "in and of the Parliament".

Thus some 30 portfolios have to be filled from roughly 100 elected politicians.

What can one expect? It is a recipe for incompetence.

Why not address that serious deficiency, the major cause of the problem?

Klaas Woldring, Pearl Beach

Thanks for support

We would like to thank everyone who attended or donated prizes for our son Paul's fundraising night last Saturday at the Ettalong Bowling Club.

The money needed to send

Paul to Greece to represent Australia at the upcoming ITF Tae Kwon-Do World Championships was raised.

We thank everyone for helping our son achieve his dream.

Brett and Debra Mason, Woy Woy

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What's on in and around the Peninsula

Following is a comprehensive listing of events planned for the Peninsula over the next two weeks.

Listings in this section are free to not-for-profit community groups although a subscription to help support Peninsula News would be appreciated.

Simply send us details of your group's events and activities by fax, email, or post, or drop in to our office.

Contact details and deadline date are shown on page two.

DAILY EVENTS

Visitor Information Centre, Watersedge Gifts and Souvenirs, 18-22 The Boulevard, Woy Woy. Enq: 4341 2888

Visitor and Community Information Umina Beach information centre Cnr West and Bullion St Umina (behind the library) Enq. 4344 2200

Woy Woy Pelican Feeding, 3pm Pelican Park, Fishermans Wharf.

WEEKLY EVENTS

EVERY TUESDAY

Judo all ages \$3, 5.30pm: Peninsula Community Centre, Ocean Beach Rd., Enq 4342 4121

Free movies Club Umina (Umina Beach Bowling Club) 7.30 pm Enq 4341 2618

Boxing/fitness training U/14 yrs 4.30pm - 5.30pm 14+ **boxing/fitness** (gym) PCYC Enq 4344 7851

Free Bingo, Woy Woy Leagues Club 11am.

Ettalong Pelicans Masters Swimming Club Woy Woy Indoor Heated Pool, 7.30pm Enq: 4360 1220

Ladies Golf, 18 hole stableford, 8am; **Ladies outdoor bowls**, 9.30am; Everglades Country Club.

Active over 50s classes, Gentle Exercise Level 3 Ettalong Fitness City, 8am, Enq: 4341 3370.

Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre activities; **Ladies Indoor Bowls**-9am; **Handicraft**-9am; **Cards**-12.30pm; Enq: 4341 3222.

Have-a-chat meeting 10am, **Discussion Group**, 11am, **Rumikin or cards**, 1pm, School for Seniors, Peninsula Community Centre. Enq: 4341 9333, **Judo**, Seniors/Women, 6.30pm \$3 Enq: 4342 4121.

Alcoholics Anonymous Woy Woy Group 6pm John the Baptist Church Hall, Cnr Victoria St & Blackwall Rd Enq Julie 4379 1132

Tai-Chi classes Wagstaffe Hall 10.30am except school holidays Enq 4360 2705

Rotary Club of Woy Woy 6pm Everglades Country Club, Dunban Rd., Woy

Competition Darts, Ettalong Bowling Club, 7pm Enq: 4341 0087

Scrabble, Empire Bay Community Progress Hall 12 - 4pm Enq. Jan 4369 3195.

Folk Art 9.30am - 11.30am, **Oils and Acrylics** 12 - 2pm Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre Enq Penny Riley 4360 1673

Children's story time, Umina library, 10.30am - 11.30am

Adult tap dancing classes, Ettalong Progress Hall 7pm Enq 4342 3925

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Rock'n'Roll Dance Class Ettalong Bowling Club 7pm Enq 4341 0087

Table Tennis Ettalong Memorial Club at 7.30pm Enq 4341 9263

Bridge Ocean Beach Surf Club. 9.30am and 7.30pm Enq 43410721

Peninsula Choir rehearse 7.30pm

St Andrews Hall Umina. Men welcome **Pearl Beach Play Group** 10am Pearl Beach Progress Hall

Enq: 4342 7182

Brisbane Waters Scrabble Club, Woy Woy Meals on Wheels Hall, 6pm - 10pm New players welcome. Enq: 4341 9929

Men's 18 hole **golf** event; Men's triples **bowls**, 1pm. Everglades Country Club.

Seniors fitness Ettalong Progress Hall, 9am, Enq: 4385 2080;

Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre activities; **Indoor Bowls**-9am; **Fitness** 1pm **Leatherwork**-9am; **Table Tennis**-9am; **Bridge**- 12 noon. **Scrabble** 1pm Enq: 4341 3222.

Social Darts, Ettalong Bowling Club, 7pm Enq: 4341 0087

Oil Painting, 9am **Multi-craft needlework** 10am, School for Seniors, Peninsula Community Centre, Enq: 4341 9333

Ladies BJP School of Physical Culture, 8.30pm, \$3.50, Peninsula Community Centre, Enq: 4342 3747.

Playgroup 10am **Boxing/fitness** training, 4.30pm U14, 7pm **circuit boxing** (girls) PCYC, Enq 4344 7851

Mega Raffle, Ettalong Memorial Club, 2.30pm, Enq: 4341 1166

Leatherwork Classes Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre Enq 4341 3222

St Johns Ambulance meets at Woy Woy Aged Care Centre (meals on wheels) from 7-9pm. Enquiries phone 4341 3341

Killcare Wagstaffe Playgroup at Wagstaffe Community Hall every Wed morning in school terms. 9.30 - 12pm Enq 4360 2065 4360 2757

Club Bingo/Cash Housie 7.30pm In aid of Fairhaven. Umina Beach Bowling Club Melbourne Ave., Umina Beach Enq 4325 3608

Killcare - Wagstaffe Rural Fire Brigade weekly meeting 7.30pm Stanley St Killcare (at the fire station). New members welcome. Enq. Ph 4360 2161

Drawing 9am - 11am, **Pastels** 11.30am - 1.30pm, **Oils and Acrylics** 12 - 2pm Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre Enq Penny Riley 4360 1673

Children's story time, Woy Woy library, 10.30am - 11.30am

Alcoholics Anonymous 7.30pm John the Baptist Hall, Cnr Victoria and Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy

EVERY THURSDAY

Free entertainment Ettalong Bowling Club 6.30pm - 9.30 pm Enq 4341 0087

Senior Snooker Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club at 8.30am Enq 4341 7307

Drumming - Bouddi Women's Drumming 2 - 3pm 73 Highview Rd Pretty Beach \$10. Enq 0425 229 651

Scrabble Progress Hall, Woy Woy Rd 12.30pm.

Tai Chi-11.35am Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre

Tai Chi, Pearl Beach Progress hall, 9.30am Enq: 4341 1243

Ettalong Pelicans Masters Swimming Club Woy Woy Indoor Heated Pool, 7.30pm Enq: 4360 1220

Ladies 18 hole golf event; Everglades Country Club. Enq 4341 1866

Active over 50s classes, Ballroom Dancing, 10am. Ettalong Beach Bowling Club Enq: 4340 1057, **Gentle Exercise**, Ettalong Fitness City, 10.30am & 12 noon, Enq: 4341 3370.

Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre Activities; **Dancing**-9am; **Indoor Bowls**-9am; **Table Tennis**-1.45pm; **Cards** 12 noon. Enq: 4341 3222

Judo all ages \$3, 5.30pm: Peninsula Community Centre, Ocean Beach Rd., Enq 4342 4121

Female Boxfit class, 9.30am: (child minding): 10.30am Tap Dancing, 5.30pm 14+ **Boxing/fitness** 7.15pm:

Circuit Boxing PCYC, Enq: 4344 7851

Bingo Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club, 9.30am, Enq: 4341 1166

Brisbane Water Bridge Club Ocean Beach Surf Club. 12.30pm Enq. 4341 0721

Bridge Ocean Beach Surf Club. 12.30pm Enq 4341 0721

Line Dancing Umina Beach Bowling Club, Melbourne Ave., Umina 9.30am. Enq 4341 2618

PCYC Doubles Pool Comp 5pm 14+ **boxing/fitness** (gym) 5.30pm. **Girls boxing class** 7pm.

Killcare Wagstaffe Playgroup at Wagstaffe Community Hall every Wed morning in school terms. 9.30 - 12pm Enq 4360 2065 4360 2757

Stitchery Circle 9.30am - 12pm, **Silk Painting** 1.30pm - 3.30pm Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre Enq Penny Riley 4360 1673

Children's story time, Umina library, 10.30am - 11.30am

Social Tennis 9am - 12pm Pearl Beach Courts Enq Jan 4369 3195

Adult tap dancing classes, Ettalong Progress Hall 10am Enq 4342 3925

EVERY FRIDAY

Old Wags Bridge Club, Wagstaffe Hall each Friday except 4th 130pm Enq 4360 1820 or 4360 1612

Woy Woy Leagues Club, free **entertainment**, Players Lounge 5.30pm.

Men's 18 hole Golf event, Everglades Country Club.

Active over 50s classes, Aquafitness, Woy Woy Hospital Hydro Pool, 1.30 - 2.30pm, 2.30 - 3.30pm. Enq: 4325 1869

Active Over 50's Exercise Class Ettalong Progress Hall 9.15am Enq 4342 9252

Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre **Line Dancing**- 9am; **Bridge**- 12 noon; **Painting**- 9am Enq: 4341 3222.

Peninsula Pastimes Ettalong Baptist Church, Barrenjoey Rd. 9.30am, (in school terms), \$2 incl. Morning tea. Creche Enq 4369 5558

Brisbane Water Bridge Club Ocean Beach Surf Club. 12.30pm Enq. 4341 0721

14+ yrs Boxing/sparring (gym) 5.30pm PCYC Enq 4344 7851

Alcoholics Anonymous Woy Woy Group 6pm at John the Baptist Hall, Cnr Victoria St & Blackwall Rd., Woy Woy Enq Phillip 4342 7303

Kindy Gymnastics Peninsula Community Centre, 93 McMasters Rd Woy Woy. Beginners 9.30 - 10.15am, advanced 10.30 - 11.15am Enq 4341 9333

EVERY SATURDAY

Free bike tours every **Saturday**. 2pm Ettalong Bike Shop, your bike or hire a bike. All fitness levels catered for. Enq: 4341 3906

Cash Housie St Mary's Hall, Ocean View Rd Ettalong 7.30pm - 10.15pm Free Tea and Coffee. Cash Prizes Enq: 4369 0626.

Snooker Ettalong War Memorial Club at 8.30am Enq 43417307

Cabaret dance & floor show, 8pm free, Everglades Country Club, Dunban Road, Woy Woy

Men's 18 hole golf event; Men's triples **bowls** 1pm; Everglades Country Club.

Old Time & New Vogue Dancing; 1pm, Pat Walsh organist, Ettalong Beach Memorial Club Enq: 4341 2156

Brisbane Water Bridge Club, Woy Woy Leagues Club 12.30pm, Ocean Beach Surf Club Enq: 4341 0721

Patonga Bakehouse Gallery. Every

Children's pottery 9am - 10.30am and 11am - 12.30pm, Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre Enq Penny Riley 4360 1673

EVERY SUNDAY

Coast Community Church Services 9am and 5pm Enq 4360 1448

Patonga Bakehouse Gallery. Every Weekend 10.00 am— 4.00 pm

Children's entertainment Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club 11.30am Clowns, jumping castle, disco, \$2. Children must be chaperoned.

Free Jazz or duos 4pm, Players Lounge, Woy Woy Leagues Club.

Mixed and men's 18 hole golf; men's **bowls** pairs-9.30am; mixed triples **bowls**-1pm; Everglades Country Club.

Champagne Breakfast, 9am, **Game Show** 10am, Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

EVERY MONDAY

Yoga Wagstaffe Hall 9.30 am Enq 4360 1854

Bowls Ettalong Memorial Club at 1.30pm Enq 4344 1358

Free Bingo Woy Woy Leagues Club 11am.

Gentle Exercise, Ettalong Fitness City, 10.30am & 11.30am, Enq: 4341 3370; Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre, 1pm, Enq: 4341 3222.

Strength Training 11.30am Fitness City Ettalong Beach Club Enq 4343 0130

Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre activities; **Dancing**-9am; **Indoor Bowls**-9am **Mahjong**-1pm; **Fitness** 1pm **Yoga** for beginners 2.30pm Enq: 4341 3222.

Boxing/fitness training, 3.45pm-U14, 4.30pm 5.45pm-14yrs+, **Tae Kwon Do** 7pm **Circuit Boxing (girls)** PCYC, Enq: 4344 7851

Child and Parents Support Service (CAPS), coffee and chat, 10am, 50 Neera Rd, Umina 24 hour Enq: 4343 1911

Brisbane Water Bridge Club Ocean Beach Surf Club. 12.30pm Enq. 4341 0721

Fairhaven Cash Housie Umina Beach Bowling Club, Melbourne Ave., Umina 7.30pm Enq: 4325 3608

Bingo Umina Beach Bowling Club Melbourne Ave., Umina 11am Enq 4341 2618

Evening Bowls Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club at 6pm Enq 4341 9656

Card Club 500 1pm Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club Enq 4341 1166

Arts and Crafts for people with a disability 11am - 2pm. Bring own lunch. Volunteer helpers welcome. Enq. 4341 9333

Patchwork and Quilting, 9am - 3pm, **Pottery** 10am - 12pm, 1pm - 3pm Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre Enq Penny Riley 4360 1673

Second Chance Craft, Arts and crafts for people with a disability 11.30am - 2pm, bring own lunch. Enq. 4341 9333

Children's Story Time; Woy Woy Library. 10.30 am - 11.30 am

EVENT CALENDAR

Tuesday June 17
Bookmobile, Killcare Heights. Fortnightly Tuesdays Cnr Scenic Rd & Beach Drv, 10.35am; Wagstaffe Community Hall 11am

Buffalo Lodge Knights Chapter No9 (3rd Tue) Umina Community Hall 7pm

Woy Woy Peninsula Arthritis Branch (3rd Tue) Meals on Wheels Hall) 10am Enq 4342 1790

Thursday June 19
Seniors Social Morning, 9.30am -

12pm (3rd Thurs) church hall at rear of 118 Blackwall Rd. Enq - 4342 5061

Gala Day (AP Thur) Everglades Country Club, Dunban Rd Woy Woy Enq 4341 1866

Sale of winter clothing for Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary, outside 327 West St, Umina.

Friday June 20
Legacy Ladies Ettalong Memorial Club 10am (3rd Fri) Enq 4343 3492

Sunday June 21
Buffalo Lodge, Woy Woy 381 Umina Community Hall, 11am (4th Sun)

Buffalo Lodge Gosford No 63 (4th Sun) 1pm Umina Community Hall

Dancing Old Time/New Vogue, 1pm - 4pm (4th Sun) Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre. Enq: 4341 3222.

Burrawang Bushland Reserve Bushcare Group 9am (4th Sun) cnr of Hillview and Railway Sts, Woy Woy. Meet in the Nambucca Dr playground. Phone 4341 9301

Monday June 23
Labor Party Peninsula Day Branch, 1pm, (4th Mon) CWA Hall, Woy Woy.

Carer's Support Group, 10am, (4th Mon) Group Room, Health Services Building, Woy Woy Hospital. Enq: 4344 8427

CWA meeting at Wagstaffe Community Hall (4th Mon) 1.30pm Enq: 4360 2504

Tuesday June 24
Combined Pensioners Association meeting, games, dancing, afternoon tea (every 2 wks) Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre 1pm. Enq 4341 3222

Toastmasters Ettalong Memorial Club (4th Tue) at 7pm Enq 4341 6842

Wednesday June 25
Library Bookmobile Fortnightly Weds. Patonga Near Community Hall 9.45 am. Pearl Beach Near Community Hall 10.55am Umina Nursing Home, Arras Ave., 11.40 am

Umina Progress Association Umina Community Hall. 1.30pm (last Wed)

Monthly Meditation Group, (last Wed) Peninsula Women's Health Centre. Enq: 4342 5905.

Thursday June 26
Library Bookmobile Daleys Point, Peridon Village Fortnightly Thursdays 10.15am Peridon Retirement Village Hall 10.30am. Empire Bay Opposite Post Office & bottle shop 11am Near park & local shop Bensville local shop 11am

Umina Probus (4th Thur) Everglades Country Club 10am.

Ear candling, Peninsula Women's Health Centre, 10am - 12pm, Enq 4342 5905

Friday June 27
South Bouddi Peninsula Community Association Wagstaffe Hall (4th Fri) 1.30pm Enq 4360 1002

Ballroom Supper Dances, 7.30pm, Ettalong. All ages. Professional teaching avail (4th Fri) Enq 4344 5432

Civilian Widows meeting Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre (Last Fri) 1pm

Saturday June 28
Saturday Supper Dance 8pm BYOG & nibbles. (Last Sat) Woy Woy Masonic Hall, Railway St., Woy Woy Enq 0407 207 918

Wagstaffe Bushcare Group Half tide rocks sign, cnr Albert and Bulkara Sts (4th Sat) 8am

Melaleuca Wetland Regeneration Group meet 8am at end of Boronia Ave., Woy Woy (4th Sat)

Sunday June 29
Car boot sale, Peninsula Lions Club, Rogers Park, Ocean Beach Rd, opposite Peninsula Community Centre, 8am - 1pm, \$10 per car. Enq 4341 4151



Arts and Entertainment

College tours classic production

Sydney's Actors College of Theatre and Television graduate students will tour a production of Brecht and Weill's classic, The Threepenny Opera.

The production will play at Woy Woy, as well as Penrith, Taree, Port Macquarie and Sydney.

Adapted from John Gay's The Beggar's Opera, The Threepenny Opera was first produced in Berlin in 1928.

It combines drama and music to tell the story of conman and gangster, Macheath - "Mack the

knife" in the show's famous song. He is betrayed by a corrupt father-in-law, Peachum, to the supposed forces of law and order.

Conceived by Bertolt Brecht and Kurt Weill as an ironic comment on capitalist art and society, it was an enormous hit in its day and has been regularly revived ever since.

The production is directed by John Senczuk.

The musical director is Andrew Davidson.

Press release, June 4.



Prize winners Michelle Stone with children Nicola and Liam; Central Coast Community Chest chairman, Ron Bell; Harvey World Travel manager, Maxeine McKeon; Central Coast Community Chest manager, Chris Holstein and McDonald's licensee John Ursino

Liam wins Gold Coast holiday

Six year old Liam Stone of Woy Woy has won a five-day holiday on the Gold Coast for his family.

Liam was the lucky winner of the Central Coast prize available on "McHappy Day" held on May 10.

"Liam Stone nagged his father to buy a helping hand in aid of Central Coast Community Chest and this enabled him to go in the draw that resulted in the major prize win", said Community Chest general manager Mr Chris Holstein.

"McHappy Day" involves celebrities helping McDonald's staff selling product.

A dollar from every "Big Mac" sold on the day as well as money raised from the sale of \$1 "helping hands" was collected and given to the Central Coast Community Chest for distribution to local charities.

This year, the combined total collected through all McDonald's stores on the Central Coast was \$27,399.

Woy Woy McDonald's won a trophy for selling the most "helping hands", retaining the status it won last year.

At a cheque and prize presentation held at McDonald's

Woy Woy, Central Coast Community Chest chairman, Mr Ron Bell, thanked sponsors Harvey World travel, Erina and McDonald's for their support saying that the funds raised "will be distributed directly to children's and youth charities around the Coast".

Cec Bucello, May 27

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Christine Armstrong's work on display at Gnostic Mana

Christine exhibits at Gnostic Mana

Umina artist Christine Armstrong is currently exhibiting landscape paintings at Gnostic Mana café in Woy Woy.

Ms Armstrong recently spoke about the exhibition.

"This current exhibition of

landscapes at the Gnostic Mana Café brings together this collective body of work, united by the theme of water.

"Many of these pieces are local scenes from the ever-inspiring waterways and ocean surrounds of the Central Coast.

"Through the use of various mediums acrylics, pastels, ink, and charcoal, I have tried to capture the beauty of water with its ever-changing moods, from still, calm, reflective pools to the turbulent inky black ocean."

Press release, June 11

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Friday	27th	8.30 pm	SALTBOX
Sunday	29th	5pm	Julia Starr

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Education



Darren Morrison, Blake Butler and Dean Gillett

Fourth knockout in lawn bowls

Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy has won the final of the Sydney north zone of the NSW Combined High Schools Lawn Bowls Knockout Competition for the fourth

consecutive year in a row.

The match was played at Ettalong Bowling Club against Asquith High School.

The final score in the triples game was 30 to 16, with some outstanding bowls played by all

team members.

Team members were Darren Morrison, Blake Butler and Dean Gillett, all boys in year 10, who now go on to play in the NSW State Finals at Tamworth.

Les Morrison, June 11

Progress with computer skills

Pretty Beach Public School has reported progress in developing student skills in the use of computers as a tool for learning.

The school has reported kindergarten students were learning to log on to the school's network, using individual passwords, so they can access educational games to support literacy, numeracy and problem solving.

Year 1 students were learning to log on, to open a Word document, change the font, centre text and to insert a graphic.

Year 2 students were writing

information reports using EduWeb, to store student work in the form of an on-line portfolio.

Year 2 students were also participating in an online "Book Rap", in which they discussed a book (Mem Fox's "Wilfred Gordon Macdonald Partridge") with students from other schools using email.

Year 3 students were creating Powerpoint presentations on Australian Landmarks as well as completing "clickable worksheets" on this topic.

Students in Year 4/5 recently used Publisher to design a local travel brochure and were also working with Powerpoint

As well as preparing Powerpoint presentations, the Year 5/6 class was participating in the "Murder under the Microscope Program".

This was an interactive internet environmental competition, which involved students in researching catchment areas across Australia in order to solve the mysterious murder of a plant or animal.

Not only did the program develop internet research skills, but also knowledge and understanding of threats to the environment and the management of catchment areas.

Year 6 students began their involvement in the trial of the practical component of the NSW Computer Skills Assessment.

Students will complete this over the next three weeks.

School newsletter, May 29

Belinda wins scholarship

Belinda Sutton of Brisbane Water Secondary College Year 12 Vocational Education and Training (VET) stream is one of 80 students statewide to have won a competitive scholarship.

She will participate in the Australian Business Week State Program based at the University of Sydney from July 13 to 18.

Her teacher Ms Rhonda Boardman said: "I am sure Belinda will represent the school with pride."

Year 11 Retail VET students from the college recently

participated in a retail skills showcase at Erina Fair, competing against various schools on the Central Coast.

They entered all categories including window dressing, product merchandising, store layout and designing a "planagram".

The judges advised Ms Boardman that it was a close decision between BWSC and the winners, Northlakes who entered six teams.

"I must commend the team on their professional presentations and their behaviour throughout the day," Ms Boardman said.

School newsletter, June 6

James to attend New York conference

Brisbane Water Secondary College (BWSC) Woy Woy campus student, James Phelps, has been selected to attend the 2003 National Student Council Conference to be held in Buffalo, New York, from June 21 to July 20.

Member for Peats, Ms Marie Andrews, has presented BWSC with cheques totalling \$1000 to assist in the fundraising efforts of students attending this and next year's events.

Lauren O'Hara from the school was to go as well this year but

has had to postpone until next year.

The 30-day tour affords participants the opportunity to travel with other student leaders from various states of Australia to attend a conference of 2000 Student Representatives Council members.

"This is a great opportunity for James in representing his school and I know he is looking forward to meeting fellow student leaders from the Asian Pacific and North American regions," Ms Andrews said.

Press release, June 10

Environment committee at school

Pretty Beach Public School has set up an environment committee.

Made up of interested staff, parents, students and community members, it is part of the school's commitment to the Sustainable Schools Program.

The school's participation in the program provides it with support in developing, implementing, and evaluating its

environmental management plan.

The program is a joint partnership between the Department of Education and Training and Resources NSW and is presently being developed as a statewide pilot program.

The program is also an extension of the Environmental Education Policy for Schools.

School newsletter, May 15

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Student teachers at Pretty Beach

Pretty Beach Public School will have Sandra Clement and Hope Sullivan next term as student teachers completing their internship of a full term at their school.

Sandra will be working with

Mrs Ingle on year 2 and Hope with Mrs Barber on year 1.

Both Sandra and Hope were at the school on Thursdays, May 29 and June 5 and 12, to become familiar with the students and class routines.

School Newsletter, May 29

Schools compete in tennis

Umina Public School tennis team played Woy Woy at Umina courts on Friday, May 30.

The team members were Kayla Hurst, Kate Smith, Sean Young and Mitch Coates.

After eight hard-fought sets, one of which was a draw, Umina defeated Woy Woy 5 to 2.

The Umina team now goes on to play Lane Cove within a couple of weeks.

School newsletter, June 5

School celebrates 75th birthday

More than 750 students and staff and parents marched from Ettalong School through the main street of Ettalong and down Picnic Parade to Ettalong Oval on June 6, to celebrate the school's 75th birthday.

They were accompanied by the Ettalong vintage fire truck, with the fire officers in their old-fashioned brass hats and button uniforms.

Students dressed in some of the uniforms from different eras up until today and many wore large posters to depict the kinds of things they learn at school today.

Parents and local business owners lined the street to watch as the children proudly marched by, waving banners and balloons as they went.

Hundreds of parents then joined the teachers and students at Ettalong Oval to join in a day of games and to have a picnic lunch with their children.

The festivities continued on Saturday especially for the "old" students and teachers, many of whom had travelled long distances in the hope of catching up with old school friends and colleagues.

A committee led by long-serving teacher Megan Smith had put together a number of displays, with a classroom designated for each era and the library holding a vast display of the 75 years of history, including copies of the original school registers for Ettalong School.

Memorabilia from each period

was on display in classrooms making it very easy for people wanting to have a reunion with classmates to find each other.

The official opening was attended by nine of the original students.

The birthday cake was cut the schools youngest pupil, Taliesha Orr, and by Joyce Morante (nee Adams) who began school at Ettalong on its first day on June 6, 1928, at the age of four.

More than 1000 people were in attendance at the opening and many more visited over the day to view the many displays and stalls such as the student's artwork on display in the school hall, organized by teacher Sharlene Percival.

Also on display in the hall was the 75th anniversary quilt made by many of the teachers, parents and ex-students of the school, depicting the many aspects of the school community over the years.

Parent Jenny Laughton brought the quilt to fruition.

Sandstone blocks to commemorate the anniversary were donated by parents Lyndall Mathews and Graham Parrett and also Gosford Quarries.

Students and ex-students could all purchase a sandstone paver to be included in a "memory way" path at the school.

Devonshire teas and sausage sizzle catered for the hungry.

The two days ended with a cocktail party held at Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club and was attended by 350 people.

Liz McMinn, June 12



Students' activities recognised

Woy Woy South Public School has recognised outstanding achievements by several of its students in extra-curricular activities at a school assembly on Friday, May 30.

Students and their parents received a presentation on behalf of the school and the P&C in appreciation of their efforts and the rigours such achievements represent.

The students were DJ Hogan, Vicki and Tammy Brown, Kathleen O'Donnell, Michael Jones, Kirby Litterick, Matt Goodwin and Beau Bovis.

DJ Hogan recently qualified for the BMX World Titles at Perth in

July 2003.

This represents the culmination of a successful year where he has placed eighth at the NSW State BMX Titles and achieved selection for the World Titles through his results at the Australian BMX Titles held in April in Adelaide.

DJ's mother, Debbie Hogan, reported he had been given a training program to ensure he attained his best results at the World Titles.

Sisters Vicki and Tammy Brown are to attend the Australian Trampoline Titles in Queensland later this year after achieving great results at the NSW State Trampoline Titles where Vicki placed first and

Tammy was ranked in the top 10.

In the arts, Kathleen O'Donnell has been selected in the Sing NSW Schools Choir for the second year running.

Michael Jones been selected in the NSW Junior Boys Dance Ensemble, also for the second year.

He will be performing at the Schools Spectacular at the Sydney Entertainment Centre in December.

Several students were recognised for their selection in Sydney North Area sports teams.

They were: Kirby Litterick for girls' cricket and girls' soccer, Matt Goodwin for boys' cricket, and Beau Bovis for rugby league.

Carl Krucler June 3

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Public Notices

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brings musicians, singers, poets and story tellers to the Central Coast to perform with and entertain local residents and visitors.
The club next meets on Friday, July 11 at the CWA Hall (opposite Fishermans' Wharf) Woy Woy
All are welcome.
Our special guest this month is singer song writer from New York, **Sam Leopold**. Sam plays acoustic guitar, slide guitar and banjo and his showmanship is dynamic and energised with warmth and humour supported by floor spots from a wide variety of local artists.
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May action at golf club

The month of May saw some major events finalised at Everglades Men's Golf Club.

On Sunday May 18, Bev Crowther and her newly acquired partner, Shane Smith, proved too strong a combination by taking out the 2003 Mixed Foursomes Championship.

Bev and Shane, with a score of 117, finished two shots clear of runners-up Anne Buckham and Shane O'Brien.

On Saturday, May 3, a field competed for the inaugural "Brian Simmons Memorial Trophy" in conjunction with their monthly medal.

It was won by John McInnes with a nett score of 60.

John organised his score well enough to beat "honest" Mark Wilson on a countback.

Other notable golfing achievements for the month were three sub-par rounds.

On Sunday May 11, Shane O'Brien on a handicap of four returned a score of 42 Stableford points.

This was followed up by Scotty Bennett, on a handicap of two, with a score of 42 Stableford points on Wednesday, May 21.

Not to be outdone, Paul Carson, on a handicap of four carded a score of +7 on Friday, May 23.

Unfortunately for Paul, he had to settle for second place to John McInnes who finished with a handicap-decimating +8.

Kevin Dawkings hit a hole-in-one on the May 15 monthly medal day at the "Elliot" sponsored hole.

As well as a hole-in-one badge and a bottle of scotch whiskey, presented by Everglades Country Club, Kevin also received a bottle of wine and a certificate from winemakers Elliot Rock Estate of Mudgee.

Resignations from the Men's Golf Committee by vice-president Noel Elkin and vice-captain Paul Thorpe were recently received.

Noel and Paul both joined the committee in October 2000, serving on numerous sub-committees.

However, because of their increased business commitments, both felt that they were no longer able to continue to make an effective contribution.

At the last meeting of the men's golf committee Fred Quintrell was voted in as vice-president and Brian Carmichael as vice-captain.

Paul Goodwin and Robert Kelly responded to a request for volunteers to replace Noel and Paul on the committee.

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Winning number 1 pennant team: Joan Renehan, Josie Weate, Sue O'Connor, Audrey Tucker, Gwen Hewson, Mary Ellis, Pat Walsh and Kristy Harper

Pennant wins to Everglades

Women bowlers at Everglades have won the district number 1 and 2 pennants.

The number 1 side went through without a play off to win outright.

Although they lost two players to another club, the selectors

chose two more who went on to help claim Everglades' fourth number 1 pennant.

The team was Gwen Hewson (skip), Mary Ellis, Pat Walsh, Kristy Harper and Audrey Tucker (skip), Sue O'Connor, Joan Renehan and Josie Weate.

The number 2 side, in windy,

hard and fast conditions won 59 to 28 against Toukley Memorial Bowls Club.

The team members were Mim Rose (skip), Mary Lami, Dot Stevens and Gai Jackson and Elaine Vincent (skip), Lucie Bryant, Fay Cross and Iris Bate.

Iris Bate, June 3

Work to widen 13th green

Work is currently under way to widen the Everglades Country Club golf course 13th green on the left-hand side.

When completed there will be a wider choice of pin placements in this area.

The practice chipping area which suffered severely in the drought has had irrigation lines drawn from the first fairway system.

It is intended to surface the green with a putting surface type grass.

The rough area in front of the third tee is to be allowed to grow to a height which will deter players from playing the seventh hole in this direction.

A new method of machine-raking bunkers appears to have been effective in levelling the bottoms of the bunkers.

All drinking bubbler spouts on the course have been replaced.

Golfers should not now be showered with water when attempting to drink from them.

Further to this, the angled spout will facilitate the filling of water bottles in the warmer months.

Orange lines, limiting motorised vehicle travel in the vicinity of greens, should now be back in place.

Operators of motorised vehicles should ensure that they remain outside these lines and the mounding which is in place on several fairways.

A mound is in the process of being formed in the rough to the left hand side of the second fairway.

The purpose of the mound is to obscure the view of the eighth green from players playing the second hole.

A proposal has been put before the board executive to consider a long-range plan for improving the surface of constructed pathways throughout the course.

Green staff have been requested to cut holes in greens not closer to the edge of the green than the recommended five paces.

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Swans hold family fun day

The Woy Woy Swans Australian Football Club had a charity family fun day on Sunday, June 8.

It was estimated that 200 or more people attended in good weather.

The day started at 10:30am and did not finish until dark.

The success of the day was such that plans are being made to make the day an annual event.

The day started with a junior Auskick game, followed by a main match of the day.

Many old faces turned up to put on the boots for a past against present players' match.

The teams played four 10-minute quarters with a half-hour

break at half time.

Some of the old boys, or "Legend's" as they prefer to be called, even wore their original jerseys. Some people had travelled from Melbourne and Queensland for the event.

Club secretary Belinda Campbell said: "Thanks to Glen Beazley for rounding up the 'Legends', it was a great success.

"After the main game, there was a parents against under-14s game, egg and spoon races and lots of fun.

"On the day, the Swans held a raffle with prizes donated by local businesses, including Peninsula Budget Meats, Umina Discount Base, Umina Tobacconist and

Woy Woy South Public School conducted its annual school cross country run at Rogers Park on Friday, May 9.

This event co-incided with their Golden Circle Fun Run which raises money for the children's cancer charity CanTeen, as well as the school.

The top 10 placegetters in each age category went on to represent the school at the zone cross country.

Age group champions were: 8-9 years Boy: Tristan Morgan.

8-9 years Girl: Tammy Brown.

10 years Boy: Cody Morgan.

10 years Girl: Shana Jones.

11 years Boy: Brayden Williame.

11 years Girl: Renee Mainwaring.

12 years Boy: Beau Bovis.

12 years Girl: Tamara Sexty.

Further, all children received a certificate and a sack, courtesy of Golden Circle and an iceblock from the school for competing.

The school's infants participated in a fun run on the same day, held within the school grounds.

They also received both a certificate of participation, a sack

and an iceblock.

At the Zone Cross Country held on May 23 at Umina Oval, Woy Woy South Public School won both the overall point score for the third successive year and the handicap trophy which is calculated based on results per capita, allowing smaller schools to be evaluated against the larger ones.

Zone representatives in Sydney North Cross Country held on June 11 at Gosford Racecourse were: 8-9years Boys: 3rd Coen Gehrels, 4th Tristan Morgan.

8-9 years Girls: 2nd Tammy Brown.

10 years Boys: 5th Blake Dawson.

10 years Girls: 1st Shana Jones, 5th Rachel O'Sullivan, 6th Miranda Litterick.

11 years Boys: 4th Luke Brooks, 5th Callum McGillicuddy, 6th Brayden Williame.

11years Girls: 1st Renee Mainwaring, 2nd Emily Ward.

12 years Boys: 5th Matt Goodwin.

12 years Girls: 1st Kirby Litterick, 3rd Tamara Sexty, 4th Hayley Jones, 6th Karmen Jeffery.

13 years Boys: DJ Hogan.

Carl Krucler, June 10

Annual cross country run held

Woy Woy bowlers represent Coast

Woy Woy Bowling Club has won the right to represent the Central Coast in the Grade 3 State play-offs at Parramatta by winning the Zone 15 pennant flag.

Woy Woy Bowling Club publicity officer Mr Ken Poole said of the pennant flag victory: "The team led by their imanager, Bruce Heard, played superbly in the heavy conditions and the team claimed victory on all three rinks."

Chairman of selectors and rink skipper, Mr James Cook, said of the club's performance at the state play offs: "It was a very good learning experience on greens quicker than we're used to."

"The tactics needed for faster greens are different."

"When the greens slowed down on the third day, we became very competitive," Mr Poole said.

Con Orfanos, June 11



The Woy Woy grade 3 team: L to R Back Row: N Williams, A Jones, S Manuel, T Lewis, J Buttitude, A Cairns, L Maguire, L McAnally, B Headr (manager) Front Row: K Young, P Chippindale, M Dunks, J Cook, Ruisebrook. Missing: L Ackling and J Noonan

Scrabble club holds second tournament



Margaret Hymes, left, plays Trish Windhurst

Woy Woy Scrabble Club held its second annual tournament at Woy Woy Leagues Club on Saturday, June 7.

One hundred people participated in the event.

Along with around 40 players from all parts of the Central Coast, there were people from Sydney, Newcastle, Wollongong, the Blue Mountains, Kempsey, Maitland and one lady from

Gunnedah.

T o u r n a m e n t director was Mr Bob Jackman, the current Australian Champion, and one of four people going to represent Australia at the W o r l d Championships in Kuala Lumpur this year.

Denise Smith from Woy Woy Scrabble Club said: "The Woy Woy tournament seems to be a place where the female players excel."

"In every division, the ladies filled all the places."

"Masters division was won by a visitor from Sydney, Jean McGiffen, and the advanced section saw another Sydney/sider, Daphne Beuzidenhout, taking the honours."

"Intermediate division went to a local lady, Ivana Duria, where she won all

seven of her games.

"In the recreation division, the locals filled all three places," Denise said.

Margaret Clifford, from Wyong Scrabble Club, playing in her inaugural tournament, won six of the seven games and placed first.

Betty Dennis, from Brisbane Water Scrabble Club, took second place and Leone Sanday from Wyong took third place.

Betty Dennis was also the player who gained the highest rating increase of the day, up by 136 points.

There are now five Scrabble Clubs on the Central Coast, four in the daytime and one in the evening.

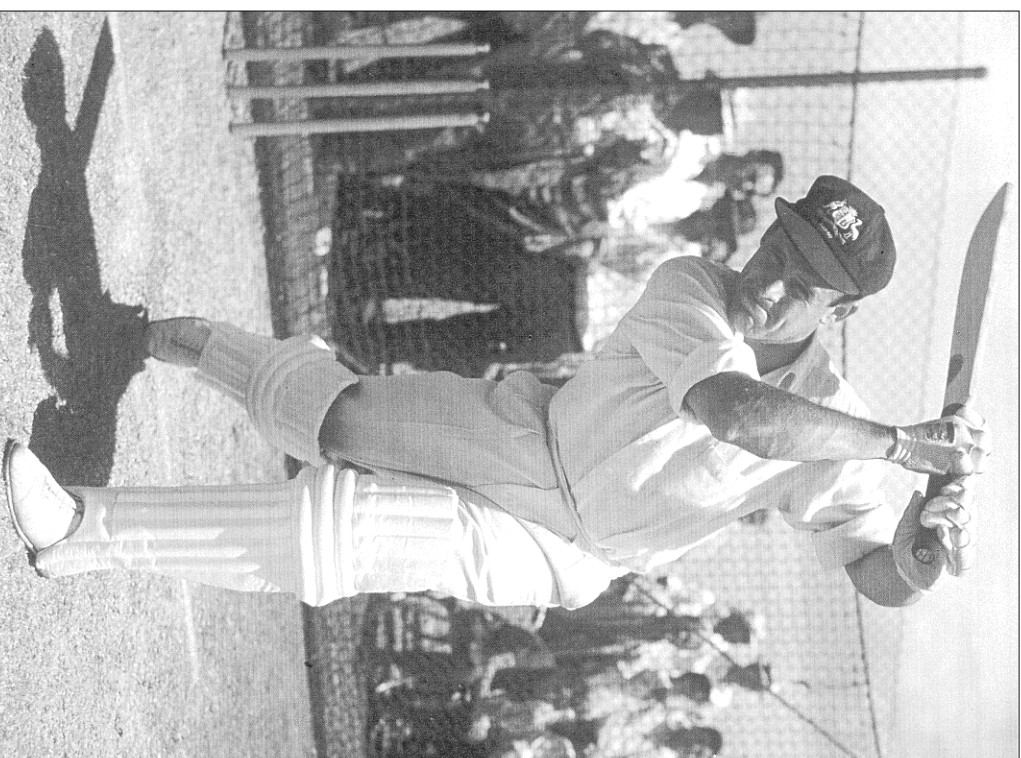
The day time clubs are at Woy Woy, Empire Bay, Terrigal and Wyong and the evening club is at Woy Woy.

"If you want to take your Scrabble game to the next level or are just looking for something to keep the little grey cell moving, why not give your nearest club a visit."

"If you would like any further information about any of these clubs please ring 4389 1072," Denise said.

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Order of Australia for former test cricketer



Norman Clifford O'Neill, of Phegans Bay, has received an Order of Australia for his cricket achievements.

Mr O'Neill played 42 tests representing Australia on tours to New Zealand in 1966 and 1967, England in 1961 and 1964, the West Indies in 1964, India in 1959 and 1964, and Pakistan in 1959.

He scored 2779 international runs at an average of 45.55 and scored a century against every cricketing nation except South Africa.

He just fell short of a century against South Africa on several occasions.

He also represented NSW and scored 13 859 first class runs at an average of 50.95.

Mr O'Neill said: "I'm delighted with the recognition."

"I feel very honoured."

"I was an aggressive

batman.

"I played my strokes, especially cover drives and square cuts."

"I wanted to get on with the job."

"I loved playing for my country."

"We didn't think about the little play - it was a joy just to be playing."

Mr O'Neill said that it was difficult being away from his wife and two young children when on long tours that lasted eight and a half months.

"It cost a fortune in telephone calls to home, but in England in 1964 I arranged for my wife to join me on tour for the last six weeks."

Mr O'Neill conducted a cricket coaching school in Western Australia between 1971 and 1980 for indigenous and underprivileged children.

He described the experience as "very rewarding".

Con Orfanos, June 4.

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