

State funds refused for aquatic centre

Gosford Council has been informed that the State Government will not assist with roadworks for the new aquatic centre at Woy Woy.

Minister for Roads Mr Carl Scully wrote to Mayor Cr Robert Bell stating: "The RTA advises me that where new traffic facilities are required to support a proposed development these are considered to be part of the cost of the overall project and are usually the responsibility of the developer."

The RTA had been approached for a grant of \$1.1 million to meet the costs of construction and improvements external to the project in Welcome St, Alpha Rd and Blackwall Rd.

These works were separate from the \$16.35 million facility construction budget.

A recent council agenda item stated: "Since February, council has been notified that the State Government grant, under the Regional Sports Facility Program, was unsuccessful but a special grant of \$200,000 was

made to the project.

"However, additional funding of \$100,000 has been identified for the cycleway, from Section 94 (CP31), an item within the project budget.

"A grant from the Water and Sewer Directorate of \$100,000 has been secured to assist with water use minimisation technologies.

"In addition, there was a saving of \$25,000 compared to the estimate for the demolition section of the project.

"The director of engineering operations estimated the cost of road works at \$1.1 million.

"If funding is not forthcoming from the RTA, Council will need to consider the inclusion of these works in the 2003-4 and 2004-5 capital works budgets.

"The director of engineering operations is considering options for reporting to council if the RTA funding is refused.

"The Capital Works budget for Engineering Operations in 2003-4 is \$4.95 million."

Letter, Council agenda CS.044, June 24



Blackwall Rd near the aquatic centre site will not get the requested State funding

New Local Environment Plan for Bensville

The Gosford Council has resolved to prepare a draft Local Environment Plan (LEP) for Bensville.

At a recent meeting, Cr Debra Wales spoke of the purpose of the LEP.

"Council needs to be more site specific with Bensville," she said.

"I don't think Bensville is appropriate to have a main street with churches, or an expansion to the school.

"You can't do these things with the Bensville people.

"They are already very anxious about the precinct," Cr Wales said.

The council resolved to prepare a draft LEP "to protect the unique rural character of the Bensville precinct ensuring that uses reflect the rural nature of the area surrounding the residential township".

A staff report to council stated: "The draft LEP should review the appropriateness of uses such as schools, churches, convalescent hospitals and nursing homes, as



Some of the lots on Bundaleer Crescent, Bensville

these uses have a tendency to adversely affect the traditional rural character of the precinct.

"Council is presently assessing another application for a church in Bundaleer Cr, Bensville.

"This will make two applications for churches within 12 months.

"The zoning 7(c2) allows such

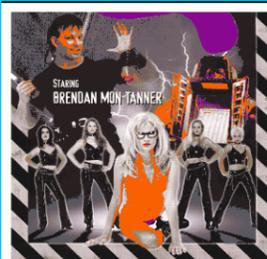
uses as churches, schools etc and yet the underlying zoning was for rural activities.

"Quite correctly, the local residents are concerned that such applications will continue to be received and will eventually result in an irreversible change in the character of the area which will subjugate the original rural purpose of the area.

"A classic example of how traditional rural precincts have changed can be seen in Serpentine Rd at Erina, which has forced many long term residents on rural small holdings to move from the area.

"It can clearly be seen in the Erina precinct how such activities have markedly changed the visual appearance of the suburb as traffic has increased, commercial activities have increased, land has been cleared and traditional rural uses have disappeared."

Jonathan Reichard, council agenda NM.012, June 24



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Welcome to edition 70 of Peninsula News

In this edition we have added full colour to our front and centre pages to increase the visual appeal of the newspaper.

We hope that this will enhance your enjoyment of this edition and will endeavour to have colour sections as frequently as possible in future editions.

We also welcome a new member, Colyn Callaghan, to our team.

Colyn has come with a photography background and has already been able to make an impact with his photos.

He will also be helping with keeping the website up to date, general graphic design and the creation of a photo library.

Cec Bucello, Manager

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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.

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Belles of Brass play for Wires

Wires Central Coast will hold a lunchtime concert at the Ettalong Beach Memorial Club on July 13, featuring the Belles of Brass.

The doors will open at 11.30am and the first course will be served from noon.

The show is planned to commence at 12.30pm.

The 'Belles of Brass' is a brass band made up of around 30 girls and women from A grade bands from Wollongong, Sydney and Newcastle and is the only all-

female brass band in Australia.

The Belles of Brass was formed with the purpose of raising money for groups principally for women and children.

The Belles have performed at several concerts for Breast Cancer Research and have raised more than \$7000.

The girls give of their time and talents without reward and are excited about again performing for Wires Central Coast.

The music they play is varied, from swing and jazz to classical.

This is the second concert they have given to assist Wires.

Bookings can be for tables of up to 10 people or individuals.

Tickets are on sale at \$25 for adults and \$12.50 for children, which includes a two-course lunch, and for Show Only tickets at \$15 for adults and \$7.50 for children.

For more information or bookings, please phone Pam Strykowski (Wires Central Coast) on 4360 2897 or Ettalong Beach Memorial Club on 4341 1116.

Letter, June 26

College upgrade funded in Budget

The \$3.2 million "Stage 1 upgrade" to Brisbane Water Secondary College has received funding in the State Budget.

Across the Central Coast, capital works projects totalled \$250 million, "helping to support more than 3700 jobs", said Minister for the Central Coast, Mr John Della Bosca.

Key areas of Gosford expenditure this year were \$1.2 million on local transport and \$18 million on local roads

Mr Della Bosca said that the Government's sound financial management meant it could reduce state debt year after year and increase spending on "vital services for our community".

Press release, June 25

Pair wins bowl championship

Anthony Wright and Ken Blake have won the Woy Woy Bowling Club 2003 pairs championship over Ricky Bohroder and Jamie Noonan 26 - 17.

Both teams did well to make the final with three of the players not bowling competitively in recent years.

The last Child Flight Charity Day under the guidance of long time mentor Sid Van Dine was held on Sunday, June 22.

Sid with wife Kath have relocated to the North Coast and will be sorely missed.

As a fitting finale, the news that \$815 was raised on the day and that a cheque for \$7948 would be presented to this worthy cause was met with great enthusiasm.

Ken Poole, June 26.

Winners announced

The Peninsula News Wizard of Oz competition has been drawn.

The winners were Zachary Burgess of Woy Woy, Emma Montgomery of Umina, and Mrs Hammer of Umina.

The answer to the competition question was that Dorothy and her friends were following the yellow brick road to the Emerald City.

Jonathan Reichard, July 27

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Residents report low-flying aircraft

Residents of Umina living on the ridges near Brisbane Water National Park have reported an aircraft flying 100 feet above their houses at about 6.40pm on the evening of Tuesday, June 17.

One resident said that he suspected it was a military aircraft.

Flight Lieutenant Phil Larkin from Amberley RAAF base near Brisbane said that there was one F-111 in the area on the day heading from Sale in Victoria back to Amberley, but it was near the Peninsula earlier, around 5.50pm.

He said that it was flying "coastal" to the east of the Woy Woy Peninsula, not along the ridges to the west of the Peninsula.

He also said that "coastal" flying was not done at such low altitudes.

"You must appreciate that these aircraft travel at incredible speed, so by 18.40 hours, the plane would be well inside Queensland," Flight Lieutenant Larkin said.

Wing Commander Geoff Patchett from Williamtown RAAF

base said that none of their aircraft were in the air on the night in question.

"Generally the height restriction is 500 feet above ground level, not the actual distance from the ridges, they need to be able to get into the valleys to avoid radar.

"It is good that the public gives us feedback so that we know if someone's been doing the wrong thing."

A representative of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) said that in order to tell if it was a civil aircraft, CASA would need a description of the plane or a registration number.

Another CASA spokesman later said that after extensive investigation, no civil jet aircraft had been found to be in the area at the time.

He also added that he had a military background and he thought that if an F-111 went over at 100 feet, it would have been at high power, causing windows to break on houses and "horses to bolt into trees".

A resident said that the aircraft was loud enough to cause his dog to panic.

Jonathan Reichard, June 25

Birthday honour for Vince

Senior Captain at Umina Fire Station, Mr Vince Weigold, has been awarded the Australian Fire Service Medal (AFSM) on the Queen's Birthday honours list.

The local firefighter has won many commendations over the years for his extensive service to the community.

He was nominated for an Australia Day award in 2003 by his deputy Ross Beckley for his "commitment to the community".

After a 23-year career in the NSW Fire brigade, he has risen to level of senior captain of the Umina Fire Station with 22 men under his command.

He was active in organising the NSWFB zone firefighter championships held at Ettalong and Swansea.

He is highly regarded within the fire brigade for his promotion of fire safety awareness to pre-schools and the general community.

Vince also plays the role of Santa Claus in the Peninsula area, and he holds the title for most Santa Claus visits by an individual in the NSWFB.

Vince's "Santa run" is held every Christmas in his Bedford vintage fire engine and in 2001 he made 55 Santa visits to the old and young.

At Easter time, Vince has also



played the Easter bunny for Umina Mall Chemist baby club for the last 10 years.

Mr Weigold has aided the local RSL club on Anzac day, attending the dawn service and annual march through Woy Woy with fellow firefighters.

In his service to the NSWFB public relations committee, he has helped organise the attendance of firefighting staff and equipment to many events held across the Central Coast as

well as being involved with the NSWFB Annual Ball.

He has been awarded the NSWFB National Medal of Service (1995), National Armed Services Medal (2001), inaugural Peninsula Chamber of Commerce Award (1999), NSWFB Exceptional service award (2000), Certificate from the Premier for the January 1994 bush fires, and a certificate from Gosford City Council for the 2001-2002 bush fires.

Brief being finalised for urban strategy

The initial scoping brief for the Peninsula's Integrated Urban Area Strategy is currently being finalised, according to a spokesperson from the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources.

The Integrated Urban Area Peninsula Strategy is a joint partnership between Gosford City Council and the Department

formally known as Planning NSW.

The spokesperson said: "Its objectives include:

- Increasing housing choice and affordability;
- Improving linkages between public transport, town centres, health, education and other community services
- Encouraging the development of strong, diverse and livable communities

- Improving the design and quality of the urban environment
- Protecting the natural environment to sustain biological, water and air resources
- Facilitating investment and job creating activities, and
- Giving confidence to the local community that the future for the Peninsula will be a more sustainable one.

Press release, June 24

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More Spencer stories

Some more stories of our time at our week-ender at Spencer.

One day my eldest brother, Goog, decided to dig a great big dug-out.

Goog was a very strong man and ambitious.

His plan to build an underground room just like the ones on the opal fields, to get relief from the terrible summer heat at Spencer.

It is nice, snug and cool underground, you see.

He dug out the foundations, so to speak, that was the size of a great slit trench.

Out of the blue, bullets started flying overhead and one bullet creased Goog's hair.

He woke up the old man and said, "I've just been sprayed by a bullet."

"Nonsense," said my old man, "Your hair always been parted in the middle."

"Yeah," said Goog dragging my old man outside, "What's that singing around you, bloody bees?"

The old man ducked and looked up.

It did sound like bullets, so he dived into the slit trench.

Our neighbour, Joe came rushing over, brandishing a service revolver.

"Where are they?" he said, peering up the hill.

"Up there somewhere," said Goog.

Joe started blazing away with his revolver, but the bullets kept coming.

Al and Goog crawled carefully up the hill to spot gun flashes for Joe.

Joe was enjoying himself immensely.

"I've got plenty of ammo," he said.

In about an half-hour we were joined by two coppers.

Someone had rung them, we guessed.

They were soon blazing away at the unseen enemy.

I made a dive for the trench and joined the old man.

He produced a flask of rum and said, philosophically: "They gotta run out of ammunition eventually."

Sure enough, in about 15 minutes the shooting stopped.

We found out later that a couple of young blokes were shooting at tins tied in trees and as they were shooting down at them, the bullets were passing over our shack.

It was a memorable battle and the only casualty was my old man's rum bottle when he inadvertently held it up to make a

point in conversation.

I must tell you about our dog, Leo.

He was a ferocious looking brute, a sort of a cross between the Hound of the Baskervilles and a Bengal tiger.

Despite this, he was as gentle as a lamb, with a real softies heart.

One day Leo rounded up a band of nanny goats and brought them home.

We fenced them in, till we could find the owner.

Well, unknown to us, Leo had a wild mate a lone Tasmanian Tiger who came to our place, late at night for free hand-outs, courtesy of his mate, Leo.

Well the tiger came one night and it was love at first sight with the nanny goats.

One night me brother Al, after a night on the turps, came home and caught the tiger having his way with the goats.

Al rushed in and woke us all up.

"We're sitting on a fortune," he said.

"There's a Tasmanian Tiger out there mating with our goats."

"Don't count your chickens," the old man said, "but we'll sit tight."

"What will we call the offspring?" I asked.

"Tiger goats," said the old man, "so let's keep it under our hat for the time being."

We kept a close watch over the goats and they seemed to be pregnant, but at a unguarded moment our soft-hearted Leo let the goats out of the pen and took off with them and the tiger to the lost world way back in the hills.

The old man waxed philosophical: "Ah, well, if it had happened, all that money would have spoilt us, made us greedy and uncaring."

But Goog was made of sterner stuff.

He was ex AIF.

He shouldered his 303 rifle, made up provisions and set off for the lost world.

"I'm gonna shoot Leo and get them goats back," he said.

About a month later he returned, ragged and emaciated.

He never got to the lost world.

A giant kangaroo had knocked him unconscious and when he came to all his food and ammo were gone.

We nursed him back to health and soon he had plans to get his old AIF mates to mount an expedition to rescue the goats.

But so far, his mates don't seem too keen.

Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

Objection to misconception

Regarding the report "Two-year LEP for caravan parks" in the June 3 edition, we, the undersigned, would like to object strongly about the general misconception about the people who live in caravan parks and mobile home villages.

Although the age group may average the late 60s, early 70s and most of us are on age or veterans' pensions, our intellectual standards are, if anything, above average as quite

a few of us are retired professional and business people.

Also, many have served as qualified tradespeople and public servants.

Most of us owned our own homes before and sold them because maintenance and upkeep became physically difficult.

Also, many widowed ladies felt the need for security and companionship from others in similar circumstances.

The photo appearing with your

article does not do our particular village justice. It was taken on a cold, wet, miserable day, from a bad angle and without permission.

We extend an invitation to your journalist to visit us and see what a close-knit, caring community we are very happy to live in.

Frances Glass, Ettalong, and 49 other signatories

Editor's note: The news item did not make it clear that the statement in question was quoting the staff report to Gosford Council. It does not reflect the views of this newspaper.

Confident of getting licence

PCR-FM has never questioned the allocation of a permanent licence to Five-O-Plus nor Hits and Country.

They are genuine local broadcasters and add diversity to the existing local community broadcasters.

We do apply and receive some governments grants allocated to non-profit organisations that promote multicultural harmony.

We do not apologise for it.

We accept that this remains distasteful to people with a xenophobic attitude but it does

not excuse their ignorance.

Unfortunately, Mr Lambert's views are still prevalent within some sections of our community.

PCR-FM's recent success in the Federal Court of Australia against the might of the Australian Broadcasting Authority does not only represent a victory for a small group of local volunteers but for all the local volunteer associations.

They contribute so much to the life of the Central Coast communities.

There has never been any doubt about our financial viability and our action in the Federal

Court has dispelled any doubts about our financial capabilities.

Justice doesn't come cheap.

As a matter of fact, it is only thanks to the fortitude of our committee that Radio Yesteryear gets a second chance.

Our battle to give a voice to under-represented sections of our community is only starting and we are confident of getting a permanent licence on our own merit, despite the views of some stagnant and stale minds.

PCR stands for Progressive Community Radio.

Norbert Lindberg, Secretary PCR-FM

Service alive and well

Good morning to staff at Peninsula News.

I attended your office yesterday afternoon to lodge an advertisement and wish to make it known how happy I was with the attentive, informative and efficient service I received.

Having dealt with many "local" newspapers over the years I admit that because of past experiences I, did, until yesterday, dread the thought of any interaction with newspapers.

At your office, my needs were

attended to promptly by your journalist Mr Jonathan Reichard who provided me with written detail regarding the paper's costing structure and advertising requirements.

I actually left the office feeling relaxed and confident that my business was in good hands.

While most business organisations seem to have forgotten what service is, I am pleased to find it is alive and well at Peninsula News.

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Trish Drury, Woy Woy

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Tavern appeal decision deferred

Gosford Council has deferred a decision to defend an appeal in the Land and Environment Court against its decision to refuse a building extension to allow for a tavern at Patonga.

The reasoning for the decision was discussed in a confidential sitting of the Gosford Council.

The applicant, Mr Robert Osborne, had filed a Class 1 application in the Land and Environment Court against Council's refusal of modification to consent for proposed storage additions at 6-8 Patonga Drive, Patonga.

The Development Assessment Unit refused the DA for the following reasons:

"The proposal is inconsistent with the stated objectives of the residential 2(a) zone as it is not compatible with a low density residential environment.

"The proposal will detract from the character of the locality mainly due to the proposal to provide the required parking on street.

"The additional tavern area will result in a shortfall under Development Control Plan (DCP) 111 – Car Parking of a further 13 car parking spaces, bringing the total parking shortfall to 31 spaces.

"The solution proposed within the Parking Assessment Report submitted in support of the

application is inadequate, particularly in relation to details regarding implementation and funding.

"The parking shortfall would create traffic, noise and privacy problems with drivers circulating looking for parking and consequently parking on street at the frontage of nearby dwellings.

"A tavern of the size proposed as part of this application under Sec 96(2) is incompatible with regard to the amenity of the locality and its low key residential nature.

"Council's Heritage Committee does not support the proposal as discreet entry into the shop would be lost and it is important to have a break between the heritage item and the other buildings.

"There is overwhelming public objection to the proposal.

"Due to the detrimental effect on local residents, approval to the proposal would not be in the public interest."

Council officers had recommended to the applicant that he lodge an application under Section 82A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.

If the applicant choose not to lodge such an application, council's solicitors were to be instructed to settle the matter by consent orders.

The matter has been deferred instead.

Council agenda FS.089, June 24



Site of the proposed tavern at Patonga

Fast food outlet offers tour

A tour of a local fast food restaurant is being offered on Saturday, July 5.

Peninsula residents can visit McDonald's restaurant in Woy Woy and take a tour of the restaurant from dining room to kitchen.

According to owner/operator John Ursino, the day is designed specifically for customers and those interested in seeing what goes on behind the front counter.

"Kitchen visits and discussion forums will provide visitors the opportunity to ask any questions they may have from the preparation of our burgers, to the source of our products, to the

training we provide our staff and what goes on during a day in the life of a McDonald's crew person," said Mr Ursino.

Nearly 600 McDonald's restaurants around the country will give tours to customers.

"Open Doors day is about building on the relationships we already have with our local customers and re-emphasising to them and others that we are a trustworthy, transparent and quality organisation."

Tours will take place throughout the day and Peninsula residents will need to book in advance for a tour of the restaurant.

People can book in for a tour

via the McDonald's website at www.mcdonalds.com.au or call the Open Doors hotline on 1300 309 622.

For health and safety reasons, people participating in an Open Doors tour are required to wear non-slip covered-in shoes and comfortable but close fitting clothing, and only people over the age of 14 can participate in a full restaurant tour.

Those under 18 will need to be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult.

All tour participants will be given a hairnet and coat to wear during the tour.

Press release, June 19

Course for parents of toddlers

Umina Uniting Church and Uniting Care Burnside will be presenting a course for parents of children aged one to three years from July 31.

"What makes toddlers tick?" will run for two hours a week for five weeks and address issues relating to dealing with toddlers.

Topics covering normal toddler behavior, coping with the stress of parenthood, dealing with tantrums, sleeping problems, the importance of play and feeding without tantrums will be covered in the meetings.

The group will meet on Thursdays from 10am to 12pm at Umina Uniting Church Community Centre in Ocean Beach Rd, Umina, opposite Umina Mall.

The group runs from July 31 until August 28.

Bookings need to be made prior to Thursday, July 24.

Numbers are limited.

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Flyer, June 19

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Cancer Council visits Woy Woy

Three representatives from the Cancer Council visited the Peninsula on Thursday, June 19, to raise awareness and funds for the council.

Located outside Soul Pattinson Chemist in Blackwall Rd, the representatives were informing local residents about the Breakthrough Campaign, which aimed to raise funds specifically for scientific research into various cancers.

They are looking to raise \$10 million to support scientific research across Australia.

There were 22 scientists working in the region, which the Cancer Council supported: 10 at The University of Newcastle and 12 at The Mater Hospital in Newcastle.

Cancer Council spokesman Mr

Oswald Carranco said that the community needed to get behind scientists who were crucial to fighting cancer.

"Cancer is curable if detected at early stages."

The five most common cancers were bowel, breast and cervical cancer, prostate and skin cancer.

Mr Carranco said that there had not been a very good response from Woy Woy people.

For more information, phone the Cancer Council on 1300 780 113 or visit their website www.cancercouncil.com

Alison Branley, June 19

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The campaign, which aims to generate 3000 blood donations in three weeks, has been launched by the NSW Red Cross Blood Service to resupply current stocks of blood in NSW which are at critically low levels.

With only three per cent of the population actually donating blood, some elective surgeries across the State may soon have to be cancelled, due to lack of supply.

The Woy Woy blood service, which is open Tuesdays 2 to

7:30pm and Wednesdays 9 to 2:30pm is expecting a large turnout of donors in response to the Blood Rush 3000 appeal.

Manager of Gosford Blood Service, Ms Rachele Norton, said that the Woy Woy service could get busy, and so people should make an appointment.

"We always get a good response from the people of Woy Woy."

The service usually takes donations from 20 to 30 donors during its Tuesday operations, but has taken up to 42 donors in one night.

Wednesdays are less busy, usually taking only 10 to 15 donations.

Ms Norton said that there were no risks involved with donating blood as long as people drank plenty of water and had a good meal before donating.

She warned that caffeinated drinks should not be consumed, as they contributed to dehydration.

"Every caffeinated drink requires one and half glasses of

water."

The blood service is appealing for donations from any fit and healthy persons from 16 to 70 years of age and of any blood type.

Ms Norton said that a lot of people who thought they were not eligible to donate actually were and should check with the blood service.

Those who have suffered chicken pox or shingles in the last 12 months often thought they should not donate, but in fact, their blood was valuable as it could be used in immunisations.

As well, those on blood pressure medication could donate as long as their condition was under control.

However, those with cardiac problems were not eligible.

The blood rush campaign will run until the end of June.

Appointments can be made by calling 131 495, by logging onto www.bloodrush3000.com or by phoning Gosford blood service on 4320 3401.

Alison Branley, June 19.

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Council defers unit development

Gosford Council has deferred a development application for a four-unit residential complex at 63 Ocean Beach Rd, Woy Woy.

This would "allow council officers and council's architect to hold discussions with the applicant in an endeavour to improve the architectural merit of the development in line with the character of the area," the council was told.

Cr Lynne Bockholt gave her

opinion of the proposed development: "It has to be one of the worst designs I have ever seen.

"It should go before some sort of architectural board.

"Nobody could tell me that this fits in with the character of the area.

"Council should meet with the architect with a view to re-designing in order to preserve the character of the Peninsula."

Jonathan Reichard, council agenda DH.047, May 6

Fee waiver wanted for dementia facility

Gosford Council has agreed to look into waiving fees for Development Applications (DAs) and Building Applications (BAs) for a non-profit organisation to build an aged-care facility in Railway St, Woy Woy.

A representative for the developer, Hammond Care Group, said that the facility would create 50 jobs on the Peninsula and that admission of patients would be based on need, not ability to pay.

The group representative said that Hammond has no State or Federal funding for their operation.

The developer had requested council waive water and sewer contributions for an approved dementia specific aged care facility on the site.

Cr Lynne Bockholt said: "We could waive fees on the BAs and DAs, but I don't think we can on the water."

Mayor Cr Robert Bell commented on the organisation having no government funding.

"What are we paying our GST for? Hammond should be seeking grants," Cr Bell said.

The council agenda stated: "Council's policy for collection of contributions for water and sewerage infrastructure, in accordance with the Water Management Act 2000, does not discriminate between ownership or the merits of the proposed use of developments.

"As previously stated in council's letter to Hammond Care Group dated March 29, 2000, concerning a similar facility at Terrigal Drive, contributions for headworks and augmentation are based on the assessed demand a development places on Council's water and sewerage system.

"In not charging the identified contributions, Council would set a precedent whereby future developers may claim a reduction in contributions due to either the

intent of a development or the substantial costs associated with construction of a development.

"Further, if contributions from one customer group are waived as requested, other customers would then be required to fund this donation.

"This situation would result in various customers of council subsidising the development proposals of others.

"Cross subsidy by different customer groups is discouraged and the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal which reviews council's pricing of services also discourages cross subsidies between customer groups.

"Further, where donations are provided to assist groups these donations should occur as part of council's role in meeting broader

community service obligations.

"The waiving of Section 307 contributions does not align with any current community service obligation of council nor would it appear to align with any future community service obligation of council.

"The same cross subsidy issues would apply in the case of General Fund providing a community service obligation in the form of a donation to assist with payment of the Section 307 contributions.

"It is noted that the applicant's previous request for waiving of section 307 contributions for the dementia specific aged care facility on Terrigal Drive, Erina, was rejected by Council at its meeting of May 2, 2000."

Jonathan Reichard, council agenda WS.005, June 24

Locals combine for new venture

Umina resident Jan Abberton and Ettalong business woman Elizabeth White have combined to expand their interests in a new venture at East Gosford.

Trading as Elizabeth Anne's Antiques and Abby's Tea Shoppe, they have moved beyond the traditional antique shop and added the tea shop to encourage visitors to remain longer and enjoy an "old world" atmosphere.

Jan and Elizabeth worked together at Elizabeth Anne's Antiques at the Ettalong Markets on weekends and soon realised that people wanted to get a feel for the antiques that they were looking at.

They also felt that the longer

that customers remained in the shop, the more they noticed and in some cases, purchased.

Jan Abberton had previously owned a café on the South Coast and the new concept seemed a perfect fit.

The new business opened on May 12 and is trading seven days while the Ettalong business continues to trade on weekends only.

The business in Ettalong has been trading for two years and because of its location within the markets does best selling small items such as collectable dolls, china and small interesting antique furniture pieces.

"We buy most of our antiques from Sydney and it's amazing how many finish up back there," said Elizabeth White.

"We buy stock every week and our range in both shops is constantly changing."

Elizabeth is keen to keep the Ettalong business going as she sees a great deal of potential there.

She sees interest in antiques growing as the population base changes and as more visitors arrive from Palm Beach each week.

Cec Bucello, May 29

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Win tickets to pantomimes

Peninsula News will be giving away four double passes to the Cinderella and Hairy Fairies pantomimes at the Peninsula Theatre.

Both pantomimes will run on Monday, July 14, Tuesday, July 15, Wednesday, July 16, and Friday, July 18.

Cinderella will commence at 10.30am while Hairy Fairies will commence at 1.30pm.

Readers are offered a chance to win one of four double passes to either show.

Interested readers should mark an envelope "Pantomime Giveaway" and address it to Peninsula News, PO Box 532, Woy Woy, 2256.

The entrant's name, address, and telephone number must be detailed on the back of the envelope, along with the name of the preferred pantomime.

Only one entry per household will be accepted.

Entries close at 5pm on Wednesday, July 9.

All tickets are \$10 and are available at Laycock Street Theatre (4323 3233) and Peninsula Community Centre (4341 9333).

"Dance City Theatricals will be

performing two brand new children's pantomimes in the July holidays," said founder and producer Ms Angela Denman.

"Dance City specialises in audience participation and the kids will love that they are an integral part of the show.

"There's the Hairy Fairies' brand new space adventure. It can only be described as 'the Muppets meet Sesame Street'."

"These lovable characters zoom in, in search of the Lolly planet and hoping to meet the Marshmallow Princess, only to find that the Evil Space Pirates have kidnapped her.

"But if the traditional is more your style, then there's the classic romantic tale of Cinderella.

"Join Cinderella and her pet mouse, Ratty, as they try to get to the palace ball to meet the handsome prince.

"Watch as the evil stepmother and magical fairy godmother battle it out for a happy ending and laugh along at the hilarious antics of the ugly stepsisters.

"Our next big challenge is to take the shows to the outback - to perform to children who have never seen a pantomime," said Ms Denman.

Press release, June 25



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Glades Motor Inn Feature

First year for new motor inn proprietors

Proprietors of the Glades Country Club Motor Inn, Noel and Josie Goodwin, are celebrating the completion of their first year running the largest motel on the Peninsula.

Prior to taking over the premises, Noel had a spray painting and panel beating business, while Josie was a hairdresser.

Their only experience in the accommodation industry was what Josie had noticed as a 13-year-old girl when her parents had a motel.

"At first, everything was new. It was a big learning curve," Josie said.

"Using the appliances, the phone system, locks, computer programs, codes, accounts - everything was new and there was a knack to using them. Now it's easy," she said.

"We didn't realise that such a high level of involvement was required," Noel Goodwin said.

"We run this like a family hotel and take personal care of our guests.

"Regulars have special requirements which we arrange for them.

"Some guests we drop off at the railway station.

"Sometimes we need to locate relatives for our guests.

"All are treated with a personal touch," he said.

An elderly couple arrived, after 2pm, and because the club bistro was closed, Noel arranged some soup and bread rolls from the family kitchen for his guests.

"After 24 years in business, I have had more 'thank you's' here in one year than all the others combined," Noel said.

"We get bottles of wine, flowers, chocolates, all sorts of things in appreciation of our special care," he said.

"It's very satisfying and rewarding, even if we are on the go seven days a week, 14 hours a day."

The motel has 24 rooms: eight doubles, seven triples and eight four-bed rooms.

Over the past year, the rooms have all been refurbished with new colour television sets, bed spreads, air conditioners, window coverings, doors and flyscreens.

The motel has been repainted, both inside and out.

The gardens have been improved.

There is a new games room, a new office and improved driveways.

In the next year, a new larger barbecue area is planned, together with better parking facilities and new carpets.

The motel boasts a Spike Milligan International Wing and

has been booked for the Spike Milligan Comedy Festival by Spike's brother, Des Milligan, for a number of Australian and international cartoonists visiting the Peninsula for the festival.

The motel employs four housemaids working on a part-time basis.

One of them, Ms Betty Brown, has been there for nine years and the Goodwins are the third owner that she has worked for.

Betty said that the motel is now the busiest that it has ever been and that she is surprised at the lengths to which the new owners are prepared to go to make their guests happy.

During the week, the majority of guests are people working in the area, tradesmen, doctors based at local hospitals and family members visiting relatives.

The motel is popular because it has a large country club next door where guests can go for meals and entertainment without needing to drive.

The motel also provides a secure overnight area for work vehicles.

At weekends, guests are often people coming to the area for weddings and parties.

The motel has also had many sporting groups as guests while visiting for tournaments held locally, ie cricket, netball and judo, as well as dancers and actors here for local performances.

Noel and Josie said many local residents and businesses recommended and used the motel regularly.

Cec Bucello, June 26



Proprietor Josie Goodwin in the Glades Motor Inn courtyard

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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.

Woy Woy vacation care centre activities program weekdays only during school holidays 7am to 6.30pm from \$8.20 a day Enq 0414 511 839

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.

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

Sports bar raffle Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

EVERY WEDNESDAY

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

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.

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

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

Free members raffle 1pm Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

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 - Boudi 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.

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

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

Bingo 9.45am Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

Free members raffle 1pm and 7.30pm Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

Karaoke Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

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, Aqua-fitness, 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 Enq: 4341 1166

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

Free members raffle 1pm Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

Hardys Bay Community Church, retiree men and women welcome **indoor bowls, canasta, scrabble, and morning tea** 10am to 12.30pm Enq 4363 1968

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 Weekend 10.00 am— 4.00 pm

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

Free members raffle 1pm Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

EVERY SUNDAY

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

Patonga Bakehouse Gallery. Every Weekend 10.00 am— 4.00 pm

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.

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

Punters choice 12.45pm Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

EVENT CALENDAR

Tuesday July 1

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

Buffalo Primo Lodge No 9 (1st Tue) Umina Community Hall 7pm

Wednesday July 2

Older Womens Network 10.15am (1st Wed) Woy Woy Leagues Club Enq 4343 1079

Seniors Shopping Day, Deepwater Plaza, Woy Woy. (1st Wed) Enq 4341 4206

CWA Woy Woy Branch Social Day (1st Wed) 10am Handicrafts 1pm meeting. The Boulevard Woy Woy. Enq 4344 5192, 4341 6533

Ettalong Ratepayers & Citizens Progress Association (1st Wed) 7.30pm. Progress Hall, Memorial Ave, Ettalong Beach.

Thursday July 3

South Woy Woy Progress Assoc. (1st Thur) 7pm. Progress Hall, Woy Woy Road. Woy Woy

Library Bookmobile Daleys Point, Peridon Village. Fortnightly Thursdays 10.15am - 10.30am Peridon Retirement Village Hall, Empire Bay Opposite Post Office & bottle shop 11am - 11.20am Near park & local shop Bensville local shop 11.30 am - 11.40am

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

Friday July 4

Bus trip, (1st Fri), School for Seniors, Peninsula Community Centre Enq: 4341 9333

Legacy Ladies

Ettalong Memorial

Club 10am (1st Fri) Enq 4341 5414

Free first release movie, 8pm (1st Fri) Everglades Country Club

Ballroom supper dances, 7.30pm, Ettalong, all ages. Pro teachers avail (1st Fri) Enq: 4344 5432

Saturday July 5

Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade's Produce Stall Killcare Cellars (1st Sat)

National Malaya and Borneo Veterans Association (1st Sat), Ettalong Beach Club, 2.30pm Enq 4340 4160

Monday July 7

Pretty Beach Public School P&C Resource Centre at school (1st Mon) 7.30pm Enq 4360 1587

Tuesday July 8

Toastmasters Ettalong Memorial Club (2nd Tue) at 7pm Enq 4341 6842 **Umina T.P.I.** Ettalong Memorial Club (2nd Tue) at 1pm Enq 4341 4644

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

Pearl Beach Craft Group, 1.30pm, Progress Hall (2nd Tue) Enq: 4342 1459.

Stroke Recovery Group, 11.30am, (2nd Tues), Meals on Wheels Auditorium.

Killcare Surf Life Saving Club (2nd Tue) 7pm Enq 4360 1966

Ettalong Beach Toastmasters 7.30pm (2nd Tues). Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club. Enq: 4344 1124.

Wednesday July 9

Red Cross, Umina Beach Branch monthly meeting 1.30pm (2nd Wed). Umina Uniting Church Hall, Ocean Beach Rd, Umina. Visitors welcome.

Woy Woy Community Aged Care Auxiliary meeting (2nd Wed) 10am Aged Care Complex, Kathleen St., Woy Woy Enq 4341 1588

Endeavour View Club Woy Woy Leagues Club, 10.30am (2nd Wed).

Kids Drama & Discovery classes at Umina PCYC 4pm children from 5 to 16 (2nd Wed). Enq 4344 7851

Library Bookmobile Patonga Near Community Hall 9.45 am. Pearl Beach Near Community Hall 10.55 am/ Umina Nursing Home, Arras Ave., 11.40 am

Thursday July 10

Outsiders Club Ettalong Memorial Club (2nd Thur) at 9am

Street stall, Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary, outside Flemings, West St Umina 9am - 3.30pm

Friday July 11

RSL Sub Branch Ettalong Memorial Club (2nd Fri) at 2.30pm

Troubadour Folk Club, featuring Sam Leopold, 8pm, CWA hall Woy Woy opposite Fisherman's Wharf. Enq 4341 4060

Arts and Entertainment



US singer at Troubadour

Troubadour Folk Club is hosting US singer and songwriter Sam Leopold on Friday, July 11, at 8pm at Woy Woy CWA hall, opposite Fisherman's Wharf.

Born in Philadelphia, in 1948, raised in Chicago. Sam at age 14, began writing songs out of an interest in music and poetry.

In 1972 Sam signed with Mercury Records and produced the album, "Sam Leopold", which Billboard Magazine called "original, dynamic and energized".

Touring, he played concerts and music clubs on bills with country acts Emilu Harris and Vasser Clemens, folk singers Harry Chapin and Pete Seeger, blues singers Bonnie Raitt, Lightnin' Hopkins, and other acts including jazz artist Charles Mingus and guitar stylist Leo Kotke.

After three albums, Sam left performing and spent several years in the corporate world of CBS, in New York City, working as a writer and composer, and as founding editor and writer with "Biography Magazine".

Sam then discovered Steiner Schools.

In 1999, he and his wife moved

to Japan to help establishing a Steiner school and teacher training programs. For three years, he performed in the nightclubs of Sapporo.

The plight of Japanese teenagers struggling with cultural changes happening with unprecedented speed and magnitude gave him a picture of the world's youth and the issues they face.

"Song writing with Young People" was founded at the Hokkaido International School to help them understand and work creatively with these issues.

Last year, he moved to Australia where he has been writing songs for recording artists, performing in concerts, clubs and festivals, and giving workshops in high schools.

Sam performed at the recent at St Albans Folk Festival, as well as giving a youth song writing workshop.

Sam will be returning to the US in October.

Tickets are \$8 at the door, which includes supper. Floorspots are available.

With inquiries, telephone Frank on 4341 4060 or 0417 456 929 or email frussell@fastlink.com.au.

Press release, June 27

Students represented

The Gosford City Council Young People's Incentive Award is held annually at the Gosford Regional Gallery.

This year two artists from Year 10 at Brisbane Water Secondary College, Sarah Harvey and Blair Speerin, are represented.

Sarah is exhibiting two works, a pencil drawing and a painting, while Blair is exhibiting an oil painting entitled "Spirit".

School newsletter, June 26

Investigating assemblage

Year 11 Visual Arts from Brisbane Water Secondary College recently have been investigating assemblage as a way to make sculpture following the investigation of Australia Artist Laura Davies in class.

On Friday, June 6, Mrs

Matthews' class went on a walking excursion to the Woy Woy waterfront to collect found objects for the class-work sculpture.

Mr Jones' class will be investigating the school grounds as a site for collection of objects for their assemblage.

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Education



Ettalong Public School students taking part in a street parade through Ettalong town centre

Ettalong anniversary recognised

Member for Peats, Marie Andrews, has formally recognised the 75th anniversary of Ettalong Public School through a speech in Parliament last week.

Celebrations were held on June 6 and included a street parade and the cutting of the large birthday cake by the school's youngest student, Talisha Orr and one of the original 1928 students, Joyce

Morante (nee Adams).

Ms Andrews told Parliament: "The school has progressed from the use of blackboard and chalk as the main tools used in teaching students to the modern day use of state of the art computers.

"In fact, one of the original classrooms has been renovated to accommodate this latest technology."

Special mention was made of a number of persons who had

worked to ensure that the school's 75th anniversary did not pass by unnoticed.

These included principal Mr Bruce Donaldson, long-serving teacher Mrs Megan Smith, and P&C executive officers.

The two school captains, Ben and Amy, were praised by Ms Andrews for being such good ambassadors for their school.

The celebrations were attended by about 1000 people.

Press release, June 25

Science students commended

Pretty Beach Public School presented commendation certificates to several of its students for achievement in the Australian Schools Science Competition.

Twenty-five of the school's Year 3-6 students participated in the competition.

Credit Awards were issued to Aidan Clout of Year 3, Isabel Attwool, Owen Briggs, and Sebastian Goldrick of Year 4,

and Sarah Ford, Julian Frese, Alice McCourt, and David Nipperess of Year 5.

Achievement Awards were issued to Ella Canty and Isabella Sanasi of Year 3 and Alison Beveridge and Kara Duffy of Year 6.

A total of 450,000 students from Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific region sat for the science competition.

School newsletter, June 25

Students receive merit certificates

Students at Umina Campus, Brisbane Water Secondary College, have been presented with merit certificates for their attitudes and application to learning.

Students recognised from 7D3 were Zoe Moxon, Matthew Roberts, Anette Morison, Natasha Redding, Daniel Rushton, and Jessica Nugent.

Students recognised from 7W1 were Keisha Woodward, Brooke Smith, Ashleigh Smith, April Smith, Chantelle Spencer, Kellie Savell, Sharni Smith, Hannah Trindall, and Nicky Shaw.

Students recognised from 8W1 were Laura Witchard, Jade Unwin, and Jason Smith.

Students recognised from 8W2 were Alana Young, Rachelle Trenholme, and Jeremy Thorne.

School newsletter, June 25

Campus principal returns

Umina Campus principal for Brisbane Water Secondary College, Mr Frank Gasper, has returned to the campus after a period as relieving College Principal and has reported activities at the school.

Mr Gasper said: "The ANZAC Day ceremony organised by Mr Macey and presented entirely by

students was "the best that I have seen in my teaching career."

Several students identified as gifted and talented had been given the opportunity to advance their studies by doing year 11 subjects in year 10.

Mr Gasper said: "[This] is a great feature that we wish to expand.

"Increasingly, we hope to tailor

specific pathways for individual students, whether through vocational courses or a more traditional academic focus."

The new appointee to College Head Teacher of Teaching and Learning, Mrs Lorraine Hickey, will focus on students identified as gifted and talented as one of the role's specific duties.

Mr Gasper said: "The new principal at Woy Woy Campus, Mr David Beattie, has already introduced several excellent initiatives to establish such programs."

The College Learning Conference was an opportunity to bring the teachers of both campuses together to focus on assessment, teaching and learning.

Mr Gasper said: "The two days enabled us to arrange a quality presenter in Ralph Perroza from Queensland who gave some excellent insights into classroom practice.

The college recently received the results of the Statewide ELLA Tests.

The tests assess student strengths and weaknesses and provide a planning tool for future programs.

Mr Gasper said: "Whilst there were very good results by many individuals, the group that performed best was our Year 7 girls who achieved excellent results - above the average for the State.

School newsletter, June 25.

Busy year for library

It has been a busy year at the Woy Woy campus library at Brisbane Water Secondary College.

A student photocopier, installed in the library during first term, has been well used by students.

The P&C purchased a new print edition of the World Book Encyclopedia for the library and the World Book Online for the whole school.

A variety of new texts, fiction and non-fiction, including senior study guides, were purchased for the library.

The library has been used for many different activities,

including one on one tutoring, youth mentoring, SRC meetings and P&C meetings.

Teacher-librarian Mr Simon Norris said: "So far this year, a pleasing number of students have made use of the research facilities available within the library and hopefully this trend will continue as the facilities are improved."

Mr Norris thanked students who helped with the recent re-organisation of the library shelving: Ben Cain, Kathleen Stahl, Matt Hallows, Kristy Goldsworthy, Jessica Wakelin and Rachael Kiernan.

School newsletter, June 25

Special school café and kitchen

The Student Support Unit at Umina Campus, Brisbane Water Secondary College, has been awarded a grant by the Central Coast Community Chest to build a school café and kitchen.

It will be run by intellectually disabled students.

The students received a cheque for \$5000 at Gosford

Council Chambers on Tuesday, June 24.

The Central Coast Community Chest has raised money locally through workplace payroll deduction programs, corporate support, private donations and special events and distributes it locally to over 50 charitable organisations.

Con Orfanos, June 18

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Nathan plays for State

Woy Woy Swans Australian rules football player Nathan Brown has represented the State in Canberra.

Nathan, along with three other players from the Central Coast, played for Northside AFL NSW representative team on Sunday, June 15, in Canberra against the ACT Rams.

The game had only one goal difference either way up to the last quarter.

Canberra defeated Northside by two points 6-3-39 to 6-1-37.

The Central Coast v Newcastle game, an annual event, was held on Sunday, June 22, at

Newcastle.

Woy Woy Swans again showed it has talented players, with five players being selected to represent the Central Coast.

They were James Webster for the under-12 team, and Nathan Brown, Ben Edwards, Matt Miller and Ryan Webster for the under-14 team.

James Webster played an excellent game despite the team being beaten 8-6-54 to 4-4-28.

Nathan Brown captained the under-14 team to victory, 6-4-40 to 4-8-32.

R Brown, June 23



Tony Whitehead shows students a lyre bird tail feather

Students hear about bush care

A presentation was given at Ettalong Public School on Monday, June 23, by representatives of the Blackwall Mountain Bushcare Group, the Peninsula Dunecare group, and the Pretty Beach Public School Bushcare Group.

The objective was to present local environmental information and to inspire students to gain an awareness of, and undertake local environmental projects to help look after isolated natural areas on the Woy Woy Peninsula.

Mr Tony Whitehead, of Blackwall Mountain Bushcare Group, presented the school with books and a CD on the Blackwall Mountain Reserve and beach plants of the local area.

Mr Whitehead said: "Schools can access government funds for environmental protection quite easily."

Mr Whitehead urged students to look at their environment closely and to protect isolated plant and animal communities on the Peninsula such as the koala community at Pearl Beach.

"If the environment is unhealthy, we become unhealthy," he said.

Ms Edith Connolly, coordinator of Pretty Beach Public School Bushcare Group, explained the group's environmental projects and concerns.

"Even though we are a small school we actually have four hectares of land, most of which is bush.

"We didn't have a track leading up into the bush.

"If students wanted to take their students into the bush for an art, environment or science lesson, they went different ways through the bush all the time.

"What do you think might have happened to the native plants when a whole class walked over them?"

"The plants are squashed and killed.

"What do you think would have happened when the plants died and patches of bare soil were left exposed?"

"Weeds grow and erosion happens.

"So we decided to build a graded path in our 'bush classroom' and to remove the

weeds so that the native plants could grow back again."

Mr Whitehead said he was undertaking a koala survey within the Brisbane Water National Park.

Any sightings should be reported to National Parks and Wildlife Service on 4320 4280.

Con Orfanos, June 23.

Workshop for young writers

Woy Woy Library will host "Write for Fun", two free writing workshops on July 18, for young people who enjoy writing stories and poetry.

The workshops are sponsored by the Fellowship of Australian Writers Central Coast and will be presented by writer, Pat Lindsay.

A workshop for students in Years 3 to 6 will be held from 10am to 12am and another for students in Years 7 to 9 will be held from 1pm to 3pm.

Both workshops will be held in the Spike Milligan Room and all

writing materials will be supplied.

Pat Lindsay, a writer of short stories and poetry, has won many awards, including the Grenfell Henry Lawson, CJ Dennis (three times), and Judah Waten prizes.

Writers Sheila Drakely, Bridget Sharp, and Joan-Marion Bean will assist her in the workshops.

Bookings are necessary as each workshop is limited to 25 places.

Contact Pat Lindsay on 4342 2184 to reserve places.

Press release, June 25

St John teachers to stop work

Teachers at St John the Baptist Primary School will be taking part in the stop-work meeting of NSW Catholic teachers planned for July 2.

The meeting will occur between 2 and 3pm on Wednesday, July 2.

The teachers are expected to condemn the current pay offer of a three per cent increase from Catholic employers.

The teachers are seeking a pay increase of 25 per cent over two years, as well as a three per cent increase in superannuation contributions, improved remuneration for heads of departments, and measures to deal with increased workloads.

A statement released by the Diocese of Broken Bay stated that students at St. John the Baptist primary would spend the

time participating in regular programmed curricular activities under adequate staff supervision.

"Student safety and supervision remains the highest priority at all times," it stated.

The Independent Education Union (IEU) has lodged the application for the salary claim to be heard as a special case in the NSW Industrial relations committee.

According to the diocese statement, teachers who were members of the IEU were free to take part in the hour-long meeting.

"The Diocese supports the decision of IEU member teachers to meet for discussion, and thanks them for choosing the least intrusive time in our children's timetable."

Alison Branley, press release, June 19

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Runners-up in touch final

The open boys' touch football team of Woy Woy Campus, Brisbane Water Secondary College, was defeated by Terrigal High's team in the Central Coast final.

In a tightly fought contest, the team lost six tries to five on June 6.

Team coach Mr Cribb said: "A fitting result would have been a draw."

"Both teams deserved to win an extremely exciting, see-sawing game."

"Unfortunately for us, Terrigal scored the last try with minutes remaining to edge us out."

The open boys' rugby league team defeated Lisarow High's team, 22-10, in the preliminary round of the Central Coast Division of the Motor Accident Authority Shield on June 4.

Mr Cribb said: "We started the game confidently and caught Lisarow by surprise."

"Lisarow hit back and were looking good in trailing 12-10 at the break."

"After half-time we knew we had to lift and lift we did."

"To a man, the BWSC team played as if their lives depended on it, continually repelling the Lisarow attack."

School newsletter, June 18



Part of the interior of the recently refurbished Woy Woy Bowling Club

Council to talk to club administrators

Gosford Council will attempt to become involved in any future development of Woy Woy Bowling Club, following the adoption a resolution at a recent council meeting

Cr Lynne Bockholt's successfully moved that: "Council contact the administrators of the Woy Woy Bowling Club immediately with a view to

council entering into urgent discussions with the administrators to assume control of the site, so that a master plan can be prepared and competitive tenders be called over the next 12 months."

"The Woy Woy Bowling Club has been in receivership for some time," said Cr Bockholt.

"Local papers suggest a syndicate of local business people have approached the

administrator with a view to assuming control of the site.

"If this occurs, Council will have little control over what happens on the site."

"It is essential that council be a critical player in future development so that it can be planned in an orderly manner and as much of the current club and bowling green is retained as possible."

Lynne Bockholt, June 24



A letter to the editor published in the last edition of Peninsula News seeking a home for this Brisbane Water Rowing Club boat has resulted in several responses. The most hopeful of these is ongoing discussions with Davistown RSL.

Bowls president completes term

Woy Woy women bowlers recently held a President's Day to farewell president Mrs P Toohey, who is completing her term of office.

Mrs Toohey welcomed special guests, State vice-president Mrs T Part and Mrs F Berry (Coaching Panel), Central Coast District WBA president Mrs B Brown and Mrs J Homan, representatives from district clubs, visitors, and members.

Following morning tea, a short game of bowls was played in brilliant sunshine.

After the game, members

were joined by representatives from the men's club, parent body and members of the president's family.

Lunch was served in the auditorium which was decorated in the president's favourite colours of pink and mauve.

A small gift was placed at each setting.

The toastmistress was Mrs I Campbell.

Gifts were presented to the president by Mrs Part and Mrs Brown.

The president of the men's club and the chairman of the parent body each presented Mrs Toohey with flowers, congratulating her and all who were responsible for arranging the celebration.

Mrs Toohey invited Mrs Part and Mrs Brown to join her in cutting the cake.

At the close of the day, the president thanked all present for making her day such a memorable one, and wished all a safe journey home.

Magazine, June 25

Funding program for sporting groups

Member for Peats, Ms Marie Andrews, has reminded not-for-profit sport and recreation groups to apply for grants in one of the NSW Government's most important funding programs.

Applications are open until August 15 for the Capital Assistance Program (CAP).

These grants aim to assist not-for-profit sport and recreational groups as well as local councils to build sport and recreational facilities in their area.

"Sporting and recreational activities play such an important role in building safer and more supportive communities."

"The NSW Government is proud to be able to support organisations that are committed to creating healthier and more active members of society."

"The program can fund important sport and recreation facilities like playgrounds, skate parks and flood lights."

"Under the CAP, funding is

available for up to half of the project cost.

"The value of voluntary labour and donated materials from the community are allowed as part of the applicant's contribution", Ms Andrews said.

The average grant in recent years has been about \$9000 per applicant.

"I urge any interested applicants to contact my office, the Department of Sport and Recreation or local councils."

Applications are also available through www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

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Large painting for exhibition

A group of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from Brisbane Water Secondary College, Umina Campus, has been involved in creating a large painting for the "Darkinjung Community - Standing Strong" exhibition at Gosford Regional Gallery.

The painting is now at the gallery and can be viewed until August 3.

The exhibition also includes artworks by local adult indigenous artists and an art market along with paintings from other Peninsula schools.

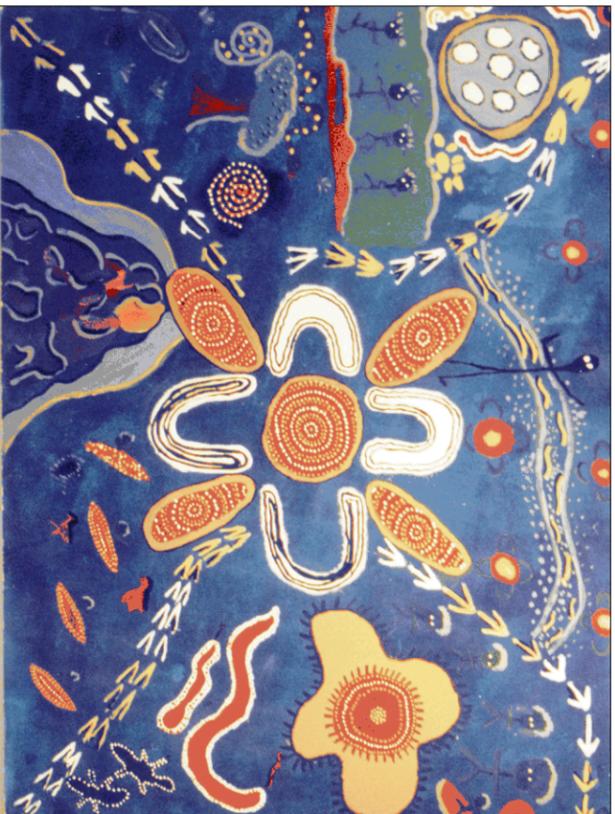
The campus' art department is adapting to the increased art production of Year 7 and 8 students.

Head teacher of creative arts Mr Lynch said: "We endeavour to provide quality art experiences to all students in a variety of art forms, including painting, drawing, sculpture, ceramics and printmaking.

"New strategies are being developed to physically handle large quantities of artworks that have to be made in class."

Year 7 students have just finished producing around 1000 individual prints that had to be made, dried and handled in class.

More than 70 bags of clay were purchased and stored in classrooms in preparation for ceramic pot making by Year 8 students.



Painting by students from Brisbane Water Secondary College, Umina Campus

During the building and air-drying process about 380 pots will have to be stored in classrooms for several weeks before being moved to the ceramics area where they will be carefully packed into the kilns, unpacked after firing, returned to rooms for glazing and decoration, returned to the kilns for a second firing, and again returned to rooms.

Mr Lynch said: "There is a small factory operating at Umina and I would welcome any interested parent or community member who has the 'art bug' and would like to help out to contact me at school.

"It would sometimes be dirty work (involving dust) but you would be a very appreciated volunteer."

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Computer class in Woy Woy

Gosford TAFE is to offer a night class in computer skills in Woy Woy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The course will teach operation of a personal computer and operating a word processor, and will be held in Woy Woy TAFE annexe, opposite the RTA office.

An information session and enrolment day will be held on July 2 at Gosford TAFE campus in C block.

Pretty Beach wins debate

level 2, room C202 at 11am, followed by an enrolment session from 11.30am to 12.30pm.

Late enrolments may be accepted for people who miss the initial information and enrolment sessions.

For further information, contact Purimabahn Aboriginal Unit, Gillian Bell on 4923 7833, or Denise Markham on 4348 2289.

Flyer, July 26

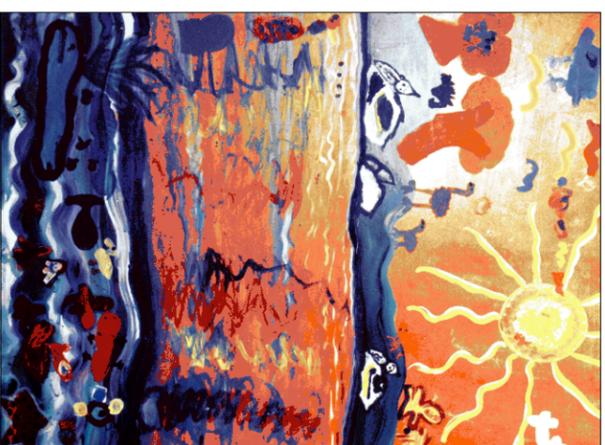
The Stage 3 debating team of Pretty Beach Public School met Empire Bay Public School on June 18 to debate the topic: "Youth who commit crime should be treated like adults".

Pretty Beach's team, consisting of Claire Connolly, Sarah Ford, Breanne Wouffe and Alison Beveridge, took the affirmative position and defeated their opposition.

The school congratulated the students.

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Paintings for exhibition



Painting by students at Woy Woy Public School

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See story on back page.



Paintings by students from Brisbane Water Secondary College, Woy Woy Campus



Top: Painting by students at Umina Public School
Bottom: Painting by students at Woy Woy South Public School

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