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New IOOF proposal includes residents

A new proposal has been announced by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows (IOOF) to redevelop its Homes Centre at Ettalong.

It is proposed that the single bedsitter units and cottages will be refurbished.

While the redevelopment is in progress, affected residents would be relocated to vacant cottages or placed in suitable alternative accommodation nearby with subsidised rent.

Member for Peats Ms Marie Andrews has welcomed the news, claiming "the long battle by residents in the IOOF Homes at Ettalong is finally over".

A meeting was convened by IOOF chief executive Mr Hugh Quelch at the Homes Centre last Wednesday, where the proposal was outlined to either redevelop or refurbish all the dwellings on the site.

Ms Andrews and senior policy officer Mr Adam Heydon from the Office of Fair Trading attended the meeting. "Residents will have the opportunity to consider the proposal, but it appeared from the meeting they were delighted with the idea of securing much improved accommodation," said Ms Andrews.

Ms Andrews said the fight began when residents of the IOOF Homes Centre at Ettalong feared they would become homeless after receiving a letter from management saying the centre no longer met the definition of a retirement village.

"The management, the IOOF, claimed that the rights and protection offered to the residents under the Retirement Villages Act no longer applied."

Ms Andrews said the Office of Fair Trading stepped in at her request to assure residents that management could not force them out of their homes.

"The change in attitude by the IOOF appears to have been spearheaded by the television program A Current Affair," she said.

"Under the guidance of a hardworking committee



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The IOOF Homes Centre at Umina

from the Office of Fair Trading, the IOOF management had to concede that the centre must comply with the Retirement Villages Act 1999," she said. Press release, August 8

Teachers march to Andrews' office

Teachers from Brisbane Water Secondary College marched to the electoral office of the Member for Peats, Ms Marie Andrews, as part of a NSW Teachers Federation drive for higher pay.

The march followed a NSW Teachers Federation meeting at Woy Woy Leagues Club on July 29 where a motion was passed to march.

The president of the Ettalong-Woy Woy Teachers Association, Mr Rob Landow, said that an additional motion was passed at the meeting to: "endorse the directives of the federation executive".

Mr Landow said that the directives called for a 25 per cent wage increase over two years.

Ms Andrews was not at her

"I was notified the day before of the plan by teachers to attend my office and I explained to Mr Landow, who led the delegation, that I was already committed to a Residents Action Group meeting with PlanningNSW."

A spokesperson at Ms Andrews' office said: "An appointment has since been made for Ms Andrews to meet Mr Landow to discuss the teachers' concerns."

The NSW Government is offering a six per cent increase over two years.

Mr Landow said: "There's been a dramatic real decrease in education spending.

"Teachers in the US and Canada earn double the amount that ours earn.

"Many parents I've spoken to are supportive of our position and Marie Andrews, as far as I know, is supportive also." The secretary of the association, Mr Michael Fensom, said there was a 14 per cent difference between the Government's offer and the federation's claim.

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He said that a five per cent wage increase recommended by the Vincent Report, handed down two years ago, awaits implementation and that the "quasi-independent" Vincent report aimed to put teacher wage levels on a par with those of similar professionals.

Mr Fensom said that the Government's offer "merely covers inflation".

Mr Landow said that the federation aimed to focus primarily on wage matters in its relationship with the state government.

Mr Fensom said that the issue of student assaults in schools was appended, although not discussed, at the July 29 meeting.

The federation was organising an audit for August that aimed to establish the nature and incidence of student violence in NSW schools.

Hazard reduction burn takes place

A planned hazard reduction burn, covering some 50 ha on the ridge and slopes above Glenrock Parade, Koolewong, was undertaken on Friday, August 1.

Others took place at Hawke Head Drive, Pretty Beach, and Broken Bay Sport and Recreation Camp at Patonga.

Rural Fire Service volunteer firefighters joined colleagues from the National Parks and Wildlife Service and NSW Fire Brigades in undertaking more than 20 significant hazard reduction burns around Sydney between August 1 and 3. strategy for how to minimise the threat to property during major bushfire events.

"Hazard reduction burns cut down bushfire fuel levels and while they never stop a bushfire, they provide an area that will burn less intensely should it be affected by bushfire, thereby providing a buffer zone for our firefighters."

Mr Koperberg said that an opportunity for successful hazard reduction burns presented itself for the weekend of August 1-3.

"It is vital to get the right balance between too wet and too dry to ensure that the hazard reduction burn is the right intensity to remove the bushfire fuels but not harm the environment," he said. Press release, July 31

electoral office to meet the is su marchers.

Ms Andrews said: "These teachers certainly do deserve a pay rise.

Con Orfanos, August 4.

The commissioner of the NSW Rural Fire Service, Mr Phil Koperberg, said: "These hazard reduction burns are key in our





History

Peninsula COMMUNITY News

Welcome to edition 73 of Peninsula News

On the continuing theme of staff changes, for this edition and hopefully many more to come, we welcome Andrew Brown. Andrew has come to us with a variety of experience mainly in

computer graphic design and network support. He has already had an impact having produced all of the new

advertisements for this edition. As Andrew's skills continue to improve over the next few editions, readers will be able to enjoy enhanced newspaper

Cec Bucello, Manager

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However, public will and action saved the island from this ordinary urban fate.

In 1974, a public meeting was held at East Gosford Progress Hall to discuss the Riley's Island development.

From this meeting a committee was formed.

This committee was headed by Brian MacGowan, later to become the State Member for Gosford in 1976.

Morrie Breen was secretary and Bob Symington was treasurer.

Meetings were held at Joan Morts' house at Terrigal.

Joan was to become a councillor on Gosford Shire Council 1977-1980.

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The committee also included Sonia and Maureen, two teachers from Woy Woy Primary School and Joan Whitfield, Allan Whitfield and Vince Murray from the Central Coast Trades and Labor Council.

The committee's first action was to develop a paper, "The Situation of Riley's Island 1974", giving the history and the environmental aspects of retaining the island as a nature reserve.

This was the first action of the committee and the start of long campaign to save the island.

Petitions were circulated, public meetings held, publicity and information distributed and support sought and given by the famous comedian and writer, Spike Milligan.

Many talented people served on the committee including Merv and Coleen Cronin, Ian Glen, Brian Long, Robert Bell (the current Mayor of Gosford) and his wife Linda, and Vincent Murray, who worked tirelessly with petitions, lobbying politicians and trade union officials.

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Alison Branley, August 8

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The highlight of our struggle for political support was an interview with Premier Neville Wran.

He was most interested and promised support.

He said negotiations would be held with the owners, the LJ Hooker company.

Eventually these were successful and the island was declared a nature-reserve in the mid-1980s.

Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy



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Exotic tree removal for Kahibah Creek

Exotic trees will be removed from the flood area of Kahibah Creek at North Pearl Estate after an 18month delay, at the insistence of Gosford councillors.

On the motion of mayor Cr Robert Bell, councillors resolved to "institute the removal" of the non-native trees, illegal fill and rubbish from the area.

They also required staff to provide a map of illegal incursions into the creek.

Ettamylong Landcare Group had been calling for the immediate removal of the exotic trees and rubbish, to which all stakeholders had agreed, since flood maintenance works were proposed nearly two years ago.

The motion came after a staff report to the council foreshadowed a further delay of "many months" while negotiations with government departments took place and flood levels were lowered.

Staff recommended a statement be included in planning certificates about the "flood liability".

The staff report also recommended that "Council note that a large number of properties in North Pearl Estate Umina, which were originally flood free up to a one-in-100 year flood event after the completion of private subdivision works, have now increased flood affection due to council's inability to undertake maintenance in the adjoining



Rubbish at Kahiba Creek to be removed with exotic trees

drainage channel".

It also recommended that Council continue to negotiate with the appropriate State and Federal government departments with a view to obtaining consent to carry out flood control works in the channel adjacent to the estate.

The council adopted the recommendations.

The staff report stated: "The matter of clearing overgrown vegetation in a drainage channel at North Pearl Estate, Kahibah Creek requires further consideration by Council because concerns raised by National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS - State Government) and the need to refer the matter to Environment Australia (EA -Commonwealth Government) have delayed work which was originally scheduled for January 2002."

An earlier report about the creek was considered by council on November 13, 2001, and eight recommendations were made.

One recommendation from that meeting report stated: "It is recommended that Council urgently proceed with the clearing of trees below the one per cent flood line as detailed in the 2001 NECS Report page 10, subject to the consultants, interested councillors, community representatives and appropriate council staff including environmental officers and drainage engineers, undertaking a walk of the creek and marking those trees to be removed."

A walk of the creek was undertaken in December 2001, however the staff report last week stated that "clearing work as recommended has not proceeded owing initially to the inability to agree on a course of action with National Parks & Wildlife Service (NPWS)".

"It was further delayed following the finding of an endangered species (Swift Parrot) in the area and the time taken to prepare documentation, arrange studies and resolve issues with NPWS, EA and recently the Department of Infrastructure Planning and Natural Resources.

'With regard to the NPWS, it should be noted that NPWS g e n e r a I I y m a k e 'recommendations only' to council as council is the determining authority in this matter.

"Therefore if Council is confident it has complied with all the regulations, it could have proceeded with the work without NPWS' concurrence.

"This was not a favoured course of action because if NPWS disagree with Council's actions, then NPWS can 'call the project in' and the project then becomes NPWS' responsibility.

"It was considered that the best course of action was for council to be transparent and work with NPWS to resolve any issues.

"With regard to EA, a submission required under the Environment Protection Biodiversity Conservation Act (EPBC) has been submitted to EA.

"This submission is required because the removal of habitat has an affect on the Swift Parrot, a nationally-listed threatened species.

Council agenda EP.030, August 5

Church allowed time extension for hall plans

Gosford Council has given the Coast Community Church at Bensville until the end of August to submit a final plan for a school hall on Bundaleer Cr.

Residents from the area asked council to refuse the application at the August 5 meeting due to a lack of consultation with the local community and the expiration of council's previous six-month extension.

However, church representative Alan Reynolds argued that: "Enormous progress has been made, but the time frame was unrealistic."

The architect who is submitting the revised plans to council assured the mayor, Cr Robert Bell, that the plans would be submitted to council on Friday, August 22. officers have been given delegated authority to make a decision on the fate of the hall.

The church will be required to complete surrounding road works or face legal action in the Land and Environment Court, regardless of the status of the school hall extension.

The plans had to be resubmitted because council previously decided that the scale of the original plans, which included a church and large hall, was too large for the site and was not in line with the village character of Bensville. Cr Tony Sansom moved that the extension be granted.

He said: 'We're talking about 17 days now for the revised application.

"Given that the church has been deleted, this has been done in consultation with council and residents, and that the consultation will be on-going.

"The revised plan will come back with just a school.

"It would be very unfair of this council to deny them (the applicants) when they have come this far.

"We're not talking about

experienced developers here. They are a community organisation," Cr Sansom said.

Cr Lynne Bockholt took a contrary position.

She said: "This has already had two extensions.

"Even with the church gone, I would not be satisfied with the size of the hall.

"Council has not said what size development they would accept on the site."

Cr Daniel Cook said that he had some concerns with the original application, but was prepared to keep an open mind and see what came back.

Cr Craig Doyle said that long extensions had already been granted, so the final short extension was all that could be granted.

"What we're going to grant here is 10 days short of a year.

"It is not council delaying tactics.

It is extensions requested for one reason or another.

"I'm willing to allow another 17 days, but that's it.

"It's worthwhile having a look at the plan," Cr Doyle said.

Jonathan Reichard, August 7



Watersedge Woy Woy Watersedge Computer classes

Council then decided to give the applicant until August 31 so that any extra documents that needed to be produced could be submitted.

If all documents are not submitted by August 31, council

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Inadequate Council work caused creek delay

Regarding council agenda item EP 030 on North Pearl Estate, Gosford Council should be aware that it is the inadequate and incomplete environmental assessment work carried out by its own officers and consultants that has delayed the work to the creek.

The NPWS and Environment Australia have merely drawn council's attention to the need to carry out complete assessments as specified by the relevant laws and regulations, something which should have been done over a vear ado.

Environment Australia (EA) made a decision on April 28 that the removal of the trees was a controlled action under the federal Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act) and that the works required further assessment.

It seems that council officers

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have only recently submitted the additional information required by them to enable a determination of the appropriate method of further assessment.

Why has it taken three months for council officers to submit this further information to the department?

On July 31 EA made a formal decision under the EPBC Act that the assessment should occur by preliminary documentation.

When does council propose to supply this documentation to EA and to release this for public comment as required under the Act?

Why have council officers not taken action that would mitigate flooding and that is not subject to further assessments, for example removal of illegal fill identified by council as needing removal several years ago?

Why have council officers not undertaken work which will speed up the process of approval of proposed works?

One of the matters that will enable some removal of trees with EA approval is the compensatory planting of the same species higher on the creek banks and in nearby locations

Given that council has propagated these trees in its nursery and allocated funds to maintenance works, why are these trees not being planted now to ensure their survival before the summer season arrives?

Perhaps council officers would prefer to wait for the hottest time of the year to ensure minimal survival and maximum expenditure to water and replace dead trees?

Or is it just lack of forward thinking and stupidity?

Regarding the recommendations, it is not appropriate for council to "negotiate" with the state and federal government departments. There is a formal assessment process under the EPBC Act which must be followed.

Council officers should expedite this process by providing a proposal to Environment Australia and NPWS which adequately ensures a sustainable outcome in both biodiversity and flooding terms.

In the meantime, council should immediately remove illegal fill and non-native trees (actions previously approved by Council but not acted on) and other rubbish along the creek which exacerbate flood potential.

Bryan Ellis, August 6

Statue of Spike is likely

net looking for Spike Lewisham south- east London. Milligan references when I

I was browsing through the statue of Spike Milligan in We have got support from a

Fishing at Spencer

We boys used to spend fishing weekends at Spencer.

Mum went once but couldn't stand the heat, the flies and the mosquitoes, but funny thing, she loved fish

Thinking about mosquitoes reminds me that they used to carry lamps around Spencer looking for prey

My brother Goog reckoned that they were fire flies, but my old man claimed he woke up with 10 lamps clinging to his arm and he didn't think fireflies were vampires, he said.

Going back when Aboriginal tribes used to meet at Wisemen's Ferry and hold get togethers, there were stories that the Aboriginies used to ride these mosquito like a sort of winged chariot.

They held air races, mock battles and the like, all sitting on

their mosquito steeds.

So you see these were the first air-battles ever recorded.

Another first for Spencer.

Remember the giant pumpkins grown at Spencer, well they grew one that big, they decided to raffle it as a mobile-home, at the alfresco Dunkirk Hotel.

Skinny Neville won the pumpkin and he had 12 kids.

The pumpkin was big enough to give Skinny, his missus, and the 12 kids a room each.

They hired the biggest crane in Gosford to move the pumpkin to Skinny Neville's property.

It became the grandest house in Spencer.

Skinny was not to happy though, because his missus made him put a clean shirt on every day, to keep up the image of the grandest house in Spencer.

Kieth Whitfield, Woy Woy

Life catches up with baby boomers

In our lifetime, when the glass ceilina was unbreakable, we lived a life in which boredom and alienation were primary factors for most of us.

In my life, at least, job security did not figure much.

As the film "The Hours" depicts, the 1950s was an era when decision-making didn't enter much into our perspective.

We lived through a period when women were suppressed and oppressed, and we had to deal with stultifying conformity, albeit in a confused and often contradictory fashion.

Looking back, our lives were hard, but contrasted with present reality, it is a moot point whether life for female "baby boomers" is as hard or even harder.

They were born during a period of full employment and increasing affluence and have grown up during decades of hedonism, the growth of corporative culture, economic rationalism and globalisation.

Now life is catching up with them in the form of high mortgages that require them to work many hours unpaid overtime at work and at home. Property and possessions are the measure of success, and many boomers have put themselves in hock living off credit.

and will be much more demanding in retirement than we were.

The big question is where are the organisations that exist for the female boomers on retirement?

There's our OWN (Older Women's Network) organisation, but how can we entice the boomers to join us?

I feel that a "preachy" approach is not the way to win them over to our particular organisational structure.

It might help, however, for us to examine from our own experience and strengths the issues that most affect boomers in a society where immense wealth is in fewer and fewer hands and democracy is an increasingly wobbly concept.

Having spoken to a few women in the boomer category, I think some of their stresses come from the flood of consumer goods they feel they've got to have, inadequate incomes from casual work and underemployment and the death or declining health of a parent or spouse.

Other stresses for women who've had a good career and are facing retirement are superannuation and budgeting, adjusting to new conditions, forging a new identity and dealing with funerals, family relationships, inheritance and making a will. Additional pressures also come from the aspirations many have for their offspring, viz, further education, and the increasing cost of maintaining health and wellbeing. I think we need to be tuned into these issues if we want OWN to appeal to the next deneration.

noticed your article entitled "Statue of Spike is suggested."

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Some are forced into early retirement at a relatively young age when the push for excessive company profits renders many high achievers expendable.

The politicians are already running scared about the problems arising from the pending retirement of the large numbers of boomers, and this group will be a force to be reckoned with.

They have learnt what constitutes a comfortable life, Enid Harrison, Woy Woy

<u>News</u>

New dog exercise areas adopted

Gosford Council has adopted its new dog exercise areas policy at a meeting on July 22.

Under the policy, there are now 12 areas on the Peninsula and surrounds established for exercising and training

Five of these areas are on the beach at Patonga, Pearl Beach, Putty Beach and Umina Beach and Ocean Beach.

Sections of these beaches are designated "off-on leash'" exercise areas 24 hours a day.

Ettalong Beach is designated an "on leash" exercise area only. Other off leash areas have also

been designated along roads and on reserves.

At Ettalong, dog owners may walk their dogs on a leash in the portion of the beach adjacent to Barrenjoey Rd up to Beach St.

Patonga residents may exercise their dogs on the beach either on or off the leash from the playground opposite the general store up to Brisk St.

They must keep their dog on the leash in the section of beach south from Dark Corner to the playground opposite the general store.

At Pearl Beach, the designated part of the beach is north of Agate Ave while at Putty Beach the section of beach north of the access way from the main car park to the access way from Putty Beach Road car park will be available for dog exercise.

Umina Beach will be opened up in the area south of the first access way south of the skate facility at Umina Oval to the end of the beach at Berrima Cr.

At Ocean Beach, the area between Barrenjoey Rd and Augusta St will be an off-on leash exercise area.

Roads and reserves available for off-leash dog walking around the Peninsula are located at St Huberts Island, Pretty Beach, Ettalong, Umina and Woy Woy.

On St Huberts Island, all of Beachfront Parade and Long Arm Parade have been designated for off leash dog exercise.

At Pretty Beach, the unmade section of Araluen Dr and, at Ettalong, the northern portion of the reserve between Ettalong Oval and Maitland Bay Dr are open for off-leash dog activity.

In Umina, the eastern side of Kahibah Creek between Osborne Ave and Australia Ave is an off leash area.

Woy Woy residents will also be able to unleash their dogs along all of Brick Wharf Rd and Dulkarra Rd.

However, they will no longer be allowed to take their dogs off the leash in Burrawang Bushland Reserve in Hillview St, Woy Woy.

A register of maps outlining these areas is available at Council's Gosford and Woy Woy offices and branches of Council Libraries.

In its dog exercise policy, Council also notes that dogs are permitted on leash in non-Coastal Open Space System reserves (COSS) but not permitted at all in COSS Reserves, National Parks or the Crommelin Native Arboretum at Pearl Beach.

They also raise the possibility of providing "dog doo" bins for off-



leash areas.

Council received over 500 submissions regarding the draft dog exercise policy in August last year.

Almost 90 per cent were concerned with the draft policy with regard to dogs exercising on beaches.

A number of these specifically expressed concerns over areas at Putty Beach and Pretty Beach. Other submissions were also

concerned that the draft policy did

not provide enough opportunity for dog exercise on beaches, were located in inappropriate areas, and that there were too many designated areas on beaches.

The southern end of Umina beach was identified in submissions as inappropriate for a 24-hour off leash area as it is used by a large number of families with small children.

Under the Council's adopted policy, the area is included for off

leash dog exercise.

In March this year, volunteers for clean up Australia Day collected 10kg of dog poo in 10 minutes at the same location.

Over half of the submissions council received did not support the proposed draft policy.

At its meeting on July 22, Council adopted the policy unchanged and decided to monitor the policy during its first year.

> Alison Branley, Council agenda, August 8

Local clubs threatened by poker machine tax

New poker machine tax increases would threaten the operation of registered clubs on the Peninsula and their support for Peninsula community groups, the managers of two local clubs have told their members.

Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club general manager Mr Peter Hale and Everglades Country Club secretary manager Mr Wayne Dean have both described the effects of the tax in their club newsletters.

Mr Hale said a range of effects would flow from "this almost doubling of the tax over the next six years". "The lowest priced meal will increase from \$6 to \$9.

"The cost of a ticket to a Tivoli show would be \$25. "Little or no free entertainment could be provided.

"There would be no poker machine bonuses or free raffles." "All community support would cease over a period of three years," according to Mr Hale.

He said all non-income producing activities such as carpet bowls, darts, snooker, table tennis, cards and chess, which were provided free of charge, would have to be "dispensed with". "Eighty percent of this surplus had been targeted to go into community development and support for projects similar to those for which we have been publicly recognised, including in parliament, in the past.

"These funds will now go into the State's consolidated revenue, and on past performance, will certainly not be seen in the Peninsula region ever again," he said.

Mr Hale said the club's board and executive believed that "the industry as a whole is in need of review and to achieve this we willingly offer the government total support and participation

said.

Everglades manager Mr Dean said that "coupled with GST, the tax will mean we will struggle to do all the things we have done in the past.

"It could be suggested that instead of legislating clubs out of business, it is far more lucrative to tax some of them out of existence."

He said: "This would be a winwin for the government."

It would reduce the numbers of clubs, which were "not acceptable places according to the social engineers", and it would increase tax from those clubs which "hang on and survive", he said. "Clubs are responding to this situation and hopefully will enlighten politicians sufficiently to have this increase in tax withdrawn.

"Certainly none of us can afford to be fatigued by this matter. It is a matter of survival.

"The financial year has concluded with members renewing memberships earlier than in recent times, an encouraging sign of support.

"Likewise the Club's performance has been exceptional this year and will assist us in further reducing debt and providing sufficient funds for future maintenance demands as well as remaining competitive and offering value for money service and facilities," Mr Dean said. Club newsletters, July 29

He said: "The average price of a schooner of beer will go from \$2.40 to \$3.20 (in today's prices). Mr Hale said that the club's projected income to the year 2010 had shown a surplus of \$5-8 million.

"However, we equally believe that this latest tax impost is unfair and critically damaging," Mr Hale The clubs to survive would do so by raising prices and become "less of a threat to hotels".



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Health

Peninsula Village extensions approved

Gosford Council has approved extensions to Peninsula Village retirement home on the eastern side of Arras Ave, over the road from the current village at Umina.

The development involves the demolition of 10 houses and various outbuildings.

Peninsula Village must comply with various conditions and must build within five years.

The site is bounded by Lone Pine Ave to the north, Arras Ave to the west and Pozieres Ave to the south.

Residential properties are located to the east of the site.

The proposal also includes an area of Arras Ave between Pozieres Ave and Lone Pine Ave, and part of the unnamed lane between Arras Ave and Bapaume Ave.

These sections of roadway are to be purchased from the council by Peninsula Village and contain the proposed car parking area.

Council has approved the sale of the roadway to Peninsula Village Ltd.

The Peninsula Village was constructed in 1983 and currently consists of self care units, a hostel, "The Lodge" which is a special care unit, the Jack Aldous Memorial Nursing Home, and a day care centre.

The proposal will provide the village with facilities for low care residents and provide an opportunity to offer a specifically



A view of Peninsula Village in the foreground looking towards the proposed extension site

designed day care facility to replace an existing centre which will be demolished to provide additional car parking. appropriateness of the development and stated: "In this instance, it is considered that the proposal is not inconsistent with

Also included in the proposal is a dementia care unit, which will provide facilities not currently available in the existing nursing home.

In addition, new staff and administration facilities will be provided including conference facilities, expanded office space and staff amenities.

Council officers considered the

appropriateness of the development and stated: "In this instance, it is considered that the proposal is not inconsistent with the stated objectives of the Residential 2(a) Zone and is in keeping with clause 10(3) of the Gosford Planning Scheme Ordinance.

"The proposal is a large building that does not reflect the scale of neighbouring dwellings.

"Such SEPP 5 developments by their nature necessitate construction of large buildings in comparison to older style bungalows.

"If the older style bungalow is used as the reference point, buildings such as hospitals and larger multi-unit buildings simply cannot comply with character requirements.

"Although DCP 159 – Character fails to recognize such, this section of the Umina Beach 6:Open Bungalows character locality exhibits its own particular character due to the existing Peninsula Village at the base of the wooded hillside.

"The existing building is far larger than the adjoining bungalows and is in fact large enough to be considered as being within a separate character locality.

"The building works that are the subject of the proposal will enhance the existing Peninsula Village as the proposed landscaping works and additional off street car parking will provide a suitable transition between the existing Peninsula Village and the bungalows within the Umina Beach 6: Open Bungalows character locality.

"The site is located on the fringe of the Umina 6:Open Bungalows character locality at the base of a wooded hillside.

"For this reason, the proposal will not impact on the character of the Umina 6:Open Bungalows character locality.

"In this instance, the proposal although not compliant with the character of the Umina Beach 6 Open Bungalows character locality, does not detract from the character of the immediate locality.

"In conclusion the proposal will provide an appropriate addition to the existing Peninsula Village and help meet the growing demand of the aged in the Woy Woy-Umina area."

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Red Cross holds annual meeting

The Umina Beach branch of the Red Cross held its annual general meeting on July 9.

Service awards were presented and committee positions filled.

Mrs Marion Anderson was elected president, Mrs Gloria Peachey vice president, Mrs Pat Munday secretary, Mrs Jeanette Davie treasurer, Mrs Margaret Evans social secretary, Mrs Sylvia Timmins publicity officer, and Mrs Frankie Oates was elected patron.

Mrs Bonnie Johns and Mrs Alice Fitzpatrick, 103 years of age, were awarded 10-year service medals and Mrs Nila Nazarenko was awarded a 20-

e year bar.

The branch's next meeting will be held on September 10 at the Uniting Church Hall, Umina, and the branch will hold a 37th birthday lunch at Everglades Country Club on August 20.

Inquiries can be made on 4341 2287 or 4342 4139.

Letter, July 23

Family dance at community centre

A fund-raising family bush dance will be held by two local groups at 6.30pm next Saturday, August 16, at the Peninsula Community Centre.

The dance is being held jointly by the Woy Woy Judo Club and the Central Coast Bush Dance and Music Association.

Money raised by the judo club will help cover the cost of sending players to the Goodwill

Thinking of natural medicine, think...... Jill Meredith, Naturopath

Games in Okayama, Japan. Sydney bush band Currawong will play on the night.

The dance will be a family dance for adults and children aged 10 and over.

No experience is necessary, with all dances being walked through and called.

Tickets booked before the night are \$10 per person, with proceeds going to the judo club.

Tickets bought at the door on the night will be \$15 for adults and \$10 for children, with door proceeds going to the bush dance and music association.

If the night is successful, the association will consider running regular family bush dances on the Peninsula

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News

Bowls club treasurer expresses disappointment

Woy Woy Bowling Club treasurer Mr Don Allan has expressed disappointment in St George Bank and its receivers.

Mr Allan said that a proposal to purchase the club's land and buildings and enjoy a share of its profits, was put to the bank from an Ettalong Beach syndicate.

The syndicate is headed by local developer, Mr Tony Altavilla.

Mr Allan said that legislative changes were needed to allow a private company to enter into profit sharing arrangements with an establishment owned by its members, such as Woy Woy Bowling Club, and that one politician had responded positively.

"The syndicate will receive both rent and a profit share from the club

"Initially, the syndicate will provide approximately \$2.3 million to pay out the bank, unsecured creditors, and statutory creditors.

"Any surplus will be used to promote the club's continued trading," he said.

Mr Allan said that he thought that the bank had accepted the syndicate's offer in June.

"But we've seen nothing in writing and had no confirmation.

"The majority of the club's board are for the syndicate's offer," he said.

Mr Allan said that the bank has been expecting a decision from the board on the syndicate's offer

"Apart from the fact that we don't have a quorum at the moment, we simply don't have

CCBDMA & Woy Woy Judo Club present Family Bush Dance for ages 10 and up with Currawong Bush Band at Peninsula Community Centre 6.30pm August 16 All dances taught Adults \$15 Children \$10 Supper included Enquiries: 4341 9301

the expertise to make a decision. "The bank, and its receivers and solicitors, ought to make that decision," he said.

Mr Allan said that the board's capacity to make an informed decision had not been helped by the bank and receivers "keeping them in the dark" and from "the fact that we've had no say since the appointment of the receivers on January 29.

"We've not seen current trading figures since the appointment of the receivers.

"We're not getting the facts.

"They're not telling us what's going on.

"The receivers have not been telling the administrators, appointed by us, much at all.

"Our own solicitor, whose recent report was negative (in terms of accepting the syndicate's offer), said that he has not been able to get enough

Mr Allan said that the club owed about \$1.25 million upon the appointment of receivers at the end of January and owed about \$1.825 million in early June

the cost of receiver services contributed to this additional debt.

He said that the club had an "interest only" loan repayment arrangement with the bank until December last year and that upon the club's request of an extension of the arrangement the bank appointed an auditor whose investigations culminated in the declaration of the club's "insolvencv"

The bank panicked too early. "I have been disappointed with their attitude," he said.

Con Orfanos, August 6

developer to: Improve the streetscape facade by re-orienting the front unit to face the street, so it has a

area."

Gosford Council has

approved a four-unit

retirement village under

Planning Policy Five (SEPP

5) at 63 Ocean Beach Rd,

Woy Woy, after previously

denying permission to

The council had resolved on

May 6 that: "This matter (will) be

deferred to 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

amended to include more

intricate architectural designs, as

The developer was informed

that council required that it

"reduce size of units-site

coverage to provide more open

space and allow for planting in

keeping with the character of the

The council also had six other

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requirements, asking the

As a result, the plans were

character of the area."

well as a varying roof line.

Environmental

State

build.



The house to be demolished on Ocean Beach Rd

Retirement village is approved

street address more in keeping with surrounding residential development

Increase the rear building setback to allow space for increased landscaping and reduce the impact on neighbouring properties.

Break the roof line to reduce the appearance of one continuous building.

Increase landscaping to the front and rear of the property, to screen the development and maintain the character of the area.

Relocate and redesign garage to the rear of site to reduce impact of the side wall on neighbouring properties - as the gable end increases bulk along the boundary.

Landscaping is also to be carried out with "super advanced species" and continually maintained upon the unbuilt portion of the site.

The developer amended the

plans and council officers commented that the changes had been made.

Council officers commented: "Although the architectural 'style' is not necessarily in keeping with the character of traditional development in the area, overall in terms of building bulk, setbacks etc, the appearance of the building is improved.

"The "gun barrel" appearance of the driveway is reduced and the impact on the surrounding character is reduced.

"Given that the development is a permitted use and the amended design has reduced the impacts on the character of the area, it is not considered that refusal based on character alone is warranted.

"The applicant should ensure that some mature plant species be incorporated to provide immediate softening of building when viewed from the street."

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Venues for the festival will include Club Umina, Umina Primary School Hall and Rooms, undercover outside areas, a marquee and the scout hall, all within a few minutes walk of each other... and right on the beachfront at Umina. *Frank & Marilyn Russell 4341 4060 for general enq *Robyn Northwood 4344 6484 for dance enq Performers applications close mid August. Email: frussell@fastlink.com.au for applications and more info

What's on in and around the Peninsula Library Bookmobile Patonga Near

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

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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

Kindy Gymnastics PCYC Osborne Ave Umina mon - fri 10.00 - 11.00am Enq 4341 9333

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 Eng: 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 Eng: 4341 0087

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

Ladies BJP School of Physical Culture, 3.30pm, \$3, 4-13 year olds Peninsula Community Centre, Enq: 4344 4924

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

Leatherwork Classes Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre Eng 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 Eng 4360 2065 4360 2757

Club Bingo/Cash Housie 7 30pm In aid of Fairhaven, Umina Beach Bowling Club Melbourne Ave., Umina Beach Eng 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

Yoga classes, Peninsula Community Centre, gentle class 9-10am, general class 10-11.30am. Enq 4360 1413

Basic Meditation Group 10am-12pm different theme each session, Enq 4342 5905

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 Ena 4341 7307

Drumming – Bouddi Women's

Drumming 2 - 3pm 73 Highview Rd Pretty Beach \$10. Eng 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 Eng: 4341 1243

Ettalong Pelicans Masters Swimming Club Woy Woy Indoor Heated Pool, 7.30pm Enq: 4360 1220 Ladies 18 hole golf event; verdlades Country Club Fi na 4341

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 Eng 4360 2065 4360 2757

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

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

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

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

Bingo 9.45am Ettalong Memorial Club, Eng: 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 Eng 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 Painting- 9am Eng: 4341 noon: 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 Ena. 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 Eng 4363 1968

EVERY SATURDAY

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

Snooker Ettalong War Memorial Club at 8.30am Enq 43417307

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

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

Community Hall 9.45 am. Pearl Beach

Near Community Hall 10.55 am/

Umina Nursing Home, Arras Ave.,

Outsiders Club Ettalong Memorial

Gala Day (AP Thur) Everglades

Library Bookmobile (fortnightly)

Country Club, Dunban Rd Woy Woy

Daleys Point, Peridon Village.

10.30am Peridon Retirement Village

Hall, Empire Bay Opposite Post Office

& bottle shop 11am - 11.20am Near

park & local shop Bensville local shop

Fire Safety & Training using

Legacy Ladies Ettalong Memorial

Buffalo Lodge, Woy Woy 381

Buffalo Lodge Gosford No 63 (4th

Dancing Old Time/New Vogue,

Burrawang Bushland Reserve

Bushcare Group 9am (4th Sun) cnr of

Hillview and Railway Sts, Woy Woy.

Meet in the Nambucca Dr playground.

War Widows Ettalong Memorial

NSW Transport Authorities Retired

Buffalo Lodge Knights Chapter No9

Woy Woy Peninsula Arthritis

Transpersonal Analysis 10am-12pm

Library Bookmobile (Fortnightly)

Near

Weds. Patonga Near Community Hall

Community Hall 10.55am Umina

Peninsula Women's Health Centre

Basic Home Maintenance, 10am-

Seniors Social Morning, 9.30am -

South Bouddi Peninsula Community

Ballroom Supper Dances. 7.30pm,

Ettalong. All ages. Professional

teaching avail (4th Fri) Enq 4344 5432

Association Wagstaffe Hall (4th Fri)

12pm (3rd Thurs) church hall at rear

of 118 Blackwall Rd. Eng - 4342 5061

12pm or 12.15-2.15pm, Peninsula

Womens Health Centre confirm 14th

Nursing Home, Arras Ave., 11.40 am

women's walk 1:00pm Enq: Ph Kate

(3rd Tue) Umina Community Hall 7pm

Branch (3rd Tue) Meals on Wheels

gold coin donation Peninsula

Women's Health Centre instructor

Raelene Eastman.Enq: 4342 5905

Wednesday August 20

9.45 am. Pearl Beach

Thursday August 21

Enq: 4342 5905

Friday August 22

1.30pm Enq 4360 1002

4342 5905

Employees (TARE) Association, (3rd

Mon) 2.30pm, Bistro area, Ettalong

1pm – 4pm (4th Sun) Ettalong Senior

Umina Community Hall, 11am (4th

Sun) 1pm Umina Community Hall

Citizens Centre. Enq: 4341 3222.

Phone 4341 9301

Club (3rd Mon) 1pm

Monday August 18

Bowling Club Springwood St.

Tuesday August 19

Hall) 10am Enq 4342 1790

Club 10am (3rd Fri) Enq 4343 3492

extinguishes, 10am-1pm, Peninsula

Womens Health Centre Clinic Enq:

Fortnightly Thursdays 10.15am

Thursday August 14

Club (2nd Thur) at 9am

11.30 am - 11.40am

Friday August 15

Sunday August 17

4342 5905

Sun)

Enq 4341 1866

11.40 am

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

EVERY MONDAY

Yoga Wagstagffe 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, Eng: 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 Eng: 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 Eng: 4343 1911

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

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

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

Evening Bowls Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club at 6pm Enq 4341 9656 Card Club 500 1pm Ettalong Beach

War Memorial Club Eng 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

Children's Story Time ; Woy Woy

Punters choice 12.45pm Ettalong

EVENT CALENDAR

Bookmobile (fortnightly) Killcare

Heights. Fortnightly Tuesdays Cnr

Scenic Rd & Beach Drv, 10.35am;

Toastmasters Ettalong Memorial

Umina T.P.I. Ettalong Memorial

Combined Pensioners Association

Club (2nd Tue) at 7pm Enq 4341 6842

Club (2nd Tue) at 1pm Eng 4341 4644

meeting, games, dancing, afternoon

Wagstaffe Community Hall 11am

crafts for people with a disability

11.30am - 2pm, bring own lunch.

Library. 10.30 am - 11.30 am

Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

Tuesday August 12

Eng. 4341 9333

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

Sahaja yoga meditation CWA Hall 10:30am Free Entry Enq: 4324 0213

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Rock'n'Roll Dance Class Ettalong Bowling Club 7pm Eng 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 Eng: 4342 7182

Brisbane Waters Scrabble Club, Woy Woy Meals on Wheels Hall, 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. Eng: 4341 3222

Judo all ages \$3, 5,30pm; Peninsula Community Centre, Ocean Beach Rd., Eng 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 Eng. 4341 0721

Bridge Ocean Beach Surf Club. 12.30pm Enq 4341 0721

Line Dancing Umina Beach Bowling Club, Melbourne Ave., Umina 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 Eng: 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 Eng 4360 1448

tea (every 2 weeks) Ettalong Senior entre 1pm Pearl Beach Craft Group, 1.30pm, Progress Hall (2nd Tue)

Ena: 4342 1459.

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

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

Wednesday August 13

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 Aded 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). Eng 4344 7851

Saturday August 23

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 August 24

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

Monday August 25

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. Eng: 4344 8427 CWA meeting at Wagstaffe Community Hall (4th Mon) 1.30pm Enq: 4360 2504

News

Tourism conference at Killcare

Central Coast Tourism held a conference marketing presentation on August 5.

The presentation was held at "The Bells' on the Coast" at Killcare Heights, the Coast's newest conference venue.

Guests were informed of the importance of conference marketing and recent successes on the Coast.

They were also able to see first hand the splendour of The Bells'

The Bells is owned by lan and Leonie Bell, former proprietors of Macmasters Beach Bells Bed and Breakfast.

lan and Leonie Bell wanted to establish a country resort near the coast and found an eight and a half acre site on The Scenic Highway at Killcare Heights.

"The site was a vegetable farm 50 years ago but when we got it the main crop was lantana and bitou bush, both of which were very difficult to eradicate," lan said.

The venue has been transformed with stage one, which consists of a main building and three double accommodation units.

The main building has been erected and decorated in a grand early Australian colonial style with an extensive use of antiques, open fire places, high ceilings, wide verandahs and luxurious furniture.

It includes a commercial kitchen that can be used for private functions and banquets for up to 60 people, or more with the use of additional outdoor marquees, as well as for the inclusion of fine dining options for accommodation guests.

Stage two will include an additional 11 double accommodation units as well as



lan and Leonie Bell in front of one of several fire places at The Bells'

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the completion of landscaping of most of the grounds with several water features being part of this. Cec Bucello, August 7

adation units as well as Contraction, August 7 Price Cutters

History society seeks help with Spike

Brisbane Water Historical Society is seeking public assistance with its role in SpikeFest.

Spikefest will be held in October and the society is gathering information and stories from local residents who may have met Spike Milligan.

As an example, Barbara Hickey of Woy Woy Little Theatre company has fond memories of Spike Milligan's visits to the Peninsula and the interest he took in the amateur theatre company.

Ms Hickey recounts one occasion when a contingent from the theatre company travelled to Sydney to see Spike perform at the Theatre Royal and to present him with a promotional t-shirt of their upcoming production.

Spike then wore the shirt during an interview on national television, publicising Woy Woy Little Theatre throughout Australia.

If you met Spike Milligan during one of his visits to the Central Coast, Brisbane Water Historical Society would like to hear from you.

Please contact Brisbane Water Historical Society members John and Glenys Hill on 4329 1956 or Sylvia Marshall on 4323 1058.

Press release, August 8

Robert seeks his father

Robert Butler of Ettalong has not seen his father, Glen Alexander, for 10 years.

Robert's mother, Jacqueline Butler, also of Ettalong, said: "We've tried everywhere.

'We've also tried to find Glen's mother, Shirley Alexander, and Glen's brothers, Mark and Wayne Alexander.

"I tried the electoral rolls.

"I called all the (relevant)

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Alexanders but none was any of them."

Jacqueline said that the Alexanders were residing in Australia Ave, Umina, at the time of last contact with them.

She said that she believed that Glen's father's name was Bill and that Glen worked with his father on trawlers at the time of last contact with them.

"Robert is very upset. He really wants to see his dad.

"He has a one-year-old and is

expecting another child on September 15," she said.

Glen Alexander was described as having brown, thick curly hair, a stocky build, and standing approximately 172 cm tall when last seen by the Butler family.

Jacqueline said that they had no evidence to prove that Glen Alexander was not dead.

Anyone with information can contact Jacqueline Butler on 4342 1701.

Con Orfanos, August 4.

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Commonwealth The Minister for Environment and Heritage declared the action described in this notice to be a controlled action, and that assessment by preliminary documentation must be conducted. The controlling provisions are sections 18 and 18A (Listed threatened species and communities) and sections 20 and 20A (Listed migratory species).

The proposed action is to undertake flood remediation works, which involves the removal of Swamp Mahogany trees, along Ettymalong Creek, 15kms southwest of Gosford, New South Wales. (Reference EPBC 2003/997).

The proposed action is to be undertaken by Gosford City Council.

A copy of the preliminary documentation may be viewed from Wednesday 13 August 2003 until Friday 12th September 2003 at any of the following offices:

Ground Floor counter and 9th Floor counter (between the hours of 9.00am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday) Gosford City Council, 49 Mann St, Gosford.

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Department of Infrastructure Planning and Natural Resources Office, (between the hours of 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday) 3rd Floor, 107 Mann Street, cnr Donnison Street, Gosford.

A limited number of reports will be available for loan from the 9th floor counter of Gosford City Council.

Public Notices

CCBDMA next Bush Dance August 23 With Ryebuck East Gosford Progress Hall 8pm

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Arts and Entertainment

Motherhood and creativity

New studio-gallery opens

Phegan's Bay artist Jo Brannigan is curating an art exhibition as part of her research into the effects of pregnancy and motherhood on creativity and art-making practices.

The exhibition features current work by Jo Brannigan, Sydney artist Bridget Toohey and recent work by UK artist Dr Linda Knight.

The exhibition will be on show at Pearl Beach Progress Hall on August 16 and 17 from 12 to 4pm.

part of this research, As members of the audience are invited to comment on their own experiences concerning pregnancy, motherhood and creative self-expression.

This exhibition is designed to be a celebration of women, specifically mothers.

Some of the pieces represent the male, acknowledging their part in motherhood.

Children are welcome to come along, in honour of mothers.

Press release, August 7



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Judith Hoste's new studiogallery in Umina Beach will be officially opened on Saturday, August 16, in an event from 1pm to 3pm.

Judith has been the proprietor of Amber Arts, a studio offering painting and drawing classes, since 1986.

The new establishment, Amber Arts Studio-Gallery, located at 15 Glenhaven Close, Umina Beach, will house a gallery as well as offer classes

Judith is known for her work in pastels and oils and teaches in oils, pastels, acrylics, watercolours, and drawing.

The studio-gallery presently houses new oil and pastel works. Judith said that she enjoyed depicting local scenes such as local gardens and pathways and Australian flora such as Australian wildflowers.

"Most people who begin taking classes think that won't be able to paint but 95% of them learn to paint very well

"I offer step by step instruction on landscapes as a first stage.

"Students are then free to select their own subject matter.

"There is equal individual attention and instruction for all.

"I take a lot of satisfaction in students' development and achievement and many of them surprise themselves with their achievements," she said.

Judith said that she entered



Judith Hoste at Amber Arts Studio-Gallery painting with pastels, depicting Pearl Beach arboretum.

exhibitions throughout the year in the local area, Sydney, and country NSW and Victoria.

"I have done nicely in country Victoria and have had good sales." she said.

Judith and her students exhibited annually at the Umina CWA hall and will be exhibiting there on October 18 of this year. She is competing in the

traditional sections of the local scene and open prizes of the Gosford Art Prize which opens at the Gosford Regional Art Gallery on August 15.

Judith was awarded a local scene prize of the Gosford Art Prize in 2001.

Judith also undertakes two painting workshops annually for the Central Coast Arts Society at the Arts Centre of the Gosford Regional Art Gallery.

Amber Arts Studio-Gallery opening times are Monday-Thursday, 10am-3pm, and by appointment.

Class vacancies exist presently, particularly for Tuesday and Wednesday, 1pm-3pm, and Tuesday, 7pm-9pm.

Con Orfanos, August 4.



studio with classes available for Oils, Pastels, Acrylics, Watercolours and Drawing. Limited vacancies are now available on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 1pm - 3pm or Tuesdays from 7pm - 9pm.

10am - 3pm or by appointment, just phone: 4341 7302. Make a Lay-by ? Of course you can! For that special gift or perhaps just to spoil yourself.

Where the locals go !! For the information of members and their guests Where the locals go !!

Education



Providing the catering: Michelle Carmichael (school assistant), Jacqueline Richards, Kylie Boardman, Rebecca Jermyn, Sarah Hardcastle, Josephine Singh, Stephen Smith, Marianne Baker (head teacher)

Students catered

Brisbane Water Secondary College, Woy Woy Campus, Year 11 Hospitality students were responsible for catering for an official

opening recently.

They catered for a reception held for the announcement of the opening of the Peninsula Alternative Learning Centre by

the NSW Minister for Youth, Carmel Tebbutt, at the Umina PCYC on August 7.

Cec Bucello, August 7

Academies started at Woy Woy

The Brisbane Waters Secondary College Woy Woy Senior Campus is developing a sports academy and a performing arts academy.

The sports academy is

targeting students going on to years 10 and 11 in 2004

This will help provide a pathway to the HSC for students interested in developing skills in sports coaching, administration, refereeing and elite training. The academy will be starting

with rugby league in 2004.

The performing arts academy will focus on students interested in developing skills in drama, dance and music.

Students can apply directly to the academies.

School newsletter, August 1

Gifted students accepted for camp

Students from Peninsula accepted to attend the 2003 been schools have Gifted and Talented



Students (GATS) camp.

Students from year 6 at Pretty Beach Public School are Breanne Woulfe, who will be attending the art course, Melissa Ford who will attend the drama course. Elliot Braunstein who will attend the maths/computer course and Sophie McFadven attend the English who will course Students from Brisbane Water Secondary College who will attend the camp are Julian Green for Science, Amy Vanezi for Visual Arts Joshua Newans for maths, and Amy Stables for English. The other students who did not make the four BWSC places will remain on a waiting list, which will be used at the discretion of the district GATS committee. The camp is being held from August the 22 to 26.

School takes part in research project

Umina Public School has participated in a Primary **Research Project.**

The project is a national science project with students from all over Australia competing.

Students are asked to answer 20 science based questions using the internet, atlases, dictionaries and other resource materials.

Students at Umina Public School scored above state average in all areas of the competition.

One student achieved 40 out of 40 while seven of 37 students participating achieved a high distinction (95% or above), nine students participating achieved a distinction (88% or above), eight students achieved a credit and nine students a merit.

Press release, August 1

Email addresses for college staff

Most staff at Brisbane between campuses; group Water College now have an Education Department email address for permanent teachers and support staff.

Some staff members have not been allocated an address yet.

College principal Mr Pat Lewis said: "These emails have a multitude of uses in our context such as individual communication within and

emails to faculty members, team members, sports coaches, committee members, mentor teachers, executive members, communication with DET and district office; communication with students regarding their work, and receiving work from students, and communication with parents.

"The list could go on and on. "It will be a very useful tool."

School newsletter, July 7

Ettalong was runner-up

Ettalong Public School **Opens Rugby League team** travelled to Morrie Breen Oval, Wyong, and was runner-up in its section of the Central Coast All Schools Rugby League Carnival on Friday, July 25. The first game was against

Northlakes with Ettalong winning a close game 10-0.

The boys then played Terrigal beating them 17-0.

They moved into the quarter finals where they played Valley View and, after some ferocious defence, Ettalong won the game 17-0

In the semi finals meeting with

Brisbania, Ettalong ran out convincing 12-3 victors.

In the grand final, out of 24 schools starting the competition, Toukley and Ettalong remained.

Toukley were the current favourites to win the Central Coast division of the Westmont Shield

Ettalong started well with a length of the field run by Jacob Johnston.

Unfortunately that was about the last time the team had possession of the ball.

Toukley scored two dummy half tries and another good try to beat the boys from Ettalong 15-5. School newsletter, July 30

Senior course expo

Brisbane Water Secondary College will hold a senior

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Students of the month: Kai & Annette

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School newsletters, July 25

course ехро o n Wednesday, August 13, at the Woy Woy campus.

It will take place between 4pm and 7.30pm.

All current and prospective students, and their parents, are invited to attend.

and University, will be available to discuss course options.

A course selection handbook will be available on the night. For further information, contact campus administration on 4341 1600

Flyer, August 4

Ivar is on exchange

Brisbane Water Secondary College has welcomed to Ivar Nelson, an exchange student from Sweden.

Ivar will be going to Brisbane

Water Secondary College until June 2004 and will commence in year 11.

He will be staying with a number of local families.

School newsletter, July 25

Education

School maintenance is announced

Woy Woy Campus of **Brisbane Water Secondary** College will have a sewer replacement and Woy Woy Public School internal painting and stormwater installation under a school maintenance program

"This program is part of the Carr Government's 2003/2004 \$186 million School Maintenance

Program," said Member for Peats Ms Marie Andrews.

"Once the work has been completed, the school communities will notice significant improvements in overall maintenance and upkeep. "This is an exciting program

that will benefit students and families in this area," Ms Andrews said.

Press release, August 4

Aboriginal study centre starts

The Mingaletta Study Centre commenced on Monday, July 28, at Brisbane Water Secondary College (BWSC) Umina campus library.

The centre will be open from 3pm until 5pm and afternoon tea has been provided.

Indigenous and nonindigenous students are welcome.

Those requiring further information can contact Ray McMinn at the office of either campus or phone 0409 694 575

The Koori students from both BWSC campuses entered paintings for the Darkinjung Community Standing Strong Art Exhibition held at Gosford Regional Gallery.

The students who created the paintings under the guidance of visual arts head teacher Susanne Matthews were Chantelle Dunkley, Sophie Wills, Stephanie Matthews and Toni Pinney

A NAIDOC celebration was

held at Kariong during the term break. The celebration was organised

by Central Coast Area Health. More than 1000 people attended to recognise the

community awards. This years NAIDOC'S theme is "Our Children, Our Future."

Students from BWSC were asked to host the day's proceedings.

The student's were Stacey and Mitchell Markham, Sarah and Rebecca Hardcastle, Justin McMinn, and the school captain Stuart McMinn was the Master of Ceremonies for the day.

The Nunyara Health Unit at Gosford Hospital held their annual flag-raising ceremony at the hospital during NAIDOC week

BWSC students were well represented: Mitchell Markham and Justin McMinn played the didgeridoo and Stuart McMinn spoke on "Being an Aboriginal Youth Today".

School newsletter, July 25

Students demonstrate computer skills

Students from Pretty Beach Public School demonstrated computer skills when they participated in the recent Australasian Schools Computer Skills Competition.

common software, the internet, understanding networks, and programming and system analysis.

This year, the competition attracted over 105 000 students from across Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific region.



Senior Constable Paul Hanna, Minister for Youth Ms Carmel Tebbutt and Peninsula Alternative Learning Centre teacher-coordinator Mr Nic Urie.

Alternative learning centre opened

A new centre has been established in Umina to encourage young people to continue in education.

The Minister for Youth, Carmel Tebbutt said: "The Centre will receive NSW Government funding of \$360,000 over two years."

The centre would help keep young people at risk of leaving school, or who are not attending school, connected to education, encouraging them Instead to stay at school, gain an education, and improve their future prospects, she said.

Ms Tebbutt said the Alternative Learning Centre would employ one teacher-coordinator, one fulltime youth worker, and a part time clerical support worker.

It is based at the Police and Citizens Youth Club (PCYC) at Umina, with links to the Umina and Woy Woy campuses at Brisbane Waters Secondary College and is the result of partnerships between government and non-government organisations in the region, including the involvement of young people, she said.

Ms Tebbutt said the centre

should result In more young people staying on at school, improved school certificate and test results, reduced school absentee rates and fewer suspensions.

"It should also lead to a reduction in anti-social and risktaking behaviour, such as drug abuse or crime.

"Young people have identified the need for more relevant curriculum courses, career guidance and support programs to prepare them for the workforce - the centre will offer students programs that are tailored to the way they learn best, and which can lead to formal qualifications.

"It will also provide mentoring and intensive case management for students, programs to help them relate better to their families and communities, and programs to help young people make the transition to employment when they finish education.

Brisbane Waters Secondary College principal Mr Pat Lewis is the chairman of the committee responsible for the centre.

The centre offers 10 half-day sessions and students fit in to one or more of those sessions each week.

The centre started in term 2 and has already offered some work experience activities, a small engine maintenance course and a boat licence course, as well as other regular classes.

The teacher-coordinator is Mr Nic Urie who has extensive experience in dealing with children at risk as well as a masters' degree in special education behaviour.

Mr Urie said: "The centre is a demonstration project under the Better Futures program.

"We have two years' funding to show how effective the program is and, if we succeed, we expect to receive another four year's funding and the concept will be introduced to other parts of New South Wales."

There are 24 to 30 different children involved with the program at present.

Nic is assisted by full time youth worker, Stephanie Hammonds, and PCYC office administration trainee, Leanne Brown

> Cec Bucello, press release, August 7



PLANNING TO ENROL IN YEAR 11 IN 2004 but

The best achievement came from four students who received distinction awards.

Other schools to do well included Ettalong Public School, where students received one distinction and four credits.

At Woy Woy Public School, Joshua Newans and Aaron Flynn received distinctions.

Julian Green received a credit and Amy Vanezi, Tegan Miller, Scott Leslie, James Kennedy, Renee Hart, and Ben Tancred received participation awards.

The competition included tasks which assessed students' skills in using operating systems,

Australasian ıne Schools Computer Skills Competition is an initiative of the Educational Testing Centre (ETC) of the University of New South Wales.

"The Competition is an excellent independent assessment of students' computer skills," said Dr Alan Bowen-James, General Manager of ETC.

"Schools and students also receive detailed diagnostic feedback from the Competition. "All students are to be congratulated on their outstanding efforts."

Newsletter, press release, July 31

teachers

Day for

Pretty Beach Public School recently held a staff development day.

The day was devoted to a new mathematics syllabus, aspects of which staff shall trial over the next 18 months.

Teachers were taught how to play maths games and they were reminded that mathematics can and should be fun.

School newsletter, July 24

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Struggle in men's fours final

The final of the Everglades men's' fours saw a struggle of Glenn and Ted Hewson against Shayne Slavin and lan Street.

With scores locked together after 21 ends, an extra end saw Glenn and Ted win the final by 23 shots to 22

The triples semi-finals were both gripping finishes with the winners being decided on the last end with a margin of one shot.

NSW

Seven players in the under 10

First-time competitor Caitlin

Grosse, 7, in the under 26kg

novice division took silver, then

went on in the mixed division

against boys and won the

Five players in the under 13

years also did well with Daniel

Rowe in his first competition,

year olds achieved three gold,

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the

Tournament on July 27.

three silver and two bronze.

in

bronze.

Ray Mason, Ron Pye and Brian Crawley scored to come from behind win to beat Andrew McDonald, Mark Wilson and Howard Franklin, 17 shots to 16.

Peter O'Sullivan, Tom Bailey and Gordon Willmott scored an equally exciting win over Jack Ghiggino, Brian Crawly and Barry O'Connor, 21 shots to 20.

The Frank Kemp Memorial Triples was played on July 3 and 4 with strong teams all over the Central Coast participating.

The eventual winners were a composite side of A Pollock, B Evles and B Windshuttle on a countback from a team from Halekulani consisting of K Ellis, T Fitzgerald and L Wilding.

Both teams finished with six wins and 38 shots.

Third place was taken by a team from Umina: G Mills, L Edwards and T Langley, who

finished with 5 1/2 wins and 56

shots.

Barry O'Connor, July 31

Turf aerator for golf club

A turf aerator has been bought after demonstration was given members of the to Everglades board and golf committee recently.

A fertiliser spreader was also purchased.

The nursery green in front of the half-way house is being prepared for sowing.

Various strains of "green" grasses are to be planted to determine which is the most suitable for the Everglades environment.

The extension to the 13th green is complete and the green surface is back in play.

The newly-turfed surrounds will be classified as "compulsory GUR" (green under repair) until the turf takes root.

It will then be reclassified as "GUR" before being brought back into play.

A similar procedure will apply to the newly-turfed mound which has been formed between the second fairway and the eighth green.

The chronic problem with bunker drainage is currently being addressed.

A relocatable barrier system is to be trialled on the worn section of turf at the end of the pathway from the ninth tee.

The aim is to attempt to minimise wear and tear of the turf in this area by varying the movement of motorised buggies.

As a temporary measure, the area surrounding the three large trees at the rear of the seventh green is to be marked as GUR.

Work currently being done on the reshaping of the 11th fairway was approved by the golf committee on the recommendation of the "Out Of Bounds" sub committee.

On completion, the 11th fairway will have a bow in the middle with the rough being extended to a distance of 20 metres from the boundary fence.

The large gum tree at the 220 metre mark on the left of the current 11th fairway will be within the new alignment.

The mounds which have been formed to the left of the fairway between the tee and the 170 metre mark are being reformed so that they are connected and flow into the flat fairway similar to the shaping of the mound at the rear of the eighth green. A fairway bunker will be constructed on the right hand side of the fairway from the 170 metre mark to the 220 metre mark. Low mounding and dense tree planting, similar to that recently completed on the right hand side of the first fairway will be carried out on the right hand side of the fairway from the 240 metre mark to a point just short of the current fairway bunker in front of the green.

after three fights taking gold. Woy Woy Judo Club took 16 In the under-16 division, Jolin of its members to compete Richardson won silver and Justin at Seven Hills High School

Judo club takes medals at Seven Hills

Steward a bronze. Samantha Travers in the Junior Women's took gold in the over 60kg and silver in the under 63kg.

The most outstanding player on the day was 14-year-old Jacqui Steward who took a silver medal in the under-16s under 63kg, bronze in the under 66kg and bronze in under 76kg.

She then went into the Junior Women's for a trial in the under 63kg, taking bronze, followed by a bronze medal in a special division of over 60kg.

In total Jacqui had 11 fights, the most in a one-day competition.

On the same day, senior brown belt Drew Evans attended the University Games at Western Sydney University.

Drew competed in the men's under 73kg division, after seven fights he was awarded a bronze medal.

Current club membership has reached capacity and enrolment books are closed until further notice

Lindy Simmons, August 6



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John Henry, July 31

Sport

Swans are in fifth spot

The Woy Woy Swans AFL team is currently equal fifth on the ladder of the Black Diamond competition.

There are three games before the semi finals begin.

The Swans had a home game but were defeated by Terrigal on Saturday, August 2.

The club's last home game is on Saturday, August 9, against Killarney Vale.

The seniors are planning their end of year trip away and the annual presentation night.

Earlier this year, the Woy Woy Swans AFC held a charity family fun day.

The day consisted on novelty games and an AFL game between past and present players.

day is going to become an annual event.

forward to next year's season and will advise early next year the dates for registration days,

Press release, August 6

It has been decided that the The seniors are looking

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Brian Sullivan, Ken Young, and Laurie McAnally

Sisters compete in national judo titles

Sisters Samantha Travers, 16, and Kristy Travers, 14, attended the Australian **Junior National Judo Titles** in Melbourne recently after being selected on the NSW State Team.

Both sisters who are members of the Woy Woy Judo Club, qualified at the three selection tournaments by placing first or second in their individual age and weight divisions.

Samantha, who obtained a silver medal last year in Canberra, went into this year's National's as the youngest in her division as she is now 16 she competes in the Junior Women's.

After five fights against girls aged 18 and 19, one being the current Oceania champion, Samantha placed fourth in

Australia.

For Kristy, it was her first National Title competition.

Kristy had four fights and won a silver medal in the under 16 years, under 48kg division.

Daniel Simmons also qualified for the State Team in the Junior Men's under 66kg division, but opted not to attend as he is in his HSC Year at St Edwards, East Gosford

The next big tournament is on Saturday, August 9, at Sydney International Sports Centre, Homebush.

Six members of Woy Woy Judo Club will compete in the New South Wales International Open against players from China, Fiji, New Zealand and Japan

Lindy Simmons, August 6

Narrow victory in championship

contest in the early stages until the seventh end when Ken Young's team edged away to have a 10-shot lead after 14 ends of the scheduled 21.

Urged on by the big family contingent in attendance, the "Macks" clawed their way back to be only two shots down playing the last end.

This end turned out to be a

thriller.

With the "Macks" holding three shots, Young ran at the head only to miss.

Sticking to his game plan, he played into the head again with his last bowl removing two of the opposition bowls for the narrowest of wins.

Ken Poole, August 6

Board riding competition held

A Umina Surf Board Riding competition was held on July 27.

The final of the Woy Woy

Mens Bowling Club triples

championship was won by

the team of Brian Sullivan,

Laurie McAnally and Ken

Young, who scored 18 over

the McWhirter family team

of Graham, Glen and Ron,

The match was an even

on 17.

In Cadets' grade, Chris Baker was first, Huw Toner was second, Robert Moate was third, and Sebastian Chudacek was fourth.

In the open grade, Dave Neilson was first placed, "Ringo" second, Adam Moore third, and James Petit fourth.

In the "Legends" category, Phil Toner was first, Geoff Hall second, and Gary Mensforth was third

In the "Chicky Babes" category, Codie Johnson was first, Marissa Moore was second, Karissa DeLuca was third, and Cassie Johnson was fourth.

While not connected with the surf club, the competition is being run by several surf club members, led by Geff "Nobby' Hall from Umina Surf Club.

The first competition, two months ago, attracted about 20 competitors, with the June

competition more than double that figure.

Recent Sunday's numbers have been down slightly due to the cold weather and the small surf conditions at other beaches.

However, Umina was showing good surf.

Competition is held the last Sunday morning of each month at Umina beach in front of the surf club.

Competition starts at 7am. Brian Jackson, July 29

Umina United takes minor premiership

Umina United First Grade Soccer team played East Gosford in the elite Premier League 1 to win the minor premiership at Umina oval on Sunday, July 3.

This was a brilliant game from both teams which put East Gosford up early in the match with a score of 1-0.

competition (under-10s to under-16s) teams are now heading for their last three games of the soccer season which ends on August 23.

The junior competition teams then gear up for their semi-final games which begin on August 30

The newly formed women's all age teams have cemented their position in the semi finals and are for the semi finals. currently placed third, right on the

heals of the second place Woy Woy team.

The women showed their potential by beating Budgewoi on the weekend with a convincing 4-0 win.

The Umina United Soccer Club membership has grown to over 600 players from Under 5's to over-35's.

The Brisbane Water Secondary Collage Woy Woy Senior Campus under try. 16 boys rugby league team has won the Central Coast

Rugby League win to

under-16s

All School Rugby League Knockout competition at the EDSAC Fields, Bateau Bay, on Thursday, July 24.

The team consisted of Dean Kerr, Michael Quirk, Daniel Fitzgerald (v-captain), John Crocker, Dean Robertson, Tim Bovis, Alex Brown, Chris Lloyd, Chris Hyde (captain), Dean Robertson, Adam Wysocki, Shane Lewis, Ben Verevakabau, Michael Smith, Andrew Trinder, Ryan Varley, Mark Quitadamo, Stephen Mohrenburger and Kyall Wallford.

score the first try, followed by Michael Smith who raced down the sideline to score the second

> The second game was played against Tuggerah Lakes and was won by Woy Woy 12-0 with Shane Lewis and Adam Wysocki leading the way by running up with the ball which resulted in two tries scored by Daniel Fitzgerald and conversions by Tim Bovis

The third game was against St Peters Collage and was won by Woy Woy 6-0.

The team was coached by Mr Cribb and was managed by a Mr Brooks.

The trainers were Daniel Nicholls, Michael Mohrenberger and Ivar Nelson

The first match played against St Edwards was won by Woy Wov 10-4

With the score 0-0 well into the game, Daniel Fitzgerald took matters into his own hands to

Set moves between Alex Brown and Daniel Fitzgerald resulted in a try by Tim Bovis which put Woy Woy into the final Game four was against Kincumber and was won by forfeit making the BWSC Woy Woy Under 16s boys rugby league team Central Coast Champions.

Best and fairest went to Daniel Fitzgerald 3 points, Chris Hyde and Ben Verevakabau, 2 points, Tim Bovis, Ryan Varley, Shane Lewis, Dean Robertson and Kyall Wallford 1 point.

School newsletter, August 1

In front of a large crowd, the boys from Umina fought back and by the end of the game the score stood at Umina United 4 and East Gosford 2.

This victory gave Umina United the minor premiership for 2003. Umina United Reserve Grade beat East Gosford 2-1 in a last minute nail-biter.

This win puts Umina into second place right behind Kanwal and guarantees a place in the semi finals.

The first and reserve grade semi finals start next Sunday at Pluim Park at.

The non-competition (under-5s to under-9s) and the junior Umina has 14 teams heading

Greg Marsh, August 5





Sport



Carly receives gold award

Carly Martin of Bensville has received a Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award from NSW Governor, Professor Marie Bashir on August

Carly was the only Peninsula area resident among the 91 recipients from NSW to receive the gold award. Her award was for service to Surf Life Saving Central Coast for her duties in surf and rescue

surf boat crew, the Rescue and Resuscitation squad, and holds an Advanced Resuscitation Certificate. She is in the McMasters Beach Surf Club women's

High School and has been on the North region combined high schools team for the last three Carly is also involved in rugby union at Kincumber Sydney

years, last year as captain. Every year Carly has been on the northern region team, they have been victorious in the inter-district

schools state rugby union side for the last two years. She has also been on the NSW combined high Another activity which she undertook for the award

Hue Mountains where she was involved in removal of a weed species called "tree of heaven". Blue Mountains where she was involved was a five-day camp at Wollemi National Park in the the

canyoning, trekking, and abseiling. Other activities Another award activity was a bush leadership on the same camp included

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CWA pays tribut P to Belgium



Country Women's Association Umina Beach Branch of the CWA Northumberland Group International officer, Peg Playford & poster competition winners from Umina Public School, Lisa McKenna (2nd), Graham Thomas (1st), Kayla Hurst (3rd) and Umina CWA International Officer, Ann Baker Playford, Northumberlan These were judged by d Group Mrs Peg

celebrated its International Day with a tribute to Belgium, the products and customs depicting the history of Belgium, with was its welcomed Umina the best. the children on the high standard of their work and presented prizes to the four husbands, group trea: Margaret Pollard, group to the other nine contestants. three whose posters she international officer, who complimented President Mrs Certificates of merit were group treasurer Mrs Helen Beach had judged Parkinson presented Members, used for the betterment of the women and children in the South Pacific. Clare Wren, August 4 the officer Mrs. Beth Talbot and visitors from Woy Woy, Dora Creek, Gosford and The Entrance-Long Jetty Association members. A short pageant researched by international officer Ann Baker was branches. performed by Country Women's Proceeds from the function went to e CWA international fund, which is

Public School submitted posters Twelve children from Umina Beach

country of study for the year.

the famous Flemish stew, laced The main course for luncheon

