

Council keeps drainage standard

The current standard of stormwater construction in Woy Woy will be retained, despite a proposal to lower the standard so that drainage of the area could be completed six years sooner.

Gosford Council decided at its meeting on October 7 to retain a design capacity of "1-in-100 years" for Woy Woy catchment areas B and C.

The council was told that construction to this standard would cost \$7 million and take 14 years to complete.

Council staff suggested that by lowering the standard to "1-in-10", the construction cost would

be lowered to \$4 million, taking eight years to complete.

"The savings achieved would allow further funding to be apportioned to other key catchments on the Woy Woy Peninsula area or across Gosford City, as determined by Council," a staff report to the council noted.

It suggested that a study, funded from a future capital works program, be prepared to "identify the minimum floor level requirements for the area based on the half capacity system."

It would have "identified any restrictions upon development up to 1-in-10 year design flows due to the proposed reduced capacity of the system".

The project constructing

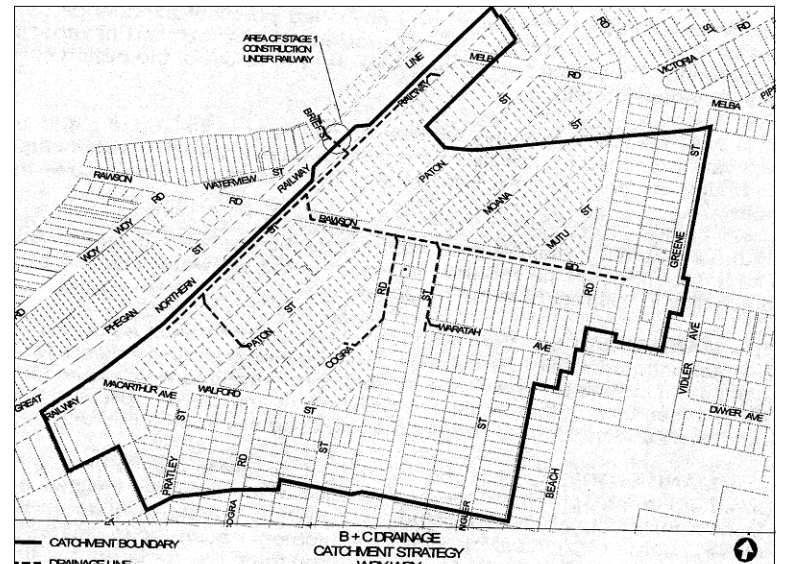
stormwater drains under the railway line from Correa Bay to Railway St is part of the affected catchment area.

The council agenda noted that flooding in the area is currently classed as "nuisance flooding" as stormwater had not been reported to have entered any houses.

"It currently ponds in streets or property owners yards for long periods of time

"However, future development within the catchment is restricted until the identified Drainage Blackspot area is relieved of flooding problems by way of the provision of trunk drainage."

Council agenda SF.046, October 14



Map of Woy Woy Catchment Sections B and C

Land sale may fund pool roads

Gosford Council may sell off Council land on the Peninsula to help fund road works for the Peninsula Leisure Centre.

The council decide to investigate the options at its meeting on October 7.

A report by Engineering Operations found that there was no funding allocated to satisfy the conditions of development consent for the centre.

While a detailed estimate of the costs was yet to be confirmed, the department estimated a budget of \$1 million was required.

The council agenda noted that as "completion of the centre in late 2004 is currently being targeted" funding could come from the 2003/04 and 2004/05 Capital Works Programs

The report suggested that funding be raised by reallocating capital works funding allocated to nearby Springwood St, and the sale of two Council-owned lots in Brisbane Ave, Umina

The agenda estimated that the sale of the two lots would generate approximately \$400,000 in funding, and another \$660,000 would come from reallocating funds from Springwood St.

"It is further recommended that any funding not required for road works associated with the Centre



The Peninsula Leisure Centre in May this year

be returned to the Springwood St upgrading project," the report stated.

Cr Bockholt told the meeting that in the past she had fought to save land on the Peninsula, but the money from the sale of the land in this case would at least go to the Peninsula community.

"We were faced with the prospect of land being sold to pay for (Cr) Malcolm's (Brook) library," she said.

"It grieves me to sell land now, but if the funding is for the swim centre, it will really improve where people live on the Peninsula."

"We've got a \$1.5 million shortfall from the State

government."

"We all know if we are not prepared to sell land, we'll have to come up with the money somehow," she said.

"I don't agree with selling land but the leisure centre must go ahead."

Cr Debra Wales said that Council should go through due process and consult the community and questioned the \$1.5 million shortfall.

"What funding? I've never heard of any funding," she said.

"People do not want public land being sold down there."

"I don't agree with selling land. We went through that process.

"There must be other parcels of land we can sell."

Council resolved that a further report should come back to council on selling lands on the Peninsula as contribution to the Peninsula leisure centre.

The road works required for the centre include the reconstruction of the Alpha Lane and Alpha Rd intersection to provide adequate road area for turning, including kerbing and guttering, road pavement, landscaping and drainage.

The agenda noted the likely routes of travel to and from the centre and the use of adjacent James Browne Oval.

"Anecdotal evidence of through traffic using Welcome St and Alpha Rd to bypass the Mc Masters Rd-Blackwall Rd intersection was also considered," the report stated.

"It is noted that on a regional level, both Gosford and Mingara pools will still be used for school swimming and carnivals."

"The majority of Woy Woy Peninsula residents live in the areas south of Mc Masters Rd or west of Ocean Beach Rd.

"With improved access into the rear of the centre, it is assumed that these residents will use the Mc Masters Rd-Welcome St route for access to the centre.

"Visitors to the centre using

Blackwall Rd will be able to turn directly into the site to access either the front and rear car parks.

"Access from the centre to Blackwall Rd is by left turn only from the front car park.

"Buses bringing school students will access the centre from Blackwall Rd, drop students off adjacent to the complex and park in the James Browne Oval car park.

"Students will walk along the footpath-cycleway within the centre grounds to board the buses on their departure from the centre," the report stated.

Ten responses were received to a letterbox drop outlining the Council staff proposal for the provision of kerb and gutter in Alpha Rd and Welcome St.

Four responses from residents of Alpha Rd were in favour of the proposed treatment.

Three responses were from residents of Squirrel and Billabong Sts who felt that the proposal would increase the incidence of "through traffic" using their streets to bypass the Mc Masters Rd-Blackwall Rd intersection.

See feature on page eight

Alison Branley, Council agenda EO.021, October 10



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Welcome to edition 78 of Peninsula News

In this edition we take a closer look at what's been happening with the Peninsula Leisure Centre after having received a number of requests to report on it.

We have also received unsolicited information from members of the community who are concerned at the lack of progress on the one hand and from other members of the community who are concerned over the extra noise that will result from economy measures being implemented on the other hand.

This looks like being an issue that will continue to have both supporters and detractors for some time to come with the community likely to be split on what it wants at least until the project is completed.

Cec Bucello, Manager

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

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

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

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Tavern process a waste of resources

In reply to Vic Jefferies' letter ("Tavern could have been built years ago") appearing in your paper of October 7, I wish to express our support for your reporting and disagree with the many opinions expressed by Mr Jefferies.

His views are factually wrong and decidedly biased.

In point of fact, the last submission to the council to amend the original plans was finally recommended by its officers and through the democratic process approved by the majority of councillors.

Further, a detailed analysis of the claimed "54 objections" by Mr Jefferies is equally untrue.

Someone, in the cloak of the night, distributed a "scare sheet" to every resident in Patonga making false claims as to what the proposed amendments were.

Most of the so-called objectors restricted their comments to the false claims which had nothing to do with our amendments sought.

In reality, excluding the irrelevant furphies, the number of submissions in support of the proposed changes significantly outnumbered objections by a factor of about 10 to one.

What Mr Jefferies refers to as "expanded trading area" was a change of use from a one-bedroom residential amenity to a dining room for the approved

bistro.

Following the death of our father some years ago, for whom the area was designed and originally approved, we have endeavoured for several years now to make better use of that area for our patrons.

The size is about the same as two normal dining rooms in your average house.

I would have thought that this was a reasonable request but Mr Jefferies and his political supporters on council used every trick in the book to oppose this minor change.

For anyone who has been to Patonga, it would be most obvious that there is more parking available for the two small businesses here than any other location in the Gosford municipality.

The position of our opponents, led by Mr Jefferies, has caused inordinate delays and the waste of substantial monies in consultant fees and legal not to mention ratepayers' monies.

It has cost our family company around \$140,000 before a brick has been laid.

I find this a shocking and shameful waste of resources and a sad indictment of Gosford Council when one ponders the other social problems in our area not being attended to.

We are but one small business on the Central Coast. If you cared to multiply that cost by

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hundreds or even thousands, it gives your readers a good idea of the magnitude of social and economic waste, dollars and jobs, this council has cost us all.

Cr Cook quoted \$7 million wasted in Council consultant and legal fees during its term and that is only the tip of the iceberg.

The saving of a fraction of these costs would have seen the Peninsula's Leisure Centre and swimming pool, for instance, built by now.

Indeed, positive negotiation with developers and others should have generated far more than \$7 million in public benefits.

Instead, the project is moribund and council is now seeking amendments to its own plans to try to save costs.

Finally, we take this opportunity to thank the majority of councillors who have supported this development and the majority wishes of residents.

Robert Osborne, Patonga

Environment Awards

Schools on the Peninsula have been sent entry forms for the Beryl Strom Environment Award.

The award, for students in Year 9 and 10, will be judged by Woy Woy resident and Association for Environment Education committee member Heather McKenzie as well as local ecologist Robert Payne,

council staff and National Parks and Wildlife Service staff.

This year's theme, for International Year of Freshwater, is "Water - essential for life - maximising its potential for the Central Coast."

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Ettalong Beach Motel changes hands

The Ettalong Beach Motel changed hands earlier this year as part of a plan to build units on the entire block, according to motel manager Ms Anna Solomou.

"The new owner is a developer who owns much of the block, which runs from Picnic Parade to Broken Bay Rd on The Esplanade," she said.

The development is not planned to take effect for another two years so, in the meantime, the motel has been refurbished.

"The rooms have been thoroughly cleaned, furniture has been replaced and new furniture has been added," she said.

The motel had 12 units, eight

of which were upstairs and had extensive water views.

It also had a self-contained apartment that would accommodate up to 10 people and an independently managed Thai restaurant.

Both the manager and the owner live on the Peninsula.

"In the short time that I have been managing the motel, we have had a big increase in business," Anna said.

"It has been a big learning experience but by adding a personal touch and keeping it as clean as if it was my house, we have had many excellent comments and a lot of repeat business."

Cec Bucello, October 10



Money for Della Bosca's fence

Ms Belinda Neal and Mr John Della Bosca will receive a \$1000 grant from Gosford Council for a fence around their heritage-listed property in Taylor St, Woy Woy.

However, the Council's heritage committee recommended a letter be written suggesting they had not complied with the terms of the grant.

The couple had claimed \$1000 for work completed in September 2000.

The grant had been approved

by the committee in December 1998.

"Funding is available for 12 months following approval as stated in the Agreement for Financial Assistance conditions applying to all Projects form," the letter would state.

"Any future Small Grants funds allocated are to be spent within 12 months of approval.

"The letter is also to point out that, under the conditions of the grant of \$1000 for the fence, the fence was to have been inspected by a Council officer when it was completed."

Agenda EH.086, October 10

Funding for drug worker continues

Funding to provide for a youth-specific drug and alcohol worker based at the Peninsula Community Centre was announced on Friday, October 10.

"This funding of \$83,612 will ensure the continuation of this important pilot program which was established in 2001," according to Member for Robertson Mr Jim Lloyd.

"I was shocked to learn that the Central Coast did not previously have a youth-specific drug and alcohol counsellor and I lobbied

strongly for the Peninsula region to be included in the pilot program," Mr Lloyd said.

"It is because of the success of this program that the Howard Government has extended funding at least until June 2006," Mr Lloyd said.

"The role of the worker will be to integrate and complement the services already provided by The Web Youth Service.

"The worker will also provide drug and alcohol education and counselling to the target group, 12-18 year olds, at The Web and also to the broader community

through local high schools.

"Where possible, immediate access to the drug and alcohol worker will be available for counselling and assessment in crisis situations," Mr Lloyd said.

"The Peninsula area has a large population of young people, many of whom are at risk from drugs and alcohol abuse.

"This funding is making a positive difference in ensuring that those people are receiving appropriate assistance, counselling and treatment," Mr Lloyd said.

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Two questions on aquatic centre

The Peninsula News earlier this year reported on three items from the council agenda for January 28, relating to the Peninsula Regional Aquatic Centre.

CS 004 Indicated that tenders were to be called.

CS 005 Formally appointed the architects for the project.

These architects had been involved in the project since August 2000.

CS 009 appointed quantity surveyors to provide a bill of quantities to help define the project for tender purposes.

These quantity surveyors had been providing the Council with cost details for the project for two years to date.

In view of the actions taken on January 28, and taking into account the closing of our own existing complex on March 28, and its subsequent destruction, I believe the council must answer two questions:

Why, on October 14, does the proposed site look like a World War One battleground?

Does the proposed centre have a completion date, other than never?

John Chivers, Woy Woy

Consequence of poker tax

Re: October 7 Forum letter from Mike Hudson "Tax is based on ability to pay".

Mr Hudson is right.

Clubs can afford to pay the tax if, that is, they raise their food and beverage prices by 30-40 per cent; increase entertainment costs by 100 per cent and charge for all of those activities which are now provided free of charge.

They can afford it if they dispense with all the loss-making activities such as providing free of charge meeting venues for groups like the RSL Ladies Auxiliary, schools, charities, government departments and hospitals; dispense with loss-

making entertainment and activities such as bingo, indoor bowls, darts and snooker.

They can afford it if they change the average return on poker machines to equate with that which is returned to the player by hotels; reduce the size of their clubs which will mean they can no longer be used as emergency evacuation centres in times of bushfires and other crises.

They can afford it if they increase the costs for a game of golf or lawn bowls to between \$30 and \$60.

Do all of these things and what's left?

In essence, a pub that makes entry difficult.

Funny that it was the ALP in 1954 that licensed clubs for gaming so that they could achieve all the above benefits and facilities.

Credit must go to the Local Member Ms Marie Andrews who, along with the majority of backbenchers in Government, voted for the "economic elite" to review the tax.

The economic rationalists will not support a review, because they can afford what the average club-goer cannot.

Peter Hale, General manager, Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club Ltd, October 13

A beautiful and special place

This time last year I sent an e-mail to the Peninsula News asking if anyone in the Woy Woy area would be interested in arranging a private home swap with a

family in Auckland, New Zealand.

Thanks to your help we had a few interested responses, and the swap went ahead with a great holiday being had by both families.

The couple we swapped with last summer is now venturing further afield to Europe over January, and we are looking for another family who would be willing to exchange their home on the Central Coast for a home in central Auckland for a period of two or three weeks in January 2004, dates fairly flexible.

This would include the use of the family cars also.

Our family group consists of one retired couple, their daughter and grand daughter, 7, who require a two or three bedroom house and in exchange offer a two bedroom townhouse with garden, which is walking distance from central Auckland and close to many tourist attractions and shopping centres, and bus routes.

We tell everyone we know in New Zealand about Woy Woy and what a beautiful and special place the Peninsula area is

We are hoping to buy a house and settle there in the future.

There was a program here on Radio New Zealand last week all about the recent Spikefest and the Walking Backwards event, much to our delight and interest.

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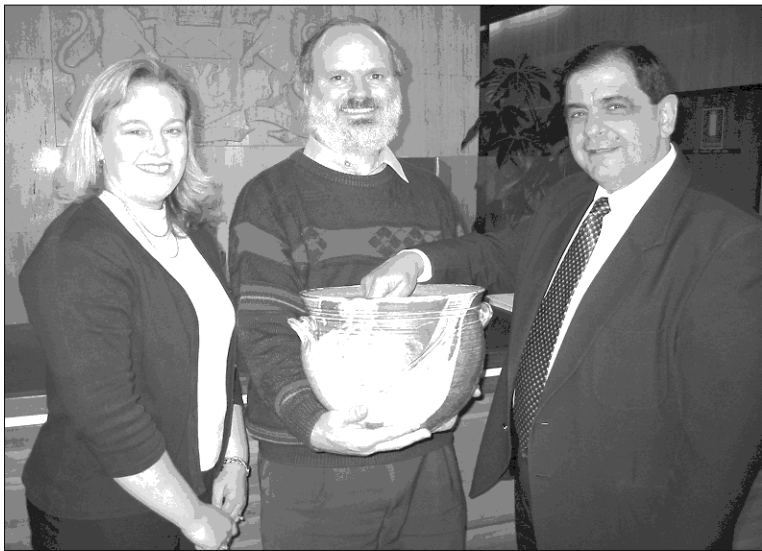
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Ratepayer winners

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Ratepayers who paid the total rates and charges due by August 31 were automatically entered into the draw.

The winners included M Breiesser of Woy Woy who won home insulation and ventilation to the value of \$2000 from Four Seasons Home Insulation, West Gosford;

H Lo Schiavo of Pearl Beach won prizes to the value of \$1600 from The Complete Campsite Camper Trailers, West Gosford.

Press release, September 17

Eric was stand-in wordsmith

Ettalong writer Eric Shackle has written about Australian words which have become part of the

English language in a US-based email newsletter.

A retired journalist, Mr Shackle acted as guest columnist for US wordsmith Anu Garg's global newsletter "A Word A Day" for a week, standing in for Anu who was visiting India where he was born.

Some of the words Eric contributed included furphy, wowser, yabber, dinkum and fossick.

Mr Shackle said the free daily newsletter was read by more than half a million word lovers in 210 countries and was available at <http://wordsmith.org>.

Email, October 14

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Relocation recommended instead of demolition

Gosford Council's heritage committee has suggested the relocation of a heritage-listed house in Woy Woy, as an alternative to its demolition.

The committee recommended that the house at 144 Railway St, Woy Woy, which was subject of a development application adjoined another heritage house at 146 Railway St.

The committee recommended that "the applicant be requested

to consider the option of advertising the dwelling on the property for relocation" and "that archival recording be undertaken".

"The committee expresses its concern about the degradation of the heritage of the first housing development in the Brisbane Water District," the committee report stated.

"The two houses were originally part of a group of similar cottages and the

demolition of the house will destroy the remaining historical streetscape.

"The committee notes that there is a current consent on the property."

The committee had no objection to a development application at 53 Wagstaffe Ave, Wagstaffe, for a proposed house adjoining another "heritage item", the Wagstaffe Memorial Hall,

Council agenda EH.084, EH.083
October 14

Childcare worker recovers holiday pay

A trainee childcare worker from Woy Woy was among a number of Central Coast residents who received a total of \$15,000 in recovered wages and entitlements, through investigations by the NSW Office of Industrial Relations.

The childcare worker received \$389 in unpaid holiday pay.

Minister for Industrial Relations Mr John Della Bosca said: "Around \$15,000 has been returned to local workers and their families, and a further \$4500 is currently being sought.

"The money was repaid following visits by industrial relations inspectors to more than 80 businesses in a number of Central Coast centres in last few months," he said.

Settlements for employees included underpaid wages, overtime, meal allowances, commissions, clothing alterations, penalty rates and holiday pay, and laundry allowances.

Mr Della Bosca said the money was repaid to workers as a result

of action on their behalf by the Office of Industrial Relations.

"Many of the breaches are the result of honest mistakes and most employers are happy to do the right thing when they are made aware of the problem.

"But employers need to know their obligations under the law and that they can face penalties of up to \$10,000," Mr Della Bosca said.

"A further 150 businesses in Gosford and Wyong will be visited in October as part of an ongoing campaign aimed at taking advice and assistance out to workplaces.

"As well as resolving complaints for individual

employees, industrial relations inspectors have been assisting groups of workers in the region through its targeting campaigns," Mr Della Bosca said.

"Our intention is to ensure that employers understand their rights and obligations under NSW industrial laws.

"We want to help employers and employees work together to identify and head off disputes before they arise, rather than simply responding to complaints," he said.

For further information on the Office of Industrial Relations' education and compliance campaigns or other activities, call 131 628.

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Umina almost wins Vampire Cup

The Rotary Club of Umina Beach placed second in recent competition between Rotary Clubs to recruit the most new blood donors.

Umina Beach Rotary Club recruited 10 new donors but was beaten by Erina which had the most new recruits with 19.

The award, known as the Vampire Cup, is the size of a blood donation.

"This was a novel way to encourage people to donate blood to the Red Cross Blood

Service," Mr Geoff Melville from Umina Rotary Club said.

"The Central Coast needs 100 donors every day just for the Central Coast," he said.

"It's something that people don't realise, but only three to four per cent of people actually donate blood, and when people get into accidents they need blood.

"You can actually donate plasma every two weeks."

The competition was started last year by Rotary and Mr

Melville said the clubs hoped to make it bigger each year.

"We want to get more clubs involved," he said.

The Red Cross is currently understocked of blood supplies and is calling for donations of A-positive, O-positive, O-negative and AB-negative donors.

Woy Woy Red Cross Centre in Ocean Beach Rd is open Tuesday 2pm to 7.30pm and Wednesday 9am to 2.30pm to take donations.

Email, October 14



Erina Rotary president Howard Kerr-Smith, with Umina Beach president Glen Scorer and Monica Hart.

Woy Woy missed in stop-work action

Woy Woy Hospital members of the Health Services Union (HSU) did not join union colleagues in a stop-work meeting because union organisers did not have time to discuss the issue with Woy Woy members

Union members from Gosford and Wyong Hospitals participated in a four-hour stop work meeting on October 7.

HSU general secretary Mr Michael Williamson said that the stop-work meeting was in protest against the NSW Health Department's plans to privatise certain non-clinical services in the Hunter Area Health Service.

Central Coast HSU organiser Mr Adam Hall said that there was insufficient time to organise a union meeting at Woy Woy Hospital to discuss and vote on the stop-work action.

"Woy Woy Hospital HSU members that I spoke to supported the action.

"They are concerned about the job losses that would result from contracting out.

"Our members are not forced to take action.

"Reports and recommendations are issued to members who vote on them freely," he said.

Mr Hall said that the stop-work action was a success.

"The IPART report

(Government report into the NSW public health system) recommendations in relation to outsourcing have been put on hold following a meeting last week between our general secretary and the acting Health Minister, Mr Frank Sartor.

"The general secretary will meet with the Premier shortly to discuss the report and the Newcastle Mater (hospital) issue," he said.

Mr Hall said that 24-hour rolling strikes have not been ruled out as an HSU response to the contingency of negotiations with the Government breaking down.

"I am confident that members will vote for such action in the event of talks breaking down.

"Judging by levels of concern at Woy Woy Hospital, I am confident that members there will also vote for such action," he said.

Con Orfanos, media release, October 13

Forum planned for mental health

Kariong branches of Australian Labor Party and Transport Workers Union are organising a joint public forum on Mental Health on Saturday, November 1, at Umina CWA Hall from 1pm.

"The aim of this forum is to bring awareness into the community of the problems associated with having a family member being mentally ill and improve outcomes for the patient and their families," Kariong ALP branch secretary Mr Harish Velji said.

"This forum is also intended to exert pressure on both the State Government and Federal Government to improve outcomes for health practitioners who have to often work under extreme conditions, circumstances and trying times.

"Kariong branch of Australian Labor Party had started discussion within the branch early last year as a result of number of personal experiences, where people were having to deal with a family member who has had mental illness," he said.

"It was already recognised early in the piece that for the people who had no experience in dealing with this issue, it became a civil rights issue.

"It was also recognised there was a balance between patients' rights and families' rights and this was not existing at present.

"There was no desire at present to rock the apple cart by either of the political parties to make any changes to Mental Health Act," Mr Velji said.

He said the branch would lobby to have an urgent study be carried out to find the impact on the families of the mentally ill since the patients have been put into community care.

He said that the aim of the meeting was to engage the Minister for Health, Minister for Science and Research, the Premier and head office of Australian Labor Party.

The branch hoped to have mental health adopted as the next subject for a summit as a natural follow-on from drugs and alcohol.

He said there needed to be an increase in funding for mental health to reflect that it is the most urgent priority for the government to address.

The government should adopt recommendations of upper house select committee on mental health, he said.

The meeting would also address "the need for an increase in the numbers of personnel in mental health as well as an increase training places".

It would also "pressure the federal government to increase training places in the universities and the number of specialist training positions".

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Music store opens in Woy Woy

Peninsula now has its own music store

Peninsula Music, based in George St, Woy Woy, plans to become the main source for musical instruments, music books and music accessories for the Peninsula.

Proprietors Frank and Marilyn Russell are co-founders of the Woy Woy based Troubadour Folk Club.

Marilyn is the president of the Central Coast Bush Dance and Music Association and is a director of the Umina Beach Folk Festival.

Frank has been a musician for many years, has been teaching music locally and aspires to

make his own instruments.

With Marilyn wanting a change after commuting to Sydney for eight years, the Russells decided to turn their love of music into their business.

"We looked at market research reports from the Australian Music Association which show music participation rates.

"We then compared this with Gosford Council's website showing population spread and it was obvious that there was a need here on the Peninsula that was not being met," said Marilyn.

As well as stocking the usual variety of instruments and accessories, Peninsula Music also stock the more unusual folk

and world music instruments as well as many lesser known boutique brands.

"We like to help people find what they want, give them some helpful advice and where appropriate find them lessons, if that is what they need," said Frank.

In its first week of trading, reaction from the public has been overwhelmingly positive, according to proprietor Ms Marilyn Russell.

"People have been coming in all the time saying how great it is to be able to buy their accessories locally," she said.

Cec Bucello, October 10



Frank and Marilyn Russel proprietors of Peninsula Music

Fashion parade for children's fund

The Woy Woy Save The Children Fund branch will hold a fashion parade on Saturday, October 25, at 2pm in St Andrews Church, Ocean Beach Rd, Umina.

Clothes for the parade will be supplied by Jodies of Umina and modelled by members of the Save the Children Fund, Woy Woy district.

Branch secretary Nola Addinall said that she hoped to raise awareness of the organisation's work among people on the Peninsula.

"We're hoping it will be a successful afternoon.

"We're not all that well known.

"We've had fashion parades before. They're quite good fun.

"Jodie has some nice clothes, a lovely range.

"They're aimed at women in their 40s upwards," she said.

Ms Addinall said that Save the Children has done work with World Vision and been involved in crisis situations in Iraq, the Solomons and Bangladesh.

"In some remote communities, we provide wells or employment

training."

In Bangladesh, Save the Children was running a home for the children of prostitutes, to help break the cycle of poverty.

Ms Addinall said that the Fund also worked in Australia providing a bus, which goes out to disadvantaged areas such as Blacktown, with learning games for local children and support for single mothers.

Entry to the fashion parade will be \$6 including afternoon tea.

There will be a lucky door prize, raffle and sales table.

Alison Branley, October 13

Car boot sale

The Lions Club of Woy Woy will hold another car boot sale and mini market on Sunday, October 26, from 8am to 1pm.

The boot sale is in its 10th year and will be held at Rogers Park

on Ocean Beach Rd.

It is \$10 per car and a barbecue, tea and coffee will held on the day.

With inquiries, phone 4341 4151.

Press release, October 15

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Neighbours get together

Residents of the South Woy Woy area are invited to meet their neighbours at a barbecue and picnic to be held on Saturday, October 25, at Correa Bay Park on Woy Woy Rd.

The barbecue starts at 11:30am and is "bring-your-own" food, refreshments and seating.

"If we take the 'hood' out of our neighbourhood, then we should

cooperate together as a community and look out for one another's property and security," said Neighbourhood Watch coordinator Ms Terri Fitzgerald.

Ms Fitzgerald said that she was looking for members to join the local group.

"We should get to know each other and make an effort for an enjoyable outing with others from the district."

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Leisure centre delayed, \$1.2M spent

Gosford Council has spent nearly \$1.2 million on the construction of the Peninsula Leisure centre and not a single brick has been laid.

Out of its budget of 16 million dollars for the leisure centre, expenditure on the program currently stands at nearly 1.2 million dollars.

To date, Council has spent \$100,000 on the demolition of the old site, only one 10th of the money it has so far used.

This was \$25,000 less than originally thought.

Mr Peter Hickman, manager for recreation services at Gosford Council, said that most of the money spent so far had gone towards consultants for the project.

"That's par for the course for any development," he said.

He said that two surveys consulting over 2000 people on the Peninsula had been done as well as financial studies.

There were also the architects for the design and engineering of the complex.

"Michael Davies and Associates, one of the top firms in the country designed the complex," he said.

In January this year, Rider-Hunt Sydney Pty Ltd was also engaged by Gosford Council to provide a bill of quantities for the Peninsula Regional Leisure Centre construction.

Payments to the firm were over

Construction of the regional leisure centre on the Woy Woy pool site seems unlikely to start before next year. Tenders for the construction are being called this month, four months after construction was originally due to start. Argument over the removal of acoustic insulation from the design, suggested as a cost-cutting measure, has been blamed for the delay. Peninsula News reporter Alison Branley gives some background to the finances of the project.



The Peninsula Leisure Centre in October this year

\$100,000 extending its contract to more than three times its original role.

The bill of quantities was used to help define the project for the tender process.

The firm was originally engaged to provide council with quantity surveying services.

The fee increased when the

firm was asked to do the bill of quantities as well.

Gosford Council also agreed in principle to support a proposal to install a diatomaceous earth (DE) water filtration system in the Peninsula Regional Leisure Centre, despite being told that a sand filter would be less expensive.

The Council's Water and Sewer Fund will fund the filter with \$100,000 in funding as it saves water use.

The consultants estimated that the use of a DE filtration system over a sand based filtration system would cost an additional \$100,000 in the construction process.

However, there are additional costs associated with operating the system which are estimated at \$23,325 per annum.

The Council also originally budgeted on receiving \$1.5 million from the State government funding.

In March this year, Member for Peats Ms Marie Andrews said that council only originally applied for a grant of \$300,000 from the Department of Sport and Recreation and were allocated \$200,000.

Ms Andrews said a further \$1.2 million had been allocated to the improvement of the intersection of Allfield Rd and Blackwall Rd, which was the closest major intersection to the aquatic centre.

In July, Gosford Council attempted to reverse the State Government decision to contribute no more than \$200,000 towards the multi-million dollar Peninsula Aquatic Centre

Out of \$16.35 million in funding for the leisure centre, \$3.6 million is to come from Council section 94 recreation funds, \$1.5 million from its financial strategy levy, \$200,000 from the NSW Government, \$100,000 from the

water and sewer fund, \$800,000 from the Sportsground master plan, and \$1.5 million from the Federal Government. A loan of \$8.65 million is to be repaid from a rate levy.

The old complex closed on March 28 for demolition with construction originally planned to begin in June.

The council's website says that construction on the leisure centre will begin in October this year, however Mr Hickman said that the construction could begin in late November at the earliest.

"That depends on the construction company," he said.

Mr Hickman said that council is expecting to receive tenders from construction companies this month.

"We had a shortlist in April, but because of acoustic issues we had to look at conditions on the original development application," he said.

He said that development should be under way by early 2004; construction is expected to be completed by early 2005.

Mr Hickman said the issue of acoustics in the leisure centre had still not been resolved.

He said that funding the insulation of the leisure centre would have to come out of the capital works budget.

"That means other things won't get done, like Rogers Park.

"The money has to come from somewhere," he said.

Alison Branley, October 3

Building at St John's

Construction of a new administration block and staff room began at St John the Baptist Primary School over the school holidays.

The construction includes the refurbishment of the school office to include a sick bay and new

staff room facility.

Principal Ms Suzanne Nichols said that construction was expected to take 100 days.

It is part of a wider upgrade of the school, which also included recarpeting the library.

Alison Branley, October 14

RSPCA shop is acknowledged

The contribution of the RSPCA shop in Woy Woy has been acknowledged at the RSPCA annual meeting.

The contribution of the Woy Woy shop, the Flora Festival and many other RSPCA activities were acknowledged as having led to the association being able to support the shelter at Somersby.

"This support has helped many unwanted and injured animals," said Val Hampson, president of the Central Coast branch.

"We are pleased to be able to say many of the animals we were able to help have found

new homes and are living out their lives happily.

"During the past year or two, we have lost some of our long time volunteers," she said.

"Val Streeter and Val Gill were with us from the very beginning of our current shop in Woy Woy and have spent many hours working to help all animals in need.

"Brenda Bartlett and Pat Halloran have also left us.

"These girls were with us for sometime and their help was much appreciated."

The annual meeting elected a committee of president, Val Hampson, vice-president Trish Christesen, secretary Linda Hansen, treasurer Margaret Rolfe and delegate Vicki McKinnon.

The RSPCA is looking for volunteers who would like to work in the Woy Woy shop.

For more information, phone Val Hampson on 4341 0414.

Letter, October 3

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Ten years of Five-O-Plus

A community radio station which started in a room in Umina is celebrating its 10th year of operation.

Community Radio Station Five-O-Plus originated in a room in Umina, broadcasting on a temporary licence for a few hours

a week.

"Manned by a bunch of keen volunteers, it was like a social club, but support from sponsors and people on the Peninsula was strong," said Radio Five-O-Plus publicity officer Ms Margot Cooper.

"As time went by, the group was able to invest in its own equipment," she said.

A broadcasting tower was set up on Mt Rumbalara and Radio Five-O-Plus moved into bigger premises in Mann St, Gosford.

Eventually time on air was increased, volunteer numbers grew to well over 100, membership grew and the station published its own newsletter for members.

The station now goes to air seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

Last year it was granted a permanent broadcasting licence and has a listening audience of 26,000 according to Australian Broadcasting Authority figures.

Margot Cooper, October 10

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Organisers declare Spikefest a success

One of the well-attended events of Spikefest was the comedy competition.

Up and coming comedian Brett Nichols was named winner of the amateur comedy competition at Lizotte's, Ettalong War Memorial Club, winning airline tickets to the Gold Coast or Melbourne.

Central Coast comedian Daria came second winning \$500 cash and James Daley came third also winning \$500.

At Stanleys by the Sea at Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club on Saturday, October 11, Melbourne cartoonist Rolf Heimann was named Cartoonist of the Year.

Heimann snagged the award in a strong field which included former Cartoonists of the Year Eric Lobbbecke from News Ltd, comic cartoonist James Kemsley - Ginger Meggs, Alan Moir from the Sydney Morning Herald, The Australian Financial

Review's David Pope and first-time nominee Vince O'Farrell from the Illawarra Mercury.

Rolf and Lila Heimann won a South Pacific cruise for two from



John Scholes and Desmond Milligan in '7 socks...'

verse was a howling success," organiser David Dufty said.

"At the Saturday matinee, Dave Proust had the children and their parents in convulsions.



Children in hysterics at the comic cavalcade

P&O South Pacific.

In the comic and crazy verse competition, Dave Proust won the Golden Spike award for his poem "The Surfie in the Outback".

"The competition and cavalcade of comic and crazy

"It showed the children the skills that they may some day develop.

"In the primary school section, children from local primary schools contributed some excellent poems and illustrations and presented them with great confidence and humour," he said.

Spike Milligan's daughters Laura and Jane presented Spike's poems for the matinee performance.

"Jane sang a beautiful song



'Picasso according to Spike' at the Peninsula Community Centre

first grade cricket team defeated Woy Woy by 153 runs.

Umina made 7/ 232 while Woy Woy made 79 runs.

Greg Somers was named people's choice award in the "Picasso according to Spike" competition for his piece entitled "Who was that masked man?"

Second place was Matt Adams for his piece "Rembrandt according to Picasso (Spike)."

Third place went to the children's masks entitled "Funny Faces" made by children from Wamberal Public School.

Cr Holstein said that there were adjustments that needed to be made for next year's festival

He said that it was great to see so many festivals on the Peninsula.

"Its good for business. It's good for the community."

Allison Branley, October 15

composed by Spike and Laura presented the prizes to the children," David Dufty said.

For the open competition, Desmond Milligan presented Spike's poems and gave the prizes to the winners on Friday, October 10.

In the Puckoon Cup, the Umina

Spikefest raises \$600

The Rotary Club of Woy Woy is to donate all the funds raised at last weekend's Spikefest to the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund for mental health research.

The club raised almost \$600 from a sausage sizzle run as part of the Spikefest held in Woy Woy on Saturday, October 4.

"Spike Milligan, who was an honorary member of the Woy Woy Rotary Club, suffered for a large part of his life from the effects of mental illness and it seems it appropriate that we use the funds raised in this way," said club president John Greenway.

Spike visited his family in Woy Woy regularly and was often a visitor at the Woy Woy Rotary Club.

On the night he was given honorary membership, he was welcomed by a club member dressed up as a seagull.

Spike's mother was also given honorary membership of the club.

"We are sure both Spike and his mum would be very pleased that the club is making this donation with them in mind," Mr Greenway said.

Press release, October 13

Jazz festival at The Bays

The Bays Community Group will present a Jazz Festival at 1pm on Sunday, November 9.

The festival is to be held in the grounds of the Bays Community Hall, 19 Woy Woy Bay Rd.

The inaugural Bays Jazz Festival will feature locally-based five-piece outfit, Just Jazz, led by the double bass player and Bays resident John Callaghan.

The band also features vocals by Carol Ralph, with Tony Burkys on guitar, Nat Oliver on trumpet and flugel horn, and Mal McGillivray, another Bays' resident, on drums.

"The event will be held outdoors, weather permitting, in the surrounds of the Bays Community Hall," said community group vice-president Mr Jeffrey Cook.

"It should be a great afternoon of music and fresh air for all the family."

"Cheese plates and refreshments will be available."

Local residents are contributing outdoor furniture and sunshades.

"People are asked to bring a cushion, a colourful beach umbrella or shade and be prepared for great entertainment and some serious relaxing," Mr

Cook said.

Limited seating is available if required.

Tickets are \$12, with under-15s free.

The Bays Community Group is the new name of the Bays Progress Association, serving the residents of the three bays:

Horsfield Bay, Phegans Bay and Woy Woy Bay.

The group meets every third Wednesday at 7.30pm at the Community Hall and new members are always welcome.

The group also held the Bays Bush Dance in August.

Jeffrey Cook, October 14

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What's on in and around the Peninsula

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

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

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

Contact details and deadline date are shown on page two.

DAILY EVENTS

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

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 10am - 11am Enq 4341 9333

Playtime PCYC Osborne Ave Umina mon - fri 9am - 10am Enq 4344 7851

Little Gym PCYC Osborne Ave Umina mon - fri 10am - 11am Enq 4344 7851

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9.00am, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4.00pm - 5.00pm (Junior), 5.00pm - 6.00pm (Senior) PCYC, Osborne Avenue, Enq 4344 7851.

WEEKLY EVENTS

EVERY TUESDAY

Drop in 12-18 yrs only The Web Youth, Service 12pm-6pm Enq 4342 3684

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

Trent's Trivia Club Umina (Umina Beach Bowling Club) 7.30 pm. \$2 pp. Enq 4341 2618

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9.00am, **Kindy Gym** 10am-11am \$6, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4.00pm - 5.00pm (Junior), 5.00pm - 6.00pm (Senior), **Breakdancing**, 5.00pm PCYC, Enq 4344 7851

Free Bingo, Woy Woy Leagues Club 11am.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sports bar raffle Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

Sahaja yoga meditation CWA Hall Woy Woy, 10.30am Free Entry Enq:

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Young Women's Group 12-18 yrs only, The Web Youth Service 12pm-6pm Enq 4342 3684

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

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

Peninsula Choir rehearse 7.30pm St Andrews Hall Umina. Men welcome

Pearl Beach Play Group 10am Pearl Beach Progress Hall Enq: 4342 7182

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

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

Bingo/Cash Housie 7:30pm Club Umina. Enq: 43412618

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

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

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

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

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

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9.00am, **Kindy Gym** 10am-11am \$6, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4.00pm - 5.00pm (Junior), 5.00pm - 6.00pm (Senior) PCYC, Osborne Avenue, Enq 4344 7851

Leatherwork Classes Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre Enq 4341 3222

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Handicraft The Country Women's Hall, 9.00am - 11.30am, 50 cent donation, Enq: 4342 4316

EVERY THURSDAY

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

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

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

Scrabble Progress Hall, Woy Woy Rd 12.30pm.

Tai Chi-11.35am Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre

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

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

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

Dancing, 10am. Ettalong Beach Bowling Club Enq: 4340 1057.

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

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

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

Bridge Ocean Beach Surf Club. 12.30pm Enq 4341 0721

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

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

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

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

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

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

Bingo 9.45am Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

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

Karaoke Ettalong Memorial Club, Enq: 4341 1166

Young Men's Groups 12-18 yrs only, The Web Youth Service 12pm-6pm Enq 4342 3684.

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9.00am, **Kindy Gym** 10am-11am \$6, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4.00pm - 5.00pm (Junior), 5.00pm - 6.00pm (Senior) PCYC, Osborne Avenue, Enq 4344 7851.

EVERY FRIDAY

Craft Classes St Lukes Woy Woy, 7.30pm, Enq: 0400 499689.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Peninsula Pastimes Ettalong Baptist Church, Barrenjoey Rd. 9.30am, (in school terms), \$2 incl. Morning tea. Creche Enq 4369 5558 Enq: 4341 1166

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

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

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

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

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

Doctor & Nurse 12-18 yrs only, The Web Youth Service 2pm-9:30pm Enq 4342 3684

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9.00am, **Kindy Gym** 10am-11am \$6, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4.00pm - 5.00pm (Junior), 5.00pm - 6.00pm (Senior) PCYC, Osborne Avenue, Enq 4344 7851.

EVERY SATURDAY

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

Snooker Ettalong War Memorial Club at 8.30am Enq 43417307

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

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

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

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

Patonga Bakehouse Gallery. Every Weekend 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

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

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

Activities 12-18 yrs only, The Web Youth, Service 4.30pm-9.30pm Enq 4342 3684

EVERY SUNDAY

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

Patonga Bakehouse Gallery. Every Weekend 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

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

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

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

Seniors/Masters training, Umina Life Saving Club, 8.00am.

EVERY MONDAY

Yoga Wagstaffe Hall 9.30 am Enq 4360 1854

Bowls Ettalong Memorial Club at 1.30pm Enq 4344 1358

Free Bingo Woy Woy Leagues Club 11am. Club Umina 11am.

Bingo/Cash Housie 7:30pm Club Umina

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

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

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

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9.00am, **Kindy Gym** 10am-11am \$6, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4.00pm - 5.00pm (Junior), 5.00pm - 6.00pm (Senior) PCYC, Osborne Avenue, Enq 4344 7851

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

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

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

Bingo Umina Beach Bowling Club, Umina 11am Enq 4341 2618

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

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

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

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

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

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

Gentle Exercise. Resumes Monday 13th, 9.30am at the Peninsular Community Centre, Enq: 4343 1888.

EVENT CALENDAR

Tuesday November 4

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

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

Wills, power of attorney lecture, Peninsula Women's Health Centre, McMasters Rd, Woy Woy 10am-12 ph43425905

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

Wednesday November 5

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

Thursday November 6

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

Self Esteem workshop over 6 weeks runs to Dec 11, 10am-12:30, PWHC, gold coin ph 43425905.

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

Feel Good About Yourself, Judy Melville, PWHC, 6 week course starting 6/11, 10am-12.30pm, Gold Coin Donation, Bookings Essential, Ph: 4342 5905

Friday November 7

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

Legacy Ladies Ettalong Memorial Club 10am (1st Fri) Enq 4341 5414

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

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

Saturday November 8

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

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

Monster Garage Sale and Sausage Sizzle, PWHC, Sat 8/11 from 8am, Lots of Bargains, Donations welcome, Ph: 4342 5905.

Sunday November 9

The Bays Jazz Festival, 199 Woy Woy Bay Road, \$12.00.

Monday November 10

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

What's on event calendar

Monday October 27

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

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

Enq: 4344 8427

CWA meeting at Wagstaffe Community Hall (4th Mon) 1.30pm

Enq: 4360 2504

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

Wednesday October 29

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

Library Bookmobile (Fortnightly) Weds. Patonga Near Community Hall 9.45 am., Pearl Beach near Community Hall 10:55 am, Umina Nursing Home Arras Ave 11:40 am

Thursday October 30

Silk Painting, PWHC, 12noon-2:30, \$5, ph:43425905.

Friday October 31

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

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

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

Sunday November 2

Blackwall Mountain Bushcare group meeting 9am, Cnr Blackwall Rd and Memorial Ave ph:43426995

Ancient Heritage and rock art, 8:50am to noon, BWNP, meet staples lookout \$6a, \$4ch, ph:43204205

Monday November 3

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


\$1000 raised

The Pearl Beach craft group exhibition held over the long weekend raised more than \$1000 for the Central Coast Parkinson's support group.

"It was a resounding success with many people passing through the community hall and admiring the handcrafted items on exhibition," said organiser Ms Beverley Lapacek.

Proceeds from the raffle went to support the Fistula Hospital in Ethiopia.

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Aboriginal art and culture explained

Aboriginal art and culture workshops have been held at Woy Woy Peninsula Community Centre by Mingaletta Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation

The workshops were delivered by some of the Aboriginal students enrolled at Gosford TAFE in the courses about Aboriginal Art and Cultural Practices and for Aboriginal Education Assistants.

The workshops were held over three nights and covered painting, cultural awareness and craft.

There were 18-25 participants on each night.

The workshop was for non-Aboriginal people wanting to learn about reading and understanding Aboriginal art and the culture.

The painting workshop was delivered by Kylie Cassidy and Ron Smith.

They spoke about how to read



Mingaletta workers in the community garden

Aboriginal paintings and understand symbols painted on the Aboriginal paintings.

The participants then did their own dot paintings using modern symbols.

The cultural awareness class was delivered by Loretta Hardcastle and Ray McMinn.

They touched on areas such as the stolen generation, aboriginality, traditional aboriginal society, effects of government policies and health and wellbeing of aboriginal people.

The last workshop was on craft, delivered by Allison Trindall and Ron Smith.

Originally the participants were going to woodburn their art onto wooden plaques and boomerangs but, because of the sensitive smoke alarms, this was changed to dot painting onto the plaques and boomerangs.

The workshops were presented jointly by Mingaletta and the Purrimaibahn Aboriginal Unit of Central Coast and Hunter Institute of TAFE, and were supported by Gosford Council's community development section through a cultural grant.

Organiser Ms Denise Markham from Mingaletta said: "Mingaletta and staff of the Purrimaibahn unit had a chance to meet and greet some genuine caring non-Aboriginal people who were interested in the local koori community on the Peninsula.

"This provided a valuable opportunity for the local community to see an Aboriginal corporation having positive presence in the Peninsula community."

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Blues day at Broken Bay

Patonga Tennis, Sports, Social and Community Club will present Patonga Blues Across the Bay at Broken Bay Sport and Recreation Centre at the mouth of the Hawkesbury on Saturday, December 6.

Darren Jack and the Darren Jack Band with special guest Ray Beadle will perform at the event.

Support bands are Hipsister, with Carolyn "Pinecone" Packer on keyboard and Jenny Marie Lang on guitar and vocals.

Narrelle Cahill will also feature on the day.

Shoreline Blues, an ensemble of blues and jazz musicians on the Central Coast, will also come together especially for this event.

A special ferry from Patonga to the recreation centre will be provided to travel to the event.

Organiser Ms Jill Tweedie suggested guests could make a weekend of it.

"There is accommodation available at the caravan park or

in one of the many holidays lettings," she said.

Guests should provide their own picnic lunch, drinks, sunscreen and picnic rug.

The first ferry leaves Patonga wharf at 11am and will return at around 6pm.

The music goes from 1pm to

5pm.

Numbers are limited and bookings are essential.

Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$15 for children 4-15 years.

Cost of ticket includes ferry to and from the venue.

For further information, phone 4379 1193 or 4379 1348

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Education

IT training places announced

Training in information technology for older workers will be available at Ettalong until June next year.

Fifty new positions will be offered by WorkWise at its Ettalong and Wyong Training Centres after funding was announced for the program.

The announcement was welcomed by WorkWise manager Mr Mike Burnett.

"The Basic IT Enabling Skills (BITES) for Older Workers program is an initiative of the Australian Government and the NSW Department of Education and Training," he said.

"It provides individuals aged 45 years and over who are seeking work, in receipt of Centrelink

benefits or are low income earners, with the opportunity to undertake training in information technology.

"Training will provide participants with a set of competencies, which are basic in the workplace, and help them participate more effectively in the information economy.

"Training is free and covers nationally accredited modules of training including: operating a personal computer, operating a word processor, and sending and retrieving information over the internet using browsers and email," he said.

Each course is for a total of 44 hours over four weeks

Anyone interested should contact WorkWise on 4353 2199.

Press release, October 13



Jim Lloyd with POEMS graduates at the ceremony

Literacy and numeracy graduates recognised

A ceremony for literacy and numeracy program graduates was held at the Umina Police Citizens Youth Club on Thursday, September 25.

The ceremony recognised the accomplishments of 58 local residents who received nationally-recognised certificates through a language, literacy and numeracy program for people aged 15-65.

Local students of the POEMS program, an alternate school for 13 to 19 year olds were also awarded certificates

The graduation ceremony was conducted by local community organisation WorkWise and attended by Member for Robertson Mr Jim Lloyd, Member for Peats Ms Marie Andrews, State commander of Police

Citizens Youth Clubs Mr David Shorrocks and over 100 business and community representatives.

WorkWise manager Anne Coshaw said the achievements and commitment of all students were to be congratulated.

Both programs were funded by the Australian Government Department of Education Science and Training and were aimed towards students gaining their Year 10 equivalent.

Each program took between six and 12 months to complete, requiring a high level of motivation and a lot of hard work.

"In the literacy and numeracy program, students are often amazed at what they can achieve, particularly the older ones who felt they would never be able to read, write and do maths at this level, let alone use

a computer and surf the Internet," Ms Coshaw said.

"Graduates have a much better chance of finding employment and generally have a much richer life.

"They can go on to further training, get their drivers licence, read recipes, read novels, read to their children and grandchildren, even help with maths homework," she said.

Ms Coshaw said the students in the POEMS alternate school very much appreciated their second chance at education.

For a variety of reasons they were unable to cope in mainstream schools but now, after a sometimes shaky start, were "roaring ahead, finding work, moving on to high level TAFE courses and their HSC".

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Grant to improve teaching

Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy Campus has been successful in obtaining a grant to support improved teaching methods.

The project aims to look at "improving student outcomes on a senior campus through pedagogy [the art of teaching]

and literacy".

The project will be implemented over term four this year and term one next year and will involve nine teachers researching models of teaching.

Teachers will develop strategies to improve intellectual quality and senior literacy, and implement ways of improving levels of student achievement in

assessment tasks and exams.

"I am really looking forward to working with staff to improve the teaching and learning across the campus," principal Mr David Beattie said.

"This will be a major step forward for us and will have far reaching implications."

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Students in athletics carnival

Eleven students from Umina Public School competed in the regional athletics carnival at Homebush on Thursday, September 25.

The students were Robert Cross, Steven Bradshaw, Jake

Peterson, Britney Logan, Dylan Buhagiar, Jamie Rushton, Ben Guzmanyi, Brendan Neal, Virginia Phipps, Jack Walters and Jordan Tulk.

Umina Public School also held a Year 1 outdoor education day on Thursday, September 25.

The Year 1 students participated in a bush walk, beach games, sand modelling and singing.

A sausage sandwich, fruit and popper were provided as lunch for the children.

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Concreting skills shown

Students studying construction and concreting were able to put their skills to use laying concrete slabs for tables and seating on Wednesday, September 10.

The seating adjacent to the Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy campus school hall was completed by campus students with the help of teachers Mr Reynolds, Mr Brooks and Mr Louie.

"The boys were demonstrating their abilities and achievement of competencies as part of the construction course," principal Mr David Beattie said.

"I thank them for giving up their



HSC Construction students from BWSC Woy Woy Campus

time last Wednesday and for beautify the campus." completing another project to

Newsletter, September 30

HSC exams start this week

Year 12 students at the Woy Woy campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College start Higher School Certificate (HSC) examinations this week.

School principal Mr David Beattie said that 135 students at the school would be sitting HSC examinations.

"Half of our HSC candidates are going for a UAI (Universities Admission Index) while the other half are going for apprenticeships and places at TAFE, business colleges, and so on.

"The UAI, a ranking expressed numerically, is 50 per cent school-based assessments and 50 per cent HSC examination," he said.

Mr Beattie said that the school-based assessment component compensated students who fell below their potential at the HSC examinations.

"The HSC is always a stressful time.

"It's the toughest exam students will ever sit in terms of the pressure, the amount of course content to absorb, and the career opportunities it opens.

"But students who have worked hard over time should approach the HSC with confidence.

"The majority of our students have been putting in the time over the last couple of months.

"We have some very good students in year 12 who should achieve terrific results and very good UAI's," he said.

Mr Beattie said that the school has done much to prepare students for the HSC examinations.

"We have a number of programs in place to help and encourage students to do their best.

"We have advanced essay writing and time management programs.

"A teacher has been employed, three days per week, to improve students' examination results.

"We've maintained staffing levels for year 12 subjects.

"Classes are being held until this Wednesday (October 15) for last minute assistance.

"A number of classes were held over the recent holiday period.

"I was pleased with student attendance.

"The school offers 45 HSC subjects.

"We have students taking examinations in, for example, construction, hospitality, food technology and business studies.

"The advantage of our college structure is that we can offer more subjects.

"Our teachers, many of whom are HSC exam markers, have done a terrific job to ensure that students do their best," he said.

Mr Beattie said that although the school hall will serve as the primary location for the examinations, a couple of rooms at the school have been set aside for exams with small student numbers.

He said that building work, which starts at the school on November 1, has been scheduled not to interfere with HSC examination sittings.

The last of the exams at the campus will be held on November 14.

Examination results will be available to students by Internet, SMS message, and phone on December 18 and by mail on December 22.

Con Orfanos, media release, October 13

Money for building work

Peninsula schools will receive about \$32,000 for improvements to school buildings, according to Member for Peats Ms Marie Andrews.

"Deputy Premier and Minister for Education and Training, Dr Andrew Refshauge, advised me this funding is part of the \$34 million Replacement Works Program for 2003-2004," Ms Andrews said.

"It is the second stage of this year's Replacement Works

Program and will be used to continue enhancing facilities in NSW public schools."

Ms Andrews said four Peninsula schools would have improvements to their facilities.

Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina Campus is to receive \$9442 for a gutter replacement and to repair white ant damage.

Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy Campus is to receive \$16,071 for stormwater replacement, to treat paint corrosion and to repair white ant

damage.

Umina Public School to receive \$709 for stair works

Woy Woy Public School is to receive \$3988 for roof repairs and to replace floor coverings.

"Once the work has been completed, our school communities will notice significant improvements in overall maintenance and upkeep.

"This is an important program that will benefit students and families in this area," Ms Andrews said.

Press release, October 16

Refurbishment starts at Umina campus

Stage one of the refurbishment of BWSC Umina Campus is about to begin.

This refurbishment will include the construction of a new performing arts building, a new basketball court and several covered outdoor areas.

As a result, a temporary bike compound will be erected on the

northern side of the library.

"This will not be a secure facility, so students need to ensure their bikes are securely locked as is the case with the current bike compound," principal Mr Frank Gasper said.

Access to the eastern side of the school will be restricted, as this will become the access point for construction works in the area

of the current bike compound.

Staff car parking will be relocated.

"From time to time, other areas in the school may also become restricted because of building works," Mr Gasper said.

"At this stage it is unclear how long these works will take and when the stage two of other works will commence."

BWSC Newsletter, October 13

School surveys parents

Woy Woy South Public School has released the results of its 2003 parent survey.

"Each year, as part of the school's self-evaluation process, a random sample of parents from each class is asked to complete a brief survey of some aspect of school organisation," principal Mr Mick Tattam said.

"Over the past few years, we have conducted surveys on learning programs, K-6 English, maths, communication with parents, writing and reporting to parents."

"The results of these surveys provide valuable feedback which we are able to incorporate into

future planning."

This year's survey addressed school management and culture.

Amongst the results, 37 per cent of respondents said they felt that they could talk freely to their child's teacher about their progress.

Eight per cent disagreed with the statement that teachers care if their child is not doing as well as they could.

The majority of parents said they felt welcome when they came to school for interviews, conferences or special events.

They also said that student success was regularly recognised, praised and rewarded.

Woy Woy South was also rated highly when it came to parent satisfaction and keeping parents well informed.

Only 15 per cent of respondents strongly agreed that improving the quality of student learning was the school's main focus, but 85 per cent simply agreed.

Five per cent of parents disagreed with the statement that the school provided a safe and secure place.

Similar numbers disagreed with statements that the school had high academic standards and valued parents help, interest and opinions.

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Rugby team building comes to Patonga

The Rugby World Cup came to the Peninsula on Saturday, October 4, when a group of 33 rugby officials from around the world made their way to Patonga for team building exercises.

Anton Colenbrander of Southern Adventures said that the officials were woken up at the crack of dawn "and set off on an adventure to be remembered".

"This same group will be facilitating the 2003 Rugby World Cup matches around Australia over the next few weeks," he said.

"At 7am, they climbed onto a bus and headed unsuspectingly towards Palm Beach.

"At Palm Beach ferry wharf, they boarded the Palm Beach Hawkesbury Charter ferry and headed towards picturesque Patonga, a name they will all remember.

Arriving at Patonga wharf, the group were met by Mellaney Colenbrander who escorted them across to the Patonga Caravan Park boat ramp.

"Most of these gentlemen are ex-rugby players themselves and built accordingly," Mr Colenbrander said.

"Patonga locals googled in awe as the unlikely guests strutted their IRB gear through the small fishing village.



Officials for the Rugby World Cup with staff from Southern Adventures

"Some of the locals were guessing amongst themselves which international rugby side they represented.

"None suspected that they were the World Cup referees and assessors."

"The kayak fleet was lined up ready for them along the beach.

"After a brief introduction and safety overview, the group were

taken through a kayak tuition session.

"Some members of the group were new to Australia and were already exclaiming at the beautiful birds found in abundance around Patonga, including rainbow lorikeets, sea eagles and pelicans."

Next the group was broken up into six teams and team leaders

and guides were appointed. Team leaders were given a map and compass each and then briefed on the objectives of the game before being given a few minutes to brief their teams.

Groups went off in separate directions, some took to the water and some took to the beach. Activities included kayaking, beach walking, solving cryptic

puzzles, identifying landmarks, building constructs and identifying wildlife using charts provided.

"All activities were designed by Southern Adventures to strengthen teams through identifying and exercising team values and principles," Mr Colenbrander said.

"After a few hours the teams met up again for a hearty lunch before setting off again to encounter further challenges.

"Towards the afternoon the activities came to a close, score sheets were collected and the exhausted but exhilarated teams set off to a nice hot shower.

While the delegates showered and changed into their evening ware, the Southern Adventures team tallied the scores and compared notes.

The day ended with a prize-giving where the winning teams and individuals were presented with trophies and teams were given feedback on the results of the day: what worked, what didn't work and how the lessons learned could be extrapolated to the important weeks that lay ahead.

They then headed off on the ferry back to Palm Beach where they were taken to Freshwater Restaurant, Harbord for dinner, before being taken back to their hotel in Brighton Le Sands.

Press release, October 13

Steven is in line for national selection

Killcare Surf Club national beach sprint champion Steven Munnery was named in the Australian high performance squad last month.

As a result Steven is in line to make the 2004 world championships in Italy as the national team for the world titles is chosen from the squad.

Steven will be competing against the current National champion Brett Robins from Queensland for a spot in the national team.

Despite struggling with injury, Steven said that he was in his best form to date.

"I played footy last year.

"That probably wasn't the best idea," he said.

As part of the high performance squad, Steven is required to attend training camps where the AIS will put him through physical tests for physical power, speed and endurance.

Munnery, who was named national beach sprint champion in 2001 and 2002, was also part

of the Killcare team which won gold in the beach sprint relay at the previous world championships in Daytona.

In 2004, the life saving world championships will be held at Viareggio, Italy.

"I've seen a photo of the beach.

It looks good: There's not a lot of surf, but there's plenty of room," Steven said.

"I can't wait.

"I've competed locally and nationally and it would be great to compete on an international level and see different parts of the world while I'm doing it," he said.

Alison Branley, October 13

Emergency services play touch football

An inaugural emergency services touch football event, the Central Coast Triple O Cup, was held at Woy Woy Oval on September 26 to raise money for the Central Coast Children's Burns Equipment Fund.

The event was organised by Umina Fire Station firefighter, Mr Bill Maclean.

Peninsula and non-Peninsula firefighters, ambulance officers, and police as well as former Parramatta first-grade rugby league players competed for the Triple O Cup, the Don Rogers Memorial Trophy for second place, and the Umina Fire Station Shield, for third place.

Mark Laurie, Brett Kenny, Steve Ella, Terry Leadbeater,

David Liddiard, Paul Mares and Rod Maybon were among the former Parramatta players.

Commissioner of the NSW Fire Brigades, Mr Greg Mullins, said that the charity event would raise money for the burns equipment fund that was set up by the Brigades and NSW Health for Gosford Hospital, Wyong Hospital, and Child Flight.

Child Flight is an intensive care

helicopter transportation service for children in NSW and the ACT.

A sports memorabilia auction was held at the event.

The items auctioned, signed by their associated sporting figures, included Kostya Tszu boxing gloves, a NSW Waratahs jersey, a Sydney Kings basketball, and a fire helmet signed by the former Parramatta rugby league players.

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Oyster Festival at Woy Woy

The annual Brisbane Water Oyster Festival will be held in Anderson Park on Woy Woy waterfront on Sunday, October 26.

The festival will run from 9am to 4pm and entry is free.

There will be family entertainment with country and rock bands, stalls, wine, seafood and oysters.

A "Blessing of the Fleet" ceremony will occur at 12:30pm.

A flotilla of fishing trawlers and boats will leave Gosford waterfront at 11:45am and motor down to the Woy Woy waterfront.

After the blessing at 12:30pm, the festival will be officially opened by Member for Robertson Mr Jim Lloyd.

This year's flotilla will be led by the Rural Fire Services boat and joined by the Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol.

The traditional Putt Putts and interested boat owners will follow the flotilla to Woy Woy for the Blessing.

This year, 1200 dozen oysters are being specially farmed for the event. "This year's festival is shaping up to be the best ever," said organising



committee chairperson Cr Debra Wales.

The festival will start with live entertainment from country music band Bucksnot.

"They will bring the waterfront alive with their foot tapping and boot scooting that everyone loves to get up and have a dance to, even if they don't know the steps," Cr Wales said.

"Country music is for every age, young and old." The afternoon entertainment also

includes rock band On the Prowl, with music from the 50s and 60s.

"There will be a variety of food, wine and oyster stalls to tempt the taste buds and plenty of art and craft stalls and entertainment throughout the day."

There will also be the first annual Ocean Planet Woy Woy Rotary Club Oyster Festival Kayak Challenge.

The challenge will begin at Woy Woy Wharf on Sunday, October 26, at 10:30am and proceed out onto the course route on Brisbane Water.

The finish line will be at Woy Woy Wharf.

Awards and prizes, donated by Ocean Planet, will be provided to first, second and third place, best and fairest and most deserving amongst others.

Entrants can register their details at 4 3 4 2 2 2 2 o r e m a i l race@oceanplanet.com.au.

There will be two lucky draw prizes and one grand prize draw for a kayak at 1pm.

Tickets will be available at the festival. Email, October 13



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Organisers declare Spikefest a success

Organisers of Spikefest have declared the festival a success, with support for all the events on the Peninsula.

Spikefest Committee chairman Cr Chris Holstein said that there was a 90 per cent sell out for all the professional, amateur and community performances.

"We are delighted. We are really thrilled with the way it all went," he said.

Cr Holstein said that there was international interest with New Zealand holding a mini walking backwards parade, and Lewisham England, Spike's other hometown, looking to hold a similar festival next year.

Next year organisers are also considering integrating a jazz festival and short film festival.

"Spike had a love of jazz music," Cr Holstein said.

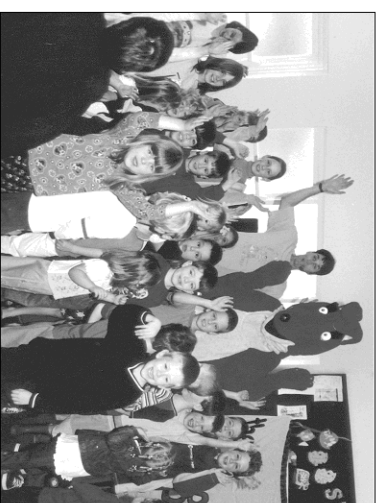
He said that organisers learnt a lot about what they could improve on and expand on.

"We want to make it not only significant for the region but acknowledged as a national and international event," he said.

For a full report on Spikefest turn to page nine



Laura and Jane Milligan at Piacasso according to Spike



The Silly Billies perform at Woy Woy Library



Woy Woy and Umina Cricket teams with the Puckoon Cup



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