

Oval masterplan goes on show

Gosford Council has decided on plans to rebuild the Ettalong Oval grandstand on the other side of the oval.

The draft Ettalong Oval Masterplan, which incorporates this design, will be on public exhibition for 28 days.

The plans for the redevelopment of the oval have been a bone of contention in the Ettalong community over previous months with the residents of Ettalong Beach Village, Progress Association and Ettalong Beach P&C disagreeing over the new location of the grandstand and amenity block.

Currently the toilet blocks are separate to the grandstand but a proposed design incorporates the two.

Residents from Ettalong Beach Village wanted a newly designed grandstand moved to the south-eastern corner near the playground and away from their fence line.

In February this year, residents from Ettalong Beach Village inundated Council with calls and a petition complaining about anti-social behaviour and vandalism around the grandstand.

They claim that moving the grandstand will mean children wouldn't have to use the toilets in the isolated area where they currently are, and it will provide passive surveillance reducing anti-social behaviour.

The Ettalong Ratepayers and Citizens Association did not want new toilets and grandstand to be located near the playground claiming it was a safety issue.

"Undesirables, perverts, paedophiles and child abusers would start hanging around," their letter to Council read.



Ettalong Oval grandstand and change rooms

The association said that the Ettalong Public School P&C committee also wanted the amenity block to stay in the same location for student safety and sun protection on the western side.

The association said it was important to get "equipment and canteen food to the amenities block without carrying the items across the oval".

Gosford Council has voted to move the grandstand and amenities over to the playground side of the oval.

A child-proof picket fence will be placed around the current playground to protect the children from running onto the road.

A report by Council staff also stated the new location would not affect visibility for motorists.

Their report also noted that "the construction of amenities buildings in areas where there is good passive surveillance, the

incidence of vandalism and anti-social behaviour around the facility is decreased".

It stated that, under the Local Government Act, Council was required to have regard to "any adverse impact on nearby residences" when it comes to sports fields.

Under the approved plan, the old toilet blocks and grandstand will be demolished and there will be a new grandstand-amenities building constructed near the playground.

The playground will have a childproof picket fence constructed, the carpark will be formalised to give more off-street parking with a barrier fence.

The old grandstand area will be regenerated with picnic tables installed, the landscape concept also includes extra tree plantings.

Council agenda SF 020, August 10

Grant for PCYC announced

Umina Police and Community Youth Club is to receive a grant from a new major philanthropic initiative which will provide up to \$1 million a year to help community groups on the Central Coast.

The first round of funding worth \$250,000 was announced by Premier Mr Bob Carr.

The Newcastle Permanent

Charitable Foundation will use a pool of \$20 million to generate up to \$1 million a year to help fund community projects.

The grants from the foundation will be used to help fund projects such as community health, education, youth and environmental initiatives.

Press release, August 12
Bob Carr, NSW Premier

Pedestrian plan is on exhibition

The draft Peninsula Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan is now on public exhibition.

Gosford Council is seeking comment on the plan which is on display at Woy Woy Library, Umina Library and at Council's offices in Mann St, Gosford,, between August 23 and September 5.

It is also available from the Gosford Council website at www.gosford.nsw.gov.au.

Comments are needed before Monday, September 6.

According to a Council representative, the draft PAMP report takes into consideration comments from the public during the first stage of the community

consultation in April this year.

Issues discussed in the report include the key pedestrian routes to local attractions, access to public transport facilities, safe and accessible walking environments, pedestrian accidents, vehicle speeds, and crossing busy roads.

The draft plan has been developed by Arup Transport Planning for Gosford Council.

Submissions should be made by e-mail, or letter to Keith Dawson, Gosford City Council, PO Box 21, Gosford NSW 2250, by fax on 4323 2477 or by email to keith.dawson@gosford.nsw.gov.au.

For further information, phone 4325 8853

Email, August 18
Joanna Lau, Arup



Pedestrians outside Woy Woy Library

Stalkers chase brush turkeys

Residents of Woy Woy Bay suspect that there may be two men stalking brush turkeys in the area.

The brush turkey has become a feature of the Bays area but in recent months birds have been disappearing, according to the

wildlife rescue service, Wires.

In one street alone, at least two male brush turkeys have been reported missing.

One resident reported recently seeing two men stalking birds on their property at 6.30am on a Sunday morning.

When challenged, they sped off in a red Ford Falcon.

Brush turkeys help reduce leaf litter and control funnel web spiders, according to a recent Wires newsletter.

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Kookaburra Cackle, July/August

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Appeal funds for Chest

A local fast food outlet has raised almost \$5000 for the Central Coast Community Chest.

McDonalds Woy Woy has raised \$4730 during a two-week fundraising appeal.

"We were overwhelmed with the response we received from the local community this year," said owner Mr John Ursino.

The theme this year was "Put Your Hand Up" in which residents were encouraged to purchase a \$1 Helping Hand, which was then displayed in the store.

Press release, August 18
McDonalds project office



Three levels of Labor Government Representatives: Cr Vicki Scott from Gosford Council, Trish Moran, Labor Candidate for Robertson, and Member for Peats, Marie Andrews with Neville Wran, Former Premier of NSW (centre).

Wran visits the Peninsula

Longest-serving NSW Premier Mr Neville Wran visited the Peninsula on August 13 at the invitation of Labor Candidate for Robertson, Ms Trish Moran.

Mr Wran addressed a luncheon at the Everglades Country Club, Dunbar Rd, Woy Woy, where a large numbers of supporters gathered to meet him.

"Mr Wran is known for his many achievements during his time as Premier, his good humour and warm personality.

"Mr Wran is a popular guest speaker," Ms Moran said.

"His love of the Central Coast lifestyle led him to purchase a small farm in the Yarramalong Valley where he and his wife Jill relax with their children when time permits," she said.

Press release, August 2
Trish Moran, Labor Candidate for Robertson

Local training for real estate

A modular training program for local real estate agents has been launched by a major real estate company.

Real estate agents from Raine & Horne at Ettalong, St Huberts Island, Killcare, Umina and Woy Woy are now able to develop their skills without having to travel to Sydney

The regional career development program was launched at Crowne Plaza Terrigal on Friday, June 18, by the Raine and Horne management team and is part of a \$2 million overhaul of the company's regional marketing and training programme.

Raine and Horne director Mr Angus Raine said the company recognised the "tyranny of distance" and challenges faced in regional and rural areas and was

committed to providing regional staff with the same opportunities as their metropolitan counterparts.

"We are here to showcase and implement our eight strategic initiatives which includes localised training and marketing systems that cater for the individual needs of local offices," he said.

Also launched was a facility that allows vendors to market their home to potential buyers via a mobile phone using MMS technology.

Raine and Horne is the first real estate agents in the Central Coast region to use cutting edge technology which gives buyers with a colour handset phone a photographic tour of a potential property.

Media release, June 18
Horizon Public Relations

Church appoints interim workers

The Umina-Ettalong Uniting Church has appointed two part-time interim youth and family workers.

Sue Tancred is now the part-time interim family worker, looking after all matters relating to families and younger children.

Sue has been the co-ordinator of the Friday playgroup for some years and has developed a strong bond with parents and children.

David Miller is now the part-time interim youth worker, taking care of primary and high school age children and young adults.

He is also taking a scripture class at Ettalong School.

Both Sue and David can be contacted on 4341 0793 during office hours.

Email, August 18
Umina Uniting Church

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Apology

The last edition of the Peninsula News reported the opening of Your Realty Real Estate in Ettalong by agent Mr Charles Abela.

The news item included statements attributed to Mr Abela, which he did not say.

These included statements that the Peninsula was a seller's market and that he wanted people who live on the Peninsula to move away.

The item was published in error and the mistake occurred because normal editorial procedures were not followed.

Peninsula News apologises to Mr Abela for any embarrassment and inconvenience this may have caused.

August 8

Wrong group

The last edition of the Peninsula News reported Lois Westlake receiving a Council grant on behalf of the Pearl Beach Dune Care Group.

In fact, Ms Westlake was representing Pearl Beach Bush Care group.

This error was made by Gosford Council staff at the cheque presentation.

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Trust meeting

The quarterly meeting of the Killcare Wagstaffe Trust was held Sunday, August 1, at the Wagstaffe Hall at 9.30am.

At this meeting, the new committee were available to outline to members the most important matters they have been working on during May, June and July.

Speakers were new Trust president Terry Jones, who is the Greens candidate for Robertson, and also from the Greens, Cr Terri Latella, a new member of the Trust's committee, elected in May.

Newsletter, July 21
Killcare Wagstaffe Trust

Timetable change

Amendments to the Cityrail timetable took effect from Saturday, July 24.

The timetable includes "expanded" weekday services operating as the 5.47am Newcastle to Sydney and the 6.25pm Central to Wyong services, replacing the existing 5.58am Wyong to St Mary's and the 4.04pm St Mary's to Wyong direct services.

Press release, July 23
Cityrail

Ideas for parents

Umina Schools as Community Centre will be holding a free five-week group for parents of 5 -10 year olds called "Ideas for Parents". It starts on Wednesday, August 25 from 12.30 - 2.30pm.

This group will focus on how to build children's self esteem, communicate with them and still make discipline work. Bookings are essential on 43 431929.

Media release, August 18

Kiosk reopens

The Woy Woy Hospital Kiosk has reopened under the new management of Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary selling light refreshments, sandwiches, pies, tea, coffee and soft drinks.

Letter, August 17
Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary

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International Day featured Chile

Chile was the featured country for an International Day at the Umina Beach branch of the Country Women's Association (CWA) on Friday, July 30.

CWA's group international officer, Peg Playford, was given the task of judging 12 posters of Chile submitted by Year 6 students at Umina Beach Public School.

"The posters were of such high standard Mrs Playford could not single out a winner," said branch publicity officer Clare Wren.

"So each student received a beautiful certificate of merit, kindly organised and donated by Mrs Madeline Stevenson."

CWA members were then treated to a short play, written and acted by six members of the Year 6 class.

"It was well scripted and amusing, a beat-up of a so-called election for the President of Chile," Ms Wren said.

Daughter of CWA member Mrs Ruth Hawkeshaw, Mrs Jennifer Short, who had recently returned from five months in Chile, gave a talk on a typical day in the life of a Chilean.

"She spoke about how their main meal is in the middle of the day," said Ms Wren.

The afternoon included a couple of hours siesta, and was followed by a light meal at night, after which the whole family would take an evening stroll.

"It was a most enjoyable talk - much more interesting than facts



Children from Umina Public School representing former Chilean Presidents, outlining their past achievements.

about what they grew, what was their highest mountain, who ruled and when," said Ms Wren.

The luncheon was organised by Mrs Joan Jones.

It consisted of chile con carne, and ice cream cake with caramel

and chocolate sauce.

"Chileans have a very sweet tooth," Ms Wren said.

The day was organised by the branch's international officer, Miss Ann Baker.

President Mrs. Lorraine Denning

welcomed members and visitors from Woy Woy, Dora Creek, Morisset, Wagstaffe and Mannering branches, together with group president Mrs Shirley Templeton.

Letter, August 10
Umina CWA

Without water

Properties in the Pretty Beach and Wagstaff area were left without water last week and Pretty Beach Public School closed for the day after a water main burst.

Gosford Council received a call at 7.45am reporting a water pipe break at the corner of Pretty Beach Rd and Como Parade, Pretty Beach.

Council officers responded within 15 minutes and isolated the break, but not before an estimated 5000 litres of water were lost.

According to the council, the break was significant and an excavation was required to repair the pipe.

An estimated 500 properties were affected.

Press release, August 19
Gosford Council

Block of flats approved

A new block of seven flats has been approved for Station St, Woy Woy.

The development was approved despite some concern from nearby residents over access to their blocks through a shared driveway.

Council has amended some conditions regarding access and

the replacement of the driveway.

Cr Vicki Scott, seconded by Cr Craig Doyle, also added to the staff recommendation that Council review car parking and discounts given to unit developments within 400 metres all train stations and for visitor car parking.

Council Agenda DH 078, August 10

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Flower show and fete

The Uniting Church in Picnic Parade, Ettalong, is holding its annual flower show and fete on Saturday, August 28, from 8am.

"The annual flower show is always a delightful scene," said church secretary Ms Annette Strong.

"The wondrous perfume from all the floral arrangements will be enhanced this year with animals, birds and butterflies.

"These could be ornaments, paintings, tapestries or photographs."

The display was being organised

by Wilma Towner and Helen Edgell, she said.

The church will be open from 8.30am to 4pm.

The fete will be held in the church hall, having all the usual well-stocked stalls, including Devonshire morning teas and sausage sandwiches, served from 8.30am until noon.

The annual Ettalong Fellowship Service will be held on Sunday, August 29, at 9.30am in the Ettalong Church, where Mrs Phyllis Saunders will be the speaker amid the floral displays.

Email, August 18
Umina Uniting Church

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No option at Veron Rd

I would like to correct a minor error in your article “Veron Rd options to be pursued” in your edition of August 9.

Your report states that I said that “Council’s only option is to buy the land.”

What I actually said was that council does not have an option to buy this land.

The developer is the only party who can buy this land.

The Catholic Church has given him an option to purchase, subject to Council’s approval of his development.

The developer knows that he will face major hurdles obtaining approval because of the environmentally-sensitive nature of the block.

Otherwise he would have purchased the land outright.

The church wants to sell, demonstrated by it having offered it to Council some two years ago.

Why wasn’t this land purchased when it was offered?

Council had adequate funds collected from developers for the purpose of buying open space on the Peninsula, which has inadequate open space for the existing population.

I believe that the church has another option and that is to withdraw the land from sale and ensure that this unique block remains unscarred by the developer’s bulldozers.

This would be the morally decent thing, instead of going for

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the developer’s 12 pieces of silver (hardly something the Lord Jesus would have approved of).

The main thrust of my address to our councillors was that having no option to buy this land the councillors should instead direct the staff to carefully assess the environmental characteristics of the land, obtain an independent environmental study and list legitimate reasons for Council to refuse the development application.

Unfortunately, our councillors chose to pursue an option that doesn’t exist at this point in time.

Bryan Ellis, Umina
Save Our Suburbs

History could go

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I find it very distressing to think of the remnant bushland area at Veron Rd being lost.

It is part of our history.

In the midst of busy Umina, it tells us what the Peninsula was once like.

The Central Coast is, I think, one of the most beautiful places in New South Wales.

It is time now to consider what we should keep for the people of today and those of tomorrow.

The land in Veron Rd comes into

this category.

Should it go, I can imagine someone in the future speaking about it - that in that spot there had once been an example of our natural environment, but that it had gone.

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Mary Hawthorne, Pearl Beach

Shocked by petition

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As a resident of Gallipoli Ave, I was completely shocked to read about a petition to relocate the council depot.

I, and many others, have never come across any concerns over extreme noise, diesel fuel fumes and dust pollution that is allegedly coming from the council.

I am very concerned that people will waste our council’s time on such an inaccurate and exaggerated petition.

Bruce Cansdale, Woy Woy

Crossing flooding not a major problem

Your report in the August 9 edition of the site inspection at the pedestrian crossing on West St, Umina, made interesting reading.

Mr Cragg spoke of a small local flooding problem causing the flooding of Coopers on two occasions.

Mr Wales has it a huge drainage problem, with several shops flooded regularly and Coopers three times.

Mr Cragg has it almost right, with his number of shops and times flooded, but they are both wrong as to the cause of the floodings.

It is not the raised crossing causing the flooding of Coopers.

Blocked drains in Coopers Lane and inadequate and poorly serviced filter boxes set in the footpath at the entrance to the lane are the cause - not a major

problem to correct.

Mr Wales has concerns with cars backing up to the service station.

It is caused mainly by cars making a right turn into West St not able to do so by cars stopped on the Keep Clear section of the road and thereby blocking all eastbound traffic.

To overcome this there are several options:

- Remove two parking spots kerbside, adjacent to the phone booths and florist shop, to allow cars to pass those stopped in middle of road.

- No right turn into South St with cars going on to Trafalgar Ave to return and make a left turn into South St.

- Extend Keep Clear zone over full width of road so cars turning right can only do so if the way is clear. Otherwise go straight on to use option two.

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Any reluctance to give up parking spots would be nonsense considering the benefits to be gained. Claims of too few spots being available can be addressed by policing cars parked in the same one hour parks all day.

Space does not permit me to comment on Mr Wales’ remarks re browns cows (read aged and infirm) suffice to say I think he is referring to those who wait until the sprightly ones stop the traffic and follow them across.

Fix the drains and control the traffic with pedestrian-actuated traffic signals as requested of the RTA.

Do not downgrade this crossing by removing the raised threshold.

Dean Hartigan, Umina

Non-committee to consult

Residents of Umina and the Peninsula have been signing the petition asking that their valued raised crossing not be removed without proper consultation.

Inquiries today were met with the response that Gosford Council has no disability committee, which is a surprise because ratepayers have been assured that this committee would receive input from the community.

If you are determined to be represented, make your way to the various stores where petitions can be found for signing.

Edward James, Umina

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Need for ethics in politics

When it comes to trust in leadership, no organisation and no country can survive without it.

We expect our political leaders to behave ethically, which is one major trait on which trust is built, probably the most important.

Good ethics can be fostered through all forms of teaching which clearly distinguish right from wrong but also by constructing systems and structures which maximise the opportunity to behave ethically and minimise unethical behaviour.

This applies to corporations as well as to many public institutions, eg. the police, the civil service and the political system.

It would seem that the latter is in great need of restructuring in Australia.

Klaas Woldring, Pearl Beach

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Dear Woy Woy

Woy Woy, you quaint Venice of the land,
Woy Woy, where dreams are built on sand,
I long to go back and find the sleepy town
I left behind.

Chorus:
Woy Woy, I love you so,
Woy Woy, I can’t let go
All at once my eyes do ache
To feast upon that Woy Woy lake.

Adin and Spike and all
Made Woy Woy their crystal ball
Where schemes were schemed,
And dreams were dreamed,
All for Woy Woy’s willing call.

Chorus.

They came and tried to mar out town
But no matter how bad and far,
Woy Woy came through as old
Always dear and bright and bold.

Chorus.

Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

Cannot prevent loss of environment

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Some years ago most of this area was zoned residential 2b, an action supported in the wording of the document “Shaping the Central Coast” and the reality of the ever-increasing number of units being built.

It is obvious the Peninsula has been targeted to bear a large part of multiple-unit building on the Central Coast.

It is equally obvious that those of

us who live here cannot prevent the rapid loss of our green uncluttered environment.

We can only hope that our “new broom” council will quickly move to catch up on the large backlog in infrastructure, and then ensure that future unit development is matched by appropriate road and drainage works.

WR Maynard, Woy Woy

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Tree day

Gosford Council has supported schools and community groups involved in National Tree Day activities over the last few weeks. National Tree Day was July 25 and Gosford Council's nursery provided native trees and shrubs. Local activities took place at Empire Bay Primary School and Woy Woy Library.

Press release, August 4
Vicki Brown, Gosford Council

Building line

Gosford Council is to review the foreshore building line at Blackwall, after receiving an application for a house extension in Orange Grove Rd.

Council Agenda, DH.080
August 10

Car boot sale

The Lions Club of Woy Woy is holding a car boot sale on Sunday, August 29, at Rogers Park Oval. Cost is \$10 per car. There are a variety of stalls and a barbecue, tea and coffee available. With inquiries, phone 4341 4151 or 4341 1379.

Letter, August 15
Lions Club Woy Woy

Tea rooms approved

A tea room and café have been approved for Poole Close, Empire Bay.

Gosford Council approved the development despite nine objections, citing the inappropriateness of the facility to the zoning and claiming there would be increased noise, traffic and environmental impacts.

Cr Trevor Drake, seconded by Cr Craig Doyle, moved approval of the development.

The tea rooms and café will have to have floor level at a minimum of 800mm above the site.

Extensive landscape screening will have to be carried out along the eastern boundary of the subject site between the rear of the proposed development and the adjoining property.

Landscaping is to incorporate advanced native species.

Council agenda DH.073,
August 10



Ken Howard and his gorilla Arnie outside Woy Woy Library

Library vigil for wife's rights

Ken Howard and his Gorilla Arnie sat outside Woy Woy Library for twelve days during August one hour every morning and one hour every afternoon.

Ken Howard said he and Arnie broke a record for sitting outside the Library but their vigil had a more serious purpose.

Ken was protesting guardianship rights which, he says, are preventing his 62 year old wife, Val from seeing her 95 year old Mother.

"Arnie is the one who is sticking up for women's rights," Mr Howard said.

Arnie, his seven year old

granddaughter's stuffed toy, was used by Mr Howard to gain people's attention.

"A girl from Brisbane Water School, she was the first one to come up to me.

"We're saying a banana is a vote, everyone who holds that banana is a symbol of their vote for women's rights," he said.

Mr Howard was inspired to take up his fight for human rights after a recent hearing at the citizenship tribunal where his wife tried to gain access to see her 95 year old Mother.

"You hear a lot about human rights but when it's actually put to the test, you don't have any," he said.

"I want every politician and every future politician to see that legislation needs to be changed.

Mr Howard collected numerous signatures for his petition during his 12 days in Woy Woy.

He said 80 per cent of those he spoke to signed the petition.

His effort cost the 65-year-old a week in Gosford Hospital but Mr Howard said he and Arnie will be taking their fight nationally.

"I want a commission to look in at what's happened, so many people are affected by it," he said.

Mr Howard said he should be back in Woy Woy during September.

Alison Branley
August 19

Gardens wanted

Gosford Council is seeking entries for its garden competition with prizes on offer for the best in each category.

Entry into the competition is free with awards for best residential, business, and school gardens as well as theme or speciality gardens.

There are also awards for categories including the best environmentally-friendly garden and the most water-efficient garden.

Entry closes on Friday, August 27, with judging taking place from August 30 to September 10.

Press release, August 10
Gosford Council

Water-saving program

Both Wyong mayor Cr Brenton Pavier and Gosford mayor Cr Malcolm Brooks have encouraged households to participate in the new Refit program to help save water.

For \$39, a qualified tradesperson will fit two tap aerators, one water saving showerhead, two energy-

efficient light bulbs, a garden hose spray gun, and will undertake a water and energy audit.

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Media release, August 19
Lisa McDermott, Carole David

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A Women's Survival Course for mothers of children aged up to 18 months is being held over six weeks at Umina Uniting Church Community Centre from August 19.

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It focuses on how to be assertive and take care of self-esteem.

It is a group that focuses on the challenges faced by mothers.

The group's discussions will include communication skills, how to be assertive instead of

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This course is free with childcare provided.

For bookings, contact Sue Tancred on 4341 0793.

The course is presented by UnitingCare Burnside and Umina Uniting Church Youth and Family Mission Team.

Umina Uniting Church Community Centre is at 346 Ocean Beach Rd on the corner of Neptune St.

**Flyer, August 3
Umina Uniting Church**

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President of Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club, Alan Johnson, Woy Woy Stroke Recovery Group President, Ernie Williams and Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club CEO, Kathryn Rowe at the presentation of the cheque

Donation for stroke equipment

Ettalong Bowling Club has donated over \$5000 to Woy Woy Stroke Recovery Group to help buy equipment for use at Woy Woy Hospital hydrotherapy pool.

The donation will go towards equipment such as wheelchairs and other equipment to make using the pool more effective for stroke victims.

The group is an affiliate of the NSW Stroke Recovery Association.

It invites members to attend hydrotherapy twice a week at Woy Woy Rehabilitation Hospital pool.

The group organises bus trips once a month for "strokees" with Gosford Community Transport and occasionally it holds a Sunday function for members.

Their meetings are held monthly often with guest speakers who are professionally versed in physical problems associated with strokes.

The group currently has 67 members most of whom are pensioners, and a lot are severely disabled.

Every year the group tries to donate some equipment to Woy Woy Hospital Hydrotherapy Pool as it uses the premises twice a week.

President Mr Ernie Williams said the donation by the Ettalong Bowling Club made a tremendous difference.

"For some of our members, the functions we organise are the only outings they have," he said.

"We have quite a few wonderful volunteers who help to make a strokee's life a little brighter, and they certainly let us know how grateful they are."

"Our Stroke Recovery Group is regarded as one of the most progressive organisations on the Central Coast," he said.

**Letter, August 10
Woy Woy Stroke Recovery Group**

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Developer defends Veron Rd plan

Mr John Zavolokin, the developer behind plans to build a retirement village at the corner of Veron Rd and Hillview St, Woy Woy, has defended the proposal as ecologically-responsible.

In a statement given to Peninsula News last week, he claimed no threatened species were present on the site.

He said that the Sydney Coastal Estuary Swamp Forest on the site was poorly represented.

"In fact, it is impossible to adequately classify this colony due to the poor species count," he said.

He said the Umina Coastal Sandplain Woodland was "even more poorly represented".

Despite this, he claimed that about 70 per cent of the site "will be conserved and maintained".

There would be no internal driveways or concrete paths, with all walkways and buildings built above the ground cover and understory flora, minimising disturbance to existing drainage and ground conditions.

"Every effort has been made in the design and masterplan to demonstrate uncompromising sensitivity to the environment," Mr Zavolokin said.

He said the proposal included a vegetation management plan, which would improve the quality of the current bushland.

The plan addressed the proliferation of lantana, the dumping of garden refuse and other rubbish by passers by, vandalism and stealing of grass trees, the build-up of ground fuel, and the removal of a dumped car.

Mr Zavolokin rejected claims that the site was "the last piece of pristine sandplain forest".

He also rejected the assertion that there was a lack of knowledge about the site and that applying the "precautionary principle" would mean leaving the site intact.

He said flora experts had been engaged to undertake a detailed survey of the site.

"We have named every tree and surveyed every plant with an arborist," he said.

"We then designed the masterplan responding to a brief to minimise the impact to the vegetation and maximise the conservation of the existing environment for no other reason than the fact that it is ecologically-responsible and the sensible thing to do."

He said the surveys had shown that endangered ecological communities did not exist on the site.

"Colonies must be represented by a number of species plotted in statistical analysis over an area."

"This cannot be demonstrated or proven at Hillview because of the lack in species, the poor number and variety of plants and the negligible size of land in question."

Mr Zavolokin also rejected claims that the development would result in wholesale clearing.

"The simple fact is that out of the entire hectare of site, we will only have a building footprint of less than 31.5% of it."

"Of this footprint, the bulk has been designed to miss the locations where there are fuzzy remnants of certain colonies with poor species numbers of swamp mahoganies, bangalays and rough bark apple trees."

Mr Zavolokin said: "Providence Projects has a very special vision for the site in providing a very special environment for our senior community whilst looking after the environment and being a responsible good neighbor."

"Our vision is to create a very special social environment and good feel place creating a solution that is both socially and environmentally responsible."

"We have met with many experts and as we progress throughout this debate, we are encouraged to realise that our proposal is one of absolute integrity that will no doubt earn the appreciation and respect of the local community and even some of the ill founded objectors."

Media statement, August 18

Peninsula residents opposed to the development of a retirement village on the land on corner of Veron Rd and Hillview St braved the wet weather for a rally to save the bush block on Wednesday, August 18.

Organised by the Melaleuca Wetland Regeneration Group, the rally was aimed at saving the block from development "before its lost forever".

Around 30 people stood with umbrellas and placards in the rain to show support for plans by Council to purchase the land.

There is approximately six weeks to go before the application for a 44-unit retirement village will be determined by Council – giving Council limited time if it wished to bring the land into public ownership.

Alison Branley, August 18

Rally in the rain



Concerned residents rallied in the rain on Wednesday, August 16 on the land on the corner of Veron Rd and Hillview Dr, Woy Woy

Wales call to save Veron Rd land

The Liberal Representative for Peats, Ms Debra Wales, has joined the volunteer Bushcare groups to call on Gosford Council to save the last of the Umina Sandplain forest in private ownership from medium density development.

"This land is owned by the Broken Bay Diocese, it is zoned 2(a) single residential and yet we are standing here today to fight against losing a precious piece of forest from being cleared to make way for medium density units," Ms Wales told a rally at the Veron Rd land last Wednesday.

"These SEPP 5 developments are simply backyard medium density for cheaper land in 2(a) zones."

"People want to know when they buy a home in 2(a) residential areas, they are not going to have units being built next door to them."

"Further, under the State Government Environmental Policy these retirement villages are to

have medical services, shopping centre and public transport in close proximity.

"This particular area has none and yet it appears that Gosford City Council may approve the application."

"If Council does not act to save this forest, we will see it cleared to make way for 44 units, private gymnasium and spa, a community centre with craft rooms, heated swimming pool and underground parking."

"But to have to fight to save a precious forest that is listed under the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995 and described by the Scientific Committee as endangered ecological community – Umina Sandplain Woodland – is frustrating in itself."

"Gosford Council should have acted quickly in purchasing this land to bring it into public ownership forever."

"It should not be a question of money or politics."

"It is simply a question of what value do we place on the

health and wellbeing of our local neighbourhoods."

"This forest has an abundance of wildlife which thrives in the forest."

"It has a species of trees, which have been identified as an important food source for threatened species such as the Grey-Headed Flying Fox and the Swift Parrot."

"Just as important as caring for endangered species is the integrated planning of our urban areas for preserving our open space and protecting bushland corridors across the Peninsula."

"We have an estimated population of 33,000 people on the Peninsula is one of the most densely population suburbs in the city of Gosford."

"It is imperative that Council protect this forest, for once this land is cleared or even partially developed, it's true value will be lost forever to the community," Ms Wales said.

**Press release, August 17
Debra Wales, Liberal
Representative for Peats**

Volunteers call for Federal assistance

Peninsula Bushcare volunteers have called on Gosford Council and the Federal Member for Robertson, Mr Jim Lloyd, to purchase the Catholic Church land on the corner of Veron Rd and Hillview St, Woy Woy.

"The community cannot allow this to happen," said coordinator of the Melaleuca Wetland Regeneration Group, Ms Norah Clark.

"This land is one of the few remaining parcels of pristine Umina Coastal Sandplain Woodland in the Sydney Basin Bioregion as listed under the Threatened Species Conservation Act and described by the Scientific Committee."

She said Bangalow eucalyptus,

rough-barked angophora and swamp mahogany were present on the site as well as "a number of precious Black Boys which are hundreds of years old".

"Also identified on the site are a number of burrawangs which are also precious to the Peninsula," she said.

"It is also recognised by Council's Environmental Planners that the site contains a large hard corkwood which is rare in the area."

"Both the grey-headed flying-fox and the swift parrot have been sighted feeding in these trees and are listed endangered under the Threatened Species Conservation Act."

"It is so important to preserve these pockets that create a corridor of bushland open space between the Kahibah Creek system to the south

and Correa Bay in the north."

"The bushcare groups work so hard and give up hours of their own time simply for the pleasure of maintaining and caring for these precious sites."

"To sit by and watch them be cleared to make way for units is a tragedy."

"We are making formal representation to Jim Lloyd because Gosford Council moved a motion in Council on July 27 to make application for funding to purchase the forest under the Federal Government National Reserve System Funding Grant and we need our local member to support that application," Ms Clark said.

**Press release, August 17
Melaleuca Wetland Regeneration
Group**

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Finalist for award

Lizotte's on the Bay at Hardys Bay has been named as finalist for Best Restaurant in a Pub, Club or Tavern in the 2004 Regional Restaurant and Catering Awards for Excellence.

The restaurant recently won Best Restaurant in a Pub, Club or Tavern at the Restaurant and Catering NSW Awards of Excellence 2004.

The winners of this most recent competition will be announced on August 30.

The restaurant now features a "Flavours of the World" night every Wednesday night from 6pm.

"Curry night" was held on Wednesday, July 28 and August 4.

Through August the restaurant is joining in the Olympic spirit with traditional Greek cuisine on Wednesday August 11, 18 and 25.

Foods to be served will include marinated olives, mommos, eggplant dip, taramasalata, dolmades, Greek salad, and pita bread followed by tabouli, lamb kofta with pine nuts, moussaka, beef shish kebab, and braised chicken with black olives, and mash potato with lemon juice and olive oil.

The restaurant will spice up spring with the flavours of Mexico on Wednesday, September 8, 15,



Lizotte's on the bay at Hardy's Bay RSL

22, and 29.

Dinner will include corn chips with spicy salsa, sour cream and jalapeno, and zesty guacamole dip followed by chicken, beef, and bean fajita with Mexican rice, jalapenos, and corn bread.

They will also hold a food and wine night on Tuesday, August 31,

which will be a relaxed evening to indulge in morsels of Nathan's latest creations and some fine wines supported by Cassegrain Wines of Port Macquarie.

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Email, July 27
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Peninsula in the News

Thursday August 19

Umina's Cassandra Kell has now started all three matches as Australia's number one goalkeeper for the Matildas' in the women's soccer tournament at the Athens games.

Central Coast Extra

Tuesday August 10

Staff at Soul-Pattinson in Umina held a free barbecue to publicly pledge their support for Australian-made pharmaceutical products rather than foreign-owned brands.

Central Coast Extra

Wednesday August 11

A man, 46, has been charged with mid-range drink driving while unlicensed after his passenger allegedly yelled abuse at police on Ocean Beach Rd. He will appear in court later this month.

Central Coast Express Advocate

Ettalong Memorial Women's Bowling Club donated \$2900 for equipment and supplies to Gosford State Emergency Service.

Central Coast Express Advocate

A scheme designed at giving children a positive start in life has been introduced at five Central Coast schools, including Umina Beach. The Schools as Community Centres project aims to provide support for families in areas of identifiable need.

Central Coast Express Advocate

Central Coast primary and secondary public schools were represented at a song and dance extravaganza at Sydney's Town Hall. Ettalong Beach, Woy Woy and Woy Woy South primary schools and Brisbane Water secondary college were among 350 schools that attended.

Central Coast Express Advocate.

Thursday August 12

About 20,000 of Telstra's Central Coast customers have had phone

services restored after a cable was cut in the Wyong area on Monday, August 9. Among the suburbs affected were Umina, Pearl Beach, Woy Woy and Patonga.

Central Coast Express Advocate

Killcare Surf Club enjoyed another year of positive growth due to the efforts of a dedicated core of volunteer members. The Killcare junior club had a large increase with 160 registered nippers and for the first time ever juniors participated in the Central Coast Junior Championships.

Central Coast Express Advocate

Tuesday August 17

Police have issued a warning about the dangers of riding motorbikes without wearing helmets after a man, 36, and his four-year-old daughter were caught riding together without helmets at Ettalong.

He was also found to have a mid-range blood alcohol level.

Central Coast Extra

Brisbane Water police have been alarmed at the rate of drink-driving after seven motorists, including two P-plate drivers, were arrested and charged with drink driving in just two days.

Central Coast Extra

Michael Chatteris, 78, has won the Gosford Art Prize. The Empire Bay resident won the prestigious award and \$4000 for his painting Pegging out the Cats.

Central Coast Extra

Thursday August 19

A Umina Beach driver, 42, refused to undergo a roadside breath test and after fighting with the police was arrested. He later refused a breath analysis.

He was charged with refusing a breath analysis and a number of other traffic and criminal charges.

Central Coast Express Advocate

New motel managers

A Woy Woy motel is under new management.

Original leaseholder of Watersedge Woy Woy Accommodation, Peter Chippindale, decided to pursue another career path earlier this year making way for the new owners.

Anne and Kevin Jenkins have purchased the leasehold for the 17-room motel for a 25-year period.

The family has been involved in the accommodation business for many years but their most recent move was from Carlingford in Sydney.

The couple has two children at Woy Woy Public School and an older daughter in Year 7 at the Hornsby High School.

"We just love this area," Mrs Jenkins said.

"The people and the guests are so friendly and it feels so much safer than Sydney.

"It's not just being close to the water and fishing, it's the people," she said.

Cec Bucello, June25

Business advice

Ettalong and Umina will be among Central Coast localities to receive local services from the new Central Coast Business Advisory Service.

The Central Coast Business Enterprise Centre has been offered a contract to run the new Central Coast Business Advisory Service, according to Minister for Small Business, Mr David Campbell.

"It will provide information, advice and training to small business clients across the region," he said.

Press release, August 17
David Campbell, Minister for Small Business



Cake beater is winner

The winner of round two of the Bowen's Photographics Peninsula News Photography Competition is Maureen Blakey with a photo of her son David licking a cake beater.

Ms Blakey won a trophy and \$30 worth of enlargements from Bowens Photographics.

Round three of the competition is now open and the subject for the round is Peninsula weddings.

Participants do not have to be professional photographers.

Entries for round three close on Monday, September 13, and the winners will be published on Tuesday, September 20.

To enter, attach your name, phone number, round number and category to a print and drop it into Bowens Photographics at Deepwater Plaza.

The competition is open to residents in the 2256 and 2257 postcode areas and there will be an adult section and a section for children under 15.

Children's entries must be signed by a teacher or guardian to verify that the photo was taken by a child.

First prize for each section is a trophy and \$30 worth of enlargements from Bowens Photographics

August 18

Bad year for PCYC

PCYC committee president Ms Carolyn Carter has described the club's last year as unfortunate but said there were some good outcomes nonetheless.

Writing in the club's annual report, Ms Carter cited the absence of a civilian club manager, the controversy surrounding a license for its dance, and the resulting financial situation as factors contributing to a disastrous year.

"The incoming Council had expected that there would be a civilian manager, so we felt considerable astonishment when he went on leave almost immediately after the 2003 AGM and then resigned," Ms Carter said.

"It then took until August 2003 before applicants for the position were interviewed.

"Unfortunately this person had a serious illness and was unable to take up the position.

"We were then informed by the State Office that we could not have a new manager appointed until the Minister of Police had approved further funding.

"At this stage, it is anticipated that the position will be filled by October at the latest.

"Up until March-April 2003, one of the more lucrative youth activities at the our club had been the regular dance parties.

"Imagine our horror when it was discovered that we did not have a Places of Public Entertainment (POPE) licence less than 24 hours before a live band function in May 2003.

"It went ahead, but outside rather than inside.

"This was much better than having 400 young people at our front gate demanding their money back for the pre-sold tickets."

After much negotiation, the club now has an interim POPE licence until all the work to upgrade the facility is completed.

"Apart from the loss of income, the lack of a POPE licence also led to a break in a very strong link between our club and our local young people.

"We would hope that this will pick up from here on in."

The resulting financial situation at the PCYC ultimately meant that

staff had to be cut and there was a loss of jobs in administration, and the branch controller also had to act as full time administrator.

Despite all these setbacks, Ms Carter said the PCYC still had good achievements for the year.

She cited the new Police Programmer working from June last year, the new close links with the Peninsula Community Drug Action Team, the success of the Alternative Learning Centre, the Bush Tucker Garden created by the POEMS group and the continued use of the gym.

Other achievements were:

- The "Rebound" basketball program
- A Tuesday Night Oztag program
- Dance parties
- Skateboard and biking competitions at the skate park
- Monthly Friday night barbecues
- The Why2Wise drug information program through Brisbane Water Secondary College.

Ms Carter thanked the volunteers at the centre and all those who helped through the year's difficulties.

Alison Branley, July 22

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What's on

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.

Many events take place at the following locations:

CU, Club Umina, Umina Beach Bowling Club, Melbourne Ave, Umina Beach 4341 2618

CWAHWW, CWA Hall, Anderson Park, Brick Wharf Rd, Woy Woy

EBACC, Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre, Kitchener Park, Cnr Maitland Bay Dve & Picnic Pde, Ettalong 4341 6344

EBWMC, Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club, 211 Memorial Ave., Ettalong 4341 1166

ECC, Everglades Country Club, Dunban Rd, Woy Woy 4341 1866

EMBC, Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club, 103 Springwood St Ettalong 4341 0087

EPH, Ettalong Progress Hall, Memorial Ave, Ettalong

ESSC, Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre, Cnr. Karingi St & Broken Bay Rd Ettalong 4341 3222

MOW, Meals on Wheels Hall, Cnr Ocean Beach Rd and McMasters Rd.

PBPH, Pearl Beach Progress Hall, Diamond Rd, Pearl Beach

PCC, Peninsula Community Centre, 93 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy 4341 9333

PCYC, Osborne Ave., Umina Beach 4344 7851

PWHC, Peninsula Womens Health Centre, McMasters Rd, Woy Woy 4342 5905

TWYS, The Web Youth Service, 93 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy 4342 3684

UCH, Umina Community Hall, 6 Sydney Ave., Umina Beach 4343 1664

WH, Wagstaffe Hall, Cnr Wagstaffe Hall & Mulhall St Wagstaffe

WWLC, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 82 Blackwall Rd Woy Woy: 4342 3366

DAILY EVENTS

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

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

Playtime Mon-Fri 9-10am, Little Gym PCYC

TUESDAY

First Tuesday of every month

Buffalo Primo Lodge No 9, UCH 7pm.

Second Tuesday of every month

To a s t m a s t e r s, E B W M C , 7pm, enq: 4341 6842, Umina TPI, 1pm, enq: 4341 4644.

Combined Pensioners Assoc afternoon tea, ESSC, enq: 4341 3222.

Pearl Beach Craft group, PBPH, 1.30pm, enq: 4342 1459.

Stroke recovery g r o u p , M O W , 1 1 . 3 0 a m .

Killcare SLSC, 7pm, enq: 4360 1966

Third Tuesday of every month

Buffalo Lodge Knights Chp9, UCH 7pm.

Woy Woy Peninsula **Arthritis** Branch, MOW 10am, enq: 4342 1790.

Fourth Tuesday of every month

To a s t m a s t e r s, E B W M C , 7pm enq: 4341 6842.

Combined Pensioners association afternoon tea, ESSC, enq: 4341 3222.

Every Tuesday

Drop in centre 12-18yrs TWYS

Judo all ages \$3, 5.30pm PCC enq: 4342 4121.

Trent's Trivia CU 7.30 pm. \$2, enq: 4341 2618.

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am, **Kindy Gym** 10am \$6, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4pm (Junior) , 5pm (Senior), **Breakdancing**, 5pm PCYC

Free Bingo, WWLC 11am. **Ladies Golf**, 18 hole 8am; Ladies outdoor **bowls**, 9.30am; ECC

ESSC, Ladies **Indoor Bowls**-9am;

Handicraft-9am; **Cards**-12.30pm;

Have-a-chat meeting 10am,

Discussion Group, 11am, **Rumikin** or **cards**, 1pm, **School for Seniors**,

PCC **Judo**, Seniors/Women, 6.30pm \$3, enq: 4342 4121, PCC.

Alcoholics Anonymous Woy Woy Group 6pm John the Baptist Church Hall, enq: Julie 4379 1132

Tai-Chi classes WH 10.30am (ex sch hols), enq 4360 2705

Rotary Club of Woy Woy 6pm ECC

Competition Darts, EMBC, 7pm, **Scrabble**, Empire Bay Community Progress Hall 12pm, enq:4369 3195.

Folk Art 9.30am, **Oils and Acrylics** 12 noon, **Silk Painting** 1pm EBACC

Children's story time, Umina library, 10.30 am (Except Jan).

Adult tap dancing EPH 7pm, enq: 4342 3925.

Sports bar raffle EBWMBC

Sahaja yoga meditation C W A H W W , 1 0 : 3 0 a m

Free enq: 4328 1409.

WEDNESDAY

First Wednesday of every month

Older women's network, WWLC, 10.15am, enq:4343 1079

Seniors Shopping day, Deepwater Plaza, Woy Woy, enq: 43412 4206

CWA social day, CWAHWW. 10am, handicrafts, 1pm, enq: 4344 5192

Ettalong Ratepayers and Citizens Progress Association, EPH, 7.30pm.

Second Wednesday of every month

Red Cross, Umina branch meeting, Umina Uniting Church Hall, 1:30pm.

Woy Woy Community Aged Care Auxiliary, Aged Care Complex, Woy Woy, 10am enq: 4341 1588.

Endeavour View Club, WWLC 10.30am.

Kids drama and discovery classes, 5-16yrs, PCYC, 4pm, enq: 4344 7851.

Umina Beach Probus Club meets Everglades Country Club, 9.30am, visitors welcome.

Woy Woy VIEW Club, Friendship Day, Meals on Wheels Hall, 11am, visitors welcome, enq. 4341 2379

Third Wednesday of every month

Woy Woy VIEW Club, Luncheon and Guest Speaker, Everglades Country Club, 10.30am, visitors welcome, enq. 4341 2379

Last Wednesday of every month

Umina progress association, UCH, 1.30pm

Monthly meditation group, PWHC

Every Wednesday

Young Women's

Group 12-18 yrs, TWYS

Counselling individual, couple, or family; by appointment, PCC

Rock'n'Roll Dance Class EBMC 7pm

Bridge Ocean Beach Surf Club. 9.30am and 7.30pm, enq: 4341 0721.

Peninsula **Choir** rehearsal 7.30pm St Andrews Hall Umina.

Pearl Beach **Play Group** 10.15am-12.15am PBPH, enq: 4344 7863.

Brisbane Waters **Scrabble** Club, MOW 6pm, enq: 4341 9929.

Men's 18 hole **golf**; Men's triples **bowls**, 1pm. ECC

Bingo/Cash Housie 7:30pm CU

Seniors fitness EPH 9am, enq: 4385 2080.

Indoor Bowls-9am; **Fitness**-1pm

Leatherwork-9am; **Table Tennis**-9am;

Bridge- 12 noon. **Scrabble** 1pm ESSC

Social Darts EMBC, 7pm

Oil Painting, 9am **Multi-craft needlework** 10am, PCC

Girls' **BJP School of Physical Culture**, 3.30pm, \$3, 4-13 yrs PCC enq: 4344 4924.

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am, **Kindy Gym** 10-11am \$6,

Boxing/fitness training, 4-5pm (Junior) , 5-6pm (Senior), PCYC

St John's Ambulance; Woy Woy Aged Care 7pm, enq: 4341 3341.

Killcare Wagstaffe Playgroup WH (ex sch hols). 9.30 – 12pm, enq: 4360 2065.

Bingo/Cash Housie 7.30pm CU

Killcare - Wagstaffe **Rural Fire Brigade** 7.30pm Stanley St Killcare enq: 4360 2161.

Drawing 9am, **Pastels** 11.30am,

Oils and Acrylics 2pm EBACC

Children's story time, Woy Woy library, 10.30- 11.30am (Except Jan).

Alcoholics Anonymous 7.30pm John the Baptist Hall, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy.

Basic Meditation Group PWHC, 10am different theme each session

Handicraft CWAHWW, 9am, 50 cent donation, enq: 4342 4316.

THURSDAY

First Thursday of every month

Council education Officer, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 1-4pm,

Second Thursday of every month

Outsiders club, EBWMC, 9am.

Third Thursday of every month

Seniors Social morning, Church Hall, Blackwall Rd, 9:30am, enq: 4342 5061.

Council education Officer, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 1-4pm

Fourth Thursday of every month

Umina Probus, ECC, 10am.

Every Thursday

Counselling individual, couple, or family; by appointment, PCC

Free entertainment EMBC 6.30 pm

Senior Snooker EMBC 8.30am,

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, PBPH 9.30am, enq: 4341 1243.

Ladies 18 hole **golf** ECC

Ballroom Dancing, 10am. EMBC

Tai Chi-11.35am; **Dancing** 9am;

Indoor Bowls-9am; **Table Tennis**-1.45pm; **Cards** 12 noon, ESSC

Judo all ages \$3, 5.30pm: PCC, enq: 4342 4121.

Brisbane Water Bridge Club Ocean Beach Surf Club, 12.30pm, enq: 4341 0721.

Line Dancing CU 9.30am

Stitchery Circle 9.30am, EBACC

St John's Ambulance; Brisbane Water Cadets, 7-9pm, Woy Woy Aged Care Centre enq: 4341 3341.

Children's story time, Umina library, 10.30-11.30am (Except Jan).

Social Tennis 9am-12pm, Pearl Beach Courts, enq: 4369 3195.

Adult tap dancing, EPH 10am; enq: 4342 3925

Bingo 9.45am, **Karaoke** 6pm EBWMC

Young Men's Groups 12-18yrs, TWYS

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am, **Kindy Gym** 10am \$6, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4pm (Junior) , 5pm (Senior) PCYC

Al-anon/Alateen family support group "The Cottage" Vidler Ave Woy Woy, 12:30pm, 7pm.

Creative writing CWAHWW, 12 noon, runs 8 weeks from 12/2/04, enq: 43697702.

Social Darts Umina Bowling Club, 7.30pm, \$3, all welcome - courtesy bus available.

FRIDAY

Second Friday of every month

RSL Sub branch EBWMC, 2.30pm.

Troubadour Folk Club, at Masonic Hall opp Woy Woy station, enq: 43414060, 8pm

Third Friday of every month

Legacy Ladies, EBWMC, 10am, enq: 4343 3492.

Fourth Friday of every month

South Bouddi Peninsula Community Assoc, WH, 1.30pm, enq: 4360 1002.

Civilian widows, ESSC, 1pm.

Every Friday

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

Old Wags **Bridge** Club, WH (except 4th Fri) 1:30pm, enq: 4360 1820.

Free **entertainment**, Players Lounge 5.30pm WWLC.

Men's 18 hole **Golf**, ECC

Aqua-fitness, Woy Woy Hospital Hydro Pool, 1:30 & 2.30pm, enq: 4325 1869

Active Over 50's **Exercise Class** EPH 9.15am, enq: 4342 9252

Line Dancing-9am; **Bridge**-

12 noon; **Painting**- 9am ESSC

Peninsula Pastimes Ettalong Baptist Church, Barrenjoey Rd. 9.30am, (Ex sch hols), enq: 4343 1237

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

Alcoholics Anonymous Woy Woy 6pm, John the Baptist Hall, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4342 7303.

Kindy Gymnastics beginners 9.30am, advanced 10.30am, PCC

Hardys Bay Community Church, **indoor bowls, canasta, scrabble, morning tea** 10am, enq 4363 1968.

Doctor & Nurse for 12-18 yrs old, TWYS 2-9:30pm

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am, **Kindy Gym** 10am \$6, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4pm (Junior) , 5pm (Senior) PCYC

Pilates Classes, PCC 11am to 12noon, enq: 4344 7909

Kids Club (Primary), during school terms, 4.40-6pm, Et Baptist Church.

Anti-Gravity (Yrs 6-8), during school terms, 7.8.30pm, Et Baptist Church enq: Shane 0412 606 128.

SATURDAY

Second Saturday of every month

Melaleuca Wetland Regeneration Group, Boronia Ave, Woy Woy, 8am.

Pretty Beach Bushcare group, Pretty Beach end Araluen Track, 8am.

Save our Suburbs, Woy Woy South Progress Hall, 1pm, ph: 4342 2251

The Ex-Navalmen's Assoc, Central Coast Sub-Section, WWLC 10am.

Fourth/Last Saturday every month

Saturday Supper Dance, Masonic Hall, Woy Woy 8pm, Enq: 0407 207 918

Wagstaffe Bushcare group, Half Tide Rocks sign, 8am.

Melaleuca Wetland Regeneration Group, Boronia Ave, Woy Woy, 8am

Every Saturday

Cash Housie St Mary's Hall, Ocean View Rd Ettalong 7.30pm Enq: 43690626.

Snooker EBWMC 8.30am

Cabaret dance & floor show, 8pm free, Men's 18 hole **golf**; Men's triples **bowls** 1pm; ECC

Old Time & New Vogue Dancing; 1pm, EBWMC Enq: 4341 2156

Brisbane Water Bridge Club, WWLC 12.30pm, Enq: 4341 0721

Patonga Bakehouse **Gallery**. Every Weekend 10.00 am— 4.00 pm

Activities 12-18 yrs old, TWYS 4.30-9.30pm;

Al-anon/Alateen family support group Community Health building, Woy Woy public Hospital 2pm Enq: 4344 6939.

SUNDAY

First Sunday of every month

Car boot markets, Hardys Bay RSL, noon-4pm, \$10 site fees, Inq: 4360 1072

Blackwall Mountain Bushcare, meets 9am cnr Blackwall Road and Memorial Avenue Enq: 4342 6995

Second Sunday of every month

Buffalo Lodge, Woy Woy, No 381, 11am, Buffalo Lodge, Gosford No 63, UCH 1pm.

Third Sunday of every month

Vietnam Vets, EBWMC, 11am.

Bootscooters, EBWMC 2.30pm.

Ettyalong **Creek Landcare** group, Etta Rd, Umina, 8am, ph: 4342 2251.

Fourth Sunday of every month

Buffalo Lodge, Woy Woy 381, 11am, **Buffalo Lodge**, Gosford No 63, UCH 1pm.

Dancing Old time/ New Vogue, 1pm, ESSC

Burrawong Bushland reserve **bushcare** group, Nambucca Dve playground, 9am, ph: 4341 9301.

CWAH, The Boulevarde, Woy Woy, Troubadour Folk Club Blackboard Concert, enq: 02 9639 4911, 1pm-5pm

Every Sunday

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

Free **Jazz or duos** 4pm, Players Lounge, WWLC.

Mixed and men's 18 hole **golf**; men's **bowls** pairs-9.30am;

mixed triples **bowls**-1pm; ECC

Arts and Entertainment

What's on

Bookmobile; Pearl Beach Community Hall, 10.30-11.00.

Bookmobile; Umina Nursing Home, 11.15-12.00.

Friday, 27 August

Fathers Day Raffle; Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary, Marie Andrews office, Woy Woy.

Saturday, 28 August

Lino Cut Workshop; Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre, 9am-3pm.

Bookmobile; Wagstaffe Community Hall, 9.30-12.00.

Annual Fete & Flower Show; Ettalong Church (Picnic Pde).

Sunday, 29 August

The Peninsula Choir & Gosford City Brass Band; Ettalong Baptist Church, 2pm, \$10, Ph 4342 3751.

Monday, 30 August

Workshop for Fathers; Umina Schools as community Centre, 7-9pm, Enq 4343 1929.

Monday, 30 Aug - Friday, Sept 3

Fathers Day Raffle; Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary, Beach Books, West St Umina.

Tuesday, 31 August

Playpower Workshop; Umina Schools as Community Centre, 10.30am-12noon, enq 4343 1929.

Wednesday, 1 September

Bookmobile; Peridon Village 1, 9.30-10.00.

Bookmobile; Peridon Village 2, 10.00-10.30.

Bookmobile; Empire Bay opposite Post Office, 10.40-11.15.

Thursday, 2 September

Parenting on a Shoestring; PWHC, 10am, enq 4342 5905.

Free Women's Legal Advice, Peninsula Women's Health Centre, By Appt only Bookings 4342 5905.

Saturday, 4 September

Tag-a-long Tour for the Physically Challenged; BWNP, Meet 9am Finish 5pm, Book early 4320 4205.

Bands night

Brisbane Water Secondary College held a Bands Night on Wednesday, August 4, in the school hall.

Students and supporters listened to Fyna, For the Moment and Fairway playing a mix of covers and originals.

The college was also the venue for the TAFE Battle of the Bands organised by TAFE music students.

Bands from several local schools played for Year 10 students while competing for the title of Central Coast Champion.

Newsletter, August 9
BWSC

Third chance to compete

The third round of the Peninsula Art Competition is now open with entries closing on September 11.

Entries for round two have now closed and will be published on Monday, September 6.

Peninsula News is running the competition in conjunction with Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre.

Each month, artists will have the opportunity to create or submit a piece based on "activities, people, places or events that typify the Peninsula in 2004".

The winner each month will win a certificate, a voucher for \$50 worth of art and craft supplies from Art and Craft Riot at Erina Fair, will be published in the Peninsula News and will also be showcased by Gosford Council

in its Peninsula Libraries during the following month.

The competition aims to "capture memories" of the way the Peninsula is now for future generations.

There are no restrictions on the choice of media other than size, due to storage and display facilities.

Only one entry per person is allowed each month and entry is open to all.

Entries for the September competition should be dropped into the Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre, in Kitchener Park, corner Picnic Parade and Maitland Bay Dr, between 10am and noon on Saturday, September 11.

For details of conditions and further information, contact the centre on 4363 1327.

August 18

Choir prepares for concert

The Peninsula Choir is preparing for its annual spring concert program, which is presented in association with the Gosford City Band.

The theme for the Spring Concert is "What a Wonderful World".

"Despite the many dreadful things that confront us in the contemporary world, there are many beautiful features in our lives that can be expressed in music of the highest quality," said director Ivan Kinny.

The Peninsula Choir and the Gosford City Band will present their music in the Ettalong Baptist Church on Sunday, August 29, at 2pm.

"The choir always welcomes new members," he said.

"The only requirements are a love of good music and the ability to sing in tune with others. "Everything else will be taught during practice.

"Basses are especially welcome."

The Peninsula choir was formed in 1987 by members of local church choirs when those groups had been disbanded.

"Their love of singing brought

them together under the direction of Cecily Paszkowski, who remained their inspiration and driving force for some 13 years," Mr Kinny said.

On Cecily's retirement, the Reverend Tom Hill took the reins until he too was compelled to retire because of increasing work commitments in Sydney.

For the last two years, the choir has been under the direction of Mr Kinny.

"It is a true community choir, singing by invitation in a variety of venues: churches, hospitals, retirement villages and clubs," he said.

The choir prepares three main programs each year: one each for Christmas and Easter, and a spring program with the Gosford City Band.

The choir currently has 35 members, is a non-profit organisation, and proceeds are disbursed to local charities and community services.

For further information, contact Ivan Kinny on 4344.4811.

Press release, August 10
Peninsula Choir

Fair Go concert

The next Sunday Afternoon Fair Go Concert will be held between 1pm and 5pm at the CWA Hall, The Boulevard, Woy Woy, on Sunday, August 29.

Coordinator Mr Vic Jeffries said performers would include Arch Bishop; Duncan Chalmers; folk duo Lost N Found; Leon Rabin; The Wheeze and Suck Band and Geoff Woodhead.

"This line up will be supported by newcomer Mike Bogle; locals Carl and Leila Desborough and John Levack."

Tickets are \$5 including afternoon tea.

There are no walk up floor spots. For further information, contact Vic Jeffries at jeffries@tech2u.com.au or on 96394911.

Press release, August 18
Troubadour Folk Club



Robyn Reid receives her award as Toastmaster of the Year from club president Greg Hoffman

Named Toastmaster of the Year

Robyn Reid of Umina was named Toastmaster of the Year by the Ettalong Beach Toastmasters at their meeting on Tuesday, August 10.

Club president Greg Hoffman recognised Ms Reid not only for her exceptional skills as a speaker, but also for her dedication and many contributions of service to the club over the years.

Ms Reid said she joined Toastmasters with her daughter Meredith five years ago.

"Meredith is like a lot of people when she has to speak in front of people.

"Her throat dries up, and she cannot think of anything to say.

"She had just graduated from Uni after her fifth child.

"We both realised that to succeed in interviews or anything that pops up in everyday life, we

both needed to join Toastmasters.

"As soon as we walked in the room, we were greeted by Ettalong Toastmasters and made to feel at home, our journey had begun."

Having already achieved the level of Advanced Toastmaster Silver, Ms Reid continues to attend, and is currently working on her Advanced Toastmaster Gold.

Ettalong Toastmasters is holding Table Topics and Humorous Speech contests on August 24.

An Olympics theme night will be held on August 31.

Ettalong Beach Toastmasters meet at the Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club at 7.30pm on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

For further information, telephone 4341 6842.

Media release, August 11
Joanne Martin, Ettalong Beach Toastmasters

Comedy night

Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club has decided to host another Comedy All Stars show on Saturday, September 4, at 9pm.

The new line up will include Mark Mywords and Calvin De Grey, Egyptian born Akmal Saleh who has appeared on Rove Live and 110% Tony Squires and Meshel Laurie who can be heard every morning on Star 104.5.

Media release, August 11
Backstage Media

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Education



Ashlee Austin with her winner's ribbon

Cattle win at Brisbane show

Brisbane Water Secondary College cattle team has experienced success at the Brisbane Show.

Student Ashlee Austin won the interschool paraders competition against paraders from 30 schools from NSW and Queensland.

Ms Austin then went on to win in the 15-19 years age group from a field of 125 other paraders.

Brisbane Water Secondary College students also took two Limousin steers to the show, one of which came fourth out of 24.

Email, August 19
Pat Lewis

Ag students gather at farm

Agriculture students from Central Coast schools gathered at Brisbane Water Secondary College farm, at Umina campus, on Friday, August 13.

The students were preparing for the Gosford Schools Prime Beef Hoof and Hook competition to be held at Gosford Racecourse on September 6.

The day, organised by teachers Mark Fisher and Geoff Spence, saw 70 students divided into three teams, which then rotated through a number of activities related to preparing, showing and judging cattle in the ring.

The college was pleased to have the services of Greg and Leonie Ball from Bowman's Creek near Singleton.

Greg is one of Australia's foremost beef cattle judges and Leonie a champion parader.

The college's farm assistant Ron Unsworth demonstrated the finishing touches, as he clipped, moussed and blow-dried the cattle to a beautiful finish.

Email, August 19
Pat Lewis, Brisbane Water Secondary College

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Representatives

Brisbane Water Secondary College senior campus students Holly Johnstone and Joel Weeks have been selected to represent their zone at the State Touch Football Championships.

In trampolining, Cal Puntigam and Michael Thorpe were selected to represent their zone at the State Championships.

Cal placed second at State in the Double Mini Tramp and third in Trampolining and Michael Thorpe was placed fourth in the Tumbling and fourth in the Double Mini Tramp.

Newsletter, July 20
Brisbane Water Secondary College senior campus

Library use

Year 12 students from Brisbane Water Secondary College senior campus were given the opportunity to use their library facilities over the school holidays.

They made use of computer and internet facilities and access to teachers who were present.

Around the campus, many other students and teachers were busy doing major projects for the HSC such as industrial arts or simply taking the time to catch up and go over various items and course content.

Newsletter, July 20
Brisbane Water Secondary College senior campus

Showcase

The Homecoming dance and stage team from Woy Woy Public School has been selected for the grand final of the national Wakakirri dance and drama competition.

This group was due to perform at the Sydney Entertainment Centre on Tuesday, August 14, and the following day at the Central Coast Showcase at Laycock Street Theatre.

This showcase is a night of the best performing arts items from kindergarten to Year 12 from across the Central Coast.

Newsletter, August 18
Woy Woy Public School

Olympathon

Pretty Beach Public School is holding an Olympathon on Thursday, August 26, to raise money for a Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA).

Children will take part in 16 activities based on Olympic events.

Parents have been invited to attend as spectators or volunteers to help supervise an Olympic event.

Children may dress up as Olympic champions or simply wear their sports uniform on the day.

Newsletter, August 12
Pretty Beach Public School

Brisbane Water takes ownership of building

Brisbane Water Secondary College last week took ownership of several major buildings that are part of the current upgrade.

Principal of Umina campus Mr Frank Gasper accepted the keys to a new human movement studio, -performance workshop and student change rooms.

WoyWoy senior campus principal Mr David Beattie accepted the keys to a new administration block and car park.

These follow the handing over of a covered game court and additional shelter areas throughout the campus.

College principal Mr Pat Lewis said that together with the new carpark in front of the Technology Futures centre, and extensive landscaping, the campus was taking on an inviting look.

He said that, with the announcement in the recent State budget of funding for Stage 2 of the college upgrade, the Peninsula was well on the way to providing



Frank Gasper accepts new buildings at Umina

the outstanding facilities which young people deserved.

Work was proceeding on the refurbishment of the old administration building into a special education centre and a

student services centre.

Mr Lewis anticipated that these facilities would be completed before the end of the year.

Email, August 19
Pat Lewis, Brisbane Water Secondary College

Eisteddfod

The popular vocal competition, the Central Coast Eisteddfod, will be held at the Peninsula Theatre, Woy Woy, on August 23-29.

Newsletter, August 4

Soccer girls

Girls from Years 4, 5 and 6 at St John the Baptist primary school recently competed in the Central Coast Soccer Association Girls Gala day.

The girls played five games and finished the day undefeated.

"Many of the girls had never played soccer before and after only two training sessions were ready to take on the more experienced teams," said St John the Baptist P&F publicity officer, Ms Meredith Sproule.

"Unfortunately, they did not take home the winners medal as the competition had to be decided on a countback of goals.

Press release, August 3
St. John the Baptist P & F

Trivia night

Woy Woy Public School's P and C Trivia night last Friday attracted more than 120 people.

The hall was packed with trivia players dressed in "Red Carpet" style, many of whom walked out with a prize.T

he Trivia night was held to raise funds for the school.

Newsletter, August 5
Woy Woy Public School

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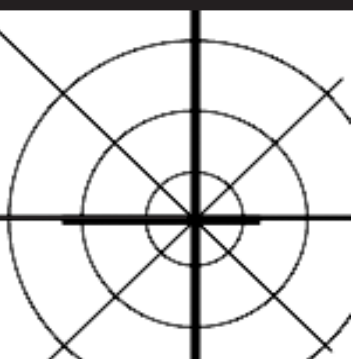
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IN BRIEF

Club disco

Umina United Soccer Club held a club disco at Umina Public School Hall on Saturday, July 31.

Newsletter, July 27

Umina Beach Public School

Cross country

Cassie Dege from Brisbane Water Secondary College's Woy Woy Campus is to represent the school at the State Cross-Country Championships, along with a few students from Umina.

Her result follows success at the school cross-country and the zone cross-country competitions.

Newsletter, July 20

Brisbane Water Secondary College Senior Campus

Physical culture

Seven girls from Umina Beach Public School recently competed in the Woy Woy Recreational Physical Culture Club interclub competition.

The girls who competed performed very well over various age groups taking out places in a number of categories.

Newsletter, July 27

Umina Beach Public School

Korean visitors

Umina Beach Public School is playing host to three Korean visitors.

Julia, Natalie and Sandy have enrolled at their school for Term 3. These girls are currently in Stage 3 classes and staying with two families in Patonga.

They have also seen the arrival of 11 Korean primary students who will visit classrooms as part of a cultural exchange program.

Newsletter, July 27

Umina Beach Public School

Sport success

Brisbane Water Secondary College senior campus has had a number of successes in sport recently.

The lawn bowls team travelled to the North Coast to play in the final 16 in the State tournament.

The school aerobics team spent two days in Sydney competing in the State Championships in term two.

This is the first time they have entered a team in the championships and they placed second behind Cheltenham Girls.

Newsletter, July 20

Brisbane Water Secondary College senior campus

Arts showcase

Brisbane Water Secondary College Senior Campus held a showcase of the best of their Year 12 drama, dance, music, industrial arts and arts students on Tuesday evening, August 3.

It was the final chance for students to perform before their HSC performances.

Newsletter, July 20

Brisbane Water Secondary College Senior Campus

Kerry was sixth

St John the Baptist Year 6 student Kerry Swan recently competed in the NSW Country Swimming Championships.

Amidst tough competition Kerry came sixth in the 100m freestyle, seventh in the 100m breaststroke, and eighth in the 200m Individual Medley.

Press release, August 3
St. John the Baptist P & F

Donations top \$100,000

Woy Woy South Public School has raised more than \$100,000 in donations to the school.

Between March 2001 and June this year, the money has been spent on library resources, reading materials, sports equipment and uniforms and air conditioning.

It has also been spent on classroom resources, supplements for gifted students attending carnivals or camps, annual trophies, prizes and awards, building and ground improvements, school signs, maintenance of the spear pump, canteen appliances and a range of other activities.

Newsletter, August 10

Woy Woy South Public School

Science skills

Brisbane Water Secondary College students demonstrated a high level of science skills when they participated in the recent Australasian Schools Science Competition.

The best achievement came from two students, Shireen Streeton (Year 12) and Kristy Travers (Years 10), who both received distinction awards.

Excellent results were also achieved by Samantha Travers (Year 12), Taryn Rodier (Year 12) and Jacqui Steward (Year 10) who achieved credit awards.

Newsletter, August 9

Brisbane Water Secondary College

Grandfriends

Woy Woy South Public School is joining in a Grandfriends Day at Umina Public School on Thursday, August 26 at 10.30am.

The program is for any person over 50 who is interested in helping their local community.

For further information, telephone 4341 1929.

Newsletter, August 10

Woy Woy South Public School



Front: Olli and Isabella. Back: Inda, volunteer Anna and Thomas at the opening of Umina SaCC

Community centre opens at school

Umina Schools as Community Centre was officially opened by Member for Peats Ms Marie Andrews on Thursday, August 12.

The new facility, located in the grounds of Umina Public School, is a school-based local community centre for families with children from birth to eight years old.

The service offers a range of activities and group programs to promote healthy, happy families and give children a positive start to school.

The centre has parenting groups, playgroups, support groups for mothers, fathering workshops, coffee mornings, TAFE Outreach courses and hobby and craft groups.

The centre also has information and a referral service for children and families, transition programs for parents and carers of children starting school, community events and cultural celebrations.

Ms Debbie Notara is the facilitator of the new community centre.

"Our centre would not work if it didn't have the support of other government and non-government organisations such as Department of Health, TAFE and Uniting Care Burnside," she said at the opening.

Others to speak at the opening were Umina Public School principal Mr John Blair, Ms Andrews and Ms Maree Roberts, the deputy regional director for Hunter and the Central Coast Department of Education and Training.

Mr Gabby Duncan from the Aboriginal community on the Peninsula performed a smoking ceremony and Umina Public School recorder group gave a performance.

Currently USaCC is running a number of free courses.

What Makes Toddlers Tick is on Wednesday, August 25, from 10am to noon.

Ideas for Parents runs Wednesdays 12.30pm to 2.30pm from August 25 to September 5.

Fathering in the New Millennium

is one session on Monday, August 30.

Mum's the Word is a support group for pregnant women and with babies up to two years held fortnightly on Tuesdays from August 24.

Where to from Here is a TAFE outreach course for people wanting to re-enter the workforce being held on Fridays from 9.30am to noon until September 24.

Playpower for children aged up to three years will be held on Tuesday, August 31, from 10.30am to 12noon.

A coffee and chat morning will be held on the third Thursday of the month at 9.30am.

An Aboriginal-supported playgroup will be held on the first and third Tuesday of the month from 9.30am to 11am.

A Peninsula Twins Club meets on the fourth Monday of each month from noon to 2pm and Grandfriends day is Thursday, August 26.

Flyers, August 19
Umina SaCC

Arts academy is launched

Students from Brisbane Water Secondary College launched their Performing Arts Academy last week with a brilliant production of "The Matchmaker", which attracted capacity crowds on each of the three nights.

Performed in the senior campus drama room, the play displayed performances from actors Max Harwood, Dale Miller, Will Henderson, Rachel Pratt, Daniel Stone, Lexi Ianson, Alex Beaton, Sarah Harvey, Ray McLawes, Megan Purcell, Stacey Court,

Andrewe Hurl, Nathan Bruce, and Amanda Lilleyman.

The production was directed by head teacher Mr Roger Macey.

Students also benefited from coaching provided by former student Jasmine Baker, who gained her start in school musical productions and is now an accomplished acting coach.

Jasmine and Mr Macey are already preparing students for a production of Grease, which will be performed at the Ettalong Memorial Club in mid-November.

Email, August 19
Pat Lewis



Students from Brisbane Water Secondary College in a scene from "The Matchmaker"

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Gosford City Council
DRAFT Woy Woy Peninsula Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP)
A draft Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP) has been developed by Arup Transport Planning for Gosford City Council for the Woy Woy Peninsula area (Woy Woy, Umina Beach, Ettalong Beach, Booker Bay and Blackwall). The draft PAMP report takes into consideration comments from the public during the first stage of the community consultation in April 2004. Issues discussed in the report include:

- The key pedestrian routes to local attractions
- Access to public transport facilities
- Safe and accessible walking environments
- Pedestrian accidents, vehicle speeds, and crossing busy roads.

Gosford City Council is seeking comment from the community on the draft PAMP.
The draft PAMP will be on public exhibition at the Gosford City Council web page (www.gosford.nsw.gov.au), in Woy Woy Library, Umina Library and at Council's Offices in Mann Street Gosford, between 23rd August and 5th September 2004. Comments from any interested parties are needed before the **Monday 6th September 2004**. Submission should be made by e-mail (keith.dawson@gosford.nsw.gov.au), fax (4323 2477) or letter (**Gosford City Council, PO Box 21, Gosford NSW 2250**).

For Further information contact Keith Dawson on 4325 8853

Moved from Mildura

A former wine taster from Mildura and her partner have left their regional Victorian home to start up a printing business on the Peninsula.

Brooke McCleary worked as a wine taster and customer service representative at Hardy's Wines in Mildura but left it all in June this year to move to Umina to open a printing business.

Ms McCleary and partner, Ben Carmichael, have opened Coastal Print, a printing business specialising in small business printing needs.

"Our focus is we come to you," Ms McCleary said.

The business prints business cards, letterheads, invoice books, leaflets and envelopes.

Ms McCleary said they were hoping to generate a lot of business on the Peninsula and said their service bridged

the gap of printers between Ettalong and Woy Woy, being based at Umina.

"We've had quite a bit of interest so far."

"We can organise logos and help a lot of small business."

She said that for her partner Ben, a printer with 14 years experience, it was a move back to Umina as he was originally from the area.

"It's so beautiful here," she said.

"The people are friendly and it has the most scenic views."

"There's lots of hills around which is so different to Mildura, which is flat."

Ms McCleary said her former job as a wine taster was a good job, but she didn't get to drink as much wine as people might think.

"It was a customer service based role, but you did get to test it to see if it was all right."

Alison Branley, August 3

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WEEKEND SPORT

The following fixtures will be played by Peninsula teams in sport over the next two weeks.

Rugby League

Jim Beam Cup

Saturday, August 28

Rnd 22: Newtown V Woy Woy
Away, 1.15pm

Central Coast Competition

Saturday, August 21

Qualifying Semi-final

Woy Woy v Umina
Sohier Park, 2.00pm

Rugby Union

Saturday, August 28

First Grade Minor Semi
Woy Woy v Ourimbah
Woy Woy Oval

Second Grade Minor Semi
Woy Woy v Avoca

Saturday, September 4

Third Grade Major Semi
Woy Woy v Ourimbah
Woy Woy Oval

Baseball

Saturday, August 21

Final 1
Wolves v Dodgers

Saturday, August 28

Final 2
Wolves v Dodgers

Pool takes shape

The 50m pool at the Peninsula Regional Leisure Centre is beginning to take shape with the foundation of the pool now complete, according to a newsletter issued by Gosford Council.

Concrete will continue to arrive over the coming weeks as the sides of the 50m pool and the smaller pools are developed, it states.

The floor of the "balance tank" has also been poured.

The balance tank is the lowest element of the pool and is the area where the water is held to ensure that a supply of safe clean water is available.

Over the next month, work will start on the smaller pools and on the walls at the western end of the development.

The walls will be constructed using a system that is a sandwich of concrete between the two sheets of fibro cement.

This system will give smooth surfaces for tiling later in the building process.

The water supply for the fire hydrants on site will be sourced from the main on the eastern side of Blackwall Rd.

Access to that main will be gained by boring underneath the road.

This will minimise any disruption to the neighbourhood and traffic.

These works will be undertaken over the next two months.

Newsletter, August 18
Gosford Council

Club celebrates 25 years

The Umina United Soccer Club celebrated its anniversary last month after 25 years in action.

The club, recognised by their brown, white and gold colours, was established in 1979 when the Umina and Blackwall soccer clubs merged.

Current president Barry Cole, who has been with the club since 1988, said he was proud of the fact his club is the only one to have stayed in the premier league for 25 years.

It is also the only club which has won the championships five seasons in a row, twice.

Umina United Soccer Club commemorated the event last month with the formation of a first grade "Dream team", chosen by past coaches, officials and life members.

The group was given jerseys labelled "25 year Dream Team"

Having started out as a much smaller team, the club now has 51 teams and enlists over 600 players, with over half of those from the junior teams.

Mr Cole said he counted among



The Umina Eagles under 7's play Terrigal at Woy Woy oval in July this year

his most memorable moments the winning of the 1988 championship with the help of Craig Wilson, who

later coached the championship-winning 2000 team.

He said he was very proud of

the club, and hoped they remained as competitive as they had always been.

Lyle Stone, August 4

Lions make finals in three grades

Woy Woy Rugby Union team, the Lions, has made the first grade finals for the first time since 1996.

All three grades from the Lions line up in the 2004 final series.

The Lions will go up against Ourimbah in the minor semi on August 28 at Woy Woy Oval from 3pm.

"Woy Woy Rugby Union has achieved what they set out to do when they started training last October," said coach Ross Hopkins.

"The First Grade has had a fantastic season to date.

"They have been competitive in all their games and must feel confident in playing Ourimbah who they beat only weeks earlier.

"All players have contributed throughout the season and we will go into the final full strength and aiming to progress to the preliminary final a fortnight later," he said.

The second grade side will play Avoca in the minor semi on the

same day at Woy Woy Oval.

"Stacked full of our local juniors, the side will certainly start favourite and should maintain a winning record against Avoca," Hopkins said.

"However they must be wary of a stronger Avoca team than what they played only weeks earlier."

The Third Grade will have the luxury of "two bites of the cherry" to qualify for the Grand Final.

The team will finish second on the ladder and will play Ourimbah on September 4 in the major semi at Woy Woy Oval.

"The depth in the club is fantastic, and we have third graders who in any other year would be playing firsts.

"The club junior program is exciting and a credit to John Stokie and his committee.

"It all points to a great finale to what some observers say is one of the best seasons the club has ever had."

Press release, August 18
Woy Woy Rugby Union

Cultural golf trip

The Dirty Dozen and fellow Everglades Golfers went Port Stephens on the Queen's Birthday weekend for their annual cultural golf trip.

Some success was had on the golf course with Shane Smiff winning the A Grade on the Saturday and coming fourth overall.

Alan "Porky" Young won the B

Grade on Saturday and was fourth overall and also took the big money in the internal competition.

Brendan "Snooksie" James won the Nearest the Pin on both days on the same hole.

Jeffrey "Brains" Kime easily won the "Smart Beans Trophy" for his humanitarian efforts on behalf of the homeless.

Newsletter, August 4
Everglades Country Club

Cassandra Kell performs well

Peninsula Olympian Cassandra Kell has performed well as part of her team's successful progress through preliminary matches in Greece.

Cassandra is Australia's number one goal keeper in the Australian Women's Soccer team, The Matildas.

In their first match against Brazil, Australia played well showing a strong defensive line up.

Cassandra Kell had a few nervous moments but kept the ball out of the net.

She showed more confidence punching the ball clear and the team did well with the final score being a creditable 1 - 0 to Brazil.

In their second match, Australia showed their class against

Greece.

The home team was favoured by two dubious referee's decisions which kept their winning margin down to 1 - 0.

They had several chances and were a class above their opposition.

Cassandra Kell had a much better and more confident game and was able to keep a clean sheet.

In their third and final preliminary match, they met their nemesis, the USA.

Cassandra Kell made an excellent, brave save at the feet of American scoring legend, Mia Hamm.

The team drew the match with the USA and progressed to the final eight.

Cec Bucello, August 19

League success in opening round

Brisbane Water Secondary College Rugby League team had a successful opening round in the University Shield with a 32-22 win over Callaghan Secondary College last school term.

In testing conditions, the team made the most of the first half wind to gain an early lead that they were able to protect for the whole match.

Despite coming off injured, Ryan Varley maintained his workhouse reputation while Adam Wysocki and John Crocker made excellent contributions.

Half and captain Chris Hyde played a strong leaders game and Aku Uate continued to improve, proving to be dangerous from

fullback.

The team travelled to Westfield Sports High a little unsure of their destiny.

Although the team could only field 15 players out of the 30 players who have played this year, those 15 will be remembered as being courageous in defeat.

Chris Hyde directed his team around the park all day and demonstrated an astute kicking game that Andrew Johns would have been proud of.

Chris was well supported by Michael Smith and Stephen Mohrenberger who both took on the test of playing against opposite numbers much bigger than themselves.

Newsletter, May 26
Brisbane Water Secondary College Senior Campus Newsletter

Lynnette sings at festival

Lynnette Hayes from Ettalong Beach will be part of the Gosford Philharmonia Schools Choral Festival from August 31 to September 4.

The recently retired school teacher who sings regularly with the Woy Woy Catholic Church choir will be part of the performances of a variety of choral works.

Ms Hayes has sung with the Philharmonia both as a soloist and chorister for many years.

She has also been actively involved on various choir committees.

The first performance will be on Tuesday, August 31, at 7.30pm at Kincumber Uniting Church.

Also performing is the Central Coast Sing NSW choir, which

includes students from Peninsula schools.

The second performance is at 7.30pm on Thursday, September 2, at Kincumber Uniting Church, with Wamberal Public School and the St Josephs Catholic College choir which has recently returned from Vienna.

The last performance is on Saturday, September 4, with Central Coast Grammar School choirs featuring, Peter Guy on the organ and a brass ensemble.

Peter Guy was a finalist in a recent ABC Young Performers Awards.

This performance will be held at 7.30 pm in the Anglican Church, Mann St, Gosford.

Press release, August 16
Anne Turner, Philharmonia

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Umina businesses make the finals

Two Umina-based businesses have been selected as finalists in the NSW Small Business Champion of Champions Awards.

The businesses, Bremen Patisserie and Bakers' Delight, trade across the road from each other.

Bremen Patisserie has won numerous regional, state and national awards over the years but their most treasured prize was to win the NSW Small Business Champion of Champions Award in 2002.

"I still can't believe that a small shop like ours trading in Umina could have taken out such an award," said proprietor Ron Bruns.

This is the fourth year in a row that the business has received a nomination as a finalist in the best Bakery Cake Store category.

Bakers' Delight, Umina, has been nominated in the best New Small Business category.

"We are so excited to have received such a recognition," said proprietor Rosemarie Mondal.

"It must be good for the area and says a great deal for our businesses".

To become a finalist in the Champion of Champions, each business has to win a regional event to become a local



Competitors Ron Bruns from Bremen Patisserie in Umina and Joe Mondal from Bakers Delight meet in the middle of West St, Umina

champion.

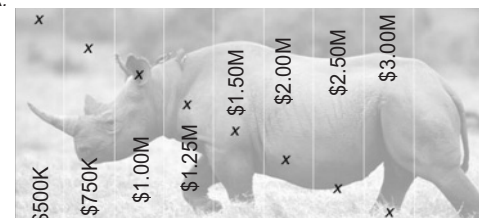
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Cec Bucello, August 6

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