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Businesses invited to rates levy night

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has begun delivering invitations to businesses on the Peninsula for a public information night to discuss a planned business levy.

The meeting is expected to outline the benefits to the local business community of the introduction of a council rates levy.

Cr Terri Latella initiated the move at the August 24 council meeting, stating a proposal with support from both local community and business associations should be brought to council.

The proposed business levy would result in a "place management" body for the Peninsula that would include a board of management, a primary funding stream including the business levy, a strategic plan and a business plan.

The structure of the proposed business levy would be similar to

that in Gosford and would fund several main activities in the area that would include additional cleaning, security and capital works.

The levy would also fund asset maintenance and a part-time coordinator to handle marketing and business growth.

Peninsula Chamber of Commerce president Mr Mathew Wales has said the levy was extremely important for the Peninsula business community, because a levy would enable them to create jobs and foster business growth.

The public meeting will be held on Wednesday November 17 at Club Umina at 7pm.

The event has been organised by the Chamber and Gosford Council, and senior council staff will attend to explain the proposed rate structure

Lyle Stone, November 11



Ocean Beach Rd, from the intersection with Allfield Rd and Rawson Rd

Comment sought on Ocean Beach Rd plan

Public discussion of a traffic management study of Ocean Beach Rd is to be sought by Gosford Council.

The study claims to identify "strategies to improve traffic movement, safety and facilities for all road users".

The study, by Arup Transportation, reviews a number of traffic management measures which could be taken with the road.

These included turn bans and turn bays, changes to line marking, intersection rationalisation, roundabouts, signalised intersections, left in and left out arrangements, pedestrian refuges and pedestrian crossings, street lighting, bus facilities, bicycle facilities and other issues identified in a road safety review

The impacts of each measure on surrounding roads is discussed:

The strategy claims to address the issues along Ocean Beach Rd as a whole.

The aim of the study was "to provide possible alternatives and

strategies in discussion with the community that improve safety levels for both pedestrians and traffic in Ocean Beach Rd".

A community workshop, held in August, was organised for invited guests only.

It was attended by representatives from Gosford Council, the RTA, NSW Police, Busways, NSW Fire Brigade, Peninsula Community Centre, the Peninsula Residents Action Group and the Arup project team.

The workshop identified and discussed key issues including the road hierarchy of the Peninsula, land use and traffic generation, speed limits, road capacities, road safety, pedestrian crossing opportunities, cyclist safety, bus movements and road function.

The participants agreed that in order to address the issues, a strategy needed to be developed for the whole of Ocean Beach Rd, rather than treating problem locations as they arose.

The study analysed crash data for Ocean Beach Rd and showed

that it had a high crash rate per kilometre compared with average rates for similar roads.

Arup was asked to investigate the existing conditions, including conducting a traffic survey, and analysing accident statistics, and population densities to identify current and future pedestrian and traffic problems along the route.

Crashes involving right turning vehicles and rear end crashes were prominent in the results.

A high number of crashes were recorded at the Railway St, Rawson Rd, McMasters Rd, Bourke Rd and Lone Pine Ave intersections.

The review identified a range of potential road safety hazards, including unprotected hazards, incorrect or inadequate signage, delineation, location of pedestrian refuges and right turn treatments.

Gosford Council has now commissioned a further report which provides recommendations and priorities for traffic management for Ocean Beach Rd.

Council agenda SF.33, November 2

Umina students are 'young legends'

Umina Public School students have won a "Young Legends" award from Keep Australia Beautiful for a native bush food garden at its school.

They were recognised at the regional awards for the Clean Beach Challenge, held at Umina Surf Life Saving Club on Tuesday, November 9.

Groups at Patonga and Pearl Beach also received awards.

Patonga won the community action award and Pearl Beach the local government leadership award.

Pearl Beach was also highly commended for the natural heritage award.

The ceremony was attended by Member for Gosford Mr Chris Hartcher, representatives of

Gosford Council, community groups and surf life saving clubs.

Challenge program co-ordinator, Mr Chris Tola, was the master of ceremonies.

The beaches in this zone were judged by Adam Wolfenden.

The Clean Beach Challenge is a community-based competition which aims to enhance the overall environment of beachside communities by promoting personal initiative, pride, and environmental awareness.

Keep Australia Beautiful is a not-for-profit organisation which acknowledges the work councils, community groups and dedicated individuals put into taking care of their environment.

Lyle Stone, November 10
Email, Keep Australia Beautiful,
October 26

Patonga Dr lane closed

One lane on Patonga Dr will be closed on the descent into Patonga township from today until November 19 between 7am and 4pm.

The purpose of the lane closure is to allow for slope remediation work on the rock face on the north side of the road.

A single lane with traffic control

will be provided at all times the work is in progress.

For more information, contact 4325 8124.

Press release, November 10
Gosford Council

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Information for members and their guests

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No water for new business

Recent water shortages have spawned a new business in Chambers Place, Woy Woy.

Trading as "Planet Waterless", the business specialises in hand washing and waxing cars without the use of water.

The business uses a solution imported from the USA which is sprayed on to a vehicle, wiped off with a special micro fibre cloth and then rubbed to a shiny wax like finish.

Proprietor Uwe Overlander met the importer whilst travelling on business and thought it would be a good business to adopt in view of the water restrictions in place at the time.

Planet Waterless opened for business on October 1, and

ironically it rained all day.

Uwe and wife Goong have lived on the Peninsula for two and a half years although Uwe still works in Sydney while his wife looks after the business.

They have already set up a similar weekend arrangement at Club Umina and are looking to establish more locations on the Central Coast.

Reaction to date from customers has been excellent particularly from local business owners and shoppers who leave their car while they go shopping.

The process is guaranteed scratch free and the business also offers and cleaning of the inside of the vehicle as well.

Cec Bucello, November 10



Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts president Thel Brown and Kiara Hoste with this months winner Judith Hoste

Judith Hoste wins November arts prize

The winner of the November Art Competition was Judith Hoste of Umina with her painting "Solitude, Pearl Beach Arboretum"

Judith received a certificate with prize money of \$50 from the Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre.

The sixth round of the Peninsula

Art Competition will not be held until February next year.

In the next edition of Peninsula News we will be revealing plans for a holiday competition for student artists and crafts persons.

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

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The three winners

The three winners of the Israel Cannan prize giveaway have been drawn.

The winners are Muriel Cadman of Bensville, Kevin Harmer of Woy Woy and Cliff McGuckin also of Woy Woy.

Each of the three have won a copy of Israel Cannan's debut EP "Heroes in Heaven".

The EP is released through ECP records and further information on Israel can be found at www.israelcannan.com.

Lyle Stone, November 10

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Consistent signs

An Ettalong resident has requested that council review the give way sign westbound and the stop sign eastbound on Bangalow St at Barrenjoey Rd, so that there is uniformity in the two signs.

The resident requested that they are either both stop signs or both give way signs.

Gosford Council's traffic committee recommended that a stop sign be provided in Bangalow St westbound at its intersection with Barrenjoey Rd to replace the existing give way sign.

Council agenda TR04.200, November 2

New bus location?

Ettalong Beach Club has requested that Gosford Council review bus zone and taxi rank locations outside the club to determine if relocation is required once the new resort is completed.

Gosford Council's traffic committee recommended that council officers check the conditions of the Ettalong Beach Club's development application in relation to proposed bus and taxi locations and that the matter be further considered at the next Traffic Committee meeting.

Council agenda TR04.192, November 2

Mosquito research

The Pretty Beach Public School P&C committee has been contacted by Gosford Council for research into the local mosquito problem.

The school will be provided with a research trap and possibly a bat box to further explore solutions to the problem.

**Newsletter, November 9
Pretty Beach Public School**

Retiring

Pretty Beach Public School Principal Ms Jill Godwin is retiring at the end of this year.

**Newsletter, November 9
Pretty Beach Public School**

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No stopping

A resident of Ocean Beach Rd has requested Gosford Council provide No Stopping signs to prevent Woy Woy South Public School parents from parking across the driveway of his house.

Gosford Council's traffic committee recommended that No Stopping signs be provided on the southern side of The School Mall across the access to the house.

Council agenda TR04.199, November 2

Centrelines

NSW Police has requested that Gosford Council provide double centrelines or a concrete median island in Lovell Rd to prevent motorists from cutting the corner when travelling the Rabaul Ave, Haynes Ave, Lovell Rd route.

Council's traffic committee recommended that double centrelines be provided in those streets.

Council agenda TR04.202, November 2

Bus zone change

Busways has requested that Gosford Council modify the existing bus zone on the northern side of Uligandi St, Ettalong, so that it is 20 metres in length for the majority of times and 35 metres in length between 2:30pm and 3:30pm on school days.

Council's traffic committee agreed to the request.

Council agenda TR04.201, November 2

Aged care stalls

The Woy Woy Community Aged Care auxiliary will be outside Flemings in West St, Umina, on Thursdays, November 18 and 25, from 9am to 3.30pm.

The auxiliary will sell cakes, jams and gifts.

It will sell Christmas raffle tickets outside the office of Member for Peats, Ms Marie

Andrews, in Woy Woy, on November 18 and 19, and outside Beach Books on West St, Umina, from November 22 to 26.

Letter, November 8

Woy Woy Community Aged Care Auxiliary

Music sessions

The next Acoustic Fusion Music Session will be held at the Woy Woy Bowling Club on Tuesday, November 23.

Currently there are only 7.30, 9.30 and 10pm slots available.

Anyone wishing to participate can book a session by calling 0409 313 077.

There are more spaces left for sessions being held on December 7 and 21.

Email, November 9

Robert Hook, Acoustic Fusion Music Sessions

Woody pear removal explained

A woody pear tree on a building site in Kallaroo Rd, Umina, has been removed, despite no approval having been given for its removal, Gosford Council has been told.

Director of Development and Health Ms Colleen Worthy Jennings said a woody pear tree had been removed from the front of the dwelling.

"The dwelling has since been demolished and it is likely that the tree would have been damaged during this process if it had not been removed," she said.

"The tree removed was less than three meters in height and as such would not have been subject to the requirements of council's tree preservation order."

Ms Worthy Jennings was responding to Cr Terri Latella, who asked why two woody pear trees were destroyed and removed from the property, after members of the community had been contacted

and reassured that such trees would not be removed.

Ms Worthy Jennings said a development application for the construction of a new dwelling was received and indicated there were numerous trees to be removed from the subject site.

The site was inspected and comments provided by council's relief tree assessment officer.

She said the woody pear trees were not included in the assessment and were not indicated on the development plans for removal.

The only concession granted was the removal of two eucalypts as they were in poor health, and the removal of a fig tree which, given its invasive nature, would impact upon underground structures and services if retained, she said.

Further site investigations revealed that there were still three woody pear trees existing upon the site and efforts had been made to protect one of them.

Council agenda Q.100, November 2

Veron Rd land swap rejected

A community proposal to swap council land in Dulkara Rd, Woy Woy, for land in Hillview St has been rejected by Gosford Council's environmental planning directorate.

The directorate undertook an assessment of the Dulkara Rd parkland to establish the feasibility of a land swap between the Catholic land in Hillview St and the parkland.

A land swap was one community proposal made to enable the preservation of the environmentally-sensitive Catholic land.

Environmental planning director Ms Louise Gee has confirmed that her directorate did not support this land swap idea for several reasons.

Referring to the Dulkara St parkland, Ms Gee has stated: "The site contains significant remnant mature trees (approx. 30).

"These occupy at least a third of the site and it is unlikely that they could all be retained if the land were developed as is proposed for the Hillview site."

Ms Gee further stated that "the trees may be a remnant of the endangered ecological community Umina Coastal Sandplain

Woodland."

The additional reason was: "Rezoning of this land and development would remove a parkland area, and the opportunity to enhance corridor linkages along the drainage channel to Correa Bay."

Shirley Hotchkiss, November 12

Lloyd presents Veron Rd petition

Member for Robertson, Mr Jim Lloyd, has presented a petition to Gosford Council with 77 signatures, expressing support for the acquisition of land on Veron Rd for inclusion in the Coastal Open Space System.

Council, at its meeting on July 27, decided to investigate possible funding of the land, on the corner of Hillview St, through the Federal Government National Reserve System Funding Grant.

Council submitted a grant application on August 12.

Council agenda P.83, November 2



Drainage outlets to Woy Woy Bay

Water design project deferred

Council has deferred a Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) pilot project on the Woy Woy Peninsula.

The project, involving a full road and drainage reconstruction project, will be deferred until late next year or even 2006.

A council report recommended changes to the present \$100 million trunk drainage strategy for the Peninsula on June 29.

It detailed how a more ecologically sustainable storm water management strategy, based on infiltration and the principles of WSUD could save council and ratepayers money and provide environmental benefits.

The council subsequently asked for a report on the feasibility of a pilot project on the Peninsula.

The council has now been told that possible sites were identified within the current capital works program.

However, full reconstruction was not proposed for the specified sites, which limited the potential for the installation of large-scale measures.

The council was told there were no feasible road reconstruction projects suitable for a large scale trial this financial year.

It was recommended that the pilot project be deferred until next year, 2006 or even 2007, when it was expected that a suitable full reconstruction project might become available.

Council at its meeting of November 2 also decided to prepare a floodplain risk management plan for a suitable area of the Peninsula using WSUD principles to provide a design for better roads, drainage, streetscape and urban design in all flat sandy areas.

The southern part of catchments in the area bounded by Melba St, Dunbar Rd, Ocean Beach Rd and the railway line, was identified by council as an ideal study area.

The project could be undertaken as part of the Woy Woy, Umina, Ettalong Peninsula Flood Study.

This study has received grant funding of \$10,000 under the Natural Disaster Risk Management Studies Program (NDRMSP).

If approved by DIPNR, the study could be expected to be commissioned with a consultant later this financial year.

The council also decided to defer several other major trunk drainage works until the Floodplain Risk Management Plan was complete.

At that time, the trunk drainage strategy would be reviewed.

Council agenda EP.58, November 2

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Flashing lights would eliminate confusion

It's been an interesting week with the NRMA press release "Flashing lights needed in school zones with highest revenue raising cameras", and the release of the figures of the revenue raised from the cameras.

Out of the top five revenue raisers, three were in school zones, with the Ocean Beach Rd camera in the top 50 at number 47 with \$358,353 and the Blackwall Rd camera taking \$132,291.

The police commissioner said: If you speed, you get caught. End of

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story.

This is true, although with school zone cameras flashing at twice the rate of normal fixed cameras, the message must be that there is still a high degree of confusion about variable limits and times.

Flashing light installations at school zones would go along way to eliminating that confusion and provide a safer road environment for all.

Mark Ellis, Woy Woy

Remove the level crossings

We refer to the statement published in the Peninsula News on November 1 regarding Ms Marie Andrews' repudiation of statements attributed to her in relation to the Koolewong railway crossing.

The president and secretary of the Koolewong, Point Clare and Tascott Progress Association met with Ms. Andrews on July 2 and believe those statements were made.

Ms Andrews disagrees with this.

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However, the real point at issue is the need for removal of level crossings at Koolewong and South Woy Woy.

To achieve this, funds must be allocated in the State Government's budget.

Only strong community support will create pressure to include these matters in the budget priority list.

Paul Greenwood, Koolewong
Robert Findley, Tascott

Use mines for water storage

Further to my letter discussing rain creation (November 1), it has occurred to me that within Australia we have an untapped resource for water storage.

Too often we see the cycle of drought broken by massive floods.

These floodwaters eventually, but relatively rapidly, return to the ocean virtually unused and unproductive.

For 200 years, the land has been mined.

Some of this mining has been above ground and some has been below.

The underground mines often contain galleries and shafts that

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will hold a large volume of water.

Underground storage in Australia has the significant benefit of preventing evaporation.

Despite the cost of removing pollutants, I believe that the cost of recycling water from disused mines would be far less than creating countrywide networks of pipes or building new above-ground reservoirs.

The environmentalists and conservationists can probably identify a slather of other advantages.

Richard Newby, Woy Woy

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The weight of words

Mayor Brooks, when questioned by Sydney Morning Herald Urban Affairs Reporter Tim Dick, admits that signs I holds up at council have upset new councillors, exposing the council's actions as personal petty and vindictive.

The whiteboard has appeared hundreds of times over years without any disorder being ruled.

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The problem is more to do with the weight of the words.

Gosford Council stated to citizens at the Council Meeting for November 2 that it had consulted the Department of Local Government and the Local Government Shires Association raising an interesting question, what were they actually told?

Minister for Local Government Tony Kelly's office has for the time being been unable to confirm the consultation process or what in fact they advised Gosford Council could legally do.

This is clearing the way for councillors across the State to restrict the people's freedom of speech in meetings in such an arbitrary manner.

Edward James, Umina

Keep the wheel turned

In reply to Keith Whitfield's letter (November 1), I have to agree the wheel certainly has turned full circle with regard to smoking, and it is to be hoped that it will never turn back.

It is a well established medical fact that smoking is injurious not only to the smoker, but also to those passive smokers caught up in the environment of smokers.

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From a health point of view, council is acting responsibly to place whatever limits are legally possible, about when and where people smoke.

Further, they act properly with regard to the litter problem, which seems always to be present around smokers.

Why are smokers so disdainful of their impact on their surroundings?

Mr Whitfield speaks of smoking as a pleasant addiction.

Addictive it certainly is! And what is pleasant about cancer of the lip, throat, or lung. How pleasant is hardening of the arteries and the multitude of other illnesses caused by smoking?

Robert Lambert, Umina Beach

A simple proportional system

There is now much concern about the manipulation of the Senate's proportional representation system

The Dutch Party List system is much simpler and only one cross is required.

There are no above and under the line options.

All parties participating submit a list of chosen candidates for the ballot paper.

The order of the candidates is determined by the party but it is possible for voters to prefer another than No 1.

The party gains the number of candidates according to the number of times they achieve the quota.

While most voters will accept

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the order of candidates provided, some may prefer to cast their vote for a candidate lower on the party list.

This could help that candidate to

be elected in preference over one preferred by the party.

The order of the lists on the ballot paper is decided by lot in a similar way as is done here for the Senate.

The advantage is that all this is above board and voters do have choices both for parties and candidates, with just one mark next to one candidate.

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Peninsula in the News

Here is a summary of news items about the Peninsula appearing in other news media over the last two weeks.

Friday, November 5

Woy Woy's Olive Riley recently celebrated her 105th birthday, remembering the day she tossed in her job as a barmaid at a pub in Sydney's Circular Quay.

Express Advocate

An Ettalong Beach man charged with the kidnap and sexual assault of a young man had his bail application refused on Monday despite fears for his safety in jail.

Express Advocate

A choice between a fine or participation in a workshop was just one strategy tabled at a community forum to counter under-age drinking which was held on Monday at the Umina Beach PCYC.

Express Advocate

A woman who stole thousands of dollars from her father by forging his signature on cheques and used the money to feed her gambling habit has asked that she be kept in jail.

The Pretty Beach woman said she wanted a jail sentence because she would continue to offend if released.

Express Advocate

A convicted car thief has been jailed for two years by Gosford District Court.

The 23-year-old Woy Woy man was caught by police after stealing a family friend's car in February.

Express Advocate

Wednesday November 10

A Umina Beach youth, 17, paid a high price after being caught by police illegally street racing last month only 12 hours after getting his P plates.

He was fined \$1600, given six demerit points and his licence was suspended for nine months.

Express Advocate

A recent police raid on a house at Woy Woy resulted in the seizure of 56g of cannabis.

A Woy Woy man, 25, was charged.

Express Advocate

Umina Beach High School class of 1992/94 will hold a ten year reunion on November 20 from 7pm at Ettalong Beach Club.

Cost is \$38 a person and inquiries can be made on 0408 208 534.

Express Advocate

Thursday November 11

A significant increase in business waste recycling at Gosford has

clawed back a few years in the life of the city's landfill sites.

Sites at Kincumber and Woy Woy, which were predicted to be full within two and 14 years respectively, will be able to take waste for three and 18 years.

Express Advocate

Students from the Peninsula Alternative Learning Centre at Umina PCYC scrubbed up in their best attire to attend the Young Achievement Australia NSW awards.

Despite being one of the youngest groups in the program, they took out the award for best product and the overall award for manufacturing at last week's black tie event at the University of NSW.

Express Advocate

On November 14, a flotilla of fishing trawlers will sail to Woy Woy public wharf to receive an ecumenical blessing at 12.30pm.

Up to 15 trawlers will sail from Gosford to Woy Woy from 11.50am.

Express Advocate

It's just not oysters on the rocks at the Woy Woy Oyster Festival on November 14, plenty of oarsmen and women will be building ravenous appetites in the great kayak race.

One of the most popular features of last years Brisbane Water Oyster Festival is Back.

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Friday November 12

Brisbane Water Police have begun a blitz on drink driving.

Mobile and stationery units will target areas known for alcohol related crashes including Gosford, North Gosford, Ettalong CBD and the Umina Beach CBD.

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Umina Beach resident Joe Marston is included in the new book "Our Socceros", by Neil Montagnana Wallace, which profiles 26 Australian soccer representatives from the 1940s through to the present day.

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Some are calling it the "Ed James clause" after the man whose exploits with a white board forced Gosford Council to ban signs not made of "a suitable flexible material" from its meetings.

Councillor's last week passed a draft policy limiting the size and material of signs that can be displayed at council meetings and functions.

Express Advocate



The pedestrian crossing on Blackwall Rd Insert: The tarred over bollard holes

Speeding motorist causes damage

A speeding motorist caused considerable damage on Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, on Sunday, November 7, according to staff of the Member for Peats, Ms Marie Andrews.

A vehicle turned left off Railway St into Blackwall Rd on two wheels, crashed through the garden island and careered into bollards at the

pedestrian crossing on the northern side.

The bollards were projected towards shopfronts, causing damage to the window of Ms Andrews' office.

A piece of the bollard also hit a pedestrian passing by.

The driver failed to stop.

However, it is understood that the father of the driver who was a passenger in the vehicle was

treated at Woy Woy hospital.

The injured pedestrian was an elderly man who received treatment for his injuries but wished to remain nameless.

The window of Marie Andrews's office has since been replaced and holes left by the broken bollards have been filled with tar.

Cec Bucello, November 10

Traffic changes at pool intersection

Several traffic changes will be introduced to the roads around the Peninsula Leisure Centre over the next year.

The proposed changes include new pedestrian activated traffic signals which will replace the existing marked zebra crossing on Blackwall Rd.

A new right turn lane on Blackwall Rd will be provided for south-bound vehicles entering the new centre.

No right turns will be allowed into Burge Rd from Blackwall Rd.

However, left turns from Blackwall Rd into Burge Rd will be maintained.

There will be no entry to

Blackwall Rd from Burge Rd, with a new turning area and car park provided in Burge Rd.

Plans for the new intersection can be viewed at Woy Woy library.

With enquiries, contact 4325 8347.

**Press release, November 10
Gosford Council**

Not finished

Cr Terri Latella has asked, at Gosford Council's November 2 meeting, why traffic calming devices had not yet been installed at Pretty Beach.

Nine months ago, Gosford Council installed a school pedestrian crossing at Pretty Beach Public School.

The calming devices, which were also to be installed, were never finished.

Director of engineering operations Mr Stephen Glen said he would investigate the matter and advise council of the results.

Council Agenda Q.111, November 2

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Workshop for fathers

A workshop called PlayPower for Dads will be held on Saturday, November 27, at Beachside Family Centre in the grounds of Umina Public School, Sydney Ave, Umina.

Two sessions will be run.

The first group, for fathers of one to three year olds, will run from 10.30am to noon.

The second group, for fathers of babies to one year old, will run from 1pm to 2.30pm.

PlayPower is a program run by the Benevolent Society to help parents learn ways to make the most of everyday activities.

"For many fathers, it is a struggle to find time to spend quality time with their young children under three years of age," said centre facilitator Debbie Notara.

"By the time they get home from work, the children may very well be

having a bath, dinner or going to bed.

"Many fathers think about the relationship they have with their own father and want it to be different with their children.

"From birth, playing with children while doing routine activities can build a strong, positive relationship with your child," said Ms Notara.

"Some dads really want to know how they can have fun with their children in ways other than the usual throwing the football around or having a wrestle.

"They want to connect with their children when they are much younger."

For more information and bookings for PlayPower workshops, phone 4343 1929.

Press release, November 11
Debbie Notara, Beachside Family Centre



Proposed site for the new medical centre on Alfred St

One last inspection for medical centre

A decision to build a medical centre in Umina, a plan 15 years in the making, has been deferred for one last site inspection before the plans are passed by Gosford Council.

Council staff have recommended the plans for approval, and council is set to pass a motion granting the development at its meeting of November 23.

The designs for the medical centre show a two-storey building, on lots 33 and 35 on Alfred St.

The proposed building will include a medical centre on the ground floor and commercial floor space on the first floor.

The basement car park contains 13 spaces and will be accessed via Alfred St.

The existing front of the building will continue to be used as a pharmacy.

A zoning change from "residential" to "business", to allow the building of the medical centre, was first passed in 1989.

In August 1993, council granted

consent to the development application for additions to Radfords Pharmacy on Lot 35.

Council granted development consent in February 2002 to a similar application on the same properties.

Some Umina residents have raised concerns over issues pertaining to car parking.

The proposed building has a need for roughly 16 car parking spaces.

Six car parking space associated with the existing building are expected to be lost as a result of the development.

Therefore, a total of roughly 22 new car spaces are required for the proposal.

The basement car park includes provision for 13 car spaces which are expected to be predominantly used by staff members.

An additional contribution to council would be required for the shortfall of the nine car parking spaces at a rate of \$6641 per space.

Another local resident raised

concerns over trucks double-parked whilst making deliveries, but the applicant has proposed to locate a delivery space in the basement car park.

Umina activist Mr Ed James, who has previously opposed the application, made no comment last week.

Council agenda DH.108, November 2

Pindar Cave walk planned

The National Parks and Wildlife Service is running a medium difficulty bushwalk to Pindar Cave, on November 21, as part of its Discovery Program.

The bushwalk will include a walk along the ridge top above the Wondabyne station to Pindar Cave.

A guide will discuss the former sculpture park, and the walk will include views over the Hawkesbury River and exploration of the Pindar Cave and Pindar Brook area.

Participants must bring their own sturdy walk shoes, water, weather protection, snacks and lunch.

Those wishing to join are asked to meet at Woy Woy railway station at 9.15am near the ticket booth for a train to Wondabyne.

The bushwalk, which takes roughly six hours, costs \$12 for adults and \$6 for children, plus the additional train fare to Wondabyne..

The walk is not suitable for children under the age of 10.

Bookings are essential and can be made by contacting 4320 4205.

Letter, November 1
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Weekend, Pearse's Chemmart

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Warning signs for Mt Ettalong Rd

Gosford Council will place a pedestrian warning sign and a 35 km/h curve advisory sign on the southern approach to the bend at the southern end of Mt Ettalong Rd.

This follows a request by a concerned resident of Umina Beach to reduce the speed limit at the southern end of Mount Ettalong Rd and investigate other options to improve pedestrian safety on the bend leading to the beach.

The concerned resident wrote to the Roads and Traffic Authority.

The RTA advised the resident that a reduction of the speed limit over a short length of Mt Ettalong Rd was not an appropriate method of addressing pedestrian safety.

The RTA said a pedestrian warning sign and an advisory speed sign approaching the bend at the southern end of Mt Ettalong Rd would be a more appropriate treatment.

Council agenda TR04.203, November 2

Housesholds save water

About 600 Peninsula households have taken advantage of Gosford Council's water and energy Refit Program, according to council figures.

Gosford Mayor Cr Malcolm Brooks said that residents had shown their commitment to the water supply issue by taking up the Refit offer.

"Many residents are already doing a number of water saving activities in and around their homes, which is great to see," Cr Brooks said.

The Refit kit includes a water saving showerhead, two tap aerators, a garden hose trigger nozzle and two compact fluorescent light globes.

Installation is free and includes an energy and water audit in each home to identify areas where further savings are possible.

The Refit kit is available for a subsidised price of \$39, with the kit being valued at \$120.

Residents can call 1800 815 727 to arrange for delivery and installation of the Refit kit as well as the home energy and water audit.

Email, November 3

Alison Nolan, Gosford Council

New priority for Lone Pine traffic

Plans have been prepared for the intersection of Lone Pine Ave and Carpenter St, to require traffic from Kingsview Dr to give way.

Gosford Council has adopted a Traffic Committee recommendation, that instead of providing signposting in Carpenter St, a concept plan be prepared.

The concept plan would ensure that traffic turning from Lone Pine Ave into Carpenter St, and vice versa, would have priority over traffic

exiting Kingsview Dr.

The plan would include realigning the existing kerb and gutter, a concrete median island in Kingsview Dr, and associated line marking to reduce vehicle speeds and help to define the intersection.

Gosford Council's Traffic Committee recommended that the concept plan be adopted and asked that the project listed for consideration for funding in a future capital works program.

Council agenda TR04.105, November 2

Petitions about West St crossing

Residents concerned about plans to remove the raised crossing in West St, Umina, have submitted two petitions to Gosford Council.

A petition with seven signatures was received from owners and managers of businesses trading adjacent to the pedestrian crossing on West St, all denying any problem with flooding as claimed by council staff as the reason for downgrading the crossing.

A second petition with 1010 signatures from people strongly

against the removal of the raised pedestrian crossing was also received.

The petitioners stated that downgrading the crossing would endanger elderly, infirm and visually impaired members of their community.

The petitioners suggested that the addition of pedestrian lights would enhance the long term safety and be beneficial to both pedestrians and motorists.

Council agenda P.79, November 2

Pool contractors asked to park at oval

Gosford Council's traffic committee has rejected a request from the council's recreation services manager, Mr Peter Hickman, for No Parking signs along both sides of Alpha Rd.

He requested the signs to prevent all day parking by building contractors during construction works associated with the Peninsula Leisure Centre

project.

Staff reported to the traffic committee that, at the time of a site inspection, there were no vehicles parked in Alpha Rd.

However, it was anticipated that as construction of the pool progressed there would be an increased number of tradesmen on site.

The report to the committee stated it was not considered appropriate to implement parking restrictions in

Alpha Rd, as residents would gain no benefit given that they would also be prohibited from parking adjacent to their homes.

The committee recommended that it would be more appropriate to contact the project manager and request that all workers associated with the project, park in the nearby James Browne Oval carpark.

Council agenda TR04.204, November 2

Burge Rd concern

Gosford Council has received a petition with 52 signatures from residents of Burge Rd, Woy Woy.

The petitioners stated that they had observed an increased traffic volume in their street as a result of drivers avoiding the speed camera

on Blackwall Rd.

The volume had further increased since the installation of the traffic lights at the intersection of Allfield and Blackwall Rds.

The petitioners stated the speed limit of 50km/h was being broken by a majority of drivers and residents feared for the safety of their children

and elderly pedestrians.

The petitioners requested that council survey the traffic volumes and vehicle speeds and install traffic slowing devices similar to those devices used in North Burge and Brickwharf Rd.

Council agenda P.78, November 2



The Umina Beach Skatepark

Free barbecue was held

A free community barbecue was held at the Umina Beach Skate Park on Friday, October 29.

The event was part of a community initiative run by local organisations, aimed at raising awareness for community safety, and to inform and combat the issues affecting the Peninsula's youth including under-age drinking.

The event was the third barbecue held in the area and included entertainment, a horizontal bungy jump and a bouncy castle.

The event aimed to promote the area as a family friendly environment and encourage the local community to

take full advantage of the recreation facilities available.

Peninsula community youth centre police programmer Mr Paul Hanna said that the event was very positive.

"We cooked about 250 sausages on the day," Mr Hanna said.

The community initiative involved the Police and Community Youth Club, Neighbourhood Watch, the Premiers Department, community service groups, Gosford Council and the Peninsula Community Drug Action Team.

Other projects in the strategy have included the Umina Mosaic Wall Project, which involved a number of local community groups crafting a mosaic artwork to raise awareness for community safety, and will be permanently fixed to the break wall at the skate park.

Lyle Stone, November 5

Press release, October 26

Alison Nolan, Gosford Council

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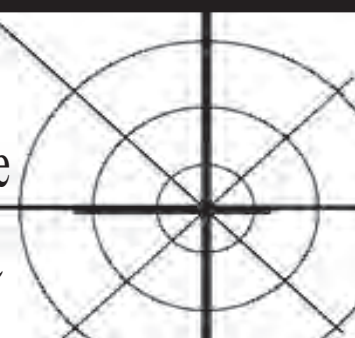
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Sustenance



Live concerts are held on Sunday afternoons

Live music at cafe

A Umina cafe has started Sunday afternoon live music concerts.

Owner Lisa Zammit said Fish Heads Cafe is also making its gallery area available for exhibitions at no cost to local artists.

"We have recently completed our new warm and sunny courtyard that has been built for not only alfresco dining but intimate outdoor entertainment," Ms Zammit said.

The next step for the cafe was to give extra support to aspiring local musicians.

"It seems that live venues are closing down all the time and the ones that are open don't cater for original music or mature audiences," Ms Zammit said.

The music that is performed in the Courtyard Concert format is generally adult contemporary which includes blues, pop, folk and

adult light rock.

"So far we have had performances by Nick Ryan, pop singer Jemma Stevenson and blues singer Matthew Baistow," Ms Zammit said.

The courtyard concerts are free and Ms Zammit said they have been booked out.

Letter, October 15
Robert Hook



Donations wanted for hamper

Franklins at Woy Woy is calling for donations of food in support of the Mary Mac's Place Christmas Hamper collection.

Mary Mac's Place is a joint project by St John the Baptist Parish, St Vincent de Paul and Centacare.

It is open in Woy Woy Monday to Friday providing food to men, women and children in need.

People are asked to donate festive foods such as tins of ham, fruit and vegetables, cakes, plum

puddings, nuts, sweets and drinks.

They are also asking for toiletries such as shampoos, soaps, washers, toothbrushes and toothpaste.

All donations can be deposited in the collection bin at Franklin's check out.

The hampers will then be distributed to guests at Mary Mac's Place Christmas lunch on December 23.

Anyone who would like to assist or wants further information should contact 4341 0584.

Press release, November 3
Teresa Deguara, Franklins

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Website on restaurants

A new website featuring restaurant reviews has been establishing by a Umina website designer.

The website, designed by Rowan McBain, is called Central Coast Eats and contains links to and reviews of restaurants locally and in surrounding suburbs.

It also has prize giveaways, maps and locations.

It caters for those looking for cuisine, home delivery and take away, and even catering and function centres.

Ms McBain has also designed several other local websites including Lizottes, Restaurant 107 and Sassy's in Umina.

To view the website visit www.centralcoasteats.com.au.

Letter, November 1
Rowan McBain

Road marking for memorial

Motorists' mistaking the Empire Bay war memorial for a roundabout has resulted in edge line markings in Sorrento Rd.

A request was made to Gosford Council that it provide line marking for motorists manoeuvring between the public wharf and the war memorial on Sorrento Rd at Empire Bay.

A report stated that many drivers became confused by the War Memorial's resemblance to a roundabout, resulting in a number of near misses.

Gosford Council's traffic committee recommended that centreline and edge line markings be provided in Sorrento Rd.

It also suggested Give Way signs and lines on the southern side of the War Memorial be provided.

Council agenda TR04.189, November 2

Edge lines extended

Confusion about new painted edge lines on the bend at the intersection of Sydney Ave and Hobart Ave has led to them being extended.

Since the line marking was first installed, it had been reported to Gosford Council that some motorists were having difficulty interpreting the line marking.

Staff told the council's traffic committee that this could be overcome by extending the edge lines to the next intersecting street.

The committee recommended that the edge lines be extended to the intersection of Brisbane Ave and to the intersection of Perth St.

Council agenda TR04.035, November 2

Fence was safe

Fencing around the construction site at Peridon Village, Daleys Point, caused no danger to pedestrians or cyclists, according to council staff.

Director of Development and Health, Ms Colleen Worthy Jennings, has told the council that a site inspection was undertaken on August 27.

Cr Jim Macdayen requested a report on the construction fencing at Gosford Council's meeting of August 24.

Cr Macfadyen wished to ascertain if it was causing a danger to pedestrians or children and adults riding bikes along the roadway.

Council agenda Q88, November 2

Doughnut drive

Organisers of the new Walsingham Community Pre-School have organised a doughnut drive to raise funds to help build its new pre-school and community centre at Killcare Heights.

Krispy Kreme doughnuts will be baked in Sydney and then delivered to Hardy's Bay where they can be picked up on Sunday, November 28, from 9.30am from Hardy's Bay RSL club.

Doughnuts cost \$14 for a box of a dozen and \$12 for each additional box.

Orders along with money can be dropped off at Pretty Beach Pre School on Highview Rd between 9am and 3pm.

Those ordering four boxes or more can have their orders collected from their work place.

The doughnuts orders must be received and paid for no later than Friday, November 19.

With enquiries, contact 4360 2474.

**Press release, November 1
Catherine Tedd, Walsingham Pre School**

Donation to charity

A Woy Woy food chain is donating one dollar to charity for every hamburger sold on Saturday, November 20.

One dollar from the sale of every Big Mac sold at McDonalds Woy Woy will go directly to Ronald McDonald House Charities and its priority programs, dedicated to helping seriously ill children and their families.

In past years, money has gone towards such programs as building and maintaining 10 Ronald McDonald Houses which provide a home away from home for the families of seriously ill children.

Money has also been spent to establish the Ronald McDonald Learning Program which helps children get back to school more quickly after a long period of illness.

It has also gone towards a cord blood bank program.

The day will include balloons, face painting and special VIP guests.

A number of local VIPs will be serving customers on the day, selling Big Macs and working the Drive-Thru to encourage donations from the community.

**Media release, October 27
Sarah Morton, Ronald McDonald House Charities**

Vehicles to be classified

A North Burge Rd resident has requested council consider additional traffic calming or reduced speed limits for buses on North Burge Rd.

Gosford Council's traffic committee has recommended that a vehicle classification count be carried out on North Burge Rd and

the results considered at the next traffic committee meeting.

The vehicle classification count on North Burge Rd would determine the volume of heavy vehicle movements and the traffic speed.

The survey results would assist in determining whether further action is necessary.

Council agenda TR04.196, November 2

Travel time is surveyed

Travel time surveys are being carried out in Woy Woy Rd, following a request by Gosford Council's waste contractor for an exemption to the eight tonne load limit on the road.

The council deferred a decision on September 6 to allow a further meeting with the waste contractor's representatives and asked that

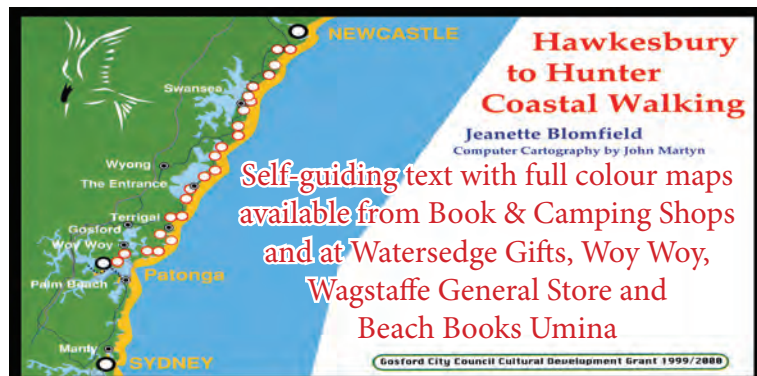
a report be given to the traffic committee.

It was also resolved that travel time surveys be carried out on both Woy Woy Rd and Brisbane Water Dr.

However, this was delayed due to the recent school holiday period.

Arrangements were made for the surveys to be carried out when school resumed.

Council agenda TR04.119, November 2



The new Hardys Bay yacht "Lasal"

New yacht for local firm

A local yacht charter business has celebrated the addition of a new boat to its fleet.

Kent "Bones" Sheppard, who has spent the last two years building up his yacht charter business, Hardys Bay Yacht Charters, said he was excited to be introducing the yacht to the Brisbane Waters.

The 38ft yacht "Lasal" has many features including three double berths

and one bathroom, a fully-equipped galley, hot and cold showers.

It can be crewed comfortably by as few as two, and can take groups of up to 10 passengers.

The yacht was moored at the Hardys Bay public wharf for an open day in October.

**Media release, August 30
Anna McCall, Hardys Bay Yacht Charters**

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

EBACC, Ettalonb 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

ESCC, 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
Toastmasters, E B W M C , 7pm, enq: 4341 6842, Umina TPI, 1pm, enq: 4341 4644.

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

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

Stroke recovery group, 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
Toastmasters, E B W M C , 7pm enq: 4341 6842.

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

Every Tuesday
Empire Bay Scrabble Club 12.30-3.30pm Shirley 4369 2034

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

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.

Our contact details and deadline dates are shown on page two.

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.

Ettalong Chess Club, 1pm

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, 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 ECC 9.30am, visitors welcome.

Woy Woy VIEW Club, Friendship Day, MOW 11am Enq. 4341 2379

Third Wednesday of every month
Woy Woy VIEW Club, Lunch & Guest Speaker, ECC 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 ESCC

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, ESCC

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, 7pm, 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.

Social Darts CU, 7.30pm, \$3, all welcome - courtesy bus available

FRIDAY

Second Friday of every month
RSL Sub branch EBWMC, 2.30pm.

Troubadour Folk Club, Masonic Hall opp Woy Woy station, enq: 4341 4060, 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
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, 7pm, Ett 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.

Third Saturday of every month
Umina P&C Bushcare meets 9-11am, Umina Campus of BWSC, Veron Rd Umina. enq: 4341 9301

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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: 4369 0626.

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

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

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

Ettalong Chess Club, 1pm

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
Umina P&C Bushcare meets 9-11am Umina Campus of BWSC, Veron Rd Umina. enq: 4341 9301

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.

Ettymalong **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.

CWAHWW Troubadour Folk Club Blackboard Concert, enq: 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

Social Paddle, end of Ferry Rd Ettalong beach, free BYO Enq: 0429856231

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

Al-anon/Alateen family support group “The Cottage” Vidler Ave Woy Woy 7pm.

Patonga Bakehouse Gallery open 11am-3pm or by appointment 4379 1102

Talent Quest, EBWMC, 12noon-3pm, enq. 0414 435 848.

MONDAY

First Monday of every month:
Endeavour View Club Luncheon

ECC Contact 4342 1722

Pretty Beach P S **P&C**, Resource Centre 7:30pm, ph 4360 1587

Save the Children Aust., Woy Woy Branch, 1.30pm 72

Cambridge St. Enq: 4341 1104

Second Monday of every month:
RSL Women's Auxiliary EBWMC 9am.

Pretty Beach Wagstaffe **Progress Assoc** WH 7:30pm, Enq: 4360 1546

Killcare Heights **Garden Club**, 10:30am, Enq: 4344 4520

Third Monday of every month
War widows Guild, EBWMC 1pm, Enq: 4342, 5445

NSW Transport Authorities Retired Employees 2.30pm EMBC

Fourth Monday of every month
Play readings at Woy Woy Public School. For info contact **Barbara Hickey: 4341 2931.**

Labor Party Peninsula Day Branch, CWAHWW, 1pm.

Carers support group, Group room, health service building, Woy Woy Hospital, Enq: 4344 8427.

CWA WH, 1:30pm, enq:4360 2504

Last Monday of Every Month
WWLT **Playreading**, Woy Woy P. S. 7.30pm, Enq: 4341 2931

Every Monday
Yoga WH 9.30am Enq: 4360 1854.

Bowls EMBC 1.30pm Enq 4344 1358.

Free **Bingo** WWLC & CU 11am.

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

Yoga for beginners 2.30pm; ESSC

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

Child and Parents **Support Service** (CAPS), coffee & chat, 10am, Enq: 4343 1911

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

Fairhaven **Cash Housie** CU 7.30pm & **Bingo** 11am

Evening **Bowls** 6pm Enq 4341 9656, **Card Club** 500 1pm EBWMC

Arts and Crafts for people with a disability 11am, Enq. 4341 9333

Patchwork & Quilting, 9am, **Pottery** 10am & 1pm EBACC

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

Punters choice 12.45pm EBWMC

Gentle Exercise, 9.30am PCC

EVENT CALENDAR

Wednesday, 17 November
Grease, Brisbane Water Secondary College, Ettalong Memorial Club, Adult \$12, Seniors/Students \$7.00 ph: 4341 9066 for bookings, further dates and times

Thursday, 18 November
The Covers Brothers 7pm-11pm, Ocean Beach Hotel, Umina

Bookmobile, Patonga Community Hall 9.30-10.15, Pearl Beach Community Hall 10.30-11.00, Umina Nursing Home 11.15-10.00,

Friday, 19 November
MARK BISHOP 7pm-11pm Ocean Beach Hotel, Umina

Hudsons Hypnosis, Woy Woy Bowling Club, 8pm, \$15 per ticket, ph: 4341 7589

Sunday, 21st November
Pindar Cave Walk, Brisbane Water NP, Meet 9.15 am finish 3pm, Bookings Essential 4320 4205

Wednesday, 24 November
Bookmobile, Daley's Point Peridon Village 1 9.30-10.00, Daley's Point Peridon Village 2 10.00-10.30, Empire Bay opposite Post Office 10.40-11.15

Friday, 26 November
Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Exhibition, Peninsula Community Centre McMasters Rd Woy Woy, Opening, 730pm

Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Exhibition, Peninsula Community Centre McMasters Rd Woy Woy, 730pm

Gosford Brass Band “Summertime Swing”, Ettalong Memorial Club, 7pm

Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Exhibition, Peninsula Community Centre McMasters Rd Woy Woy, 730pm

Arts & Entertainment

Martyne holds first exhibition

Martyne Ford has held her first art exhibition in Hardys Bay.

It was held at Lizotte's on the Bay restaurant at the Hardy's Bay RSL Club on Monday, November 8.

Martyne, a 21-year-old artist from Killcare, said the exhibition was a "great success".

She said her work, named "Shelleaf", was inspired by colour, texture, form and pattern seen in shells and leaves.

She said her usual medium was

acrylic on canvas, but this was often enhanced by mixed media or found objects.

An interest in colour, pattern, texture and design has led her to study fashion and textile design at the University of Technology in Sydney.

The exhibition was Martyne's first official exhibition, although her art has been showcased by Lizotte's on the Bay since early this year.

Email, November 1
Brian Lizotte

Final Fair Go concert held

The final Fair Go Folk Concert for this year has been held in Woy Woy.

A similar series, possibly in a different format, is planned for next year commencing in May and running through to October.

Concert organiser Mr Vic Jefferies for the Central Coast Bush Dance and Music Association said

that concert supporters had added that the success of the events was due to enthusiastic participation.

He said the performances were outstanding and a number of people had made new friends or had been introduced to the folk scene through the concerts.

Email, November 2
Vic Jefferies

Tribute band at Woy Woy

A Burt Bacharach musical tribute band entitled "What's it all about?" will be performing on Saturday, December 4, at Woy Woy Peninsula Theatre

The show consists of four experienced performers, as well as a four-piece band.

Marketer Mary Russ said the show had received rave reviews in Newcastle, the Hunter and North Coast.

Shows start at 2pm and 8pm.

For further information or to book a seat, phone 4323 3233

Email, November 10
Mary Russ, Pentastic Productions

Hymn singing

The Ettalong Baptist Church will present Hymns that Live, with song leader George Tunks.

The event will be held on Sunday, December 12, at 2.30pm at the church at Barrenjoey Rd, Ettalong.

Guest artists will include harpist Sam Kurilowich and duo Ron and George.

An offering will be collected.

With enquiries, contact 4332 8965.

Letter, November 11
Ettalong Baptist Church



Local identity Billy Rae with the portrait and the sculpture created by Peninsula artist Leila Desborough

Local portraits for Spikefest

Woy Woy "mayor" Heather McKenzie, folk club regular Billy Rae and Cr Chris Holstein were among Peninsula identities featured in Gosford's own "Archibald" exhibition as part of Spikefest.

Woy Woy resident Patrick Rufatt entered his portrait of Cr Chris Holstein.

Mr Rufatt, who has been painting for about six years, said the portrait was done specifically for the exhibition and took a roughly a month to complete.

"I painted him because he is

a very important person in the Peninsula community," he said.

Mr Rufatt also had a painting at the previous Gosford Art gallery exhibition.

The portraits of 75 identities from the Gosford municipality were entered in the competition.

Lyle Stone, October 25

Christmas exhibition at community centre

A Christmas arts and crafts exhibition has been planned for the Peninsula Community Centre..

The exhibition will be held at the centre on the corner of McMasters and Ocean Beach Rds, Woy Woy and will be opened at 7pm on Friday, November 26, by Margaret Hardy, editor of "Significant Women of the Central Coast".

The exhibition will continue on Saturday, November 27, from 9am to 4pm and Sunday, November 28, from 9am to 3pm.

The free event will include pottery, painting, woodcrafts, folk art, patchwork, paper crafts, hand painted silk, quilting and embroidery.

"Look good, feel better" calendars produced by a group of

local women who have survived breast cancer, the Dragon Breast Cancer Group, will be sold for \$10 each.

For more information on the exhibition, or for information on purchasing a calendar, contact 4360 1673.

Newsletter, November 5
Multi Arts Confederation

Summertime swing concert

Gosford City Brass Band is holding a Summertime Swing Concert at Ettalong Beach Club on November 27 at 7pm.

Band member Ms Margaret Kavanagh said a number of dance clubs had expressed interest in coming along and she expected it to be a great night.

Ms Kavanagh said that everyone was welcome and they should bring their dancing shoes.

Tickets cost \$15 for adults, \$12 concession and \$5 for children.

Email, October 31
Margaret Kavanagh, Gosford City Brass Band

Judith Hoste

of
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will open the gallery for the weekend of the 27th and 28th of November from 10am to 3pm each day.
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St John The Baptist, Catholic Primary School mail@stjohnwoywoy.dbb.catholic.edu.au	Ph: 4341 0884
Central Coast Community College Adult Education classes in computing and general interest subjects at Woy Woy. www.cccc.nsw.edu.au	Ph: 4348 4300 Fax: 4348 4345

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Woy Woy Wolves - Baseball www.centralcoastsports.com.au/Baseball/Wolves/basbwolves.html	
Umina United Soccer Club www.uminaeagles.com	
Woy Woy Soccer Club woywoysoccer.org.au	

SOCIAL CLUBS

Ettalong Beach Memorial Club www.ettalongbeachclub.com.au	
Everglades Country Club www.rnsdba.org.au/everglades/everglades_home.html	
Woy Woy Bowling Club www.centralcoastsports.com.au/wwwbowl.html	

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

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Gai Hyde with some of her flower displays

Flower shop for Ettalong

A new fresh flower shop has commenced trading in Ettalong.

Trading under the name of Beach Blossoms Flowers, the business opened on October 2 on Ocean View Rd.

Proprietor Gai Hyde is a qualified florist with 20 years' experience in Sydney flower shops.

She has lived in Umina for 17 years and has finally taken the plunge to commence her own business.

Gai buys flowers direct from the markets each morning and selected Ettalong as her base because the suburb currently does not have a florist and because of the future growth she perceives there.

The business also sells pots and plants, and arranges deliveries as well as catering for weddings.

"I got tired of commuting and I wanted to see if I could be successful with my own business, after all the years that I have worked for other people" Ms Hyde said.

Cec Bucello, November 10

No parking signs request refused

A request for Gosford Council to provide "No Parking" signs on the southern side of Kathleen St between Ocean Beach Rd and Mascot St has been rejected by Gosford Council.

It was reported that since the construction of the dental facility at Woy Woy Hospital, traffic and parking demand had increased in

Kathleen St.

Rear lane access to Kathleen St had been affected for properties on the western side of Mascot St, the council was told.

Cars parked on the southern side of Kathleen St obstructed the view of traffic as residents exited the lane.

Council staff reported that a site inspection indicated that while sight distance at this location was

sometimes limited, the speed and volume of traffic was low and the provision of parking restrictions was not warranted.

Council's Traffic Committee recommended that no action be taken to provide "No Parking" signs on the southern side of Kathleen St.

Council agenda TR04.198, November 2

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Course in Christianity

A seven-week course entitled Christianity Explored is to be held at Woy Woy Presbyterian Church hall on Blackwall Rd started on Sunday, October 24.

The course explores the Christian faith and each study involves a short video talk as well as discussion questions.

The courses will run on Sundays from 3pm to 5pm.

Child minding will be available and afternoon tea provided.

Anyone interested in attending should contact Rev Jamie Newans on 4342 2856.

Email, October 5 Margaret Ricciardone, Woy Woy Presbyterian Church

Fashion store opens

A new female fashion boutique has opened on West St, Umina.

The family owned Candy Girls business originated at the Ettalong Markets and currently operates there on weekends.

Store operators, sisters Michelle and Simone Strong, say they offer

a large array of attire for girls and women, from beachwear to nightwear.

The pair also provides accessories and gifts as well as gift vouchers.

"We've got everything," Simone said.

Rob Jimenez, October 15

Upgrade for school crossing

Gosford Council will officially convert the school crossing in Park Rd to a "children's crossing".

The council's road safety and traffic unit recommended that a children's crossing be incorporated at the existing pedestrian crossing outside Woy Woy Public School.

A site inspection had indicated that the existing facility was classified as a pedestrian crossing.

Brackets had been fitted to hold children's crossing flags, but other requirements for a children's crossing, such as stop lines, were missing.

On the recommendation of its traffic committee, the council will upgrade the crossing to the standard required for a children's crossing, including appropriate line marking and signposting.

Council agenda TR04.197, November 2

Large group at textile show

Students of Brisbane Water Secondary College have formed a large group of exhibitors at the Central Coast Textiles Exhibition.

The exhibition opened in The Erina Room at Erina Fair on Thursday, November 11 and runs until Thursday, November 18.

For further information, contact Lisarow High School on 4328 4599 or Erina High School on 4367 7353.

Email, November 5

Katrina Leabeater, Lisarow High School

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Participating in environment program

Woy Woy South Primary School will be one of several schools attending the annual Environmental Awareness Program Awards at Laycock Street Theatre on Thursday, November 18.

The awards recognise the involvement of local primary schools who participated in the Environmental Awareness Program.

Twenty five local primary schools participated in the program, undertaking a wide range of

projects throughout the year including performances, projects, building models of the area and oral presentations.

The program, coordinated by Gosford Council, is in its 16th year and is designed to encourage environmental education, introducing students to different topics or themes each year.

The awards presentation will commence at 9.30am on Thursday 19 November and conclude at 11.45am.

Press release, November 12
Alison Nolan, Gosford Council

Craft group starts

A craft group has begun at the Beach Side Family Centre at Umina Public School.

The courses are for anyone interested in learning different crafts and who wish to produce some unique Christmas presents.

The craft group will held from 1pm to 2.30pm every Monday.

Each week projects will include different craft such as wire mobiles, scrap booking, fabric painting and collage boxes.

A gold coin donation of between

\$2 and \$3 will cover the cost of craft materials.

Participants will only need to provide a few materials such as their own pre-washed tee shirt cushion cover or other material for the session on fabric painting.

The centre was formerly known as the Umina Schools as Community Centres building,

For further information, contact 4343 1929.

Newsletter, November 9
Umina Public School



P & C vice president, Lynelle Elliot congratulates Jayden Spicer and his mother

Canteen is named

Woy Woy South Public School recently ran a competition amongst its students to name its school canteen.

The winning entry was The Black Crow, submitted by Year 3 student Jayden Spicer, who was selected by the school P&C.

Jayden was recognised for his winning entry at the school

assembly on Monday, November 1.

P&C vice-president Ms Lynelle Elliot congratulated Jayden and his mother in front of the newly created sign, produced by P&C secretary Ms Liane Mandy.

Email, November 7
Carl Krucler, Woy Woy South Public School

Education



Tessa Nuku and Beau Rankins with their special judges award for "Outstanding rap track"

Students take Kool Skool awards

Students from Brisbane Water Secondary College have performed in Melbourne with several of them taking out awards in the Kool Skools national recording and multimedia competition. Students had to write, produce, perform and record their own works.

They completed a CD entitled "Onwards to Mayhem" in Melbourne, which is now for sale through the school.

This year, a NSW event was not staged due to lack of sponsorship.

To participate, the only possibility was to travel to Tasmania or Melbourne.

Music teacher Ms Kris Faulkner and 15 students from Years 10, 11 and 12 made the trip to Melbourne to perform.

Ms Faulkner said that unfortunately, not being Victorians, they were ineligible to win the major Kool Skool award but could still enter individual categories.

Students who performed were Rachel Pratt, Josh Muller, Ashley Wilkinson, Tim Moretta, Megan Purcell, Tessa Nuku, Chris Waters, Ellie Plummer, Kate Whyman, and James Luke.

Megan's song was nominated for Best Commercial Track.

Beau Rankins and Tessa Nuku won the Special Judges Award for "Outstanding Rap Track".

Beau, also known as "Proda-G", won the award for "A Message" with Tessa on backing vocals.

Rock band, *For the Moment*, consisting of Toby Priddle-Malm, Tyler Bennison, Chris Walters and Billy Burgess, were nominated in the top four Best Alternate Rock Bands and won Best Alternative Rock Song.

Ms Faulkner said the event was topped off by the group given the prestige of performing the closing act for the presentation, a fitting reward for the best group at the event.

Ms Faulkner said that great work was also done for the project by Jessica Burgess who was nominated in the top three for her film clip, and Jessica Birrell who produced outstanding art work for the CD cover which the students produced.

Ms Faulkner said the CD "Onwards to Mayhem" is the best the students have produced in the three years of the project and can be purchased from the senior campus.

Press release, November 4
Kris Faulkner, Brisbane Water Secondary College

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Pair start audio business

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Business partners Paul Karton and Neil Smith began the company recently after Paul completed his small business certificate.

The idea came after Neil's band found it could not afford to hire equipment elsewhere.

"I couldn't find a cheap PA hire for my band," he said.

"Everything is like 500 bucks, and bands don't usually get paid that much to play."

The pair decided to fill the market for affordable audio equipment hire.

Recently, the group helped

out with audio equipment at the Umina Beach Folk Festival and the Acoustic Lounge at Wyong.

In the coming months, the business will provide sound for an industry night at the Art House in Sydney and also at Pacific Palms in Taree next year.

The pair said they were also willing to travel with local musicians.

"We love doing it which is the best part, meeting cool people and listening to people, and hopefully making some money out of it," said Neil.

They said they hoped to get into band management as a recording label in the future, as their next business step.

Lyle Stone, October 27

New website for Umina

Umina Public School has a new school website.

Principal Mr John Blair said the website was the result of invaluable assistance by Mr Rob Lent and school assistant Mrs Raewyn Wearmouth.

Mr Blair said the website was a huge step forward for

Umina Public School and added it had opened a whole new way of communicating to school students and their parents.

The website can be viewed at www.uminap.schools.nsw.edu.au.

Newsletter, November 2
John Blair, Umina Public School

Public Notices

The Troubadour Folk & Acoustic Music Club

brings musicians, singers, poets and story tellers to the Central Coast to perform with and entertain local residents.

The club next meets on **December 19** at the CWA Hall, opposite Fishermans Wharf

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Call to ban jetskis

A number of Ettalong Beach residents have called on Gosford Council to address problems of jetski riding in local waterways.

Petitions with a total 21 signatures have been lodged with the council calling for a ban on the use of jetskis in Brisbane Water.

The Ettalong signatories requested that, at a minimum, the Ettalong Beach boat ramp be closed to jetskis and an exclusion zone for Ettalong and Umina beaches be enforced.

The petitioners stated that the jetski riders' conduct was frequently in contravention of regulations for the operation of jet skis, taking over whole sections of the beach at Ettalong and with races held from the boat ramp area to "Little Box".

The petitioners listed concerns including excess noise generated from the jet skis, exhaust pollution from the constant revving of engines being blown back over Ettalong, oil slicks, anti-social behavior, foul language, abuse to others, alcohol use and littering.

Their petition stated that due to the ban of jet skis on Sydney Harbour, there had been a marked increase of Jet Ski riders on Brisbane Water.

They requested that Council put an immediate ban on the use of jetskis on Brisbane Water or as a compromise, a total ban on jet skis using any part of Ettalong and Umina beaches with a 200m exclusion zone from the low water mark and permanent closure of the Ettalong boat ramp.

Council agenda P.73, November 2

IN BRIEF

Championships

Peninsula Regional Leisure Centre is set to host the NSW Swimming Championships in 2006.

The choice of venue comes before the pool has been completed.

Gosford Council currently has not received further details for the event.

Email, October 28
Laura Clyne, Gosford Council

Bowls events

Everglades players have done well in several special bowling events at local clubs.

This includes "Pot of Gold" at Ettalong, with Sue O'Connor, Ella Coggins and Judy King coming third.

At Avoca's "Bellbird Carnival", Lucie Bryant and Fay Cross came second and Gai Jackson and Judy King came third.

Newsletter, October 28
Iris Bate,
Everglades Country Club

Triples trophy

The Betty Warburton Trophy was played at Everglades Women's Bowls Club on October 12 with an "out of the hat" triples.

It was won by Joan Renehan, Judy King and Jeanette Davie.

The Everglades Consistency Final has been played in a close game.

The winner was Elaine Vincent with Josie Weate runner-up.

Newsletter, October 28
Iris Bate,
Everglades Country Club

Golf success

There was success for Everglades Country Club golfers playing away from home this month.

Kaye McKay and June Cooper are the new District Division two Foursomes Champions.

Linda Birrell and Anita Uptin won the Division one Nett and Jarna Woodland and Jan Patterson were runners up to Nett in Division two.

Newsletter, October 28
Jan Henry,
Everglades Country Club

Water polo season starts

The Central Coast water polo summer season began on November 3 with Woy Woy playing Gosford at Gosford Pool.

In the juniors, Gosford defeated Woy Woy 3-2, with the best player for the Woy Woy side being Tracey Elliott.

In the second grade men's team, Gosford beat Woy Woy 8-2, with Wade McFarland named best player for the match.

On the women's side, Gosford again defeated Woy Woy 7-6, with Vanessa Henderson named best player for Woy Woy.

In first grade men's, Woy Woy defeated Gosford 11-6 with Daniel Robinson being named best player for Woy Woy.

Email, November 4
Nicole Donohue

Committee elected

The new committee for the Men's Bowling section of Everglades Country Club has been chosen at its recent annual meeting.

Successful candidates were president: Noel Higgs, senior vice-president Ron Banks, vice-president Sid Smith, secretary Ray Benton, treasurer Doug Rose and committeemen Arthur Hughes, Howard Frankland, Stan Johnson, Brian Selwood and Kevin Wyborn.

The pennant selectors committee is Brian Selwood, David Bruce and Mick Jurd.

The club selector, Stan Johnson, has been voted in again to lead the social selection team of Charlie Gray and Gerry Pickford.

Newsletter, October 29
Everglades Country Club



Amanda is highest ranking

Peninsula resident Amanda Morrison has become a fourth degree black belt in Authentic Taekwon Do, making her the highest ranking female for the sport.

It also makes her the first fourth degree female for Authentic.

The honour was the result of heavy training undertaken by Amanda in the last couple of months.

Amanda attended the final Authentic National Squad training session on Friday October 8 before the Selections and National Championships which were to be held on the Sunshine Coast last

weekend.

The selections are for the 14th Senior World Taekwon Do Championships, held in Caloundra next year.

Amanda was hopeful for a place on the Australian Team.

Amanda attended the first day of the Master's Camp on Saturday, October 9.

The day started at 7am with training on the beach.

Each day something different was covered going over the art form side of Taekwon Do.

The training consisted of over 17 hours of training spread over three days.

This camp was attended by

members of Authentic Taekwon Do and Queensland Self-Defense, with 60 people in attendance over 40 of those being black belts and above.

Also during the weekend there was testing for black belt and above.

There were 13 people testing for their next belt, with four of those completing an international grading of fourth degree, including Amanda.

Letter, October 29
Authentic Taekwon-Do

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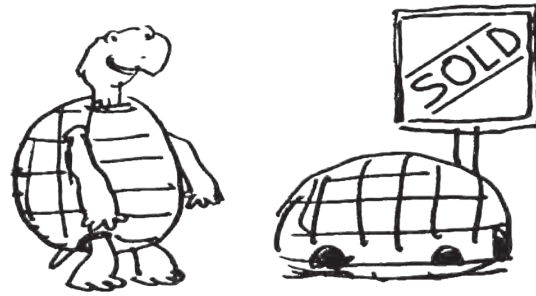
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Remembrance Day observed

A crowd gathered at Woy Woy Memorial Park on Thursday, November 11 at 11 am to commemorate Remembrance Day.

All branches of the armed services as well as the merchant navy and nurses were represented.

Additionally there were many representative groups from most of the armed conflicts that Australia was involved with during the 20th Century.

Also present was a group of visitors from the Lidcombe Sub-branch of the Returned Services League who timed their visit to Woy Woy to include their Remembrance Day observation.

Peninsula resident Alice Fitzpatrick, who in her 106th year is thought to be Australia's oldest war widow, was also present.

Cec Bucello, November 13



Above: Part of the crowd at the Remembrance Day Ceremony

Below: Wreath laying

Left: Alice Fitzpatrick, Australia's oldest war widow

