

Housing Department backs down on talks

Gosford Council has approved Department of Housing plans for a dual occupancy in Grafton Ave, Woy Woy, after senior staff from the department met with council representatives.

The department had earlier refused a meeting with the council to discuss the department's long-term strategy on the Peninsula.

Council, at its meeting of August 3, considered an application for the construction of four dual occupancy dwellings for the Department of Housing in Grafton Ave.

Council resolved to approve the application but asked the Department of Housing to meet to discuss its long term strategy for the Peninsula.

During the assessment of a new application for another house in Grafton Ave, council staff contacted the Department of Housing and requested a meeting with council. The Department declined.

In addition the Department indicated it had referred the development application to the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning

and Natural Resources, Mr Craig Knowles, asking that he determine the matter.

The report on the application was presented to council at its meeting on October 5.

The report noted the Department's refusal to meet with council as requested by the previous resolution.

As a result, council resolved to seek the concurrence of the Minister, Mr Knowles, for refusal of the development application.

Following council's resolution, the council's general manager Mr Peter Wilson was approached by senior staff of the Department of Housing seeking discussions on the issue.

A meeting between council and the Department of Housing occurred on Tuesday, November 23, and was attended by a number of councillors.

Council has since decided to rescind its resolution which sought the Minister's refusal of the application.

Council agenda DH.123, December 7



The Ettalong Beach Memorial Club on Memorial Ave

Rezoning proposal for memorial club land

Gosford Council will consider a proposal to rezone Ettalong Beach Memorial Club land to allow up to seven storeys on December 14.

The club has applied to rezone its land from "Special Uses" to "General Business", and to remove the existing three-storey height limit that currently applies to the site.

This would permit a mixed residential commercial retail development varying in height from two to seven storeys, which would replace the existing four-storey Ettalong War Memorial Club building.

The land adjoins the site of the Ettalong Beach Resort.

Under the approval for the resort, two levels of car parking were to be provided on the land, one at basement level and the other at ground level.

A council report stated that the rezoning proposal for the site included some unique circumstances.

The first was the applicant's submission that the basement car park on the site was due to be constructed early next year,

and the development potential of the subject site needed to be determined now, so that footings could be sized and constructed accordingly.

The second consideration was that council was at the early stages of reviewing planning controls for the Peninsula, including Ettalong Town Centre, and the new directions were yet to be considered by council.

Given the footings issue, and the significant scale of the development, the proposal was therefore assessed against the new planning directions in order to ensure the proposal had a strategic context, and to ensure the it was consistent with the new planning directions that would be presented to council early next year.

The third consideration was that the proposal provided opportunity to screen the rear of the nine-storey resort building.

Council officers recommended that council support the preparation of a draft local environmental plan for the club land.

Council agenda EP.63, December 7

Business levy approved

Gosford Council has decided to impose a 15-year rates levy on Peninsula business properties.

It will implement "option three", the highest of three levies proposed.

The levy will be rated at 0.00576659 cents in the dollar on land value and will raise around \$796,000 a year.

The levy will cost businesses an average of \$2084 in Ettalong, \$1801 in Woy Woy and \$1487 in Umina.

More than a third of the money raised (\$286,000 a year) will be spent on street cleaning and \$159,000 will be spent on "operation" and "asset maintenance".

A sum of \$60,000 will be spent on a business development officer

and a further \$10,000 will be spent on advertising.

Just over one third (\$281,000) will be spent on repaying a loan at 7.1 per cent interest for capital works. The works will cost just under \$3 million.

The council was told a public meeting was held by Gosford Council and supported by the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce on November 17.

The public meeting, held at the Umina Beach Bowling Club, was attended by 26 local business people.

Council staff who attended the public meeting outlined to local businesses three business rate options to allow local business owners the choice to select an appropriate rate.

Council staff explained the financial impact on an annual and weekly basis of each option for local businesses.

It was also noted that council would endeavour to apply for grants to supplement the money generated through a levy.

A poll of those present found 15 in favour of a special business rate, six not in favour and five undecided.

A majority of those in attendance opted for "option three".

Council's Finance Manager will now prepare a submission to the Minister for Local Government to levy the rate on Peninsula commercial premises commencing next year.

Council agenda CD.31, December 7

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The Handley family, new owners of the Umina Beach Newsagency

Newsagency changes hands

The newsagency on West St, Umina, has changed hands recently and is now run by the Handley family.

Greg and Beth Handley took over Umina Newsagency just over three weeks ago, and say business is going well.

“We chose to run a newsagency because it’s typically a strong community-based business,” Mr Handley said.

“We used to live in Wollongong, and then the Gold Coast, but we found the people up there a bit too plastic and false, so we wanted to move back to somewhere with real people.”

Mr Handley said his family had moved here only several weeks ago to be closer to the water and to family.

After three weeks in operation, Mr Handley said business was hectic, but that customers generally accepted the business well.

“There will be some changes in the future, but we mainly want to concentrate on customer service,” Mr Handley said.

Mr Handley said that he had kept the local staff onboard, along with his daughters Vanessa and LeeAnne.

Mr Handley said that any suggestions about the store would be greatly appreciated.

“The customers have been very kind to us, and we hope we can return the favour.”

Lyle Stone, December 8

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Party held

Ettalong War Widows Guild Club held its Christmas party on November 15.

Publicity officer Betty Johnston said a great time was had by all the members.

The next meeting will be held on February 21.

Email, November 29
Betty Johnston, Ettalong War Widows Guild

Profit improves

Everglades Country Club has shown a good financial month for September with a profit of \$64,229 compared to \$23,464 for September last year.

The year-to-date figures for the last three months show a profit of \$243,206 compared to \$170,279 last year.

The club’s cash surplus year to date stands at \$342,450.

Bulletin, November 29
Everglades Country Club

Christmas stall

Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary are holding a Christmas Stall outside Beach Books, West St, Umina on Thursday, December 16.

Letter, December 6
Margaret Whiting, Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary

Market day

A Mega Christmas Market Day will be held on December 18 at the Umina Progress Hall, in Sydney Ave, from 9am to 4pm.

Over 20 stalls will be set up at the hall including arts and craft, toys, gourmet chocolates, fashion clothes, cosmetics, Christmas decoration and gifts.

There will also be a chance to have a photo taken with Santa.

Newsletter, November 30
Umina Public School

Correction

In the last edition of Peninsula News it was stated that Gosford Council decided not to purchase a 1.2 hectare property on Woy Woy Rd.

This was incorrect.

The matter was deferred until council’s December 14 meeting.

Lyle Stone, December 10

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as the winners of the two
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Lyle Stone, December 8

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Council proceeds with ground water plan

Woy Woy has been identified as one of several locations that could be capable of delivering significant quantities of ground water.

In a joint press release, Gosford and Wyong mayors, Cr Malcolm Brooks and Cr Brenton Pavier, said that it was reasonable to expect groundwater on the Central Coast to be delivering 15ML a day by early 2006 which equates to 375 semi-trailer tankers a day.

"Where it is not of drinking quality, it would be used for irrigation or other non-drinking uses, thereby

freeing up drinking water," said Cr Brooks.

The Central Coast uses, on average during a year, 80ML of water a day.

A total of 110 bore sites have been identified across the Coast and, as at the end of October, 42 test bores have been drilled.

The councils are currently obtaining approvals from the relevant regulatory bodies for these "essential developments".

**Press release, November 30
Emily Bellemore, Hill and Knowlton**



Photo from Ms Bakewell's website: The Woy Woy airfield, facing south

Search for history of Woy Woy airfield

Local researcher Sharon Bakewell is searching for photos or oral history of the Woy Woy wartime airfield.

The airfield was constructed as a satellite field of Schofields airfield, which was used by the Royal Navy Fleet Air Arm.

The airfield, which had a single sealed north-south runway aligned with the current Trafalgar Ave, was used between 1941 and 1946.

Ms Bakewell has collected information from the national archives but needs to hear from local who were here at the time.

Anyone who has any details regarding the airfield can contact Ms Bakewell at PO Box 30, Woy Woy, 2256.

Ms Bakewell can also be contacted by email at sharon@localhistoryaustralia.info.

Lyle Stone, December 8

Report sought on surf carnival

Cr Terri Latella is calling for a report from the council's director of environmental planning Ms Louise Gee about the proposed surf carnival at Umina Beach.

She has given notice that, at Tuesday's council meeting, she will move that the director prepare a report for Council's consideration as a matter of urgency, "following the receipt of the amended surf carnival layout plan and supportive

information" from NSW Surf Life Saving (NSWSLS).

Providing background to her motion, Cr Latella stated: "There have been numerous discussions with NSWSLS to support the conservation and preservation of dune vegetation by incorporating a plan of management for the Carnival to minimise harmful impacts on the environment."

Council agenda NM.35, December 14

Comment sought on lagoon plans

A draft plan of management for the Everglades lagoon system is to go on public exhibition for four weeks.

Some key management issues identified in the plan included impacts on flora and fauna, impacts on the Sydney Freshwater Wetland endangered ecological community, lack of melaleuca recruitment, eucalypt die-back, changed fire regimes and water levels with flooding and groundwater extraction.

The Everglades lagoon system consists of seven freshwater lagoons near the Everglades Country Club at Woy Woy.

The plan of management was developed with community and State Government consultation.

The minimum period of public exhibition for the plan is 28 days and the minimum period for council to receive comments on the plan is 42 days from the first day of

exhibition.

If no "significant objections" to the plan are received, council has stated it would adopt the plan.

Council officers stated that if significant objections were submitted, a further report would be given to council providing details.

Council is considering funding the program under its capitol works fund next year.

The Everglades Lagoon System draft plan of management was developed by Kellogg Brown and Root, with funding from council and the Department of Infrastructure Planning and Natural Resources.

The plan provides a framework for the short, medium and long term management of the area.

It also provides objectives for the management of the area, management actions to achieve those objectives and performance targets.

Council agenda EP.66, December 7

Ferry fares to rise

Central Coast Ferries is set to increase its fare prices before the end of January.

Operator Jon Kirk said that fare prices would still be less than the "stipulated fare".

"When we first bought the business, the fares were supposed to increase, but we couldn't increase the fares then or it would have been getting the commuters offside," Mr Kirk said.

Mr Kirk said the fares, which averaged about \$5, would increase to around \$5.40.

Of the increase, a large percentage would go towards increasing public liability insurance costs which grew by 30 per cent this year.

Mr Kirk said he and his wife loved running the ferry service, but that the company was struggling.

"We love boating, but the commuter uptake has been particularly poor," Mr Kirk said.

"Of the 400 or so people that opted for this ferry, we have less than 20 regular commuters."

The new fares will be applied from December 12 but Mr Kirk said he would not increase his fares until he had the appropriate documents in front of him.

"We need to bring the fare prices slightly back in line.

"We aren't doing ourselves any favours."

Lyle Stone, December 8



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Woody pear questions remain unanswered

The headline "Woody pear removal explained" (Peninsula News, November.15) is both inaccurate and misleading.

Cr Latella asked why two woody pears were removed yet Ms Colleen Worthy-Jennings for Gosford Council claims "a woody pear tree" had been removed. Why?

And so what your readers may ask?

No attempt made to explain the significance, rarity or why xylomelum pyriforme is protected under Schedule 13 of the NSW Threatened Species Act and a \$10,000 fine applies for the removal of these trees.

The rest of this sorry story goes some way to explaining why council

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is the most complained about in this State.

When this development was advertised and we were invited to comment upon it, I took a short stroll up the street to have a look at the trees as it makes me sick that every development in this tree lined pocket sees people move here, pay a premium for the pleasure, then destroy all the trees on every block.

Noticing the xylomelums I was told that all trees would be retained and that the developer had agreed to this and relocated the garage to enable the trees to be retained.

I thanked the planner for her effort and call and, on the following Tuesday, the developer thanked

me by removing the trees. What a bastard act.

Why has Worthy-Jennings not answered the question of why I was told the trees would be retained?

And why were "the woody pear trees not included in the assessment" when the possible destruction of these trees formed the basis for my making a submission to the council?

Why were these trees removed when they "were not indicated on the development plans for removal"?

The outcome of this sad tale is that the developer has moved the garage closer to the front boundary, giving extra recreational space to preserve the trees and the trees were then removed.

And this is called planning?

Bryan Ellis, Umina

It's filthy, it stinks and it kills

Keith Whitfield's praise of tobacco, in the November 29 forum, made me laugh out loud.

He speaks of the "pleasure, peace and contentment" tobacco provides, but this is simply part of the self-delusion smokers have to indulge in.

No one actually enjoys a smoke.

You start because of peer pressure. You get addicted, and the "pleasure" is nothing more than the relief of the craving that wouldn't be there if you didn't smoke.

It is the same relief you feel

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when you stop banging your head on the wall.

It would be better not to bang your head on the wall in the first place.

Tobacco is filthy and it stinks.

Manufacturers try to disguise the stench by adding rum, port, and scents, plus a few poisons, but it still stinks.

And oh yes, it also kills

Barry Riley, Umina

Levy surprise follows little public consultation

I have recently read about the introduction of a business levy for various works and expenditures to be carried out in the main three districts within the Peninsula: Woy Woy, Umina and Ettalong.

I have noted that the proposal of three options for these various works would be funded via the business owners of the above areas.

I was unable to attend a public meeting that was held at the Umina Beach Bowling Club, and as far as I am aware it was the only meeting held within Umina in regards to this topic.

I have been advised that a small handful of persons attended the above meeting, approximately 26 to 30 with a supposed vote being quite divided.

I am surprised to hear that Gosford Council has voted on this levy, or tax, on Tuesday, December 7, considering the small amount of public consultation and publicity that it has received.

As a business owner within the

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area, I would be totally against the introduction of this levy as I believe the works and items proposed are projects that should be funded by council via the means that are already available, general rates.

To me, this proposal seems to be another way of the local council sourcing its funds via other means to alleviate any pressure on its own funding.

If the council is having trouble funding the works that it needs to carry out within its district then maybe it should look in its own backyard and rectify the waste of resources that you see day to day.

There are enough pressures on small businesses already without having this proposed arrangement forced upon the many that struggle to make ends meet week after week.

This is all more so due to ongoing street works in Umina which seem to have taken a rather large extended time and have inconvenienced the

local community on more than one occasion.

I would strongly oppose any levy that was introduced for the business owners to pay for any remediation works.

Scott Wall, Umina

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Privatisation is not a panacea

The simplistic view, that public services should be privatised when there are problems, needs to be rejected.

If there are management problems with public transport the answer is to improve the management and increase public investment in equipment, staff, training and maintenance.

A large, integrated service providing benefits for all citizens and organisations, public and private, at reasonable prices, the product of public investment and experience over a long period of time, is a collectively owned asset that should remain in public hands.

The unspeakable rail chaos in the UK after privatisation, with three different companies doing their uncoordinated own thing, may serve as an example of simplistic ideological justifications gone wrong.

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In Australia, privatised airports and the power industry are moving in the same direction.

Some major public services are plainly unsuited to privatisation.

It is not at all a panacea for all problems.

It seems that Australia needs to learn that the hard way considering that voters apparently now support Telstra's T3 - or so the Howard Government claims.

Klaas Woldring, Pearl Beach

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You may also need to add a wetting agent that will break the surface tension of the soil and allow the water to soak in.

With our present water restrictions, you could look at dividing your garden into sections, watering each section thoroughly ensuring that the water is getting down to where it is most needed.

Shallow watering encourages shallow roots that can dry out and dye.

Also add mulch.

There are many products out there, just make sure that you use the best one for your garden and one that has good water retention.

When it does rain, use it wisely.

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Janice Rutherford, Ettalong

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Directory released

A new local directory has been released on the Peninsula, with another edition expected to be released in January.

Sarah Rimmer and Jane Tenney came up for the idea of The Local while they were finding their way around the Peninsula.

Ms Rimmer and Ms Tenney said that their belief was that the Peninsula had a lot to offer, but that there was no "central resource" for anyone to refer to.

That is when they decided to create "The Local".

The first half of the directory

contains community listings commencing with emergency and helpline numbers.

The second half comprises of classified advertising and listings essential to the running of a household.

All community listings are free of charge and revenue is raised through advertising sales.

Throughout the directory, there are short stories and articles of local interest; anecdotes and useful website addresses

Press release, December 9
Jane Tenney, The Local



The Peninsula Leisure Centre being constructed

History of Riley's Island

The Environmental Education association recently printed a brief history of Riley's Island, based on information supplied by Geoff Potter of the Local Studies Section at Gosford Library.

Riley's Island was known as Shell Island originally and was advertised by the Government for sale during the early 1830s.

John Riley purchased the island from the Crown in 1855 for £140/17/6.

John Riley may have begun shipbuilding in the 1860s.

An application to Gosford Council for subdivision on the island was made in September 1960, and was refused just over a year later.

The Minister for Local Government approved development on the island subject to certain conditions in April 1969.

The proposal for Riley's Island involved the conversion of a mangrove island into a housing estate.

In 1972, architecture students from Sydney University were set an assignment to: evaluate the development of Riley's Island.

They were shocked by their findings, which in turn led to the formation of the Central Coast Environmental Protection Council.

Towards the end of 1973, this organisation held a public meeting which attracted the largest gathering for an environmental matter in Gosford until that time.

In 1975, primary school children took up a petition to save Riley's Island.

Central Coast Trades and Labour Council became involved and placed a green ban on the island and this saved the island from the bulldozers.

The council called a public meeting to again involve the local community and the Save Riley's Island committee was formed.

Proposed subdivision on the

island was 400 lots.

This was reduced to 287.

In May 1975, Spike Milligan spoke at Ettalong to make a formal public protest over the proposed housing development.

In July a year later, Gosford Council voted to acquire the island as a nature reserve but the acquisition was unsuccessful.

Around 1979, the Trades and Labour Council agreed to maintain an indefinite green ban on Riley's Island.

Later that year a petition from local residents called for Riley's Island to be preserved as a wilderness area and in the same year Premier Neville Wran announced a public inquiry into the island's future.

In 1980, the State Government negotiated to acquire the island and that same year Minister Eric Bedford announced that it would be acquired for regional open space at a purchase price of \$900,000.

Newsletter, December 6
Central Coast Environmental Education Association

The Peninsula Leisure Centre is about half finished, according to Gosford Council's recreation manager Mr Peter Hickman.

Mr Hickman said building started in June and is around 50 per cent complete.

He said the external and internal walls, floors and roof structures for the pool area are complete.

After the roof sheeting is installed, work will begin on the fit out of the interior.

The external works are continuing with the majority of the main internal road completed.

Sealing will be done later with the front and rear car parks. This part of the project was "way ahead of schedule", he said.

The sprung timber floor of the indoor courts will be installed in April next year.

Pool construction reaches half way

The roof above the courts will be high enough for international basketball and interstate netball competition.

The stands will seat 147 people with others able to view through the glass wall above the seating.

Council will liaise with local sporting groups and schools in the first half of next year about programming and competitions.

A program of road works in Alpha Rd, Welcome St, Blackwall Rd and Alpha Lane has commenced.

Works to date include a site survey and drainage works in both Alpha Rd and Welcome St.

Alpha Lane works have started with the placement of the drain crossing culverts.

Storm water pipe and pits will be completed by Christmas in Alpha Rd.

Kerb and gutter will be

constructed after Christmas.

Council is considering the design for Blackwall Rd that has been on public exhibition recently.

The features of the landscape will include planting of 25 Bangalow palms in a paved area outside the glass doors on the northern side of the pool area.

The palms have arrived at council's Woy Woy Depot where they are being looked after by its nursery staff.

Around the palms will be a grassed area with barbecues, tables and chairs for visitors and guests to use.

Most of the plants used in the landscape would be Australian natives, particularly in the dense screen plantings.

Press release, December 6
Peter Hickman, Gosford Council



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The speed camera outside Woy Woy South Public School

Legal advice sought on speed cameras

Gosford Cr Craig Doyle has asked for legal advice about collecting revenue raised by local speed cameras, including those in Woy Woy Rd and Blackwall Rd.

Cr Doyle asked whether, as the owner of all roads in the local area, would it be possible for council to claim revenue raised via the RTA speed cameras located on council road reserves?

Cr Doyle also asked if it would be possible to use this revenue in road safety campaigns.

In a notice of motion, Cr Doyle stated that the revenue could be used for items such as flashing lights near schools, funding for pedestrian bridges; "Cares" facilities, driver education and road surfacing and alignment improvements.

Council Agenda NM.34, December 7

Decision deferred for Trafalgar Ave Units

Gosford Council has deferred making a decision on an application for an 11-unit three-storey building in Trafalgar Ave, Umina, until its meeting of December 14.

Council officers had recommended refusal of the development.

Amended plans were submitted by the applicant after council deferred the matter to clarify several issues, including excessive height.

The plans showed that the building had been altered by removing the mezzanine levels from the topmost units, lowering

the overall height of the building.

The amendments had the effect of reducing the floor space of the proposal.

A report from council officers stated that the impact on privacy of nearby properties had not been addressed by the applicant with the amended plans.

An initial application submitted to council contained commercial space at ground floor level and 14 residential units at the upper levels.

The original proposal had five storeys.

Council agenda DH.116, December 7

Election promises not yet delivered

Gosford Council staff have listed a \$4 million commuter carpark expansion and new fencing at Umina Public School among State Government election promises not yet delivered on the Peninsula.

The council decided to write, seeking clarification of their status.

A staff report to the council stated that preliminary discussions had been held with representatives of the Department of Transport about the expansion of the Woy Woy commuter car park.

However, no grant offer or indication of project timing was received.

No information had been received about the promised new fencing at Umina Public School.

However, the report showed that many of the promises had been kept.

Council received \$200,000 from the Government towards the construction of the Peninsula Aquatic Centre, and \$13,353 towards extending the toy libraries at Umina and Woy Woy, making toys accessible to a wider community.

The Central Coast problem gambling service at the Peninsula

Community Centre was granted \$142,791.

The Web Youth Service at Woy Woy received \$107,000 over two years and employed extra staff to boost operating hours of the facility.

The Schools as Community Centre Project at Umina Public School was awarded \$101,000 as promised.

A crime prevention package for Woy Woy worth \$533,752 was also given.

Designs to extend Pretty Beach boat ramp and build a jetty at Pretty Beach at a cost of \$200,000 were being finalised.

An upgrade at Brisbane Water Secondary College at a cost of \$3.2 million was completed in September.

A promise for an Alternative Learning Centre at Umina to encourage youth to stay at school worth \$360,000 was also kept by the government.

Council at its meeting on May 27 last year resolved that reports on the progress and monitoring of the State Government's commitments be presented to council on a six monthly basis.

Council agenda FS.157, December 7

Pursuing breaches

Gosford's Cr Terri Latella has asked the council's director of development and health Ms Colleen Worthy-Jennings at council's meeting of December 7 if council was pursuing "breaches to a developed site at Empire Bay Dr".

Cr Latella said that the breaches related to the destruction of endangered and threatened species.

She asked whether the Principle Certifying Authority (PCA) and the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources had been contacted.

Ms Worthy-Jennings replied that she was not pursuing the breaches.

She said that if the complainants were unhappy, council would follow it up and refer it back to the PCA and the PCA's controlling body.

Council agenda Q.140, December 7

New bushcare group formed

A bush care group has been formed in Empire Bay.

The group meet for two hours on the third Sunday of each month at the tennis courts in Shelly Beach Rd.

There next meeting will be held on December 19, and anyone is welcome to join.

A representative of the group said the team need all the help they can get to battle the weeds overgrowing the wetlands.

For more information contact 4369 2486.

All tools and training are provided.

Newsletter, November 29 Empire Bay and District News

Christmas barbecue at Empire Bay

Empire Bay's annual Christmas Eve barbecue will be held outside the Progress Hall in Gordon Rd.

Its Santa run on the back of a truck has been cancelled due to rising public liability costs.

Santa will be at the hall to hand out lollies to the children.

Small children up to seven years come first from 6.30pm on and bigger children can get their lollies from Santa from 7.30pm onwards.

There will be a sausage sizzle, rolls and hot dogs at \$2 each and soft drinks at \$1, cordial at 50 cents.

A representative of the association said that Gordon Rd, Boongala Rd, and Sorrento Rd were usually beautifully lit up for Christmas, the setting would be exciting for the children.

Newsletter, November 29 Empire Bay and District News

Nominations are now open

Nominations are now open for next year's Gosford Australia Day Community Awards, Peninsula resident Ms Heather McKenzie was this year's recipient.

Local residents can be nominated for awards in a range of categories such as sport, cultural, senior citizen, young person, persons with a disability or service to people with a disability, business person, service to the community and service to the environment.

This year's Citizen of the Year Award was presented to Heather McKenzie for her ongoing work particularly for the Peninsula community.

Ms McKenzie has been, and continues to be, a strong campaigner for issues such as the environment, public transport, medical services, nursing home accommodation and youth issues.

She has also been a dedicated volunteer for St Vincent de Paul, South Woy Woy Progress Association, Royal Blind Society, PCYC and Australia Day celebrations in Woy Woy.

Nomination forms are available at Woy Woy and Umina libraries and senior citizens' centres or by telephoning 4325 8107.

The form can also be downloaded from council's website www.gosford.nsw.gov.au

Nominations close Friday, December 17.

Press release, December 1 Alison Nolan, Gosford Council

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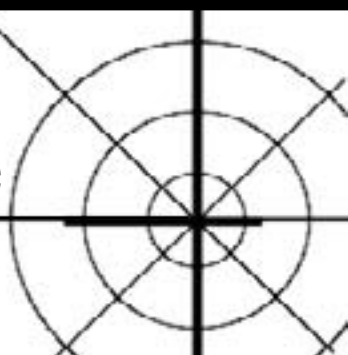
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Burge Rd to be closed

Gosford Council's traffic committee has recommended the closure of Burge Rd, Woy Woy, at its intersection with Blackwall Rd.

The move came after council's assistant manager for engineering services requested a review of the traffic and parking impact as a result of the proposed traffic signals near the new Woy Woy Regional Leisure Centre.

Pedestrian traffic signals were to be installed on Blackwall Rd just south of Burge Rd as a condition of consent for the construction of the centre.

The location of the signals required that the right turn into and out of Burge Rd and the left turn out of Burge Rd be banned.

Council officers and representatives of the RTA recently met with the owner of the general store located on the corner of Blackwall Rd and Burge Rd.

The shop owner raised concerns regarding possible loss of trade as a result of the proposed restrictions and also the loss of parking in Blackwall Rd.

It was suggested by council officers that a full closure of Burge Rd would allow the construction of a parking bay with space for two vehicles created by the closure.

Recently, council received a petition containing 52 signatures from residents of Burge Rd requesting that council act to reduce traffic volumes in Burge Rd.

The residents claimed motorists were using Burge Rd to avoid the fixed speed camera and new traffic signals at the intersection of Blackwall Rd and Allfield Rd.

Council officers stated that the full closure of Burge Rd at Blackwall Rd would assist in resolving the matter.

Council agenda TR 04.138, December 7



Shopping centre to be renovated

The Village Shopping Centre on the corner of West and Oscar Sts in Umina is to be renovated.

However, not all tenants have welcomed the news.

M and M's Coffee proprietor Ms Margaret Stapleton said that many of the businesses in the complex were being asked to close while renovations by Coles Myer took place.

If they wanted to move back in afterward, they would have to pay almost double their current rent, she said.

Ms Stapleton said that although she agreed the centre did need fixing up, she would not be able to afford the extra rent and was concerned for the well-being of her customers.

"I think it is the customers that are getting me upset the most," Ms Stapleton said.

"For most of them, coming here is a regular thing, where will they go if

this shop isn't here?

"I have until New Years Eve to move out."

Ms Stapleton said that, to make matters worse, her store was broken into on December 1.

A sum of cash was stolen, including money which was to be donated to the Cancer Council as funds raised from selling daffodils.

"I can't afford to move back in. I suppose this is just progress," she said.

A shop manager in the centre whose business closed its doors recently, said she was concerned for the welfare of other businesses in Umina due to the renovations.

"I think Coles Myer couldn't care less about the community," said Ms Catherine Huxter of the Good News Treasure House.

"Their business is going to put so many other businesses out."

"The little guy is being overrun."

The church-run store has been forced to trade as a once-a-month

market due to lack of funds.

However, Bilo corporate affairs officer Ms Claire McFarlane denied tenants were being "kicked out".

She said that most of the shop owners already had other premises to move into, and as most of the stores only rented on a month-to-month basis, six months was fair warning.

"All the current tenants can apply for new positions in the centre," Ms McFarlane said.

"I appreciate how customers feel, and we do understand that locals are fond of the shops, but most are moving to new premises."

"We realise change can be unsettling, but we think people will be pleased."

"I hope they will love the new tenants just as much, if the old ones don't move back in."

Ms McFarlane said the new centre would be more modern and cleaner, and the Bilo centre would be slightly larger.

The village shopping centre has been open since 1978.

Lyle Stone, December 8

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Early carnival

Woy Woy Public School held its 2005 sports carnival last week because Woy Woy Pool is not yet built and Gosford Pool was booked up.

**Newsletter, December 6
Woy Woy Public School**

Challenge Cup

The Challenge Cup, a district event for number four pennant players, was held at The Entrance Bowling Club on November 1, and included a team from Everglades Country Club.

The Everglades team selected was Clare Gerrard, Eve Pickford, Norma Horne, Fay Wood, who won both games only to be beaten by one shot in the finals.

**Bulletin, November 29
Everglades Country Club**

Charity day

Everglades held its charity day recently, raising \$3000 for Children's Cancer Research.

A representative for the club thanked all those who donated crafts, cakes, vegetables and many other goods, and also those who worked hard to organise this day.

**Newsletter, December 1
Bowls News**

Fast ferry works start

Fast Ships, the company behind the proposed Ettalong-Sydney fast ferry, has begun building footpaths and amenities along the Ettalong foreshore.

Gosford Council's manager of planning and development Mr Jim Davies said that the company was keen to commence development, including public works, so that they did not lose their council approval.

Mr Davies said the company was issued with a partial construction certificate in October, which included a bus stop and taxi rank which "would accommodate the needs of the public down the track".

"We understand that this might lead people to think sooner rather than later, but we can't speculate on that," Mr Davies said.

"It would be of public benefit for the footpath to be built now and if they want to do that, of course we will approve it."

Lyle Stone, December 8

No exemption for waste trucks

Gosford Council's traffic committee has recommended that no exemptions to the eight-tonne load limit be made on Woy Woy Rd for waste services vehicles.

The committee had been asked to consider an exemption for SITA, the council's waste contractor.

At its meeting held on September 6, the council agreed to defer a decision to allow a further meeting with SITA representatives.

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

Travel time surveys were undertaken on Tuesday, October 26, using a 16-tonne fully-loaded tip truck.

The survey results showed times via Woy Woy Rd of around 12 minutes

compared to around 17 minutes via Brisbane Water Dr.

A staff report claimed that there was "little additional time", averaging about five and a half minutes, taken for heavy vehicles to travel to and from the recycling centre via the Pacific Highway and Brisbane Water Dr.

Since the introduction of the restriction, no complaints had been received from other transport operators with regard to increased running times as a result of the implementation of the load limit.

Council imposed the restriction on Woy Woy Rd to reduce to potential for further accidents involving heavy vehicles at the intersection of Woy Woy Rd and Horsfield Rd and the bend near the former abattoir site.

Council agenda TR 04.119, December 7

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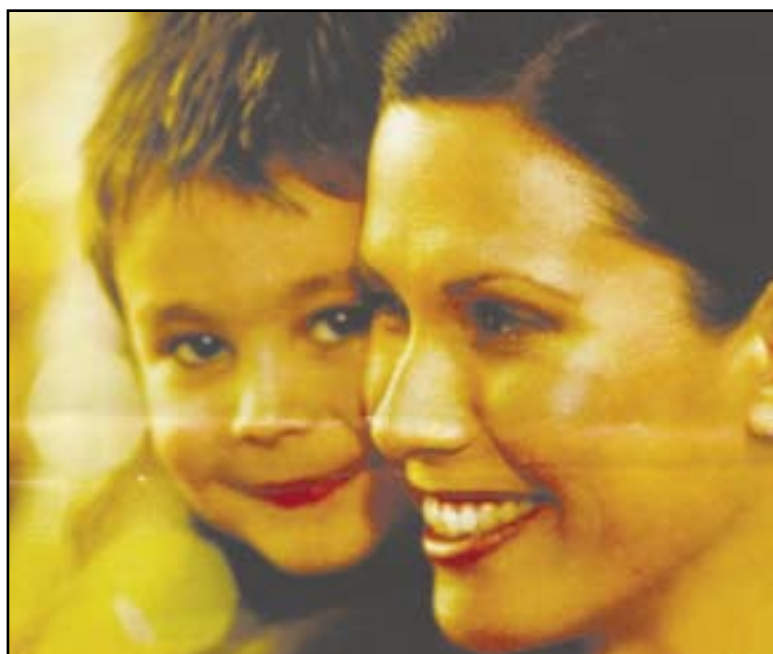
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Students assist with hamper appeal

Umina Public School is supporting the St Vincent De Paul Society and seeking donations of toys or money to assist with its Christmas Hamper for needy children in the Peninsula area.

Principal Mr John Blair said students from kindergarten to Year 6 might like to contribute gifts to the appeal and place them under the Christmas tree set up in the school

foyer.

The gifts are only required for children up to 10 years of age and the appeal will run until Wednesday, December 15.

Mr Blair added that gifts did not need to be wrapped and an indication of the age category of the present would be appreciated.

Special tags were available from the school office.

**Newsletter, November 30
Umina Public School**



Member for Peats Ms Marie Andrews and Carmen Daniels-Perrin examine the Peninsula celebration and safety Calendar

Pearl Beach wildlife walk

The National Parks and Wildlife Service has organised an event for Tuesday, December 14, called Back of the Pearl, as part of its Discovery Program.

The bushwalk is an opportunity to explore the bushland behind Pearl Beach and to discover the biodiversity of the area.

The walk explores the waterfall at Green Point Creek and morning tea is held overlooking for the ocean

beyond Pearl Beach.

Participants must bring their own walking shoes, water, snacks and sun protection.

The walk is medium difficulty and costs \$7 for adults.

Participants are asked to meet at the Arboretum on Crystal Ave, Pearl Beach, at 9am for a noon finish.

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

**Newsletter, December 6
National Parks and Wildlife Service**

Raising funds

A Woy Woy fast food store has raised about \$1600 for a children's charity.

Woy Woy McDonalds raised the funds for Ronald McDonald House Charities from a percentage of sales and through donations from the local

community on Saturday, November 20.

The store was helped on the day by local Girl Guides.

Owner Mr John Ursino said the day was a great success.

Steve Andrews, November 22

Peninsula Project may be continued

The Peninsula Place Management Project, funded by the Premier's Department, may be extended for a further 12 months.

Gosford Council has been told that "working on a structure to continue the project" for another year was discussed at a meeting between Peninsula project manager

Ms Julie Parsons and the Central Coast Regional Organisation of Councils on August 4.

At the meeting, Ms Parsons was said to have discussed a brief history of the project and what it had planned for the future.

Some of the items discussed were the project's development of a celebration and safety calendar,

the development of a database of activities and outcomes, the making of a police assistance line and grandparents' assistance and the integration of agency activities.

Also discussed was the establishment of safety committees to continue activities when the project ceases.

**Council agenda RO.020,
December 7**

Funding for bushcare

Pearl Beach Bushcare has become one of many recipients of over \$18,000 in Australian Government funding for conservation projects in the region, according to the Member for Robertson, Mr Jim Lloyd.

Envirofund funding has been announced for the Mangrove Mountain and Districts Community Group, Pearl Beach Bushcare and the MacMasters Beach and District Progress Association which will "help restore, rejuvenate and revegetate

our beautiful Coast environment".

"Community groups and individuals will have another opportunity to apply for funding from the Envirofund next year," he said.

"I encourage community groups and individuals on the Central Coast to apply for funding from the Australian Government Envirofund to help them undertake projects to restore and conserve the local environment."

Through the Envirofund, community groups can apply for grants from just a few hundred dollars up to \$30,000.

Where the magnitude, complexity

or public benefit of the project is such that additional funding would be beneficial, grants can be considered up to \$50,000.

Applications for Round 6 of the Envirofund close at 5pm on Friday, February 18.

**Press release, November 19
Jim Lloyd, Member for Robertson**

Councillor seeks arborist's report

Cr Jim Macfadyen has asked the director of community services Mr Phil Rowland whether he had the arborist's report on the health of the Yum Yum trees at Killcare.

He also asked that, if council's report came back stating that the trees were sound, council notify the locals who were concerned about the trees being removed.

Mr Rowland responded that the report had only come through in the last couple of days.

Mr Rowland added that the arborist had recommended some management and improvement works to protect the tree.

Mr Rowland also said that council were checking funding availability for the works and would move quickly to issue a press release clarifying the situation.

**Council agenda Q.124,
November 23**

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Arts & Entertainment

Creation story at theatre

Quench Theatre Christian Drama is presenting a play entitled "Three" at the Peninsula Theatre, Woy Woy, from December 15 to 18.

The play, written and directed by Rouba El-hage, shows an account of Jesus and the creation of the

universe through the perspective of Jesus, God and the Holy Spirit.

The play starts at 8pm and tickets cost \$18 for adults and \$15 concession.

With enquiries or to book a ticket, contact 4323 3233.

Lyle Stone, December 10

Santa to read stories

Santa will be visiting Umina and Woy Woy Libraries for a special Christmas storytime.

Santa will appear at Umina Beach Library on Tuesday, December 14, at 10.30am.

He will also appear at Woy Woy Library on Monday, December 20, also at 10.30am.

Everyone is welcome to come

and meet him and bookings are not necessary.

The story time is recommended for children aged three to five years.

For more information contact 4348 9915.

**Newsletter, December 6
Gosford Library**

Entertainment delivered

A mini rock band, singers and instrumentalists from Woy Woy Public School delivered some early Christmas

entertainment at the Peninsula Village retirement facility on December 6.

The performance was held instead of "Grandfriends day", which could not be held this year due to the school's busy schedule.

The students also performed for residents at Deepwater Retirement Village.

The 14 Year 3 to Year 6 students had been rehearsing throughout the year and performing to school groups, but this was their first venture into the public performance arena.

**Newsletter, December 2
Woy Woy Public School**

Monica mooches to Pearl Beach

Monica Trapaga, who fronts the Monica and the Moochers, and trumpet player Bob Barnard will headline Jazz in January, on January 15, at the Pearl Beach arboretum.

An organiser from the Pearl Beach Progress Association said that attendance was by reserved tickets only.

Proceeds from the village's annual Jazz in January concert go to Pearl Beach conservation projects.

Since 1985, Monica's career has been a mix of music and acting experience.

After touring the USA as a student, Monica joined "Pardon Me Boys" as co lead singer.

She recorded an album, toured Australia extensively and appeared at every major festival in the country.

In 1988 she formed "Monica & The Moochers".

Her album received critical acclaim and became one of the highest selling jazz albums of the year as well as being nominated for ARIA and APRA awards

Monica's experience covers stage, television and the children's entertainment industry.

Currently a presenter on

Seven's high rating, and five Logie Award winner, "Better Homes and Gardens", she is a familiar face on such shows as "Midday with Kerrie Anne", "Roy and HG", "Denise", "Good Morning Australia", "The Morning Shift" and "Carols in the Domain".

Adult tickets are \$30, children under 12 are \$15, while children under 6 years old are free.

Reservations can be made by telephone on 4343 1455.

For more information, phone Henry Mendelson on 0412 564 956

**Press release, November 19
Henry Mendelson**

Last dinner for wine club

Everglades Country Club held its last wine club dinner for the year on September 18, along with its wine club annual meeting.

The committee after the club's election comprise president Mr Mick Gage, vice-president Mr Keith Walker, secretary Mrs Jan Patterson and treasurer Mr Chris Oliver.

Guest speakers then gave their presentations.

Max Horner gave a presentation based on his experiences as a wine judge at country shows.

Max spoke of a day in the life of a wine judge, who had just returned from a day's work at the Tangaratta Show, where he had sampled some 42 varieties of wine.

The next speaker was John

Henry, with a portrayal of "Jean Robert Henri", a visiting French wine maker from the foothills of the Pyrenees.

Participants were also treated to a mystery wine competition which was won by John Woods.

There were also over 20 "Lucky Door" wine and chocolate prizes.

**Bulletin, November 29
Everglades Country Club**

Winner: A Morning Walk

I stride along the beach on my morning walk. The view is enchanting, so peaceful. I inhale its magical beauty and with each breath it revives me - I feel good all over.

I watch the waves as they roll onto the golden sand, playfully darting back and forth in many shades of bluey green.

Another walker approaches and without slowing our step we exchange a friendly smile followed by a chirpy "good morning".

Up ahead a Golden Retriever bounds towards me all wet and salty after a dip in the ocean.

He's almost upon me ready to jump up with a playful greeting.

His owner calls him just in time and he turns on his heel and returns to chase the ball once more with endless reserves of energy.

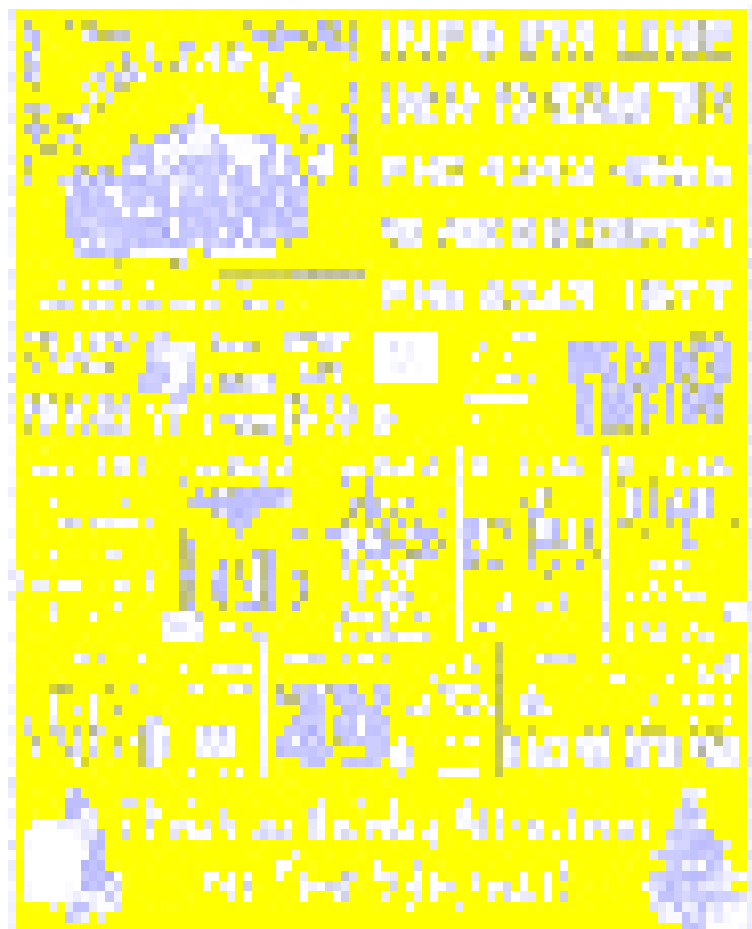
The Peninsula News Fellowship of Australian Writers Literary competition winner in the non-fiction category was Cassandra White of Ettalong. Following is her winning entry:

In the distance a lone fisherman stands by his rod with the line cast into the sea, forever hopeful that he will catch a bite.

The humming of the Ettalong-Palm Beach ferry draws my attention as it glides through the water, manoeuvring through the buoys towards its destination.

Now it's passed and all I can see is the tree-covered headlands framing the tranquil sea - What a wonderful place to be!

Cassandra White, September 1



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Impact Plants Nursery at Empire Bay

Nursery extension approval deferred

Gosford Council will consider next week approving a plan to extend the Impact Plants nursery at Empire Bay.

The nursery is located at the intersection of Poole Cl and Belrose Pl.

The applicant proposed to

establish a commercial wholesale plant nursery on Lot 7 which would be amalgamated with the adjoining Impact Plants on lot 6.

The proposal includes car parking for 28 vehicles, storage areas and a grassed forecourt area.

A number of public submissions

were received from local residents regarding flooding and lighting.

Facilitation failed to resolve a few issues but conditions have been proposed to address the concerns of the residents.

Council agenda DH.117, December 7

Licence granted for repeater

Gosford Council has approved Channel Nine's application to continue operating its microwave repeater dish at Killcare Heights.

Channel Nine asked to negotiate a licence with Gosford Council to formalise its existing signal use in the Killcare Heights area, as it had been operating in the area without a licence since a previous licence

expired on June 30 two years ago.

Channel Nine continued operating under the expired licence until it entered into a fresh licence with council.

The proposed term of the lease would be five years with three options of five years.

The proposed renewal of the licence was referred to the Water and Sewerage Directorate as corporate owner of the water reservoir site.

Directorate staff raised no objections to the company occupying the area, subject to it meeting industry standards, electromagnetic radiation zoning and in accordance with the appropriate WorkCover legislation.

Channel Nine has an equipment shelter installed on the site, a microwave repeater dish, an access ladder attached to the reservoir and associated cabling.

Council agenda FS.135, November 23

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More progress

Empire Bay's next progress association meeting will be held on December 21 at 7.30pm at the community hall, in Gordon Rd, where nominations for its committee will be accepted.

Any nominations for positions on the committee of the progress association should be made at this meeting as its annual meeting is the third Tuesday in February.

The positions to be filled are secretary, treasurer and president.

The progress meetings are open to all community members and input is always welcome.

Newsletter, November 29
Empire Bay and District News

Long-time CWA member dies

Long-time member of the Umina Beach branch of the Country Women's Association, Grace Williams, has died at the age of 80.

She was laid to rest in a celebration of her life at a ceremony in Greenway Chapel, Green Point, on Monday, November 29.

A guard of honour was formed by 15 members of the branch, together with members of Woy Woy Stroke Group.

Grace had been a serving member of CWA for 36 years, establishing a branch in 1968 in Dampier in Western Australia.

Umina Beach branch president Mrs Lorraine Denning gave a short eulogy, paying tribute to Grace for her work at Umina, being treasurer from 1988-90, and again from 1993-95.

A group councillor for many years, Grace knew all the rules and was often asked to give a ruling on tricky questions.

Grace was a great one for welcoming new members and introduced "Australia's Biggest Morning Tea for Charity" to the branch.

Grace also introduced "Friendship" and "Hoy" Day on the fifth Wednesday of the month.

Her son Geoff told of his mother's life from her birth in Adelaide in 1924.

Married to husband Ernie for 59 years, her many moves to various parts of Australia included Port Augusta, Caringbah, Dampier, Perth, Castle Hill and finally Umina.

Grace could be described as a "people collector" - people whom she treasured and made her life time friends, as witnessed by Geoff, Tony and Iris, Allan and

Shirley, Audrey and Ray, Glad and Nev, Pyh and Jim, Joan and John.

Moving to Caringbah were Sid and Laurel, Ray and Lola, Roy and Karg.

Then there were the Dobsons, the Smiths, the Davies and the Willmotts.

Then to Umina where Phyllis and Ray became part of her life.

Many of these friends were present at her funeral.

In Umina, Grace became involved in CWA, Meals on Wheels, The Penguins and The Food for Thought Club.

Grace was fun-loving and always had a joke, at times rather risqué, to relate.

She excelled in swimming and dancing and had a great love of outback Australia.

She was acting town clerk in Port Augusta at the age of 20, when she married Ernie.

Geoff came along in Caringbah in 1950, where she soon set about putting the primary and high schools to right.

In Dampier, in 1966, Grace, aged 44, established the Country Women's Associations as a Foundation Member.

Grace became a librarian, played tennis, took up golf, and generally helped bring culture to that part of the west.

Most recently Grace was involved in Woodport Nursing Home where, until the last days, she continued to acknowledge and bring pleasure to her friends in the staff and the residents.

Geoff summed up his mother's life as typified by fun, friendship and community service.

Letter, December 10
Clare Wren, Umina Beach
Country Women's Association

Last year's projects now due next year

A number of council works on the Peninsula that were meant to have been undertaken last financial year will not be completed until next year, Gosford Council has been told.

Gosford Council has received a report on the projects.

The council was told that a reservoir inlet valve and scour diversion at Mt Ettalong, with a combined expenditure of \$73,049, are expected to be completed next year, as is another inlet valve replacement at Blackwall worth \$10,000.

The Glenrock Pde stormwater, curb and guttering and pavement project, with an expenditure of \$140,000, is 75 per cent complete

and council officers expect it to be completed by early next year.

Woy Woy CBD paver sealing worth \$12,400 is expected to be completed by February next year.

An upgrade of Ettalong Caravan Park, with a total cost of \$20,000, has been given a likely completion date of June next year.

West St Umina surface drainage, expected to cost \$25,000, was expected to be completed by the end of the year but was deferred for further community consultation.

Rechlorination plants at Killcare, Pretty Beach and Pearl Beach, with a combined budget of \$60,000, have not yet begun.

They are expected to be completed next year.

Council agenda FS.143,
November 23

Councillor seeks report

Cr Jim Macfadyen has asked the director of community services Mr Phil Rowland whether he had the arborist's report on the health of the Yum Yum trees at Killcare.

He also asked that, if council's report came back stating that the trees were sound, council notify the locals who were concerned about the trees being removed.

Mr Rowland responded that the report had only come through in the last couple of days.

Mr Rowland added that the arborist had recommended some management and improvement works to protect the tree.

Mr Rowland also said that council were checking funding availability for the works and would move quickly to issue a press release clarifying the situation.

Council agenda Q.124,
November 23

Mobile phone antenna lease

Gosford Council has granted a lease to Optus Mobile for its telecommunications facility in Bayview Cres, on the Blackwall Mountain Water Reservoir site.

Optus served a statutory notice on council to gain access to the reservoir site and erect facilities on the land on July 8, 2002.

Staff from council's water and sewerage directorate, and from the council's natural resources section told council there was no objections to the continuing occupation of the site by Optus subject to the carrier complying with industry standards, electromagnetic radiation zoning and in accordance with all appropriate WorkCover legislation.

The term of the lease will be five years with three options of five years.

Optus has installed nine panel antennas on the site, one radio communication antenna, an equipment shelter adjacent to the reservoir measuring and cabling.

The lease was granted over part Lots 114, 115 and 116.

Council agenda FS.133,
November 23

Evening performances

Umina Public School's Stage 3 students presented two evenings of performances on December 8 and 9. Every child in Stage 3 was involved.

Some performances included "Remember the Days of the Old School Yard," "Just another brick in the wall", "Daniel" and "Hello mudda, hello fudda".

The performances were the school's end of year musical.

A member of the audience said the hall was completely full for the event.

Newsletter, December 8
Umina Public School

Classes at family centre

A number of classes and special events are planned for the coming year at the Beachside Family Centre at Umina Primary School.

Centre facilitator Ms Debbie Notara said that there would be several different classes.

A free TAFE Outreach Advanced Mosaic group would be held to create a Mosaic sign for the school side of the centre.

The centre would continue to run free parenting programs such as "What Makes Toddlers Tick" as well as some special events for fathers.

A craft group is set to continue on Monday afternoons but next year will include child care.

This course will cost \$2 per person.

There would be a music playgroup on Friday mornings where children would meet in three different age groups and take part in movement and music activities with a worker trained in Kodai techniques.

The cost for this event is \$4 per session.

An immunisation clinic will be held every two months for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island families and all Umina Public families needing to immunise their children.

The first clinic will be on Thursday, February 24, from 9am to noon.

Newsletter, December 7
Beachside Family Centre

Air-conditioners are reinstalled

Eight spare air-conditioners have been reinstalled at Woy Woy Public School recently.

The air-conditioners were second hand units, mostly purchased by the school's P&C committee several years ago.

When the Department of Education and Training to fund air-conditioning in schools, these units were detached and new ones installed.

Following this the school had eight spare secondhand air-

conditioners.

Funding for the reinstallation of these units in non air-conditioned areas was not provided by the department.

The school raised the money to reinstall the units itself so that the preschool, staffroom, office, duplicating rooms and the clerical assistant's room could be air-conditioned.

Newsletter, December 3
Warrick Hannon, Woy Woy Public School

Weather affects rewards camp

The weather has once again affected Woy Woy Public School's end of year reward camps at Patonga.

Principal Mr Warrick Hannon said that, in previous years, the students had been washed out, blown away and marooned and this year was no exception.

The Year 6 students suffered the heat which caused the staff to

greatly modify camp activities.

The Year 5 students took over on Wednesday only to be sweated by the heat and then attacked by the storms the day after.

As a result, the camp was washed out and the students had to return home a day earlier.

Newsletter, December 3
Woy Woy Public School

Rotary makes annual farm visit

Members of the Rotary Club of Umina Beach made their annual visit to the farm at Brisbane Water Secondary College last week.

On the visit, they presented a cheque to support the work of the home economics teachers and students.

The visit gave the Rotarians the chance to catch up on the latest achievements of the agricultural program, learn some more about the farm scene, and experience the cooking skills of students in the

Home Science Department.

The farm visit included a tour of the piggery where a new litter of piglets were on display, inspection of the limousin cattle being prepared for shows next year, and a general tour of the farm surrounds.

Principal Mr Pat Lewis said teachers Geoff Spence, Mark Fisher and farm assistant Ron Unsworth, conducted an impressive farming operation on the Umina campus teaching students from across all six years in the college.

In the campus kitchens, teachers



Glittering function for Year 12 students

Schooling years finished for Year 12 students of Brisbane Water Secondary College recently with a glittering formal function at Mingara Recreation Club.

More than 150 students, their parents, and many staff members from both campuses of the college enjoyed a wonderful evening of academic and special awards, speeches, and congratulations, according to principal Mr Pat Lewis.

Mr Lewis said students had gone to a great deal of effort to prepare the program, the venue, and themselves for the big occasion and enjoyed a night that they will long remember.

During the evening 46 students graduated as prefects following their success in the Prefecture Program.

This program recognised the contributions which the students

had made to the college, the community, and in commitment to their studies.

Member for Peats Ms Marie Andrews presented each of these students with a certificate.

The major academic award of the evening was the naming of the Dux of the College.

This was won by Emma Hamilton and presented by Dr Margaret Griffiths from the University of Newcastle.

Mr Lewis said the high point of the evening was the formal presentation to guests of the Year 12 students themselves.

Mr Lewis added that the parade highlighted these students as the outstanding young men and women they had become and who were going confidently out into the wider world.

This was followed by an entertaining slide show of the students in a range of activities and poses throughout their senior years.

Mr Lewis said the college wished to congratulate the Year 12 graduating class of 2004.

He said that he looked forward eagerly to the publication of their HSC results in the middle of December.

Email, December 8
Pat Lewis, Brisbane Water Secondary College

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EBWMC, Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club, 211 Memorial Ave., Ettalong 4341 1166
ECC, Everglades Country Club, Dunban Rd, Woy Woy 4341 1866
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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
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Stroke recovery group, MOW, 11.30am.
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 7.30pm. \$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 EBWMC
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.
KillcareWagstaffePlaygroupWH(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).
AlcoholicsAnonymous 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.
TaiChi,PBPH9.30am,enq:43411243.
 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
Bingo9.45am,**Karaoke**6pmEBWMC
YoungMen'sGroups 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.
 TroubadourFolkClub,MasonicHallopp
 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

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/LastSaturdayeverymonth
 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 ViewRdEttalong7.30pmEnq: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
Activities 12-18yrsold, TWYS 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 9-11amUmina 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, **BuffaloLodge**, GosfordNo63,UCH1pm.
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
SocialPaddle,endofFerryRdEttalong 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
Craft group, 1pm Beachside Family Centre, Umona PS

EVENT CALENDAR

Tuesday, 14 December

Back of the pearl, Brisbane Water National Park, 9am - 12noon. Bookings 4320 4205

Wednesday, 15 December

Quench Theatre Present "three", Peninsula Theatre, Woy Woy, Bookings 4323 3233

Thursday, 16 December

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

Saturday, 18 December

Quench Theatre Present "three", Peninsula Theatre, Woy Woy, Bookings 4323 3233

Bookmobile, Wagstaffe Community Hall 9.30-12.00

Wednesday, 22 December

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
 Thursdays, December 9

Aust. Breastfeeding Assoc. 10am 93
 McMasters Rd Woy Woy 4329 1484

Tuesday, 28 December

Bush Tucker All Around You, Brisbane Water National Park, 10am - 1pm, Bookings 4320 4205

Monday, 3 January

Recycling Fun For Kids, Brisbane Water National Park, 10am - 12pm, Bookings 4320 4205

Thursday, 23 January

Ocean Beach Hotel, Umina, Red Sweat, from 7 pm to 11 pm

Friday, 24 January

Ocean Beach Hotel, Umina, Mark Lee from 7 to 11



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Sport

Steven takes golf cup

The annual Everglades Cup, Bowl and Plate golf competition was conducted on Saturday, November 13.

Brendan James, Steven Binns of Gosford and Andrew Bond of Wyong were all able to match par and set up a play off at the end of the day.

Steven Binns proved too strong for Brendan and took the Cup after three holes of sudden death playoff.

Ken Overhall, with a score of 80,

beat Alf Skulander's with a score of 82 to win the Bowl while Ray Moore returned 86 to take the Plate by a shot from Len Introna.

Men's golf president Mr Ian Elliott said the wind was so strong in the afternoon that of the six nearest to pin prizes on offer only two were returned and these were won by Ken Overhall and Ron Papps.

**Bulletin, November 29
Everglades Country Club**

Andrew is golf champion

Andrew McDonald has won his 10th golf championship at Everglades Country Club.

Andrew has shown his ability at golf and won the Everglades Championship by 16 strokes from Bruce Shipton.

Grade "C" Champion was Gordon

Lobb from Norm Barsing with an eight-stroke difference.

Grade "B" was won by Kevin Ware from John McInnes with a five-stroke variance.

**Bulletin, November 29
Everglades Country Club**

Tim represents club juniors

Everglades Country Club golfer Tim Shelton represented the club at a juniors tournament recently.

The annual junior four way tournament, contested by the Brisbane Water, Hunter River, Lower North Coast and Newcastle District Golf Association's for the Col Johnson Shield, was hosted by the Newcastle DGA at Merewether recently.

Played in a round robin format of three rounds of nine-hole match play, Everglades was represented by Tim Shelton as part of the Brisbane Water District Golf Association team.

Tim narrowly lost his first match two and one but then played strongly to win his next two matches, four and three, and five and four.

**Bulletin, November 29
Everglades Country Club**

New golf committee

Everglades Women Golfers held their annual meeting on October 26.

Three new members were elected to the committee: Ms Linda Birrell, Ms Margaret Coutts and Ms Jan Binstead.

Those departing the committee were Ms Betty Cadwallader, Ms Mella Weatherstone and Ms Joyce Jacobson.

The committee is now president Judy Andrews, senior vice-president Jan Henry, vice-president Cassie Wailes, captain Cathy Shannon, vice-captain, Donna Mitchell, treasurer Anne Radford and secretary Jan Montgomery, assistant secretary Linda Birrell, handicap manager Fay Stratton and assistant handicap manager Margaret Coutts.

**Bulletin, November 29
Everglades Country Club**

Wins to local golfers

The Brisbane Water District Golf Tournament held at Everglades Country Club has shown achievements in several grades by local golfers, with winners in multiple divisions.

Division Two champion was Ruth Brettell. Division one Nett winner

was Anita Uptin.

Yvonne Kerkin was the Division Two Nett winner with Ruth Brettell and Anne Roser the Division Two foursomes champions.

The Everglades club had several winners and runners up in their respective divisions.

**Bulletin, November 29
Everglades Country Club**

Changes made at Everglades

New tax and other legislation has led the Everglades Country Club to alter its amenities, according to secretary-manager Mr Wayne Dean.

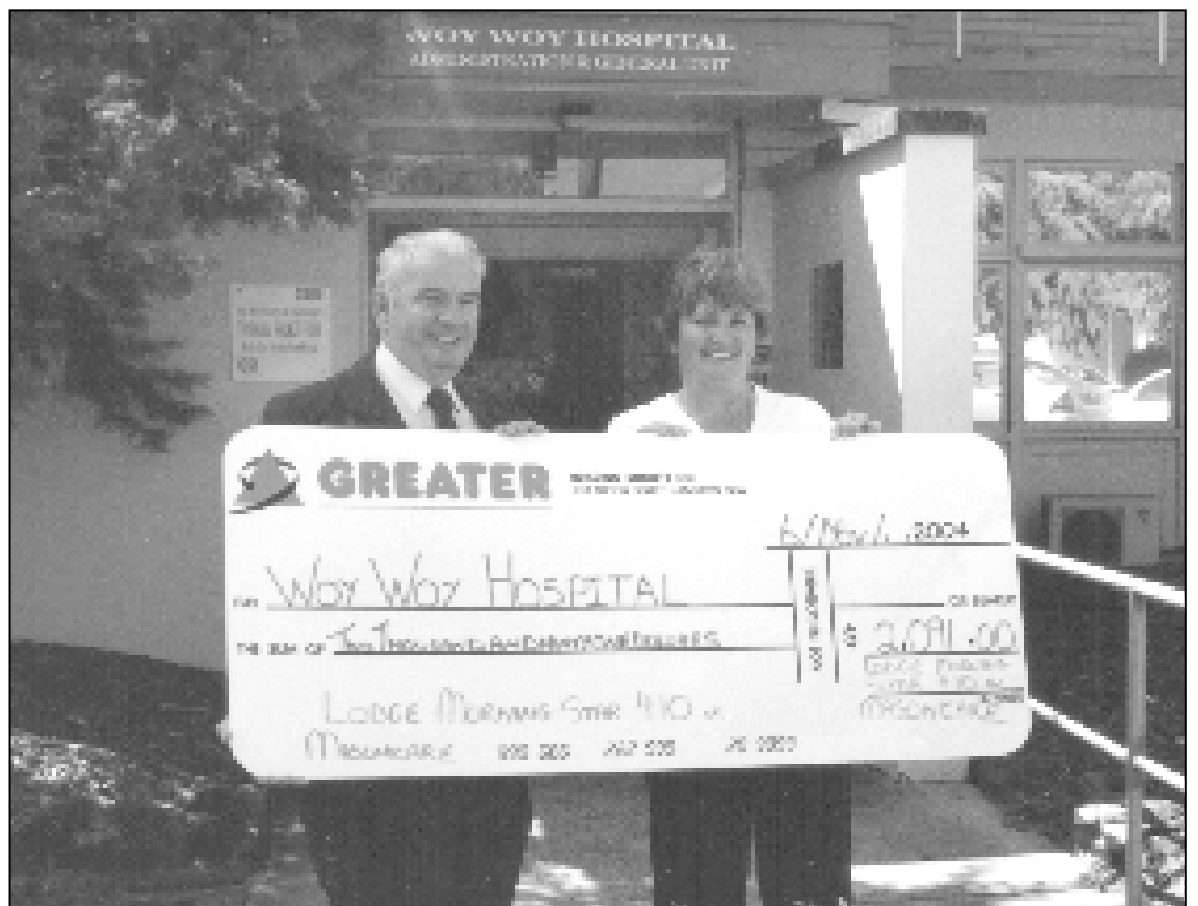
Mr Dean said the golf office would be relocated and the juniors' rooms removed.

He said that no other local golf

clubs had a juniors' room and an expanded rear foyer would now provide some facilities for juniors.

Mr Dean said that introducing new business was part of the club's response to increases in poker machine tax and changes to smoking legislation.

**Newsletter, November 29
Everglades Country Club Bulletin**



Kneelers and grippers raise \$3000 for charity

The Kneelers and Grippers Charity Bowls Day at Woy Woy Bowling Club has raised over \$3000 for Peninsula charities recently.

The annual event sees the local Masons play bowls against the local parishioners of Woy Woy Catholic Church to raise money for charity.

The Catholic "Kneelers" presented money to St Judes Hostel for Men in Umina, while the Masonic "Grippers" presented a cheque for \$2091 to Woy Woy Hospital.

Director of Nursing Ms Linda Davidson said she was pleased to receive the donation, which would be utilized to acquire much-needed equipment for the hospital.

Mason Mr Alex Gilroy said that the Charity Day had been played for over 25 years.

He said he was pleased to have the donation boosted by Masonicare, the state Masonic charity, to raise the donation to over \$2000.

**Press release, November 29
Everglades Country Club**

Irrigation installed on back nine holes

Installation of the main irrigation line has started on the back nine holes at the Everglades Country Club.

The longest run of the project starts at the sixth tee and proceeds along the 11th and 12th holes, then parallel to the Everglades Crescent fence past the 10th and 15th greens finishing the loop at the 17th.

The sites for the new bores have been identified and the first bore sunk has now been flow tested.

A flow of 1.5 times the required flow rate was recorded with a minimum impact claimed on the level of the underground water.

Men's golf president Mr Ian Elliott said that, provided this rate could be sustained at the other sites, the club should be able to operate with six inch bores rather than eight inch bores which would result in further savings.

The pump used for this test was the same type as would be used with the new system and is submerged in the bore.

As a result there is almost no pump noise apart from the noise of the flowing water.

The new 18th tee is now in use.

As soon as all irrigation works in the area of the "temporary" 18th tee have been completed the area would be returned.

The area between the 18th green

and the practice green would also be returned.

Soil will be used to make the mounds on the left and right of the seventh fairway more "mower friendly".

Other mounds near the fifth and sixth greens which require hand mowing are to be removed to ease maintenance problems, with changes planned in this area.

Council approval has been received to proceed with the construction of the amenities block and shelter adjacent to the 13th tee.

They will be funded jointly by the board and the golf committee.

Mr Elliott said construction should start soon.

**Bulletin, November 29
Everglades Country Club**

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