

## Multi-storey development promoted in urban strategy

**Two-storey “garden apartments” built over two allotments, three-storey apartments built over three allotments, and building heights of four to six storeys in town centres will all be promoted under the Peninsula Urban Directions Strategy released last week.**

Gosford Council decided at its April 5 meeting to place the strategy on exhibition for six weeks to seek public comment.

The strategy also provides for single allotment “semi-detached” housing and three-storey waterfront development.

It predicts a population increase over 20 years of about 7500 “without substantial State contribution to buses and major roadworks”.

The population would be accommodated in 4800 new dwellings, 30 per cent of which would be in town centres, 55 per cent in garden apartments and 15 per cent in semi-detached houses.

The current zoning boundaries would remain, with the low density residential 2(a) zoning mostly remaining unchanged and new planning controls proposed for the medium density residential 2(b) and town centres 3(a) and 5(a).

Semi-detached housing would be allowed “throughout the 2(b) hinterland”, 0.5km to 2km from town centres, and also along main road frontages.

The two-storey garden apartments with basement parking were seen as the “final infill of extensive villa and townhouse areas” around the southern centres of Ettalong and Umina.

The “higher-medium density” three-storey apartments, also with basement parking, would be permitted within one kilometre of Woy Woy.

Town centre building heights would be increased to four storeys for Umina, five storeys for Ettalong and six storeys for Woy Woy.

The strategy envisages “an approach like Terrigal”.

New planning controls would preserve a village character and amenity, ensure retail and developmental viability, and protect scenic quality.

In a presentation to Council, consultants consortium Newbold with Elton and Leyshon and Marron Wilson Twinet gave an overview of constraints to population increase.

They said that, while the Peninsula had “finite land” with an “established development pattern”, the principal constraint was traffic.

Current traffic loads already exceed the “capacity” of many roads by as much as 200 per cent and there was limited scope for “order of magnitude” improvements.

They said that current controls were not appropriate because they did not: support growth, address commercial factors, ensure quality design, encourage housing choice, or encourage comprehensive town centre redevelopment.

The strategy states: “The Peninsula’s urban area cannot be expanded, and because all available urban land has been developed, the capacity for further growth is limited to redevelopment of existing properties.”

“For the same reason, most of the additional infrastructure and services that are needed for a growing population must fit within existing public lands.”

“The extensive medium density zoning of the Peninsula in 1988 established the potential to accommodate growth.”

“That potential cannot be downgraded substantially for legal reasons as well as due to established State planning practices.”

“Consequently, the primary challenge for this strategy is to identify new and practical approaches to allow additional housing within established land-use zones while offering improved levels of social equity, environmental sustainability and economic efficiency.”

**Peninsula Urban Directions Strategy, April 15**



Tesrol's model of the new Ettalong proposed development

## Nine-storey complex proposed for Ettalong

**Tesrol, developers of Star of the Sea at Terrigal, have lodged a development application for a nine-storey \$28 million retail residential complex at Ettalong.**

“This proposal includes basement level car parking, nearly 700 square metres of ground level retail and 89 high quality apartments that capture the stunning views over the entry to Brisbane Water”, said Mr Nigel Fox.

Mr Fox said that the development would be located on the old waterslide site on The Esplanade which was demolished several years ago to make way for the temporary car park for the Ettalong Beach Club.

The development would include perimeter retail outlets on The Esplanade and Memorial Ave with the laneway from Ocean View Rd being extended to The Esplanade to create a pedestrian link.

Mr Fox said it would attract niche businesses, promote pedestrian activity and provide a mix of residential accommodation.

“We hope to employ over 150 people during the construction stage of the development with considerable spin off employment in the local area”.

Mr Fox said architects would be working closely with the council and the business community to ensure that the completed development was sympathetic to the traditional main street and seaside qualities of the Ettalong Beach area and reflective of the needs of the local community.

“We took the view from the very start that the development should form part of an integrated approach to the revitalisation of the Ettalong Beach town centre.”

“A lot of hard work has been done in town by the business people and the Ettalong Beach Heritage Committee so it was important that our proposal set strategic directions for the town coupled with clear economic outcomes that delivered jobs and encouraged ongoing investment.”

Mr Fox said the development would dovetail with other important

projects such as the high speed ferry to Sydney and ongoing tourism growth.

“With the new Outrigger Hotel due to open in May, Ettalong Beach is gathering momentum which means prosperous times are ahead.”

Tesrol is marketing the development through its website as “the ultimate seaside holiday apartments ... located on the beach at Ettalong and boasting 270 degree views of the stunning Brisbane Waters.”

“Just an hour’s drive north of Sydney, the development will capitalise on the magnificent location and popularity of the NSW Central Coast as a holiday and weekend destination.”

The site area for the flats is expected to take up 3156 square metres.

Submissions for the proposed complex will be accepted by Gosford Council until April 28.

**Lyle Stone, Press release, April 13 Tesrol**

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Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft president Ms Thelma Brown with Ms Robin Robins

## April art winner chosen

This month's winner of the Peninsula News and Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft Centre (EBACC) art competition was Ettalong based artist, Ms Robin Robins.

Robin entered her painting "The latest watering hole at Ettalong, part of the ever changing scene".

Robin's painting attempts to capture Ettalong as a snapshot on

the day she was there, and even in the short time since then, there have been many changes to the scene.

Robin has been painting for 20 years and now teaches beginners.

Ms Robins received a framed certificate from EBACC president Ms Thelma Brown and a \$50 gift certificate from the Ettalong Beach Memorial Club.

Last month's winner, Ms Judith

Hoste, is now teaching watercolour classes at the centre and has been appointed as a tutor for the Central Coast Art Society's workshops being held in May at the Gosford Arts Centre.

The May competition is currently open and entries should be presented to the EBACC for judging between 10am and noon on Saturday, May 7.

The winner will be judged the following week and published in Peninsula News on May 16.

The competition aims to establish ongoing cultural heritage awareness of "The Peninsula Today".

Works on this theme may be in any medium.

For more information, contact Mr Bob Penson on 4363 1327.

Cec Bucello, April 15

## Family action group starts

A community action group for families with young children is being established in Umina, following meetings on April 6.

Initiated by the Umina Beachside Family Centre, a part of the Schools as Communities project, training and skills development will be provided to assist in the initial start-up and planning process.

"Our goal is to facilitate residents, and particularly families, to come together as a community group, share ideas and work on projects to bring positive changes and development to the area that particularly focus on the needs of families with children," said Beachside Family Centre facilitator Ms Debbie Notara.

"This is also a great opportunity for people to learn new skills and forge new connections and friendships in their community."

One local resident eager to make a contribution to the group is mother of two young boys Ms Sarah Tolmie.

"I think the action group is a great way to have a say and play a part in the future of our community," Ms Tolmie said.

"My husband and I moved up here from Sydney four years ago and it took a couple of years to make friends and feel like it was home. We see this as another way for us to get to know more families and be active members of the community.

"We love the Central Coast. It's a beautiful area with a strong community feel.

"It has so much potential and I think it is important to be involved

in ideas and plans for the area and ensure it is developed in a way that delivers on the needs of families.

"I have a particular interest in things like the standard of the local parks and playgrounds, child safety issues, and access to quality education and health services," said Mrs Tolmie

While the main focus of the group is on the needs of families with children up to eight years, everyone from the community is welcome to be involved in achieving change in the Umina area.

"We are providing a two-day practical workshop on how to gain skills in working with your community and how to develop your ideas into a reality," said Ms Notara.

"We will look at what we want to achieve and how to define and develop a vision for our community. It will also cover how to operate an effective community group, how to involve people and build connections, and identify peoples strengths and share and develop new skills."

The skills workshops will be held over two Mondays, May 9 and 23, at Beachside Family Centre, in the grounds of Umina Public School, Sydney Ave, Umina.

It is free and child care is available but will need to be booked.

To find out more about Umina Community Action Group, or to be a part of the training workshops, contact Beachside Family Centre on 4343 1929.

**Press release, April 12**  
**Debbie Notara, Beachside Family Centre**

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## Police to watch speed

Police will keep a close watch on Blackwall Rd, Blackwall, following a survey of car speeds conducted by Gosford Council.

Council officers carried out a traffic speed survey on Blackwall Rd between Plane St and Orange Grove Rd from December 3 to December 10 last year, after receiving a letter from a local

resident.

The survey results found that eastbound, 39 per cent of traffic were doing more than 60km/h while westbound 18 per cent of traffic were exceeding 60km/h.

The survey results have now been referred to NSW Police for enforcement of the 50km/h speed limit in the area.

Council agenda TR.05.025, March 1

## Correction

Peninsula News reported last issue that a draft local environment plan (DLEP) had been recommended for refusal by council officers.

This was incorrect and Gosford Council has since approved the DLEP for the financial planning business on Ocean Beach Rd.

Lyle Stone, April 15

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## Club could merge or sell land

**Club Umina could amalgamate with another registered club or may sell part of its land if possibilities being pursued by its administrator come to fruition.**

The Umina Beach Bowling Club Ltd (Club Umina) was recently placed under administration following a period of poor trading.

Club president Mr Ken Harrison said that the administrator currently favours amalgamation with another club and is exploring all avenues.

The current problem originated with the major renovations undertaken by the club in 2000, he said.

"They cost \$3.1 million for construction and a further \$1.5 million in fit-out, extra parking and related costs," Mr Harrison said.

At the time, the club was earning a profit of \$400,000 each year and because it was badly in need of renovation, the decision was made to proceed with the renovation.

"It was a reasonable expectation that their income was sufficient to service the debt and that the new-look club would continue to increase its annual profits, further decreasing any risk to the club.

"Unfortunately, other factors came into play such as severe noise restrictions, changed drink driving habits, less disposable income available to Umina Beach caravan park residents, competition from other clubs and generally less support of the club by members and their guests.

"This resulted in a profit of only \$70,000 in 2003 and a loss of \$285,000 in 2004."

Mr Harrison and his new committee took over in September last year with an overdraft of \$300,000 which they managed to reduce to \$200,000.

However, they were unable to meet the six-monthly commitment to the bank of \$120,000, which resulted eventually in the club being placed under administration.

The administrator is not looking

to liquidate but is investigating selling off part of the club's land, either as is or developed.

This is however fraught with difficulties as the land would need to be rezoned from its present private recreation zoning and to be separated from its present title.

Doing all of this and then developing the land is unlikely to be a sufficiently quick solution.

In the meantime the administrator's costs would be rising, further exacerbating the club's financial situation.

The administrator's preferred solution is to amalgamate with another club.

Club Umina owns its own land and could therefore be an asset to another club if it can run profitably.

One Peninsula club has shown an interest in this proposal.

The next step is for the administrator to advertise for expressions of interest from other clubs and then to put the outcome to a meeting of members.

"The club has approximately 4000 members and even support from them at an average of \$50 each could save the day, giving the club some time to arrange revenue raising activities and renewing earlier member support," Mr Harrison said.

Cec Bucello, April 15



Fire brigade members carry a casualty to safety

## Derailment staged for emergency crews

**A mother crying over her dead baby and victims screaming in pain added to the realism of a mock train derailment staged at the Woy Woy rail tunnel by emergency personnel on April 9.**

Exercise Fourfoot was designed to test the operational readiness of local emergency personnel to deal with a major accident inside the tunnel.

A train was placed in the northern end of the tunnel with the front two carriages filled with volunteer victims, complete with fake blood and wounds.

Roughly 100 personnel were in attendance on the day representing the police, government agencies and representatives from emergency services such as the

State Emergency Service, rural and urban fire brigades, HAZMAT, State Rail, ambulance officers and Central Coast Health staff.

Between 30 and 40 volunteer victims took part in the exercise.

Inside the train and tunnel, lights were switched off, as was the air conditioning, to make the exercise as realistic as possible.

Ambulance, fire brigade, state rail and police crews worked in unison to rescue all victims from the train in a coordinated response.

The exercise was conducted while the line was closed for regular maintenance work, so as to minimise further disruption to commuters.

The Brisbane Water Local Area Command police duty officer Chief Inspector Peter Wilde coordinated

the exercise.

Local district emergency management officer Mr Michael Slowgrove described the event as a "worthwhile exercise".

"Everyone performed excellently," Mr Slowgrove said.

"It was a good opportunity for participants to put theory into practice.

"We couldn't have done it without the cooperation of City Rail and the emergency services that attended plus Sydney and Central Coast Health."

Exact details of the exercise remained confidential until the morning of the event to help make the emergency response as realistic as possible.

Lyle Stone, April 7  
Police Media

## Time set aside for levy reaction

**A section of two Gosford Council City Management Plan Workshops has been set aside for public reaction to the Peninsula Business Levy.**

The first workshop will be conducted between 10am and noon on May 20 on the first floor of Gosford Council's administration building at Mann St, Gosford.

The second will be held at council's Erina Centre at Erina

Fair, between 6.30pm and 8.30pm on the same day.

Information about the date and locations of the meetings was requested by Cr Terri Latella at council's April 5 meeting.

Director of corporate development Mr Terry Thirlwell later provided the dates and venues of the two meetings.

Mr Thirlwell said that the RSVP to the meetings would now be due by Wednesday, April 20, which was different to the date sent to

businesses on the Peninsula.

All businesses on the Peninsula were to receive invitations to the workshops.

Any objections raised at the meeting would be recorded as an objection and sent to the Minister along with the levy proposal, said Mr Thirlwell.

He said that council had sent out a questionnaire to businesses on the Peninsula asking about their acceptance or objection to the levy.

"We are getting information back from people saying they are objecting," Mr Thirlwell said.

"Some people are saying there is a ground swell of objection to the levy, but we aren't hearing from businesses."

Mr Thirlwell said that in keeping with good governance, council had decided to put out the survey to validate the comments.

Lyle Stone, April 11  
Council agenda Q.42, April 5

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# Don't grizzle, give support

I note Mike Hudson's comments in Peninsula News (Forum, March 21).

As well, I am disappointed that the New Year's Eve celebration didn't happen at Umina this year.

But Mr Hudson then just wanted to have a dig at Australia Day, Spikefest, and the Peninsula Leisure Centre events and projects funded by Gosford City Council.

Well Mr Hudson, Council also funded the New Year's Eve Umina celebration and when advised last year that they were having difficulty, Council supported the request of additional funds, but unfortunately New Year Eve still did not happen.

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The New Year's Eve celebration like Australia Day and Spikefest rely not only on the dollars but also on the volunteers, community groups and others to assist and support.

So rather than a grizzle, why not get out and see what support you can give the coordinators of the event?

I know Council will support New Years Eve at Umina when they are asked again.

Chris Holstein, Councillor

# Tavern plans should be reassessed

## Forum

to Gosford Council, Council's Heritage Committee or those members of the public concerned with preserving our heritage, all of whom are outraged at the unbelievable destruction of a landmark building.

Neither is Robert Osborne quoted as explaining that the Council's original approval in November 1998 for the construction of a tavern on land zoned 2a (residential) was based mainly upon the proposition (under section 45c) that the development of the tavern was needed to provide sufficient income to allow the owners to properly

preserve the listed heritage item: Patonga General Store.

Now that there is no heritage item to preserve perhaps Gosford Council may care to reassess the original development application under the normal rules, regulations and zoning requirements that normally apply to such developments.

In the meantime perhaps those who are interested in the preservation of our local history, heritage listed buildings and items might care to ask Gosford Council and Council's Heritage Committee what they intend to do in relation to this matter.

Vic Jefferies, Umina

# Cornerstone of democracy

After reading about the raised pedestrian crossing at Umina and other issues in the past, I've formed the opinion that the editor, manager and staff of the Peninsula News deserve a gong each for their efforts.

After all, a free press is the cornerstone of democracy, and there's nothing as free as an independent press like the News.

Without a free press, we might as well pack our sandwiches and go home, leaving the big political

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parties to do as they damn well please.

I can recall, when an alderman, promising a meeting that I would raise an issue at council.

If the council knocked me back, I would raise it with the local press.

If the press knocked me back as well, I would stand in front of the council building with a placard.

That is freedom and we decadent democrats need it like fresh air.

Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

The remarks attributed to Mr Robert Osborne in the article which appeared in the last issue of the Peninsula News entitled "Patonga store plans thwarted" are, to my mind at least, absolutely astonishing.

Mr Osborne is quoted as saying that white ants, concrete cancer and poor foundations have thwarted plans to retain the structure of Patonga general store, during redevelopment of the site as a tavern.

Nowhere is he quoted as saying that he demolished the heritage listed building (or caused it to be demolished) without reference

# Dog areas need policing

## Forum

The dog could just have easily attacked a small child.

Council regulations require all dogs to be on a leash when taken on to public reserves.

Also, at Ettalong Beach, that section of the beach between Barrenjoey Rd and Beach St is an on leash exercise area only (24 hours per day).

That section of the beach between Beach St and Ferry Rd is a no dog area (24 hours per day).

If dog owners wish to exercise and train their dogs off the leash, they can go to two areas designated by council.

They are: that section of Ocean Beach between Barrenjoey Rd and Augusta St, and also that section of Umina Beach between the first beach access way south of the skate facility at Umina Oval to the end of the beach at Berrima Cr.

A fine of \$110 applies if a dog is off the leash contrary to council regulations.

Also, dog owners can expect a \$110 fine if their dog is found to be not registered.

According to Gosford Council, a review of Council's ranger services is currently underway and one aspect of that review is the hours of coverage provided.

It is to be hoped that regular policing of council's reserves and beaches is carried out as a result of this review.

At present, the coverage provided by council rangers at Ettalong Beach is inadequate.

Council is also looking at the adequacy of dog advisory signage.

Council also needs to do something about the irresponsible dog owners who continually allow their animals to pollute the beach and foreshore reserve at Ettalong.

Everyday you notice fresh animal waste lying around.

Who would want to visit the area? The solution to this matter depends upon regular policing by council rangers.

David White, Ettalong Beach

# Performance is applauded

I would like to applaud Ettalong Public School in running their music, drama, arts and craft program this year and also the junior rock eisteddfod.

I have seen what they are doing and I think it is a great education for the students.

I have four great grandchildren attending Ettalong School at the moment and I also attended there 65 years ago.

## Forum

Well done Mr Bruce Donaldson (principal) and Mrs Karen Morrow who has bought the music to Ettalong School.

She has made a great contribution to the school since she arrived. Well done.

Don Makepeace, Booker Bay

Something needs to be done to address the issue of dog owners at Ettalong Beach continuing to ignore council's dog regulations.

Everyday there are dogs off the leash on both the foreshore reserve and the beach. Many of these unleashed dogs are potentially dangerous animals.

It is not uncommon to see rottweilers, alsatians and pit bulls running free.

Many Central Coast residents, as well as visitors to the area, get a great deal of enjoyment as they walk along the Ettalong Beach foreshore reserve and observe the ducks and ducklings in the water.

However, many people were outraged recently when a dog owner allowed her unleashed dog to attack a mother duck and her four little ducklings, resulting in the death of one of the ducklings.

The dog owner was not concerned and continued on her way as though nothing had happened.

# Pool should stay a war memorial

## Forum

Centre should be named the Peninsula War Memorial Leisure Centre.

Rumours abound that the complex will be named after an expatriate comic who lampooned this area.

This person was also an author, and an environmentalist.

That we have a festival named in honour of this person would seem sufficient.

Gosford Council has remained very quiet on the naming of this leisure centre.

Surely we shouldn't have to fight council to preserve the memory of those who paid the ultimate price for our freedom.

About a decade ago, the flagpole was removed from the pool.

This flagpole should now be returned so the Australian flag can flutter over this memorial pool on days of national significance.

As cenotaphs are never festooned in advertising, I believe this new complex should be void of such also.

Let us hope Gosford Council has got this one right.

Let's We Forget.

Mike Hudson, Umina

# Tsunami thanks

The Lions Club of Woy Woy Peninsula has raised close to \$4000 for the Tsunami Appeal.

The club wishes to thank all those who purchased tickets in its special Tsunami Raffle drawn on March 7.

The winners of the event were P Andrews of Umina with first prize and S Craske also of Umina with second prize.

Barry Hicks, Woy Woy

I have always considered a war memorial to be sacrosanct, whether the war memorial be a cenotaph, a barbecue (such as Vietnam Veteran's at Ettalong Beach), a swimming pool or a registered club

War hero Sir Roden Cutler VC, AK, KCMG, KCVO, CBE, the NSW Governor at the time, laid the foundation stone for the Woy Woy Memorial Olympic Pool in 1967.

It was eventually opened on October 18, 1968, by Prime Minister John Gorton GCMG, AC, CH, a former fighter pilot in the second World War.

The usage for which the Woy Woy Memorial Swimming Pool was dedicated has not changed, although its structure has.

I believe the Peninsula Leisure

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## Chamber president welcomes proposal

**President of the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, Mr Matthew Wales, has welcomed the proposed Tesrol development.**

"Although it's early days yet, it is encouraging that companies like Tesrol are prepared to make such a major investment in the Ettalong Beach town centre to the tune of some \$28 million.

"This is a landmark development that will set the pace in Ettalong Beach.

"There will no doubt be a lot of healthy debate about this project but that is all good news to the business community.

"The residential component is vital for the Ettalong Beach town centre and reflects the NSW State Governments objectives of reinvigorating retail environments with residential activity," said Mr Wales.

"It is our understanding that the application is accompanied by a detailed economic assessment which supports the development with sound statistical data on job projections and long term investment opportunities. This is a

trend that we actively encourage.

"The Chamber believes that the proposal is essential to the ongoing resurgence of Ettalong Beach and will deliver both quality retail floor space and fully serviced apartments that will compliment the new Outrigger Resort".

Mr Wales said that Ettalong Beach was now achieving vital momentum that would ensure the continued revitalisation of the town centre and secure economic prosperity for the area after a period of considerable uncertainty.

"A lot of people have worked very hard to ensure that Ettalong Beach became a successful tourist location.

"Local retailers have hung in there over some pretty dry times and deserve the flow-on benefits that will result from these signature developments," said Mr Wales.

"The Chamber will continue to support good quality retail and residential development especially when real jobs and investment opportunities will be created".

**Press release, April 12  
Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce**



The grand stand at Ettalong Oval, surrounded by security fencing after a recent fire

## Ettalong amenities to be tendered

**Gosford Council will tender for the new amenities at Ettalong Oval, following approval of its development application.**

Cr Jim Macfadyen asked if any funds had been made available from insurance, as a result of the

grandstand fire, for temporary amenities.

He said that the Junior Rugby League season was about to commence, with a number of games to be held at Ettalong Oval.

He asked whether there would be "suitable temporary amenities for home and away teams or do

we expect adult players to change their gear in the park?"

Director of community services Mr Phil Rowland responded that he believed Woy Woy Leagues Club would be providing temporary facilities, but he would follow up the issue.

**Council agenda Q.45, April 5**

## Consultation will be held

**Gosford Council has decided to hold a public consultation session during the six-week exhibition period for the draft Peninsula Urban Directions Strategy.**

It has also decided to seek further reports about the implications in relation to Section 94 contributions plans for the Peninsula, economic opportunities and the recently-adopted affordable housing strategy.

Another report would be presented to council following completion of the public exhibition period.

Council's integrated planning manager Mr Michael Leavey told Peninsula News that the strategy document would not be placed on exhibition for possibly a month while staff considered these matters.

Mr Leavey said that staff were considering holding an "information day", although other options were being explored.

Local chairman of Save Our Suburbs, Mr Bryan Ellis, told the council at its April 5 meeting that the general community was concerned over the strategy.

He said the strategy was a big

issue and not something that council should just charge in and adopt, as had been recommended by staff.

"This is a perfect opportunity for Gosford Council to interact with the community on the Peninsula," Mr Ellis said.

Mayor Cr Malcolm Brooks also expressed concern over development on the Peninsula in reference to building heights.

"In some areas on the Peninsula building heights were increased in the past, partially as a means of revitalising the areas, but instead owners increased their prices," Cr Brooks said.

"It's like a dog chasing its tail."

Cr Terri Latella said that the report was not reflective of community attitudes.

Council officers said that discussion had been held with three focus groups including the community, businesses and environmental groups.

The council formally noted that the strategy was dependent on State Government and Council providing the necessary infrastructure to match anticipated population growth on the Peninsula.

**Lyle Stone, April 15  
Council agenda SF.10, April 5**

## PNG Minister to speak at the Everglades

**Papua New Guinea's Minister for Mines Mr Sam Akoitai will speak at the Everglades Country Club on April 26 for a fundraising event held by the Rotary Club of Woy Woy.**

Mr Akoitai will speak about the Bougainville Peace Process and the current state of PNG-Australia relations.

Money raised will be used to send educational and medical equipment to the remote villages on the island of Woodlark in the Trobriand Islands far from the PNG mainland and too distant to receive

government services.

Mr Akoitai started the mainland Bougainville Resistance Force (BRF) to oppose the Bougainville Revolutionary Army after Government services were withdrawn from Bougainville.

After many attempts on his life and seeing the bloodshed on both sides, he decided to risk meeting with his enemies to open a peace dialogue, providing a foundation for peace on Bougainville.

Mr Akoitai first ran for government at the national elections in 1997 and won the Central Bougainville open seat.

He became the Minister of Bougainville Affairs and was instrumental in the Bougainville Peace Process.

In 2002 Mr Akoitai was re-elected for a second term and was appointed Minister for Mining.

Rotary club vice president Mr Ross Pearce said "This will be a great opportunity for those who have previously visited or worked in PNG to relive the experiences, or simply to find out about this close neighbour and how they relate to us."

A raffle will be held on the night with prizes including a weekend for two people at the Outrigger Club with an ocean view suite and an a la carte dinner for two.

Team-signed Penrith and Cronulla NRL jumpers will also be auctioned.

Tickets are \$35 including a meal with bar service.

Bookings may be made with Jim Bohle on 0412 438 290 or Peter Clark on 0412 616 161.

**Press release, April 13  
Ross Pearce,  
Rotary Club of Woy Woy**

## Youth service presents overview

**The Web Youth Service will hold a community presentation and information evening from 7.30pm to 8.30pm on May 24.**

It will include a presentation of service and overview of statistics and outcomes for the past three years.

It will feature speakers such as Web Youth Service coordinator Mr Dion Richardson, Alcohol and Other Drugs counsellor Mr Ben Hunt; Adolescent Primary Health

Clinic nurse Ms Marilyn Simms and Dr Keith Evershed.

Refreshments will be available and an opportunity will be provided to meet and greet of staff and tour the service

The event will be held in the main hall of the community centre, 93 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy.

Anyone interested in attending is asked to book by Wednesday, May 11, on 4342 3684.

**Press release, April 13  
Web Youth Service**

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# Health



Walkers at the Peninsula Relay for Life

## Relay for Life raises \$60,000

**The Peninsula's first Relay for Life, held on April 2 and 3, is estimated to have raised a total of \$60,000 for cancer research.**

The event saw over 40 teams and 700 participants participate over the 24 hour period.

Cancer Council NSW public relations officer Ms Jaci Tebb said teams consisted of families, sporting clubs, small and large businesses, church groups, school groups and just about every other community group in existence.

"The great representation from different parts of the Peninsula and surrounding communities at the relay shows just how supportive our local people can be," said Ms Tebb.

"The many teams that walked for 24 hours at the relay each did their own fundraising in the lead up to the event and at the event,

resulting in a tentative fundraising amount of \$60,000, an outstanding effort."

"They monitored themselves and arranged their own shifts on the track.

"Many who were woken during the night walked in pyjamas and slippers."

Major sponsor was Campbells' Home Hardware, with staff and customers together with their families and friends contributing more than \$15,000 to the cause.

Relay for Life site manager Mr Bill Ide said: "The atmosphere was exceptional."

"It was heartening to see so many people giving of themselves and not expecting anything in return.

"There were always large numbers of people on the track throughout the 24-hour period.

"From 10pm on the Saturday night, noise restrictions were in force and walkers were kept motivated

by members of the Troubadour Acoustic Music Club who kept up a night long performance of music and song until 7am."

All funds raised at the Peninsula Relay For Life will go towards the continuation of cancer research, support and education programs in the local region.

Campbell Building Materials will now move on to host the Cancer Council's "Australia's Biggest Morning Tea" on May 26.

Cec Bucello, Newsletter, April 8  
Campbell's Trade Talk, Cancer Council NSW

### Mizpah one Day Courses

- **Ayurvedic Medicine** - An overview into Ayurvedic Medicine
  - **Homeopathy** - A one day seminar into homeopathy and its uses
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### Support group

**The Central Coast Cancer Information and Support Group is hosting a cancer support group for women once a month at the Peninsula Women's Health Centre.**

It is a self-help support group that offers freedom of choice for women with cancer and other degenerative diseases.

Each meeting there will be a healing meditation, discussion and sharing.

Groups will meet at the centre on the fourth Tuesday of each month from 10am to noon.

The group will be open and women are invited to join on April 26, May 24 and June 28.

To book for the support group, contact 4342 5905.

Press release, April 13  
Peninsula Women's Health Centre

# ANZAC Day Services and Activities on The Peninsula - Monday April 25



ANZAC Day March, Woy Woy 1923

### Woy Woy Ettalong-Hardys Bay RSL Sub Branch

#### Dawn Service

**Assembly:** 5.20am Woy Woy Bus Terminal  
**Service:** 5.30am Woy Woy Memorial Park  
**Transport:** 4.40am Bus departs McMasters Rd to Memorial Club, via Ocean Beach Rd, Cowper Rd, Kalaroo, Kahibah, West St and Broken Bay Rd. Leaving Club 5.10am to Woy Woy via Ocean View Rd and Booker Bay Rd.

After service, bus returns to Memorial Club for "gunfire breakfast"

#### ANZAC Day March

**Assembly:** 9.30am at Deepwater Plaza Woy Woy  
**March:** 10am from Deepwater Plaza Woy Woy  
**Service:** 10.30am at Woy Woy Memorial Park  
Please note: Seating is provided for VIPs only.  
**Transport:** 9am bus departs Cowper Rd, via Kalaroo, Kahibah, West St, Ocean Beach Rd, McMasters Rd, to Woy Woy.

After service, bus returns to Memorial Club for ANZAC Day "Smoko" luncheon for Woy Woy Ettalong-Hardys Bay Sub Branch.

Those desiring to participate in the wreath laying ceremony, or who require further information, should contact the Sub Branch on 4341 2594. In the event of heavy rain, the main service will be held in the Senior Citizens Centre, Ettalong.



ANZAC Day service Memorial Park, Woy Woy 1930s

#### Empire Bay annual ANZAC Day Service

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# Anzac Day

## Services held at Woy Woy

**Woy Way Ettalong Hardys Bay Sub-branch of the RSL will hold two Anzac Day services on Monday, April 25 at the Woy Woy Memorial Park.**

The dawn service starts at 5.30am, and a morning service will be held at 10.30am.

Secretary Mr Jack Carney said all veterans, family members, members of the public and "especially children" were invited to attend and participate in paying tribute to those who gave their lives in various wars "so that we and our children and grandchildren could live in peace".

There will be a special bus operating on the Peninsula during the morning.

Details of this can be obtained from the sub-branch or the Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club.

In the event of heavy rain, the dawn service will take place as usual but the 10.30am service will be transferred to Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre.

After the 10.30am service, there will be a luncheon and entertainment at the Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club in conjunction with the Vietnam Veterans Federation, the Naval Association and the National Malaya and Borneo veterans.

For further information contact 4341 4594 or 4344 5855 or after hours on 4341 8564.

**Press release, April 14  
Jack Carney, Woy Woy Ettalong-Hardys Bay Sub Branch**



Students at Ettalong Public School building a wreath for Anzac Day

## Club provides free breakfast

**Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club will provide a free Anzac breakfast for those attending the dawn service at Woy Woy Memorial Park at 5am on Anzac Day, Monday, April 25.**

A stamped dawn service program will serve as proof of attendance for the breakfast, which will be served from 6am.

Private bus services, organised by the RSL, will ferry attendees from the memorial park at Woy Woy, back to the club after the service.

"The purpose of Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club remains as it began, 51 years ago, a reminder to the community that those who laid down their lives shall not be forgotten," said general manager Mr Peter Hale.

"No day is more important on the club's calendar than Anzac Day."

The club will also be offering a variety of entertainment on Anzac Day, starting with a lunchtime show.

The show will feature live music from Rosemary Jenkins, Jo Lavelle, Doug Thompson, the Atkins Sisters (singing a medley of songs from The Andrews Sisters) and Bronson Powell and a comedy set from Gary Who.

The show costs \$22 for returned service people and \$33 for all others.

In the evening, radio station 2GO-FM will present pop singer Sophie B Hawkins, with hits such as "Damn, I Wish I Was Your Lover" and "As I Lay Me Down".

The show starts at 7pm and tickets cost \$33.

Bookings for both shows can be made at the club or by phoning 4343 0111.

Anzac Day commemorative badges will be on sale at the club on Friday, April 22, with all funds raised going to the RSL Women's Auxiliary.

**Press release, April 14  
Scott MacKillop, Brilliant Logic**

## Students to take part in march

**Students from Ettalong Public School will participate in the Woy Woy Anzac Day march this year.**

Students will meet at Deepwater Plaza at 9:30am in school uniform and walk to Memorial Park, Woy Woy.

Students will then participate in

the ceremony by laying a wreath on the cenotaph. School publicity officer Ms Michelle Pathirana said students had been busily preparing the wreath over the last few weeks as part of their study into the Anzac tradition.

"The school community at Ettalong feels it is very important

for students to learn about this part of Australian history and to show their respect and gratitude for the diggers," Ms Pathirana said.

Parents are also being encouraged to walk with their children and watch the ceremony.

**Press release, April 3  
Michelle Pathirana, Ettalong Public School**

## Service held at restored memorial

**Residents of Empire Bay will hold an Anzac Day service at the town's restored memorial at 11am on Monday, April 25.**

The service will be followed by a waterfront sausage sizzle.

The Empire Bay Progress Association received \$4000 from the Federal Commemoration Grants in December 2003 to restore the memorial.

By Anzac Day last year, the stone memorial had a new engraved sandstone plinth, and the concrete base was reinforced.

Sandstone blocks were placed on each side of the memorial with

plaques attached commemorating the fallen from the two World Wars, the Korean, Malaysian and Vietnam conflicts and peacekeeping forces.

The garden was planted around the edge with rosemary, westringia and iceberg roses.

Since then, the poles around the inner circle of the garden have been removed, and paving laid over the concrete area with brick edging around the garden.

Additional funding has come from the community, the progress association, individuals and the Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club.

Empire Bay Progress Association representative Ms Shirley Crocker said Gosford Council gave free technical advice and two tradesmen donated their time to lay the paving stones and garden edging.

"Funds permitting, we envisage placing two plaques in the garden honouring Gosford Council for its assistance and the Empire Bay Public School for rosemary plantings.

"We also hope to install solar panel lighting around the memorial."

**Press release, March 28  
Shirley Crocker, Empire Bay Progress Association**



Woy Woy Memorial

## Service at Hardys Bay

**Hardys Bay RSL will hold its Anzac Day service at 11am on April 25.**

The club will be open from 11.30am and will stay open until 8pm.

There will be games of two-up and a "Cook your own barbecue" in the carpark from noon.

For further details and information, contact Hardys Bay RSL Club on 4360 1072.

**Geoff Freeman, April 15**

## School's walk to club

**Pretty Beach Public School students will walk to the Hardys Bay RSL club as part of Anzac Day services on April 29.**

Year 6 leaders will conduct a service, which will be followed by a sausage sizzle provided by the RSL club.

All students have been asked by teachers to bring in some flowers from their garden to be arranged in wreaths to be laid at the cenotaph.

**Newsletter, April 8  
Vicki Redrup,  
Pretty Beach Public School**

## Service will be broadcast live

**Radio 50 Plus will broadcast the Anzac Day service at Woy Woy from 5.15am on April 25.**

The broadcast will start at 4am on 93.3FM and will cross live to the cenotaph at the memorial park in Brick Wharf Rd, Woy Woy, at 5.15am for the dawn service beginning at 5.30am.

The commentator for the service will be Mr Michael Meier with technician Mr Murray Frazer.

Radio 50 Plus will continue its outside broadcast until the

assembly embarks for a Drum Head breakfast at Ettalong Beach Memorial Club.

The broadcast will then return to the Radio 50 Plus studio to continue the Anzac Day Program, presented by Bernie Connell, with normal programming resuming at 7am.

The Anzac Day theme will continue throughout the day with other presenters.

**Press release, April 4  
Joan Victory, Radio 50 Plus**



# Gosford City Council three bin system

'Let's get it sorted'



## 1 Recycling



- ✓ Glass bottles and jars
- ✓ Steel and aluminium cans
- ✓ Milk and juice cartons with gable tops
- ✓ Empty aerosol cans
- ✓ Any plastic container from your kitchen that comes with a lid
- ✓ Clean paper and clean cardboard
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ General rubbish



## 2 Garden organics



- ✓ Lawn clippings
- ✓ Prunings
- ✓ Small tree branches
- ✓ Small pieces of untreated timber
- ✓ Wood shavings
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ General rubbish



## 3 General waste

Left over rubbish goes in here:

- ✓ Food waste
- ✓ Plastic bags and wrappers
- ✓ Disposable nappies

### Shop smart – reduce waste

**Food waste** – you can compost fruit and vegetable scraps at home

**Plastic bags** – why not try re-usable bags – now available in shops locally

**Nappies** – Try using cotton nappies – even if it's just some of the time



## Hazardous waste

must not be put in *any* of the bins:



✗ Gas bottles



✗ Car batteries



✗ Poisonous chemicals

For more information: 13 13 35



## New projects for Peninsula

**Member for Robertson Mr Jim Lloyd has announced two new Work for the Dole projects on the Peninsula.**

The two projects include several places with the Central Coast Environment Network at Umina, Ettalong and Pearl Beach, as well as with Community Success in Woy Woy.

Workers from Community Success will get to experience a range of roles including administration, web design, garden maintenance, child care and aged care.

"These new Work for the Dole projects offer unemployed people the opportunity to broaden their work experience and update their resumes to boost their job hunting prospects," Mr Lloyd said.

"Work for the Dole projects are benefiting those directly involved as well as their local communities" Mr Lloyd said.

"Lifting their self-esteem as well as changing how the community views the unemployed is an important step towards the ultimate goal of getting back to work."

"Participants benefit from improved job prospects, increased confidence, self-respect and motivation, the ability to develop team-work and communication/social skills and the opportunity to gain references and certificates."

Press release, April 13  
Jim Lloyd,  
Federal Member for Robertson

## Police review town security

**The NSW Police Service has promised to review Ettalong town centre security with local businesses.**

The initiative follows an agreement recently reached between The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, following a recent spate of property damage.

Police Commander Mr Alan Clarke and crime prevention officer Ms Jo Plummer met with local business people and the Chamber recently to discuss initiatives that could be implemented to reduce the incidence of property damage and antisocial behaviour in the town, said Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"Local business people are extremely concerned about the apparent rise in these incidences and, to the NSW Police Service's credit, the Police Commander came right to the coal face to sort out the issues," said Mr Wales.

"Broken windows, antisocial behaviour and mindless vandalism have no place in our town and businesses are fed up with it.

"They want police assistance to reduce the risk of these things happening," Mr Wales said.

"We agreed to look at a series of initiatives including a full safety audit of the business precinct, increased police presence during critical periods and further discussions with

the two licensed premises in the Ettalong Beach.

"These initiatives are a start and the Chamber of Commerce believes that through greater cooperation with the police, we can build on these actions.

"However, it is all dependant on creating a closer working relationship between business and the Police Service."

Mr Wales said that the safety audit was an important tool in identifying the crime and safety issues in the town centre and developing actions to reduce the risk of crime in cooperation with the Police Service, the businesses and Gosford Council.

"Things like improved lighting, eliminating areas that offenders can hide, better casual surveillance and cooperation amongst businesses are all essential to making Ettalong Beach safer," Mr Wales said.

"This is more important than ever as the new Outrigger Resort is due to be opened in May which will increase the number of visitors and customers to Ettalong Beach. We need to make these visitors welcome in our town as well as ensuring that residents and visitors alike are safe and secure".

Press release, May 10  
Matthew Wales, Peninsula  
Chamber of Commerce



The main street of Ettalong recently suffered a spate of vandalism

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# Amcal responds to forecast that one in five Australians will suffer from arthritis by 2020

Arthritis is Australia's major cause of chronic and disabling pain, currently affecting 3.4 million Australians, according to a 2005 report conducted by Australia's peak arthritis organisation, Arthritis Australia. If current trends continue, 4.6 million Australians (one in five) are expected to be living with this debilitating disease by 2020.

Amcal is encouraging Australians to identify and manage this serious health issue with the launch of a national Arthritis Management Program during April, which coincides with National Arthritis Week (10th - 16th April). The program is aimed at raising awareness about the causes and effects of arthritis, and more importantly offering Australians advice on the most effective ways of treating their arthritic symptoms.

A common misconception about arthritis is that it's 'an old person's health problem', but people as young as six months old can suffer discomfort and pain in varying degrees. According to Arthritis Australia, 60% of Australians suffer arthritis between the ages 15 and 65 years - 'the productive years'.

"In many cases arthritis has been described as a life sentence. The effects can be far greater than a few aches and pains, making even the simplest of tasks arduous and painful chores," Woy Woy Amcal pharmacist, Lance Clarke said.



"While the incidence of arthritis increases with age, the evidence of arthritis from the early age of 15 years and up to 65 years is particularly surprising to most people. Many employees who suffer from arthritis rarely reach their workplace potential and are forced to retire at a relatively young age," Clarke added.

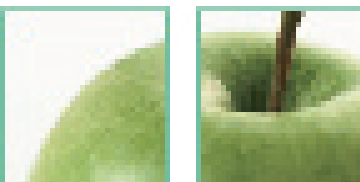
The Amcal Arthritis Management Program will provide individuals with an exclusive plan on how to effectively manage their condition. Amcal is inviting people to visit their local Amcal pharmacy and talk with their pharmacists about existing and new medications, suitable pain relief options, the latest natural therapy treatments, diet and nutrition and the very important role of physical activity.

"Arthritis can be minimised by early diagnosis, so the more aware people are about this health issue, the quicker they will recognise its symptoms and effectively treat them. We want people to know that Amcal is here to help answer any questions they have about arthritis and suggest suitable ways to treat their condition," Clarke said.

Amcal offers Arthritis Management Workshops at participating Amcal pharmacies across Australia. People attending these workshops will be offered invaluable advice and information on managing arthritis, in a friendly and welcoming atmosphere.

The arthritis workshops are also aimed at introducing arthritis sufferers to other sufferers. Arthritic pain is often not talked about, due to the misconception it's a health issue suffered by old people, so the workshops allow for individuals to interact with people suffering from similar symptoms.

"Amcal pharmacies are here to provide Australians with the information and tools they need to proactively manage their individual arthritic condition. Because there are



different types and levels of arthritis, people can discuss treatment options that best suit their individual needs and lifestyle," Clarke said.

For further information about Amcal's Arthritis Management Program and Workshops, visit Lance Clarke Pharmacy, Shop 4 Peninsula Plaza, Blackwall Rd. Woy Woy.

## Arthritis

### Amcal's Health Management Program

#### Treatment of arthritis

Modern treatment programs often suggest a combination of medications, natural therapies, a balance between rest and exercise, weight loss, physical treatments, and sometimes surgery. Your Amcal Pharmacist can assist you in finding the best way to manage the pain and inconvenience of your arthritis.

- Heat can provide effective relief, and your Amcal Pharmacist carries a range of heating aids.

- Medication - Your Amcal Pharmacist will help you understand your prescription medicine and guide you through the common, over-the-counter preparations including paracetamol or aspirin as well as non-steroidal anti-inflammatory tablets or creams. In severe cases your GP may recommend corticosteroids injected directly into the joint.

- Natural therapies - in recent years, there have been encouraging reports on the use of natural therapies in the treatment of arthritis, including a

substance called Glucosamine. Some vitamin and mineral supplements may also be beneficial, just ask your Amcal Pharmacist.

While there are no recognised "wonder foods" that help arthritis, a healthy, balanced diet is vital to help you maintain a healthy weight. Your joints will thank you!

Moderate and careful exercise can actually help reduce pain, improve joint mobility and muscle strength as well as improve general fitness and well-being.

#### It's all about proper management

While your Amcal Pharmacist is qualified to advise you on all medications available, the beauty of this Health Management Program is how it helps your GP and Pharmacist monitor your pain medication to ensure you're getting adequate relief. Also ask your Pharmacist about the Amcal Weight Loss Program that includes simple diet and exercise plans.



**Shop 4, Peninsula Plaza Blackwall Rd. Woy Woy. 4342 2256**



# What's on

## What's on in and around the Peninsula

Following is a comprehensive listing of events planned for the Peninsula over the next two weeks. Many events take place at the following locations: **BFC**, Beachside Family Centre, Umina Public School **CU**, Club Umina, Umina Beach Bowling Club, Melbourne Ave, Umina Beach 4341 2618 **CWAHWW**, CWA Hall, Anderson Park, Brick Wharf Rd, Woy Woy **EBACC**, Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre, Kitchener Park, Cnr Maitland Bay Dve & Picnic Pde, Ettalong 4341 6344 **EBWMC**, Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club, 211 Memorial Ave., Ettalong 4341 1166 **ECC**, Everglades Country Club, Dunbar Rd, Woy Woy 4341 1866 **EMBC**, Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club, 103 Springwood St Ettalong 4341 0087 **EPH**, Ettalong Progress Hall, Memorial Ave, Ettalong **ESSC**, Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre, Cnr Karingi St & Broken Bay Rd Ettalong 4341 3222 **MOW**, Meals on Wheels Hall, Cnr Ocean Beach Rd and McMasters Rd. **PBPH**, Pearl Beach Progress Hall, Diamond Rd, Pearl Beach **PCC**, Peninsula Community Centre, 93 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy 4341 9333 **PCYC**, Osborne Ave., Umina Beach 4344 7851 **PWHC**, Peninsula Womens Health Centre, McMasters Rd, Woy Woy 4342 5905 **TWYS**, The Web Youth Service, 93 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy 4342 3684 **UMBSC**, Umina Beach Surf Club **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

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** Supported Playgroup for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island families. Cost is \$2.50 per family, **BFC Toastmasters**, **EBWMC**, 7pm, enq: 4341 6842.  
**Combined Pensioners** Assoc afternoon tea, **ESSC**, enq: 4341 3222.  
**Pearl Beach Craft** group, **PBPH**, 1.30pm, enq: 4342 1459.  
**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** Supported Playgroup for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island families. Cost is \$2.50 per family, **BFC Toastmasters**, **EBWMC**, 7pm enq: 4341 6842.  
**Combined Pensioners** association afternoon tea, **ESSC**, enq: 4341 3222.  
**Every Tuesday** **The Web**, **TWYS**, 9am-3pm **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** **Early Bird 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**.

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

**Alcoholics Anonymous** Woy Woy Group 6pm John the Baptist Church Hall, enq: Julie 4379 1132 **Tai-Chi** classes **WH** 10.30am (ex sch hols), enq 4360 2705 **Rotary Club of Woy Woy** 6pm **ECC** **Competition Darts**, **EMBC**, 7pm, **Scrabble**, Empire Bay Community Progress Hall 12pm, enq:4369 3195. **Folk Art** 9.30am, **Oils and Acrylics** 12 noon, **Silk Painting** 1pm **EBACC** **Children's story time**, Umina library, 10.30 am (Except Jan). **Adult tap dancing** **EPH** 7pm, enq: 4342 3925. **Sports bar raffle** **EBWMC** **Sahaja yoga meditation** **C W A H W W**, 1 0 : 3 0 a m Free enq: 4328 1409.

### WEDNESDAY

**First Wednesday of every month** Older women's network, **WWLC**, 10.15am, enq:4343 1079 **Seniors Shopping** day, Deepwater Plaza, Woy Woy, enq: 43412 4206 **CWA** social day, **CWAHWW**. 10am, handicrafts, 1pm, enq: 4344 5192 **Ettalong Ratepayers** and **Citizens Progress Association**, **EPH**, 7.30pm.  
**Second Wednesday of every Month** **War Widows Veterans Club**, friendship day, **MOW**, 11am, enq: 4341 2379 **Red Cross**, Umina branch meeting, Umina Uniting Church Hall, 1:30pm. Woy Woy Community Aged Care **Auxiliary**, 10am enq: 4341 1588. **Kids drama** and discovery classes, 5-16yrs, **PCYC**, 4pm, enq: 4344 7851. Umina Beach **Probus Club** **ECC** 9.30am, visitors welcome.  
**Third Wednesday of every month** **War Widows Veterans Club**, luncheon and guest speaker, 10.30am, enq:4341 2379  
**Last Wednesday of every month** Monthly meditation group, **PWHC**  
**Every Wednesday** **The Web**, 9 a m - 7 p m **Y o u n g W o m e n ' s** **Group** 12-18 yrs, **TWYS** **Counselling** by appointment, **PCC** **Rock'n'Roll Dance Class** **EMBC** 7pm **Brisbane Water Bridge Club**, **PCC**. 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**- 12noon. **Scrabble** 1pm **ESSC** **Social Darts** **EMBC**, 7pm **Oil Painting**, 9am **Multi-craft needlework** 10am, **PCC** **Girls' BJP School of Physical Culture**, 3.30pm, \$3, 4-13 yrs **PCC** enq: 4344 4924. **Circuit Boxing** (Women) 9am, **Kindy Gym** 10-11am \$6, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4-5pm (Junior), 5-6pm (Senior), **PCYC** **St John's Ambulance**; Woy Woy Aged Care 7pm, enq: 4341 3341. **Killcare Wagstaffe Playgroup** **WH** (ex sch hols). 9.30 - 12pm, enq: 4360 2065. **Bingo/Cash Housie** 7.30pm **CU** **Killcare** - Wagstaffe **Rural Fire Brigade** 7.30pm Stanley St Killcare enq: 4360 2161. **Drawing** 9am, **Pastels** 11.30am, **Oils and Acrylics** 2pm **EBACC** **Children's story time**, Woy Woy library, 10.30-11.30am (Except Jan). **Alcoholics Anonymous** 7.30pm John the Baptist Hall, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy. **Basic Meditation Group** **PWHC**, 10am different theme each session **Handicraft** **CWAHWW**, 9am, 50 cent donation, enq: 4342 4316.

### THURSDAY

**Second Thursday of every month** Council education Officer, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 1-4pm, Outsiders club, **EBWMC**, 9am.  
**Third Thursday of every month** Seniors Social morning, Church Hall, Blackwall Rd, 9:30am, enq: 4342 5061.  
**Fourth Thursday of every month** 9am - 12 midday. **Free immunization** clinic for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island children 0 - 5 years, **BFC** Council education Officer, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 1-4pm, Umina Probus, **ECC**, 10am.  
**Every Thursday** **Counselling**; 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. **The Web**, 93 McMasters Road Woy Woy, 4341 9333, 9am-7pm **Tai Chi**, **PBPH** 9.30am, enq: 4341 1243. Ladies 18 hole **golf** **ECC** **Ballroom Dancing**, 10am. **EMBC** **Tai Chi**-11.35am; **Dancing** 9am; **Indoor Bowls**-9am; **Table Tennis**-1.45pm; **Cards** 12 noon, **ESSC** **Judo** all ages \$3, 5.30pm: **PCC**, enq: 4342 4121. **Brisbane Water Bridge Club** **PCC**, 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** 12-18 yrs, **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** 2pm - 4pm. **The Peninsula Twins Club** meet. Cost - Free. **BFC** **RSL** Sub branch **EBWMC**, 2.30pm. **Troubadour Folk Club**, **CWAHWW**, 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** **Kids entertainment** **Yrs 7 -12**, Umina Uniting Church, 7.30 - 9.00pm **PLAYGROUP**, Umina Uniting Church, 10am - 12noon for Mums and pre-schoolers. **Bingo** - 11.30am - 1.30 pm, \$3 - food prizes, raffles, tea & coffee, Children welcome **UCH** 6 Sydney Ave. (opp Shell) 4343 1664 **Lollipop** Music Playgroup at **BFC** 3 separate age groups from 9.30 - 12.15. \$4. Enq: 43 431929. **The Web**, 93 McMasters Road Woy Woy, 4341 9333, 12.30pm-9.30pm **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; **Brisbane Water Bridge Club** **PCC**. 12

noon; **Painting**- 9am **ESSC** **Peninsula Pastimes** Ettalong Baptist Church, Barrenjoey Rd. 9.30am, (Ex sch hols), enq: 4343 1237 **Bridge Club** **PCC**, 12.30pm, enq. 4341 0721. **Alcoholics Anonymous** Woy Woy 6pm, St 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, Ettalong Baptist Church enq: Shane 0412 606 128.

### SATURDAY

**First Saturday of every month** The National Malaya & Borneo Veterans Association Australia meet, **EBWMC**, 2.30pm Call 4340 4160  
**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 Umina P&C Bushcare meets 9-11am Umina Campus of **BWSC**, Veron Rd Umina. enq: 4341 9301  
**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** **The Web**, 93 McMasters Road Woy Woy, 4341 9333, 4.30pm-9.30pm **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, **TWYS** 4.30-9.30pm; **Al-anon/Alateen** family support group Community Health building, Woy Woy public Hospital 2pm Enq: 4344 6939.

### SUNDAY

**First Sunday of every month** Car boot markets, Hardys Bay RSL, noon-4pm, \$10 site fees, Inq: 4360 1072 **Blackwall Mountain Bushcare**, meets 9am cnr Blackwall Road and Memorial Avenue Enq: 4342 6995  
**Second Sunday of every month** 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** Bushcare Group, Tennis Courts, Empire Bay, 9-11am Enq: 43692486 **Vietnam Vets**, **EBWMC**, 11am. **Bootscooters**, **EBWMC** 2.30pm. **Etymalong Creek Landcare** group, Ettalong Rd, Umina, 8am, ph: 43422251.  
**Fourth Sunday of every month** **Buffalo Lodge**, Woy Woy 381, 11am, **Buffalo Lodge**, Gosford No 63, **UCH** 1pm. **Dancing** Oldtime/New Vogue, 1pm, **ESSC** **Burrawong Bushland reserve bushcare** group, Nambucca Dve playground, 9am, ph: 4341 9301.  
**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** **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 0805 **Pretty Beach P S P&C**, Resource Centre 7:30pm, ph 4360 1587  
**Second Monday of every month** **Save the Children**, Meeting At St Andrews Church Hall Ocean Beach Road Umina Beach At 1-30pm Enq Contact Nola 4324 4389 **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: 4344 3486 **NSW Transport Authorities Retired Employees**, 2.30pm, **EMBC**  
**Fourth Monday of every month** **Playreadings** 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** **Walking** with other Mums. Meet at **UBSF**. Free. Enq: 43 203741  
**3Cs Craft** - Craft, Coffee and Conversation. 12.30 - 2.30pm at **BFC**. \$2. Enq: 43 431929  
**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** **PCC**. 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, Umina PS

### EVENT CALENDAR

**Sunday, 1 May** St George Bank Umina Inaugural BBQ for Patonga, Pearl Beach and Umina Residents, Patonga Oval, Bay Street, Patonga, Free Sausage Sizzle, Face painting and Happy Dragon, more info 4344 3211  
**Wednesday, 11 May** Bowen Therapy Bowen activates your body's own natural healing abilities. Gentle, fast, effective treatment for all chronic and acute pain, **PWHC**, 10.00am- 12 noon, Gold coin donation.  
**Wednesday, 18 May** Menopause and Urinary Incontinence Women's Health Nurses will share their views on Menopause and Incontinence. They will give an explanation of symptoms and demystify these and other women's health issues. Bring along your questions, **PWHC**, 10.00am to 2pm, Gold coin donation, Confirmation 11, May



# Arts & Entertainment

## Young actors wanted

**Auditions will soon be held for the Woy Woy Little Theatre production "Blood Brothers", directed by Brenda Logan, at Woy Woy Public School.**

Woy Woy Little Theatre is currently looking for three female and two male actors between 18 and 20 years old to be cast in the production.

One of the actors, with a preferred piano or accordion ability, would be cast as a narrator, and also as part of the chorus.

Director Ms Brenda Logan said

all actors must have a sense of fun and the ability to act as children.

Auditions for the play will be held at Woy Woy Public School from 7.30pm on April 26 and 28.

The production will run from August 12 to 20 at the Peninsula Theatre in Woy Woy.

Rehearsals for the production will be conducted on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

For more information, contact 4343 1027.

Newsletter, March 16

Rose Cooper, What Enews



## Anzacs

Below the dark earth, bone on bone,  
soldiers lie buried far from home.

Persuaded that the cause was just,  
their blood was spilled; their weapons rust.

Did they recall the children's game  
when friend and foe pretended pain.

When flags on sticks were held up high  
for gallant heroes, marching by?

Each year, in early morning pallor,  
sombre mourners praise their valour.

And underneath the circling moon,  
bone lies on bone in earth's dark tome.

Angela Johnson, Pearl Beach

## Bob Dylan tribute

**The Troubadour Folk and Acoustic Music Club will be holding a Bob Dylan tribute concert at the Peninsula Theatre on Mothers' Day, May 8.**

Visiting guest artists will include Duncan Chalmers, Jason and Chloe Roweth, Chris Frasier and locals will include Earlwood Greg.

They will all only perform songs written by Bob Dylan and The Band.

The concert commences at 2pm

and tickets are available from Peninsula Music, George St, Woy Woy, which can be contacted on 4342 9099.

Event organiser Ms Marilyn Russell said: "Mothers and grandmothers who are Bob Dylan fans are being particularly encouraged to attend the Bob Dylan tribute concert as something different to do on Mothers Day."

Members of the public are welcome at all events.

Cec Bucello, March 31



## Competition for school students

**An art and craft competition for school students will start in May.**

The Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre will run the competition alongside an existing competition for adults.

Both competitions are run in conjunction with Peninsula News.

Coopers of Umina will donate a \$25 gift voucher to the winner and Ettalong Beach Arts & Craft Centre will provide a framed certificate.

A photograph of the winners of both competitions with their winning entries will be published in Peninsula News.

Entries will be accepted by the

Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft Centre for judging between 10am and noon on Saturday, May 7.

The winner will be judged during the following week and published in edition 117 of Peninsula News on May 16.

School students of all ages, from Year 1 to Year 12, are encouraged to enter.

The competition aims to establish ongoing cultural heritage awareness of "The Peninsula Today".

Works on this theme may be in any medium except photography.

For more information, contact Mr Bob Penson on 4363 1327.

Cec Bucello, April 15

**Former primary school principal and Killcare resident Mr Ian Thiering will be among many performing as part of "Ooh La La" at the Central Coast Leagues Club on May 15, as part of the Gosford Philharmonia Orchestra.**

Music has been a large part of Mr Thiering's life, from church and school choirs of his high school years and then at Teachers College.

As a primary school principal in many NSW towns and Norfolk Island, Mr Thiering promoted school choirs and eisteddfods as part of the daily program and taught a variety of music from combined school festivals, madrigals, quartets and Gilbert and Sullivan.

Mr Thiering and his wife Jeannette came to the Central Coast in 1991.

Ms Thiering formerly was a math teacher and returned to playing the violin when they settled in the local area.

Ms Thiering now plays with friends in small chamber group.

The pair will now join forces with the Central Coast Symphony Orchestra, the Central Coast

Concert Band and the Gosford City Brass Band for the upcoming concert.

The Gosford Rotary Club will sponsor this concert, on Sunday, May 15, at 2pm in the Central Coast Leagues Club.

Press release, April 5  
Beverly Pinnock

## Thierings play in orchestra



*St Albans Folk Festival*

22 - 25 April 2005

This year's Festival looks like being a real beauty with a great program of many new acts together with the return of many favourites. See [www.SnAlbans.iwarp.com](http://www.SnAlbans.iwarp.com) for full details. It again represents exceptional value at only \$50 for a season ticket bought by April 11, including free camping, for ongoing entertainment from the Friday evening until late Monday. There'll be lots of concerts, an excellent dance stream, a children's festival, stalls, poets, breakfasts and lots more.

There'll even be an official 2-up game on ANZAC Day. What's more, volunteers get in free!  
For more info call 4975 5730 or email: [Festival@ecbdma.org](mailto:Festival@ecbdma.org)

### Performers

3 alone, Aitch, Alison Boyd, Amy Moss, Andy White, Ann Ridgeway, Beeswing, Bill Bekric, Cathy Gibson, Charlie McMahon, Chris Fraser, Chorella Community Choir, Craig & Simone, Duelling Drongos, Earlwood Greg, The Exiles, Fellowship of the Strings, The Foxes, Fred Smith, Gael Mor, Heretic Rose, Inland Navigators, Jim Stubbs Backing Band, John Hospodary, Just a Tad & Moz, Konfuzion, Lara Stephen, Madd Marianne, Maureen Obrien, Minglewood Mudcats, Mothers of Intention, Myriad, New York Public Library, Paddy Raleigh, Penny Kealy, Phil Edgeley, Red Heads, Rhumb-Line, The Rhythm Hunters, Ron Beasley, Sommers Family, The Sydney Cove Project, Swig, Tony Eardley, The Usual Suspects, Wayward, Waywood Folk, The Wheeze & Suck Band

### Dancing

Dancers will be pleased to know that the following excellent dance presenters will be present to continue the tradition commenced last year of making the St Albans Folk Festival also one of the major dance festivals to take place in the Sydney/Newcastle/Central Coast region each year. Presenters will be Bill and Margaret Winnett; Anthony and Lisa Simon; Arthur Kingsland and Wayward. There will also be a dance on the Saturday night and a difficult dancers, dance on the Sunday evening

### Children

Children are not forgotten at St Albans as there is a separate festival within a festival just for them. Children can enter talent quests and win prizes, learn to play the guitar, have fun with music, be scared by spookie stories and lots more

### Poets

Poets, breakfasts are held each morning. Featured poets this year are Arch Bishop, Jane Faulkner, Peter Mace and Vic Jeffries. All are welcome.

Pre booked season ticket \$50 - ends Monday 11 April  
4975 5730 or [LisaandBrent@optusnet.com.au](mailto:LisaandBrent@optusnet.com.au)  
web: [www.snalbans.iwarp.com](http://www.snalbans.iwarp.com)

Second term classes begin soon at Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre

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## Education



Brisbane Water Secondary College parents, teachers and students displayed Cattle Club ribbons and trophies won in Term 1 by college students at a P&C appreciation Barbecue

## Grant for veggie garden

Umina Public School has received a Healthy Schools Community Grant of \$1500 towards establishing a vegetable garden.

The committee applied for this grant to establish the garden within school grounds and use it for both curricula activities and canteen activities.

Late last year, the canteen

committee applied for the grant from the Department of Health and Aging.

Newsletter, March 1  
Pat Lee, Umina Public School

## Principal moves to Niagara Park

Woy Woy Public School principal Mr Warrick Hannon has been appointed as principal of Niagra Park Public School.

Mr Hannon recently wrote to the school to thank staff and students for his seven years at the school.

"I'll never forget the friendliness and happiness of the Woy Woy kids and all the outstanding things

they have achieved over the last seven years," Mr Hannon said.

"I am indebted to all the wonderful teaching, SASS and support staff at Woy Woy.

"I thank them for their dedication and commitment in always trying to enhance the educational and social abilities of the children.

"Thank you to you all for the absolute privilege of being principal of such a wonderful school."

The vacant position at the school will now either be filled by a principal who has a current application for transfer or school education director Mr Frank Potter will form a panel and the position would be filled by the merit selection process.

Newsletter, March 17  
Bob Newman,  
Woy Woy Public School



The Ettalong Public School students who shaved their heads in support of cancer research

## Students support Relay for Life

A group of students from Ettalong Public School shaved their hair in support of the local Cancer Relay for Life on March 31.

Students from the school were asked to donate \$1 to watch the volunteers be given a number one hair cut by their parents.

The students were also treated to entertainment by a variety of performers and had the chance to win lucky door prizes.

Two of the volunteer students, Joe and Joel, reported that although their new look felt a bit strange, it felt good to know that they were helping people.

Both boys have known people with cancer and said that this had motivated them to participate.

The event raised roughly \$350 for the Cancer Relay for Life.

Press release, April 3  
Michelle Pathirana,  
Ettalong Public School

## Nearly run over

Pretty Beach Public School has issued a safety reminder to parents and drivers, after a young child was nearly run over while crossing the road recently.

The child was dropped off opposite the school and proceeded to run across the road, a driver narrowly avoiding an accident.

The school has asked parents to walk their children across the road, using the pedestrian crossing that has been provided, and to be aware of the areas in which they may or may not park during busy times.

Newsletter, March 24  
Pretty Beach Public School

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## Grant for programs

**Brisbane Water Secondary College has been successful in obtaining a grant from the Federal Government to support a range of programs for Aboriginal students at both campuses.**

Applications were developed by teachers, students and Aboriginal community representatives following some minor changes to the way funding is allocated.

The application focused on improving outcomes for all Aboriginal students through a range of programs in literacy, numeracy, attendance, and a homework centre.

The senior campus will be looking to appoint an Aboriginal Education Worker during terms two, three and four.

Campus principal Mr David Beattie said "The person appointed will be required to work with students on an individual and group basis, helping them to complete their work in class and for assessment in the School and Higher School Certificates.

"We are hoping to find someone in the local community who can build positive relationships with students and work with them and their teachers to make sure that

the students are successful in their courses and eventually the HSC".

The colleges' former Aboriginal Education Worker, Mr Ray McMinn, is now employed by the regional office of the NSW Department of Education and Training and on the Minister's steering committee overseeing the program.

The college now has over 100 students identified as being of Aboriginal descent.

The college operates a range of other initiatives, including a "phone home" program, leadership courses, camps and attendance at the annual Croc Fest.

Students are also supported with career decisions through attendance at job markets, completion of work experience and work placement in various jobs across the Central Coast.

"We have a very high success rate with all students, but especially Aboriginal students, due to the special initiatives that are put in place across the college," Mr Beattie added.

An advertisement for the position as Aboriginal Education Worker appears in this edition of the Peninsula News.

**Press release, April 7  
BWSC Woy Woy Campus**



The St John the Baptist swimmers, Tayla Nicoll, Anna Tonkin, Hannah Fryer and Isobel Ridley

## Selected for Broken Bay

**Four St John the Baptist swimmers have been selected to represent the Broken Bay Diocese at Homebush Aquatic Centre.**

Five swimmers from St John the Baptist Primary School, Woy Woy, competed on Monday, March 14, at the Broken Bay Swimming

Carnival, which doubled as a selection trial for the Broken Bay swimming team.

The St John senior girls relay team was selected for the Broken Bay squad.

The team consisted of Tayla Nicoll, Anna Tonkin, Hannah Fryer and Isobel Ridley.

Both Tayla and Anna also qualified in individual events.

Luke Meany also swam well on the evening, narrowly missing a place and position on the team.

**Press release, March 17  
Beth Riley, St John the Baptist**

## Sand donated for playgroup

**St Johns Little Angels Playgroup has been given a load of pristine white sand to rejuvenate its sandpit.**

The sandpit had fallen into disuse over the last 12 months due to the quality of the sand.

Publicity officer Ms Beth Riley said a donation by Roy Lamb The Sand Man had allowed the playgroup to use the sandpit.

Ms Riley said parents and some very excited children were on hand to help move the new sand into the pit.

"The sandpit is very popular with the children and will be well used over the coming months," Ms Riley said.

**Press release, April 8  
Beth Riley, St John the Baptist**

## Back to Pretty Beach

**Pretty Beach Public School is looking for past students to be involved in Back to School Day on May 17 as part of Education Week activities.**

Acting school principal Ms Vicki Redrup said the event aimed to inspire young people with diverse role models and celebrate the excellence of public education.

"Back to School Day directly supports youth aspiration by offering the chance for young people to gain insight into a diverse range of pathways," Ms Redrup said.

The school is now in the process of inviting ex-students to be involved in the day.

Anyone who attended the school and is interested in speaking to

children about their experiences at the school and what they have been doing since they left can contact 4360 1012 for more information.

**Newsletter, April 8  
Vicki Redrup,  
Pretty Beach Public School**

## Stall raises \$400

**A recent cake stall at Ettalong Public School raised \$400 for the Tsunami Appeal and also another \$100 in donations.**

Teachers at the school helped with the donations by giving half a day's pay to the Tsunami Appeal.

The donations were organised by the teachers union and the Department of Education.

**Newsletter, March 15  
Ettalong Public School Homenote**

## New classroom for Pretty Beach

**Representatives from the Education Department properties division recently visited Pretty Beach Public School to decide on a location for a new demountable.**

The school is looking at two options: one near a current

classroom and the other near a shade shelter.

Both are being costed and a decision will be made in the near future.

**Newsletter, April 8  
Vicki Redrup,  
Pretty Beach Public School**

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# Umina agent opens Woy Woy office

**A couple with more than 25 years experience in real estate at Umina have opened an office in Woy Woy.**  
 Ray and Margaret Shipley of Ray White Umina officially opened the doors of the new office on January 8, with a free sausage sizzle to celebrate the occasion.  
 Ms Cristy Carter is the property manager at the new office, with experience in both Sydney and the Central Coast.  
 She is joined by Mr Aaron Shipley, Ms Lisa Hopkins, and Mr Dale Bassett, who make up the sales team.  
 The role of sales support and reception is fulfilled by Nicole Johnson.  
 "The opening was well attended.  
 "We went through well over 200 sausage sandwiches," said Ms Hopkins.  
**Stuart Baumann,**  
**January 27**

## Public Notices

**Calling all Dancers**  
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## Wins start rugby union season

**Woy Woy Rugby Union Club has started its season well with wins in first and second grade but unfortunately lost the third grade against Kariong.**

The First grade side started with a flourish with two early tries to Soana Tongia and it went to halftime with a commanding 24-0 lead.

In the second half, they did not let up, finally winning the game 39 to 5.

Coach Ross Hopkins said after the game: "Kariong always test us and results usually can go either way."

"So it was nice to get some momentum, and while we have along way to go the side played well."

"It was an unusually warm day

and some of our big men struggled in the back end of the game, but they played out the 80 minutes well."

Grant Hamilton played in his first grade debut and scored two good tries, and Dave Hendricks picked up the Best on Ground and the Players' Player Award.

Mr Hopkins said the second grade won its game 48-0, with David Gooley and Gerry Summerhayes the stars of the match.

The thirds lost 33-7, but were far from disgraced, said Mr Hopkins.

The club now plays The Entrance away and then has its first night game of the season against Terrigal on April 23 at Woy Woy Oval.

First grade kick-offs at 6pm.

**Press release, April 11  
George Simpkins, Woy Woy Rugby Club**



Kariong played Noth Lakes in an under 11 rugby union match played at Ettalong Oval, on April 15

## Rapid growth for junior rugby

**Woy Woy Junior Rugby Union Club has increased from four to 10 teams this season, with a total of over 141 players registered in just its second year.**

The club is one of the fastest expanding clubs on the Central Coast, with players aged five to 16 years, according to club secretary

Ms Denise Stokie.

Ms Stokie said all teams were putting in a great effort resulting in many wins in the first two games of the season, despite most players having not played rugby before.

The Under-16s side has won both of its games.

Ms Stokie said the under-8s also had fun playing two-handed touch.

Woy Woy Junior Rugby Union Club will have Ettalong Oval as its home ground this season.

Council has development application approval for new amenities which will turn the oval into a much sought-after location, Ms Stokie said.

**Press release, April 11  
Denise Stokie, Woy Woy Junior Rugby Union Club**



Mr Derek Travers won five medals

## Local masters athletics champion

**Mr Derek Travers of Woy Woy won five medals in the Trans Tasman Masters Games held in Newcastle last week.**

Mr Travers competed in the 60 to 75 year old age group.

He won gold medals in the triple jump, long jump and 100 metre hurdles.

He also won bronze medals in the 100 metre sprint and the high jump.

Derek is a member of Gosford Athletics Club.

"Derek was an athlete as a young man but only returned to the sport in 1995," partner Joan Pollard said..

In 2003 he competed in the Brisbane Pan Pacific games and won two gold medals in his favourite events, the long jump and the triple jump.

In 2004 he received sponsorship from Ettalong Markets to compete in the same events in the World Masters Games in Melbourne.

He won two silver medals at the World Masters and considers this to be his greatest achievement to date.

"He never would have been able to get to the games in Melbourne if it wasn't for the Ettalong Markets' sponsorship," Joan Pollard said.

**Cec Bucello, April 15**

## Fundraiser for junior rugby league

**Umina Junior Rugby League Football Club will hold a "Legends of League" fundraiser in late May.**

Club president Mr Mathew Harvey said the event was being held to raise money for items such as jumpers, training equipment and gear.

"Umina Junior Rugby League Football Club continues to grow in numbers," Mr Harvey said.

"We have increased our numbers from 194 last year to 230 boys and

one girl for this season.

"With the growing numbers comes more strain on raising funds."

"We are also still trying to attract sponsors for the 2005 season," Mr Harvey said.

"It has become increasingly harder each year to attract sponsors to support our teams. "We have packages starting from \$400."

The fundraiser will be held on May 21 at Umina Beach Bowling Club.

The event will start at 7pm with special guests including football greats Brett Kenny from Parramatta, Royce Simmons from Penrith and comedian Ray Seager.

Only 250 tickets will be sold at \$50 a person or \$360 for a table of eight.

Ticket includes meal, beer, wine, soft drink and entertainment.

For information and tickets, contact 0419 621609.

**Press release, April 4  
Mathew Harvey, Umina Junior RLFA**

## Selected

Kirby Litterick from Umina has been selected in the under-14 State soccer team for the national Friendship Games to be held in the April school holidays.

**Press release, March 9  
Allan Bourke, Central Coast Soccer**

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# Club contributes to historic rugby victory



Four players and four officials from Woy Woy Rugby Union took part in the recent victory by the Central Coast over Illawarra in the final of the Caldwell Cup.

It was the first time in 12 years that the Central Coast had won the title.

The players involved were Steve Lauti, Sione Tuitakau, Dave Henricks and Dave Plunkett.

The officials involved were forwards coach Ross Hopkins, trainer Gerry Summerhayes, manager John Kenney and strapper Bruce Sinclair.

The side had won games against Western Plains at Coonamble, against New England and Newcastle in home games.

They then went to Aussie Stadium and beat Central North 13 to 7 and by winning that game also won the Northern Provincial Championship Division.

Media liaison officer Mr George Simpkins said that by winning the Caldwell Cup, the Woy Woy players would go down in Central Coast rugby union history as playing a major role in bringing home the title.

Press release, April 6  
George Simpkins,  
Woy Woy Rugby Union

## Ettalong home for Woy Woy rugby

Woy Woy Junior Rugby Union Club has recently secured Ettalong Oval as its home ground.

Gosford Council will begin construction of new amenities on the oval grounds in the near future.

With the club only in its second year, it already has over 100 players registered, making it one of the fastest growing rugby clubs on the Central Coast.

President Mr John Stokie said he felt that with the support of a great committee of parents, dedicated to making rugby safe as well as fun, the club would only continue to grow.

Press release, March 29  
Gerri Wolfe,  
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Playgroup co-ordinator, Ms Pam Edmonds; Peninsula Community Centre treasurer, Mr Max Brigden; Woy Woy Rotary Club president, Mr Lee Spencer; and Woy Woy Rotary Club vice-president, Mr Ross Pearce

## Cheque for safety mats

The Woy Woy Rotary Club recently gave a cheque for \$2000 to Peninsula Community Centre coordinator Ms Pam Edmonds, for the replacement of 25-year-old safety mats.

The mats have been used by hundreds of Peninsula preschool toddlers at their Kindy Gym and Playgroup activities over the years.

"We have been trying to replace the safety mats for a long time as the mats

are extremely heavy to move and the stuffing has well and truly taken a beating over the years," Ms Edmonds said.

"We have been trying to raise funds through cake sales and raffles but the target always seemed too far away.

"The playgroup and Kindy Gym comes under the umbrella of the Peninsula Community Centre which also incorporates aged care, occasional care, family day care, and before and after school care.

"As you can imagine, there is a lot of competition for funds and there was always insufficient for the safety equipment for the kids.

"Approximately 200 families use our facility on a weekly basis."

The cheque was presented by Woy Woy Rotary Club president Lee Spencer and vice-president Ross Pearce.

Press release, April 12  
Max Brigden,  
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