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Terminal decision deferred

Gosford Council has deferred making a decision on the Fast Ferry terminal and wharf on the Ettalong foreshore.

Instead it has opted to seek further advice on the viability for lease options with certain conditions being met.

Councillors have also deferred the meeting to seek clarification on several issues including the recovery of costs to council in developing the proposal, the impact of executing the lease on any other possible operators and the question of asset ownership of the ferry terminal and facilities should the Fast Ships' venture fail.

Council has also resolved to find out if Fast Ships has secured berthing rights in Sydney or a vessel for its operations.

At the council meeting of August 23, Peninsula resident Mr Michael Gillian said he spoke on behalf of Peninsula residents "concerned with intense developer pressure to change the character of the Peninsula, and Ettalong in particular".

"My expectation of this proposal was that it would cover the advantages, the disadvantages, and what alternatives had been considered," Mr Gillian said.

"Unfortunately the document singularly fails to meet these expectations and explain how council and the community will be better off by council signing this lease.

"There no clear are advantages."

Mr Gillian criticized the granting of a long-term lease over Crown Land to a company "that had been unable in nine years to find an operator or financial backing."

Mr Gillian stated that Fast Ships had no previous expertise or experience in operating a similar ferry service, had limited financial

qualification relating to its "inherent uncertainty regarding continuation as a going concern"

"Finally, but most importantly, the recommendation does not address the implications raised by Fast Ship's new proposal which reports the chairman of Fast Ships as saying 'the ferry proposal is still very dependent on tourist numbers to support the operation ... a mini Cockle Bay type precinct would provide the necessary attraction for visitors to use the ferry service'," Mr Gillian said.

"This statement clarifies that a fast commuter ferry to Sydney is a non-starter without a property development play involving the assignment of some 600 metres of public foreshore and crown land to Fast Ships. "

Mr Gillian said "council should not sign a long term lease over the foreshore area" and "council should take no action on this lease request at this time."

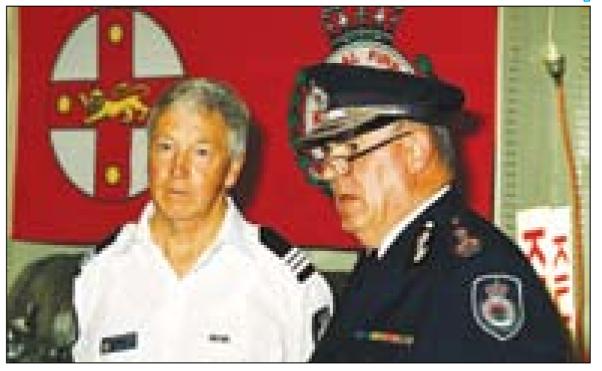
Cr Peter Hale chose not to take part in the Fast Ferry discussion and vote at council, as he is a director and shareholder of Fast Ships Ltd.

Crs Trevor Drake, Robert Bell, Chris Holstein and Terri Latella have all requested copies of the draft lease, sub lease, and deed of agreement documents for the Fast Ferry terminal and wharf proposal.

A representative of Villa and Villa, the company designing the foreshore concept, said the company was no longer able to provide information about the project.

According to Villa and Villa architect Mr Eduardo Villa. Fast Ships had requested that Villa and Villa not release any information to the press, stating that at this current stage they wished to "keep it quiet".

Council agenda COR.13,



Brigade captain Mr Max Breckenridge with NSW Rural Fire commissioner Mr Phil Koperberg

Brigade celebrates 50 years

The Killcare Wagstaffe Rural Station celebrated Fire its 50th Anniversary on Saturday, August 27 at a barbecue attended by NSW Rural Fire commissioner Mr Phil Koperberg.

It was also attended by Cr Robert Bell, Member for Gosford Mr Chris Harcher, chief superintendent Mr Mick Beltran, Gosford acting fire control officer Mr Roy Owens and deputy mayor Cr Jim Macfadyen.

The fire station which was reopened in November 2003, celebrated its anniversary with community and council support.

Brigade captain Mr Max Breckenridge started the proceedings by asking those who attended to spare a thought for those fire fighters who had lost their lives through the fire service.

Mr Breckenridge spoke of the great support from the community including those who regularly donate to the fire stations monthly cake stall, while thanking Peter and Claire Compton for holding the stall at Killcare Cellars each month.

Group captain Mr Warwick Teasdale spoke of the trouble researching the history of the fire station.

"A lot of the information was kept August 23 at the old fire captain's shed, which burned down," Mr Teasdale said. Michael Gillian, Lyle Stone Some records were found, but a

lot of help from the community was needed to put the rest together, Mr Teasdale said.

Joseph Child donated land to Gosford Council in 1947 so that it could be used for a fire station.

"The brigade was always here," Mr Teasdale said.

"Everyone was a member of the fire brigade then."

In September 1955, the brigade received the authority cards to start the fire station.

Twenty three names were put forward to start the new station, though not all of those people knew that their names were on the list.

"It came as a shock to some people to see their names there," Mr Teasdale said.

An honour board, made by local sign writer Mr John Lee, commemorates the fire station's past captains and presidents.

Cr Macfadyen spoke of Gosford Council's continued support of the fire brigade, which includes a \$1 million donation every year.

"They're always there, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, putting their own lives on the line," Cr Macfadyen said.

Mr Harcher spoke of the "spirit of the volunteer".

"They don't do it for a reward. They do it for honour and glory," Mr society."

Mr Harcher congratulated the brigade for its commitment to come together to help the area.

Mr Koperberg spoke of the history of NSW rural fire fighting.

He also spoke of the 1968 Grose Valley fires in which 167 houses were lost and which cost 11 lives, three of which were volunteer fire fighters.

"They were killed because they had no maps or communications and their only training was in survival.

"It can't go on," Mr Koperberg said.

Bush fire fighters lost more of their own then of Police and Armed Forces combined during peace times.

Mr Koperberg and Cr Macfadyen unveiled a plaque commemorating the day.

The Killcare Wagstaffe Fire Brigade meet every Wednesday at 7.30pm at the fire station on Stanley St, Killcare.

Those wishing to become a volunteer fire fighter can contact Max Breckenridge at the station or contact 4360 2161.

Terry Wilson, a volunteer Fire Fighter for the brigade for three years, said: "It's a way to give something back to the community.

resources and whose last filed financial accounts contain an audit Harcher said.

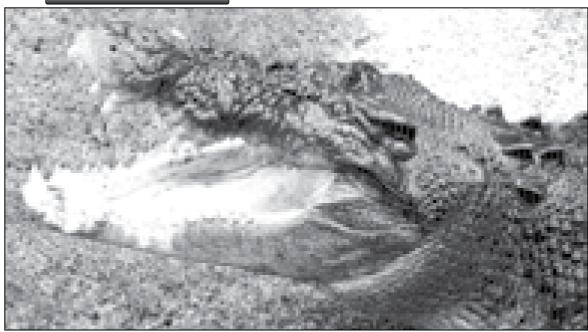
"They play their part in Australian

Kim Trenerry, August 31

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Eric the Crocodile turns 59 this year

Family pass competition

Peninsula News, in conjunction with the Australian Reptile Park, is giving away five family passes valued at \$52 each, to Eric the crocodile's birthday celebrations.

Eric the crocodile is turning 59 this year, according to marketing assistant Ms Catherine Pelosi.

Ms Pelosi said that during the September 24 to October 9 school holidays, every child who visits Eric for his birthday will receive a free slice of birthday cake and a show bag including free children's passes to other attractions, DMAG magazine, and jelly sweets.

There will also be a fancy dress competition, prizes to be won and even the chance to win one of Eric's teeth, games, and kooky krazy kids tours.

Other features at the Park during the holidays include the Spider World exhibit, which includes tarantulas, scorpions, large animatronic spiders and the world's second deadliest spider, the Sydney funnel-web.

To enter the competition, send your name, address and contact phone number on the back of an envelope to Croc Contest Peninsula News, PO box 532, Woy Woy, 2256.

The winners will be drawn on September 16 and published in edition 126 of Peninsula News.

Press release, August 30 Catherine Pelosi, Australian Reptile Park

Art competition

This month's Peninsula News and Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft Centre competition closes on Saturday, August 10.

The competition has a senior and a junior division and winners in both divisions will receive a framed certificate and a gift voucher.

The ongoing theme of the monthly competition is The Peninsula Today

and entries on this theme can be in any medium.

Entries should be presented to the centre at the corner of Maitland Bay Dr and Picnic Parade, Ettalong, between 10am and noon on Saturday, August 10.

Further information is available from Mr Bob Penson on 4363 1327.

Stuart Baumann, September 3

Stalls outside supermarket

The Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary will run a stall outside Flemmings supermarket in West St, Umina, on September 8.

The Woy Woy Community Aged Care Auxiliary will run one on September 9.

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will run its stall from 9am to 3.30pm while the Woy Woy Community Aged Care Auxiliary will be open from 8am the following day.

Both auxiliaries will be selling gifts, cakes, jams, crafts and other goods.

Press release, August 26 Auxiliiaries

Wheelchair bowls

Everglades Country Club is to host the Wheelchair and Multi-Disabled Bowls Championships.

Participants from Korea will be

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Hymns that live

The Ettalong Baptist Church is holding a Hymns That Live event on Sunday, October 9.

The event will involve the church choir which will lead the singing and present special items.

There will also be a freewill

offering on the day. The event starts at 2.30pm

on October 9 at Ettalong Baptist Church, Barrenjoey Rd, Ettalong. For more information, contact

4341 1408. Press release, August 24

Ettalong Baptist Church.

Correction

The August 22 edition of Peninsula News incorrectly stated that one of the artists at the Patonga Bakehouse Gallery was named Jacelyn Maughan.

Her correct name is Jocelyn Maughan.

It was stated that the gallery was open on Saturday, where it was open on Sunday.

In the same edition, an error in the heading on the front page should have read "Council set to sign Fast Ferry lease".

Craig Stone, August 29

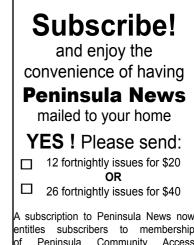


part of the event as well as some interstate players.

The opening ceremony and official welcome was expected to be held at 9am today with the event continuing until Sunday, September 11.

The official presentation dinner will take place on Sunday, September 11, in the Burgundy Room at Everglades Country Club.

Press release, August Frank Pengelley, Everglades Country Club



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Council considers lodging footpath applications

Gosford Council officers have recommended that development applications be lodged for the construction of foreshore footpaths and cycleways on Woy Woy and Ettalong foreshore.

The two foreshore sections of the Gosford City Cycleway Network had previously been identified as either sensitive ecologically, of concern to local residents, or both.

A grant offer \$237,000 for the Woy Woy foreshore and the preparation of a landscape plan for the Ettalong foreshore.

The grant offer was for a 3m wide shared footpath-cycleway along the Woy Woy foreshore, from Lions Park southerly to Blackwall, as an element of the NSW Coastline Cycleway Grants Program.

The Ettalong Beach landscape masterplan identified the need for a footpath and cycleway along the full length of the foreshore covered by the masterplan.

This would run from Ferry Rd to the Picnic Pd, also known as the Lance Webb Reserve section.

Development consent for the construction of the footpath and cycleway in Lance Webb Reserve would mean the footpath and cycleway project could be commenced immediately should funds become available, according to council staff.

In the report, it stated that the Woy Woy Foreshore cycleway "will provide a considerably less direct route from Woy Woy to such destinations as Umina and Ettalong Beach and hence is unlikely to be used by commuters and persons for strictly transportation purposes."

In looking at alternatives to the foreshore route, the report stated that "North Burge Rd and Burge Rd will provide generally safe on-road cycling conditions as a result of wide carriageways and low traffic volumes" however "a dedicated on road cycleway will remove the street parking enjoyed by residents fronting the street." It also stated that the foreshore footpath and cycleway was essentially an all-weather recreational facility located in an attractive area of Woy Woy, something which it claimed was not provided along North Burge Rd and Burge Rd.

The report concluded that there was no alternative route.

It also stated that the Ettalong Beach Foreshore cycleway "will provide all-weather foreshore access in an attractive area of Ettalong Beach."

As with the Woy Woy Foreshore cycleway, the adjacent roads were not considered to be an alternative route.

The report stated that the alternative to the proposed routes was "not to actually build them in each case."

If council agreed to the development consent process then it would provide the adjacent property owners with the opportunity to review far more detailed proposals than those previously exhibited which indicated rough locations.

The report stated that this would help with questions such as environmental effect and the exact position of the footpath and cycleway relative to nearby properties.

The issue of council's share of construction funding would be addressed in a further report to council in the event development consent was received.

Council agenda SF.36, September 6



Umina residents Midori and Paul Burns listen to ranger Neil Martin on a waratah walk on Saturday

Campaign to save local waratahs

The National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) is running a campaign to save local waratah blossoms.

The service is concerned about the survival of waratahs on the Central Coast with the increasing occurrence of illegal picking.

NPWS biodiversity officer Mr Doug Beckers said that the monitoring program conducted last season revealed that over one quarter of the flowers were illegally picked and that only 35 per cent of the flowers remaining produced seed.

"The monitoring program has raised serious concerns about the long-term viability of the waratahs at Warrah Trig due to illegal flower picking," Mr Beckers said.

"With the help of local residents and volunteers we hope to gain as much information about the waratahs in the area that we can so we can work towards helping these plants."

NPWS regional manager Mr Tom Bagnat said that the blooms' beautiful appearance meant that some people would go to extraordinary lengths to pick them.

"Picking flowers in a national park is illegal and can be detrimental to the long-term survival of a species, not to mention the removal of an important food source," Mr Bagnat said.

"Waratah blooms in the Brisbane Water National Park have long been targeted by flower poachers.

"Unfortunately this practice seems to be increasing and could lead to the complete loss of the plant from the area."

The seeds of the Waratah plant form at the flower head after the

bloom has died.

By picking the bloom people are removing the seeds, the reproductive material of the plant.

In an effort to save the waratahs NPWS staff are monitoring them and searching for new ways to discourage picking.

People are encouraged to report any suspicious activity regarding the waratahs to the local NPWS office.

"We are launching an education campaign to try and save the blooms and declaring Saturday, September 3 as Waratah Watch Day," Mr Beckers said.

A static display and two free walking tours of the Warrah Trig area were expected to be held on the Saturday.

> Press release, August 22 National Parks and Wildlife Service



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Horrified at foreshore plans

On reading the latest edition of your newspaper, I was horrified to learn of the plans envisaged by Fast Ship Ltd to build a yacht club and other commercial facilities, along with their wharf, on the Ettalong foreshore.

I am quite sure the residents of The Esplanade, who obviously purchased their homes (and paying the respective high prices) because of the view, will feel the same way.

I am not a resident of The Esplanade, however, my husband and I purchased our first Central Coast home in Ettalong in 1995, specifically because we loved the waterfront and the relaxed lifestyle that it brought to the area.

I cannot count the number of times we have walked along the waterfront from Memorial Ave to Ocean Beach surf club, or sat and enjoyed a meal cooked at the veterans' memorial barbecue taking pleasure in this stretch of waterfront.

I repeat, it is one of the things that has brought us to the area, to holiday originally and later to live,



and I am sure it is the same for many others.

Just take the time to sit and count the number of people who walk there each day!

My husband is a Vietnam Veteran and since moving to the area we have become involved with the local sub-branch meeting and befriending those men who built the barbecue and the memorial on the foreshore.

Every Monday morning, the men from the sub-branch go down to the waterfront to clean the barbecue after the weekend and it is obvious that this facility has been well used by the members of the public all

year round.

The memorial is the venue for a small ANZAC Day service and a much larger Long Tan Day Commemoration Service held in August each year - the venue again chosen because of its tranquility.

The setting is a perfect place to contemplate the sacrifices made by those young men and women who were sent to serve their country.

Recently the veteran community of the Peninsula came off second best over the naming of the new Peninsula leisure centre which was changed from "War Memorial Pool".

I hope that the callousness of the council is not to be felt again with the disturbance of the area of Ettalong

I agree that the area might need some improvement, but not in this manner and it seems to me that the residents (ie the rate payers and voters) should be the ones who have the final say with regard to this development, not the small group of local business people and developers who live elsewhere. where their views will not be impeded.

Robyn Creswell, Umina Beach

Foreshore 'gift' worth millions

It is with some concern that I am forced to support **Gosford Council's resolution** on Tuesday, August 23, to defer their decision to lease the Ettalong Foreshore to a consortium pushing a "commuter fast ferry wharf".

Particularly now that the "Cockle Bay" concept has floated into the public view, it has been suggested by other concerned community members that no lease at all be approved, before the commuter fast ferry is guaranteed viable.

I do not believe it is possible to guarantee viability in this matter, as tourism is a notoriously fickle business.

I am troubled that my councillors appear to be pressured from all sides to put the development cart before the horse.

Approving leases over our community's assets is not something to be done lightly.

In this case, it is 600 metres of the

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foreshore reserve, the development of which will destroy historic views from shore to seaward and from visiting vessels to shore.

This gifting of foreshore to a small group of speculators will certainly result in the obliteration of views and public amenity.

The only basis for this public affront is to attract outside money for the pursuit of something which is a known dog hiding a hidden agenda.

I call for no further negotiations with Fast Ships who stand to gain millions in share value should councillors gift control of our Crown land to a private venture.

The current environmental degradation of the Ettalong Foreshore neglected for so long is our real priority and should be addressed as such.

Ed James, Umina

Fast ferry from Patonga?

Once again we are being subjected to an episode of the Fast Ferry Folly.

We all know, deep down, it isn't going to work.

I know it's not going to work. Council knows it's not going to

work. State Government knows it's not

going to work.

So one wonders: Is this a smoke screen for some other hidden agenda?

Like a previous observer stated: Is this wharf going to become another "Taj Mahal" for the benefit of some restaurateur or similar project?

In the ongoing debate over the

Farce Ferry from Ettalong to

Circular Quay one important

factor seems to have been

The original decision to grant

Fast Ferries a lease over public

lost.

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Can someone explain to me how this proposed ferry is going to cope with the following, not uncommon, scenario?

A40-knot southerly buster arrives along the coast, (it sometimes blows for days on end), creating a five metre on-shore swell.

Against this swell is a stiff run out tide at Little Box Head with breaking seas on the sand bar side and rocks on the other.

This opening at times is approximately 100 metres wide (Is it a bar or not?)

Throw into this scenario another

vessel, for exampe a trawler, coming or going at the same time. Can this ferry safely cope with this?

If not, what dare I ask is the alternative?

what is wanted then I suggest that it arrive and depart from Patonga where a wharf is already in existence and all weather access may not be a problem.

Is this the answer to the problem as parking and possible interconnecting bus services would be a minor problem.

A Cochrane, Umina

Ferry wharf issue should be dead

watched the have development of plans for a wharf to be built for a fast

In one town, there was a safe swimming area, in the ocean, away from the rolling surf. Nice and safe for young children and older people who like to swim in flat water, but don't like the chlorine of swimming pools.

particular councillor who was also a real estate agent, totally backed the wharf, and both public and private money was sunk into the project.

Council built the wharf, and in

Fast Ferries in this town went bankrupt, and a lot of people got burned in the process.

In embarrassment, the councillor resigned from council.

The wharf is used for people to boats pull in to the wharf a year.

But in the process, public land was used, and the town green recommending that council sign a has been made smaller so that open air seating for a hotel can be provided.

hole, and there are applications into council for more and more high-rise developments, since the first of the fights to have eight stories high was won.

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One could think that Port Macquarie residents and council deserves what it got.

They got enthusiastic about the fast ferry that was going to take them from the harbour at Port Macquarie to Circular Quay in an hour, when a reality check indicated that a plane would take one hour and 10 minutes.

Thank goodness Gosford Council is being circumspect, and protecting the Ettalong community from the lies and furphies, and the ever-increasing demand to incorporate our safe swimming area into the enclosure of the Club

The issue of the wharf should be dead, since the money that was allocated by the State Government was handed back because Fast Ferries did not get the finances required.

Fast Ferries should not be allowed to divert Section 94 funds from the Club to build a walkway

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proposal it is clear that a commuter service is not viable

On at least three occasions Fast Ferries has announced that have read the documentation provided by Fast Ferries and they all then pulled out of any deal indicates that the proposal is indeed not viable.

It appears that the officers of Gosford Council have not read this document, yet they are lease over public land for a period of 40 years.

ferry in two towns.

Council got excited about the prospect of a fast ferry, the promise of hundreds of jobs, and the town becoming even more of a tourist Mecca.

Council, at the behest of one

the process took away the safe swimming area.

fish off, and there are three or four

a backer had been found and the signing of a lease agreement was imminent.

Commuter ferry is not viable

If a safe fast ferry service is

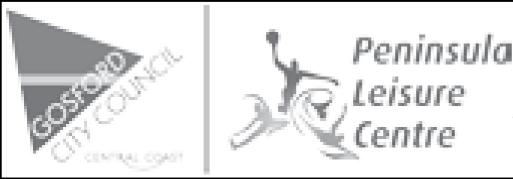
land on Ettalong Beach was that Fast Ferries was to provide a public service for the benefit of residents i.e. a commuter service to Sydney. Having read the document supplied to council in support of this

Given that any company or wealthy individual that considered providing financial backing would

Bryan Ellis, Woy Woy

What was once a nice family area has turned into a drinking along the foreshore of Ettalong, when a walkway exists already. There are many projects more urgent than this.

Susan Dean, Ettalong



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Holstein support for fast ferry

Gosford Cr Chris Holstein has hit back at comments that he is against a fast ferry at Ettalong.

"There is a little bit of misinformation out there that I don't support the fast ferry. I do," Cr Holstein said in a statement to Peninsula News.

"But all of a sudden this other development comes forward, including a yacht club which doesn't have water access."

Cr Holstein said there was a concern that if the fast ferry did not happen, that water access may instead be used for the yacht club.

"Some people may ask: Is there in fact an ulterior motive to the fast ferry?" Cr Holstein said.

"There may well be merit, but the water question still remains.

Gosford Council will consider

placing lane markers at 0.5m

intervals on Empire Bay

Dr, Daleys Point, along the

centreline, from the Daleys

The decision from the council's

traffic committee followed a request

from a local resident for safety

improvements at the pedestrian

Ave

refuge.

refuge.

intersection to the

"Telling me that they are going to build a yacht club without water access is ridiculous.

"Is the ferry dead? Is it only being pursued for water access for future development?"

Cr Holstein said he wanted to be sure of the intentions of the proposal before he gave a lease to Fast Ships, and did not want the applicant to use the fast ferry as an alternative avenue for water access to the yacht club.

Cr Holstein said that other councillors attended the same meeting and agreed with the concern.

"I still support a fast ferry, but all of a sudden there is a \$50 million development alongside it," Cr Holstein said.

A traffic committee report stated

that an inspection revealed that

vehicles were required to move

left of the travel path to avoid the

refuge and that the delineation

appeared inadequate to define the

The report stated that improved

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September 6

delineation would reduce the

number of vehicles hitting it.

Lyle Stone, September 1

A tree at Empire Bay, listed on Council's Significant Tree Register, now poses a potential risk to the public due to its altered condition, according to a council report.

The report has recommended the Port Jackson Fig Tree be taken off the register, and removed from the ground, including the roots and remaining stump area.

It has also recommended that a "semi advanced" Port Jackson Fig Tree be replanted adjacent to the present trees location.

The substantial tree is located on the waterfront adjacent to 28 Sorrento Rd, Empire Bay, next to both a playground area, the main car park for reserve users and three residences.

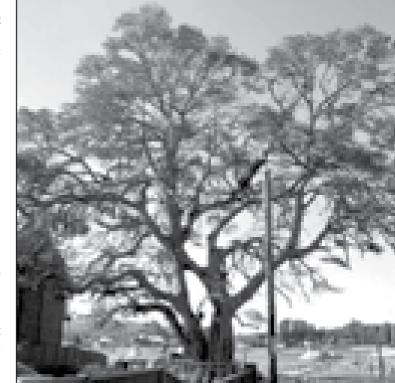
According to the council report, it had declined significantly and was no longer in its registered state.

The report stated that "complaints have been received about the tree's condition and an inspection carried out on August 3 revealed the tree is approximately 15 metres in height and would be regarded as being in an over mature state."

The tree was open to both westerly and southerly winds, had a co-dominant trunk which was common in this type of tree, had a large basal cavity and damage to the major roots "in which root decay was a probability".

The report stated that the tree was suffering significant die back, root damage and is dropping limbs due to the stress and die back.

It stated that "in its current state



'Potential risk' with significant tree

The tree on the foreshore at Empire Bay

also concern over a major defect of the tree where there is a large cavity at the fork of its co-dominant structure.

The report stated that it was considered that remedial works would not be successful for the long term safe useful life of the tree, stating that it was unlikely to recover.

The tree assessment unit supported the proposal to remove and replace the tree.

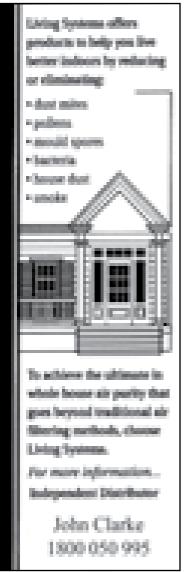
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Rear-to-kerb parking

Lane marking for refuge

movement.

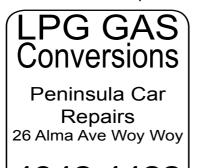
Gosford Council's traffic committee has resolved to



refer a request for extended rear to kerb angle parking at the Patonga Beach General Store to its engineering investigation unit.

The unit will then investigate the feasibility of additional angle parking in the vicinity of the wharf and shops in Patonga.

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this tree is a hazard as significant

failure could impact on homes,

park users and vehicles parked

in the surrounding area" and that

"in view of the high use of the area

and the amount of dead wood the

tree is carrying, the area has been

A further report from the tree

assessment officer stated that "it

has been noted that this particular

specimen's crown is currently in

severe decline and has been for

It goes on to state that there is

para webbed".

some time."

Join Bike Week Celebrations and support local charities by cycling or wheelchairing in a special 'Central Coast Community Chest Community Pedal' from one of three great locations to the 'Bike Week Bash' at Gosford Waterfront. Registration is at 7am with 8am start at Woy Woy Lions Park, Brickwharf Road, Penrose Car Park Erina Fair and Niagara Park Shopping Centre. Entries are a \$5.00 donation per bike.

The 'Bike Week Bash' will be held at Gosford Waterfront at 9.30am - 12.30pm Sunday 18 September and aims to promote cycling and bike safety as well as the region's extensive cycleways.

Gosford City Council hosts the free community event as part of the Roads and Traffic Authority's annual Bike Week.



Highlights of this year's 'Bike Week Bash' include BMX dirt jumping demonstrations by dirt jumping champions, bike displays and stalls, roller derby, great prizes, cycle skills courses in association with Central Coast Cycling Club and much more.

Special guests include Olympic World Champion Cyclist Sean Eadie and Nikki Brown, adventurer and author of *Cycling Outback Australia*.

There are showbags and a sausage sizzle for all riders and over \$5000 worth of prizes including bikes to be won.

For more information about the event, contact Gosford City Council's Cycleway Officer Allan Brown on 4325 8929. To register in the Community Pedal, contact Central Coast Community Chest on 4324 7156.

Tickets available from the customer service centre, Woy Woy Library and selected bike stores.



Health



The Meals on Wheels centre at Woy Woy

Celebrating at Meals on Wheels

Members of the Woy Woy Meals on Wheels Centre recently celebrated Meals on Wheels Day.

Participants at the gather celebrated with a barbecue at the centre with over 140 people in attendance.

La Chef Caterers volunteered their time to prepare lunch and

snacks throughout the day for all guests and staff.

On the same day, Minister for Ageing Ms Julie Bishop called for more younger people to volunteer their time with Meals on Wheels.

"There is an urgent need for more people to be recruited to keep this vital service viable, and I urge younger people to become involved," Ms Bishop said. "Meals on Wheels volunteers can make a huge difference to significant numbers of older people who want to remain living in the comfort of their own homes in their own communities, rather than prematurely entering residential aged care facilities."

Press release, August 31 Craig Stone, Minister for Ageing Ms Julie Bishop

Fundraising for mental illness

Umina resident Ms Linda MacDonald is hoping to raise \$6000 for the Mental Illness Fellowship.

She is organising a charity ball and auction at the Mingara Recreation Club, Tumbi Umbi.

"Mental Illness affects one in five Australians, and it does not discriminate against age, sex, creed or wealth status," Ms MacDonald said.

"Although it is often stigmatised, it can be treated.

"Mental Illness can range from

mild anxiety to depression, bipolar disorder and schizophrenia.

"It often goes unnoticed and therefore untreated."

The Charity Ball and auction will be held on October 15 at the Mingara Recreation Club.

Ms MacDonald said she is also looking organization or individuals who can assist her in her efforts.

For more information and tickets contact 0422 485 764 or email linda29577@hotmail.com.

Press release, August 24 Linda MacDonald, Mental Illness Fellowship

Dance therapy for cancer

The Peninsula Women's Health Centre will be running dance movement therapy sessions during September and October for cancer survivors.

The program is designed to promote the physical and emotional well being of cancer survivors.

It aims to use the techniques of dance movement therapy such as gentle expressive movement to enhance creativity and relaxation.

The Red Cross will hold

a volunteer training and

orientation session for its

first intake of volunteers in

Volunteers for the Home Support

Service will support one or more

clients in activities they would

otherwise find difficult or impossible

due to frailty, disability or because

they care for a person who is frail

They will also open doors for

Volunteers may take trips to the

movies or local events with a client

or visit their home for a chat and a

social isolated Peninsula residents

to connect with their community.

late September.

or has a disability.

cup of tea.

The sessions will operate on Wednesdays on September 7, 14, 28 and October 5.

The sessions will run from 10am to 12.30pm.

Entry is a gold coin donation.

Bookings must be confirmed one week before the start of the group. The facilitator for the sessions

will be Ms Rosemarie Smith. To book, contact 4342 5905.

Press release, August 31 Kate Bradfield, Peninsula Women's Health Centre

Active Wellness Tip tired? exhausted?"

Fatigue is a very common complaint. Four out of ten Australian adults reported suffering fatigue.

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Anxiety information

An anxiety support and information session will be held at the Peninsula Women's Health Centre on Tuesday, September 13.

Julie Leitch from the Anxiety Disorder Alliance (ADA) will lead discussion on anxiety.

The Alliance is a standing committee of the Mental Health Association.

Its mission is to foster the



emotional, mental and social wellbeing of people living with anxiety disorders, and their carers, and

families. It also aims to offer support, knowledge and skills that will assist in recovery, and reduce the impact of anxiety disorders on people's lives.

The session will run from 10am to noon.

Entry to the event is a gold coin donation, and bookings must be confirmed one week before the workshop.

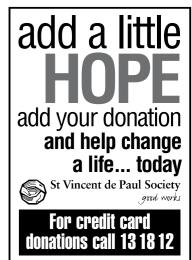
To book, contact 4342 5905. Press release, August 31 Kate Bradfield, Peninsula Women's Health Centre

Red Cross training day

their interest on 4324 3411.

Red Cross is also asking Peninsula residents to call if they feel they would benefit from this service.

> Press release, August 26 Kylie McGrath, Australian Red Cross



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attending doctors appointments, participating in light exercise and responding to their mail.

They might also assist clients in

The branch is asking Peninsula residents to call now to register



Models volunteer for pool publicity

An overwhelming response has resulted from a request for models for a day to publicise the Peninsula Leisure Centre, according to marketing consultant Ms Fran Hannan.

Over 150 volunteers of all ages, shapes, sizes and races gave up their day to be models and photographed for the centre's promotional and marketing material.

Aquatics coordinator Mr Simon Clarke said: "It was a pleasure to see the overwhelming and strong support of our residents for the

Peninsula Leisure Centre.

"Members of the community were not only wanting to be part of our promotion of the centre, but are very enthusiastic and excited about the impending opening day on October 1.

"We look forward to sharing this with the community by throwing our doors open with a community open day which will feature allday entertainment, special guests and celebrities with a fireworks bonanza and entertainment in the evening," Mr Clarke said.

Press release, August 23 Fran Hannan.

Peninsula Leisure Centre



Participants at the Woy Woy Library simultaneous storytime session

Simultaneous storytime

Mayor expects pool's economic benefits

Gosford mayor Cr Malcolm **Brooks expects the Peninsula** Leisure Centre to enhance employment opportunities and economic activity on the Central Coast for several years to come.

"We estimate that the facility will generate an additional 45 full time jobs," Cr Brooks said.

"We are currently holding interviews to employ full time staff for the facility.

"There are positions in administration, sports and fitness, marketing, lifeguards and cleaning."

Council's aquatics Gosford coordinator Mr Simon Clarke said that with only five weeks to go until the opening of the centre, some members of the local community had enjoyed a sneak preview.

"Those who have toured the \$25 million dollar multi-purpose facility have done so with keen interest and enthusiasm," Mr Clarke said.

"As a regional facility, the centre

will attract events such as the NSW Country Water Polo Championships which can see over 2000 visitors stay for a weekend of sport.

"Naturally, these sport tourists dine out, pay for accommodation and shop.

"This in turn will inject a significant amount of money into the local economy.

"This will aid us in the promotion of the Central Coast as an ideal location for business, investment and lifestyle.

"This encourages companies to invest and create further jobs for the area.

"Not only will the centre stimulate economic activity for the Peninsula, it will also transform the health and well-being of the area when it opens on October 1."

Mr Clarke said the centre would play a central role in ensuring that Gosford Council remained an active and socially responsible organisation.

Press release, August 30 Breearna Sharp, Gosford Council Woy Woy and Umina Libraries took part in a national, simultaneous storytime session on Friday, September 2.

The event was part of the Australian Library and Information Association's National Simultaneous Storytime held in September every year.

The aim of the event is to promote the value of reading and literacy, promote the value of books.

promote an Australian writer and publisher and promote storytime activities in public libraries around the country.

This year's book "Wombat Stew" written by Marcia K Vaughan and illustrated by Pamela Lofts was chosen as it celebrates its 21st birthday as a popular Australian children's picture book.

Woy Woy and Umina were among the eight libraries in the Gosford local government area to participate.

Wombat Stew was read from 10.30am at Gosford, Kincumber, Woy Woy, Niagara Park, Umina and Erina Library.

Kariong and Wyoming also participated, reading the book at 11am.

National Simultaneous Storytime was first held during Library and Information Week in 2001.

Press release, August 29 Breearna Sharp, Gosford Council

Labor calls for sporting opening

Gosford's Labor councillors Jim Macfadyen and Vicki Scott have stated that they believe the Peninsula Leisure Centre should be officially opened by an Australian sporting legend rather than a person of political importance.

Cr Macfadyen said an invitation to open the centre had already been declined by Prime Minister Mr John Howard with a number of other political figures being considered by the pool committee.

"There is talk of inviting the Governor-General or the Governor of NSW, but I don't agree," Cr Macfadyen said.

Coast would appreciate this magnificent facility being opened by one of Australia's most recognisable athletes rather than a politician."

Cr Macfadyen said he would raise his concerns with the chairman of the pool committee Cr Chris Holstein.

"Cr Scott and I have discussed this matter at length and we will be taking the issue up with the pool committee and fellow councillors," Cr Macfadyen said.

Press release, August 24 Cr Jim Macfadyen, Cr Vicki Scott



Pearl Beach history on display

Progress Pearl Beach Association president Ms

Ms Patterson has assembled a comprehensive collection of early land grants, subdivisions and

Margaret Patterson will host a photographic exhibition depicting the early days of Pearl Beach during Museum Week.



photos of Pearl Beach from the early days, and will display them on behalf of the Brisbane Water Historical Society at the Henry Kendall Cottage and Museum in Gosford.

Entry to the museum, Henry Kendall Cottage and exhibition costs \$3 or \$2 concession.

Museum Week will run from September 17 to 24. For further details, contact Margaret Pearce on 4384 3271 Press release, August 16 Ron Pearce, Brisbane Water **Historical Society**

"I think this is a matter to be decided by a full meeting of council rather than the pool committee. "This \$26 million project is primarily funded by council and should be opened by a successful sporting athlete rather a person of political significance."

Cr Scott said she believed an Australian icon such as Dawn Fraser would be perfect for the official opening.

"This facility will become a landmark for the Central Coast, and who better to open it than a swimming legend such as Dawn Fraser," Cr Scott said.

"I think people on the Central

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The first electric train at Woy Woy Station in January 1960

History of local railway

The history of local railways, including Woy Woy Station, will be highlighted in a new exhibition "Changing trains: Hawkesbury River to Gosford, 1880s-1960s".

The display can be viewed at Gosford Library, Donnison St, Gosford from now until Friday, September 30.

Photographs on display depict the first railway construction in the early 1880s, the tourist era and the twilight of steam and the first electric train in 1960.

Some rare memorabilia from

the Arthur (Pat) Buckley collection shows the daily routine of Woy Woy Station staff in the WW1 period.

Council's Gosford library manager Mr Alan Flores said: "The collection shows that during this period the smallest infraction by staff was met with the sternest possible rebuke.

"Today, this may seem to be an overreaction.

"What we forget is that railway safety depended on, and still depends on, everyone doing their iob.'

The exhibition can be viewed during library hours from 9.30am to 5pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9.30am to 8pm Wednesday, 9.30am to 4.30pm Saturday and 1pm to 4pm on Sundays.

Press release, September 1 Breearna Sharp, Gosford Council

Memorial wall unveiled

Member for Robertson Mr Jim Lloyd has announced the unveiling of a new extension to the memorial wall in Woy Woy Memorial Park.

The Federal Government through the Saluting Their Service program provided the funds to enabled the Woy Woy Ettalong Hardys Bay RSL Sub-branch to expand the wall so that families could further commemorate the lives of local ex-servicemen and women who served their country.

Press release, September 2 Cassandra Richardson. Jim Lloyd's Office

Bookings taken for holiday camping

The National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) will be taking bookings for the summer holiday period from Monday, September 19, for sites including Tallow Beach and Putty Beach.

NPWS regional manager Mr Tom Bagnat said the camping areas at Putty Beach and Tallow Beach in Bouddi National Park were always full over the peak Christmas holidays period, with their beautiful beaches and great camping facilities proving attractive to both visitors and locals alike.

"In the past, we have asked campers to book not more than three months in advance.

"If they wanted to camp in January, they could not book until October." Mr Bagnat said.

"This year we are taking all

bookings for the busy summer holidays from September 19.

"Camp bookings will be taken on a first come, first served basis with all camp fees paid at the time of booking.

"Bookings can be made over the phone by contacting 4320 4203 from 10am until noon or in person at the Gosford NPWS Office, Suite 36-38, 207 Albany St North, Gosford between 8.30 am and 4.30 pm Monday to Friday," said Mr Bagnat.

Putty Beach has car access, free gas barbecues, drinking water, toilets and cold showers.

Tallow Beach is a 1.5 kilometre walk, and contains toilets, but no drinking water.

Press release, September 1 Susan Davies, National Parks and Wildlife Service

Workshop on family law

A workshop covering family law and children's issues will be held at the Peninsula Women's Health Centre on Thursday, September 15.

The legal workshop will be presented by the Women's Legal Recourse Centre and will cover topics such as divorce, division of property, maintenance and child support, child residence, contact and specific issues and State child

protection.

The workshop will from 10am to 12.30pm.

Entry cost is a gold coin donation.

Participants must confirm their bookings one week before the event.

To book, contact 4342 5905.

Press release, August 31 Kate Bradfield Peninsula Women's Health Centre

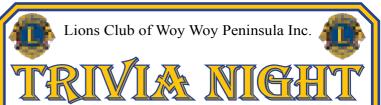
No Stopping area extended

Gosford Council's traffic committee has recommended that the existing No Stopping on the northern side of Pretty Beach Rd, Pretty Beach, be extended easterly to the toilet block.

The Pretty Beach Public School asked for the extension of the No Stopping area opposite the entry to the school, to improve pedestrian safety.

A report from council's traffic committee stated that an inspection of the location revealed that there was insufficient room between the water and the carriageway for a car to park and pedestrians to walk off the sealed surface and that "extending the No Stopping would alleviate this problem.

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Saturday 17th September Venue WOY WOY BOWLING CLUB Bistro Opens at 6pm Proceeds go to Woy Woy Public Hospital and the Women's Refuge 7.00pm for 7.30pm Start ~ \$10 per head TABLES OF 6 NO B.Y.O Table Theme is Optional ~ There will be a prize for the best table ~ There will also be raffles galore For ticket sales please contact Lion Bob Willis 4341 8535 Lion Ian Taylor 4324 5174 **Lion Barry Hicks** 4341 1345



Centre completed

The redevelopment of the Bensville Store site has been completed with the last of five shops being let.

The shopping centre has a hairdresser, a general store, a video library, real estate agency and now a café, which started in July.

The first of the businesses, Gabi and Ricardo Hair Design Studio, started in March and became Bensville's first hairdresser.

Proprietors Mr Richard Collins and Ms Gabrielle Mathews are not hairdressers themselves, but opened the business because they saw what they believed to be a great opportunity in the area that they could fulfil.

The salon is staffed by four senior hairdressers, all of whom work part-time and job share.

The seniors are assisted by a second-year apprentice, Ms Megan Ratcliff.

Richard Collins, a Peninsula resident for over five years, runs his own energy consultancy business from his home in Umina while his partner Gabrielle Mathews, who

Gosford Council's traffic

committee has recommended

that two disabled parking

spaces be provided west

of the existing bus zone on

recommended that council install

a wheelchair ramp in the middle of

committee has also

Waterloo Ave. Wov Wov.

The

"has lived in the area for most of her life", is employed at the Richardson and Wrench Real Estate Agency at the Bensville shopping centre.

Manna Café, which opened most recently, is owned by Nickolas Shakoff.

Nickolas has come to the area from Sawtell where he operated his own pizza shop.

Manna Café trades from Wednesday to Sunday and has a range of light meals available.

Theshoppingcentredevelopment started in December 2002 when Gosford Council approved approved the construction of a mixed-use commercial-residential development on the site.

The council also investigated the possibility of relocating the original Bensville General Store building from the site to the reserve opposite, but this did not eventuate.

The shops and adjacent residential units were completed in March by property developer and current land owner Mr Frank Marino.

The decision followed a request

from a Woy Woy resident for

council to provide a disabled

parking space in Water Ave and

wheelchair ramp adjacent to the

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gate closest to Ocean Beach Rd.

the new parking zone.

Cec Bucello, August 2



Gosford Council will investigate upgrading sections of Kallaroo Rd, Bensville

Road upgrade recommended

Gosford Council is to investigate upgrading the intersection of Kallaroo Rd and Empire Bay Dr, Bensville, and upgrading line marking in Kallaroo Rd, between Empire Bay Dr and Kildare St.

Bensville Residents The Association Inc had asked council to upgrade the safety at the intersection for pedestrians and cvclists.

It also asked the council to provide centrelines and edge lines.

An report on the inspection of the site from council's traffic committee

Gosford Council is reviewing

its contour and land survey

information and is paying

particular attention to the

one per cent flood level of

1.95m above sea level on

the Peninsula, according to

council drainage engineer Mr

However, he said that there was

Vic Tysoe.

stated that Kallaroo Rd, from Empire Bay Dr to Kildare St, had a wide pavement with centreline marking and a 60kph speed limit.

The report from the committee stated that "opportunity exists to provide edge lines to improve pedestrian safety".

The report also stated a reduction of the speed limit to 50kph was also favoured.

The committee has since recommended that line marking in Kallaroo Rd, between Empire Bay Dr and Kildare St. be upgraded to provide centreline marking and edge lines.

It has also recommended that the

RTA be requested to investigate reducing the speed limit in Kallaroo Rd to 50kph from Empire Bay Dr.

Council's traffic committee stated that an inspection revealed that the intersection line marking could be improved to allow better sight distance for vehicles exiting Kallaroo Rd.

The committee has now that council's recommended engineering investigation unit develop a design concept to improve conditions at the intersection.

Council agenda TR 05.145, TR 05.152, September 6

Trustee to speak

Woy Woy.

Disabled parking

The Older Women's Network will feature a guest speaker from the Public Trustee Office during the month of September.

Mr Trevor Booth has agreed to be the group's guest speaker at its next monthly meeting.

He will discuss issues such as wills, guardianship tribunal, power of attorney, enduring guardianship,

the office of the protective commissioner and advanced directives.

Mr Booth will also be available to answer questions.

Woy Leagues Club, Blackwall Rd,

The meeting will be held from 11am on September 7 at the Woy

> Flyer, August 15 **Older Women's Network**

Flood contour review

no change in flood level.

He said it has been and still is 1.95m AHD with 0.5m freedboard.

He also said that less than five per cent of the sandplain of the Peninsula is under two metres, and he did not have more accurate information on hand.

Mr Tysoe said that in the majority of developments the flood level meant that habitable floor levels

were to be at least 2.45m AHD or above.

Pedestrian and vehicular access out of the floodplain may have to be addressed in some proposed developments.

Mr Tysoe said that council was only reviewing the extent of floodplains against the available up-to-date contour and land information.

Lyle Stone, September 2



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What's On in and around the Peninsula

Listings in this section are free to notfor-profit community groups although a subscription to help support Peninsula News would be appreciated.

Many events listed 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, Dunban Rd, Woy Woy 4341 1866

EMBC, Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club, 103 Springwood St Ettalong

4341 0087 EPH, Ettalong Progress Hall, Memorial Ave, Ettalong

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

MOW, Meals on Wheels Hall, Cnr Ocean Beach Rd and McMasters Rd. PBPH. Pearl Beach Progress Hall. Diamond Rd. Pearl Beach

PCC, Peninsula Community Centre, 93 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy 4341 9333 PCYC, Osborne Ave., Umina Beach 4344 7851

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 WWBC, Woy Woy Bowling Club WWCH, Woy Woy Community Hall, cnr Ocean Beach Rd & McMasters Rd. 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

<u>TUESDAY</u>

First Tuesday of every month Buffalo Primo Lodge No 9, UCH 7pm.

Second Tuesday of every month

Playgroup for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island families. BFC,

Senior's Idol, 1 - 4pm EBWMC,

Toastmasters, 7pm, enq: 4341 6842;

Seniors Day 12 noon EBWMC. Get Together afternoon tea, ESCC,

enq: 4341 3222.

Pearl Beach Craft group, PBPH,

1.30pm, enq: 4342 1459. group, MOW. Stroke recovery

11.30am.

Diabeties Support Group 10am, ECC

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 Playgroup for Aboriginal & Torres Strait

Island families. BFC

Toastmasters, EBWMC, 7pm eng 4341 6842.

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

Handicraft-9am; Cards-12.30pm; School for Seniors, Judo, Seniors/ Women, 6.30pm, PCC.

Alcoholics Anonymous 6pm John the Baptist Church Hall, eng: Julie 4379 1132

Tai-Chi classes WH 9.30am (ex sch hols), enq 4360 2705 Rotary Club of Woy Woy 6pm ECC

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 6pm, eng: 4342 3925

Gym Sessions 8am-12noon PCYC. Gym Circuit 9:15am-10:15am PCYC. School Sport 1pm-2:45pm PCYC. Junior Boxing 4pm-5pm PCYC. Senior Boxing 6pm-8pm PCYC. Gvm Circuit 6pm-7pm PCYC Sports

bar raffle EBWMBC Sahaja yoga meditation CWAHWW,10:30am eng: 4328 1409. Computers, 9am, ESCC Playgroup 10-12pm Kids 0-5yrs, Woy

Woy Progress Hall, 76 Woy Woy Rd, Ph: Juhel 4342 4362

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 & Citizens Progress Association, EPH, 7.30pm. Second Wednesday of every Month

Woy Woy VEIW Club, friendship day, MOW, 11am, enq: 4342 0805 Red Cross, Umina branch meeting, Umina Uniting Church Hall, 1:30pm. Woy Woy Community Aged Care Auxiliary, 10am enq: 4344 2599. Umina Beach Probus Club ECC 9.30am, visitors welcome.

Third Wednesday of every month

Woy Woy VIEW CLUB - luncheon & guest speaker, 10.30am, Everglades Country Club, 4342 0805 Every Wednesday

St John's Ambulance; Woy Woy Aged

Care, 7pm, Eng:4341 3341. Killcare - Wagstaffe Rural Fire Brigade 7.30pm Stanley St Killcare enq: 4360 2161.

Mystery Members 5 - 6pm, Pick A Prize 6 - 7pm, WWBC

The Web, 12pm - 6pm, Computers, 1.30pm, ESCC Young Women's Group 12-18 yrs, TWYS

Counselling by appointment, PCC Rock'n'Roll Dance Class EBMC 7pm

Brisbane Water Bridge Club, 9.30am and 7.30pm, enq: 4341 6763, 7pm Oil Painting, 9am Multi-craft needlework 10am, Girls' BJP School

of Physical Culture, 3.30pm, 4-13 yrs enq: 4344 4924 Playgroup 9 -11am, Brisbane Water Bridge Club 9.90am

1pm and 7.30 - 10.30pm, Weight Watchers 5.30 - 7.30pm, Tai Chi 2 -3pm, School for Learning 9am PCC. Peninsula Choir rehearsal 7.30pm St Andrews Hall Umina.

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

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

Seniors fitness EPH 9am, enq: 4385 2080. Indoor Bowls - 9am; Fitness - 1pm Leatherwork-9am: Table Tennis-9am. Scrabble 1pm ESCC. Social Darts, 7.15pm EMBC, Gym Sessions 8am-12noon PMC. (Includes Self Defence for Young Women 1pm-2pm) PCYC. Gym Circuit 6pm-7pm PCYC. Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am, Boxing/ fitness training, 4-5.pm (Junior), 5-6pm (Senior), PCYC Killcare Wagstaffe Playgroup WH (ex sch hols). 10.00 – 12pm, enq: 4360 1145 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 12.15 -2.30pm, 6.30 - 8.30pm St John the Baptist Hall, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy.

Handicraft CWAHWW, 9am, enq: 4341 1073.

THURSDAY

Second Thursday of every month Council education Officer, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 1-4pm. Outsiders club, EBWMC, 9am.

Australiana Bus Trips PCC

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 & Torres Strait Island children 0 – 5 years, BFC Council education Officer, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 1-4pm,

Umina Probus, ECC, 10am. Every Thursday

Creative Writing group meet every Thursday from 11am to 1pm in the CWA building in Woy Woy. Eng 4369 1187 for more details. Counselling; by appointment, Yoga

10am, Belly Dancing 6.30pm (Beg) 7.30 (Adv), Brisbane Water Bridge Club 12.30pm PCC Free entertainment 6.30 pm

Senior Snooker 8.30am Ballroom Dancing, 10am, Trivia, 7pm, Indoor Bowls, Fishing Club Raffle 5.15pm, Members Badge Draw, EMBC.

Bouddi Drumming, Women's Drumming, 2-3pm, 73 Highview Rd Pretty Beach, enq: 0425 229 651. Scrabble, Progress Hall, Woy Woy Rd,12.30pm. Bingo, 9.30 - 11.30, EBWMC

Treasure Chest, 11.30am - 12.30pm, Club Bingo, 2 - 4pm, Mystery Members 5 - 6pm, WWBC The Web, 12pm - 6pm Young Men's

Groups 12-18 yrs, TWYS Ladies 18 hole golf ECC Tai Chi-11.35am; Dancing 9am;

Indoor Bowls-9am; Table Tennis-1.45pm; Cards 12 noon, ESCC Judo all ages, 5.30pm:Enq: 43424121.

PCC Line Dancing 9.30am, Social Darts

CU, 7.30pm, Stitchery Circle 9.30am, EBACC

St John's Ambulance; Brisbane Water Cadets, 7pm, Eng:4341 3341. Children's story time, 3 - 5 yrs Umina library, 10.30-11.30am (Except Jan). Gym Sessions 8am-12noon PCYC. Gym Circuit 9am-10am, 6pm-7pm, School Sport 1pm-2:45pm PCYC Osborne Ave., Umina Beach 4344

7851 Social Tennis 9am-12pm, Pearl Beach Courts, enq: 4369 3195.

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

Bingo 9.45am, Karaoke 6pm EBWMC

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am, Boxing/fitness training, 4pm (Junior) , 5pm (Senior) PCYC

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

Brisbane Water Bridge Club, 12.30pm, WWCH enq. 4341 6763

FRIDAY

Second Friday of every month 2pm Peninsula Twins Club Free. BFC

RSL Sub branch EBWMC, 2.30pm. Third Friday of every month Legacy Ladies, EBWMC, 10am, enq: 4343 3492.

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Men's 18 hole Golf, ECC

9.15am, eng: 4342 9252

enq: 4344 7909 PCC

Painting - 9am ESSC

Wov. eng: 4342 7303.

10pm - 3am, WWBC

5pm (Senior) PCYC

5yrs 10.30 - 11.15am PCC

2.30pm Enq: 4340 4160

eng. 4341 6763.

SATURDAY

FSCC

Circuit 9am-10am PCYC

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Aqua-fitness, Woy Woy Hospital

Hydro Pool, 1:30 & 2.30pm, eng: 4325

Active Over 50's Exercise Class EPH

LineDancing-9am; FreeEntertainment

7.30 - 11.30pm, Kindy Gymnastics

beginners 9.30am, advanced 10.30am,

Pilates Classes, 11am to 12noon,

Gym Sessions 8am-12noon, Gym

Peninsula Pastimes Ettalong Baptist

Church, Barrenjoey Rd. 9.30am, (Ex

sch hols), Primary Kids Club 4.30pm,

Alcoholics Anonymous 6pm, St John

the Baptist Hall, Blackwall Rd, Woy

Club Bingo, Cash Housie 11.30am

- 2.30pm, Mystery Members 5 - 6pm,

Free Entertainment Players Lounge

7.30 - 11.30pm, Players Niteclub -

Hardys Bay Community Church,

indoor bowls, canasta, scrabble,

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am,

Boxing/fitness training, 4pm (Junior)

Kids Club (Primary) .4-6pm, Brisbane

Water Bridge Club, 12.30pm WWCH,

Computers, 1pm, Scrabble 1pm

Kindygym 0 - 3yrs 9.30 - 10.15, 3 -

The National Malaya & Borneo

Veterans Assoc Aust meet, EBWMC,

Second Saturday of every month

Melaleuca Wetland Regeneration

Pretty Beach Bushcare group, Pretty

Save our Suburbs. Woy Woy South

Ex-Navalmen's Assoc, Central Coast

Umina P & C Bushcare 9am, Umina

Campus of BWSC, Veron Rd Umina.

Market Day, 9am Sydney 2000 Park,

Wagstaffe Bushcare group, Half Tide

Melaleuca Wetland Regeneration

The Web, Activities for 12-18yrs old,

Cash Housie St Mary's Hall, Ocean

View Rd Ettalong 7.30pm Enq: 4369

Cabaret dance & floor show, 8pm

free, Men's 18 hole golf; Men's triples

Old Time & New Vogue Dancing;

Gym Sessions 9am-12noon, Drama

Brisbane Water Bridge Club, WWLC

Al-anon/Alateen family support group

Community Health building, Woy Woy

& Discovery 9am-11am PCYC.

Hospital 2pm Enq: 4344 6939.

Weight Watchers 8 - 10am

12.30pm, Enq: 4341 0721, WWCH

Eng: 4341 2156 Snooker

Group, Boronia Ave, Woy Woy, 8am

Last Saturday every month

Progress Hall, 1pm, ph: 4342 2251

Third Saturday of every month

Group, Boronia Ave, Woy Woy, 8am.

Beach end Araluen Track, 8am.

Sub-Section, WWLC 10am.

enq: 4341 9301

Rocks sign, 8am.

Every Saturday

4.30-9.30pm TWYS

bowls 1pm; ECC

8 30am EBWMC

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1pm,

Umina UCH

First Saturday of every month

morning tea 10am, enq 4363 1968.

Youth Group 7pm, enq: 4343 1237

Fourth Sunday of every month Buffalo Lodge, Woy Woy 381, 11am, Buffalo Lodge, Gosford No 63, UCH 1pm.

Burrawang Bushland reserve bushcare group, Nambucca Dr playground, 9am. ph: 4341 9301.

Last Sunday of every month

Lions Club Boot Sale & Mini Market BBQ, Tea, Coffee, Vendors welcome, Enq: 4341 4151

Every Sunday

1102

9am.

MONDAY

Contact 4342 1722

Coast Community Church Services 9am & 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, Trivia, 1pm, Jazz on the Tallow Beach Terrace, 12pm - 4pm, Junior Talent Quest 2 - 4pm EBWMC, 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

Endeavour View Club Luncheon ECC

Pretty Beach P S P&C. Resource

Second Monday of every month

Church Hall, Ocean Beach Rd Umina

RSLWomen's Auxiliary, EBWMC,

Pretty Beach Wagstaffe Progress

Killcare Heights Garden Club,

War widows Guild. EBWMC 1pm.

NSW Transport Authorities Retired

Labor Party Peninsula Day Branch,

Carers support group, Group room,

health service building, Woy Woy

WWLT Playreading, Woy Woy P.S.

Walking with other Mums. UBSF.

Yoga WH 9.30am Enq: 4360 1854 (ex

Bowls EMBC 1.30pm Enq 4344 1358.

Night Bowls, 7.30 - 9.30pm,

Dancing - 9am; Indoor Bowls-9am;

Mahjong - 1pm; Fitness 1pm; Yoga

Gym Sessions 8am-12noon, Tiny

Tots 9:15am-10:00am, Circuit Boxing

(Women) 9.00am, **Boxing/fitness** training, 4.00pm (Junior) , 5pm

Brisbane Water Bridge Club PCC.

Fairhaven Cash Housie 7.30pm &

Free. Enq: Liz Poole on 43 203741

3Cs-Craft,Coffee&Conversation.

12.30pm BFC. Eng: 43 431929

Computers, 1pm, 2pm, ESCC

for beginners 2.30pm; ESSC.

12.30pm Eng. 4341 0721

Last Monday of Every Month

Fourth Monday of every month

Assoc WH 7:30pm, Enq: 4360 1546

Third Monday of every month

Save the Children. Meet at St Andrews

First Monday of every month

Centre 7:30pm, ph 4360 1587

1-30pm Enq 4324 4389

10:30am, Enq: 4344 4520

Employees, 2.30pm, EMBC

Hospital, Enq: 4344 8427.

7.30pm , Enq: 4341 2931

Eng: 4344 3486

CWAHWW, 1pm.

Every Monday

school holidays).

(Senior) PCYC

Bingo 11am CU

EBWMC,

Every luesday

The Web, TWYS, Drop in centre 12-18vrs 12pm - 5pm

Empire Bay Scrabble Club 9.15am-12.45pm Shirley 4369 2034 Judo all ages \$3, 5pm, Playgroup 9 -11am, Peninsula Dance and Theatre School 3.45pm, Innovative Kids 3.15 - 4.15pm, Tai Chi 2pm PCC enq: 4342 4121.

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am, Boxing/fitness training, 4pm (Junior) , 5pm (Senior), Breakdancing, 5pm PCYC

Early Bird Bingo, 11am; Come in Spinner, 12 noon; Club Bingo, 2pm; Mystery members, 5pm.WWLC. Ladies Golf, 18 hole 8am; Ladies outdoor bowls, 9.30am; ECC ESCC - Ladies Indoor Bowls-9am;

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, 7.30pm

PLAYGROUP, 10am for Mums & preschoolers, Umina Uniting Church. Bingo 11.30am, food prizes, raffles, tea & coffee UCH Eng:4343 1664 Lollipop Music Playgroup BFC 9.15am. Enq: 43 431929.

The Web, 2pm-9.30pm Doctor & Nurse for 12-18 yrs old, TWYS 2-9.30pm

Old Wags Bridge Club, WH (except 4th Fri) 1:30pm, enq: 4360 1820. Free entertainment, Players Lounge 5.30pm WWLC.

<u>SUNDAY</u>

First Sunday of every month

Blackwall Mountain Bushcare, meets 9am cnr Blackwall Rd & Memorial Ave Eng: 4342 6995

Second Sunday of every month Umina P & C Bushcare 9am BWSC, Eng: 4341 9301

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

Troubadour Acoustic Music Club, 2pm **CWAHWW** Enq: 4342 9099 Third Sunday of every month

Bushcare Group, Tennis Courts, Empire Bay, 9-11am Eng: 43692486 Vietnam Vets, 11am. Bootscooters, 2.30pm **EBWMC**

Ettymalong Creek Landcare group, Ettalong Rd, Umina, 8am, ph: 4342 Evening Bowls 6pm Enq 4341 9656,Line Dancing Classes, /pm, EMBC,

Card Club 500 1pm Punters choice 12.45pm 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 (except Jan) Gentle Exercise, 9.30am PCC Craft group, 1pm BFC

EVENT CALENDAR

September 24, Umina C.W.A Art Exhibition, CWA Hall Umina October 1 & 2 Bouddi Art Exhibition Contact David Dufty 4360 1650 WH October 7 Peninsula Village Art Show, Woy Woy

Arts & Entertainment

Peninsula support for arts precinct

Almost a third of the Friends of the Performing Arts Precinct Incorporated Peninsula members are residents, according to membership secretary Ms Sheelagh Noonan.

Ms Noonan said that the chairman, strategist and several committee members were also from the Peninsula.

Friends of the Performing Arts Precinct Inc is calling for a worldclass performing arts precinct on the Gosford waterfront. Membership of the association

currently exceeds 300.

FOPAP seek to have a waterfront precinct containing a 1000-seat concert hall with a raked floor and a stage large enough for a 90piece orchestra and choir, major educational facilities, including the Central Coast Conservatorium, a music library and a performing arts primary school.

The group also want the precinct to contain experimental theatre/ community workshop spaces.

with electronic facilities such as film and sound recording studios, rehearsal spaces for ensembles, bands, choirs, dance or drama groups, support facilities, including restaurant, ticketing, Green Room, and back-of-house infrastructure, outdoor theatre and music spaces, suitable also for festivals and installation art, landscaping, cafes and public promenades

Press release, August 19 Sheelagh Noonan, Friends of the Performing Arts Precinct Inc

Bouddi reflections are encouraged

Residents of the Bouddi being Peninsula are encouraged to reflect on people and places in their area.

They are being asked to share their responses through art, photography, film, digital slide shows, poetry and prose, film and song as part of a multi-arts event entitled Bouddi Reflections.

This will culminate in an exhibition to be held at Wagstaffe Hall on the October long weekend.

There will be a champagne opening with New Inventors' host James O'Loughlin compere.

"There is widespread local

interest and varied entries have arrived or been promised including the premiere of at least three short films," Bouddi Society vice president Mr David Dufty said.

Exhibitors will include local artists such as Jean Melvin and Marijke Greenway of Pearl Beach.

"Works by first exhibition photographers and artists are also arriving," Mr Dufty said.

All works are for sale with proceeds going to the Bouddi Wildlife Fund which supports wildlife caring in the area.

Entries close on September 23. Exhibition hours are Saturday, October 1, 11 am to 3.30pm, Sunday, October 2, 9am to 5pm and Monday, October 3, 9am to 3pm.

Raffle and door prizes will include works by local artists and meals for two at local restaurants.

"The event should prove to be a very creative way of recognising and appreciating the local environmental and cultural heritage," Mr Dufty said.

For more information contact Dianne Lewis on 4360 1276 or book in for the champagne opening on Saturday, October 1, at 4pm at the Wagstaffe Hall. Entry costs \$10.

Press release, August 31 David Dufty, Bouddi Society

Woy Woy-based blues man Earlwood Greg

Acoustic blues at theatre

Blues performer Mr Earlwood Greg will be presenting an evening of acoustic blues at the Peninsula Theatre during the month of September.

The evening will feature Jim Conway, Don Hopkins, Rob Grosser, Doctor Don's Double Dose and Earlwood Greg himself. show is the second The

presented by Earlwood Greg. The event will be held at the Peninsula Theatre on September 16 from 7.30pm.

All tickets cost \$17 and are available through Peninsula Music by contacting 4342 9099, or from the store at 38 George St, Woy Woy.

Press release, August 29 **Garrie Sinclair**

Photographic exhibition

photographer Local Ms Dawne Fahey will be holding a photographic exhibition at Studio 1, Gosford Regional Art Gallery, from September 11 to September 18.

Dawne Fahey has created photographs that connect the historical, emotional and spiritual elements found in everyday life, in the landscape, with people and with animals. Ms Fahey said she strives to achieve lasting images which highlight the special connection found between the visual world we see and feel all around us and the meaning this gives to her

Ms Fahey said her photographs captured the rhythm of nature and the essence of ordinary people as they went about their every day

Spring Fair

Saturday September 17

8.00am to 12.30pm

Featuring Brisbane Water Brass Band at 10.00am.

Opening times will be from 9.30am to 5pm.

The event will be officially opened by Patonga Bakehouse artist Ms Jocelyn Maughan on Sunday, September 11, from 4pm to 6pm.

Anyone wishing to attend the opening must contact 4379 1357 no later than September 8.

Press release, August 31 **Dawne Fahey**

Protest songs to

feature at Folk Club

Jazz concert raises funds

The Bouddi Society is planning another jazz concert as a fundraiser on August 27, at Wagstaffe.

Jazz by the Water will feature the Peter Kinch Jazz band with vocalists Sue Frazer and guest artists on keyboard, bass, drums and saxophone.

Entry to the event costs \$15, or \$12.50 pre paid.

Some snack food is supplied but drinks are BYO.

The concert will start at 7.30pm on August 27 at the Wagstaffe Hall.

Press release, August 9 Peter Kinch



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The Troubadour Acoustic Music Club is looking for all protest song fans for their monthly concert during September.

The usual Troubadour Folk Club format will be replaced by a themed concert called "Songs of Protest and Rebellion" at its September 11 concert.

Singers will to contribute between three and four songs in several loose categories including war, union and work, women's rights, discrimination, reconciliation,

September 11, or just general whingeing.

Linda Campbell will be presenting some songs of Chilean Singer Victor Jara who was murdered in 1973.

The concert will take place at the CWA Hall, opposite Fisherman's Wharf, Woy Woy, from 1.30pm. Tickets cost \$9 for non members.

For more information, contact 4342 9099.

Press release, August 28 **Troubadour Acoustic Music Club**

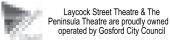
Public schools from Woy Woy to Lake Munmorah showcase their best young singers, dancers, dramatists & instrumentalists. 7th September 11am THE OTHER THREE TENORS A trio of fine voices performing songs from the famous tenors

11th September 2:30pm

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"Click Goes the Symphony" - a new work by Graham Powning, also Tchaikovsky's Symphony No.4 with guest conductor Carlos Alvarado.

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Education



Japanese students visit Umina campus

Umina campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College has welcomed 19 students and three teachers for a week's visit from Fujimi Mura Junior High School in Japan.

The school is a middle school like the Umina campus and is located about one and a half hours north west of Tokyo.

The students who visited were Year 9 students and were billeted in the homes of Umina students and their families.

During the visit, the Japanese students received English lessons

on the campus and enjoyed a range of games, barbeques on the college farm, and general sharing in the day to day life of an Australian school.

This visit also included trips to a number of local attractions including the Australian Reptile Park, Terrigal, and Erina Fair.

"From the very beginning of the visit, students from both schools established an immediate rapport and despite some spoken language difficulties they found that using that international teenager language communication was no problem," college principal Mr Pat

Lewis said.

Mr Lewis said as the visit proceeded students' language skills on both sides improved considerably.

"As an activity underlining the college's values of international cooperation, tolerance and inclusion, the visit was a great success," Mr Lewis said.

The college thanked the families who hosted a student in their homes and Ms Rose from Umina campus who co-ordinated the visit.

Press release, August 30 Pat Lewis, Brisbane Water Secondary College

Spelling bee regional finals

Umina Public School students Kerrod Meyers and Kimberley Braddish will represent the school at the Premier's Spelling Bee regional finals.

The school was recently invited to participate in the Premier's Spelling Bee, which is open to all children in Years 3 to 6.

Class elimination rounds were conducted where one child from each class advanced to the school finals.

Students who won their class round and advanced to the school finals included Sheridan Hulls, Lachlan Irving, Kerrod Meyers, Courtney Rand, Alex Kemp, Jye Jewiss, Braeden McHugh-Easy and Mikaylie Page.

The class winners for Stage 3 were Ramon Garcia, Heather Young, Jasmine Small, Trixie Muller, Kayla Blake, Whitney Baharoglu, Kimberley Braddish, Trae Edwards and Jake Jackson.

The Premier's Spelling Competition at the school was organised by Ms Vicki Woodham and Ms Elizabeth McLean.

> Newsletter, August 30 Umina Public School

Success in speaking

Ettalong Public School student Emilia Acquaro recently won the stage three regional public speaking competition.

Emilia topped the field of 23 speakers with an entertaining speech on the fear of public speaking, according to Ettalong

School Public School P and C publicity officer Ms Michelle Pathirana.

Emilia was expected to represent the Central Coast at the regional finals in Newcastle on Friday, September 2.

Press release, August 31 Michelle Pathirana, Ettalong Public School

Concert held as audition

Money raised for Life Education

Pretty Beach Public School has raised \$180 dollars for Life Education NSW through their gold coin donation during the visit of the mobile classroom.

The mobile classroom visited the



school on July 29.

Over 60,000 students across NSW participated in Healthy Harold Day, Life Education NSW's first annual fundraising event, promoting the importance of healthy eating.

Healthy Harold Day, named after Life Education NSW mascot Harold. G Raffe, encourages children to eat healthy lunches.

Each student was asked to donate a gold coin to support the work of Life Education NSW.

Life Education NSW is a registered charity providing schoolbased drug education to NSW primary school children. Press release, August 26 Life Education NSW



Audition winners, Rachel O'Sullivan, Nicholas Ross, Amanda Bruce and Cara Cerulli

Students at the Umina campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College held a concert last week as an audition for the college's Variety Night.

Many acts of singing and dancing were performed in front of a large and appreciative audience, all under the watchful eyes of judges, Ms Faulkner and Mrs Dillon from the senior campus.

Winners on the day were singers Nicholas Ross and Rachel O'Sullivan from Year 7 and a dance duet of Amanda Bruce (Year 7) and Cara Cerulli (Year 8), said college principal Mr Pat Lewis. items in dance, drama and singing are well advanced.

"Those who saw the recent Year 12 performance evening will know the high standard of performance which can be expected," Mr Lewis said.

The Variety Night performances will be held over two nights on Monday and Tuesday, September 5 and 6, with a completely different show on each night.

Tickets are only \$5 and can be purchased from both campuses of the college.

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Preparations have also been busy on the senior campus where

the evening will be guaranteed preferential seating.

Press release, August 30 Pat Lewis, Brisbane Water Secondary Club

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Education

Success in science comp

Middle school students of Brisbane Water Secondary College have been successful in the recent Australian Schools Science competition, according to college principal Mr Pat Lewis.

Ben Brazier-Bruce of Year 7 received a distinction placing him in the top seven per cent of all participants across Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific.

Seventeen other students across all year groups received credits, while a further 33 received participation certificates.

Geography students have also had great success in the national competition. High distinctions were earned by Alan Cameron, Michael Labone, Regan Mitchell, Luke Simpson, Simon Woods, and Emily Dodds.

A further 11 students earned distinctions and 11 earned credits.

"These achievements come on top of the Umina campus' outstanding results in state assessments of literacy and numeracy this year, once again emphasising the improved learning outcomes which have resulted from the formation of the college," Mr Lewis said.

> Press release, August 30 Pat Lewis, Brisbane Water Secondary College



Students tend the plants in the Mingaletta Gardens

Parents to pledge funding

The Umina Public School P and C is considering pledging \$3000 each year towards its school curriculum.

The next Umina Public School P and C meeting will consider pledging \$1000 every year to the school's Kinder resources, to

performing arts and to sports. The P and C will consider purchasing four versatile teaching frames at a cost of \$595 each.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 13.

Funding for aboriginal education

The middle school campus also has funding to employ tutors to further assist students in literacy and numeracy

If there are people in the community who would like to apply for these paid positions they can contact Gus Vrolyk at the Umina campus on 4341 9066.

As well as this support, a number of individual projects have been initiated within the college.

On Monday afternoons between 3pm and 5pm, the library on each campus operates a homework centre where students can come for afternoon tea and then have use of the full facilities of the library and the support of tutors present to complete homework and engage in study.

Already these centres have proven very popular with students, according to college principal Mr Pat Lewis.

Building on the construction of the Mingaletta Aboriginal Garden at the Umina campus, an Outback Café is to be established which will be operated by Aboriginal students and community members to prepare and present bush tucker food grown in the gardens.

The students will learn business operation skills as well as enhancing their literacy and numeracy skills. Press release, August 30

Pat Lewis, Brisbane Water Secondary College

Performing for mayor

Central Coast

softball champions

The Ettalong Public School senior choir has been invited to perform at the Central Coast Eisteddfod mayoral recital recently following their entry in the Central Coast Eisteddfod Vocal Championship.

Ettalong Public School P and C publicity officer Ms Michelle Pathirana said the choir received wonderful feedback from the judges for both songs they performed and won the Central Coast Primary Schools' popular vocal section.

"Choir conductor Mrs Karen Morrow said that she was extremely proud of the students as they had worked so hard to gain their standard of excellence," Ms Pathirana said.

The choir have since been invited to perform at the Central Coast Eisteddfod mayoral recital.

Press release, August 31 Michelle Pathirana, Ettalong Public School

Softball team in State final

The boys' open softball team from Brisbane Water Secondary College has recently played in the State finals for the fourth successive year.

Both campuses of Brisbane

Water Secondary College

The college has a growing

indigenous population which

currently numbers close to 100

With the funding received,

both campuses have been able

to employ Aboriginal Education

Workers to work in small groups

and individually with indigenous

improvements in their learning

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outcomes.

In the opening game. the boys lost narrowly to Endeavour Sports High School, who eventually went on to be runners-up in the State final

This loss put Brisbane Water into the Plate side of the draw where they defeated Mudgee and The continue in the college next year skills in regular competition will be to again contest the title but with the local Peninsula softball team facing an uncertain future due the loss of their ground, the opportunity for the students to develop their

severely diminished," Mr Pat Lewis said.

> Press release, August 30 Pat Lewis, Brisbane Water **Secondary College**



became the Central Coast champions of the NSW PSSA knockout competition.

The Ettalong Public School

boys' softball team recently

The team defeated Woy Woy

Pankhurst said that the boys had some close battles along the way but had played well and deserved their title.

The boys will now travel to the North Coast to play the next the round as Central Coast representatives.

have been successful in Newsletter, August 30 Julia Rooke, Umina Public School obtaining funding to support the learning of Aboriginal students throughout the

South, Niagara Park, Empire Bay, Holgate and Tuggerawong in order to reach round seven of the competition.

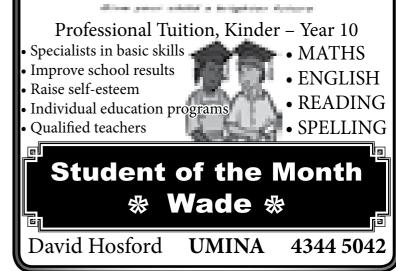
coach Mr Brendan Team

Press release, August 31 Michelle Pathirana, Ettalong Public School

Forest and narrowly lost to Hunter Sports High.

These results placed the team 11th in the State which is an extremely creditable position for one of the college's most consistently high performing teams, college principal Mr Pat Lewis said.

Representing the college in the team were Zac Dawes (captain), Joel Weekes, Hayden Scott, Nathan Crowson, Jason Overton, Luke Duggan, Daniel Mantzakos, Alex Brown, Simon Nipsala, Beau Rankins, and Jeremy Bursle. "Several of these players will



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Bike ride starts at Woy Woy

The Bike Week Bash will be held again on Sunday, September 18, with a ride starting at Woy Woy to **Gosford Waterfront.**

Registration for Woy Woy participants will be at 7am on the day at the Woy Woy Lions Park, Brickwharf Rd, Woy Woy.

The ride will begin at 8am.

The Bike Week Bash will also be held from Erina and Niagara Park and aims to promote cycling and bike safety as well as the region's extensive cycleways.

Gosford Council hosts the free community event as part of the RTA's annual Bike Week.

Highlights of this year's event will include BMX dirt jumping demonstrations by dirt jumping champions, bike displays and stalls, roller derby, prizes, and cycle skills courses in association with Central Coast Cycling Club.

Guests will include Olympic world champion cyclist Sean Eadie and Nikki Brown, adventurer and author of Cycling Outback Australia.

Participants in the event can support local charities by cycling or wheelchairing in a special Central Coast Community Chest Community Pedal from one of the three locations to the Bike Week Bash at Gosford Waterfront.

Entries are a \$5 donation per bike.

There are showbags and a sausage sizzle for all riders and over \$5000 worth of prizes including bikes to be won.

To register, contact Central Coast Community Chest on 4324 7156. For more information about the

event, contact council's cycleway officer Mr Allan Brown on 4325 8929. Press release, September 1 Breearna Sharp, Gosford Council



(L to R) Umina based Joe Marston with other football legends, Vic Bozanic, Terry Greedy and Bill Westerveld at Central Coast Stadium

Mariners honour Joe Marston

Peninsula resident Mr Joe Marston was one of four ex-Socceroos living on the Central Coast honoured by the Mariners recently at the Central Coast Stadium.

Mr Marston was the first major Australian soccer export when he went to the UK to play in the English Premiere League.

There he played in a famous championship winning side at the time, Preston North End.

Mr Marston and his wife of 58 years, Edith, met at Lambert Park in Sydney at a soccer match when Joe was playing for Leichhardt Annandale, the precursor to the who took over the ground at a later date.

They married in 1947 when Joe was 22 years old.

When Mr Marston signed for the Premiere League club, they flew to England on a Constellation which was the first intercontinental airliner and the trip took four days, staying over at first class hotels each night.

They remained in England for five and a half years where Joe was treated as a local hero.

In 1990, the Australian Soccer Federation named the medal presented to the best and fairest player in the National Soccer

Italian-backed APIA Leichhardt League grand final in Mr Marston's honour.

> Mr Marston is now 80 years old and is still very interested in football following the local and international competitions closely, staying up late at night to watch live matches on television.

Mr and Mrs Marston live in Umina, having lived on the Central Coast for eight years.

"His new-found recognition by the Central Coast Mariners has further rejuvenated his interest in the sport," his wife said.

"He goes to all their games and has enjoyed them immensely."

Cec Bucello, September 2

Outstanding year for League team

Brisbane Water Secondary Open Rugby League team has had an outstanding year on the field, according to college principal

This matched the learning they were achieving in class time through the college's Sports

Backed by the NSW and Country Rugby League and Woy Woy Leagues Club, players involved in the academy learned sports management, coaching and refereeing, first aide, and health and nutrition, as well as honing their on-field skills.

outstanding in sharing their skills with students from our local primary schools when they have conducted coaching sessions and conducted carnivals as part of their own accreditation as coaches," Mr Lewis said

out of class," Mr Lewis said.

"Together with a very parochial student body crowd, they can be an awesome opponent."

Mr Lewis said that missing several players through injury, the college knew it had to lift its game and this is what it did.

"In an outstanding effort they trailed 16 to 12 at half time with captain Chris Hyde, Australian representative full back Aku Uate, Shane Lewis, Aaron Bull, and Ryan Varley all giving skilful displays of talent," Mr Lewis said.

"The second half of the game

was as close as the first but two late tries gave the Tamworth boys a 34-16 victory.

"In this half, Jarrad Flack, Michael Smith Jason Overton, and Simon Nipsalla starred as did up and coming juniors Brett Sonter, Ryan Maskill, and Blake Mattei.

"Although going no further in the competition, the team retains a strong base to continue as a strong force in school boy rugby league. Coaches were Mark Cribb and Matt Marker

> Press release, August 31 Pat Lewis, Brisbane Water Secondary College

Under-8s crowned league champions

The victorious Woy Woy combined Under-8 Rugby League team

A combined Under-8 side from Woy Woy Junior Rugby League Football Club has been crowned champions in their age division, winning 12 points to 8 against Penrith.

"With three wins and a draw on the day against some huge and talented sides, guts and determination were what got the boys over the line in a nail biting golden point final against a tough Penrith side," said Woy Woy Junior Rugby League publicity officer Ms

Jarrod Lynch, Benjamin Orman, Joshua Richardson, Lachlan Shaw, Liam Stone, Dean Sullivan, Jarrod Taylor and Joshua Thorndyke.

The Club's achievements over the two weekends of the Woodberry Cup were Under 6 Champions, Under 7/1 Runners Up, Under 7/2 fifth with a depleted side due to illness, Under 8/1champions in extra time, Under 8/2 third in a close call and Under 9 champions in extra time.

Ms Uptin said the opposition in all age divisions was tough and

College's Mr Pat Lewis.

Academy program, he said.

"They have also been



Anita Uptin.

"The game was locked 8-all at the final whistle, and kick-off in extra time saw the Woy Woy boys with the wind at their backs but their strong defence held firm.

"Regaining possession, Woy Woy were unlucky not to score a try in the corner on the last tackle, but a short time later they regained possession and scored what was a very sweet golden point try."

Ms Uptin said it was truly a great effort by all the boys who were backing up from tough games the day before.

The team included Cody Baxter, Coen Church, Loughlin Kirwin, competitive over both weekends with teams ranging from Cessnock to Penrith.

"It was beyond doubt an amazing two weekends and Woy Woy Junior Rugby League Football Club were the winners, not only the young boys, coaches, managers and trainers who make up these champion teams but also the club itself," Ms Uptin said.

"As parents, it was a proud moment to be part of the unity, sportsmanship and pride of the Bantam Roosters."

> Press release, August 19 Anita Uptin, Woy Woy Junior **Rugby League**

"On the field, the team has the honour of playing in a number of elite schoolboy competitions and through these has emerged as champion."

The team travelled to Tamworth last week to take on the residential Farrer Memorial Agricultural High School in the quarter finals of the CHS University Shield, the pinnacle of schoolboy rugby league.

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Mayor Cr Malcom Brooks, draws winners from the barrel as Cr Chris Holstien and Town Crier Stephen Clarke

Mayor draws raffle winners

Gosford mayor Cr Malcolm Brooks drew the winners for the Peninsula Leisure Centre's yearly pool pass raffle outside the Woy Woy Library on Wednesday, August 30.

The 100 winners receive a yearly pass to the leisure centre pool.

The first name read out was Bianca Driscoll and the last was M Robinson.

Eleven year old Alannah Whyte was on hand to hear her name announced. Cr Chris Holstein called on Alannah to

help him spin the barrel. The money raised will help Community

Chest and five Peninsula charities. Woy Woy Community Aged Care, Woy Woy Public School Early Intervention, Brisbane Water Secondary College Support Unit Umina, Peninsula Before and After School Care and The Web



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Youth Centre will all benefit.

The winners will also receive a certificate and a plaque to mark the occasion.

The doors will open to the centre at 11am on September 25and between 12pm and 12.30pm those lucky winners will be the first to jump into the pool. Kim Trenerry, August 30