

## Flounder Rd works delayed

**A Gosford Council project on Flounder Rd, Ettalong, will be delayed two years as part of council's city management plan (CMP).**

It will be pushed back from the 2007/2008 capital works budget to the 2009/2010 budget.

Funds will also be reallocated from works planned for Mt Ettalong Rd, following discussions with stakeholders about the need to develop a more appropriate drainage design there.

Council received a Federal Local Roads grant fund totaling \$225,000 for kerb, gutter and pavement work for the full length of Flounder Rd.

Funding from the project will be put towards several other projects around the Peninsula.

By the time the project is due to begin in the 2009/2010 financial year, the funding will be \$400,000.

Council's director of city services Mr Stephen Glenn lodged two submissions to amend the three-year draft capital works budget.

One submission related to the prioritisation of works on Maitland Bay Dr and on the need to allocate funds to the construction of the NSW Coastline Cycleway on the Peninsula.

In the 2007/2008 financial year, grant funds totaling \$225,000 would be taken from kerb, gutter and pavement works on the full length of Flounder Rd, and allocated to the NSW Coastline Cycleway Project, from Blackwall Point to The Boulevard, Woy Woy.

In the 2008/2009 financial year, funds totaling \$300,000 would again be removed from the Flounder Rd project and allocated to a Maitland Bay Dr project to relocate the road carriageway to the south.

This would include the construction of a retaining wall, stabilizing works and cutting on the northern side.

In the 2009/2010 financial year, grant funds totaling \$400,000 would be removed from a roundabout

construction at the intersection of Langford Dr and Woy Woy Rd, Woy Woy, and allocated to the Flounder Rd project.

Another submission from Mr Glenn asked that, following discussions with stakeholders on the need to develop appropriate drainage design in Mt Ettalong Rd, council agree to the reallocation of capital works funds.

Mr Glenn said that this would also provide for continuity of project development in accordance with the Ocean Beach Rd Route Development Study.

In the 2007/2008 financial year, grant funding of \$267,940 would be removed from rehabilitation works on Mt Ettalong Rd, from Cowper Rd roundabout towards Etta Rd, and allocated to the construction of traffic signals and linemarking on Railway St at its intersection with Ocean Beach Rd.

Council placed the documents making up the CMP on public exhibition from April 12 to May 9.

The CMP consists of the draft three-year corporate plan, the draft three-year capital works budget, the draft program budget 2007/08, the supplementary sustainability report 2006, the community plan, the draft revenue policy and the EEO management plan 2006/07.

Council has now resolved to adopt the Draft Capital Works Budget 2007/08 - 2009/10 and the Draft City Management Plan 2007/08 - 2009/10 subject to the changes.

An A4 sized "mini plan" providing highlights of the corporate plan will be distributed with the rates notice in July and August.

**Council agenda ENV.28,  
22 May 2007**

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*The endangered bush stone-curlews pictured less than 50 meters from rare bushland on Veron Rd*

## Rare birds seen at school

**A pair of rare bush stone-curlews has been photographed at the Umina campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College, just metres from the bush site approved for a retirement village development.**

It is believed to be the first pair that has been photographed in this vicinity in recent years.

Unofficial reports indicate only seven of these birds were recorded in the annual Gosford Council survey of the Brisbane Water area, conducted on May 2.

One of these survey records was at the Everglades Golf Course.

Initially at the side of the oval, the birds were photographed as they walked west across the oval towards the community garden.

They then flew off north across Veron Road, over the rare bushland site which council has recently approved for development of a retirement village, according to Peninsula Bushcare Forum campaigner Ms Shirley Hotchkiss.

Ms Hotchkiss said: "Before this, I'd only seen a single bird here on two occasions, once about five years ago, and again last December.

"I live nearby and have heard them call regularly here for the last few months.

"Another volunteer at the College

has seen three of them here together this year.

"Three other residents were also privileged to see the pair of endangered birds last Saturday," Ms Hotchkiss said last week.

"People have been phoning me about these birds and stopping me in the street.

"They are excited about them being here, but very concerned they'll become locally extinct unless we protect their habitat."

Ms Hotchkiss said it was incredible that on the one hand Gosford Council and the Department of Environment and Climate Change have put enormous resources into preventing this bird's extinction, such as tagging and breeding programs.

"However on the other hand these same agencies have just approved a development on the rare bushland site on Veron Rd that will destroy potential habitat for this bird."

She said the Bush Stone-curlew Recovery Plan stated that public authorities must not make decisions that are inconsistent with its provisions.

"Yet the Species Impact Statement did not even consider this species as relevant, even though the same ecologist who did the SIS also recommended the security fence at the College

be modified to allow access for the bush stone-curlew.

"These birds have now been recorded at the Veron Rd site and on three sides of it, the Everglades Golf Course, Burrawang Reserve and Umina Campus.

"A Council officer told councillors that the Veron Rd site was not preferred habitat for the bush stone-curlew.

"But according to the recovery plan, because most of its preferred habitat has been destroyed by development, this bird is trying to make do with what's left."

Ms Hotchkiss quoted the recovery: "In NSW, Bush Stone-curlews occur in lowland grassy woodland and open forest, much of which has been cleared for agriculture and urban development.

"Most studies of the species have been in modified environments where native vegetation exists in small, isolated remnants and introduced predators are present.

"Therefore, current habitat characteristics of the species may not reflect pre-European habitat characteristics but rather an adaptation for survival in disturbed and modified environments."

**Media release, May 22  
Shirley Hotchkiss,  
Peninsula Bushcare Forum**

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## Education

### Open day for students

An open day for students and parents from local primary schools was held at Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina campus during Education Week on Wednesday, May 16.

Visitors were taken on a tour of the school by student leaders from the Middle School Campus and witnessed a range of activities that included dance, drama and musical performances in the performance studio.

Relieving principal Mr Frank Gasper said that "other ports of call" included the "impressive agricultural farm which is comparable to any in the State".

"Science and robotic demonstrations and gymnastics displays also proved popular," Mr Gasper said.

"A live debate between two talented college teams also entertained visitors in the school library and all visitors were served afternoon tea in the kitchens with food prepared by students and teachers from the food technology classes.

"This was one of many activities that links local primary students with their high school campus and is one of the reasons that the transition to high school has been received so favourably by parents and students in recent years."

Enquiries regarding the transition to high school should be directed to Ms Kylie Evans (head teacher Teaching & Learning) or deputy principal Ms Deirdre Fletcher on 4341 9066.

Press release, 20 May 2007

Frank Gasper,

Brisbane Water Secondary College

### 'Excursion' through own school grounds

Students at Pretty Beach Public will take part in a one-day "excursion" through the grounds of their own school on Environment Day, June 7.

The journey will take them through The Central Coast Watertight Program, a joint water education program coordinated by Gosford and Wyong Councils, and Rumbalara Environmental Education Centre.

Principal Ms Vicki Redrup said the program was a departure from the school's previous Environment Day format and was designed to raise awareness of water conservation and water management issues.

The Watertight Program is an interactive water conservation resource tailored to the different stages of the primary school curriculum.

All students from all levels of the school will be participating in a series of activities focusing on the water cycle and water supply,

water use, wastewater and the school's management of water.

According to parent and local environment advocate Ms Maree Whelan, who will be one of the people guiding the children through the program, there will "not be a child leaving Pretty Beach Public's gates that afternoon who has not got the importance of preserving water firmly imprinted on their brain".

"The children are going to learn not just about the issues of water consumption but preserving the quality of the waterways that surround them," Ms Whelan said.

Ms Redrup said the children were looking forward to the day.

"This program is a prime example of how fun and learning can go hand in hand," Ms Redrup said.

"Many of the activities are hands on and are linked to the key learning areas of our curriculum."

Press release, 18 May 2007

Vicki Redrup,

Pretty Beach Public School

### Reading events

Ettalong Public School is encouraging its students to take part in two reading events.

School librarian Ms Sue Gilan said students were able to read the same books for both the MS Read-a-thon and the Premier's Reading Challenge events.

Ms Gilan said the MS Read-a-thon would be held during June.

"This is a worthwhile cause in which we are encouraging the students' participation," Ms Gilan said.

"The books read for this Read-a-thon can be chosen from the Premier's Reading challenge list and then be written on both the MS Read-a-thon and the Premier's Reading Challenge lists, a two-for-one bargain.

"Sponsorship money can be given for the number of books read, the number of timed blocks spent reading or as a one-off donation."

"If at least 70 per cent of the registrations finish the Read-a-thon, the school will receive a digital camera as a gift."

Ms Gilan said students would receive gifts according to the amount of money raised.

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Sue Gilan, Ettalong Public School

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Peninsula News, in conjunction with "Felicity Wishes" children's magazine, is giving away four activity series folders featuring the first part of the "Felicity Wishes" series.

Publicity officer Ms Beth Fox said the new activity series, available from local newsagents from, will feature a "cute fairy doll called Felicity who first wishes that she was a cake maker... then a nurse...then a ballerina..."

"Young readers get the doll with the first part of the series and clothes come each fortnight with other issues," Ms Fox said.

"Felicity Wishes" is priced at only \$6.95 per issue and also includes a pretty satin bag to hold the costumes, and an easy-to-assemble magazine file.

"The magazine which comes with each part contains stories and activities which young ones will enjoy for hours.

"The magazine shows young readers how to make their own nurse's hat and a get well card, and there is a first aid adventure story.

"This, and subsequent issues give lots of ideas to young readers for dressing up in similar costumes to those of Felicity.

"Older readers can also cut out and make things, and have fun with the puzzles and quizzes."

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Lyle Stone, 26 May 2007

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Dune fencing at Patonga Beach

## Day to discuss dune fencing

**An open site day will be held at Patonga to discuss low-line dune fencing in the Patonga area.**

Gosford Council's manager of open space and leisure services Mr Phil Moore said in a letter to local residents that, due to delays with the project, staff had been asked to organize another Open Site Day similar to one held in September 2005.

"This will allow all residents to once again view all of the information related to this project," Mr Moore said.

"Once a date and venue has been confirmed, we will advise all residents of the area.

"The current works schedule will be placed on hold until such time that this Open Site day has been held."

Mr Moore was responding to "concern expressed by local residents regarding the recently constructed low-line dune fencing at Patonga Beach".

"This project builds upon previous work on Patonga dunes and surrounding environs," Mr Moore said.

"Gosford Council, local volunteers, the Department of Environment and Climate Change (formerly NPWS) and professional contractors have worked together to reduce weed invasion on the fore-dunes and other bushland areas since 1999.

"The low-line dune fencing is intended to stabilize the dune area of the beach by protecting dune vegetation.

"Bush regeneration techniques

involving the removal of weeds and some planting of dune species have taken place to establish a more diverse ecosystem and promote stability of the dunes.

"The height of the fencing and the selected low dune vegetation, which grows under one metre, is intended to not affect views or restrict access.

"The fencing, plants and regeneration were funded through grants the Patonga Bushcare group successfully obtained from Envirofund, the Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Management Authority and the Central Coast Community Environment Network.

"Gosford Council, DECC and Patonga Bushcare group have made substantial in-kind contributions."

Mr Moore refuted claims that there was a lack of community consultation over the project, detailing a list of dates and times that the community had been made aware of the project.

"March 2001: Letter posted to all Patonga residents and owners regarding Bushcare at Patonga and the intention to begin bush regeneration on the dunes," Mr Moore stated.

"January 2003: Letter hand delivered to beachfront residents asking for their support of further dune fencing if funds became available.

"February 2003: Letter sent to all residents and owners regarding demonstration dune fencing.

"September 2005: Open Site Day invitation sent to all residents and owners detailing information

on the 'successful grants and dune restoration project' and welcoming Bushcare site inspections.

"September 22, 2005: Open Site Day held at the pavilion on Eve Williams Oval with information displayed regarding the two successful grants including the construction of dune fencing and the use of bush regeneration techniques.

"Over 200 people attended on the day," said Mr Moore.

Mr Moore said that during this period the only correspondence received was in favour of the dune restoration project.

"Unfortunately the project was delayed and was unable to recommence until 2006," Mr Moore said.

"The completion of the project entails the continuation of the low-line dune fencing to the southern end of the beach with associated bush regeneration works.

"The success of the project intends to provide long-term dune stability, improve habitat value and reduce weeds."

**Letter, 30 April 2007  
Phil Moore, Gosford Council**

## Residents urged to be vigilant

**Central Coast detectives have urged residents on the Woy Woy Peninsula to be "extra vigilant" following a number of break-and-enter offences.**

Officers attached to Brisbane Water Local Area Command's Anti-Theft Squad were conducting inquiries into about 30 offences in the Woy Woy, Umina, Ettalong Beach and Patonga areas, which had occurred since the beginning of the month.

A report from NSW Police Media said that, in the majority of cases, the male offender had entered the victims' homes through an unlocked door and stolen cash and personal items.

Investigators believed the incidents were linked.

The offender had been described to police as being of "white/European appearance, aged between 25 and 40, with greying-blond hair".

Local police were conducting high visibility patrols and covert operations in an attempt to identify and apprehend the offender.

Brisbane Water LAC crime manager Detective Acting Inspector Paul Kelly urged local residents to take the following steps to safeguard their property.

"Ensure all perimeter fences are in good order and that gates are

kept closed and locked to restrict unauthorised access to your property," Inspector Kelly said.

"Trim trees and shrubs from around doors and windows so as not to provide concealment for intruders and to increase visibility to and from the street.

"Install quality security lights around the perimeter of your home to provide more effective illumination at night.

"Doors to your home should be fitted with quality dead locks. Security screen doors should be kept locked at all times – even when occupants are home.

"Windows should be secured with key-operated locks to restrict unauthorised access.

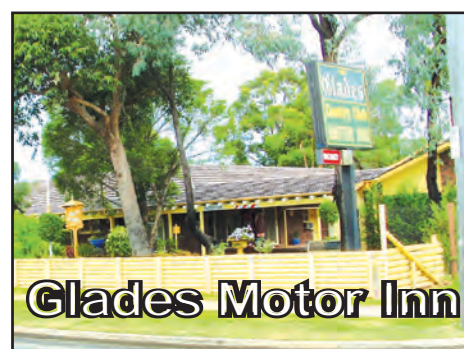
"Engrave your driver's licence number, prefixed by the initials "NSW", on all items of value to assist in easy identification.

"Photograph jewellery and other collectables for easy identification.

"Consider having a monitored intruder alarm system installed."

Anyone who witnesses any suspicious activity in the Woy Woy Peninsula area or has any information that might assist investigators has been urged to contact Gosford police station on 4323 5599 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

**Press release, 18 May 2007  
NSW Police Media**



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# Specialists needed to monitor Veron Rd

**Controversial village development approved, says the Central Coast Express Advocate (11 May 2007).**

It is time to recall the wise words of Allen A Strom AM to support one lone councillor.

It was May 1995.

I was at Copacabana considering management of the area in relation to catchment management, and issues stemming from development around Cockrone Lagoon.

The excursion was led by the very knowledgeable Beryl and Allen Strom.

After inspecting the area and discussing the approach of Gosford Council to problem solving, which was either an engineering decision or an environmental solution.

The engineering approach transferred the problem to

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another site, not addressing the real problem, whereas the environmental option had the ability to actually solve the matter.

The preference was to adopt the engineering plan, which had serious deficiencies.

During the day, Allen was asked:

"Do you get annoyed when you continually see this approach to decision making?"

Allen replied: "No, because people can make mistakes. However, the same mistakes are being made over and over."

Allen's astute analysis is as valid today as it was in 1995. The only difference is that it takes longer to go around the same circle.

What odds for Ecological Sustainability when the majority support the favourite: 8/1 on is favouritism in my book for the heavily weighted "status quo".

Gosford Council will need a specialist team to monitor the conditions attached to this development, if the budget permits.

Norman Harris  
Umina

# What was gained by bridge?

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**The recent edition of the Peninsula News devoted the equivalent of one page to the issues surrounding the new bridge along the Woy Woy causeway.**

This matter is now way out of hand!

When queried, the RTA Woy Woy office (last year prior to bridge construction) for their risk/benefit analysis regarding the need for the bridge at all, all they had was a blank look.

It was then suggested that eliminating the existing west side bridge sidewalk and using that for a slightly realigned vehicle traffic lanes would allow a safe combination cyclist/pedestrian lane to be developed on the east side of the road bridge behind a protective barrier.

No, the RTA said, the concept is to provide two cycleways one

of each side to the roadway and a separate pedestrian bridge!

Now the powers are now calling the new \$1 million suspension bridge a cyclist-pedestrian bridge.

The roadway is still marked with cycle ways and the few pedestrians who do walk the causeway are now sharing the bridge with cyclists who chose to ride on the bridge rather than the marked cycle lanes.

What was gained and how is this better?

As to naming the bridge after a former Victorian criminal: well, as a class they did do a lot for Australia but giving that sort of prominence to a bridge is far too far.

Although some locals have noted the bridge is rather ugly so maybe... justice?

Tim Bard  
Phegans Bay

# Protect ratepayers from advertising

**McDonald's fast food outlet will sponsor Woy Woy netball (Peninsula News, May 14).**

Let us hope this won't result in multiple displays of the fast food logo on public land like the visual pollution of Coca Cola logos at the Peninsula Leisure Centre that displaced the Woy Woy Memorial Pool.

Gosford Council in 2006 subsidised the advertising of a foreign-owned company and caused it be delivered into the

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private homes of its ratepayers at council's expense, and in the absence of ratepayers consent entered them into a lottery in an effort to encourage them to pay their rates annually instead of quarterly.

I recommend that Gosford Council in future:

1. Does not indulge in unfair trading, or make misleading or

deceptive statements to gain a financial advantage.

2. Protects the privacy of ratepayers and does not cause private commercial advertising material to be delivered into ratepayers' private homes at council's expense.

3. Does not enter ratepayers, in the absence of their specific consent, into a lottery that benefits the profit of a private business.

John Collins  
Woy Woy

# Help war widows stay together

**War Widows, don't let this happen to us.**

It is very sad to learn that another women's club that worked so hard for charity has folded because it

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couldn't form a committee to carry on.

Our men returned, or didn't, from wars damaged so badly that made us war widows and in their memory our guild was formed.

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Christina Sherbon  
Umina

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## Pool access needed

Gosford Council's disability access committee has resolved to write an "emergency submission" to general manager Mr Peter Wilson asking for assistance in funding equipment to ensure "equitable pool access".

The committee asked that the equipment be funded under the Capital Works Program.

The committee also made a submission asking that each council directorate allocate \$5000 to assist with funding the equipment, if no funding was available from the Capital Works Program.

A request had come to the committee for additional equipment to be provided to the leisure centre for the provision of equitable access for people with disabilities wishing to utilise the pool facilities.

Equipment needs include an electronically adjustable adult change table, a mobile electric lifting hoist, a ceiling XY track hoist and automatic doors.

The combined cost of the amendments was expected to be \$28,744.

The committee said that it was envisaged that the ceiling hoist would be permanently located above the adult change table, while the mobile hoist could be relocated according to individual need.

The committee stated that "This is a need that has been identified by people with disabilities utilising the pool and has been a source of complaint".

"The Accessible Buildings budget is not designed to fund projects of this magnitude and does not have the funds for this."

Council agenda DA.002,  
22 May 2007



A chained bin at Woy Woy Railway Station (left) and an unchained bin at Umina (right)

## Bin design investigated

Gosford Council is investigating designs of shopping centre garbage bins that would allow the emptying of the bins into a garbage collection receptacle as well as securing the bins to their supporting frame, preventing the bins from being used as missiles.

The investigation is in response to recent vandal attacks on premises in West St, Umina, in which shopkeepers forwarded a petition to council asking that the street litter bins be secured to prevent them from being used to smash shop windows.

Gosford Mayor Cr Laurie Maher said: "The bins need to be secured

to prevent them from being hurled through shop fronts and causing thousands of dollars worth of damage."

Designs under investigation include various methods of attaching or chaining the bin to the garbage bin frame, and providing an enclosure around the bin as is used in other parts of the Gosford local government area.

Cr Maher said: "Council has also written to the State Member for Gosford, Ms Marie Andrews, expressing its concern with regard to the ongoing vandalism in this area and stressing the need for an increased police presence."

Press release, 22 May 2007  
Tina Davies, Gosford Council

## Bin petition

Gosford Council has received a petition from shop owners in Umina about the use of garbage bins to vandalise shop windows.

The petition, with 48 signatures, stated that securing the bins would "eliminate vandals taking the garbage bins out of the stands and using them as missiles to smash shop windows".

The petitioners further stated that security methods had been installed on the garbage bins outside Woy Woy Railway Station.

They asked that council secure the garbage bins along West St and cross streets of Umina.

The petition was referred to council's engineering services department.

Council agenda P.28, 22 May 2007

## Constitution changes

Changes to the constitution of the Peninsula Community Centre will be proposed at an extraordinary general meeting on Tuesday, July 24, at 11am.

The three board members will also be appointed as life members of the centre at the meeting, which will be held at the centre at 93

McMasters Rd, Woy Woy.

Membership of the centre is open to all members of the community.

The centre is a registered charity that operates 15 individual funded and numerous unfunded programs across the Peninsula.

These programs offer services, support and provide activities to more than 6000 people per month.

Clare Graham, 25 May 2007



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# Thousands at Umina park

**An estimated 3000 people descended on Umina Park for a free fun day organised by the Peninsula Families Action Group earlier this month.**

The event was promoting the development of a precinct park in the recreation space adjacent to Umina Oval.

The crowds were entertained with a giant slide, clowns, face painters, outdoor storytime, sporting activities and toddler equipment.

Giant climbing webs were on display as part of Gosford Council's promotion of the development, together with draft plans of potential playground designs.

Participants were invited to complete surveys asking what they as community members would like to see in the recreation space.

Sarah Tolmie of Peninsula Families Action Group said: "The

day has been a huge success".

"The sheer numbers of people here indicate the need for a place for families to gather and children to play.

"Speaking to people today, there has been a common theme in their survey answers. People want an integrated recreation space.

"A great playground, gardens, bushland areas and facilities for social gatherings, picnics and barbecues.

"Peninsula people see this location as a prime spot for such a development and want to see it used for community events, markets, music and art as well as an area that you can bring your kids to play.

"The Action Group has been working for two years, lobbying council on playground development on the Peninsula.

"This event is the culmination of that work, providing the community

an opportunity to have their voice heard.

"People have voted with their feet by turning out in such numbers.

"The message is clear, people are excited by the project and want to see more for families to do on the Peninsula.

"This is an opportunity for Gosford Council to build a showcase park for our region.

"Our group will be moving forward with this message to ensure that the project goes ahead and the Peninsula gets the facility it deserves."

For more information or to complete a survey about what you would like to see in the area, contact the Peninsula Families Action Group by emailing pfagroup@hotmail.com or telephoning 4343 1929.

**Press release, 11 May 2007**

**Jenni Darwin,**

**Peninsula Families Action Group**

# Review planned for seniors' centre

**Gosford Council plans to review the operation of the Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre to enhance its functionality over the coming year.**

The project will receive \$15,000 under the council's recurrent "health and safety" budget with the adoption of council's City Management Plan.

The project will be implemented during the 2007/2008 financial year.

Pearl Beach Rural Fire Brigade

will receive \$50,000 from the same budget to modify its station to accommodate the new Cat 1 fire tanker.

The project is expected to be implemented in the next three financial years.

Killcare Surf Life Saving Club will share in \$410,000 worth of funding for its refurbishment, expected to be implemented during the 2007/2008 financial year.

**City Management Plan, 25 May 2007**

**Gosford Council**

# Council to modify development controls

**Development controls affecting the Peninsula's commercial centres will be reviewed to bring them into line with the Peninsula Urban Directions Strategy, under Gosford Council's City Management Plan.**

The review of DCP 159 (Woy Woy, Ettalong and Umina town centres) will cost \$30,000, and will be implemented in the 2007/2008 financial year.

The expenditure will come from the Council's budget for "Strengthening local and regional identity".

Patonga would also benefit from expenditure under this budget.

A conservation management plan would be developed for the cottages at Dark Corner, Patonga, at a cost of \$20,000.

Half the funding will come from the recurrent budget while the other

half will come from a Department of Planning grant.

The project is expected to be implemented in the 2007/2008 financial year.

The following year, Umina Beach would benefit.

A project is planned which seeks to facilitate the "positive use of public space" by focusing on the unique identities and character of Umina Beach.

The project will share in an allocation of \$60,000 for the 2008/2009 financial year.

An amount of \$8000 has been allocated from the council's arts and culture budget for film screenings in Woy Woy.

These would introduce community members to "historic technology of cultural significance".

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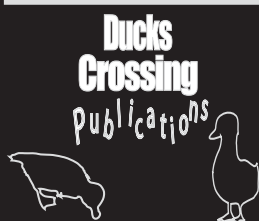
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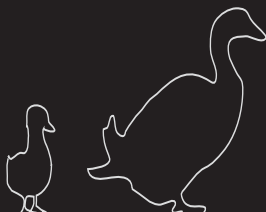
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## Flood study for the Peninsula

**A \$150,000 flood study for the Peninsula and \$100,000 of improvements to Patonga camping ground will take place this coming financial year, as part of Gosford Council's city management plan.**

However, a \$1 million linemarking and intersection scheme for Ocean Beach Rd and recarpeting for Umina library have been deferred to future years.

A flood study for the Woy Woy Peninsula has been planned for the 2007/2008 financial year "in order to provide a sustainable stormwater drainage strategy".

The study will cost \$150,000, made up of a \$100,000 grant and \$50,000 from the capital budget for infrastructure.

The Patonga Camping Ground will receive an upgrade to its play area, landscaping, park furniture, a shade structure and on-site cabins in the 2007/2008 financial year at a cost of \$100,000.

The Department of Lands Public Reserves management fund will provide \$50,000 with council providing the rest from its capital budget.

Council has planned to implement the "whole of length strategy" for the Ocean Beach Rd Traffic Management Study in

2009/2010 at a cost of \$1 million.

The study involves a consistent scheme of linemarking, parking, intersection, bus, pedestrian and cycling treatments as identified during consultation with the community, police, RTA and key stakeholders.

Funds for the project involve \$600,000 from federal blackspot program funding and \$400,000 from Section 94 funds.

Umina Beach Library will be recarpeted in the 2008/2009 financial year at a cost of \$25,000 from the capital works budget.

**City Management Plan, 25 May 2007**

**Gosford Council**

## Council adopts management plan

**Gosford Council adopted its draft City Management Plan including its Capital Works Budget last Tuesday.**

The Plan consists of a three-year corporate plan, a three-year capital works budget, a program budget 2007/08, a supplementary sustainability report 2006, its community plan, a draft revenue policy and its EEO management plan 2006/07.

The draft corporate plan provides a list of projects that are to be implemented between the 2007/2008 financial year and the 2009/2010 financial year.

Council placed the documents making up the CMP on public exhibition from April 12 to May 9.

It has resolved to provide "highlights" of the draft Corporate Plan, part of the draft City Management Plan (CMP), in the annual rates notice.

An A4 sized "mini plan" providing highlights of the corporate plan will be distributed with the rates notice in July and August.

Lyle Stone, 25 May 2007

## Bike path extended over three years

**Extensions to the share foreshore footpath-cycleway are expected to take place on the Peninsula over the next three years, according to Gosford Council's city management plan.**

Work on several local roads is also expected.

Design and approval of a shared off-road footpath-cycleway from The Boulevard to Blackwall Point will be funded by \$600,000, \$175,000 from the capital budget and \$425,000 from the department of planning.

The project is expected to be implemented in the 2007/2008

financial year.

Another section of the Woy Woy to Blackwall Mountain path would be funded by \$60,000 from the recurrent budget.

The project will form part of the NSW Coastal Shared Footpath-Cycleway, and is expected to be implemented from the 2008/2009 financial year to the 2009/2010 financial year.

Several local and regional roads will be funded including Discovery St, St Huberts Island; Fishermans Parade, Daleys Point; Flounder Rd, Ettalong; Wellington St, Umina; Mt Ettalong Rd, Umina Beach, and Maitland Bay Drive, Ettalong Beach.

Sealing of roads will also be funded including Jacqueline Ave, Killcare Heights, and Maitland Bay Dr, Killcare Heights.

Ettalong Oval toilets will be demolished in the next year at a cost of \$24,000, budgeted under council's capital budget.

Amenities will be upgraded at Kitchener Park, Ettalong, at a cost of \$24,000, under council's capital budget.

The project is expected to be implemented in the 2008/2009 financial year.

**City Management Plan, 25 May 2007**

**Gosford Council**

## Detailed designs

**Gosford Council is planning "detailed urban design" of the Woy Woy, Ettalong and Umina commercial centres in the 2008/2009 financial year.**

Under the city management plan, the "integrated strategic planning" would cover traffic, pedestrians, car parking, landscaping, civic areas and detailed urban design.

Funds for the Woy Woy centre would be \$90,000 while funds for the Ettalong and Umina centre's would be \$75,000 each, all as part of the capital budget.

A 3D model of Woy Woy and Ettalong is also expected to be prepared in the 2009/2010 financial year at a cost of \$150,000.

**City Management Plan, 25 May 2007**

**Gosford Council**

## Upgrade for Woy Woy tip

**Gosford Council will close Woy Woy tip to putrescible waste and upgrade the landfill site at a cost of \$2.5 million, under the council's City Management Plan.**

This has been included in part of council's strategy for a "closed loop system".

Council has budgeted \$1.5 million from its waste facility reserve to develop preliminary site and engineering works for the system, to be implemented in the 2007/2008 financial year.

Council also has plans to be

extracting landfill gas and methane to generate "green energy" by December.

Council reported that negotiations were still continuing with AGL.

Council also has plans to construct the next stage of the landfill at the western end of the site at a cost of \$1 million.

The project will be funded by council's waste facility reserve and is expected to be completed by December.

**City Management Plan, 25 May 2007**

**Gosford Council**

## Recycled water deferred two years

**Gosford Council does not plan to upgrade Woy Woy treatment works to provide recycled water for at least another two years.**

Under the city management plan, the treatment works would be upgraded to provide recycled water for distribution by tankers and used in situations where "drinking quality" water is not required.

The tertiary re-use upgrade would include the initiation of tertiary treatment and the disinfection of effluent.

The project would cost \$1.3 million, involving \$0.775 million from water fund capital and \$0.525 million from a water savings grant.

However, the project is not expected to be implemented until the 2009/2010 financial year.

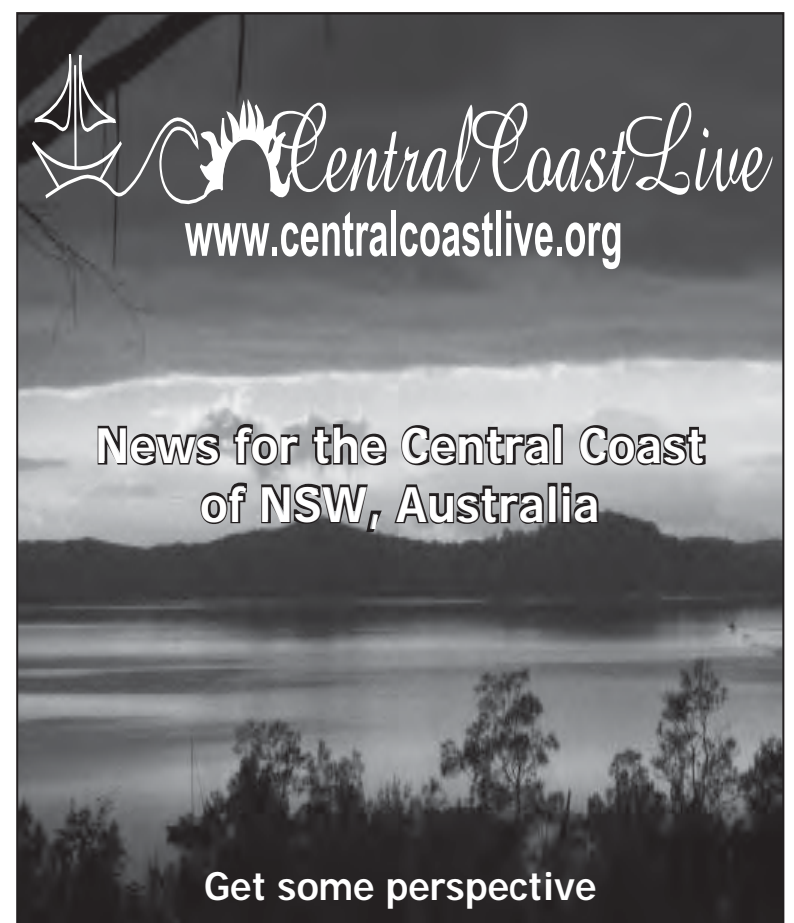
Also under the plan, a Water Sensitive Urban Design master plan would also be prepared for two Woy Woy Catchment Areas.

The project will cost \$60,000 from section 94 contributions and will be implemented during the 2008/2009 financial year.

Ettalong Beach Foreshore works are planned to cost \$1 million, and would be funded by the Civic Infrastructure Strategy, the Ettalong Beach Memorial Club and "possible grants".

**City Management Plan, 25 May 2007**

**Gosford Council**



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## Top greens condemn DA approval

**The State's peak environment group has "condemned" Gosford Council approval of a luxury retirement villa on the Woy Woy Peninsula.**

Over 10 per cent of the remnants of Umina Coastal Sandplain Woodland will be destroyed, according to the Nature Conservation Council of NSW.

"Once this endangered bushland has been cleared, it will be gone forever," NCC Executive Director Ms Cate Faehrmann said.

"The council decision to approve the development application will destroy the third largest of 12 sites of rare bushland known as Umina Coastal Sandplain Woodland.

"After fighting a similar proposal on the same site just last year and succeeding in the Land and Environment Court, the council has now caved into pressure from

developers.

"Approval to clear the site was been granted by the Department of Environment and Conservation, despite the fact they have identified that 'less than 10 hectares' of the endangered bushland remains.

"The Department of Environment and Conservation have irresponsibly ignored its own recommendations by giving the green light to the developer in clearing this precious place.

"The Glossy Black Cockatoos, Barking Owls and the Grey-Headed Flying Fox, all inhabit the site and will suffer as a result of this decision.

"It is vital that all endangered bushland be protected on the Central Coast and not given up by council to inappropriate development."

Press release, 16 May 2007  
Terri Latella, Gosford Councillor



The cycleway/foot bridge over the Woy Woy Bay entrance

## Petition for Spike Bridge

**Gosford Council has received two petitions from local residents asking that the Koolewong footbridge cycleway be named "Spike**

**Milligan Bridge".**

The petitions, with a total of 346 signatures, had been received asking that the bridge be named the Spike Milligan Bridge in memory of the "famous comedian" whose

family had an association with the Woy Woy area.

Council has referred the petition to its Information Management & Technology department.

Council agenda P.32, 22 May 2007

## Petition to 'save bushland'

**Supporters of the Peninsula's rare Umina Coastal Sandplain Woodland are circulating a petition calling on the State Government to "save Veron Rd bushland".**

The petition states that Gosford Council has approved a development application (30219/2006) that will destroy 1.16ha of Umina Coastal Sandplain Woodland, an endangered ecological community under the Threatened Species Act.

The land (Lot 1 DP833218) fronts Hillview St, Woy Woy, near the corner of Veron Rd.

The petition asks that the State Government takes steps to protect all Umina Coastal Sandplain Woodland, including this site, from development and to protect it in perpetuity.

It also calls on the Government to intervene to ensure the development does not proceed.

For further information and petition forms, contact 4341 9301.

Mark Snell, 25 May 2007

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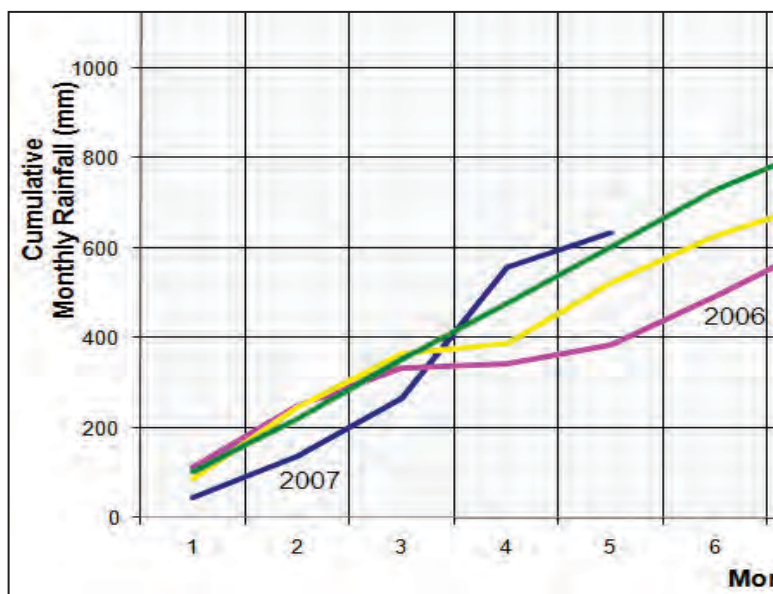


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## May was dry month

This year's rainfall on the Peninsula remains above average, despite low rainfall in May, according to figures provided by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

The rainfall for May was 75.7mm, which was about 62 per cent of the

average May rainfall of 122.3mm.

Most of this rain fell on just one day – May 10, when 62.2mm was recorded.

The May rainfall brought the yearly total to 634.5mm, which is 35.6mm above average for this time of year.

Mark Snell, 24 May 2007

## Association represented on flood committee

Peninsula Residents Association secretary Ms Sheelagh Noonan has been invited to be a temporary member of Gosford Council's Flood Risk Management Committee (FRMC) for the duration of the Woy Woy Peninsula flood study.

A report from council stated that it had received four applications to become temporary members of the FRMC for the duration of the Woy Woy Peninsula flood study as a community representative.

According to the Floodplain Development Manual 2005, community representatives should, amongst other criteria, "form a link

between the committee and the local population in the flood prone area".

The report stated that only Ms Noonan "satisfies the community selection criteria".

It stated that data collection and a flood study brief were 90 per cent complete but stated that council was waiting on a LiDAR survey "which should be complete within the next three months".

Gosford Council has invited Empire Bay and District Progress Association members Ms Shirley Crocker and Mr M Pacey to become temporary members of its flood risk management committee for the duration of the Empire Bay

Catchment flood study.

The committee stated that a notice inviting public participation was advertised on March 7.

Two applications to become temporary members of the FRMC for the duration of the Empire Bay Catchment flood study were received, with both applicants meeting the criteria to become a member of the committee.

The report stated that a draft technical brief for the Empire Bay Catchment Flood Study had been approved by the Department of Natural Resources and expressions of interest would be "advertised shortly".

Council agenda FM.06, FM.011, 1 May 2007

## Ban on cars

Parents of Woy Woy Public School students are being urged not to drive into school grounds when picking up or dropping off their children after a near accident.

School principal Ms Ona Buckley said it would be a "devastating accident if a child was hit, injured or worse".

"We have over 500 students and we need to take care of them all by following the rules," Ms Buckley

said.

"Please also remember the gate where students line up for the bus is for use of students catching buses only."

"To avoid any confusion or congestion, please use the other walking out gates further down the fence if you are picking up or dropping off your children."

Newsletter, 25 May 2007

Ona Buckley,

Woy Woy Public School

Clare Graham, 25 May 2007

## Petition against cycleway

Gosford Council has received a petition from residents of North Burge Rd, Woy Woy, objecting to a proposed shared pedestrian cycleway along North Burge and Burge Rds.

The petition, with three signatures, stated that council should give priority to the provision

of on-road pathways to provide school children and the elderly with a firm and flat surface to negotiate.

The petitioners asked that council reject the proposed shared pedestrian cycle pathway.

Council has referred the petition to its Engineering Services department.

Council agenda P.29, 22 May 2007

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Selina Harlum and Liam Scarrat addressed the Anzac Day ceremony

## Students attended Anzac ceremonies

**A contingent of students from both campuses of Brisbane Water Secondary College and partner primary schools attended the Anzac Day Dawn Service and later in the morning, the Anzac Day Ceremony, according to relieving college principal Mr Frank Gasper.**

Both were held at Ettalong War Memorial Club because of the weather.

"There was a great feeling of community surrounding the morning's events as people of all ages emerged from cars and walked along dark streets (most with umbrellas because of the heavy rain) and met firstly at Woy Woy before being redirected to the Club," Mr Gasper said.

"The 10.30am Ceremony was something special.

"In front of a packed auditorium, a series of moving speeches were delivered by the adult organisers and then by two students of Brisbane Water Secondary College, Liam Scarrat, Year 10, and Selina Harlum, Year 12.

"They were amongst the best Anzac Day addresses I have heard, and a credit to the young people concerned who had researched and delivered their addresses with personal reflections on what Anzac Day means to them.

"At the end of the ceremony, many community members made a point of congratulating both of them for their contribution to the ceremony.

"It was a nice touch at the end of the ceremony when all young children present were called to the front of the gathering in recognition of their attendance.

"The Ettalong War Memorial Club should also be congratulated for the part they played in providing the facilities and the breakfast to the early starters who braved the weather to make sure they were part of this at this excellent community event that honoured the memory of Anzac Day.

"I, like many others in the audience felt it was a privilege to be part of it," said Mr Gasper.

**Press release, 14 May 2007  
Frank Gasper,  
Brisbane Water Secondary College**

## Local company misses out

**A Woy Woy Bay company has missed out on being awarded the tender for drainage works in Kurrawyba Ave, Terrigal.**

Coastal Asphalt Pty Ltd was one of six companies which submitted tenders to run the project.

The work includes supply and installation of approximately 440 metres of reinforced concrete pipes in various sizes ranging from 825mm to 375mm, pit construction,

road restoration and associated works.

The construction period is six weeks and the work is scheduled to commence June.

Tenders for the program closed on April 24.

A report from council stated that it was considered that the tender by Kerroc Constructions Pty Ltd presented "the most positive benefits to council".

It stated that the company

ranked highly against all the stated criteria.

"The company has completed numerous projects for council including Wagstaffe Drainage Stage 1 and North Copacabana Drainage Stages 1 & 2.

"The projects have been completed on time and to a satisfactory standard."

**Council agenda COR.31,  
22 May 2007**

## Fireworks at Pretty Beach

**A firework displays will be staged at Pretty Beach Public School on Saturday, June 9, during the Queen's Birthday weekend.**

Principal Ms Vicki Redrup said the school's annual fireworks night had become a popular fixture on the local calendar.

The event will start at 3.30pm and will feature live music, plaster painting, face painting, huge jumping slide castle, limited show bags, helium balloons, "fun characters" and the latest glow products including glow earrings, glow hair slides, rings, necklaces, spinners and flashing necklaces.

The event will finish at 6pm.

"The school community is very proud of how popular the firework's night has become," Ms Redrup said.

"Each year it just keeps getting bigger and better and is a real testament to the strength of its parental and local business support.

"It's also a wonderful opportunity for us to share our beautiful surroundings with other who either live on, or are just visiting, the Central Coast."

Tickets for a monster raffle will also be sold during the event for \$2 per ticket.

First prize is a property overhaul valued at over \$2000 (property

must be in the Gosford shire).

"Other prizes include dinners, overnight stays, movie tickets, hair products, massages, breakfast, cruise, gym membership, plus much more," Ms Redrup said.

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Entry is \$10 per family of four or \$5 per adult and \$1 per child.

For further information, telephone Ms Vicki Redrup on 4360 1012.

**Press release, 17 May 2007  
Vicki Redrup,  
Pretty Beach Public School**

## Stall for aged care

**The Woy Woy Community Aged Care Auxiliary will hold a stall outside of Flemings on West St, Umina, on May 31 from 8.30am.**

The president of the auxiliary, Ms Elsie Solway, said that the stall will be a clearance sale and baby wear, jams, pickles, and cakes will be offered at bargain prices.

Ms Solway said that the auxiliary

is winding down its stall activities.

"All the funds go back to the centre.

"We gave the centre \$5000 at Christmas.

"It has helped provide three plasma TVs, garden beautification, a court yard which we've just finished, a sunroom with furniture to entertain visitors, and a lounge for the foyer", she said.

Ms Solway said the auxiliary was

keen to recruit new members as it was struggling to maintain fund-raising activities.

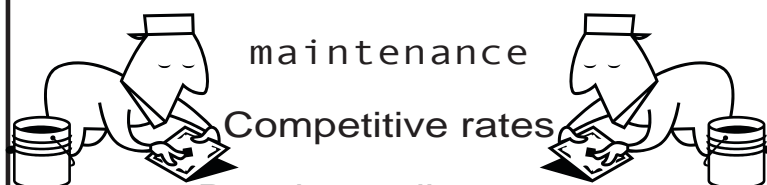
The auxiliary meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 10am in the Education Room of the centre.

Interested persons can telephone Ms Solway on 4341 4206 or the auxiliary secretary Ms Phyllis Church on 4344 2040.

**Con Orfanos, 25 May 2007**

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## Health

# Get-to-know-you coffee mornings

The Peninsula Women's Health Centre has begun running "coffee mornings" for women who would like to get to know other women in the area.

"It is a social get together over morning tea," health education worker Ms Kate Bradfield said.

"It is a great opportunity to meet women especially if you are new to the area or feel isolated.

"The centre has no childcare

facilities.

"However, you are welcome to bring your children if they remain under your supervision."

This next coffee morning will be held on Wednesday, June 6, from 10am to noon at the centre, 20A McMasters Rd, Woy Woy.

No bookings are needed.

For more information, telephone the centre on 4342 5905.

**Press release, 23 May 2007**  
**Kate Bradfield, Peninsula Women's Health Centre**



Morning tea in Ocean View Rd, Ettalong

# Electric chair gives independence

Peninsula resident Ms Kelly Wrightson has said she can now look forward to more independence thanks to the donation of a \$4000 electric chair by the Everglades Country Club.

Ms Wrightson was presented with the chair by the club on April 5.

President Mr Brian Crawley said Ms Wrightson's commitment and generosity to the club had not gone unnoticed.

"Kelly has attended our club over a number of years and has helped our club on many occasions," Mr Crawley said.

"Kelly has many friends at Everglades and it was our pleasure to present this chair to her for her use, now and in the future."

Mr Crawley said he trusts the donation will give Ms Wrightson a sense of independence and confidence.

In return, Ms Wrightson thanked the club for the donation.

"It means a lot to me that all my friends at the club wanted to do this for me and I greatly appreciate [their] kindness," Ms Wrightson



said.

"I love my new chair.

"It gives me more independence and makes it much easier to get around both inside and outside."

**Newsletter, 25 May 2007**  
**Coast Bowls News**

# Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

## Empire Bay raises \$971

An afternoon tea in Empire Bay held as part of Australia's Biggest Afternoon Tea raised \$971 for the Cancer Council last Thursday afternoon.

Empire Bay Estate Agency proprietor Mr Geoff Melville said that his business raised the

amount with gold coin donations and raffles.

"Over 100 people attended including Vic Davies from Star FM's morning show, who organised a live broadcast on Star FM's afternoon show," Mr Melville said.

Mr Melville said the day was organised by staff members

Narelle, Rhonda, Jackie and Greg and helpers Shirley Crocker and Maureen Amos.

The day was sponsored by more than two dozen businesses.

**Press release, 24 May 2007**  
**Geoff Melville, Empire Bay Estate Agency**

## Morning tea raises \$915

Residents at Deepwater Court, Woy Woy, have raised \$915 during Australia's Biggest Morning Tea, according to manager Ms Val Lomas.

"For our biggest morning tea, some of my residents baked beautiful sponge cakes, fruit cakes, slices, scones and biscuits," Ms Lomas said.

"They were all displayed on a

table then they were judged."

The four winners were Eileen Russell for the prettiest cake, Millie Bidder for her "famous" scones, Betty Huntington for her moist fruit cake and Maureen Ayers for her "lovely" jelly slice.

All winners received a box of chocolates.

"After the judging, we then auctioned all the goodies.

"We also received some

generous donations from some of our residents bringing our total raised to \$915," Ms Lomas said.

"How fantastic is that for a small retirement village.

"We have such generous residents; they are always there to support the needy," said Ms Lomas.

**Press release, 24 May 2007**  
**Val Lomas, Deepwater Court**



Morning tea at Campbells Home Hardware, Woy Woy

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# Peninsula youth feature in concerts

A number of young people from the Peninsula will take part in the 16th year of Youth In Performing Arts (YIPA) during five concerts from June 5 to 9.

The concerts will feature the "best young performers from the Central Coast", according to Laycock St Theatre marketing manager Ms Lisa Kelly.

Ms Kelly said that over 400 individuals and group acts auditioned in February for the program of 28 acts each night over five nights.

Each night's concert features a completely different program.

"Nat Backhouse, a 16-year-old dancer from Ettalong who currently attends Hunter School of Performing Arts in Broadmeadow, will perform a dance titled 'Jump Around'.

"Originally choreographed for a group, Nat has adapted it as a solo piece and added his own personal touch.

"Nat will perform at Saturday night's concert.

"Daniel Scarratt and his mates Daniel Thomson, Andy Clews and Liam Scarratt from Phegans Bay are an up and coming Rock Band who call themselves 'Mind Priorities'.

"They will perform a number titled 'Take Me Out' at Thursday night's concert.

"Ashleigh Knight from Woy Woy is just 13 and is a student of Brisbane Water Secondary College's Junior Campus.

"The young singer will perform a piece called 'Not Ready to Make Nice' and will appear at Thursday night's concert.

"Jessica Hind attends the Australian Institute of Music and lives at Umina Beach.

"She is just 16 years old and will sing 'I Dreamed a Dream' at Wednesday night's concert.

"Jessica will also perform a piece called 'War Is Over' at Friday night's concert.

"Joshua Keane from Umina Beach is also a student of the Brisbane Water Secondary College. Joshua will sing 'Let Me Entertain You' at Wednesday night's concert.

"He is just 13 years old and has appeared in the Gosford Musical Society Juniors production of Peter Pan, as well as receiving first, second and third place honours in various sections at the Central Coast Eisteddfod.

"Joshua was a regional finalist in MATS, and also appeared in Central Coast Showcase in 2006.

"Leanne Broadley leads the BWSC Choir on Wednesday night

in a piece titled 'We're All In This Together'.

"Kate Leslie attends the Ku Ring Gai Creative Arts School and hails from Ettalong Beach.

"Kate will perform with Jessica Quoy (2006 YIPA Scholarship winner) and Lara Low at Tuesday night's concert singing the popular song 'Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy'.

"Kate, Jess and Lara call themselves 'The Alphabet Sisters' and are all keen performers involved in Gosford Musical Society Juniors.

"They have been working together for a few months and, although this is their first performance together, between the three girls they have many years experience.

"Kimberly Kelly from Empire Bay attends the BWSC Woy Woy Campus and will perform a monologue entitled 'The Audition' at Tuesday night's concert.

"She is one of a growing number of young dramatists performing monologues on stage at YIPA this year.

"Amanda Bruce from Umina will perform a piece called 'Addicted', with Cara Cerulli, also from Umina.

"The duo call themselves 'Haunted' and have performed at many festivals and eisteddfods. They appear on Tuesday night's concert as one of the opening acts."

Ms Kelly said another highlight on the program would be the appearance of dancers from the Veronica Law School of Highland Dancing.

"Eight young dancers, trained by International Award winning dancer Douglas McFarland, will appear on Friday night performing traditional Scottish Highland Dance," Ms Kelly said.

"These five professional concerts are a fantastic opportunity to see a variety of talented youth performing dance, drama, instrumentals, comedy and vocal, either individually or in groups.

"Performers also have the opportunity to receive scholarship funds which are donated from the proceeds of ticket sales, along with scholarships from local businesses and community groups.

"This year there are over \$12,000 in scholarship funds available.

"A great night out for all the family with very reasonable ticket prices."

Concerts will be staged on Tuesday, June 5, Wednesday, June 6, Thursday, June 7, Friday, June 8 and Saturday, June 9.

All concerts will commence at 8pm

Press release, 24 May 2007  
Lisa Kelly, Laycock St Theatre



Photographer Esther Beaton will run two photographic safaris in August and in November. Photo Courtesy Gilliane Tedder

## Nature makes photo subject

**The natural assets around the Peninsula will be the subject of two photographic safaris which will be held in August and in November.**

Central Coast photographer Esther Beaton will run the two safaris.

The safari on August 18 will be held at Warrah Trig, Elephant Rock and Ettalong Lookout.

Ms Beaton said subjects will include the "glories of spring; waratahs, flannel flowers, stunning vistas and a secret red gum forest".

Ms Beaton said techniques will include close up techniques for beginners and advanced plus low light and backlighting.

A safari on November 24 and 25 entitled "Pearl Beach full moon weekend special" would feature "birds, beaches and bush" and would take place at Crommelin Native Arboretum, Green Point, Ettalong Point, Pearl Beach Lagoon and Warrah Lookout.

Ms Beaton said subjects would include birds such as brush turkey, kookaburra, satin bowerbird, insects, native flowers and trees, tranquil glades, coastal heath, beautiful beaches, crashing waves,

rock platforms and tide pools.

Ms Beaton said techniques would include "moving pictures; techniques of putting emotion into your photography".

This would include slow motion, photographing in the afterglow, composing for high key or low key, graphic compositions, double exposures, time exposures and high versus low vantage points.

Accommodation is available for the event at extra cost.

"Here's a chance to brush up on your artistic skills and contribute to a better environment," Ms Beaton said.

"These one-day workshops were popular last year, with participants coming from other parts of New South Wales as well as locally.

"There's nothing like being out there in nature for getting in touch with ourselves, for understanding our own inner beauty and reflecting it through works of art created by our own hands.

"By learning to photograph nature in a highly skilled and aesthetic manner, you can help raise awareness and spread appreciation of our environment."

Ms Beaton said the Day Safaris would include natural history, ecology and even bush tucker.

Ms Beaton said she had "criss-crossed the whole continent" from the Kimberly to Hobart and from the Great Barrier Reef to Perth but she calls the Central Coast home.

"The Central Coast is a unique environment; we have really amazing wildlife like koalas, phascogales and gliders in our backyards," Ms Beaton said.

"We've got fascinating plants like the tallest lilies, as well as some of the most stunning coastal scenery in the world.

"The Central Coast is under-represented and we should get out there and photograph it."

Esther has been a leading photographer for Australian Geographic for 10 years, having won their award for excellence in 1996.

She has been widely published in international magazines, national magazines and calendars, has co-authored two books and produced several exhibitions.

The first Day Safari costs \$145 and generous discounts apply when purchasing several. All levels of experience are welcome.

Press release, 18 May 2007  
Esther Beaton, Esther Beaton  
Wild Pictures

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## Former principal dies

St John the Baptist acting principal Ms Helene Creen has mourned the loss to the Peninsula community of Ms Margaret Ivanyi on Monday, May 14.

Ms Ivanyi was principal at both Our Lady of the Rosary, Wyoming, and St John the Baptist Catholic

Primary School, Woy Woy, during the late 1970s until the mid-1990s.

St John the Baptist acting principal Ms Helene Creen said the loss of such an inspiring community member was devastating.

"Please remember Margaret and her family in your prayers," Ms Creen said.

Clare Graham, 25 May 2007



Hoxton Park High School students Gina Vong and Kim-Yeng Mor with Year 11 students Brittany Russell and Katrina Donaldson from Brisbane Water Secondary College

## Troupes dance in festival

Two dance troupes from Ettalong Public School were accepted for the Central Coast Dance Festival last week.

The Year 6 troupe and All Boys troupe will perform in the festival at Laycock St Theatre on Friday, June 15, and Tuesday, June 19.

Deputy principal and performing arts coordinator Ms Karen Morrow said she was extremely proud of all of the troupes that auditioned.

"The judges spoke highly of all our troupes," said Ms Morrow.

"We have been very fortunate in that two of our troupes have been

accepted."

The school joined other Peninsula schools at Woy Woy Public School last month for auditions into the festival.

According to festival judges, there has been an overwhelming response in applications from schools across the Central Coast, including the Peninsula area.

Ms Morrow said she looks forward to continuing on with all four dance troupes at the school.

"Now that hard work begins to polish and costume our fabulous troupes".

Clare Graham, 25 May 2007

## Cultural exchange with Hoxton Park

Students from Brisbane Water Secondary College have taken part in a cultural exchange day.

Teacher Mr Ian Backhouse accompanied 19 Year 11 Society and Culture students from Woy Woy Campus on their visit to Hoxton Park High School in the south western suburbs of Sydney as part of the cultural exchange day on Friday, May 18.

"The visit was primarily to promote the understanding of different cultures within our multicultural society and to foster tolerance and compassion amongst the students regardless of their social or ethnic backgrounds," Mr Backhouse said.

"Hoxton Park High School has 56 per cent of their students that are from non-English speaking families and there are students from many different countries and cultures at their school.

"The hosting society and culture class had representative Australians originally from Turkey, Samoa, India, East Timor and Cambodia.

"The students were expected to get to know each other through social activities such as a 'Speed Dating' introduction game and then to choose one person to interview as part of the requirements for an assessment task on personal and social development.

"Lunch was a shared order

of pizzas which had universal appeal.

"The students were very apprehensive to start with but it was refreshing to see the fear of stereotypes disappear within half an hour of meeting the students from Hoxton Park.

"They were great mates by the end of the day. So much so that many didn't want to leave."

Mr Backhouse said that Woy Woy Campus would host the return visit by Hoxton Park High School next year, and the plan was to hold the visits as a permanent annual event.

Press release, 24 May 2007  
Ian Backhouse, Brisbane Water Secondary College



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# What's On in and around the Peninsula

Listings in this section are free to not-for-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 Picnic Pde & Maitland Bay Drive, Ettalong 4341 3599

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

**ECC**, Everglades Country Club, Dunbar Rd, Woy Woy 4341 1866

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

**EPH**, Ettalong Progress Hall, Memorial Ave, Ettalong

**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.

**NPWS**, National Parks & Wildlife Service, www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au, 4320 4205

**PBPH**, Pearl Beach Progress Hall, Diamond Rd, Pearl Beach 4342 1459

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

**PCYC**, Osborne Ave., Umina Beach 4344 7851

**PWHC**, Peninsula Women's Health Centre, 20a McMasters Rd Woy Woy 4342 4905

**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

**WWEC**, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 267 Blackwall Road Woy Woy 4341 7974

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

**WWPH**, Woy Woy Progress Hall, 76 Woy Woy Rd

## DAILY EVENTS

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

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

## TUESDAY

### First Tuesday of every month

**Buffalo Primo Lodge** No 9, 7pm, **UCH**.

### Second Tuesday of every month

Playgroup for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island families, **BFC** **Senior's Idol**, 1pm; **Toastmasters**, 7.30pm, Seniors Day 12 noon, enq: 4341 6842, **EBWMC** **Get Together** afternoon tea, **ESCC**, **Pearl Beach Craft group**, **PBPH**, 1.30pm.

**Stroke recovery group**, 11.30am, **MOW**.

**Diabetics Support Group**, 10am, **ECC**

### Third Tuesday of every month

**Buffalo Lodge Knights** Chp9, 7pm, **UCH**

Woy Woy Peninsula **Arthritis**

Branch, 10am, enq: 4342 1790, **MOW**

### Fourth Tuesday of every month

Playgroup for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island families. **BFC**

**Toastmasters**, 7pm enq: 4341 6842, **EBWMC**

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

### Every Tuesday

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

**Butterfly Group** for Women who have suffered domestic violence 12.30pm **PWHC**

**Empire Bay Scrabble Club** 9.15am-12.45pm, enq: 4369 2034

**Judo** 5pm, **Playgroup** 9am, **Peninsula Dance and Theatre School** 3.45pm, **Dragon Kung Fu** 6.30pm, **Gambling Counselling** by apointment, Latin Salsa Dance 8pm, **School for Learning/Seniors - over 55's** 10am, **Belly Dancing**, 1pm, **PCC**.

**Circuit Boxing** (Women) 9am, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4pm (Junior) , 5pm (Senior), **Breakdancing**, 5pm; **Gym Sessions** 8am; **Gym Circuit** 9:15am & 6pm; **PCYC**

**Rotary Club of Woy Woy**, 6pm, **ECC**

**Ladies Indoor Bowls**-9am; **Handicraft**-9am; **Cards**-12.30pm; **Computers**, 9am, **ESCC** .

**Alcoholics Anonymous** 6pm John the Baptist Church Hall, enq: 4379 1132

**Bowls**; 10am, Card Club; 7.30pm, **Chess Club**, 1pm, **EBWMC**

**Tai-Chi** classes, 9.30am (ex sch hols), enq 4360 2705, **WH**

**Folk Art** 9.30am, **Silk Painting** 1pm **EBACC**

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

**Sahaja yoga meditation**, 10:30am enq: 4328 1409, **CWAHWW**

**Playgroup** 10am Kids 0-5yrs, **WWPH**, enq: Juhel 4342 4362

**Butterfly Group Drop In (Domestic violence support)**, 12.30pm **PWHC**

**Woy Woy Blood Bank**, 11.15am to 8.45pm, session time 1pm to 7pm, Ocean Beach Rd, Woy Woy

**Tap Dancing**, EPH, 6pm, enq: 0438 033 039

**WEDNESDAY**

### First Wednesday of every month

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

CWAsocial day, 10am, handicrafts, 1pm, enq: 4344 5192, **CWAHWW**

Ettalong Ratepayers & Citizens Progress Association, 7.30pm, **EPH**

### Second Wednesday of every Month

**Woy Woy VIEW Club**, Friendship Day, **MOW**, 10.30-11am, enq: 4344 1440.

**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**, 9.30am, **ECC**

### Third Wednesday of every month

**Woy Woy VIEW Club - Luncheon** at the Everglades Country Club, 10.30-11am, enq: 4344 1440, **ECC**

### Every Wednesday

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

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

**Brisbane Water Bridge Club**,. 9.30am & 7.30pm enq: 4341 6763,

**Oil Painting**, 9am, **Scrapbooking** 9am, **Multi-craft needlework** 10am, **BJP School of Physical Culture**, 3.30pm, 4-13 yrs enq: 4344 4924 **Playgroup** 10am,

**Weight Watchers** 5.30pm, **Belly Dancing** 7.30pm; **School for Learning/Seniors** 9am, **Gambling and general counselling** by appointment, **Peninsula Dance and Theatre School** from 3.45pm

**The Web**, 12pm - 6pm; **PCC** . Peninsula **Choir** rehearsal 7.30pm St Andrews Hall Umina.

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

**Seniors fitness** **EPH** 9am, enq: 4385 2080.

**Indoor Bowls** 9am; **Fitness** 1pm **Leatherwork** 9am; **Table Tennis** 9am. **Scrabble** 1pm; **Computers**, 1.30pm, **ESCC**

**Gym Sessions** 8am (Incl **Self Defence for Young Women** 1pm; **Gym Circuit** 6pm; **Circuit Boxing** (Women) 9am, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4pm (Junior) 5pm (Senior), **PCYC**

**Oils & Acrylics** 9am, **Pastels & Drawing** 11.30am, **EBACC**

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

**Alcoholics Anonymous** 12.15 & 6.30 , St John the Baptist Hall, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy.

**Handicraft CWAHWW**, 9am, enq: 4341 1073.

**Country Women's Association (CWA) Umina Beach craft day**, 9am - noon, CWA Hall, Sydney Ave, Umina, enq: 4341 5627.

**THURSDAY**

### Second Thursday of every month

**Outsiders Club**, 9am; **Brisbane Water Seniors** 1pm Enq: 4344 5670 **EBWMC**

**Women's Health Clinic** Enq 4320 3741 **PWHC**

**Australiana Bus Trips** **PCC** **Women's Health Clinic**; **PWHC** 4320 3741

### Fourth Thursday of every month

9am **Free immunization clinic** for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island children 0 - 5 years, **BFC**

Umina **Probus**, **ECC**, 10am. **Women's Health Clinic**; **PWHC** 4320 3741

### Every Thursday

**Creative Writing**, **CWAHWW**, Enq 4369 1187

**Gambling and general counselling** by appointment, **Music 2-5yrs** 9am, **Yoga** 10am, **Brophy Circus Academy** 5pm, **Brisbane Water Bridge Club** 12.30pm, enq. 4341 6763, **Judo**, 5pm Enq: 43424121; **The Web**, 12pm - 6pm **Young Men's Groups** 12-18 yrs, 4342 3684; **PCC**

**Free entertainment** 6.30 pm, **School for Learning/Seniors** 9am; **Senior Snooker** 8.30am **Ballroom Dancing**, 10am, **Trivia**, 7pm, **Indoor Bowls**, **Fishing Club** **Raffle** 5.15pm, **EMBC**.

**Bouddi Women's Drumming**, 2pm, 73 Highview Rd Pretty Beach, enq: 0425 229 651.

**Scrabble**, 12.30pm. **WWPH** , **Children's art classes** 4.30pm, **EBACC**

**Tai Chi** 11.30am & 3.45pm; **Dancing** 9am; **Indoor Bowls**,

9am; **Table Tennis**, 1.45pm; **Cards** noon, **ESCC**

**St John's Ambulance**; Brisbane Water Cadets, 7pm, Enq:4341 3341.

**Children's story time**, 3 - 5 yrs Umina library, 10.30am (Except Jan).

**Gym Sessions** 8am, **Gym Circuit** 9am & 6pm **Circuit Boxing** (Women) 9am, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4pm (Junior) , 5pm (Senior) **PCYC** .

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

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

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

**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.

### Fourth Friday of every month

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

Civilian widows, **ESSC**, 1pm.

### Every Friday

**Cash House Nights**, Gosford progress hall, 7.30pm, 4325 3608

**Kids entertainment Yrs 7 -12**, 7.30pm, **Playgroup**, 10am Umina Uniting Church.

**Bingo** 11.30am, **UCH** Enq:4343 1664

**Lollipop Music Playgroup** **BFC** 9.15am. Enq: 43 431929.

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

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

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

**Watercolour Painting** 10am, **EBACC**

**Painting** 9am, **Computers** 1pm, **Scrabble** 1pm **ESCC**

**Gym Sessions** 8am, **Gym Circuit** 9am **Circuit Boxing** (Women) 9am, **Boxing/fitness training** 4pm (Junior) 5pm (Senior) **PCYC**

**Peninsula Pastimes** Ettalong Baptist Church, Barrenjoey Rd. 9.30am, (Ex sch hols), **Primary Kids Club** 4.30pm, enq:4343 1237

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

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

**Kids Club** (Primary) .4pm, **Brisbane Water Bridge Club**, 12.30pm, enq. 4341 6763, **Weight Watchers** 10am, **Gambling Counselling** by appointment, **Peninsula Dance and Theatre School** 3.45pm; **The Web**, 2pm-9.30pm **Doctor & Nurse** for 12-18 yrs old, **Brophy Circus Academy** 5pm **Kindygy** 0 - 3yrs 9.15am, 3 - 5yrs 10.20am **PCC**

**Women's walking group**, 8am **PWHC**

**Fishing Club**. **EBWM**

**SATURDAY**

### First Saturday of every month

The National Malaya & Borneo **Veterans** Assoc Aust meet, **EBWMC**, 2.30pm Enq: 4340 4160

### Second Saturday of every month

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

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

**Save our Suburbs**, 1pm, enq 4342 2251 **WWPH**

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

**Scrapbooking** 12pm, **PCC**. enq 4342 3712

### Third Saturday of every month

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

**Market Day**, 9am Sydney 2000 Park, **UCH**

**Last Saturday every month**

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

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

### Every Saturday

**The Web**, **Activities** for 12-18yrs old, 4.30-9.30pm; **Weight Watchers** 8am, **PCC**

**Cash Housie** St Mary's Hall, Ocean View Rd Ettalong 7.30pm.

**Cabaret** dance & floor show, 8pm free, Men's 18 hole **golf**; Men's triples **bowls** 1pm; **Snooker** 8.30am **EBWMC** **Childrens Pottery** 9.30am **Silvercraft** 1pm, **EBACC** **Gym Sessions** 9am, **Drama & Discovery** 9am **PCYC**.

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

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

**Woy Woy Environment Centre** 10am-. 267 Blackwall Road. Enq 4342 6589.

**Car Boot Sale**, Ettalong Markets. Community Dance, 1pm to 4pm, \$2, **ESCC**, Enq:4344 3131/4341 3222

**Social Dance**, New vogue, old time, \$2, refreshments, 1pm, **ESCC**, enq:4344 3131.

**Gamblers Anonymous**, 2pm, **PCC**, 4342 0989.

**SUNDAY**

### First Sunday of every month

Blackwall Mountain **Bushcare**, 9am cnr Blackwall Rd & Memorial Ave Enq: 4342 6995

### Second Sunday of every month

Umina P & C **Bushcare** 9am **BWSC**, Enq: 4341 9301

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

**Troubadour Acoustic Music** Club, 1.30pm **CWAHWW** Enq: 4342 9099

### Third Sunday of every month

**Bushcare** Group, Tennis Courts, Empire Bay, 9am Enq: 43692486

**Vietnam Vets**, 11am. **Bootscooters**, 2.30pm **EBWMC** **Ettymalong Creek Landcare**, Ettalong Rd, Umina, 8am, enq: 4342 2251.

**EBWM Fishing Club** competition at Club House in Beach St, Ettalong.



## What's On in and around the Peninsula

### Fourth Sunday of every month

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

Burrawang Bushland reserve **bushcare**, Nambucca Dr playgrnd 9am 4341 9301.

### Last Sunday of every month

Ladies Auxiliary of Vietnam Vets, 10 am, **EBWMC**

**Lions Club** Boot Sale & Mini Market Enq: 4341 4151

Open Acoustic Mic Afternoon, 1pm to 5pm, **WWBC**

### Every Sunday

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

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

**Patonga Bakehouse Gallery** 11am Enq: 4379 1102

### MONDAY

#### First Monday of every month

Endeavour View Club Luncheon **ECC** Contact 4342 1722

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

**Grandparents Parenting Support Group**, the Cottage, 91 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4342 9995 or 4341 2072.

**Country Women's Association meeting**, 10am, CWA Hall, Sydney Ave, Umina, enq: 4341 5627.

#### Second Monday of every month

**Save the Children** St Andrews Church Hall, Ocean Beach Rd Umina 1-30pm Enq 4324 4389

**Women 50+ Group Chat, PWHC RSL Women's Auxiliary, EBWMC**, 9am.

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

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

Coastal **Crones** (over 50's), **PWHC**

#### Third Monday of every month

**War widows Guild, EBWMC** 1pm, Enq: 4344 3486

#### Fourth Monday of every month

**Labor Party** Peninsula Day Branch, **CWAHWW**, 1pm.

**Carers support group**, Group room, Health Service Building, Woy Woy Hospital, Enq: 4344 8427.

#### Last Monday of every Month

**WWLT Playreading**, Woy Woy P.S. 7.30pm, Enq: 4341 2931

#### Every Monday

**Walking with other Mums** Enq: Liz Poole 4320 3741

**3Cs**—Craft, Coffee & Conversation, 12.30pm **BFC**. Enq: 43 431929

**Yoga WH** 9.30am Enq: 4360 1854.

**Computers**, 1pm, **ESCC**

**Dancing** 9am; **Indoor Bowls** 9am; **Mahjong** 1pm; **Fitness** 1pm; **Yoga** for beginners 2.30pm; **ESCC**.

**Gym Sessions** 8am, **Tiny Tots** 9:15am, **Circuit Boxing** (Women) 9.00am, **Boxing/fitness training**, 4.00pm (Junior), 5pm (Senior)

### PCYC

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

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

**Patchwork & Quilting**, 10.30am and 1pm, **Pottery** 10am & 1pm **EBACC**

**Children's Story Time**, Woy Woy Library. 10.30 am

**Gentle Exercise** for over 50's, 9.30am, **Yoga**, 10am, **Brisbane**

**Water Bridge Club**. 12.30pm, **BJP School of Physical Culture**

3.45pm, **Peninsula Dance and Theatre School** 3.45pm,

**Gambling & general Counselling** by appointment, Music 2-5 yrs 9am **PCC**

**Craft group**, 1pm **BFC**

### Upcoming Events

**May 28** - Free Community information forum about the NSW Government 10 year State plan and Gosford Councils Vision

**May 29** - **Save the Children Woy Woy Branch Luncheon**, 12 noon, St Andrews Church Hall, enq: 4341 1104

**May 30** - **Country Women's Association "Australia's Biggest Morning Tea"**, 10am, CWA Hall, Sydney Ave, Umina, enq: 4341 5627.

**May 31** - **"Get Real!" information session**, New Horizons Enterprizes, 64 William St, Gosford, 7.30pm, enq: 0438 222 802.

**May 31** - **Woy Woy Aged Care Auxiliary Stall**, outside Flemings Umina, 8.30am.

**June 2** - **LETS trading day**, enq: 4344 6185.

**June 5/9** - **Youth in Performing Arts**, 8pm, Laycock Street Theatre

**June 6** - **Get-to-know-you Coffee Mornings**, 10am - noon, PWHC, enq: 4342 5905

**June 9** - **Woy Woy Rugby Union Reunion**, Woy Woy Sporties Club, enq: 4368 6183

**June 9** - **Its Easy Going Market Weekend** Hardys Bay & Killcare comminugy

**June 9** - **Fireworks**, Pretty Beach Public School, 3.30pm, enq: \$10 per family of four, \$5 adult and \$1 child, enq: 4360 1012

**June 18** - **A Tribute to Danny Kaye** - Peninsula Theatre

**July 24** - **Peninsula Community Centre Inc General Meeting**, **PCC**

## Masters' carnival sees 200 swimmers

**The Ettalong Pelicans Masters Swimming Club had success recently at its annual carnival, held on May 19 at the Peninsula Leisure Centre.**

Club secretary Mr Gordon Ferguson said that the day included "over 200 adult swimmers", mainly from Sydney, Hunter Valley and Central Coast clubs competing, with a sizable group from Port Macquarie and an "intrepid 90-year-old" from Queensland.

"Eight National Masters records were broken in various age groups with Alan Godfrey (three records) of Tattersalls Club and Simon Ho of North Sydney two of the stars," Mr Ferguson said.

"Also eight State Masters records were set with Tony Goodwin of Manly breaking a National record and two State records.

"A feature of the day was the Challenge Relay for teams of four men and four women kindly sponsored by Lance Clarke's Amcal Pharmacy of Woy Woy, which was won by Ettalong with the big clubs, Novocastrians and Warringah second and third.

"Gavin Fitzsimons, 29, of Ettalong Club was the fastest man in Freestyle, swimming a slashing time of 26.15 seconds for 50 metres Freestyle.

"Bill Cook of the home club won the 60 to 64 years age group with three wins and a second from his four swims.

"The Novocastrian Club won the point score, followed by Warringah, while the average point score was won by Blacktown, ahead of Hornsby."

Mr Ferguson said many of the visitors praised the "smooth

running" of the carnival and the facilities of the centre.

Mr Ferguson said races were held in the 25 metre section of the main pool so members of the public could still use the rest of the pools in the centre throughout the day.

**Press release, 23 May 2007**  
**Gordon Ferguson, Ettalong Pelicans Masters Swimming Club**

## Umina in State bowls finals

**The Umina Beach Grade 3 women's bowling team has made it into the State play-offs after being undefeated last month.**

Umina Beach came to victory at the Central Coast District Women's Bowling Association post-sectional pennant play-offs on April 16-18 at Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club.

Association secretary Ms Patricia Reynolds said the quality of bowls across all grades was "outstanding".

"All teams are to be congratulated on their bowling skills and sense of good sportsmanship," Ms Reynolds said.

"Many games were cliffhangers with just a shot or two separating high spirits and a sense of disappointment, as team's strived to win a coveted flag."

Bateau Bay Grade 2 and Avoca Beach Grade 4 were also successful on the day and will join Umina Beach in the State play-offs in July.

The teams now have a little breathing space and practice time before re-grouping for the State play-offs, according to Ms Reynolds.

"It is an outstanding achievement, and all the players have done themselves, their club and the Central Coast proud in this year's pennant competition," Ms Reynolds said.

"May they top off their success by bringing home a State Flag."

**Newsletter, 25 May 2007**  
**Coast Bowls News**

## Annual bowls tournament

**The Everglades Country Club will host the Frank Kemp Memorial Triples bowls tournament in July.**

The annual event is Everglades' major tournament of the year, with \$6000 going to the winning team on the day.

The tournament will be played on July 5 and 6 at Everglades, with all games commencing at 9am.

Everglades Men's bowls organiser Mr Ray Benton is calling for any interested teams to register.

"This prestige tournament would once again be a three bowls triples event as it has been since its inception in 1981, and played over six testing games of 12 ends," Mr Benton said.

Entry into the tournament is \$60 per team, including lunch on both days, and must be received by July 1 or when places are filled.

No more than 42 teams will be accepted for the tournament.

For information, contact Ray Benton on 4341 1866.

**Newsletter, 25 May 2007**  
**Coast Bowls News**

## Umina surf club holds AGM

**Umina Surf Life Saving Club will be holding its 47th annual meeting on Sunday, June 24, at 2:30pm.**

The meeting will be held at Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club since the Umina SLSC house is currently being rebuilt.

The meeting will discuss the year's achievements and include the election of new positions within the club.

Nominations for any position must be received by the secretary one week prior to the meeting.

Nomination forms can be obtained at the Umina SLSC website [www.uminas-lscl.com](http://www.uminas-lscl.com) or by contacting club secretary Christine Lavers on 4342 6123.

**Clare Graham, 25 May 2007**

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## Education

# Secondary College 'success', says MP

**Member for Gosford Ms Marie Andrews has described the "collegiate model of schooling" on the Peninsula as a "resounding success".**

She has delivered a speech in Parliament reflecting on the five-year history of Brisbane Water Secondary College.

The speech was delivered on May 9 in Parliament's first sitting week for the year.

Ms Andrews told the house that the College's enhancements totalling close to \$10 million were inspected by Ms Andrews and the then NSW Minister for Education and Training, Ms Carmel Tebbutt, as part of the official opening on March 7.

The opening marked the completion of the stage two upgrade with the Woy Woy campus work comprising refurbishment of the existing tiered learning space with a movement studio, refurbishment of existing kitchen to include a commercial bay, refurbishment of the existing cafeteria, major landscape and stormwater works throughout the school and external works and services.

At the Umina campus, stage two saw the establishment of a new administration building, refurbishment of block AM for staff facilities, conversion of existing staff facilities to seminar rooms, stores and general learning classrooms, a car park and external works and services.

Stage one of the college upgrade, which was completed some time ago, provided the Woy Woy campus with a new administration

area, a car park and refurbishment of the special education unit.

The Umina campus received a new movement studio and performance workshop, new outdoor learning spaces, a new covered outdoor learning area and games courts.

Ms Andrews singled out the then college principal Mr Pat Lewis, for special mention because of the key role he played in the formation of the collegiate model of schooling for the Woy Woy Peninsula.

Brisbane Water Secondary College comprises the Woy Woy senior campus for years 10-12 students and the Umina junior campus for years 7-9 middle school.

Ms Andrews said it had proved to be a "resounding success" and is one of only three such schools within the State.

Ms Andrews stated in her speech that "the students' outstanding academic, sporting and performance achievements such as the students' recent exhibits at the Royal Agricultural Show at Homebush Bay are proof of that".

She also stated "that all those at the official opening had a taste of their success as the delicious refreshments provided at the morning tea had been prepared by the college's hospitality students".

In conclusion, Ms Andrews acknowledged the ongoing support for the college by Department of Education and Training representatives: regional director Mr John Mather and school education director for the Hunter-Central Coast region, Mr Frank Potter.

The "hard work" of the then Woy Woy campus principal Mr David Beattie; and former principal of Umina campus Mr Frank Gasper and Mrs Pam McAlister, relieving college principal at the time of the opening were also mentioned.

**Press release, 25 May 2007  
Marie Andrews, Member for Gosford**

## School loses traffic person

**Woy Woy Public School is to lose its school traffic safety person, Ms Janice Cooper, with the installation of new pedestrian lights in Blackwall Rd.**

Principal Ms Ona Buckley said Ms Cooper "will be truly missed".

"Janice has been doing this job at our school crossing for over 10 years in all sorts of weather, rain, hail, hot and cold," Ms Buckley said.

"It will be sad to see her go as she has become a valued member of our school community."

**Clare Graham, 25 May 2007**

# Challenging cricket match

**Woy Woy South Public School boys cricket team played a challenging match against Dural last week.**

Dural managed to score a competitive 100 runs, while Woy Woy South put their fielding skills on display with four run outs and six catches.

Cricket team coach Mr Brian O'Dea said: "Chasing (Dural's) big total was always going to be difficult".

Time ran out for Woy Woy South who came back with 83 runs.

"Effort, enthusiasm and sportsmanship were evident in each of this team's matches," Mr

O'Dea said.

"Mitchell Cunningham took 10 wickets in four games."

Parents who transported and supported the boys at the match included Mrs Gow, Mr Penton, Mrs Brown, Mrs Friend, Mrs Cunningham and Mrs Parsons.

**Clare Graham, 25 May 2007**



## NARRABEEN SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL

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Sam Workman-Brown from the Central Coast is a year 10 student participating in the TSP soccer at Narrabeen Sports High School. Recently he was selected in the Australian Futsal Team. He will be playing in an international tournament in Spain in June.



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**Application Period - 9/05/07 - 8/06/07**  
**What are the Community Development and Cultural Grants?**  
 The Community Development and Cultural Development Grants Programs are annually funded programs provided by Gosford City Council. These grants are provided to community organisations to financially assist projects for community development activities that will enhance the standard of living and quality of life of people living and working in the Gosford Local Government area.

#### Online Grants

Anyone wanting to find out more information or apply for one of these grants, can go to Council's website at [www.gosford.nsw.gov.au](http://www.gosford.nsw.gov.au) and click on grants. Applicants that do not have access to the Internet, can make an appointment with Council's Community Partnership's Team at Gosford City Council. Staff will also be available for advice or assistance to applicants during the application period. For any support please phone Sharon Moore on 4325 8940 or email [community.grants@gosford.nsw.gov.au](mailto:community.grants@gosford.nsw.gov.au).

**The 2007/08 Community & Cultural Grant round consists of the following categories;**  
 • Community Development Grants  
 • Cultural Grants

#### Who Can Apply?

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 Gosford City Council including Section 355 committees

#### Opening of Grant Period

The 2007/08 Community & Cultural grant round opened on the 9 May 2007.

#### How Do Organisations Apply?

By logging on to [www.gosford.nsw.gov.au](http://www.gosford.nsw.gov.au) and click on grants. You will need to register as a new user if you haven't previously applied.. Applicants are encouraged to address the key strategies in Vision 2025 in their applications.

To obtain further information, please contact Sharon Moore in the Community Development section of Council on **4325 8940** or email: [community.grants@gosford.nsw.gov.au](mailto:community.grants@gosford.nsw.gov.au)

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## Ocean Beach malibu results

### The Ocean Beach Malibu Club has provided competition results for Sunday, May 20.

In round one of the A grade, Brett Wakelin came first in heat one, Michael Baker in heat two, Hayden Emery in heat three and Garry Halliday in heat four.

Calyn Wilkinson was second in heat one, Glen Wakelin in heat two, Brian Cook in heat three and Mark Johnstone in heat four.

Mark Williams was third in heat one, Ron Flight in heat two, Craig Coulton in heat three and Ben Scully-Hawkins in heat four.

Wayne Medcalf was fourth in heat one, Graham Penboss in heat two, Ron Stockings in heat three and Lacklan West in heat four.

Kevin Dewar was fifth in heat one and Peter Flint in heat two.

In round one of the B grade, Kai Flint came first in heat one, Darrell Young in heat two, Dave Cornwall in heat three and Justine Buchanan in heat four.

Steve Cox was second in heat one, Bryce Williams in heat two, Mick Auinger in heat three and Tony Irwin in heat four.

Pat Elliott was third in heat one,

Phil Devlin in heat two, Craig Palmer in heat three and Bill Burke in heat four.

Dave Moulton was fourth in heat one, Phil Bruce in heat two, Mick Day in heat three and Ken Darby in heat four.

Len Wilkinson came fifth in heat one.

In round two of A grade, Calyn Wilkinson came first in heat one, Wayne Medcalf in heat two and Hayden Emery in heat three.

Mark Johnstone came second in heat one, Lachlan West in heat two and Garry Halliday in heat three.

Brian Cook came third in heat one, Brett Wakelin in heat two and Michael Baker in heat three.

Ron Flight came fourth in heat one, Ben Scully-Hawkins in heat two and Mark Williams in heat three.

Ron Stockings came fifth in heat one and Craig Coulton in heat two.

In round two of B grade, Dave Moulton came first in heat one, Justine Buchanan in heat two, Phil Bruce in heat three and Pat Elliott in heat four.

Bryce Williams came second in

heat one, Darrell Young in heat two, Tony Irwin in heat three and Phil Devlin in heat four.

Bill Burke came third in heat one, Mick Auinger in heat two, Craig Palmer in heat three and Ken Darby in heat four.

Len Wilkinson came fourth in heat two and Steve Cox in heat three.

In the juniors, Madison Cook came first in both heat ones, while Angie Smith came first in heat two.

Alex Carmichael and Angie Smith came second in heat one, while Hayley Forrest came second in heat two.

Andy Auinger and Hayley Forrest came third in heat one, while Madison Cook came third in heat two.

Scott Palmer and Jessica Stockings came fourth in heat one while Jessica stockings also came fourth in heat two.

Sean Cornwall came fifth in heat one, while Montana Johnstone came sixth.

Press release, 20 May 2007  
Ocean Beach Malibu Club

## Charity Day at women's bowls

### Everglades Women's Bowling Club raised more than \$3000 at the club's Annual Charity Day on April 24.

The club donated all money raised on the day to Woy Woy Community Aged Care.

President Ms Clare Gerrard spoke, thanking all present for their generosity and acknowledging the hard working organisers for making the day "such a success".

A number of raffles were organised by club members as well as stalls selling cakes, fruit and vegetables, books and clothes

to help raise money.

All items were donated by club members and various businesses on the Peninsula.

Publicity officer Ms Iris Bate said bad weather on the day did not deter anybody from playing a game of bowls indoors.

"Although the weather was not kind to us, it was quite a success both financially and socially, with many visitors and members turning up to buy our bargains," Ms Bate said.

Magazine, 25 May 2007  
Coast Bowls News

## Students go 'on the road'

### A performing arts troupe from Brisbane Water Secondary College went "on the road" during Education Week, visiting local primary schools with a one hour show.

Relieving college principal Mr Frank Gasper said "The college was able to showcase many talented students in a wide range of activities.

"These included the gymnastics club who meet each week after school and the drama group who put on a series of skits and a puppet show.

"Our Years 7, 8 and 9 dance groups, who have special dance classes in their curriculum, showed why we have four groups in the Laycock Dance Festival later this year.

"The choir performed very capably despite the fact their teacher-conductor was ill and unable to attend.

"Some of the crowd favourites were the juggling act of Cody Harrington, the solo vocalist Josh Keane, the Umina Campus Choir, the gymnastics troupe, the talented flautist Elissa Koppen, a dance solo by Jade Bright, a dance duet by Cara Ceruli and Amanda Bruce and two rock bands.

"The students from both high school campuses had a ball and it was a great way to show our primary students some of the things they can get involved in when they come to high school."

Press release, 15 May 2007

Frank Gasper,  
Brisbane Water Secondary College

## Flood-prone properties

### Gosford Council has resolved that properties in Australia Ave, Umina, identified in 2002 as being below flood planning levels, be "encoded" as being one per cent flood liable and subject to flood planning level restrictions.

The properties would also be encoded with similar management conditions that apply to the Australia Ave arm of the Kahibah Creek Flood Plain Management Plan, following approval of the study by council and the Department of

Natural Resources.

Council's flood risk management committee member Mr Dave Simpson recently advised the committee that a 1992 Flood Study downstream of Australia Ave "did not include the channel located upstream of Australia Ave".

In 2002, maintenance plans investigated the Australia Ave channel, and a study upstream of Australia Ave revealed that "several properties are below the flood planning levels".

Council agenda FM.052,  
1 May 2007



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## Rugby premiers celebrate 20 years later

**Woy Woy Rugby players, past and present, will celebrate the 20th anniversary of their 1987 premiership win at a club reunion to be held on Saturday, June 9.**

It will be held at Woy Woy Sporties Club, previously known as the Woy Woy Bowling Club, in Brickwarf Rd, Woy Woy, commencing 6:30pm.

All current and previous players, members and supporters have been invited to attend the reunion to celebrate the club's "20-year milestone".

Captain-coach of the 1987 premiership winning team Mr Steve Rosa said: "I am really looking forward to returning to the Coast to celebrate that memorable era for Woy Woy Rugby and renew friendships built on and off the paddock".

"We had a young side full of enthusiasm and passion back in '87 with a few old hard heads in their twilight.

"The Reunion will be a great event to kick the club along after 30 years in the Central Coast premiership."

Current club president and grand finalist of '87, Mr Kevin Glew said that the reunion was not just about premierships, but about the old and new getting together and "reliving those 100 metre tries, pile driving tackles, broken bones, bruised egos and other unbelievable successes".

"There are over 30 years of Woy Woy Rugby history and memories to be relived and enjoyed. "Already we are seeing players and partners travelling from overseas and interstate to attend the Reunion.

"We are calling for anybody that

was part of Woy Woy history to attend the reunion, even referees that may not have blown the whistle in our favour."

Entry is by ticket only, and must be purchased by Saturday, June 2.

Ticket costs \$30 per head or \$60 a couple.

Price includes a served meal and entertainment.

Tickets are available from Kevin Glew by telephoning 4368 6183, 0417 417 186 or by emailing kevin\_lea@bigpond.com.au.

A recovery brunch will also be held the following day and a "Golden Oldies" game may be played as a lead up to the reunion dinner.

**Press release, 15 May 2007**  
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## Five chosen for elite bowls

**Five Peninsula residents have been included in the Central Coast District Bowling Association's under-25 years "elite" squad.**

Dean Gillett, Wade Hayward and Darren Morrison from Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club, along with Eric Jackson and Kevin Smith from Everglades Bowling Club, have been chosen to represent the Central Coast in bowls.

The squad will play in numerous competitions over the next six months against Newcastle, Manning and Hunter districts.

Chairman of Bowls Academy Mr Noel Post said the squad would be seen as ambassadors for the up and coming players in the association.

"This squad has the potential of becoming the showpiece of the association and provides the

younger players with an added incentive and something special to strive towards," Mr Post said.

"Over the years, we have lost a lot of players around this age group as they get too old for the juniors and they move on to other sports."

The five Peninsula youths selected will join 10 other players from around the Central Coast for the squad's first game against Newcastle on Sunday, July 8, at the Entrance.

Mr Post said he considered the elite squad an exciting concept and an important stepping stone in player development.

"Hopefully, this elite squad concept will help keep these talented young bowlers in the game and provide a basis for their further development," Mr Post said.

**Magazine, 25 May 2007**  
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