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### Consultant identifies cause of collapse

A Roads and Traffic Authority geotechnical consultant has said he believes the cause of the Woy Woy Rd collapse was the result of ground materials not being removed and replaced and poor compaction during construction.

He stated that the failure itself was triggered by stormwater discharge or surface water infiltration into the cracks of the embankment.

"It is understood that many longitudinal cracks were presented in the road along the low side which had been covered by the pavement resurfacing in March," consultant Mr Bo Xiao said.

"The results from boreholes numbers 1 and 2 indicate that the subsurface at the low side of the road generally consists of a thickness of about 0.6m to 0.8m road pavement and base layer overlying very loose/soft to loose/ firm materials down to about four metres depth.

"Bedrock/sandstone encountered about 4.5m below the road level.

"Based on the available geotechnical information, we consider that the major cause of failure is likely due to poor ground condition (unsuitable materials were not removed and replaced, and poor compaction during construction) at the low side of the road embankment."

The details were provided to Gosford Council officer Mr Terence Gibbs in a memo on May 12.

Mr Xiao said the results from the preliminary assessment of remedial measures for the road embankment failure should be used for concept design only since the consultant had not yet carried out detailed analyses, and a design and quality assurance review was required.

Mr Xiao said that, based on available information, several remedial optioned had been assessed.



The options included a gabion wall, a soldier pile wall, a soil nail wall, a block retaining wall, a reinforced soil wall and cemented stabilised backfill.

"The objective of geotechnical concept development [is] to investigate and to provide geotechnical design remedial options and the recommended option for the road embankment," Mr Xiao said.

"Based on the results of assessment, it is considered that the gabion wall option is most suitable option for this project.

"Gabion walls are a popular wall type capable of supporting roads on steep slopes, and most contractors are capable of constructing them.

"However, the disadvantage of gabion wall is that the wall needs to be founded on a sound foundation material or rock and a large volume of material is required to be excavated in order to reach the foundation level and provide sufficient room for the wall."

Mr Xiao also said he had identified two other critical sections of road which needed remedial work to be carried out on.

These two critical sections of road were described as boreholes 3 and 4 in the preliminary assessment.

"Boreholes numbers 3 and 4 drilled at the other locations also encountered poor ground condition down to two to three metres depth,' Mr Xiao said.

"Therefore, we recommend that remedial work should also be carried out at these sections where poor ground condition has been identified to prevent future road collapse."

Mr Xiao said several options could be adopted for remedial work at the other critical sections, in particular, sections with cracks on the road surface.

The options being considered by the RTA and Gosford Council included a gabion wall, a geotextile wall, a steel reomesh facing wall, soil nail wall and pile wall.

Mr Xiao said that further geotechnical borehole investigation "current and on-going between Horsfield Rd and Woy Woy Creek" and would determine a recommended option.

"We would like to carry out detailed analyses and design once a preferred remedial option is selected by Gosford Council and the RTA."

> Memo, 12 May 2008 Bo Xiao, RTA

More on page 6 and 7

No pathway Maintenance for Bulls Hill Call to reclassify Road testing continues Police called

## Plan would 'dezone' medium density land

A part of the Peninsula would affordable housing further from the be "dezoned" from medium density residential to low density residential, under Gosford's new draft Local **Environment Plan, according** to the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

"Gosford Council has recently resolved to forward the new draft planning scheme to the Department of Planning for review prior to public exhibition with large areas of medium density land in Umina Beach and Woy Woy being dezoned from medium density to low density residential," said Chamber president Mr Matthew

"The dezoning may seriously affect the value of the land and restrict its future development potential if the new planning controls come into affect.

"Much of the old 2(b) - Medium Density land between Barrenjoey Rd and Ocean Beach Rd is proposed to be scaled back to low density residential.

"The new zoning will permit single residential dwellings and, at best, dual occupancies.

"However, residential flat buildings will be prohibited even if lots can be consolidated.

"For those land owners in these areas, this will substantially reduce the development potential of the properties in some cases and have an impact on property values.

"Even though the issue of lot sizes and fragmented development was discussed in the Peninsula Urban Directions Strategy, there was no suggestion at that time that council was planning to wind back zonings on the pretext of encouraging better development outcomes."

Mr Wales said that contrary to the council's view that this would encourage best practice in the design of low density housing, the dezoning had the potential to restrict housing supply and place

reach of those who need it.

"One of the potential impacts of the dezoning will be to create a shortage of affordable housing as the supply of suitable medium density land is restricted," Mr Wales said.

"It may also force up the cost of those properties that still have the higher density zone as the supply of this land dries up.

"Council is also encouraging 'garden apartments' with subbasement parking in an effort to improve design outcomes.

"However, this ignores the fact that this type of development is very costly and does not suit a substantial proportion of the Peninsula market.

"This product is untested in the market and it would be a brave developer to be first cab off the

"Despite the consultation during the Peninsula Urban Directions Strategy process, the lack of discussion leading up to the Draft Local Environmental Plan has left the industry wondering how council could be so far apart from the needs of the housing market."

Press release, 4 Jun 2008 Matthew Wales. **Peninsula Chamber of Commerce** 



The pink section of what would become low density housing under the proposed plan

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## Committee members welcome upgrade works

Members of the Ettalong **Beach Heritage Committee** welcomed works to upgrade the Ettalong beachfront as part of **Gosford Council's foreshore** management plan.

The committee was formed in 1996 from a public meeting organized by Fitness City Gym owner Mr John Moore.

Chamber Peninsula Commerce Mainstreet coordinator Ms Debra Wales said the group had worked diligently for the past 12 years to see its plan come to fruition.

The work was funded by council's Financial Strategy funds and was part of the town centre Mainstreet Program funded by the Department of State and Regional Development.

Work started in 1996 with the



main street receiving a facelift and shop front enhancements in an "old world" theme.

"The view is spectacular from the beachfront and with the removal of the old toilet block the entry to the town centre is just a picture postcard," Ms Wales said.

"We are seeing people returning to the beachfront for picnics and enjoying their walks.

forward to summer with families returning to what is now a safe beach."

Heritage committee president Ms Robyn Sullivan said there was still a lot of work to be done to make the foreshore reserve a more attractive picnic area and for council to construct a safer revetment wall along the shoreline where it had collapsed.

"I now feel proud to bring visitors to Ettalong to see the beautiful Brisbane Water and I feel very proud my husband and I were a part of this process." Ms Sullivan

Mr John Moore who is now retired said that, while the whole

1200

600

process should never have taken so long, he was pleased council had finally commenced the work.

"It's been a long road since our initial public meeting where over 100 people attended at the local club wanting their town rejuvenated and our beachfront maintained but after many extensive community meetings and environmental plans we see the fruits of our labour and it's just magnificent," Mr Moore said.

Ms Wales said the recent construction of the footpathcycleway was funded by the State Government's Greenspace program thanks to Member for Gosford Ms Marie Andrew's representations.

Ms Wales said the next stage of works would be a viewing deck to be constructed over the old toilet block site funded from the CBD funds.

However, council is still waiting on the results of an application to the Federal Government's Regional Partnerships Program for further funding, she said.

Press release, 4 Jun 2008 Debra Wales, **Peninsula Chamber of Commerce** 

## Charged with attempted murder

A Umina man appeared in **Gosford Local Court recently** after being charged with the attempted murder of a woman at Shelly Beach two months ago.

Following an argument the woman was allegedly struck with a knife to the right eye which penetrated her eye socket and travelled into her brain.

The 39-year-old Killarney Vale woman was treated by ambulance officers and conveyed to hospital in a serious but stable condition.

A 24-year-old man was later arrested at his Umina Beach

After being released initially, he was rearrested on May 28 and taken to Gosford police station, where he was charged with attempted murder and refused bail.

Press release, 30 May 2008 **NSW Police Media** 

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Peninsula rainfall for June is within 10mm of the monthly average in just six days, following a month which barely recorded any rainfall.

A total of 120mm was recorded by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy in the first week of June, compared to a monthly average of 130.6mm.

Just 6.5mm was recorded for the whole of May, compared to a monthly average of 125.1mm.

The cumulative total for the yearto-date of 796mm is already well above the average cumulative total at the end of June of 731.8mm.

However, another 218mm would be required to bring the total to last year's June end total of 1014mm.

June last year had a total rainfall of 377.6mm, half of which fell over three days early in the month.

Spreadsheet, 6 Jun 2008 Jim Morrison, Woy Woy

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# 'Anomalies' to limit building heights

Gosford's proposed new planning controls have "anomalies" which would limit building heights at Woy Woy and Ettalong, but not at Terrigal, according to the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

"The new controls have embraced many aspects of the previously adopted Peninsula Urban Directions Strategy but have left some perplexing anomolies in relation to medium density and town centre development," said Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"Currently, council's existing planning controls allow a maximum building height in medium density zones of 10 metres.

"However, council is now lowering the height control to as little as 8.5 metres which in our view will severely restrict good quality building design and further dumb down the style of medium density housing on the Peninsula.

" In many respects, this is at odds with council's vision for garden style apartments with sub-basement level parking close to town centres.

"It will be difficult to achieve innovative design when architects and building designers will be severely restricted to tighter building envelopes than those that currently exist under the current planning scheme".

Mr Wales said that council had still not released the new City Wide Development Control Plan which was to include the specific design controls for residential and commercial development on the Peninsula and across Gosford City.

"We do welcome the additional building height and floor space provisions that are recommended in the new plan," Mr Wales said.

"However, we are seeing further inconsistencies emerging such as limiting building heights and floor space ratios on prime building sites adjacent to the waterfront in both Ettalong Beach and the Woy Woy town centre when similiar restrictions are not applied to other centres such as Terrigal.

"In these cases, the proposed floor space controls are no different to the current controls.

"But council has gone further by deliberately capping building heights to a maximum of three storevs.

"Again the Peninsula appears to be the poor cousin to the Gosford town centre and the Terrigal beachfront where no such capping applies.

"The Chamber intends to make strong representations to both the Department of Planning and Gosford Council leading up to the public exhibition of the new planning controls to ensure that the best possible planning outcome is obtained.

"Council has resolved to forward the new draft planning controls to the Department of Planning with the view to obtaining their concurrence to place the new Draft Local Environmental Plan on exhibition," Mr Wales said.

Press release, 4 Jun 2008 Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

Police media stated that, at

They contacted police a short

Officers from Brisbane Water

The pair was located uninjured

PolAir attended a short time later and airlifted the couple to a

Press release, 1 Jun 2008

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on rocks about two kilometres east

Local Area Command attempted to

locate the couple, with assistance

about 5.15pm, the water level had

risen substantially, trapping the

pair at the water's edge.

time later via mobile phone.

from a nearby private vessel.

of Patonga.

nearby oval at Umina.



A warning from Gosford Council to would-be offenders

# Dune vegetation investigated

Gosford Council staff will investigate whether vegetation removed on Ettalong Beach has been undertaken in accordance with the dune management

plan for the area.

Cr Terri Latella noted the "substantial amount of vegetation removal at Ettalong Beach".

Cr Latella asked the council's director of city services Mr Stephen

Glen: "Can you advise whether all this is in accordance with the Ettalong Dune Management Plan?"

MrGlensaidhewouldinvestigate and advise the councillor.

Council agenda Q.66, 3 Jun 2008

# Playground strategy goes on exhibition

Gosford Council has resolved to place its draft Gosford City Playground Strategy on public exhibition after more than two years of consultation with the Gosford Regional Playground Committee.

The strategy is expected to provide for a regional playground at Umina.

According to a council report, the Playground Strategy demonstrates council's "commitment to providing high quality, sustainable and accessible recreation facilities for the whole community".

It provides for playgrounds and play spaces within the Gosford LGA that meet Australian standards and public expectations up until 2025

A cost of approximately \$13 million is estimated for council to provide the local community with playground facilities throughout the Gosford LGA that "meet Australian Safety Standards, encourage imaginative, active, safe and challenging play for users of all ages and abilities".

This funding would be required over the next 25 years and would be funded through avenues including

Gosford Council has resolved Section 94 funds, grants and the council's capital works program.

The strategy was created with the assistance of a Playground Committee consisting of Cr Vicki Scott, Cr Chris Holstein, council's parks development planner Mr Terry Arnold, council's parks, playgrounds and foreshores coordinator Ms Kylie Yeend and six community members.

Submissions will be received up

to 14 days after the closing of the public exhibition period.

A letter will be sent to all primary schools, childcare centres and progress associations in the local government area informing them that the draft strategy will be on public exhibition.

It will also be requested that they include this detail in their newsletters.

Council agenda SF.27, 3 Jun 2008

## Couple airlifted from shoreline

A middle-aged couple were airlifted by police from the shoreline near Patonga after they were trapped by a rising tide at dusk on May 31.

A 50-year-old man and a 40-year-old woman, both from Rozelle, were walking from Umina to Patonga through Brisbane Water National Park at about 2pm,



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## Little debate on Peninsula inundation

A recent report by the State Government appears have aroused little interest or public debate, despite its message that the Peninsula is likely to be inundated by seawater within 50 to 100

The report is titled High Resolution Terrain Mapping of the NSW Central and Hunter Coasts for Assessment of Potential Climate Change Impacts.

In a joint press release by the NSW Planning Department and the Department of Environment and Climate Change, Planning Minister Frank Sartor said: "This is about getting the long-term planning right to ensure communities are not adversely affected by the impacts of climate change."

I am interested to see how long-term planning will ensure that being inundated by seawater will not adversely affect the Peninsula community, eg land values.

In the media release, Mr Sartor also says: "NSW Government would work with councils and the Commonwealth to develop joint guidelines for existing coastal development potentially vulnerable to sea-level rise, along with future development or rezoning proposals."

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I am also interested in the implications of this report for other government plans and approved developments. These include the government plan to locate thousands of people on the Peninsula, as well as councilapproved developments such as high-rises on the waterfront at Ettalong.

For instance, what is the status of council-approved buildings that have not yet been built? Given that these buildings are likely to be washed away or inundated within 50-100 years, it makes no sense to allow them to proceed.

And if they are allowed to be built and sold to unsuspecting buyers, eg retirement village units, what are the implications?

One of the strategies adopted overseas to address rising sea levels is called "managed retreat", whereby people permanently leave the affected areas before these areas become inundated. This has already happened in some coastal communities in England.

Some islands such as Tuvalu in the Pacific are already experiencing what is likely to happen here.

Like the Peninsula, these islands are often only a few metres above sea level. These island nations are facing limited choices for their survival, and many of the people are already environmental refugees, seeking new homes in countries like Australia.

Previous estimates of the impacts of climate change have been shown to be too conservative, eg the Arctic ice is melting far more rapidly than was predicted.

Further, here on the Peninsula the impacts of sea level rise will be experienced well before inundation.

Because it's a sandplain, water moves easily through the Peninsula soil. This means dykes are not an option, and also that our new \$9.5 million groundwater extraction drinking water system could be made inoperable by salinity well before seawater inundation

Sea level rise also means that drainage is much harder. This also will become obvious well before seawater inundation occurs. In combination with more frequent intense storms, this can be expected to lead to greater stormrelated flooding.

This topic is of great significance and I look forward to robust community discussions in consultation with local and state government bodies

**Shirley Hotchkiss** Umina

## Thanks for help

I'd like to thank all those who participated in the Operation **Ettalong Clean up on Sunday** June 1.

Over 30 volunteers scoured the ferry wharf, foreshore and streets in a major clean up campaign.

It was so heartening to see residents and businesses working together to make a difference and we were all proud when we surveyed the final result.

A special thanks to Gosford Council for supplying extra workers, a truck and equipment on the day.

Businesses donated everything

#### Forum

from skip bins to sausages for the resulting barbecue.

The beautification of the foreshore area has sparked renewed pride in our village and we will continue the cleanup campaigns and other communitybased activities throughout the

We welcome volunteers to come and join like-minded people who seek to make a difference.

**Lindy Wilson Ettalong Beach** 

## Bike path unsafe

The thinking of the people who design and build bicycle paths is hard to fathom.

The latest piece of track is being built through the Lions Park at Woy Woy and it is a metre away from the swings and nearly as close to the playground.

The area will no longer be the safe and secure place for children that it was previously.

#### **Forum**

## Rethink solar rebate

The Government's decision to means test the solar panel rebate is hard to fathom.

The bigger the income, the bigger the house, the bigger the need for solar panels.

The environment does not means test greenhouse emissions.

Many countries find administration costs of introducing means testing, often outweighs any potential savings.

A burgeoning industry of solar panel installation has been crippled by this decision.

The Government needs to rethink this one.

**Warren Cross** Wagstaffe

This piece of track is possibly pointless anyway, as cyclists will probably have to dismount to avoid trailers on the boat ramps at each end of the park.

> William Maynard **Woy Woy**

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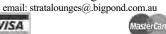
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## Report vandalism

There has been an outbreak of vandalism in the "fish" area of Ettalong.

We have had a car with its windscreen smashed and one with graffiti down the side. We had two very large and

heavy flower pots stolen, and another smaller one hurled at the door of the front villa. We have notified the police, but

I understand that many people do

not bother to do this as they think

nothing will be done because

#### **Forum**

the police are understaffed and overworked.

However, the police say that if they are not told how can they know the scale of the problem and maybe get more funds/manpower allocated?

They urge everyone who experiences vandalism to notify the police on 131 444.

**Nancy Marchant Ettalong Beach** 

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## Money for rail carpark

The interchange at Woy Woy railway station will be improved and the commuter car park expanded by 210 spaces, with a \$3.66 million allocation in the State Budget, according to Member for Gosford Ms Marie Andrews.

Gosford Council has already resolved to support an \$11 million upgrade of the station, to allow an extra 292 cars.

A report from council's strategy policy committee stated that there were already in excess of 207 cars parked in streets adjacent to the station.

Pretty Beach Public School will receive funding for four new classrooms as well as an administration area and a library, as part of the Demountable Replacement Program.

Minister for the Central Coast Mr John Della Bosca said: "Over the four years since 2005/06, the budget for the Central Coast has more than doubled."

"That's a staggering increase of \$134 million."

"Commuters will benefit from \$4.7 million towards expansion of the transport interchange and increase parking at Woy Woy and Tuggerah railway stations, and \$18 million will be spent on the Central Coast sections of the F3 to implement a traffic emergency plan."

Press releases, 3 Jun 2008
Marie Andrews, Member for Gosford
John Della Bosca,
Minister for the Central Coast



The multi-level Woy Woy Commuter Car Park

### Railway St parking remains

No Parking signs will not be placed on the east side of Railway St, Woy Woy, despite a resident's complaint that parking obscured the view for residents wanting to exit their properties.

A local resident told council's traffic committee that the absence of a No Parking sign on the east side of Railway St had been "a problem for years".

She stated: "It is very difficult to see oncoming traffic from the right when pulling out from the driveway.

"Cars parked along both the street and the roadside trees, just to the north of them, make pulling out into the street a blind endeavour."

The resident stated that it was dangerous to turn either left or right because of the "complete inability" to see oncoming traffic.

The resident said that to resolve

the problem, cars should not be parked on the east side of the street in a section of Railway St between two driveways.

She said that this would provide the visibility needed to see oncoming cars and to plan a safe entry into traffic.

Council officers stated that the stretch of road in question was close to Woy Woy station and a popular area for commuter parking

They stated that there would be a "substantial loss" of on-street parking if No Parking zones were to be signposted along that stretch of road.

Cr Chris Holstein advised that a study into the commuter carpark was being undertaken, and the results "may provide a solution to the parking situation in Railway St, Woy Woy".

Council agenda TR.08.035, 6 May 2008

## Council opts for two parking decks

Gosford Council is to seek the construction of two new decks above the full extent of the Woy Woy commuter parking station at an estimated cost more than \$10 million dollars.

The proposal is one of four options presented by the NSW Ministry of Transport.

The existing parking station currently accommodates 781 vehicles and the two new decks would increase the station's capacity by 292 parking spaces.

Council has been told that Ministry has allocated funding for the detailed design and development approval of the project. It is expected the Ministry will also pay for the project.

Council will be expected to maintain the expanded commuter carpark in line with its 20-year Deed of Agreement with the Department of Transport.

The council is paid an annual fee to clean and maintain the parking station.

Another options presented included the construction of three new decks above Deepwater Plaza carpark where council has airspace rights.

Other options were the construction of two new decks above the existing commuter carpark and to rebuild Deepwater Plaza carpark for five levels of carpark or to build two new decks

above split level section of the commuter carpark.

Council officers stated that consideration had been given to the plans in the context of the possible adjacent Deepwater Plaza future development, the proposed Peninsula Urban Design Strategy, the need to strengthen the existing carpark structure, the displacement of car spaces during construction and any property acquisition required.

They stated that the main objective of the carpark expansion was to immediately provide additional off-street commuter car spaces for Woy Woy Railway Station.

Council agenda SF.28, 3 Jun 2008





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#### Woy Woy Road



Work takes place on the collapsed section of Woy Woy Rd Bulls Hill

## Road testing continues

Gosford council has said it will reopen Woy Woy Rd to two-way traffic flow at the "earliest predictable date" while it continues to undertake testing to confirm the extent of the works required.

Early indications are that the work will extend beyond the section which collapsed on April 24.

A council report stated that should the work be restricted to a relatively short section of road, a gabion retaining wall (crushed rock filled wire baskets) is the likely treatment or perhaps large packed rocks subject to their availability and the quality of stone.

It also stated that should a larger section of Bulls Hill require reinstatement a complete formation widening retained by a sheet pile wall will come under consideration by council.

Work has commenced on site using council day labour to establish construction access to the area at the base of the collapse in order that loose material may be cleared and a platform of sound material established on which it is anticipated a retaining wall will be built.

The council has said once the reinstatement treatment is finalised a full reinstatement program will be provided "for the benefit of the community and council".

Member for Gosford Ms Marie Andrews announced last month a \$250,000 contribution by the State Government towards the repairs to Woy Woy Rd.

According to a council report, it was not possible to confirm the extent to which the grant would cover the cost of the work.

Council agenda CIT.15, 3 Jun 2008



The blocked drain after the collapse on Woy Woy Rd;

## Frequent maintenance for Bulls Hill

Council will schedule frequent cleaning and maintenance team visits to Woy Woy Rd at Bulls Hill, at the request of the Bays Community Group.

The Bays Community Group called on council to ensure regular and complete cleaning of drains, underpasses and silt traps at a public meeting held on May 5.

According to a staff report to council, it has in the past undertaken regularly drain clearing at Bulls Hill as part of its area maintenance scheme, including both scheduled periodic clearing and targeted cleaning after periods of rainfall.

Peninsula community activist Mr Ed James questioned council's claim of a regular drain clearing scheme at a council meeting on June 3.

He said after inspecting the partially collapsed section of Woy Woy Rd he found the lower drain to be blocked with gravel and sand, not leaf litter.

Council's agenda stated "the situation at Bulls Hill is typical of many roads in semi-rural environments where there is a catchment with natural bushland, with heavy leaf and small branch litter loads rendering road crossdrains vulnerable to blockage".

Mr James said the Woy Woy Rd collapse had many things in common with the Piles Creek tragedy last year.

He also voiced his concern for the increase in traffic flow along Brisbane Water Dr and the increased safety risk it has caused motorists as a consequence.

Council agenda CIT.15, 3 Jun 2008 Clare Graham, 3 Jun 2008



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## Call to reclassify Woy Woy Rd

Gosford Council has called on the State Government classify Woy Woy Rd as a state road.

As a state road, the cost of maintaining and, if necessary, realigning the road would be borne by State Government.

According to a council staff report, Woy Woy Rd carried almost 90 per cent of the traffic volume of Brisbane Water Dr, which was a state road.

The report also stated that it was anticipated that Woy Woy Rd would carry a higher volume of vehicles, particularly heavy vehicles, were the previous eight tonne vehicle limit removed as a result of either is diversion through the National

Park or the elimination of the S-bend near Horsfield Rd.

The report concluded that the improvements now demanded by the community in reinstating Woy Woy Rd are such that it should become a state road and hence negotiations with the Minister for Roads and/or the RTA should be commenced immediately on this basis.

The report stated that an investigation of options to either divert Woy Woy Rd around Horsfield Bay through Brisbane Water National Park or alternatively, to improve the alignment of Woy Woy Rd by eliminating the S-bend near Horsfield Rd, was considered by council in 2004 in association with options to eliminate the Rawson

Rd level crossing with a railway underpass near Woy Woy Creek.

According to the report, the diversion or realignment options for Woy Woy Rd did not progress at that time as no State Government support could be obtained for the proposal to eliminate the level crossing.

The report stated that "the partial failure of the road formation of Woy Woy Rd is a timely opportunity to again press other levels of government for funding of road improvements either at Bulls Hill or to overcome the constraints Bulls Hill and the adjacent S-bend places upon Woy Woy Rd".

Council agenda CIT.15, 3 Jun 2008

# Police called to Bulls Hill

Gosford Council has called on Brisbane Water police to increase their presence near Bulls Hill following the introduction of vehicle weight and speed restrictions on Woy Woy Rd.

Council has sent a letter to police advising of reports of both vehicles traversing the one-way section of Woy Woy Rd which clearly breach the five tonne gross vehicle mass and of vehicles exceeding the temporary 25 km/h speed limit.

The letter was sent at the request of the Bays Community Group to ensure the safety of road users

and pedestrians following the Woy Woy Rd collapse.

The council agenda stated: "the assistance of the police force has been sought in substantial and concentrated policing of the section of Woy Woy Rd in question during the period in which the temporary arrangements are in force in the interest of community safety."

Council also sent a letter to Member for Gosford Ms Marie Andrews seeking her support for the proposed increase in police presence.

> Council agenda CIT.15, 3 Jun 2008

## No path for Bulls Hill

Gosford Council has rejected a request to provide pedestrian access down Bulls Hill, Woy Woy Rd, in the immediate future.

The Bays Community Group requested the path at a public meeting held on May 6, following the closure of Woy Woy Rd.

Council's agenda stated that "once the road is re-opened to two-way traffic ... there is no provision for pedestrian access at Bulls Hill".

According to the council agenda, the area behind the temporary plastic barricades was not opened to pedestrian access immediately after one-way traffic flow commenced as road pavement stability testing was scheduled and the area concerned was to become a worksite.

"This testing continues, with further drilling of the section of roadway to the north of the collapsed section expected to be undertaken in the near future," the agenda stated.

"The availability of the area of road carriageway behind the plastic barriers for possible use in providing pedestrian access up and down Bulls Hill will be kept under review, but may be limited,

particularly once council becomes involved in road formation reinstatement works."

Council stated it had investigated the access track below Bulls Hill as a possible temporary pedestrian route but discarded it due to "the swampy nature of the area".

The agenda also stated "should formation widening be undertaken either now or at some time in the future it is anticipated that provision can be made for either a pedestrian footpath or a shared footpath-cycleway."

Council agenda CIT.15, 3 Jun 2008

# Concrete colour can change

The colour of concrete used in recent embankment stabilisation works on Patonga Dr may be changed.

Gosford Council's manager of engineering services Mr John Cragg said the colour of the concrete would be assessed.

He said that if it was found to be unduly stark, and unlikely to weather to better match the natural colours of the rock formations, it could be treated or coated in a future stage of the stabilisation works.

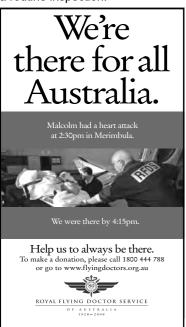
Mr Cragg was responding to comments by Patonga resident and artist Ms Jocelyn Maughan that the colour of the concrete used in the recent Patonga Dr embankment stabilisation works was a different colour to the natural sandstone.

Press release, 28 May 2008 John Cragg, Gosford Council

## Rock scaling completed

Gosford Council has announced its completion of rock-scaling work on Blackwall Mountain at the intersection of Memorial Ave, Barrenjoey Rd and Maitland Bay Dr, Woy Woy.

Project engineer Mr Luke Reynolds said the work was part of a routine inspection.



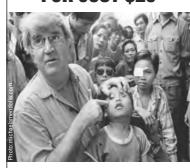
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"The council undertook rock scaling work at the base of Blackwall Mountain where the rock face is closest to the road," Mr Reynolds said.

"Geotechnical engineers were also brought in to assess the rock face."

Mr Reynolds confirmed the road surrounding the rock face was safe to drivers.

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He said a report recommended further work be carried out to the area to realign the road within the next three to six months.

Clare Graham, 23 May 2008 Interviewee: Luke Reynolds, Gosford Council

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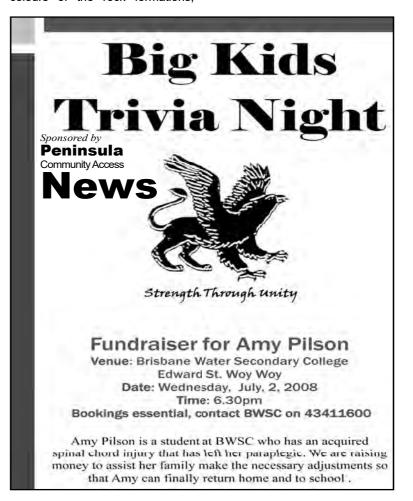
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## New productions at **Peninsula Theatre**

Peninsula Theatre will feature five new productions in the lead up to Gosford Council's 20th anniversary celebration of live theatre in August.

They are The Pitch, Short and Sweet, Lipstick Dreams, Guitars of Picasso, Cultural Laboratory.

The Pitch is a satire about the trials and tribulations of trying to crack the big time in Hollywood.

The production was critically acclaimed in Melbourne in 2006/2007, being awarded two prestigious Green Room awards for performance and for best new

'The Pitch' runs from June 19 to 20, at 8pm each night at the Peninsula Theatre.

Now entering its seventh year, Short and Sweet is the biggest festival of 10-minute theatre in the

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After a successful launch of the regional version at the Peninsula Theatre last year, the event is now part of the arts calendar on the Central Coast.

Short and Sweet utilizes the talents of the Central Coast's best young and established playwrights, directors, actors and technical

The festival features the best 10 plays each night, and climaxes with a gala finale and awards night, complete with a panel of industry judges including John Bell and Anna Volska (Bell Shakespeare), Debra Schleger (Manager, Arts & Culture), Daniel Ballantyne (Newcastle's Civic Centre), Atul Joshi (Australia Council), and Ian McGuire (Mad Cow Theatre).

The festival runs from July 23 to 26, and begins nightly at 8pm.

The Woy Woy Little Theatre group will present the comedy Lipstick Dreams from June 27 to July 13.

This Australian comedy is set in a country town beauty shop and is about four women entering a local talent competition for the best singing group in town.

Simon Hopkinson, who co-wrote the play with Helen O'Connor, is a former Artistic Director of the New England Theatre Company, the Darwin Theatre Company and the Australian Theatre for Young

Guitars of Picasso is coming to the Peninsula Theatre on August 1 at 8pm and August 3 at 2pm.

It is a musical project inspired by legendary French poet Jean Cocteau's dream to "hear the sounds of Picasso's guitars".

This production is a collaborative effort between artists of France

and Australia and features visitors Rafael Andia (Professor of Guitar at the prestigious Ecole Normale de Musique de Paris) and Claire Sananikone (a brilliant student from the Paris Conservatoire National Superieur de Musique).

They are joined by duo Eric Cathan and Giuseppe Zangari, performers and staff at the University of Newcastle to form the Alhambra Guitar Quartet.

Under Andia's artistic direction, the quartet will perform rarely heard Spanish Music in haunting duets and quartets.

Simultaneously, careful selection of Picasso's paintings will be projected onto a large screen, delivering a mix of "sound-image-

One of the highlights will be the Australian premiere of Andia's composition, In Memorial

"sobre temas revolucionarios". giving voice to Picasso's celebrated painting "Guernica", the powerful depiction of a Basque village annihilated by the fascists during the 1936 Spanish Civil War.

In late August, Gosford Council's unique initiative The Cultural Laboratory will be hitting the Peninsula once again.

It comes as a result of the demand for a performance space that is free of charge for local artists to workshop their ideas.

The laboratory is held three times a year in the intimate space of The Peninsula Theatre at Woy

Each lab features a variety of performance including story-telling, indigenous and multi-cultural groups, comedy, music, dance, film, drama, poetry and literature.

Newsletter, 21 May 2008 Lisa Kelly, Laycock Street Theatre



A dinner was held at the Rotary Club of Umina in honor of Marc and Danielle Posta

## Welcoming night

The Rotary Club of Umina Beach has held a special welcoming night for the parents of their French exchange student Camille Postal.

A dinner was held in honour of Marc and Danielle Postal, who are both engineers with French plane maker, Airbus, on Wednesday, May 21.

Their daughter has been an exchange student with the club since July last year.

"The evening had a French flavour with a short address from the President of the French-Australian Liaison, Central Coast, Ms France Licastro; the latest model Renault pop-top coupe, as well as a cake in the form of an airport runway with a model Airbus landing," said club public relations chairman Mr Geoff Melville.

"Marc and Danielle Postal will continue sightseeing on the Central Coast before spending a couple of weeks touring our country.

"Camille finishes her 12 month exchange and returns home in late

Press release, 23 May 2008 Geoff Melville, Umina Beach Rotary

## **Exhibition** is Pebbles to Patonga

The Bakehouse Gallery at Patonga will be presenting an exhibition by the president of the Australian Watercolour Institute Mr Brian Stratton OAM.

The exhibition, Coals to Newcastle - Pebbles to Patonga, will run until mid-June.

Brian's works of pebbly beaches has won him "great acclaim, prizes and awards" according Patonga Bakehouse Gallery owner Ms Jocelyn Maughan.

"Many people in their stroll along the waters edge at Patonga find a stone that demands further

"Brain Stratton does this for us 100 times over," Ms Maughan said.

The Gallery at 19 Bay St is also currently exhibiting pencil drawings until the end of June.

Press Release, 22 April 2008 Jocelyn Maughan, Patonga **Bakehouse Gallery** 



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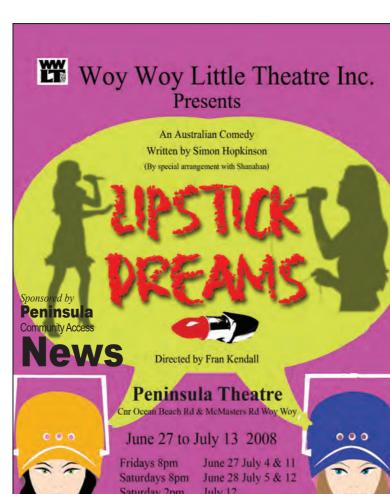


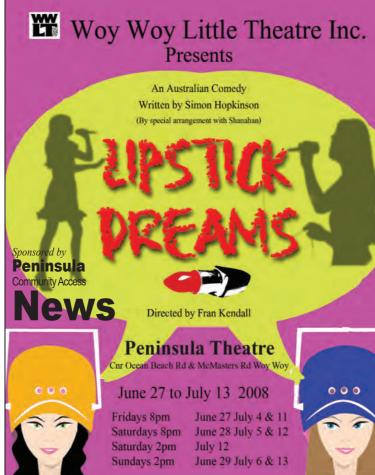
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## Playground strategy goes on exhibition

Gosford Council has resolved to place its draft Gosford City Playground Strategy on public exhibition after more than two years of consultation with the Gosford Regional Playground Committee.

The strategy is expected to provide for a regional playground at I limina

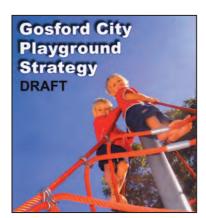
According to a council report, the Playground Strategy demonstrates council's "commitment to providing high quality, sustainable and accessible recreation facilities for the whole community".

It provides for playgrounds and play spaces within the Gosford LGA that meet Australian standards and public expectations up until 2025

A cost of approximately \$13 million is estimated for council to provide the local community with playground facilities throughout the Gosford LGA that "meet Australian Safety Standards, encourage imaginative, active, safe and challenging play for users of all ages and abilities".

This funding would be required over the next 25 years and would be funded through avenues including Section 94 funds, grants and the council's capital works program.

The strategy was created with



the assistance of a Playground Committee consisting of Cr Vicki Scott, Cr Chris Holstein, council's parks development planner Mr Terry Arnold, council's parks, playgrounds and foreshores coordinator Ms Kylie Yeend and six community members.

Submissions will be received up to 14 days after the closing of the public exhibition period.

A letter will be sent to all primary schools, childcare centres and progress associations in the local government area informing them that the draft strategy will be on public exhibition.

It will also be requested that they include this detail in their newsletters.

Council agenda SF.27, 3 Jun 2008

## Camping plan open for comment

Gosford Council has resolved to exhibit the draft Patonga Caravan and Camping Area Plan of Management for public comment.

Subject to no "significant objections" being received within the 28-day display period, council is expected to adopt the plan.

Should significant objections be received, a further report would be prepared for council detailing submissions received.

The Plan of Management was prepared using a "values-based approach", according to a council report.

These values were determined

through community consultation processes undertaken in March and April last year.

The report stated that the outcome led to the development of management objectives which include protection of the scenic value and ecologically sustainable limits of the land, improvements circulation, to access and improvement amenities, of increased security surveillance, promotion of the area as "family friendly", and recognition of the significance and history of the land in any future management options.

In December, the Department of Lands asked that council

incorporate Plan of Management into a plan for the whole of Patonga.

Since January however, discussion with the Department of Lands revealed a significant delay in the preparation of the Patonga Plan of Management.

The Department of Lands has therefore given council approval to continue with the preparation and exhibition of the Caravan and Camping Area Plan of Management.

This plan will be incorporated into the Plan of Management for all areas of Crown Land within Patonga at a later date.

Council agenda SF.26, 3 Jun 2008

## Umina man charged

Gosford police have arrested a 43-year-old Umina man, on Tuesday, June 3, on charges including indecent assault.

The charges date back to April 27 when a 20-year-old man accepted a lift from a 43-year-old man in Baker St, Gosford, at about 4:30am, according to NSW Police Media.

It is alleged the 43-year-old man made sexual advances towards

the 20-year-old.

The 20-year-old man exited the moving vehicle in Tapley Rd, Lisarow, sustaining serious knee injuries.

Police officers executed a search warrant at a residence in Umina last week and charged a Umina man with one count of aggravated actual bodily harm, one count of detain for advantage, one count of recklessly cause grievous bodily harm, two counts of assault with

act of indecency, and one count of act of indecency.

He was refused bail and is due to appear at Gosford Local Court on July 24.

Investigators have urged anybody who believes they may have encountered a similar incident in and around the Central Coast to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Press release, 4 Jun 2008 NSW Police Media



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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

**CWA,** 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 8344

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

ECC, Everglades Country Club, Dunban Rd, Woy Woy 4341 1866 EMBC, Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club, 103 Springwood St Ettalong 4341 0087

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

**ESCC**, Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre, Cnr. Karingi St & Broken Bay Rd Ettalong 4341 3222 **MOW**, Meals on Wheels Hall, Cnr Ocean Beach Rd and McMasters Rd.

**PBPCC**, Pearl Beach-Patonga Chamber Of Comerce, (meets at) Pearl Beach Café, 1 Pearl Pde, Pearl Beach.

**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 5905

**UCH,** Umina Community Hall, 6 Sydney Ave., Umina Beach 4343 1664

**WH,** Wagstaffe Hall, Cnr Wagstaffe Hall & Mulhall St Wagstaffe

**WWAC**, Woy Woy Aged Care, Kathleen St 4353 4224

**WWEC,** Woy Woy Environment Centre, 267 Blackwall Road Woy Woy 4342 6589

**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.

The Peninsula Environment Group (PEG) 6.30pm WWEC

### Second Tuesday of

every month
True Blue Meeting, 1.30pm;
Toastmasters, 7pm, EBWMC
Get Together afternoon tea,
ESCC.

**Pearl Beach Craft group**, **PBPH**, 1.30pm.

Stroke recovery group, 11.30am, MOW.

Diabeties Support Group, 10am,

## Third Tuesday of every month

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

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

Woy Woy Peninsula Arthritis Branch, 10am, enq: 4342 1790, MOW

## ACF meeting 7.30pm WWEC Fourth Tuesday of every month

Playgroup for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island families. BFC Toastmasters, 7.15pm, EBWMC Combined Pensioners assoc afternoon tea, enq: 4341 3222, ESCC

#### **Every Tuesday**

Woy Woy Blood Bank Hospital Ocean Beach Road, Woy Woy

Chess Club EBWMC 1pm enq: 4341 8748

**Scrabble** 9.00am, Progress Hall, Empire Bay,Enq 43692034

Free Tax Help by Appt., School for Seniors Have a Chat 10am, Discussion Groups 11am, Cards 1pm-3pm Playgroup 9am; Occasional Care, 9am-3pm;

U3A Courses, Over 55s Learn to PlayBridge1pm, Stroke Recovery 2pm, The Web from 2pm, Dance & Theatre School 3.45pm, Brophy Circus Academy 5pm, Kids Belly Dancing 4.30pm, Physical Culture Ladies 7.15pm -9pm, Pre/Post Natal Yoga 9.30am, Motivation & Empowerment classes. PCC.

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9am,Boxing / fitness training,
4pm(Junior),5pm(Senior),
Breakdancing 5pm:

Breakdancing,5pm;
Gym Sessions 8am; Gym Circuit

9:15am & 6pm; PCYC Rotary Club of Woy Woy, 6pm, ECC

Ladies Indoor Bowls 9am
Handicraft-9am; Cards12.30pm; Computers, 9am, ESCC
Alcoholics Anonymous 6pm
John the Baptist Church Hall,
enq: 4379 1132

Carpet Bowls; 10am,Card Club 7.15pm; Chess Club, 1pm, FBWMC

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

Folk Art 9.30am, Silk Dyeing 1pm, EBACC.

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

**Sahaja yoga meditation**,10:30am only enq: 4368 2847, **CWA Playgroup** 10am Kids 0-5yrs,

WWPH, enq: Juhel 4342 4362 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

**Tai Chi WH** 9:30 am Enq: 4360 2705

**Supported Playgroup** for first time and single parents **BFC** Enq: 4340 1111

#### <u>WEDNESDAY</u>

## First Wednesday of every month

CWA social day, 10am, handicrafts, 1pm, enq: 4344 5192, CWA Ettalong Ratepayers & Citizens Progress Association, 7.30pm, EPH

Coffee Morning- social get togethe10.00am PWHC,

## Second Wednesday of every Month

**Red Cross**, Umina branch meeting, Umina Uniting Church Hall, 1:30pm.

Woy Woy Auxiliary, 10am enq: 4344 2599.

**Probus Club**, Umina Beach 9.30am, **ECC** 

#### Dam, **ECC** Fourth Wednesday of

<u>every month</u>
Everglades **Probus** Club, 10am,
ECC, enq: 4341 0664

#### **Every Wednesday**

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

St John's Ambulance; 7pm, Meals on Wheels

St John's Ambulance; Brisbane Water Cadets, 6.30pm - 8pm, Enq: 0404 748 471.

Free Tax Help by Appt, Occasional Care 9am, School for Seniors Oil Painting 9am-12, Multicraft Needlework 10am – 12 Noon, Playgroup 10am - 12noon, Bridge Club 9.30am & 7.30pm, The Web from 2pm, Physical Culture Club 4pm, Coast Care Counselling, Judo 5pm, Weight Watchers 6pm, Belly Dancing. 7.30pm, Dance & Theatre School4pm, Motivation & Empowerment Classes. PCC.

Peninsula Choir rehearsal 7.30pm St Andrews Hall Umina. Brisbane Waters **Scrabble** Club, **MOW** 6pm, enq: 4341 9929.

Seniors fitness EPH 9am, enq: 43328550.

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 (Exc Jan).

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

Handicraft CWA, 9am, enq: 4341 1073.

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

Rotary Club of Umina, 6pm, ECC

Dance Club, 1pm, EBWMC Empire Bay Tennis 9-12am Shelley Beach Road Shelly Beach Road 4341 4125

#### THURSDAY

First Thursday of
every month

Brisbane Water Senior Citizens, 1pm; EBWMC

#### Second Thursday of every month

Women's Health Clinic Enq 4320 3741 PWHC

Australiana Bus Trips PCC

<u>Third Thursday of</u>

<u>every month</u>

Brisbane Water Senior Citizens, 1pm; EBWMC

## Fourth Thursday of every month

Free immunization clinic for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island children 0 – 5 years, 9am BFC Umina Probus, , 10am. ECC Women's Health Clinic; 4320 3741 PWHC

Women's Friendship Group for women with disabilities 10.00 to 12.00 St Lukes. Woy Woy Get up - 6.30pm WWEC

#### Last Thursday of every month

Socrates Cafe Group Entréz 4 Booklovers Cafe, Umina 5:30 - 7pm Enq: 4367 4730

#### **Every Thursday**

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

**Creative Writing, CWA,** Enq 4369 1187

Occasional Care.9am, Yoga 10am, School for Seniors, Australiana.10.30am, Tai.Chi 11.30 & 7.30pm, Bridge 12pm, The Web from 2pm, Brophy Circus Academy.4pm, Yoga 10am, Belly Dancing 7.30pm, Coast Care Counselling, Dance & Theatre School 3.30pm, Motivation & Empowerment Classes. PCC

Free entertainment 6.30 pm, 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

Card Club, 1pm; Chess Club, 7.30pm, EBWMC

Tai Chi 11.30am & 3.45pm; Dancing 9am; Indoor Bowls, 9am; Table.Tennis,1.45pm; Cards noon, ESCC

Children's story time, 3 - 5 yrs Umina library, 10.30am (Exc 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 Fairhaven Services **Cash Housie**, Ettalong Bowling

Club 7.30pm **Dance**, 9am - 11:30am, **ESCC**, enq: 4344 3131 **Pilates WH** 9:30 am Enq: 4384 5005 **Mah-jong WH** 2pm Enq: 4360 2178 **Yoga WH** 5:30 pm Enq: 4323 1859

#### FRIDAY

## First Friday of every month

Legacy Ladies, 9am; EBWMC Second Friday of every month

**Bookclub**10:30amenq:4342 2482\_2pm

RSL Sub Branch Meeting 2.30pm. EBWMC,

Third Friday of every month Legacy Ladies, EBWMC, 9am, eng:.43433492.

## Fourth Friday of every month

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

**Civilian widows, ESSC**, 1pm. **School for Seniors** Bushwalking, **PCC** 

#### **Every Friday**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

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

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Occasional Care, 9am; Kindy Gym 0-3s 9.15am, 3-5s 10.20am; Weight Watchers, 9.30am; Smart Recovery, 10am; Samaritans Support Group, 10.30am; Bridge Club, 12pm; The Web, from 2pm; Brophy Circus Academy, 5pm; Kempo Karate, 5.30pm; Judo,

7pm; **U3A Courses, PCC Women's walking** group, 9am 11am **PWHC** 

Fishing Club. **EBWM Krait RSL Day Club** - 10:30am,

Kooinda Village - 4341-8151

Fairhaven Services

Cash Housie, East Gosford Progress Hall 7.30pm Old Wags Bridge Club WH

(except 4th Friday of month) 1:30 pm Enq: 4360 1820 Friendship for Seniors Hardys Bay Community Church 10am -

## 12pm Enq: 4360 1598 **SATURDAY**

## First Saturday of every month

The National Malaya & Borneo **Veterans** Assoc. Meet, **EBWMC**, 2pm Enq: 4340 4160

#### Second Saturday of

every month

Bookclub 10:30am enq:

Mandy 4342 2482

Alliance Française, French conversation, Impact Cafe Empire Bay 11am Enq: 0412 252 709

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

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.

Peninsula Residents Association, 2pm,

Fourth Saturday of every month

**Troubadour Acoustic Music** Club, 7pm **CWA** Enq: 4341 406

#### What's On in and around the Peninsula

Last Saturday every month

Bushcare Wagstaffe group, meet @Half Tide Rocks sign, 8am Melaleuca Wetland

Regeneration wetlar

Group, Boronia Ave, Woy Woy

#### Every Saturday

**Vision Impaired Woy Walkers** Fisherman's Wharf Woy Woy 7.15am Enq: 4325 3686

Chess Club EBWMC 1pm enq: 4341 8748

Weight Watchers 8.30am, Dance and Theatre School 9.30am, Bridge Club 12pm, Soft Stone Sculpture (monthly),

The Web Drop In Centre 4.30-9.30pm, School for Seniors social outings arranged throughout the year PCC

Cash Housie St Mary's Hall, Ocean View Rd Ettalong 7.30pm. Chess Club, 1pm; 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. WWEC Enq 4342 6589.

**Community Dance,** 1pm, \$2, ESCC, Enq: 4344 3131.

**Social Dance**, New vogue, old time, \$3 (inc. afternoon tea), 1pm, ESCC, enq: 4344 3131.

**Rainbow Gate-Market Day-**8am -2pm, 207 West street Umina Bookings:0409774467

#### SUNDAY

## First Sunday of every month

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

#### Second Sunday of every month

Ladies Auxiliary of Vietnam Vets, 10 am, Vietnam Vets, 11am; EBWMC

Umina.P&C.Bushcare9am BWSC, Enq: 4341 9301

## Third Sunday of every month

Bushcare Group, Tennis Courts, Empire Bay, 9am Enq: 43692486 Ettymalong Creek Landcare, Ettalong Rd, Umina, 8am, enq: 4342 2251

**EBWM.**FishingClub competition at Club House in Beach St, Ettalong. **EBWM Vietnam Veterans** 

Peacekeapers, Peacemakers 4344 4760.

Last Sunday of every month
Alliance Française "La Petanque"
(the game of boules) 11am - 5pm

Lions Club Boot Sale & Mini Market, Rogers Park Woy Woy Eng: 4341 4151

#### Every Sunday

Fijian Cultural Group, 11am-4pm, PCC

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
SL Womens' Aux 9:30am

**EBWMC** 

Endeavour View Club Luncheon Contact4342 1722ECC

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

**Grandparents Parenting Support Group**, Web Riley Room Catholic
Church Woy Woy 4342 9995

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

#### Second Monday of every month

**Bookclub** 7pm enq: Mandy 4342 2482

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, 9am; RSL Sub Branch, 2.30pm; Card Club, 1pm, EBWMC

Pretty Beach to Killcare Community Association WH 7:30pm, Enq: 4360 1546

Killcare Heights Garden Club, 10:30am, Enq: 43601595

Coastal Crones(over.50's), PWHC Labor Party Umina/Ettalong Branch,7.30pm Umina Library Tearooms, Bullion St, Umina Enq: 43417323

### Third Monday of every month

War Widows, 11am, EBWMC Enq: 4344 3486

### Fourth Monday of every month

Toastmasters Speachcraft Classes 6pm EBWMC

**Labor Party** Peninsula Day Branch, **CWA**, 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**

Cash Housie EMBC 7:30pm Enq: 4323 3566

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, 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

Carpet Bowls 9am, Card Club 1pm, EBWMC

Fairhaven Cash Housie 7.30pm & Bingo 11am EMBC enq: 4323 3566

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

Patchwork & Quilting, 10am, Pottery 10am & 1pm EBACC Children's Story Time, Woy Woy Library, 10.30 am

Occasional Childcare 9am, Central Coast Volunteering 9am, Over 55's Gentle Fitness 9am, Supported Playgroup 9.30am & 12.30pm, Yoga 10am,

Mad Monday Craft & Cooking 11am,Bridge Club 12pm,

Physical Culture Club 4pm, Coast Care Counselling 3.45pm, Dance & Theatre School 3.45pm, Judo – 5pm, U3A Courses PCC Craft group, 1pm BFC

Fairhaven Services Cash Housie, Ettalong Bowling Club 7.30pm Yoga WH 9:30am Enq: 4360 2705 Pilates WH (except 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of

month) 6-7pm & 7-8pm **Tai Chi Empire Bay Progress Hall**9:30am Enq: Clare 4369 1075 **Sea scouts** 6pm Brickwharf rd

Woy Woy Enq: 0437 590 354 **Girl Guides** 4.00pm Cnr of Lurline

& Memorial Ave.Blackwall

Eng. 4328 3247

Indian dancing for kids 3.30 pm Enq: 4342 4395 WWEC

## Upcoming Events

June 12 - "Stories, Myths and Legends", 10am -11.30am, PWHC June 14 - children's speech workshop, Beachside Family Centre 9am to 12pm

June 16 AGM Ettalong War Widow's Club 1pm EBWMC

June 19 & 20th - "ThePitch"-Peninsula Theatre, 4323 3233 PCC

**June 22** - Alternate Health and Charity Psychic Fair - See advert Page 6

June 27 - Woy Woy Little Theatre, Lipstick Dreams, 8pm June 28 - Troubadour Accoustic

Music Club - See advert page
June 28 - Blackwall Girl guides first
meeting & registration 4.00pm
June 29 Umina Surf Club AGM
2.00PM at Clubhouse

If you would like your community not-for-profit event listed here, send the details to the Peninsula News



"The Pitch" will play at the Peninsula Theatre on 19 and 20 June

# The Pitch at theatre

A play entitled "The Pitch" will be held at the Peninsula Theatre on Thursday, June 19, and Friday, June 20, from 8pm.

"The Pitch is a satire about trying to crack the big time in Hollywood," according to theatre marketing director Ms Lisa Kelly.

"Peter Hougton's show was critically acclaimed in Melbourne in 2006 and 2007 and was awarded two Green Room Awards for performance and for best new play.

"The Pitch is set in the very humble apartment of aspiring

screenwriter Walter Weinerman just before he is about to sell his screenplay to an all powerful Hollywood film industry panel.

"We watch as Walter practices pitching his film concept.

"Walter's film pitch is a desperate effort, that involves him demonstrating all the roles that he hopes will be played by Hollywood's A-list actors, including a clenched teeth Clint Eastwood, a debonair Sir Anthony Hopkins and a scintillating Catherine Zeta Jones."

Press release, 5 Jun 2008 Lisa Kelly, Gosford Council



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#### **Gosford City Council Notice of Public Exhibition**

#### **Draft Patonga Caravan and Camping** Area Booking Policy R4.01

Council has recently undertaken a review of the Patonga Caravan and Camping Area Booking Policy R4.01.

A copy of the policy will be on public exhibition on Council's website www.gosford.nsw.gov.au and at Council's customer service centres at the Erina Centre. Kincumber Library, Woy Woy Library, and the Council building at 49 Mann Street, Gosford.

The exhibition period is from Wednesday 18 June 2008 to Friday 18 July 2008. Any submissions regarding the reviewed policy are to be received by the General Manager by 5.00 pm on Friday 1 August 2008. All submissions should include 'Submission on the Draft Patonga Caravan and Camping Area Booking Policy' as the letter subject.

#### **Draft Gosford City Playground Strategy**

Council has recently developed it's strategic plan for its playgrounds across the local government area for the next 25 years. The draft strategy outlines the playground categories, level of service, and playgrounds for removal, upgrade and relocation.

A copy of the draft strategy will be on public exhibition on Council's website www.gosford.nsw.gov.au and at Council's customer service centres at the Erina Centre, Kincumber Library, Woy Woy Library, and the Council building at 49 Mann Street, Gosford.

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#### News

## Camera funding announced

Member for Robertson Ms Belinda Neal has confirmed that a \$680,000 grant for the installation of closed circuit TV on the Peninsula had been delivered.

"This community safety project was one of my major commitments to the electors of Robertson during the 2007 Federal Election campaign," Ms Neal said.

"I am very happy that this project has been provided to the residents, shoppers and business owners on the Peninsula. "This major funding boost will allow Gosford Council to install up to 27 cameras around Umina, Woy Woy and Ettalong beaches in locations that have been identified as being at high risk for anti-social behaviour.

"Projects designed and developed locally can help to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour and I'm pleased to be able to announce this funding boost for Gosford."

Press release, 28 May 2008 Belinda Neal, Member for Robertson



Member for Robertson Ms Belinda Neal with J&B Meats owner Mr Graham Penboss, Gosford mayor Cr Jim Macfadyen and Peninsula Chamber of Commerce preseident Mr Mathew Wales

## Chamber welcomes cameras

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has welcomed the Federal Government's recent announcement that the promised \$680,000 of Federal funds for the Peninsula CCTV network has now been confirmed in the 2008-2009 Federal Budget.

"After years of lobbying by the Chamber of Commerce, this news is very welcome indeed," Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales said.

"Prior to the Federal election, now Federal Member for Robertson, Belinda Neal gave the Chamber an undertaking that the funds for the CCTV security cameras would be allocated so that cameras could be installed in each of the Peninsula town centres.

"The local business community is obviously very happy that that pledge has now been honoured

and that the \$680,000 will be made available to Gosford Council for the installation of the security camera network.

"The new CCTV security camera network will be integrated with the existing camera network in the Gosford town centre under the supervision of Gosford Council and in conjunction with NSW Police.

"The Chamber will be working with Gosford Council to ensure that the the Woy Woy, Umina Beach and Ettalong beach town centres receive the best security coverage possible from the proposed 27 cameras.

"One of our major priorities is to have a camera installed at the Umina Beach Surf Club that can cover the carpark and surf club surrounds."

Mr Wales said that small business was "sick and tired" of constant petty crime and vandalism

especially in the Umina Beach town centre and that the security cameras would be a welcome addition to the police crime fighting efforts.

"While the cameras will record 24/7, we hope that council will have them manned on Friday and Saturday nights so that response times to incidents from the police can be improved," Mr Wales said.

"Regardless, the police will now have a valuable tool to apprehend underage drinkers, vandals and those who participate in anti-social behaviour.

"The business community recognises that the cameras on their own won't solve the crime problem, but at least the police will be able to use video footage to pursue those who don't obey the low."

Press release, 2 Jun 2008 Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

## Information is wanted

Brisbane Water police are wanting information about a hit and run accident at Woy Woy recently.

"A female pedestrian was hit by a motor vehicle while crossing Rawson Rd, Woy Woy, about 150m from the Ocean Beach Rd intersection at around 12.30am on Saturday, May 17," Senior Constable Dave O'Shea said.

"The pedestrian was slightly injured in the collision but the

offending vehicle failed to stop and assist the woman.

"Police are continuing the investigation and have some information relating to the vehicle involved but would like to hear from anybody who witnessed the incident by either contacting Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or the Brisbane Water Traffic Office on 4323 5658."

Press release, 4 Jun 2008 Dave O'Shea, Brisbane Water Local Area Command



A new group has been formed to promote environmental awareness and sustainable living on the Peninsula.

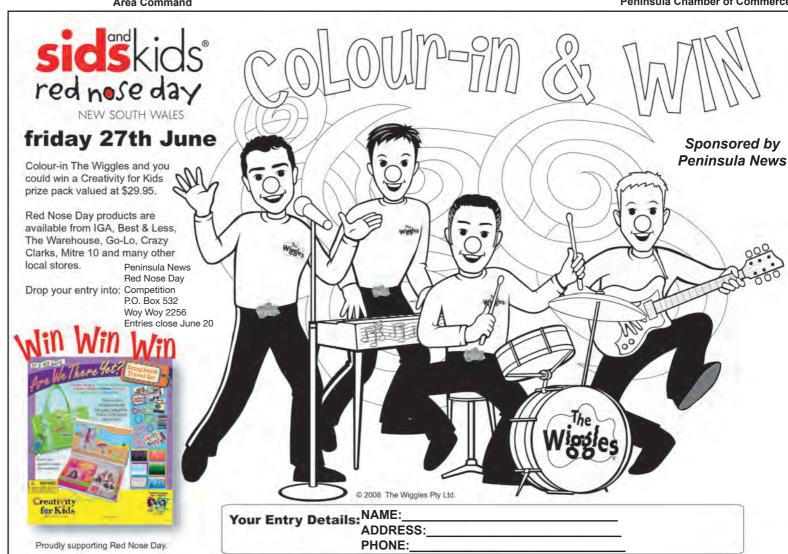
Called the Peninsula Environment Group, it meets at the Woy Woy Environment Centre on Blackwall Rd on the first Tuesday of each month at 6.30pm.

The group will organise talks, film nights, workshops and events to promote green living.

For more information, visit www. peninsulaenvironmentgroup.org.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 1, at 6.30pm.

Press release, 2 Jun 2008 Mark Mann, Peninsula Environment Group



# Benefit night for Amy

Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy Senior Campus will be holding a fundraiser for school student Amy, who has contracted a rare and debilitating disease.

Senior Campus year advisor Ms Linda Langmaid said the school would be holding a variety night on June 18.

"I have the privilege of going to work every day to work with young people who are, on the whole, energised, enthusiastic but most importantly kind and caring individuals," Ms Langmaid said.

"Three months ago one of our lovely young ladies was struck down with a rare disease which left her unable to feel her legs when she awoke in the morning.

"This disease has since risen up her body to the point where she is now permanently in a wheelchair, and has been residing in hospital for the last three months, going to a school of a different kind.

"This is the school that teaches you how to live all over again, but this time without the support of your legs.

"Amy is in Year 11.

"She is an amazing and vital young lady who has inspired us all with her determination and vitality for life.

"As the year adviser at school, I have had students who don't even know Amy come and ask what we can do to help her.

"Amy herself has been a power of energy in getting things moving to help her mum with the enormous cost of getting her home renovated so that Amy can finally come home and get back to her friends and everyday life.

"On June 18, we are holding Amy's Benefit Night, which will be a variety night of local bands."

Ms Langmaid said tickets would be on sale at the school office for \$7, and \$10 at the door of the school hall on the night itself.

Doors open at 5.30pm for a 6pm start

A trivia night, open to the community, will be held on July 12 with 10-seat tables available for \$10 per person.

"At this event, we hope to auction whatever we are able to gather in donations, as well as raise money from the night itself."

For further information, contact Linda Langmaid at the school on 4341 1600

Press release, 28 May 2008 Linda Langmaid, Brisbane Water Secondary College

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## Youth service set to reduce hours

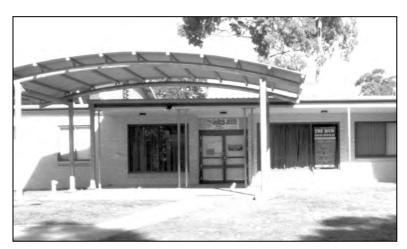
The Web Youth Service is expected to have to cut its opening hours by one third, after the service failed to gain on-going "enhancement" funding from the Department of Community Services.

"This decision will likely force the closure of the service on Mondays and Tuesdays," said manager Mr Adrian Devine.

"This will restrict the service to operating on only four days per week, Wednesday to Saturday, instead of the current six days per week."

He said these opening hours were possible with the basic recurrent operational funding, \$95,000 a year from the Department of Community Services, and funds from NSW Health to operate the Friday night Adolescent Health Clinic which would remain.

"We accept that there will always be restricted government financial resources to fund infinite community need, but we are somewhat alarmed and dismaved that young people in need without a political voice are often the first



casualties," Mr Devine said.

"We readily acknowledge the \$50,000 funding we are seeking to retain is not an insignificant amount, but we would argue that the real cost of neglecting these young people in need in the long term would be significantly higher.

"Fifty-thousand dollars from DOCS to fund the proven early intervention and behaviour modification strategies of the Web, is a wise investment.

"The Web has attracted great

community support and we are confident this will continue.

"We remain committed to providing the best possible service for our youth throughout the Peninsula, and we will continue to lobby for funding for The Web Youth Service to remain open and accessible to young people aged 12 to 18 years six days per week."

Press release, 26 May 2008 Aidan Devine, Web Youth Service

## **Paralympic** warm-up

Australian Women's Wheelchair Basketball team, the Gliders, has departed for a two-week tour of the United States, which will see it take part in two key Paralympic warm-up events.

The NSW members of the Gliders USA touring team include Woy Woy resident Ms Liesl Tesch who plays with the Wenty Leagues Wheelkings and the Hills District Hornets.

The Gliders arrive back in Australia on Wednesday, June 18, then host the Chinese national team for a combined camp at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra from June 22 to 28.

Press release, 3 Jun 2008 Noel Rowsell. Parramatta Basketball Association



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## Scouts seek help with hall damage

The Broken Bay Scout Group has called for the help of tradesmen after its hall was vandalised last month.

The hall located in Carawa St, Umina, was vandalised on Saturday, May 10 (Mother's Day weekend), according to fundraising coordinator Ms Judy Battese.

"Entry was gained through a hole in the security fence and a wall kicked in to gain entry," Ms Battese said.

"Graffiti was sprayed inside and fire extinguishers were discharged.

"Police have advised that it was possible that those responsible had planned to set fire to the hall but may have been disturbed.

"Neighbours reported noise coming from the hall but as the hall is in regular use, thought nothing

"Some items were stolen including fire extinguishers and a billy cart, which was made by the Cub Pack for the annual billy cart derby.'

The billy cart was later recovered at Umina Beach.

"The extent of the damage has run into several thousand dollars,



due to damage caused to an asbestos wall."

While some of the repair cost is covered by insurance, the group will still have to make a substantial contribution from funds which had previously been allocated for equipment and a disability ramp.

"The whole situation has inconvenienced the Joey and Cub pack who meet there and who have now had to temporarily relocate to another hall while repairs are undertaken."

Anyone with information about the event is asked to contact Woy Woy Police on

4379 7399.

Any tradesmen who are able to offer assistance should contact Judy Battese on 0438 417 713.

> Press release, 2 Jun 2008 Judy Battese, The Broken Bay Scout Group

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## **Wobbly Boot Cup**

The Central Coast's inaugural **Wobbly Boot Cup was staged** at Ettalong Oval on Saturday, June 7, to raise money for The George Gregan Foundation and Woy Woy Junior Rugby Union Club.

Eight teams of over-35s ex-

rugby players from the Central Coast and Sydney took to the field including Woy Woy's own Wobbly Boots, Penrith's Legless Emus, the Eastwood Charcoals and the NSW Fire Brigades' Fire and Ice.

Press release, 28 May 2008 Mark Nolan, Woy Woy Junior Rugby **Union Club** 







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