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Community and government representatives, residents and visitors gather at Woy Woy waterfront to celebrate Australia Day

The mess of broken glass and litter left behind by drunken youths at Umina Beach Surf Club on Australia Day

Australia Day Celebrations marred by drunken youths

Australia Day celebrations in Woy Woy and Umina Beach were marred by the antisocial behaviour of drunken youths on January 26, according to Gosford mayor Cr Chris Holstein.

Cr Holstein said festivities in Woy Woy and Gosford were a great success but he was disappointed by the drunken behaviour of a handful of people.

"For the most part, the Woy Woy event was a great success with great displays of Aussie spirit," Cr Holstein said.

"However, there was also a show of Aussie stupidity by a minority and this is of major concern to council, the Australia Day Committee and

n volunteers.

"It is especially disappointing for the volunteer committee that is made up of hard-working residents from the Gosford Local Government Area, to see a small minority of people marring what is otherwise a great family celebration."

According to Cr Holstein, a number of drunken youths played havoc by throwing rocks at kayakers and jostling children who took part in the Woy Woy lantern parade.

He also reported an incident involving the assault of a volunteer.

Cr Holstein said he would be doing his foremost to maintain events for the benefit of the community who do the right thing.

"It would be very disappointing to see Australia Day celebrations in the local government area abandoned because of the acts of stupidity and drunkenness of a small group," Cr Holstein said.

"I had a productive meeting with Brisbane Water Police Superintendent Geoff McKechnie and together we are looking at proactive strategies to help curb anti-social behaviour at future events.

"The Australia Day committee is currently in the process of debriefing, and once finalised, this will also assist council, police and event stakeholders to discuss strategies to deter anti-social behaviour in the future.

"I can assure you that there will be greater liaison with local police and Gosford Council rangers in planning and executing these events in 2010 and beyond.

"I am also seeking claims for damages incurred by Gosford Council from individuals arrested for their behaviour on Australia Day.

"We need to make it clear that we have a no-tolerance approach to anti-social behaviour and drunkenness.

"People should not have to put up with hooligans while they are out enjoying themselves, and have the right to a safe environment."

Cr Holstein said he estimated a

clean-up bill of \$2000 was expected for Umina Beach, where a crowd of more than 200 drunken youths gathered for Australia Day.

Umina Beach surfer Mr Wayne Priestly said he was shocked to see the mess of broken glass and litter left in the car park and surrounding areas of Umina Surf Club the following day.

"Many surfers turned out for an early morning swim only to come across a war zone," Mr Priestly said.

"These kids wouldn't leave their own homes in a state like this, so why should they do the same to the beach?"

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Water maintenance as consumption soars

Gosford Council has recently completed valve operation works in the Peninsula water supply system as part of its drinking water quality management program.

At the same time, it has reported soaring water consumption figures.

The work began in Booker Bay on January 21, before moving through Ettalong and Umina.

Council crews worked over five days to turn 182 valves on and off to detect leaks and identify assets in need of replacement.

As part of the works, some residents experienced intermittent disruptions to the town water supply as well as a reduction in water pressure and discoloured water.

Meanwhile the council has reported excessive water consumption over the past four weeks, with consumption figures higher than the level three water restriction target.

The council was urging residents and visitors to the region to remain conscious of the amount of water being used.

Gosford mayor Cr Chris Holstein said the increase in town water usage was likely to be caused by an influx in visitors to the area.

"In part, the increase in demand is likely to result from this increase in population," Cr Holstein said.

"However, the warmer weather also brings with it the temptation to break restrictions which further increase our town water use.

"Residents and visitors need to

remember that water restrictions are still in place with only a small amount of outdoor town water use permitted."

Current level three water restrictions allow watering gardens and plants with a watering can or bucket only, topping up pools with a bucket only, washing cars and boats with a bucket or a hose fitted with a trigger nozzle and flushing boat motors for up to five minutes with a hose fitted with a trigger nozzle.

The use of a hose to water a garden or lawn, or to fill up a pool, is not permitted.

The use of town water to wet or wash down hard surfaces like paths and driveways is also not permitted.

Press releases, 20-21 Jan 2009 Kylie Gillett, Gosford Council

Community group holds elections

The Bays Community Group will hold its next general meeting Wednesday, on February 18.

Vice-president Mr Greg McMullen said the first meeting of the year would be an important one for community members to attend.

"It's a big meeting for the year because we hold elections for the next executive committee and discuss the events we will have in The Bays in 2009," Mr McMullen said.

"We encourage all members of the community to attend and have their say.'

The meeting will be held in The Bays Community Hall at 19 Woy Woy Bay Rd from 7.30pm.

> Press release, 23 Jan 2009 Greg McMullen, The Bays **Community Group**

Help wanted with hit-run

Brisbane Water police are asking for help from the public with a hit-and-run accident at Umina Beach on November 19 last year.

"A 73-year-old woman from Umina Beach was in the process of crossing the road at the pedestrian refuge located on Ocean Beach Rd, near Ryans Rd," senior constable Dave O'Shea said.

"She was struck by a white van at around 12.20pm which had been travelling southbound along Ocean Beach Rd.

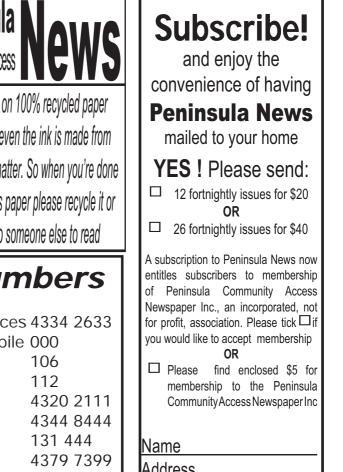
"The woman was slightly injured in the crash.

"However, the driver and vehicle failed to stop after the crash.

"Police are following a number of leads at present but would appreciate any information from anybody who might have witnessed the incident."

Please call Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000 or Brisbane Water

Traffic Services on 4323 5658. Email, 27 Jan 2009 Dave O'Shea, Brisbane Water **Traffic Services**





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Council works

Council works will take place in three locations in the Peninsula area from February 2 to 8.

Council workers will continue with the construction of a new surf club in Killcare.

continue Thev will also construction on a playground in Pearl Ave, Pearl Beach, and slip repair work in Nagari Rd, Woy Woy.

Council drainage works in Pearl Beach and Pretty Beach have finished, while a section of cycleway at Woy Woy foreshore has also been completed.

Press release, 28 Jan 2009 Shannon Curtis, Gosford Council

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Celebrations marred by drunken youths



Revellers enjoy Australia Day on the Woy Woy Waterfront



Gosford Council workers reportedly spent two days cleaning up the mess left behind by drunken youths



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Mr Priestly, along with members of the local surfing community, are hoping to turn around the trend of anti-social behaviour before Anzac Day.

"It seems these sorts of drunken gatherings occur around the public holidays including New Years, Australia Day and Anzac Day.

"A clear message needs to get sent out amongst these kids that no alcohol whatsoever will be tolerated in public.

"Umina Beach is already an alcohol-free zone.

"We believe police should be at these known hot spots to stop the consumption of alcohol before it gets out of hand.

"Kids were down at Umina Beach by 9.30am drinking.

"If police were down there at this time, word would have spread amongst these kids quickly that drinking would not be tolerated and the problem could have been avoided.'

Ocean Beach Malibu Club member Mr Craig Coulton agreed that a more direct approach needs to be looked at.

"With all the alcohol fuelled violence state-wide in the guise of patriotism, I believe the time has come to make the drinking of alcohol in all public areas illegal

on these public holidays and, of course, having sufficient police numbers at the troublesome locations to enforce it," Mr Coulton said.

"If two police officers were to be located near the surf club and confiscated the alcohol from the youths as they arrived, word would quickly spread that the gathering wasn't going to be tolerated.

"It is no good the police arriving when there is already 200 youths priming themselves for a big day."

According to Mr Priestly, police arrived at the scene around 2.30pm.

Mr Priestly said the Umina Boardriders Club, Ocean Beach Malibu Club and the Surfrider Foundation would be rallying together to put pressure on the State Government.

"We just want to see a long term solution to stop this kind of behaviour in the community," Mr Priestly said.

"We are very thankful of the hard work of our local police but we feel more needs to be done to prevent incidents like this from reoccurring.

"This may mean seeing more police presence on the Peninsula.

"We are sick of being referred to as the Mt Druitt by the sea when this type of behaviour keeps

happening in our area."

Cr Peter Freewater said he would be supporting the surfing community in its endeavour to curb anti-social behaviour.

"Mr Priestly makes a valid point about Mt Druitt by the sea," Cr Freewater said.

"This sort of behaviour hurts us all - not just our sense of community pride or our lacerated feet - think about the value of our homes.

"There was a time when housing prices on the Peninsula were similar to the rest of Gosford. "We've got a lot more going for us than most other places.

"Perhaps we just need to return to a forgotten time when the responsibility of raising children was shared by the entire community: A time when kids were taught to show respect."

> Clare Graham, 29-30 Jan 2009 Interviewees: Cr Chris Holstein, Gosford mayor Wayne Priestly, Umina Beach Press release, 30 Jan 2009 **Gosford Council** Emails, 29 Jan 2008 Craig Coulton, Ocean Beach Malibu Club Cr Peter Freewater. **Gosford Council**

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Pat Slattery (centre) who took out the Australia Day Community Senior Award pictured with fellow Mary Mac's Place volunteers Margaret Pyne and Graham Kinross



Seven-year-old Peninsula resident Ms Georgia Riley recieved the Australia Day Community Sport Award

Peninsula takes community awards

The Peninsula was well represented at this year's **Gosford Council Australia Day Community Awards held** at the Central Coast Leagues Club on January 23.

The Brisbane Water Oyster Festival won the Community Event of the Year.

Ettalong Beach resident Ms Pat Slattery received the Senior Award.

Seven-year-old Peninsula resident Georgia Riley took out the Sport Award.

Pretty Beach Public School and principal Ms Vicki Redrup were chosen for the Environment Award.

The Oyster Festival, held in November last year, was chosen for attracting thousands of locals and visitors to Ettalong Beach and for raising more than \$40,000 for the Cancer Council NSW.

"This was both a surprise and a wonderful honour for an event that the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has organised for the past eight years," festival

chairperson Ms Debra Wales said. "The Queen of the Oyster Festival was introduced in 2005 to raise funds for Cancer Council NSW Breast Cancer Challenge and has raised over \$165,000 for our charity of choice over that time.

"The award is a wonderful recognition for the many volunteers who have worked tirelessly to make the Oyster Festival one of the premier community events on the Central Coast."

Pretty Beach Public School was chosen for the Environment Award due to the success of its sustainability program.

School principal Ms Vicki Redrup has also initiated ways to improve sustainable living and decrease negative impacts on the environment.

"I was very honoured to be nominated for a Gosford City Australia Day Community Award," Ms Redrup said.

"I was absolutely thrilled to win this award and it was fantastic for our school to be recognised for the wonderful work we do with our environmental programs.

"Students, teachers and parents place a strong emphasis on the environment and we take a proactive approach to environmental issues and try to be involved in many different activities throughout the year.

"We are constantly applying for various grants to help run activities and are always looking at how we can increase our student's of environmental awareness matters."

Ettalong Beach resident Ms Pat Slattery received the Senior Award for her tireless work within the Peninsula community and internationally.

Ms Slattery volunteers for local charity Mary Mac's Place and in 2007, travelled to The Dominican republic, Brazil and South Africa to volunteer for work, in long day care, cleaning, cooking, welfare assistance, spiritual support and teaching.

Mary Mac's Place project coordinator Ms Robyn Schacht described Ms Slattery as an "outstanding, positive and inspirational role model" for the community.

"Pat Slattery has a truly impressive record of community work both within the local area and

Belinda Neal MP

overseas," Ms Schacht said.

"Pat was employed as a school teacher at St John the Baptist for almost 40 years and earned a reputation as an ethical, professional, caring and compassionate person. "Throughout her career, in addition to raising her own family of five children, she gave freely of her time outside school hours to assist those in need within the community.

"As a volunteer at Mary Mac's Place in Woy Woy for six years, she has assisted in a broad range of services in addition to being the volunteer representative on the Mary Mac's Steering Committee, the parish liaison officer for the organisation and Mary Mac's representative on the Homeless Services Interagency.

Ms Schacht said that Ms Slattery had made a major contribution to the success of the organisation through her personal commitment to advocate, in a caring and compassionate manner, for the underprivileged and marginalised in our community.

"A well-deserved award for an outstanding and inspirational lady," Ms Schacht said.

Seven-year-old Georgia Riley took out the Sport Award after becoming the youngest physical

culture club champion from the Central Coast recently.

Georgia is a member of Woy Woy Recreational Physical Culture Club and won the Junior National Champion age title for the second year running.

Instructor Ms Kristy Stephen said the club was extremely proud of Georgia's achievements.

"Georgia is a beautiful physie girl but also a beautiful little girl, well mannered and kind hearted," Ms Stephen said.

"She is an extremely talented girl and is also very humble with her winnings.

"Georgia shows a commitment to excellence and is an excellent role model for other girls to follow her example and to help motivate and inspire others to aim high.

"Her positive approach to life and understanding contributing to society are a great credit to Georgia and those around her."

Press release, 23 Jan 2009 **Gosford Council** Press release, 30 Jan 2009 Debra Wales, Brisbane Water Oyster Festival Press release, 28 Jan 2009 Graham Kinross. Mary Mac's Place Press release, 29 Jan 2009 Kristy Stephen, Woy Woy **Recreational Physical Culture Club**



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New cleaners for commercial areas

A new company has been contracted by Gosford Council to undertake cleaning, security and maintenance services in the Peninsula commercial areas.

Amazon Cleaning and Security Services have taken over the contract after All Cleaning and Security announced its intention to discontinue operation on the Peninsula.

The contract was due to expire at the end of July this year.

It is not known why the security and cleaning company exited the three-year contract, worth more than \$168,000.

The new company, Amazon Cleaning and Security Services, currently undertakes 24 similar contracts around the country, including work for Penrith and

Wyong councils.

The contract was handed to Amazon following a recommendation by All Cleaning and Security.

According to a council report, it was in the public interest to have an "orderly and rapid transition" from one company to the other causing "little inconvenience and expense to council and the public".

The report stated that Amazon Cleaning and Security Services have personnel capable of providing cleaning and security services for the remainder of the contract terms.

It is expected council will call for tenders for Peninsula business district security, safety, cleaning and maintenance services before the end of July.

Council agenda COR.15, 27 Jan 2008



Member for Robertson Ms Belinda Neal, Member for Terrigal Mr Chris Hartcher, Gosford Council Citizen of the Year Mr Ken Duncan, Gosford mayor Cr Chris Holstein, Australia Day ambassador Little Patti and Cr Jim Macfadyen enjoying Australia Day festivities with community members in Wagstaffe

Wagstaffe celebrations 'were a hit'

Fire truck vandalised

A fire truck was vandalised at Woy Woy train station while volunteer fire fighters attended a fire at Wondabyne on January 24.

"While attending the Wondabyne fire, some Rural Fire Service tankers, that were parked at Woy Woy station between the hours of 6pm and about 10pm, were graffitied by vandals," community safety officer Inspector Rolf Poole said.

Inspector Poole said that fire crews were extremely disappointed to find the damage after returning to their truck.

"They'd just returned after four hours of putting all their efforts into containing the fire at Wondabyne," Inspector Poole said.

"Access to the area was very

difficult.

"The crews had to take their equipment by rail through the Woy Woy rail tunnel and had to leave their fire truck at Woy Woy station. "You can imagine how these

volunteer fire fighters felt. "They are giving up the long weekend with their families out of a sense of helping to protect the community from fires and some thoughtless sections of the community do this.

"It's heartbreaking for the crews."

If anyone has any information regarding spraying graffiti on Rural Fire Service emergency vehicles could they call Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000.

> Press release, 25 Jan 2009 Rolf Poole, NSW Rural Fire Service

More than 700 local residents and visitors attended Australia Day celebrations on the grounds of Wagstaffe Hall.

Event coordinator Ms Veronica Crowe said organisers and volunteers of the celebrations were thrilled with the community involvement seen across the Australia Day weekend.

"Both the twilight jazz and blues picnic and Australia Day ceremony proved to be a hit among locals and visitors to the area," Ms Crowe said.

"It was fantastic to see the both events grow into record crowd numbers proving to be a great success.

"All who participated in the jazz picnic had a ball wining, dining and dancing which was great to see."

The twilight jazz picnic took place on January 24, on the grounds of Wagstaffe Hall, while an official Australia Day ceremony and breakfast commenced on Australia Day morning. Ms Crowe said Australia Day ambassadors and performers Little Patti and Lucky Starr attended the Australia Day ceremony and spoke of the importance of Australia Day to all citizens.

"Australia Day is such an important time to celebrate our country especially with the rest of the community," Ms Crowe said.

Clare Graham, 28 Jan 2009 Interviewee: Veronica Crowe, Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association

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Coming to a new life in Umina

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On the way over we had sailed past Gibraltar then through the Mediterranean and briefly dropped anchor at various exotic ports, namely Port Said, Aden and Colombo.

A bus was waiting for us at Pyrmont and together with many other families we walked down the gang plank and started our new lives in Australia.

The bus driver, a jolly but rather overweight gentleman sang all the way to Umina.

He kept everybody entertained, even though none of us had a clue what he was saying or singing.

However, two songs I do remember were The Monkey Honeymoon and Goodnight Irene.

To an 11-year-old, this was a pretty good and exciting introduction to our new home.

The bus dropped us off in Augusta St around midnight and the very first thing we did the following morning was to check out the beach.

What an amazing sight!

The beach was pristine with the water a translucent and glittering blue

The bay was framed by hills on either side almost like two giant arms embracing all that water, with only the opening between Box Head and Barrenjoey serving as a reminder to the Tasman Sea beyond.

For us kids it was a great adventure - learning a new language, making new friends.

But it must have been strange and difficult for our parents during the initial period.

Constant blackouts meant a steady supply of candles and shillings for the electricity meter.

Preparing meals was a real challenge with frequent blockages of primus stoves and using a combustion stove on a hot summer's day.

We relied on a water tank and hand pump in the backyard for all our domestic needs and when you got down to the last few rungs on the tank and the wrigglies start to emerge, you would have to cut down on the bathing or pay to have vour tank refilled.

The other major problem was the outdoor loo.

Toilets were located in the backyard often with little or no light.

A nature call in the middle of the night was certainly no joke.

Red-back spiders, flies and mosquitoes regarded the dunny as their rightful home.

Nightsoil, as it was euphemistically called, was removed in the early hours of the morning and many a time a late night stranger from a party would bump into one of these gentlemen carrying an often full can on their shoulder with the occasional disastrous result.

At Christmas time, you would usually find a small card on the throne with a not-so-subtle poem suggesting that a small reward would not be inappropriate to show one's appreciation for their arduous and rather unpleasant work.

So you would leave a few bottles of amber fluid in order to thank these anonymous but indispensable workers.

Letter, 29 Jan 2009 Fred Landman, Daley's Point

Article brought fond memories

The article by Fred Landman "Back in Time" in the January 19, edition brought back fond memories for me.

Like many others from the city, the Central Coast was the place to spend our January school holidays - up on the steam train to Woy Woy or Gosford, then by bus to our destination.

One year a friend offered his cottage at Pretty Beach - Murphy's ferry transported us there.

We used that ferry service many times going over to Ettalong Beach.

Along the way we learned that Mr Murphy made the trip every Sunday to take his wife to mass.

So the six of us would walk to

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Wagstaffe wharf where we were picked up and brought back every Sunday.

We remember the old theatre well and one thing I do remember when the collection came around Dr Baker was heard to say to the congregation, "I don't want to hear the sound of coins on the plate".

I think that was aimed at the holidaymakers.

My daughters who live nearby inform me that among those stars on the wall was Shirley Temple, so that made the trip to mass something to look forward to.

Jean Martin. Wov Wov

Bring back Jim!

No apology

What a great suggestion for the experienced Jim Lloyd to represent the people of Gosford at the next state election.

Here is a quality candidate with a proven track record of getting things done for his electorate at the highest level, while still being able to listen to what the people want.

He could bring a wealth of experience to a State Liberal

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Government in 2011 to ensure that Gosford has the representation that it deserves.

I hope that the Liberal Party realise just how valuable someone like Jim would be to their campaign.

He would get my vote! Brian Messenger, Wyoming

Somersby airport could be front runner

It is heartening that the issue of a second airport for Sydney is part of the national government's National Aviation Policy Green Paper.

The very comprehensive 1985 study, Second Sydney Airport Site Selection Program, which initially identified 10 options, listed Somersby as "a middle distance option" which, overall, was then only slightly less favourable than Wilton.



Badgery's Creek and Wilton were the two preferred options but Badgery's Creek ended up tops.

The new government's Green Paper rules out Badgery's Creek.

That site's location in the Sydney Basin is a major environmental handicap.

Wilton is on the boundary of the Basin and is situated in the Sydney water catchment area. There are other environmental concerns as

well

While several other aspects have also changed somewhat the study is still valuable for further consideration and updating.

Somersby would now be a front runner.

Given the plans to develop a northern line freight line, the Central Coast passenger services could soon improve as well.

Constructing and operating a second international airport at Somersby would no doubt create much needed employment and business on the Central Coast.

It would also reduce Central Coast commuter traffic and assist in decongesting Kingsford Smith Airport.

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they can't prove it.

So it is with the terrorists in our

Keith Whitfield,

Woy Woy

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Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre

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Unlike Klaas Woldring, I don't believe we should apologise to Dr Haneef.

After all, his cousin was a terrorist, committed to destroying the infidel and the doctor kept in touch with him.

The terrorists in America were all well-educated and respectable. They held up a civilised mask,

hiding their hatred and enmity. There are many murderers and

rapists walking free. The police know they did it, but

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Women's health centre has been proposed for refurbishment

Council puts projects forward for funding

An upgrade of the Peninsula Women's Health Centre, a lighting upgrade at Rogers Park and refurbishing a lookout at Killcare are among projects that Gosford Council has put forward for Federal funding.

The money would come from the Federal Government's \$300 million Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program, announced in November "to help stimulate growth and economic activity across Australia and to support national productivity and community well-being".

Gosford Council resolved to endorse the projects for submission to the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government.

According to a council report, council has been approached by a number of community and recreational groups requesting contributions from the allocated funding.

As well as the health centre, the lighting and the lookout, the council gave priority to upgrading the Nambucca Rd playground in Woy Woy.

The Ferry Rd amenities in Ettalong Beach were identified as having secondary priority in the program.

However, following a request from the Ettalong Beach Business Group for the improvement of the facility to the foreshore, council

resolved to consider an upgrade in its 2009-2010 budget session.

Other projects identified by council to receive potential funding include an upgrade of amenities at Kincumber Community College.

Council is yet to hear from the Department about the success of its application.

Gosford Council is expected to receive \$1.345 million in allocated funding for local projects by the end of September.

A new regional and local community infrastructure program to fund community infrastructure projects is expected to become available for not-for-profit organisations to apply for funding from the new financial year.

Council agenda CIT.1, 27 Jan 2009

Franklins opens refurbished store

officially open the newly refurbished Franklins supermarket in Woy Woy

Franklins supermarket in Woy Woy has reopened its doors after its refurbishment was completed on January 19.

The Woy Woy store was officially reopened by Franklins managing director Mr Aubrey Zelinsky.

According to Ms Zelinsky, the new store occupies a space of 1560 sq metres and provides jobs for around 70 local residents.

"The new look store represents a substantial investment by Franklins and is part of the company's threeyear \$50 million refurbishment and expansion plan," Ms Zelinsky said.

"The Woy Woy opening follows successful recent Franklins' refurbishments at Pagewood and Taren Point."

The store now offers specialised personal service across all fresh departments including the delicatessen, fresh meat and poultry, produce department and bakery.

"We are excited to be back servicing the Woy Woy community and I would like to thank our valued customers for their patience and loyalty during the recent refurbishment," Ms Zelinsky said.

"The improvements we have made at our store reflect Franklins' ongoing commitment to matching the range of goods available at supermarkets to community needs, and we believe the people of Woy Woy will be delighted with the new store."

Franklins Woy Woy store manager, Ms Dianne Simpson, said supermarket staff looked forward to welcoming customers back to the "bigger and brighter" Woy Woy store.

"We believe that with its more extensive offer, the newlyrefurbished store will be extremely popular with the local community,' Ms Simpson said.

Franklins in Woy Woy is located in Deepwater Plaza Shopping Centre.

> Press release, 19 Jan 2009 Kate McLaughlin, Fowlstone Communications

Activities planned for seniors

Senior Citizens Ettalong Centre has announced its program of activities for the year.

The centre will offer dancing classes every Monday from 9am and fitness classes from 1pm in the auditorium.

Mah-jong will also be held in centre's lounge area every Monday

from 2 30pm

Also on Wednesday and Friday afternoons, a bridge game will start at 12.15pm and Scrabble at 12.45pm.

On Thursday, the centre will offer senior citizens dancing classes from 9am, tai chi from 11.45am and table tennis from 1pm.

Cards will be played on Thursday afternoons from 12pm.

Hot meals, light refreshments, tea and coffee will be available in the dining room for participants attending activities at the centre.

Bowls days will also be held from 9am to 12pm on Monday through to Thursday.

A better hearing class will be held in the centre's dining room Monday to Friday and on the fourth Sunday of every month.



On Tuesdays, craft classes will start at 9am, latin dancing at 9.15am and cards at 12.30pm.

Wednesdays at the centre will consist of leatherwork classes from 9am, table tennis from 9am. fitness class from 1pm and yoga

Every Friday the centre will offer painting classes from 9am and line dancing from 9am.

On the fourth Sunday of every month, old time and new vogue dancing will take place in the auditorium from 1pm to 4pm.

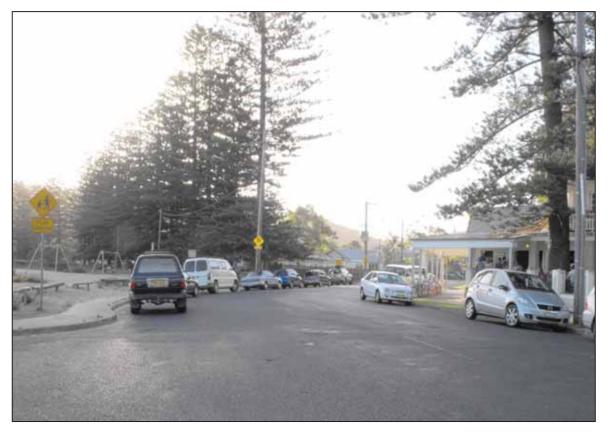
The centre is located at the corner of Broken Bay Rd and Karingi St, Ettalong.

For further information, phone 4341 3222.

> Program, 29 Jan 2009 Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre

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Pictured: the area identified by concerned local residents in need of a raised pedestrian crossing

Second petition for Patonga crossing

Gosford Council has received a second petition from concerned residents requesting a raised pedestrian crossing be installed in Patonga.

The petition contains more than 45 signatures and seeks the placement of the crossing from the corner of the Patonga Beach Hotel to the beachfront and children's playground along Patonga Dr.

According to a council report, petitioners believe that the corner poses a major safety risk to children seeking to cross the road.

The petitioners stated that council approved the placement of

a safety crossing on Patonga Dr in 1995 and that this was the number two priority item in the Patonga Foreshore Landscape Masterplan report.

The petition was noted by councillors at a council meeting on January 27.

Council agenda P.5, 27 Jan 2009

Range of courses at family centre

Beachside Family Centre will offer a number of courses for Peninsula families starting in February, according to centre facilitator Ms Debbie Notara.

A Healthy For Life cooking course will commence at the centre on Thursday, February 12.

Ms Notara said the cooking course will give families a chance to learn quick and easy meals for everyone to enjoy.

"Participants will learn how to prepare everything from snacks to main meals and include topics such as budget meals, multicultural food, entertaining and party food, kids snacks, low fat meals and meals for those with allergies and food intolerances," Ms Notara said.

"Each session will end with enjoying the meal you have prepared and low cost child care is available each week."

The cooking course will take place every Thursday from 9.30am to 12pm.

"We are also excited to be offering a fantastic new 12-week program for parents and carers who want to learn how to connect with their child through play, praise and rewards," Ms Notara said.

"Limit-setting and time-out procedures will also be explored throughout the program.

"Again, child care is available for the program.

"The Incredible Years program will be offered on Wednesdays from 9.30am to 11.30am starting February 25. "The Introduction to Basic Computers course is for those who have never turned a computer on or who want to learn more about word processing, the internet and email.

"This course is ideal if you want to be able to help your child at school.

"The 12-week course will be offered on Thursdays from 12.30pm to 2.30pm starting February 26."

Ms Notara said another course expected to prove popular this year is the accredited Financial Management Course.

"This accredited course consists of four two-hour sessions run fortnightly on Monday evenings from 6pm to 8pm starting March 16," Ms Notara said.

"Topics covered include develop and use a personal budget and savings plan, understanding debt and consumer credit, superannuation and the Australian financial system and markets."

Ms Notara said all the courses were free and places always fill up quickly, "so put your name down as soon as possible to ensure you have a spot!"

Bookings can be made by phoning 4343 1929.

The Beachside Family Centre is located in the grounds of Umina Public School in Sydney Ave, Umina Beach.

Press release, 29 Jan 2009 Debbie Notara, Beachside Family Centre

Tank installed for Senior Citizens

A rainwater tank has been installed at Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre as part of the Federal Government's Community Water Grants program.

The centre also received a smart water metre and watersaving urinals as part of the water

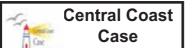


tank installation.

Rainwater will be harvested from the centre's roof and used for irrigation, toilet flushing and for laundry.

Member for Robertson Ms Belinda Neal said: "The water savings made possible by these three projects are a step towards a more sustainable future for the Central Coast.

"They are examples of what can



be achieved for the environment when government and the community work together on practical solutions to the challenges posed by climate change.

"The people of the Central Coast know only too well the value of ensuring the sustainability of the water supplies in this fragile ecological region," Ms Neal said.

"Years of water restrictions have made all of us aware of the need to treasure and preserve our valuable drinking water.

"Global responses to the challenges of climate change are vital but so too is local action. "These projects are an important local response to such challenges." would provide a permanent longterm water saving solution.

"The installation will greatly reduce the demand on the town water supply helping in securing a sustainable water supply for our region," Cr Holstein said.

"As a council, we can only help fund so many water saving initiatives and actions.

"Funding received through grant programs such as the community water grants really assist council and the community in getting water conservations projects off the ground."



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Gosford mayor Cr Chris Holstein said the water conservation project



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The newly installed rainwater tank system at Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre



Pear Beach



Children enjoying the new children's playground in Pearl Beach during the summer school holidays

Pearl Beach playground to be opened

The official opening of the refurbished Pearl Beach children's playground will take place on Friday, February 27.

Gosford mayor Cr Chris Holstein and members of the Gosford Council playground committee will be in attendance to officially open the playground to the community.

Council finished work on the playground at the beginning of the summer school holidays in December last year.

The Pearl Beach Progress Association contributed \$4000 to the project which was raised through a community dinner and generous donations from the public.

"Pearl Beach has a significant record of fundraising to upgrade and enhance local facilities and maintain the fragile environmental infrastructure," Pearl Beach Progress Association president Mr Rod Craig said.

"The Pearl Beach community was surprised at the level of use

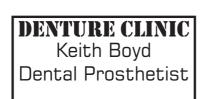
at the community hall every Wednesday.'

Council agreed to update the children's playground following a submission from the Pearl Beach Progress Association which stressed the need for better playground facilities on the beach reserve.

The Pearl Beach Progress Association will provide a free barbeque lunch at the official opening of the playground from 12pm.

Mr Craig encouraged all members of the public to attend and enjoy the newest addition to the Pearl Beach community.

Press release, 29 Jan 2009 Lynne Lillico, Pearl Beach **Progress Association**





Pool campaign has a \$7000 start

The Pearl Beach Progress Association raised more than \$7000 at its first fundraising event of the year to help save the historic Pearl Beach rock pool.

Association president Mr Rod Craig said the Wollombi Wine Tasting Day held on January 24 was a great success despite the hot weather.

"Weather-wise it wasn't really a good day for wine tasting but that didn't deter the community from turning up and supporting us," Mr Craig said

"We estimated more than 100 locals and visitors attended the event to kick off our first fundraising event to save the rock pool.

"The most overwhelming thing for us was the personal donations from people to our fundraising cause.

"There is no doubt that the news of the threatened closure of the 80-year-old rock pool has hit a nerve in the community

"This was shown by some individuals donating large sums of

money.

"We greatly appreciate these donations and look forward to many more events planned to help save our rock pool."

Mr Craig said Gosford Council has so far proved to be a great support to the community by promising to match the \$100,000 needed for repair and restoration work at the rock pool.

The Blue Swimmers Club has also put up its hand to help the Pearl Beach Progress Association to raise funds.

The local swimming club of more than 50 members regularly use the Pearl Beach rock pool in the winter months to train for competitions.

Club president Mr Graham Tangye said the Pearl Beach rock pool was definitely a cause worth fighting for.

"Our club has been swimming at the rock pool for more than 40 years and it would be devastating to see the heritage-listed site go to waste because of a financial barrier," Mr Tangye said.

in the area for us to use if Pearl

Beach is closed down so it is in the club's best interest to put up a fight.

Mr Tangye said club members would contribute and help raise funds alongside the Pearl Beach Progress Association.

"We want to get the message out there in the wider community, not just in Pearl Beach, that this is not just an important historical landmark but one that is constantly used by locals and visitors to the area," Mr Tangye said.

"We have given ourselves 12 months to raise \$100,000.

"After the success of the first fundraiser last Saturday, I believe it can be done and we can enjoy the Pearl Beach rock pool for many more years to come."

According to Mr Craig, a barometer measuring the amount of donations received will be installed at the entrance to Pearl Beach over the next two weeks.

> Clare Graham, 30 Jan 2009 Interviewee: Rod Craig, Pearl **Beach Progress Association** Interviewee: Graham Tangye, Blue Swimmers

"There is not another rock pool



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the playground has enjoyed over the summer holidays.

"One count on Boxing Day put the number of children using the playground at 46 at the onetime.

"The playground fills an urgent need to provide entertainment for the growing number of small children visiting Pearl Beach, not only in the summer months but throughout the year.

"Many of these children are grandchildren of residents and others are children of young mothers who have moved into the community.

"Pearl Beach has an active mother's group which meets

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More than 100 family and friends attended a funeral service at St John the Baptist **Catholic Church in Woy Woy** to farewell the 26-year-old man who drowned at Shelly Beach on January 17.

Mr Marcelo Munoz-Montenegro of Bosley Park and his friend Charlie Daza Parada drowned after going for an early-morning

AG the carpark of Umina

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Enjoy lunch and dinner on the beach!

swim in dangerous surf. Mr Daza Parada's body was washed up on the beach a short

time after the two men went missing. However, Mr Munoz-Montenegro's body was not

recovered from the water until

three days later. The funeral took place on January 26.

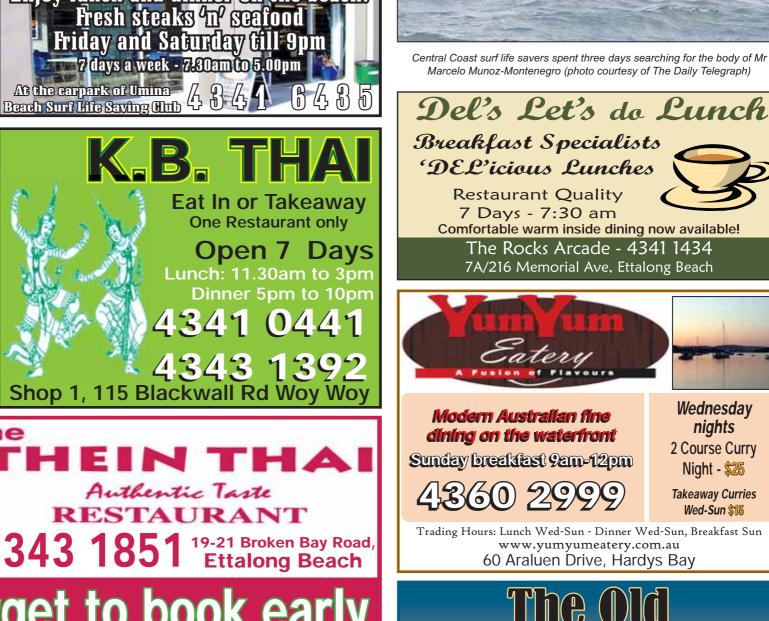
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Clare Graham, 29 Jan 2009



Central Coast surf life savers spent three days searching for the body of Mr Marcelo Munoz-Montenegro (photo courtesy of The Daily Telegraph)

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Public access to fire trail finally 'legal'

The public right of way between the Flannel Flower Track and Lobster Beach at Wagstaffe has been legally granted, according to the Killcare Wagstaffe Trust.

it was formally announced at Australia day celebrations in Wagstaffe that public access has been legally granted to the fire trail that connects the Lobster beach track with the Flannel flower track, the Trust's newsletter has reported.

"It is the culmination of over five years of sustained effort, principally by Graeme Anderson and the other owners of the land that the trail crosses," the newsletter stated.

The fire trail was originally bulldozed in 1962 and became part of a network of informal walking trails on the Bouddi Peninsula and was included in early walking maps

of the area

The trail crosses or borders seven private properties.

As these properties became developed over the succeeding decades, the public tended to continue to use the walking track and the owners of the properties became concerned about their responsibilities and liabilities should someone be injured.

The newsletter stated: "One irate and careless walker threatened to sue one of the owners for not maintaining the track".

"Rather than attempt to close the track to the public, the owners came together and decided to investigate the possibility of transferring responsibility to National Parks and granting public access," the newsletter stated.

process has proved anything but straightforward.

"For the right of way to be granted a legal easement had to be created through the properties and a legal agreement had to be made with the National Parks and Wildlife Service.

"Legal costs were likely to be significant so the local community groups were approached for help with these.

"The Trust, The Bouddi Society and the Community Association all agreed to donate \$1000. "In addition, members of the Community Association put up a fund-raising barometer outside the Wagstaffe store and raised a further \$1000 in donations from the public over just a few days.

"This strong local support

"Five years and seven lawyers later, the legal easement has been created and the National Parks and Wildlife Service is formally responsible for the maintenance of the track and the liability for those that use it.

costs

"In the meantime, three of the properties were sold and in two of those cases, the agreement with the process of creating the right of way was conditional as part of the sale."

According to the newsletter, the trail will be upgraded, in particular the section that runs behind the properties near the Lobster Beach track.

Some simple signage will also be added.

The walking maps have been altered to include the new access and bike riding on the right of way is forbidden

> Newsletter, 30 Jan 2009 **Killcare Wagstaffe Trust**



Lunch - Monday to Sunday 12pm - 2.30pm Dinner - Monday to Saturday 6pm till close

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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, Country Women's Association Hall, Anderson Park, Brick Wharf Rd, Woy Woy

EBACC, Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre, Kitchener Park, Cnr Picnic Pde & Maitland Bay Dr. Ettalong, enq: 4341 8344

EBWMC, Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club, 211 Memorial Ave, Ettalong, enq: 4341 1166

ECC, Everglades Country Club, Dunban Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4341 1866

EMBC, Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club, 103 Springwood St, Ettalong, enq: 4341 0087

EPH, Ettalong Progress Hall, Memorial Ave, Ettalong

ESCC, Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre, Cnr Karingi St & Broken Bay Rd Ettalong, enq: 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, enq: 4342 1459

PCC, Peninsula Community Centre, 93 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4341 9333

PCYC, Osborne Ave, Umina Beach, enq: 4344 7851

PWHC, Peninsula Women's Health Centre, 20a McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4342 5905

RBG, 207 West Street Umina -0409774467

UCH, Umina Community Hall, 6 Sydney Ave, Umina Beach, enq: 4343 1664

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

WWAC, Woy Woy Aged Care, Kathleen St, eng: 4353 4224

WWEC, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 267 Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4342 6589

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

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

DAILY EVENTS

Woy Woy Pelican Feeding, 3pm Pelican Park, Fishermans Wharf. Playtime Mon-Fri 9am, Little Gym PCYC

Better Hearing Class Mon-Fri

MOW.

Diabeties Support Group, 10am, ECC

CC Animal Welfare League Woy Woy-based group monthly meetings from 11 am at CC Leagues Club, enq 4344 6650.

Third Tuesday of every month

Burrawang Bushland reserve bushcare, Nambucca Dr playgrnd, 9am, enq: 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

Toastmasters, 7.15pm, EBWMC Combined Pensioners assoc afternoon tea, enq: 4341 3222, ESCC

Every Tuesday

Living with Teens course 10am runs until 26th August **PWHC**, Woy Woy Blood BankA @ Hospital Ocean Beach Rd, Woy Woy, 1-7pm Chess Club, 1pm, enq: 4341 8748,

EBWMC Silk craft 10am

Mums & bubs playgroup 1pm Pastel classes for kids 4pm RBG

Scrabble 9am, Empire Bay Progress Hall, eng: 4369 2034 Free Tax Help by appt; School

for Seniors Have a Chat, 10am; U3ADiscussion Groups, 11am; Cards, 1pm-3pm; Over 55s Learn to Play Bridge, 1pm; Stroke Recovery, 2pm;Playgroup, 9am; Occasional Care, 9am-3pm; The Web, From 2pm;

Dance & Theatre School, 3.45pm; **Brophy** Circus Academy, beginners 5pm; Kids Belly Dancing, 4.30pm; Physical Culture Ladies, 7.15pm-9pm;Pre/ PostNatal Yoga, 9.30am: Motivation & Empowerment classes, PCC,

Rotary Club of Woy Woy, 6pm, ECC

Handicraft, 9am; Latin Dancing, 9.15am; Cards, 12.30pm ESCC Alcoholics Anonymous, 6pm, John the Baptist Church Hall, enq: 4379 1132

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

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

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

Children's story time, Umina library, 10.30am (Except Jan). Sahaja yoga meditation, 10:30am only, enq: 4368 2847, CWA Playgroup, 10am, Kids 0-5yrs, enq: Juhel 4342 4362, WWPH Woy Woy Blood Bank, 11.15am to 8.45pm, session time 1pm to 7pm, Ocean Beach Rd, Woy Woy Tap Dancing, 6pm, enq: 0438 033 039, EPH Tai Chi, 9:30 am, eng: 4360 2705, WH

every month

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

Coffee Morning, social gettogether, 10am, 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**

Fourth Wednesday of every month

Everglades Probus Club, 10am, ECC, eng: 4341 0664 Drumballa Drum Circle 7.30 RBG

Every Wednesday

Al-anon/Alateen family support group, "The Cottage", Vidler Ave, Woy Woy, 12:30pm, 7pm. Woy Woy Women & Children's domestic violence group runs until 24th September PWHC St John's Ambulance, 7pm, -St John's Ambulance; Brisbane Water Cadets, 6.30pm-8pm, eng: 0404 748 471 MOW Craft for love & Garden club 10am **RBG** Free Tax Help by appt; Occasional Care, 9am; School for Seniors Oil Painting, 9am-12; Multicraft Needlework, 10am-12; Playgroup, 10am - 12; Bridge Club, 9.30am & 7.30pm, The Web, 2pm; Physical Culture Club, 4pm; Coast Care Counselling; Judo, 5pm; Weight Watchers, 6pm; Belly Dancing, 7.30pm; Dance & Theatre School, 3.30pm; Motivation & Empowerment classes, PCC Peninsula Choir rehearsal, 7.30pm, St Andrews Hall, Umina. Brisbane Waters Scrabble Club, 6pm, enq: 4341 9929, MOW -Seniors fitness, 9am, enq: 4332 8550, **EPH** Oils & Acrylics, 9am; Pastels & Drawing, 11.30am, EBACC Children's story time, Woy Woy library, 10.30 (Exc Jan) Alcoholics Anonymous, 12.30pm & 70pm, St John the Baptist Hall, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy Handicraft, 9am, eng: 4341 1073, **CWA** CWA Umina Beach craft day,

4320 3741, PWHC Australiana Bus Trips, PCC Third Thursday of

every month Brisbane Water Senior Citizens, 1pm; EBWMC

Fourth Thursday of every month

immunization Free

clinic, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island children 0 - 5 years, 9am BFC **Umina Peninsula Mixed Probus** Club, 10am, new members welcome, enq: 4343 1039 ECC Women's Health Clinic. eng: 4320 3741, Craft and creativity group - women in sticthes 1pm **PWHC**

Women's Friendship Group, women with disabilities, 10am-12pm, St Lukes Church, Woy Woy

Every Thursday

Al-anon/Alateen family support group, "The Cottage", Vidler Ave, Woy Woy, 12:30pm Creative Writing, enq: 4369 1187,

CWA Occasional Care, 9am; Yoga, 10am; School for Seniors, Australiana, 10.30am; Tai Chi, 11.30am & 7.30pm; Bridge, 12pm; The Web, 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; Snooker, 8.30am; Senior 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

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

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

Fairhaven Services Cash Housie, Ettalong Bowling Club 7.30pm

Dance, 9am; Cards, 12pm; Tai Chi, 1pm; Table Tennis, 1pm, ESCC

Pilates, 9:30am, enq: 4384 5005; Mah-jong, 2pm, enq: 4360 2178; Yoga, 5:30pm, eng: 4323 1859, WH

FRIDAY

School for Seniors Bushwalking, PCC

Every Friday

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

Bingo, 11.30am, enq:4343 1664, UCH

Lollipop Music Playgroup (0-4 years), enq: 4343 1929, BFC Old Wags Bridge Club, (except 4th Fri) 1:30pm, enq: 4360 1820, **WH**

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

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

Watercolour Painting, 10am, EBACC

Painting, 9am; Line Dancing, 9am; Bridge, 12.15pm; Scrabble, 12.45pm **ESCC**

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

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

Alcoholics Anonymous, 12.30pm, 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

Occasional Care, 9am; Kindy 3-5s, **Gym**, 0-3s, 9.15am, 10.20am; Weight Watchers, 9.30am; Smart Recovery, 10am; Samaritans Support Group, 10.30am; Bridge Club, 12pm; The Web, 2pm; Brophy Circus Academy, 5pm; Kempo Karate, 5.30pm; Judo, 7.15pm; Dance & Theatre School 4pm U3A Courses, PCC

Women's walking group, 9am-11am, PWHC

Fishing Club, EBWM

Krait RSL Day Club, 10:30am, Kooinda Village, enq: 4341 8151 Fairhaven Services

Cash Housie, East Gosford Progress Hall, 7.30pm

Old Wags Bridge Club (except 4th Friday of month), 1:30pm, eng: 4360 1820, WH Friendship for Seniors, Hardys Bay Community Church, 10am-12pm, enq: 4360 1598

First Saturday of

every month

SATURDAY

1.45pm, ESCC

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, 1.30pm, PBPH

Stroke recovery group, 11.30am,

Supported Playgroup for first time and single parents, 12.30pm-2pm, enq: 4340 1111, BFC

WEDNESDAY

First Wednesday of

eng:4369 2275 ECC Dance Club, 1pm, EBWMC Empire Bay Tennis, 9am-12am, Shelley Beach Rd, Empire Bay, enq: 4341 4125

9am-12, CWA Hall, Sydney Ave,

Rotary Club of Umina, 6pm,

Umina, enq: 4341 5627

Leatherwork, 9am; Table Tennis, 9am; Bridge, 12.15pm; Scrabble, 12.45pm; Group Fitness, 1pm; Yoga, 2.30pm ESCC

THURSDAY

First Thursday of

every month Brisbane Water Senior Citizens,

1pm, EBWMC

Second Thursday of

every month Women's Health Clinic, eng:

First Friday of every month Legacy Ladies, 9am, EBWMC

Second Friday of every <u>month</u> Book Bazaar, book Club, 10:30am, enq.42422482 RSL Sub Branch meeting,

2.30pm, EBWMC Third Friday of every month Legacy Ladies, 9am, enq: 4343 3492, EBWMC

Fourth Friday of every

month

South Bouddi Peninsula Community Assoc, 1.30pm, enq: 4360 1002, WH Civilian widows, 1pm, ESSC

The National Malaya & Borneo Veterans Assoc meet 4340 4160, **EBWMC** Second Saturday of every month Book Club, 10:30am, eng: Mandy 4342 2482 Alliance Française, French conversation, 11am, enq:0412 252 709 Melaleuca Wetland Regeneration Group, Boronia

Ave, Woy Woy, 8am Bushcare group, Pretty Beach, end Araluen Track, 8am Ex-Navalmen's Assoc, Central Coast Sub-Section, 10am. WWLC

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

What's On in and around the Peninsula

Third Saturday of every month

Umina P&C Bushcare, 9am, Umina Campus of BWSC, Veron Rd, Umina, enq: 4341 9301 **Peninsula Residents Asociation** (PRA), 3PM WWEC

Market Day, 9am, Sydney 2000 Park, UCH

Fourth Saturday of every month Troubadour Acoustic Music Club, 7pm, enq: 4341 406, CWA

Last Saturday every month Bushcare Wagstaffe group, meet Half Tide Rocks sign, 8am Melaleuca Wetland Regeneration Group, Boronia

Ave, Woy Woy 8am **Every Saturday**

Vision Impaired Woy Walkers Fisherman's Wharf, Woy Woy, 7.15am, enq: 4325 3686

Chess Club, 1pm, enq: 4341 8748, EBWMC

Children's Pottery, 9am: Silvercraft Class, 1pm EBACC Weight Watchers, 8.30am; Dance & Theatre School, 9.30am; Bridge Club, 12pm; Soft Stone Sculpture (monthly); The Web 4.30pm-9.30pm; School for Seniors social outings arranged throughout year, PCC

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

Chess Club, 1pm, EBWMC

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, enq: 4342 6589, WWEC Social Dance, New vogue, old time, \$3 (inc. afternoon tea), 1pm, enq: 4344 3131, ESCC

SUNDAY

Second Sunday of every month

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

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

Third Sunday of

every month

Bushcare Group, Tennis Courts, Empire Bay, 9am, enq: 4369 2486 Ettymalong Creek Landcare, Ettalong Rd, Umina, 8am, enq: 4342 2251

EBWM Fishing Club competition, Club House in Beach St, Ettalong. **EBWM Vietnam Veterans** Peacekeapers, Peacemakers meeting, enq: 4344 4760 Fourth Sunday of

every month

11am, enq: 4379 1102

MONDAY

First Monday of <u>every month</u> RSL Womens' Aux, 9:30am,

EBWMC Endeavour View Club Luncheon, eng: 4342 1722, ECC

Pretty Beach PS P&C, Resource Centre, 7:30pm, eng: 4360 1587 **Grandparents Parenting Support** Group, Web Riley Room, Catholic Church, Woy Woy, enq: 4342 9995 **Country Women's Association**

meeting, 10am, CWA Hall, Umina, enq: 4341 5627

Second Monday of every month

Book Club, 7pm, enq: Mandy 4342 2482

Women 50+ Group Chat, PWHC RSL Women's Auxiliary, 9am; RSL Sub Branch, 2.30pm; Card Club, 1pm, EBWMC

Wagstaffe to Killcare Community Association, 7:30pm, eng: 4360 1546, WH

Killcare Heights Garden Club, 10:30am. eng: 43601595

Coastal Crones (over 50's), Friendship group PWHC

Labor Party Umina/Ettalong Branch, 7.30pm, Umina Library Tearooms, Bullion St, Umina, enq: 43417323

Third Monday of every month War Widows, 1pm, 43410286, EBWMC

> Fourth Monday of every month

Speachcraft Toastmasters Classes, 6pm, EBWMC Labor Party Peninsula Day Branch, 1pm, CWA Carers support group, Group room, Health Service Building, Woy Wov Hospital, eng: 4344 8427

Last Monday of every Month

WWLT Playreading, Woy Woy PS, 7.30pm, enq: 4341 2931

Kidz Drumming . 4-5pm, Rainbow Gate, 207 West St, Umina Cash Housie, 7:30pm, eng: 4323 3566, EMBC

Walking with other Mums enq: Liz Poole 4320 3741

Early Childhood Clinic and Koori Cuppa for Aboriginal families, (0-5 years) inc. immunisation, 9am-10.30am, eng: 4343 1929; 3Cs-Craft, Coffee & Conversation, 12.30pm, child care avail, eng: 43 431929, BFC

Yoga, 9.30am, Ph.4360 1854, WH Mums Meditation 10am. Drummimg classes 4pm RBG

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; Hysical 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,

7.30pm, EMBC Yoga, 9:30am, enq: 4360 2705,

WH Pilates, (except 2nd Monday of month) 6pm-7pm & 7pm-8pm, WH Tai Chi, Empire Bay Progress Hall,

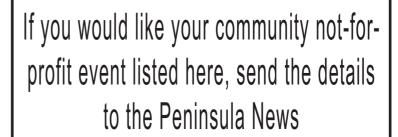
9:30am, enq: Clare 4369 1075 Sea scouts, 6pm, Nth Burge Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 0437 590 354 Girl Guides, 4pm, Cnr of Lurline

& Memorial Ave, Blackwall, enq: 4328 3247

Indian Dancing for Kids, 3.30pm, enq: 4342 4395, WWEC



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Old Time/New Vogue Dancing, 1pm-4pm ESCC

Last Sunday of every month Alliance Française "La Petanque" (the game of boules), 11am-5pm, enq: 0415 309 074 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, eng: 4360 1448

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

Patonga Bakehouse Gallery,

Dancing, 9am; Mahjong, 12.30pm; Fitness, 1pm, ESCC

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

Carpet Bowls, 9am; Card Club, 1pm, EBWMC

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

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, 10.30am

Occasional Childcare, 9am; Free Pool from 6pm

Thursdays Twilight Bowls from 5pm, Members' Badge Draw Surf n Turf Raffle from 5.30pm

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Arts & Entertainment

Comedy plays at Little Theatre

Woy Woy Little Theatre will present its first production for the year Key for Two at the Peninsula Theatre from Friday, February 6.

"Key for Two is a happy collaboration between two writers who are both known for writing well-crafted comedies particularly for television," publicity officer Ms Patrice Horne said.

"John Chapman has also written jointly with Ray Cooney whose plays have been commercially very successful in the last few years.

"They write scripts that make money and laughter by making fun of personal situations.

"They also remind us that theatre doesn't have to keep pushing out to the edges of human experience."

Ms Horne said the wickedly amusing comedy of Key for Two features Harriet, a divorcee living in an elegant flat in Brighton, who solves her financial problems by entertaining two married gentlemen callers on different days of the week.

"The scheme faces collapse when her friend, whose marriage is also in trouble, arrives at the flat hotly pursued by her husband," Ms Horne said.

"One of Harriet's lovers is confined to Harriet's bed with a sprained ankle, and the second lover turns up unexpectedly, closely followed by two irate wives in search of their itinerant husbands!

"The indescribable confusion that ensues builds to a rich complexity of mistaken identity, splendidly farcical situations and a climax of comic wizardry.

"Plays like Key for Two are fun for fun's sake, in which the characters witlessly work themselves into ridiculous situations and then wittily work their way out.

"Key for Two is directed by Denise Main, a theatre veteran with over 40 years experience in acting and directing with Elanora Players in Sydney."

The performance will show on the first, second and third Friday and Saturday of February at 8pm, with 2pm shows on Saturday, February 21, and on the second, third and fourth Sunday of the month.

Ticket prices start from \$6 for children under 15, \$17 for concessions and \$20 for adults.

The Peninsula Theatre box office will be open from 10am to 2pm, Monday to Friday, from January 27.

The Peninsula Theatre is located at the Cnr Ocean Beach Rd and McMasters Rd, Woy Woy.

Press release, 13 Jan 2009 Patrice Horne, Woy Woy Little Theatre



Musical was 'kaleidoscope'

Pearl Beach Youth Theatre's first production of the children's musical Little Gypsy Gaye was "a kaleidoscope of colour and movement", according to Pearl Beach Progress Association communications officer Ms Lynne Lillico.

Ms Lillico said the one-night performance attracted a sell-out crowd and another performance was scheduled due to popular demand.

"Little Gypsy Gaye was written in the 1930s with words by Molly Masters and music by Evelyn Wales," Ms Lillico said.

"The story is about the events that take place on the 10th birthday of a girl named Gaye. "The story has a surprise ending with Gaye being reunited with her real family and the promise that she will return each year to spend time with her adopted gypsy family."

Ms Lillico said members of the Pearl Beach Youth Theatre unanimously decided to donate all proceeds from the performance to the Central Coast School for Children with Autism.

The performance at Pearl Beach Community Hall raised more than \$2000 for the local school.

Musical director Ms Diane Orton said the youth theatre group consisted of children aged between eight and 15 years.

"I am delighted with the children's professional dedication and their willingness to accept guidance and direction," Ms Orton said.

"The commitment made by their parents in ensuring that the young performers remained focused throughout the intensive rehearsal schedules was extremely important to the success of the musical production."

According to Ms Lillico, the

Gypsy Market Place stalls at the conclusion of each performance provided a carnival atmosphere where cast members in their colorful costumes mingled with the audience.

"The stalls, selling an assortment of handmade jam and cakes and a selection of other items as well as fortune telling and numerous games for the younger audience to participate in, was a great success," Ms Lillico said.

"Members of the Pearl Beach community provided their expertise and assistance with costume design, set preparation, choreography, musical direction and photography."

A photo DVD of the performance is available to purchase for \$10 each.

For more information, phone 4344 2319.

Press release, 18 Jan 2009 Lynne Lillico, Pearl Beach Progress Association

Artists wanted to paint murals

The Ettalong Beach Business Group is looking for artists on the Peninsula to be involved in a series of community murals to be created at Ettalong Beach.

Press secretary Mr Richard Berntsen said the first mural would be located opposite the new post office in Memorial Ave.

"We particularly encourage talented local high school students to apply their special gifts to what will be a showpiece in the town," Mr Berntsen said.

He said the theme of the first three murals would include images from Ettalong Public School and a stylised map of Ettalong Beach to quide visitors through the area. depiction of a 1998 Kindergarten class and a stylised Ettalong Beach Town Map to guide visitors throughout the area," Mr Berntsen said.

"If you believe you have the artistic talent and passion to be involved in the Ettalong Beach Mural Project please contact us with examples of your work, so that we can begin creating a whole new artistic atmosphere in our slice of paradise."

For more information contact Richard Berntsen on via email at rmb@rmbvaluers.com.au or 4341 3465.

Press release, 28 Jan 2009 Richard Berntsen, Ettalong Beach Business Group

Call for student performers

Gosford Council is calling on Peninsula students to get involved and audition for this year's Youth In Performing Arts project.

Council is encouraging young individual performers or those who are part of a band, orchestra, instrumental or choral group to complete a registration form to secure an audition.

Performers will be required to audition at Laycock St Theatre on February 7 and 15, or March 1.

As in previous years, all school bands or school performing

arts groups will be required to audition at schools in Term One by arrangement.

If selected from auditions, performers will be called to perform on stage daily from June 2 to 6.

The Youth In Performing Arts project began in June 1992, as a joint initiative of Gosford West Rotary Club and Laycock St Theatre.

The concerts showcase the talent of Central Coast youth aged between 12 and 21, giving them the opportunity to participate in and apply for scholarships.

Website, 14 Jan 2009 Gosford Council



"The mural will consist of three murals including a black and white photo of Ettalong Public School children from the 1940s, a coloured

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Thursdays - 4.30 - 5.30pm Children's Art Fridays - 10am - 12noon Watercolour Painting Saturdays - 9am - 10.30am Children's Pottery 1pm - 3pm Silvercraft

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Joint garden project at pre-school

Secondary College Umina Campus took part in a joint community garden project at Wallaby St Preschool in Blackwall late last term.

Centre manager Ms Jennifer Toomey said the preschool was thrilled with their new garden.

"Late last year, Wallaby St Preschool contacted Brisbane Water Secondary Collage Umina Campus to see if they were interested in participating in a joint project with us," Ms Toomey said.

'The garden's dimensions are two metres wide, three metres long and 75 cm deep, and it looked pretty shabby.

"The project was offered to Year 8 Design and Technology students at the school, who put themselves

Students from Brisbane Water in small groups of three to four people and began to design a theme for the garden.

> "Five designs were submitted, and I believe the students had a lot of enthusiasm while creating their designs.'

Ms Toomey said a dinosaur theme was eventually agreed upon for the new garden.

"After careful consideration, the design that was chosen was a dinosaur theme created by three boys, Blake Robinson, Jake Pope and Braedy Richards," Ms Toomey said

"The boys came out to the centre last week of school term. accompanied by their teacher, and spent three days preparing the garden bed by digging out an old stump and then planting mondo

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grass, paper daisies and other hardy plants.

"They also created four mosaic dinosaurs as a feature in the garden.

"The preschool children at the centre enjoyed the boys being at the centre and watching the changes happen as they created our new wonderful garden.

"Lots of parents and families have commented on the improvement and Wallaby St Preschool is very proud of the boys' efforts and commitment.

"With such a great result of the garden and positive interactions between schools we would be very happy to do a joint project with the local high school again."

Email, 29 Jan 2009 Jennifer Toomey, Wallaby St Preschool

Woy Woy wins local shield

Round six of the Central **Coast Cricket Association** two-day cricket competition brought about the much awaited clash between Umina and Woy Woy.

Umina District Cricket Club publicity officer Mr Gary Blake said both Peninsula clubs played entertaining cricket.

"The two Peninsula clubs play for the Cattley-Hook Shield honouring two local cricketing legends, Steve Cattley and Bob Hook," Mr Blake said.

"Due to the change in structure of the competition this year, the winner of the trophy would be the club with the better performances over First, Second and Third Grades.

"Woy Woy were the winners this year with wins in Second and Third Grades, while Umina won a thriller in First Grade.

Day One of the First and Second Grade matches were washed out, leaving the contest to be played under one day rules.

"When the First Grade match commenced at Col Gooley Field, Umina, captain Mitchell Smith won the toss and elected to bat.

"The Umina Devils fought hard to tally 123 with Brad Jones (26) and Warwick Botfield (23) being the only batsmen to come to terms with the Woy Woy attack.

"Noel Ellis was the star with 5 for 23

"The visitors had every right to feel confident about the chase, but disaster struck in the first over when opener John Jewiss was run out by some superb fielding by Nathan Carmody-Smith.

Then Rvan Clement picked up Quentin Donald and Woy Woy were 2 for 0.

"Despite a dogged 44 from Noel Ellis the visitors were unable to master the Umina bowlers and with Devils skipper Mitchell Smith taking 4 for 32 and Ryan Clement 4 for 30, the hosts ran out deserving winners to keep their place in the top six.

"In Second Grade, Woy Woy were too strong scoring 6 for 271 off their 50 overs.

"In reply, despite solid efforts from Justin Gerrie (33) and Nick Garnett (32), Umina were only able to muster 128 runs."

Mr Blake said Third Grade saw another easy win to Woy Woy.

"Woy Woy scored 8 for 216 then bowled Umina out for 60 and 131,"

the going too tough with only nine players (including five under 16-years-old).

"Mountains/Gosford scored 6 for 219 and dismissed Umina for 81 and 122.

"Nathan Mitchell smashed 62 to give the second innings some respectability.

Limited the Overs "In Competition Umina are performing very well with the A Grade leading the competition, and the C and D Grades both in third place.

"A Grade made very short work of Woy Woy dismissing the Sharks for 46, with Luke Varley, Brendon Jones and Ryan Mathews doing all of the damage.

"The Umina Devils passed the total for the loss of only two wickets with Shannon O'Dea top scoring on 18 not out.

"B Grade also had a walk in the park, bowling Woy Woy out for 57, with Nick Clarke, Alistair Lock, Luke Ellard and Adam Fyfe all getting wickets.

"Andrew Friend scored 29 not out getting the Devils home for the loss of four wickets.

"C Grade defeated Kincumber and solid batting by Dave Munson in scoring 60 runs helped the Devils to a total of 141.

"Our bowlers did the job with skipper Mark Bourke, Scott Aitchison and Anthony Wood combining to dismiss Kincumber for 117.

"D Grade lost a close match with Wyong.

"Umina batted first and scored 9 for 158, with Liam Clement 48 not out and club president Paul Sharpe adding 30 runs.

"Wyong fought hard and with the help of some dubious umpiring on behalf of the batting team, Wyong passed our total for the loss of seven wickets.

> Press release, 12 Jan 2009 Gary Blake, Umina **District Cricket Club**

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Umina Fire Station has raised more than \$12,500 in support of depression and prostate cancer as part of its Movember Central Coast fundraising event.

Umina fire fighter and event organiser Mr Shannon Dixon said the group was overwhelmed by the response and generosity of the local community.

"During November, we asked the

The Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia and Beyond Blue the national depression initiative," Mr Dixon said.

"With the help of the community, myself and the boys from 340 Umina Fire Station managed to raise just over \$12,500.

"This is a massive effort considering we only decided to fight for the cause at the start of the month.

"Around \$9000 alone was raised on this night and much thanks must go to the guys from 340 Umina and the hard working staff at Woy Woy Leagues Club.

Mr Dixon said the night was so strongly supported that the club closed its doors around 10.30pm, 90 minutes earlier than "the normal 12pm curfew, as the club had reached maximum capacity".

"Scenes in the nightclub resembled that of the mosh-pit at a Big Day Out concert, with the band Rock Solid being exactly that and rocking the place out all night long."

community to grow a moustache and dig deep to help change the face of men's health by raising some much needed funds for

November 29, saw the culmination of all our hard work with a massive Mo-Town party at Woy Woy Leagues Club.

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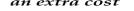
Email, 20 Jan 2009 Shannon Dixon, Ettalong Beach



Adult Beginners Course Mon. 2nd Feb 09. 7.30pm CWA Hall, Woy Woy To Book: Katy 4342 1112 www.drumbala.com

Mr Blake said.

"Umina's best bowler was Ashley Jones who took three wickets, while the only batting of note was Paul Wright (36), Geoff Byrnes (26) and Bryce Cox (25). "Fourth Grade played Mountains/Gosford and found





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Sport

Umina may field six teams in cricket finals

Six out of eight teams from the Umina District Cricket Club are in the running to make the finals in March following strong performances throughout early January.

"Our first grade has moved into fourth place after defeating competition leaders Terrigal as a result of some excellent batting by Nathan Carmody-Smith (90 not out) and Warwick Botfield (50) backed up by strong bowling efforts by skipper Mitchell Smith and Colin Smyth," club publicity officer Mr Gary Blake said.

"Second grade had an outright win over Terrigal on the back of Scott King who took 7/39 and then backed up to take 4/45 in the second innings.

"Scott had match figures of 11/84 off 40 overs which was one of the best bowling performances seen at Col Gooley Field for many years.

"Third grade lost to Terrigal, despite fine bowling by Josh Wakim (4/17 and 3/19), and a gutsy 45 runs by Ashley Stocker in the run chase."

Umina's one-day limited overs teams also reported strong performances.

"A grade continues to lead the competition after strong wins over Lisarow and Wyong," Mr Blake said.

"Fast bowler Jason Creese took 6/14 to destroy Losarow.

"The B grade side had a rare win over Wyong thanks to a fine 81 not out by Sean Ellard and some good bowling again by Nick Clarke and Andrew Friend.

"C grade are placed third on the table after a close win against Warnervale and a comprehensive win over Woy Woy.

"Brendan Egan scored 91 runs against the local rivals, while Jamie Yeo continued his strong season taking 4/6 with the ball. "D grade are also placed third after wins over Doyalson and Warnervale.

"Good batting efforts recently by promising juniors Andrew Glassock (91), Mitchell Manson (83) and Liam Clement (60) have complemented solid efforts by all of our bowlers and this team is well placed to challenge the leaders in the run home."

Results were:

First grade - Umina 264 (Nathan Carmody-Smith 90 n.o., Warwick Botfield 50 Craig Brown 34 Brad Jones 26) defeated Terrigal 210 (Colin Smyth 4/44 Mitchell Smith 4/69) 1st Innings Win.

Second grade - Umina 163 (Nick Garnett 34, Ross Watson 26, Warren Gomesz 25, Scott King 25 n.o.) & 6/88 defeated Terrigal 78 (Scott King 7/39 Jamie Doran 2/16) & 172 (Scott King 4/45 Cameron Dunn 3/16 Mitchell Fiddock 2/23) Outright.

Third grade - Terrigal 130 (Josh Wakem 4/17, Paul Wright 3/42, Ashley Jones 2/41) & 7/159 Dec. (Josh Wakem 3/19 Ben Crain 2/27) defeated v Umina 98 & 135 (Ashley Stocker 45 Luke Egan 27) Outright.

Fourth grade - Umina 76 (John Fogarty 36) & 92 (John Carroll 27) lost to Terrigal 4/106 dec. & 0/67 Outright.

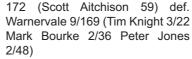
ODLO A - 6th Grade - Umina 3/83 Kurt Smith 37 n.o. Ryan Mathews 28) defeated Lisarow 73 (Jason Creese 6/14 Steve Searston 2/9)

Umina 227 (Troy Spicer 58 Tim Bell 40 Dan Fiddock 28 Steve Searston 26 Ben Griffin 26) def. Wyong 162 (Luke Varley 3/27 Dan Fiddock 2/18).

ODLO B - 7th Grade - Narara 6/212 (Kendall Thompson 2/42) def. Umina 111 (Nick Clarke 28)

Umina 8/182 (Sean Ellard 81 n.o.) def. Wyong 174 (Nick Clarke 3/18 Andrew Friend 2/6).

ODLO C - 8th grade - Umina



Umina 8/256 (Brendan Egan 91 Mick Grealy 41 Tim Knight 40 Peter Jones 36) def. Woy Woy 42 (Jamie Yeo 4/6 Mark Bourke 3/18 Peter Jones 2/4).

ODLO D - 9th Grade - Umina 239 (Andrew Glassock 91 David Frazer 47) def. Doyalson 100 (Jacob Clement 2/6 James Smith 2/12 Jordan O'Donnell 2/16 Mitchell Manson 2/22)

Umina 6/319 (Mitchell Manson 83 Liam Clement 60 Jacob Clement 30 Brad McIntyre 48) def. Warnervale 267 (Sam Court 2/12 Jason Court 2/44 Jacob Clement 2/44).

Press release, 29 Jan 2009 Gary Blake, Umina Cricket Club

Netballers chosen for academy program

Several members of the Woy Woy Peninsula Netball Association have been selected for the Central Coast Academy of Sport netball program.

Twenty athletes were chosen to be part of the program this year including Woy Woy Peninsula Netball Association members Jenna Chapman, Britney Logan, Tayla Nicoll, Eleanor Rayner, Breannan Singman and Georgia Twyford.

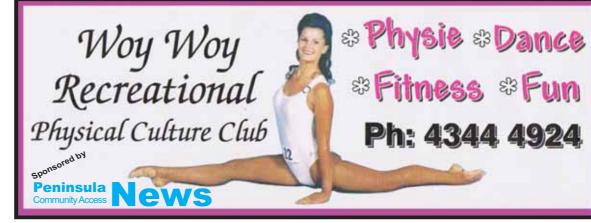
Skye Sharpe was also selected

to take part in the academy's netball umpire program and her mother Megan Sharpe will be the team's assistant coach.

Association secretary Ms Ellie Hamilton said the local netball community was extremely proud of the girls' achievement.

"We are so proud of all our girls and wish them the best of luck in their experience at the academy," Ms Hamilton said.

Clare Graham, 14 Jan 2009 Interviewee: Ellie Hamilton, Woy Woy Peninsula Netball Association







WWJRLFC 2009 Registration Days

Seeking players from Under 6s to Under 16s Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th February 2009

Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th February 2009

Registration will be held at Woy Woy Leagues Club between 11.00am and 2.00pm. Cost is \$95.00 per player. We also offer a sibling discount, which is \$90.00 for the second child and \$85.00 for the 3rd and subsequent child (includes socks, shorts, dress shirt and insurance with full payment of registration). As a bonus, registrations paid in full by Sun 15th Feb will go into a draw to receive 1 free registration back

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Nipper boards for surf club

Umina Surf Life Saving Club recently welcomed the delivery of five new foam nipper boards for use by younger members of the club.

Publicity officer Mr Carl Krucler said the five new boards brought the club's total to nine boards.

"The club executive identified the need to replace its aging 'foamie' nipper boards, some of which were more than 15 years old, for use by members aged between eight and nine years old to gain experience in handling these craft," Mr Krucler said.

"The club has a large number of members in these age groups and many show significant potential in competition, particularly in water events '

Mr Krucler said the addition of five new boards to the club would not have been possible without the generosity of one family."

The club received a significant donation a family member who was rescued by Master's members during a training session last season.

"The donation was stipulated to be used for the benefit of the younger members," Mr Krucler

said.

"They approached local businesses to donate monies on a dollar-for-dollar basis and were delighted with the response.

"Those businesses which were forthcoming included Homebrook Pty Ltd, Wendys Ice Cream at Deepwater Plaza, Shading Solutions, Lance Clark Amcal Pharmacy in Woy Woy, Campbell's Home Trade, Nathan's Cutting Shop in Umina and Newcastle Permanent at Deepwater Plaza."

Press release, 21 Jan 2009 Carl Krucler, Umina Surf Life Saving Club

Junior Roosters move to new home

Woy Woy Junior Rugby League Football Club has announced it will be moving its new home ground from Woy Woy oval to Rogers Park for the 2009 season.

"This move will see an expansion of playing fields from the current two fields at Woy Woy Oval to three playing fields on Rogers Park number two," said club secretary Mr Russell Downey.

"This move to Rogers Park will give our Junior Roosters club the opportunity to have a greater number of teams playing home games, while allowing volunteers to finish their days much earlier than previously.

"We are predicting that the increased visibility of a move to Rogers Park, along with a major new development program to be run by the juniors, will see an increase in playing numbers for junior rugby league."

According to Mr Downey, the decision to move to Rogers Park had been planned for some time.

"The decision to move wasn't made overnight or taken lightly and the Woy Woy juniors committee and members had been involved in lengthy negotiations with representatives of Gosford Council, Country Rugby League and Central Coast Junior Division,' Mr Downey said.

"Once the committee felt that all the boxes were ticked and importantly with the upgrade to existing amenities at Rogers Park, it can now look to future plans for Rogers Park and the development of rugby league."

In another major achievement for the junior club, Mr Downey announced the signing of a new major sponsor in the Reliance Group of Companies.

"We are also pleased to announce the signing of eight new minor sponsors and these, along with the Reliance Group, will be displayed on the brand new set of playing jerseys to be unveiled this season," Mr Downey said.

The club will hold several registration days on February 7, 8, 14 and 15 at Woy Woy Leagues Club between 11am and 2pm.

Mr Downey said registration costs remain at the 2006 price of \$95 per child which included shirt, socks, shorts and insurance.

The club will also be offering sibling discounts.

For more information, contact club registrar Melissa Moore on 0425 324 956.

Press release, 27 Jan 2009 Russell Downey, Woy Woy Junior Rugby League Football Club

Ocean Beach wins longboard event

Ocean Beach Malibu Club has won the inaugural Three-Way Charity Longboard Challenge at Catherine Hill Bay on January 18.

Contest director Mr Craig Coulton said the challenge was played out between the Ocean Beach Malibu Club, Shelly Beach Malibu Club and Wallarah Longboard Club.

"The event was a great success as it raised a further \$650 towards prostate cancer research," Mr Coulton said.

According to Mr Coulton, the proceeds raised at the challenge will go towards the \$1000 already raised by the Ocean Beach and Shelly Beach clubs in September last year. "This event will now replace the September charity day which has been conducted between Ocean Beach and Shelly Beach since 1998 and will be held on the third Sunday in January each year," Mr Coulton said.

in the second, and Mark Williams winning the third, Ocean Beach had a comfortable lead after the first three heats.

"Both Wallarah and Shelly then began their fightback.

"Of the eight remaining general heats, Shelly won four, Wallarah three and Ocean Beach, through Garry Halliday, just the one, though second placings to Mitch Bolton, Brian Cook, Brett Wakelin and Mark Johnstone still gave Ocean Beach a five-point advantage leading into the champion's heats.

"In these heats, each club nominates their best four surfers to compete against each other.

"Hayden Emery's second placing the first of the champion's heats.

The Ocean Beach Malibu Club's first contest for 2009 will be held at Umina Beach on Sunday, February

Mr Coulton said new members, including women, were more than welcome to participate.

He encouraged new members to meet in the Umina Beach car park at 7am on the contest day.

See www. oceanbeachmalibuclub.com for more details.

> Press release, 19 Jan 2009 Craig Coulton, Ocean Beach Malibu Club

Good results for Umina

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"Also, Umina nippers finished third overall at the recent Junior Carnival on January 18, at Ocean Beach.

"Umina has maintained top placings during the season and are expected to also do well at the **NSW Junior State Championships** at Swansea Belmont from February 20.

"The following weekend our seniors and masters head up to Swansea and they are well into training.

Press release, 29 Jan 2009 Christine Lavers, Umina Beach Surf Life Saving Club

Umina Beach Surf Life Saving Club has achieved good results in competitions held throughout January, according to club secretary Ms Christine Lavers said.

"Three of Umina's top female competitors completed the NSW Surf Premiership Competition recently," Ms Lavers said.

"This series was over three rounds and was open to all NSW competitors from under 13 to opens.

"Our three girls Teigan Miller, Jess Mensforth and Helen Krucler placed very well against the state's



"Next year's event will be held at Umina Beach on January 17.

"Catherine Hill Bay was at its glorious best, turning on a glassy three to four foot swell, a light off-shore breeze, capped off with brilliant sunshine.

"With Hayden Emery winning the first heat, Michael Baker and Craig Coulton getting the double along with Garry Halliday's third in the second heat, was just enough to win Ocean Beach the inaugural three-way charity challenge trophy by just one point.

"Final team points for the day were: Ocean Beach Malibu Club on 93 points, Shelly Beach Malibu Club on 92 points and Wallarah Longboard Club finishing up on 88 points."

Mr Coulton said the club would love to hear from any business interested in sponsoring next year's charity day on January 10. For more information email obmalclub@optusnet.com.au or phone Craig Coulton on 0412 616





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