



The area covered by the Draft Brisbane Water Estuary Management Plan

Plan recommends action on Ettalong channel

Dredging the Ettalong channel, replenishment of sand at Ettalong Beach and a study of the "sedimentary processes" in the area to determine long-term management strategies are among the recommendations of a report currently open for public comment.

The recommendations are contained in the draft Brisbane Water Estuary Management Plan, which is currently on public exhibition and open for comment until Friday, July 29.

Other recommendations include dredging Correa Bay from the

boat ramp to the entrance of Woy Woy Creek, investigating removal of the dam at the old abattoir site, and maintaining sediment traps in Horsfield Bay.

Almost one kilometre of seawall would be constructed or replaced either side of Ettalong Beach, and the seawall at Memorial Park, Woy Woy, would be upgraded.

Erosion at a number of sites around the Peninsula would be investigated and addressed.

These include at Lara St, Koolewong; at the Blackwall Point boat ramp; at the Rip Rd reserve, Blackwall; and on the eastern foreshores of Hardy's Bay.

The management plan is divided

into six zones, with the five highest priority actions listed for each zone.

Zones surrounding the Peninsula are: Zone 3 The Woy Woy Reach, which covers The Bays area; Zone 4 – The Central Reach, which extends from Woy Woy to The Rip bridge; and Zone 6 – The Entrance, which takes in Booker Bay and Ettalong Channel as far as Half Tide Rocks.

The plan is available on Gosford Council's website (www.gosford.nsw.gov.au) and written submissions will be accepted by post or email.

**Website, 13 Jun 2011
Items on Exhibition,
Gosford Council
ESTUARY PLAN - Pages 12 and 13**

New hardware store planned for Umina

A new hardware store is set to open in the old Flemmings Supermarket building in West St, Umina, according to the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber has welcomed the move, in what it sees as a further major boost to the Umina retail precinct.

But at the same time, it has called on Gosford Council and the Department of Industry and Investment to implement economic programs to support small business.

"The Bunnings Warehouse decision to lodge a development application is further evidence that major retailers see the Umina Beach retail precinct as the commercial hot spot on the Central Coast", said Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"This is a big win for consumer choice on the Peninsula, giving further evidence that the Peninsula is finally being taken seriously as a major retail market.

"The new Bunnings outlet will include hardware and building supplies with a retail plant nursery at the rear of the building with access to the existing car park.

"The Bunnings decision comes on the back of an aggressive expansion program which will also see them relocate the Bunnings West Gosford store to the old Sterlands site behind Officeworks," said Mr Wales.

"Clearly the decision is well timed with Woolworths and Coles trading well from the new and refurbished

supermarkets and with Aldi due to open before Christmas.

"It gives further weight for the need for Gosford Council to advance the Umina Beach Village Structure Plan so that major issues such as car parking, pedestrian access and future commercial expansion can be addressed.

"This review is important as the Chamber is aware of several other major commercial announcements for the Umina Beach town centre in coming months," said Mr Wales.

The Peninsula Chamber has also expressed some concerns over the impact of the big retailers on some existing small businesses and the flow of retail trade away from Woy Woy and Ettalong as consumers access the wider variety in Umina.

"As a business community, we are obviously concerned that major retailers don't adversely impact on smaller retailers," said Mr Wales.

"While we welcome choice and competition, we also need to balance this with the need to sustain small operators which provide added variety.

"This has motivated the Chamber to initiate talks with Gosford Council and the NSW Department of Industry and Investment on economic programs that can be implemented in all of the Peninsula retail centres to stimulate small business growth," he said.

**Media Release, 9 Jul 2011
Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce**

Electronic waste recycling trial

Gosford Council has launched an electronic waste recycling trial at Woy Woy tip starting on Friday, July 22.

The trial will run until Saturday, October 22, and will allow residents to drop unwanted e-waste items at Woy Woy tip for free.

Items that can be dropped-off

include computer monitors, printers, keyboards, mice, modems, cables, TVs, VCRs, DVDs, CD players, laptops, notebooks, photocopiers, scanners, fax machines and telephones.

During the trial there will be a restriction of five items per visit for residents, with fees applying for commercial quantities.

Gosford mayor Cr Laurie Maher said that the trial was promoting sustainable waste management on the Peninsula

"The program will help reduce the level of discarded electronic goods being buried in landfill and allow us to re-use valuable resources from these items.

"The average computer

contains around 2.5 kilograms of lead, mercury, beryllium and other recoverable metals, all of which can be re-used in various ways.

"Getting involved in this e-waste recycling trial is a great way for households to do their bit for the environment while also giving their old electronic goods a second life," said Cr Maher.

The e-waste recycling program is funded by Gosford Council and the NSW Government under its Waste and Sustainability Improvement Payment (WaSIP) program.

**Media Release, 14 Jul 2011
Gosford Council Media**

Your chance to win!

Peninsula News and Menhir Spanish Tapas restaurant is offering one reader the chance to win a gift voucher to the value of \$100.

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To have a chance to win the \$100 Menhir voucher, write your name, address and phone number on the back of an envelope and send to Peninsula News Menhir restaurant competition PO Box 1056, Gosford, NSW, 2250, by the close of business Thursday, August 4.

The winner of last edition's Peninsula News Beef and Barramundi Bar and Grill Steakhouse competition is Lisa Newman from Umina.

Kaitlin Watts, 22 Jul 2011



July rain is three times average

The Peninsula has received more than three times its monthly average rainfall for July.

At 9am on Saturday, July 23, a total of 216.2mm had been recorded on the Peninsula, according to figures supplied by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

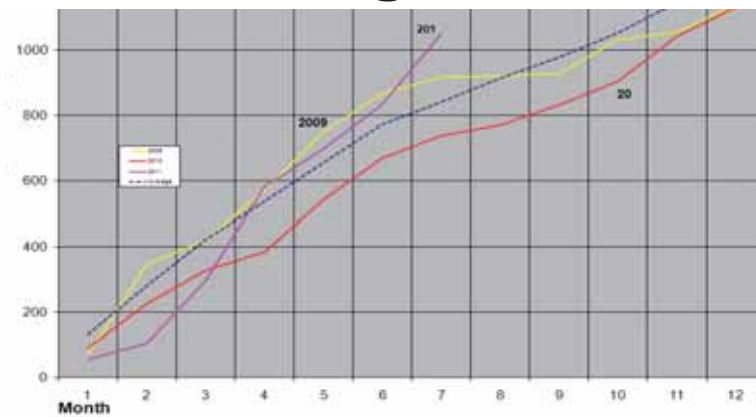
This compared to the average July total of 66.8mm.

More than 190mm fell in the four days to Saturday morning.

Figures of 48.5mm, 40.0, 62.6 and 39.2 were recorded over the four days.

The rainfall takes the total for the year to 1051mm, 25 per cent above the average cumulative total of 839.6mm.

Top temperature for the month so far has averaged 17.9 degrees



and minimum has averaged 9.1 degrees, according to figures from the Peninsula weather website, www.peninsulaweather.info.

The lowest maximum was 13.1 recorded on July 15, while the highest minimum was 11.8

recorded on July 6.

Highest temperature for the month was 22.9 recorded on July 4.

Highest wind gust was 36.7km/h recorded on July 19.

Spreadsheet, 23 Jul 2011

Jim Morrison, Woy Woy

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No stopping in Lurline St

Gosford Council has resolved to install No Stopping signs on both sides of Lurline St, Ettalong.

The decision was made after Ettalong Beach Public School asked the Council to install the signs.

The school wanted the signs in Lurline St on the southern side of the Bourke Rd intersection to alleviate congestion and safety concerns.

A council staff investigation revealed that vehicles were often parked on both sides of Lurline St, south of Bourke Rd, within the statutory 10 metre No Stopping restriction at intersections, causing unnecessary congestion

at the intersection.

The Council has also agreed to extend existing No Parking signs on school days between 8 and 9:30am and 2:30 and 4pm on the northern side of Uligandi St, Ettalong, for nine metres west of Ettalong Public School's road crossing.

The school had asked for a review of the No Parking (School Zone times) restrictions on the northern side of Uligandi St extending westerly from the school crossing.

The extension will ensure unobstructed access for waste service vehicles using the driveway at the rear of the school.

Council Agenda, TR.11.33, TR.11.35, 5 Jul 2011



Woy Woy Library

Rawson Rd refuge site search continues

Gosford Council will investigate other locations for a pedestrian refuge on Rawson Rd, Woy Woy, following the rejection of two previous proposals from the community.

At its meeting in June last year, the Traffic Committee received submissions about the possibility a pedestrian refuge in Rawson Rd.

A letter box drop to adjoining residents and businesses was carried out and concerns were raised regarding the loss of on-street parking affecting the businesses adjacent to the proposed refuge.

An alternative location was then identified and a plan was prepared and considered by the Traffic Committee in December.

Council received nine submissions with concerns that the refuge would cause a loss of parking, and restriction of turn movements into and out of a house in Rawson Rd.

A bus required to pick up a disabled child would be unable to pull into the driveway due to safety issues, the Traffic Committee was told.

Council will advise the resident who requested the facility of the progress of the matter.

Council Agenda TR.11.34, 5 Jul 2011

Libraries close for new system

Woy Woy and Umina Libraries will be closed for up to four days in August to introduce a new system to improve the security of valuable collections.

Umina Library will be closed from Thursday, August 11, to Monday, August 15, and Woy Woy Library will be closed from Tuesday, August 16, to Friday,

August 19.

Library services manager Mr Alan Flores said the new system would be an overall improvement in record keeping, customer service and security.

"This is a great opportunity for all of our branches to move onto a new system and improve our overall operations in a number of key areas.

"While we understand that closing for a short time may be an inconvenience, customers will reap the benefits once our branches re-open.

"The after-hours return chute will remain open for customers to make returns while branches are closed," said Mr Flores.

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Student to run for State

A 10-year-old student from St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School in Woy Woy has been selected to represent NSW at the National PSSA Track and Field Championships in Darwin from September 15 to 18.

Bradman Best will represent NSW in the 100 metre sprint and the 4 x 100 metre relay.

His selection on the NSW team follows his performance at the All Schools State Championship held earlier this month.

Bradman finished second in the 100 metre sprint with a time of 14.4 seconds and ninth in the long jump.

"These inspiring results and national level recognition come after Bradman's all round dedication to sports," said school publicity officer Ms Margaret Channing.

Bradman's growing list of sporting achievement include Woy Woy Roosters Football Club 2010 Player with the Most Potential, 2010 Peninsula Touch Football Association Junior Player of the Year and gold and silver medals in beach sprinting and flags for

Umina Surf Club at State Titles over the past two years.

"Bradman Best is a wonderful ambassador for sporting achievement on the Central Coast," said Ms Channing.

"Representing NSW at the above Championships will be a further opportunity for the Central Coast's sporting flag to fly high.

"Our school is tremendously proud of how hard Bradman has worked to reach this level.

"Natural sporting abilities will take a young person so far, but we all know it takes unswerving motivation, dedication and determination to compete at the elite level.

"However, travelling to Darwin will be an expensive exercise for Bradman and his family.

"To assist, St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School will run some fund-raising activities," said Ms Channing.

"Also, Samantha Buckley from Umina Beach Netball Club has stepped in to help by approaching local businesses for sponsorship," she said.

**Media Release, 19 Jul 2011
Margaret Channing, St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School**

Pink sock day raises \$2000

Woy Woy Junior Rugby Union has raised over \$2000 in support of the McGrath Foundation with teams from all over the Coast donning pink socks at Woy Woy Oval on Saturday, July 16.

"Last year Daniel MacLean from our under-11s (now under-12s) suggested his team wear pink socks to raise money for the McGrath Foundation," said media officer Mr Billy MacLean.

"The whole team agreed and

all the boys wore the socks and raised over \$2000.

"This year it was the rest of the clubs turn to don the pink socks.

"We had all teams from under-7s to under-15s taking part in our Pink Sock Day at Woy Woy Oval.

"All kids were given a pledge sheet to get friends and family to sponsor their team for every try they scored.

"One of the dads from the under-12's underestimated the boys as he pledged \$10 per try.

"The boys ran in nine. "We have raised \$1750 from Saturday's efforts alone.

"Once all the pledge sheets come in the total is going to be well over \$2000.

"It is one thing to be proud of kids playing rugby union in the spirit of the game but to see all the kids wearing pink for this great cause makes our whole club very proud indeed," said Mr MacLean.

**Email, 20 Jul 2011
Billy MacLean, WWJRU**

Road resurfaced

Memorial Ave, Blackwall, has been resurfaced between Warrigal St and Blackwall Rd, with funding of \$240,000

from the RTA.

"This work will provide a smoother road surface, improve safety for motorists and reduce

ongoing maintenance costs," said Member for Gosford Cr Chris Holstein.

Cr Holstein said the work was carried out at night to minimise the potential impact on motorists.

Work was undertaken on Sunday, June 19, at 6pm until 4:30am and Monday, June 20, from 8pm until 4:30am.

**Media Release, 20 Jun 2011
Wendy Masula, Office of Chris Holstein MP**

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Chamber wants promises honoured

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has urged the NSW State Government to honour its election promises despite the likelihood of a tough Budget in September.

"Clearly the Chamber wants key projects such as the West Gosford intersection, the Woy Woy Road deviation and Wisemans Ferry Rd fully funded as promised prior to the election so that our road system is brought into the 21st century," said Mr Wales.

"In order for business to flourish, our road networks need to be upgraded and key intersections rebuilt to ensure that access between major commercial centres such as Woy Woy and Gosford are hassle free.

"For Gosford Council to succeed in revitalising these centres, it is important that the West Gosford

intersection is rebuilt as soon as possible.

"This cannot be done without State Government funding," said Mr Wales.

Mr Wales said the Chamber was concerned that the CommSec quarterly report highlighted that NSW was weak on planning and weak on delivering infrastructure with only flood ravaged Queensland in a worse position.

"We all know money is tight and that the new State Government has to contend with the funding of some big ticket projects, but the Peninsula needs the NSW Government to honour its election promises and get on with West Gosford and start the planning process for the Woy Woy Rd deviation," he said.

Media Release, 18 Jul 2011
Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce



Ocean Beach sand dunes eroding

Dunes erode as coastal study starts

Gosford Council is monitoring dune erosion at Ocean Beach after a recent run of large swells caused two access paths between Barrenjoey Rd and Koorung St to be closed.

Council's natural open space coordinator Mr Larry Melican said erosion of the dune has also resulted in the loss of a number of large banksias and tea trees.

"These trees have been re-orientated to ensure that there is adequate pedestrian thoroughfare along the beach," he said.

"Removal of these trees is not considered to be necessary at this point in time, and maintaining this material on site may be important for trapping sand when the beach rebuilding process commences," he said.

Mr Melican said the council had also engaged consultants to undertake a study which would address erosion and coastal processes at the beach.

It would be known as the Gosford Open Coast and Broken Bay Beaches Coastal Processes and Hazards Re-assessment project.

"The consultant is required

to undertake the project in accordance with NSW Coastline Management framework.

"The NSW Guidelines to Developing Coastal Zone Management Plans identifies a range of coastline hazards to be included in any assessment process.

"The study methodology will assess the extent to which coastal processes have influenced the beaches in the past, and to what extent these coastal processes would impact these areas in the future.

"This will assist in determining the appropriate long term management response while also taking into account climate change induced sea level rise and associated shoreline recession, shoreline recession due to

sediment budget deficit, short term erosion due to storm activity and dune stability considerations," said Mr Melican

"The risk-based hazard assessment would be carried out for the immediate, 50 year and 100 year planning periods.

"This project will enable Council to identify the erosion and recession hazards under a defined set of conditions and identify and implement measures to ensure long term protection of property and beach amenity.

"The community will be consulted throughout the project, and will have the opportunity to identify longer term management options for consideration."

Email, 14 Jul 2011
Larry Melican, Gosford Council

Federal MPs visit

Minister for Human Services Ms Tanya Plibersek, Member for Robertson Ms Deborah O'Neill and Member for Dobell Mr Craig Thomson visited the Peninsula Community centre in Woy Woy on Tuesday, July 12, to highlight the cost of climate change inaction.

They spoke with residents about the assistance being delivered to households as Australia moves to a low-carbon economy.

According to Ms Pilbersek, the Central Coast faces the greatest risk from inundation from sea level rise in NSW if no action is taken on dangerous climate change.

"We know the science tells us

that we need to act on dangerous climate change," Ms Plibersek said.

"The science shows us that the Central Coast faces the highest risk of inundation from sea level rise in New South Wales.

"The Federal Government is taking action to tackle dangerous climate change and move Australia towards a clean energy future while supporting jobs and providing assistance to households and pensioners," she said.

More than 92,300 Central Coast residents will receive household assistance under the Gillard Government's Clean Energy Future package, she said.

Media Release, 19 Jul 2011
Richard Mehrtens, Office of Deborah O'Neill MP

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Charged with driving offences

A 19-year-old male from Woy Woy has been charged with special range PCA and driving offences, including Skye's Law, following a car chase in Davistown on Saturday, July 9.

A Holden Commodore was stolen at around 1:30am from Sign Rd, Saratoga, and was then spotted at Davistown around 1:35am.

Police commenced a short

pursuit in Saratoga.

The car was pulled over and two males fled from the vehicle.

The 19-year-old driver resisted arrest and was sprayed with pepper spray and subsequently charged.

Police from Brisbane Water Local Area Command are continuing inquiries to identify the remaining two males involved in the pursuit.

Kaitlin Watts, 11 Jul 2011
Interviewee: Inspector Nigel Webber



The broken brick fence after the crash

Petition calls for Edward St restriction

A petition with seven signatures was received by Council from local residents which requested No Parking

signs be installed in Edward St, Woy Woy, between Melba and Piper Sts.

The petitioners stated that having cars parked on both sides of the road caused it to become so narrow that vehicles drive down the centre of the road and one vehicle has to give way..

The petitioners said that a serious accident could occur as it has become very dangerous, given the amount of traffic using this access to the shopping centres.

Council Agenda P.18, 28 Jun 2011



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Traffic delayed after bus crash

Traffic was delayed for a number of hours on Ocean Beach Rd, Woy Woy, on Thursday, July 21, after a bus crashed into a brick fence around 4:30pm.

Diversions were in place after

police blocked both directions of traffic at the intersection near Kathleen St after a Ford Falcon lost control and hit the bus causing the bus to crash into the fence.

The 52-year-old bus driver from Woy Woy was conveyed to

hospital with minor injuries along with the driver of the Falcon.

The remaining three people on the bus were uninjured.

Kaitlin Watts, 22 Jul 2011
Inspector George Bradbury, Brisbane Water LAC

Restaurant is one of the best

A Killcare Heights restaurant has been named one of regional NSW's top places to dine in the 2011 Savour Australia restaurant and catering awards for excellence, hosted on Monday, July 4, at the Civic Theatre, Newcastle.

"For the first time, one event was held to encompass the regions of Northern, New England, Hunter and Central Coast, with winners announced for each region", said the event's marketing manager Ms

Karli Ostle.

More than 200 restaurants and caterers, whose businesses are located in the northern half of the state, were recognised at the

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Bells at Killcare was named best caterer in its region.

Media release, 5 Jul 2011
Karli Ostle, Restaurant and Catering

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What protection is there for small businesses?

I opened my hardware store, Peninsula Hardware, after Mitre 10 closed back in 2008.

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Peninsula Hardware is a locally-owned family business.

As I am sure you are aware Bunnings Hardware have lodged a DA with Gosford Council to open a store in West St, Umina.

After all our hard work where will

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this leave us as a small business if Bunnings is allowed to open in Umina?

What happens to our business and our livelihood?

Can we stop the Bunnings store from opening in Umina to save local small businesses including our own?

How is it that a large business like Bunnings can come into the town with no consideration to the economic impact it will have on small businesses in the area?

What protection is there for small businesses in our town?

Many small businesses will fold because of the adverse effects of the big businesses opening up in Umina.

These large companies are pushing the small businesses out of town.

Is there any economic assistance for me and my small business if Bunnings opens and takes away my livelihood and forces me to close down my hardware store?

My business cannot compete against a large company like

Bunnings in a small area like Umina.

The existence of a small business in Umina has been a part of the character of the town for many years.

Variety and competition are an important part of the retail business in an area.

But please tell me, how this is being achieved in Umina?

Three big players have moved into Umina and have control of the groceries, petrol, alcohol and hardware sales.

Where is the balance between big business and small business in Umina?

Where is the chance for small businesses to get a fair go on the Peninsula anymore?

We are disappointed in the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce that they are welcoming the news and ask the question of how they plan to help small businesses like mine stand against these big businesses.

I would certainly welcome the help.

Letter, 14 Jul 2011
Gail Wood, Umina

No plans to manage risk of sea level rise

Recent statements by politicians indicate that the management of the risk of sea level rise remains beyond the capability of those people who claim they represent the people of Gosford.

The most badly affected suburbs around Brisbane Waters are from: West Gosford to Koolewong; Woy Woy to Umina and through to Patonga; Killcare, Wagstaffe and Hardys Bay; St Huberts Island, Empire Bay, Davistown, Saratoga and Yattalunga; Green Point to Point Frederick and then back around to Gosford waterfront.

All Gosford beaches from Patonga, Pearl Beach, Umina and Killcare through to Forrester Beach are impacted by forecasts of rising sea levels causing increased coastal erosion and tidal inundation.

We have 10 councillors, two State MPs and a Federal MP.

None have stood up and outlined how they believe this risk should be managed and what plans they believe should be developed for the future.

At times they have publicly stated how badly these areas will be affected - but have never offered a solution to the damage these forecasts have already caused.

These elected representatives are too busy shifting blame to undertake consultation with the 9000 families whose lives have been changed by the thoughtless decisions of government.

Their main focus is to cover their own rear ends and they are using both hands to do it.

The issue has become heavily politicised but the wellbeing and livelihood of those most affected continues to be ignored.

Our representatives have failed to realise that most are people on low to average incomes without the ability to protect themselves from the unfair policies of government.

The issue of who is right or who is wrong is irrelevant.

The risk must be properly managed and those most affected by these projections must be consulted.

The public forums and meetings that were promised have not been

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offered.

Consultation has not taken place.

Gosford Council, the NSW State Government and now the Federal Government have created an environment of alarm and uncertainty.

There is no consultation and no attempt at all to plan for the future in an open and honest way.

All three levels of government are locked into outdoing each other in forecasting the end of the world as we know it.

The future is what we make of it.

If our elected representatives don't believe in a future for the thousands of families directly affected, then it is time to get out of the way and let them move forward.

Email, 19 Jul 2011
Pat Aiken, Saratoga

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Need to protect first Australians

I noted the ABC Four Corners program on Monday, July 18, was concerned with the ongoing struggle between iron ore miner Twigg Forrest and the Yindjibarndi Aboriginal Corporation of the Pilbara.

Forrest has a project worth \$280 billion in country to which the Yindjibarndi people have native title.

He is offering the people \$4 million per year and an investment in an employment scheme, over which they have no say or control.

There are four issues here.

The first is the money.

Four million dollars a year for a property worth 70 times this amount.

Secondly, the land owners lose control of their property, for them a sacred site.

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Thirdly, they have no control over the employment scheme which simply places them under the control of the Forrest company.

Fourthly, the meeting shown on the ABC indicated that Aboriginal supporters of Forrest were bussed to the meeting.

It smells of a stacked meeting.

I worked for the Aboriginal people of the Pilbara and lived at Roebourne the place where this meeting was held.

The strong feeling returns to me that the first Australians need to be recognised as Australians.

This needs to be written into the Australian Constitution as Australians and so that they are not ignored or are put down, as is the case now.

Then powerful forces would find it more difficult to ignore the cultural and economic needs of the people with the oldest culture in the world.

Email, 19 Jul 2011
Noel Olive, Umina



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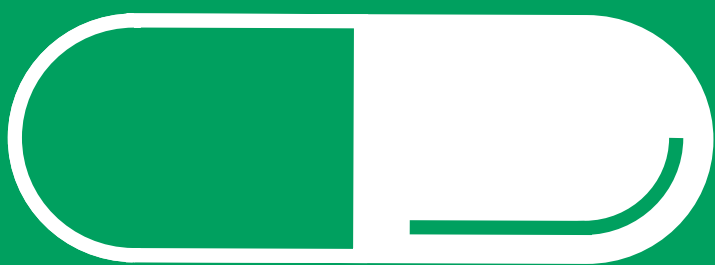
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Woy Woy used for mobility training

The streets of Woy Woy have been used as a training ground for mobility instructors, who are learning to teach blind people how to travel safely.

The Guide Dog organisation's newest trainee instructors explored Woy Woy in blindfolds during the week of Monday, July 4, as they practiced the skills needed for the job.

The exercise was part of a post-graduate degree that qualifies professionals to teach people who are blind or vision impaired how to travel between destinations.

Under the supervision of experienced instructors from Guide Dogs, the blindfolded students used long guide canes to walk the streets of Woy Woy, negotiate stairs, find their way around indoor venues and travel by public transport.

The students will also undertake a 12-week practicum with the organisation, working out of its various offices across NSW and the ACT to gain first-hand

experience in teaching people who are vision impaired.

"This practical training is essential so that the trainees can competently demonstrate and teach vital skills to help people with impaired vision get around independently," said Guide Dogs' regional manager Mr John Payne who conducted the training.

The program was sponsored by Guide Dogs NSW-ACT and

delivered by the University of Newcastle at the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children's Renwick Centre.

Once qualified, the trainees will join about 60 other orientation and mobility instructors, who mostly work in a person's home or work environment.

**Media Release, 7 Jul 2011
Sally Edgar, Guide Dogs NSW-ACT**



Trainee orientation and mobility instructors Christiana Savas, Chase Richardson, Terri MacKenzie, Jacqueline Johnson, Sophie Hogan, Sarah Williams and Patricia Duffy with John Payne



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Flats approved with new plan

Gosford Council has unanimously resolved to support the development application of a seven unit residential flat at 124 and 126 Broken Bay Rd, Ettalong.

The application was initially refused by Council in August last year, for a total of 11 reasons.

These included the non-compliance of the two storey building proposal with the maximum building envelope standard, the inconsistency with several of the desired future character objectives for the area, permanent privacy screens to the first floor deck areas contributed to building bulk and the design and amenity of internal private open space areas were compromised in terms of solar access and privacy.

The applicant resubmitted amended plans which included modifications, addressing all 11 of the reasons for refusal.

The applicant's modifications included the reduction in the number of unit from eight to seven, original units three and four were reconfigured and garage locations adjusted, landscaping plans were amended and visitor parking in the front setback was deleted to improve streetscape amenity.

Cr Craig Doyle spoke on the issue at Council's ordinary meeting of Tuesday, July 5, and said the initial application had a number of problems but the applicant went away and addressed the issues and "it's a pleasure to be able to move this application".

Council agenda ENV.44, 5 Jul 2011

Money raised for cancer sufferer

More than \$1000 has been raised for a young local woman who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

The money was raised on Saturday, July 16, at The Bourke Rd Store, Umina, for 25-year-old Emma Walker.

"We held a sausage sizzle," said store owner Ms Michelle Overton.

"Emma's parents Jenny and

Richard Noyce from Kariong cooked for the day.

"Staff from Umina Kids Club day care where Jenny works also came along to help out for the day," said Bourke Rd.

"We themed the day around pink.

"Staff at The Bourke Rd Store wore pink tops, and had pink balloons and table decorations."

Email, 18 Jul 2011

Michelle Overton, Bourke Rd Store

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Workshop on retirement planning

A free community workshop on retirement planning will be held on Wednesday, August 10, at the Sporties at Woy Woy Bowling Club from 6:15pm.

The workshop will be run by AXA financial advisor Mr Troy Chapman and is aimed at those who are planning to retire in the next five year or those who have just retired.

The workshop will focus on the four dimensions of a happy, secure retirement, comprising health, finance, relationships and activities.

Mr Chapman said he understood that retirement was less about ageing and more about how you adapt to these changes.

"As we are now living longer, it is likely that we will spend more time in retirement," said Mr Chapman.

"It is therefore essential that you have a plan to help control

these life changes, and secure the lifestyle you want for your future," he said.

"This interactive workshop offers a wealth of information on the many dimensions of retirement and the complex issues that we all eventually have to face."

Topics that will be discussed include ways to guard your health and promote longevity; keys to having enjoyable and positive relationships; as well as tips for keeping active with purposeful activities for growth and wellbeing.

Conducted in an interactive format the workshop asks attendees to participate in relevant and practical exercises to demonstrate the relevance to their personal circumstances.

**Media Release, 18 Jul 2011
Troy Chapman, AXA
Financial Planning**



Stall for Daffodil Day

Umina Beach residents Denise and Tony Fraley will run a stall outside the St George Bank on West St, Umina, on Friday, August 26, to raise money for Daffodil Day.

Mr and Mrs Fraley have been running the stall for many years and are always well supported.

The stall will be open from 8:30am until 4pm or until sold out.

"It's warming to know there are a lot of people who care about the impact of cancer and contribute their time to us," said Cancer Council community relations coordinator Ms Lesley Chart.

"Daffodil Day brings the community together and we are very grateful to those who

volunteer with us each year," she said.

Ms Chart said funds raised were used to help find answers to why people got cancer and how to diagnose, manage, treat and prevent the disease.

**Media Release, 13 Jul 2011
Lesley Chart, CCNSW**

Pharmacy expands

Construction has just been completed for the expansion of a pharmacy in Woy Woy to enable it to keep a wider range of product and create wider aisles for a better shopping experience.

The expansion of Kuoch Chemist took just over two weeks to complete and is now operating in the expanded area.

"We relocated from 1 Blackwall Rd to 43 Blackwall Rd in 2005," said Kuoch Chemist proprietor Mr Raymond Kuoch.

"With this relocation, we have roughly tripled our floor space.

"But as the business grew during the last five years, we found that the tripled floor space was still inadequate therefore we decided



to expand into part of the Australia Post.

"This again roughly doubles our floor area," he said.

"This expansion will benefit the Peninsula greatly as we are able to provide a much wider range of product as well as keeping the price extremely competitive due to

our volume of purchase," he said.

Kuoch Chemist, formally known as Woy Woy Pharmacy, was the first pharmacy in the district when it opened for business in 1921 and now specialises in baby, dental, vitamins and home health care products.

**Email, 21 Jul 2011
Raymond Kuoch, Woy Woy**

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Estuary Plan



Eastern forshore Hardys Bay

Sedimentary processes studied at Ettalong

The draft Brisbane Water Estuary Management Plan has recommended an investigation of sedimentary processes to determine long-term management strategies for the foreshore between Ferry Rd, Ettalong, and the eastern most point of the Booker Bay foreshore.

The plan states that shoreline recession has been an issue at Ettalong Beach for a number of years and it is understood that this can impact on public access and recreational amenity for beach

users.

Shoreline erosion along the stretch of Ettalong Beach to the southwest of Ferry Rd is currently being addressed by Council, according to the plan.

The plan stated that in some locations the shoreline appears to have eroded back to the property line, threatening the property and impacting on public access along the foreshore.

Protection works have been established across a number of small sections of foreshore.

The investigation of sedimentary processes will determine long-term

strategies to maintain property protection and public access along the foreshore.

It will consider, among other things, a review of the existing reports and other relevant documents relating to coastal processes at this location, an up-to-date survey of the beach and nearshore area, the potential impacts of climate change on the shoreline and the development of a series of preliminary concept options to improve shoreline stability and public access along the shoreline.

Website, 13 Jun 2011
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Regular dredging 'needed' at Ettalong

Regular dredging of the Ettalong Channel is needed because "propagation of the flood tide shoals is an ongoing process", according to the draft Brisbane Water Estuary Management Plan.

The plan recommends the periodic dredging of the channel as navigation through the entrance to Brisbane Water can at times be difficult due to the propagation of a flood tide delta.

The plan stated that the navigation channel markers are periodically relocated by NSW Maritime as required, but navigation can become difficult due to the strong currents in

this region which can lead to issues with boating safety.

The plan stated that the community was also concerned that sedimentation at the entrance to Brisbane Water had impacts on the tidal flushing of the estuary upstream of this point, and that sedimentation issues are worsened due to a decrease in velocity in the main channels.

Dredging would see the removal of approximately 50,000 cubic metres of material from the Ettalong channel, although the optimal volume to be dredged would be dependent upon the dredging scenario adopted.

The plan suggests there was

"potential for beach nourishment with the dredge spoils".

Beach nourishment at Ettalong was recommended to address "shoreline recession".

The beach would require ongoing maintenance.

The project would involve reviewing available reports, photogrammetry and other relevant information, and would include additional detailed investigations of morphological processes at the beach.

Design profiles would be developed for the beach.

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Erosion stabilised with vegetation

Two local foreshore areas affected by erosion will be stabilised with vegetation under recommendations contained in the draft Brisbane Water Estuary Management Plan.

The eroding eastern foreshores of Hardys Bay would be rehabilitated with vegetation.

According to the plan, residents of Hardys Bay have observed trees falling into the water on its eastern shore which is currently affected by shoreline erosion.

The plan recommends stabilising the foreshore with the establishment of vegetation.

Similarly, vegetation may be used to stabilise the foreshore near the Rip Rd Reserve at Blackwall, where erosion is occurring.

Council would provide information to local residents on the project and its objectives, conduct an assessment of the foreshore condition and assess processes causing the erosion, select suitable local endemic species, work with volunteers to plant the vegetation and provide ongoing maintenance and replanting of the vegetation as required.

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Seawalls recommended for Ettalong foreshore

Two seawalls totalling almost one kilometre in length have been recommended for the Ettalong foreshore in the draft Brisbane Water Estuary Management Plan.

One would be a 520 metre seawall-retention between Ferry Rd and Picnic Parade.

The second seawall of approximately 400 metres would replace the existing stone seawall between the Beach St storm water drain and the Lemon Grove storm water drain.

The plan recommended an engineered structure to protect the shoreline from further erosion.

The implementation process for these works would include

consultation with the community about the form and features of the proposed structure.

Additional investigations of morphological processes at the beach may be required, as well as consideration of potential climate change impacts, the development of concept designs, the identification of potential sources of materials and consideration of the implications for cost of implementation and maintenance requirements.

Council would reuse the materials used to form the existing seawalls-retentions.

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Dredging proposed for Correa Bay

The draft Brisbane Water Estuary Management Plan has recommended that Correa Bay be dredged from the boat ramp 300m up the Woy Woy Creek channel.

The plan stated that sedimentation in Correa Bay had restricted boating access in the bay.

"It is thought that this issue is caused by high sediment loads being delivered to the estuary from Woy Woy Bay," the plan stated.

The dredging would "improve drainage in the creek and improve access" and would be augmented with stormwater management to address the cause of the sedimentation.

The plan stated that a means of disposing or re-using the dredge spoils would need to be considered.

The options would need to be modelled to assess their sustainability.

The plan also suggests considering the removal of a dam in the former abattoir site.

"The community has raised concerns over the effects of the dam located at the site of the former abattoir on flows in Woy Woy Creek.

"It is considered that the dam may have reduced flows in the creek, with the effect of contributing to sedimentation in the creek channel."

The plan recommended a feasibility study be undertaken before proceeding with the work.

The study should consider "the potential hydraulic and geomorphic impacts" and "other impacts associated with decommissioning the dam".

The plan also recommended maintenance of existing sediment traps in adjacent Horsfield Bay "to reduce sedimentation ... thought to be impacting on navigation".

The frequency and methods of maintaining the traps should be considered and more rigorous visual inspections undertaken.

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Sediment trap as part of a stormwater treatment train

Woy Woy seawall may be upgraded

The seawall in the Woy Woy channel along Memorial Park in Brick Wharf Rd could be upgraded under the draft Brisbane Water Estuary Management Plan.

According to the plan, the seawall "is currently collapsing".

"It is thought the seawall has been in place for 30 years or more and it is understood that a number of repairs have been made over this period."

The plan recommends that the

seawall be repaired or upgraded with "environmentally-friendly features" incorporated.

A series of concept options would be developed and considered for technical feasibility, source of materials, cost and potential environmental impacts.

A preferred option would be selected and the community would be consulted.

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Plan to investigate Correa Bay sediment

The draft Brisbane Water Estuary Management Plan has recommended an investigation of stormwater control measures to reduce sedimentation in Correa Bay.

It estimated that close to 70 tonnes of "suspended solids" flowed into the bay each year.

"There have been observations of large sediment loads in catchment flows draining from Woy Woy Creek into Correa Bay after wet weather," the plan states.

It recommended investigation of potential stormwater control measures "aimed at providing

some pre-treatment of stormwater flows before they reach Correa Bay".

It suggested that a "bio-retention system of 12,000 square metres" had "potential to retain a significant portion of total suspended solids" from flows "from that portion of the catchment ... that contains the Bulls Hill Quarry".

This was "likely to result in a significant local water quality benefit, and indicates potential to improve stormwater treatment for the sub-catchments draining to Correa Bay", the plan stated.

"The action should be

implemented as part of a larger Water Sensitive Urban Design strategy for the estuary catchment."

The investigation should include a site inspection "to identify sediment sources, and assess site constraints and opportunities".

It would include catchment modelling to assess potential sediment sources and options to reduce sediment loads in stormwater runoff.

Finally, the investigation would identify a preferred stormwater control measure.

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Education



Brisbane Water Secondary College students at a Sydney University Experience Day

Students visit Sydney university

A group of 54 Year 8 and 9 Brisbane Water Secondary College students spent Wednesday, May 25, at a Sydney University Experience Day.

Students viewed a presentation by five university students and

were taken to the Faculty of Architecture where students could see the study spaces and building models.

"It was interesting to learn that university is not only all about study, that there is also a big social and sporting aspect," said Umina campus careers advisor Ms Yvette

Beemster.

"Many of our students were interested in joining the chocolate appreciation society.

"Every sporting group and society you can think of has a club at the university.

"At the end of the day, the students were encouraged by Ms Gilchrist to leave their mark in the Graffiti Tunnel.

"Then, surrounded by uni students, we all enjoyed lunch in the Manning building," she said.

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Registered for store's program

Ettalong Public School has registered for a supermarket program which will enable it to redeem points against a choice of 7000 educational resources at the completion of the nine-week program.

The Earn and Learn Program began on Monday, July 18, and will run until Sunday, September 18, with one point earned for every \$10

spent in store.

The school will be able to choose from resources including library books, classroom equipment and art and craft materials.

Ettalong Public School is encouraging community members to collect their docketts from Woolworths and bring them into the school.

Newsletter, 19 Jul 2011
Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

College holds open day

Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina Campus will hold an open day on Wednesday, August 3, from 5pm to 7pm.

The evening program will feature science demonstrations, student work samples display, English activities, art displays,

artefact digs, farm animal displays and a food stall.

The school will also hold a number of performances including gymnastics and trampoline performance, a performing arts variety show and debates.

Newsletter, 19 Jul 2011
Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

Jenolan Caves trip

Year 4 Students from Ettalong Public School have visited Jenolan Caves.

Principal Mr Colin Wallis said: "It was a most educational and worthwhile excursion for our children.

"I am sure they all enjoyed the experience and learnt heaps.

"The children were most excited

to see snow on the ground on the road to Jenolan Caves and to experience light sleet at the caves themselves.

"I was most impressed with the excellent behaviour and outstanding manners of our Year 4 children," said Mr Wallis.

Newsletter, 28 Jun 2011
Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

Woy Woy High reunion

A Woy Woy High School 20-year reunion will be held on Saturday, October 15, at the Ettalong Beach Club for the Year 10 class of 1991, the Year 11 class of 1992 and the Year 12 class of 1993.

"We have had 165 students to find plus teachers and have now only about 35 missing," said

organiser Ms Michelle Overton.

"It's a lot of work but at the same time very fun and exciting as we are having a great response from students keen to catch up.

"If you know of students that attended these years please let them know," she said.

Email, 21 Jul 2011
Michelle Overton, Umina

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Little theatre mounts best production

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The play, How to Make Your Theatre Pay by DH Wilson, was performed in the theatre's One Act Play Season at the Peninsula Theatre.

First time director Mr Stephen Cummings said he was over the

moon with the win and was proud of his cast: Paul Russell who also won the best actor award, Bruce Hyland and Jessica Alex.

Mr Cummings will be performing in Woy Woy Little Theatre's production of Boy Gets Girl from July 15 to 31.

Mr Hyland and Ms Alex will both appear in Agatha Christie's The Mousetrap in October.

Media Release, 10 Jul 2011
Patrice Horne, WWLT



Stephen Cummings, Paul Russell, Jessica Alex and Bruce Hyland

Salvos hold annual fete

The Salvation Army will hold its annual Umina Beach Fete on Saturday, September 17, from 9am to 2pm at the Peninsula Community Centre, Woy Woy.

All money raised from the fete will go toward assisting the Salvation Army provide for those in need on the Peninsula.

The fete will feature a number of guests including the Fire and Rescue NSW Band and Precision Drill Marching Team which will perform from 11:30am to 12:15pm and 12:45pm to 1:30pm.

Education displays will also be exhibited from agencies including the NSW Police Force, Fire and Rescue NSW, Ambulance Services NSW, State Emergency Services NSW, St John's Ambulance and the Salvation Army Emergency Services.

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Email, 19 Jul 2011
Hans Schryver, Salvation Army

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Out and About



Grand Concert at Pearl Beach

A Grand Concert, reminiscent of the old Pearl Beach Village Glee Club, will be held at the Pearl Beach Memorial Hall on Saturday, August 13.

The concert will include songs, dramatic sketches and instrumental items.

As in the original 1950 program, local talent will be featured including mini-pantomime Red Hot Cinders and the local youth theatre group will perform a mini melodrama called Count Rottenness.

Newsletter, 18 Jul 2011
David Denton, the Pearl Beach Gem

Restaurant has Spanish tapas

A new restaurant specialising in Spanish tapas opened in Ettalong on Friday, July 8, with over 70 people attending.

"I always wanted to open a Spanish tapas bar to share the flavors and culture of my country with Australia and about a year ago we had the opportunity to do this at the Ettalong Beach Tourist Resort," said Menhir owner Ms Lorena Fernandez Collazo.

"It has taken us a year to renovate the place and, in this time, I have also fallen pregnant expecting my first child so we had to rush and work hard to open," she said.

"We opened our doors Friday, July 8, and had 70 local people, mostly friends and family.

"We had fantastic Spanish food from a menu designed by me and our head chef.

"We started the night with canapes made from Jamon Serrano, Chorizo, Tortilla Espanola and of course plenty of Sangria and live Spanish music and flamenco dancing," she said.

"I want Menhir to be a place where people gather together to have fun and share some time together, enjoy great food and wine with family and friends.

"With a cosy atmosphere and great fresh produce the idea is to bring Spain to the Central Coast," said Ms Fernandez Collazo.

Email, 19 Jul 2011
Lorena Fernandez Collazo, Menhir



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Out and About



War veteran dies at 90

One of the country's most revered war veterans Mr Horrie Young, formerly of the Peninsula, has died at the age of 90.

Mr Young's funeral service was held at the Gosford Anglican Church on Thursday, July 21.

Mr Young was leading telegraphist in the Z Special Unit on MV Krait whose mission was to sink Japanese vessels in Singapore Harbour as part of Operation Jaywick in September 1943.

The Krait's heroic mission in successfully attaching limpet mines to Japanese vessels, and sinking seven of them has been the subject of numerous war histories and documentaries.

Mr Young worked in the postmaster general's department before and after the War until his retirement, when he moved to the Woy Woy area with his wife Hazel. He remained active in the local

veterans' community as a member of the Woy Woy- Ettalong-Hardys Bay Sub-branch, and in numerous veterans' associations, such as the Vets' Special Unit Association and the First Commando Regiment Association (N.S.W) of which he was a life member.

He was also a trustee of the Krait until it was handed over to the Australian National Maritime Museum in April 1988.

Mr Young was also a life member of the Wireless Institute of Australia and maintained his proficiency as a Morse code operator.

"I pay tribute to Horrie Young for his outstanding bravery and service to our country and to our Central Coast community," said Member for Robertson Ms Deborah O'Neill.

Mr Young is survived by his three children, Dianne, Neil, and Brian.

**Media Release, 18 Jul 2011
Matt Pulford, Office of
Deborah O'Neill MP**

Expo at Ettalong

A community expo will be held at Ettalong Public School from 5 to 7pm on Thursday, August 25.

The aim is to create a harmonious community through common interests and goals, according to the school's community liaison officer Ms Corinne Meti.

Stalls will be run by parents of Ettalong Public School and stalls will be available for local businesses.

"This will be a great opportunity for everyone to get their hobbies

or small business out into the community," said Ms Meti.

"Hopefully it will bring us all closer together as a community both in and out of school.

"Each stall will be allocated a table that they are then able to decorate to best show their products," she said.

Sausages and soft drinks will be available for a gold coin donation.

**Email, 19 Jul 2011
Corinne Meti, Ettalong
Public School**

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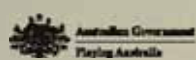
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Joined by friends for 84th birthday

Former Woy Woy resident Ms Olive Brittliff celebrated her 84th birthday on Friday, June 24, at McQuoin Park Hostel at Waitara with her closest friends.

Woy Woy Social Justice Group coordinator Mr Bernard Edwards said his friendship with Ms Brittliff has flourished through years of attending groups with her at St John the Baptist Church in Woy Woy.

In March of this year, Ms Brittliff's declining health made it necessary for her to move to an aged-care facility.

"Olive realised she needed

a higher level of care than she could have living alone," said Mr Edwards.

"Olive has been a committed follower of the Catholic faith all her life and chose to move to a facility that was managed according to a distinctly Catholic ethos.

"She found this in McQuoin Park, at Waitara, a hostel founded by the Sisters of Mercy.

"Olive embraced enthusiastically the rich hospitality of the staff and residents at McQuoin Park, but has been grieving for the daily contact with her many friends on the Peninsula.

"Recently, a group of 20 of her closest friends from the church

of St John the Baptist at Woy Woy, travelled by bus to McQuoin Park to spend the day with Olive celebrating her birthday.

"Several of the residents with whom Olive had established a friendship joined the celebrations.

"To the delight of Olive's friends, Molly Darmody, also a former parishioner of St John the Baptist church, and now a resident of McQuoin Park, was present at the celebration."

Ms Brittliff declared the celebration her "best birthday ever".

**Email, 12 Jul 2011
Bernard Edward, Woy Woy**



Madelaine VanDerMast

New owners at Peninsula Music

Woy Woy music school has changed hands with previous owner Mr Phil Byrne selling to Mr Chris Stratford and Ms Madelaine VanDerMast.

Ms VanDerMast, who has a background in piano will focus on the business as well as her love of teaching piano theory, composition and performance.

Mr Stratford said he was a more behind the scenes guy who would be developing the retail area as well as managing the IT, bookings and combining his love of the guitar and teaching with the admin of running a music school.

"I truly believe the skill sets of Madelaine and I are complementary, and where they overlap most certainly Madelaine is boss," said

Mr Stratford.

"Phil has left us some great teachers and both Madelaine and I are confident we can meet the musical demands of the wider Woy Woy community."

Ms VanDerMast will be liaising with past and present students as well as hoping to connect with schools and community groups.

"The facilities are first class, six private tuition rooms as well as a great room for groups of up to 20 people," she said.

"We offer a balanced and well rounded curriculum that will inspire and challenge, including guitar, piano, vocals, violin, drums, bass guitar, and clarinet."

**Media Release, 6 Jul 2011
Madelaine VanDerMast, Woy Woy School of Music**

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Bank is left with slight conflict

Reading the recent applause for Ettalong Beach Bendigo Bank, one would think that, despite a lashing in the Sydney Morning Herald recently on the bank's financial position, everything is hunky dory.

You might also think that the chairman of the board Mick Gage is right and that the Sydney Morning Herald is completely wrong.

Well, as a shareholder, I decided to do some digging just to investigate my investment and discovered their financials read like a nightmare and their corporate governance practices worse.

Checking the Bendigo Stock Exchange website, it clearly shows that the bank has been suspended

Forum

from trading every year, for what I can only assume to be poor corporate governance.

This entails massive fines that the bank has had to wear and still it continued year after year right up until recently.

In the past six months, seven directors have left the board, including the new company secretary, who as I understand, was there to clean up the mess.

These resignations say volumes to me.

I read the bank's recent newsletter as well and saw who was left of the board.

What was most alarming is that there are directors on the

Ettalong Beach Bendigo board who also sit on the board of the Woy Woy Rugby League Football Club and the Everglades Country Club whose social golf club and football clubs have been receiving thousands of dollars in sponsorship from the bank.

Just a slight conflict one would think.

If anyone thinks this bank is in "profit", maybe they would care to buy my shares.

They're most welcome to them because, judging from the financials and business practices, I cannot see a dividend in sight for years to come.

What a shame so many good directors have resigned along with transparency on the board.

Letter, 6 Jul 2011
Jack Galway, Woy Woy

Don Leggett - a real legend

Forum

Former town clerk of Gosford Council, Ben Pratt, said the best council he served was the council elected after the administration.

This was because they were determined to prove that the community could run the council correctly.

Since that time, there is no doubt that the most vibrant and energetic

shire president and mayor of Gosford was Don Leggett.

That incredible energy, he poured into the Peninsula as well.

The word legend is often bandied about, but Don Leggett was a real legend.

Letter, 11 Jul 2011
Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

Delighted to find a doctor

Forum

I recently purchased a property at Ettalong Beach, and stayed there with my wife two weeks ago, when she became unwell.

She needed to see a doctor on Saturday, so we asked around a little, and on the second try she was told by a clinic that the doctor would be available at 2:20pm same day if we wanted that appointment.

So we were happy to take it! While we understand there may be a need for more doctors here - everyone told us they'd be hard to find, we were delighted to find someone so quickly.

Email, 13 Jul 2011
Paul Robinson, Castle Hill

Caring more about money

An old song said: "Nobody loves you when you're down and out."

No-one, that is, except dear old mum and your faithful dog.

It is also well known that a person climbs up with a host of friends, but goes down alone and is often kicked while lying in the gutter.

That is why the polities and big businesses want to cram millions more into the big cities like Sydney.

Do they care about people?

No, only about money.

Letter, 11 Jul 2011
Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

Celebrating a republican revolution

Forum

The French will be celebrating their Republican Revolution again on July 14, also on the Central Coast.

How different the situation is in Australia.

One could even speak of republican apathy here.

How can this be explained?

First, there is in fact much agreement that a republic should be established with a directly-

elected president.

Recent opinion polls suggest that over 80 per cent of those polled in favour this.

That is exactly what the major parties don't favour and why this issue is on the back burner, "until the Queen abdicates".

Secondly, many Australians want to know what kind of republic they will end up with.

There is clearly much dissatisfaction with the parliamentary system.

Senior party stalwarts talk much about democratising their own parties but not about improving the political system as whole, or the archaic constitution.

Therefore, the republic needs to include plans to improve governance across the board, to be achieved with a strategic, maximalist approach, if the public is to be enthused.

The minimalism of the political establishment is the principal cause of the delay in achieving a republic.

While Bastille Day Australian-style cannot be expected soon, Australians are beginning to ask themselves what the real purpose of waiting might be.

Even the Windsors, reportedly, have encouraged current Australian PMs to get on with the job.

Email, 27 Jun 2011
Klaas Woldring, Pearl Beach



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Taking poetry to the community

Woy Woy resident Ms Jocelyn Freeman has been selected as one of 30 poets nationwide to take poetry to the community through the Australian Poetry Centre.

Ms Freeman said it was time for closet poets to get their work off the page and join a local writing group to share their words.

"There comes a point in time when you realise as a poet there is an essentially social aspect to writing it," said Ms Freeman.

"You can only stuff your poems in the drawer for so long.

"You need to communicate it.

"You can't remain isolated," she said.

Ms Freeman said she aimed to do writing every Thursday morning at the Gosford Regional Gallery at Caroline Bay.

"I hope it brings more writers out of the wood," she said.

"When you think about it, poetry is one of the oldest and most meaningful forms of the written word.

"We start engaging with it when we're kids, playing around with words and getting a sense of their rhythm and meaning.

"Even as adults, we use poetry daily for special occasions and to express ourselves, to read and reflect on life," she said.

Ms Freeman said life would be boring without poetry in our daily lives.

"Poetry cuts through so much when it is done well.

"Some of our most memorable literature has poetry in it.

"It can be romantic, funny, bawdy, wry, sad or soft.

"But one thing it has to do is challenge our perceptions of things and make us see the world again with fresh eyes," she said.

Ms Freeman said she hopes by the end of her residency at Christmas, she will have motivated enough people to create an event at the cafe.

She is encouraging poets to drop off a poem or a message to a contribution box in the main foyer.

"People can drop their poems with email contact details attached and we can work towards creating a poetry event at the cafe towards the end of the year," she said.

Email, 8 Jul 2011

Jocelyn Freeman, Woy Woy



LETS holds trade day

A trade day will be held on Saturday, August 13, organised by Central Coast Local Exchange Trading System, to allow members to trade services and goods without money.

The trade day will be held at the Woy Woy Environment Centre from 11am to 1pm, following a meeting from 10am to 11am.

Central Coast LETS is a not-profit system set up to encourage local trading by members providing services to other members.

This can be anything from fixing a fence, to baking a cake, or walking the dog.

Goods such as children's toys and clothing can also be traded.

The group has businesses involved, including printers, counsellors and training

organisations.

Members are given a 1000 debit and credit limit of the local currency, called shells, and can begin trading straight away.

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Email, 17 Jul 2011
Caroline Bohlsen,
Central Coast LETS



Ms Jocelyn Freeman

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Art

Ettalong Beach Art & Crafts Centre (287)

Adult Classes in Patchwork & Quilting, Pottery, Folk Art, Silk Dyeing, Oils, Acrylics, Pastels, Drawing, Watercolour, Silvercraft and Children's Art & Pottery Classes Mon - Sat 10am - 3pm 4341 8344 info@ebacc.com.au

Central Coast Art Society (284)

Meet for lectures, demonstrations and discussion. Weekly paint-outs ea Tues 4369 5860. Workshops 9.30am 1st & 3rd Wed Gosford City Art Centre 4363 1820. Social Meetings 1.30pm 4th Wed for demonstrations 4325 1420 publicity@artcentralcoast.asn.au

Hospital Art Australia (284)

Meet every Friday 9am 2pm - 109 Birdwood Ave, Umina - Painting and Canvas drawing Volunteers welcome 4341 9920

Community Centres

Peninsula Community Centre (265c)

Cnr Ocean Beach Rd & McMasters Rd Woy Woy Child Care - Before & After School, Vacation, Family, Day & Occasional **Children, Teenagers & Adults** - Dance, Singing, Guitar, Drama, Music, Physie, Karate, Belly Dancing and multicultural support **Children** - Little Kickers, Indian Dance, Playgroups, KindyGym, **Teenagers** - "The Web" Youth Support Services. **Adults** - Bridge, Yoga, Cake Decorating, Zumba, Scrabble, Weight Watchers,

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Gosford 50+ Leisure & Learning Centre (287) (formerly Senior Citizens)

Handicraft, Painting, Knitting, Tai Chi, Scrabble, Darts, Table Tennis, Indoor Bowls, Patchwork, Yoga, Fitness, Gentle Swimming, Line Dancing, Cards, Variety Social, Womens Group, Zumba, Crochet, Computer Class 4324 4749

Community Groups

AACC COMPUTER CLUB Inc. (291)

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Bridge (286c)

Tuesday 12.15pm is a friendly game without pressure. We play Duplicate Bridge Mon Thur Fri Sat at 12.15pm and Wed 9.15am and 6.45pm Brisbane Water Bridge Club Peninsula Community Centre 93 McMasters Rd. Woy Woy www.brisbane-water.bridge-club.org

Cash Housie (269c)

50 Games Held every Sat night St Mary's Hall, Ocean View Rd Ettalong Beach, Free Tea and Coffee. 7.30 pm - 10.30pm. Proceeds to Woy Woy Catholic Parish. www.cashousie@hotmail.com

Central Coast Handweavers, Spinners and Textile Arts Guild Inc (286c)

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Hardys Bay Residents Group (271c)

Working for a positive & Healthy Environment in our Community allanbw@bigpond.com

The Krait Club (270c)

Community Centre - Cooina Village, Neptune St, Umina 10.30am Open to senior members of Woy Woy/ Umina Community Program includes: Gentle exercises, quizzes, games, social activities, guest speakers, entertainment and occasional bus trips 4341 0698

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Northern Settlement Services (282)

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Volunteering Central Coast (270c)

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Wagstaffe to Killcare Community (285)

Work to protect and preserve the environment and low density residential nature of the Bouddi Peninsula and to strengthen community bonds 2nd Mon, 7.30pm at Wagstaffe Hall 4360 2945 info@wagstaffetokillcare.org.au

Disabled Services

Riding for the Disabled (282c)

Horse Riding as a therapy for those with intellectual or physical disabilities Volunteers always required No Previous experience Necessary - School hours only - Mon to Sat 4340 0388 stateoffice@rdansw.org.au

Environment

Peninsula Environment Group (287)

Talks, films, social events, workshops, renewable energy and recycling projects, organic food buying group www.peg.org.au

Health Group

Arthritis NSW (267c) Meeting 3rd Tues Community Centre, Corner McMasters Rd and Ocean

Beach Road, Woy Woy - 4341 5881

Overeaters

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Woy Woy Stroke Recovery Club (67/278)

Peninsula Community Centre 2nd Tuesday monthly 11.30am Light lunch avail Company, up-to-date information Hydrotherapy, bus trips 4342 1316

Marine Rescue

Central Coast Unit (287)

Marine Education Courses: Radio Licences, Boat Safety & Boat Licence & PWC Licence Tests, Navigation, Seamanship and Meteorology. Boat Licence Testing on one Sat ea month 4325 7929 www.coastalpatrol.org.au pr.centralcoast@marinerescuensw.com.au

Music

Central Coast Concert Band (288)

Meets every Tuesday 7:15pm till 9:30pm new members welcome. Community playouts with four concerts a year at Laycock St Theatre. 0407 894 560

Service Clubs

Rotary Club of Umina (269c)

An international service organisation of business leaders seeking to improve the lives of young people and those in need in our community and abroad. Everglades Country Club Weds 0409 245 861. curleys@ozemail.com.au

Sport

Woy Woy Judo Club (287)

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Political Group

Australian Labor Party

Umina Ettalong Branch (293) Political Discussions concerning National, State and local government issues 2nd Mon at Umina Beach Bowling Club 7.30pm 4341 7323

Veterans

N.M.B.V.A.A Inc National Malaya Borneo Veterans Association Australia (277)

Meet 1st Sat (except January). 2pm Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club 51-52 The Esplanade. Looking for more veterans, all welcome - 4342 1107

Vietnam Veterans', Peacekeepers' and Peacemakers' (284)

Assist all Veterans and their families with pension & welfare matters. Drop in. Cnr Broken Bay Road & Beach Street Ettalong. Mon & Wed 9am-1pm 4344 4760 vietvetsgosford@bigpond.com

Women's Groups

Country Women's Association Woy Woy (284)

Friendship Mornings 1st and 2nd Wed 10am Meetings 4th Wed 10.30am - 4324 2621

The Endeavour View Club, Woy Woy (287)

Luncheon, 1st Mon at Everglades Country Club, commencing 10.30am. New members welcome. Friendship Social days, 3rd Wed Uniting Church Hall, Picnic Pde Ettalong, 10.30am. Coach trips avail, (men welcome to travel). 4341 2559

Gosford RSL Sub-Branch Women's Auxiliary (272)

Invitation to women over 18 years to join our organisation We raise money for the welfare of veterans and their families in our district RSL Club West Gosford 4th Mon 2pm 4323 7336

Peninsula Women's Health Centre (285c)

A centre for women's well being. Clinic sister; counselling; alternate therapists; groups and community education; drop-in; support for women in crisis; advocacy 4342 5905 Wed and Thur 9.30am 3pm - 20a McMasters Rd, Woy Woy www.cowhc.com.au

If you would like your Community Organisation listed here, call us on **4325 7369**



Michelle Remy with representatives from Freemasons Lodge Morning Star

Donation to community centre

The Peninsula Community Centre at Woy Woy has received a \$5000 donation from Freemasons Lodge Morning Star to be used to install large screen television.

The screen will feature up-to-date community news from the centre, local not for profit groups, sporting clubs and local organisations.

It will also be used as an aid for

training and courses held at the centre

"The Freemasons have been kindly supporting a variety of worthwhile groups within the Central Coast community and the Peninsula Community Centre will now be able to offer a free community information service due to their generosity," said coordinator Ms Michelle Remy.

"The Lodge Morning Star has a long and rich history of involvement

with the community and in the nurturing of community spirit," she said.

The Freemasons were represented by Roger Whitehead, Noel Higgs and David Walker at the cheque presentation earlier this month.

They said the Freemasons were delighted to assist the Peninsula Centre with the donation.

**Media Release, 21 Jul 2011
Michelle Remy, Peninsula Community Centre**

Charity Barometer 2011

The Peninsula community is renowned for its generosity.

Time and time again, you'll read articles in this paper about funds raised for charity, but nobody knows how large a sum this is every year.

The Charity Barometer is an attempt by us to publicly record the extent of the Peninsula's generosity over the current calendar year and to see what the grand total will be, come this time next year.

If you're part of an organisation that has raised and donated funds to charity, please let us know. Contact details are on page 2.

\$129,208

\$2000

Woy Woy Junior Rugby Union raised \$2000 for the McGrath Foundation

\$5000

Freemasons Lodge Morning Star raised \$5000 for Peninsula Community Centre

\$1000

The Bourke Rd Store raised \$1000 for breast cancer

\$635

IGA Ettalong \$635 to charities on Central Coast

\$2500

Peninsula raised \$2500 for careflight

\$43,305

Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal raised \$43,305 on Peninsula

\$270

Kmart Woy Woy raised \$270 for Ocean Beach and Umina SLSC

\$810

IGA Ettalong \$810 to charities on Central Coast

\$500

Full Life International Church donated \$500 to Mad Monday Cooking and Craft

\$3812

IGA Ettalong \$3812 to charities on Central Coast

\$1407

Woy Woy Public School raised \$1407 from Mothers Day stall

\$162

Woy Woy Public School raised \$162 from Easter raffle

\$3000

IGA Ettalong donated \$3000 to Woy Woy Community Aged Care

\$5000

Everglades Country club raised \$5000, split by Glenvale School for Children with a Disability and Camp Breakaway

\$12,888

IGA Ettalong \$12888 to charities on Central Coast

\$739

Woy Woy Public School raised \$739 for Queensland Floods

\$777

Umina Public School raised \$777 for Queensland floods

\$571

Empire Bay Public School raised \$571 for Flood appeal

\$3200

Randalls on the Beach raised \$3200 for flood appeal

\$4000

Empire Bay Tavern raised \$4000 for the flood appeal

\$3514

Rotary Club of Woy Woy donated \$3514 to the Rotary District 9680 Flood Appeal.

\$8700

Everglades Country Club \$8700 to Flood Relief

\$3000

Brisbane Water Bridge Club donated \$3000 to the Web Youth Services

\$1160

Rotary Club of Woy Woy donated \$1160 to First Woy Woy Sea Scouts

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Rotary Club of Woy Woy donated \$1160 to Blackwall District Girl Guides

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Rotary Club of Woy Woy donated \$1160 to The Web Youth Support Group

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Rotary Club of Woy Woy donated \$1160 to Riding for the Disabled

\$920

Rotary Club of Woy Woy donated \$920 to Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy campus

\$750

Deepwater Court retirement Village in Woy Woy raised \$750 for the Queensland Flood Appeal

\$3187

Randalls on the Beach donated \$3187 to the Queensland Flood Appeal

\$6000

Rotary Club of Umina raised \$6000 for Queensland Rotary Clubs

\$2121

Woy Woy Men and Women's Bowling Club raised \$2121 for the Queensland Premier's flood appeal

\$200

Woy Woy Women's Club also raised \$200 for the NSW Bowling Association Red Cross Flood Appeal

\$100

Wallaby Street Preschool \$100 for the Queensland floods

Funds donated earlier in the year have been removed to allow space for more recent donations

The Peninsula Diary

For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Monday July 25

Independence week
Term 3 begins, Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre
Ettalong Public School Scholastic Book Fair, 8:30am -4pm

Tuesday July 26

Ettalong Public School Scholastic Book fair, 8:30am -6pm

Wednesday, July 27

Everglades Wine Appreciation Club Dinner, Star Room, Everglades Country Club, 6pm
Ettalong Public School Scholastic Book fair, 8:30am -6pm

Thursday July 28

Managing Anxiety sessions begin, Peninsula Women's Health Centre, Woy Woy, 10am-12:30pm
World Hepatitis Day
Rob Duncan, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 6pm

Friday July 29

Castaways Duo, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 7:30pm

Saturday July 30

The Fab Two, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 6pm
Children's pottery class Ettalong

Beach Arts and Craft centre

Sunday July 31
Breakfast in the Bays
Cerebral Palsy awareness week
Elvis Tribute, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 3:30pm-6:30pm

Monday August 1

World Breastfeeding week

Tuesday August 2

Woy Woy South Public School Cake Stall Education Week

Wednesday August 3

Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina Campus Open Day, 5-7pm

Friday August 5

Empire Bay Public School Biennial Art Show, Empire Bay Public School hall, 7pm
Jeans for Genes Day

Saturday August 6

Pearl Beach Progress Association General meeting

Sunday August 7

Killcare Wagstaffe Trust Annual General Meeting, 9:30am, Maitland Bay centre

Monday August 8

National Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disorders (EGID) week

Woy Woy Rugby League Football Club Golf Day, Everglades Country Club,
Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Center committee meeting, 3pm

Wednesday August 10

Retirement Planning workshop, Sporties at Woy Woy Bowling Club, 6:15pm, free

Thursday August 11

Bays Community Group Devonshire Teas

Saturday August 13

Trade Day, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 11am
Pearl Beach Progress Association Grand Concert, Pearl Beach Memorial Hall

Wednesday August 17

Bays Community Group General Meeting

Saturday August 20

Pendant/necklace workshop, Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft Centre, 10am to 3pm

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Intersection plan adopted

Gosford Council has agreed to endorse a revised intersection upgrade plan for the intersection at Araluen Dr and Killcare Rd, Hardys Bay, after it was discussed at the Local Traffic Meeting on Monday, June 6.

The revised upgrade plan includes the installation of

four additional signs, a wider pedestrian refuge island to improve pedestrian safety when crossing Killcare Rd, pedestrian kerb ramps and a No Parking area to improve pedestrian safety on Araluen Dr and the removal of four car parking spaces with no change to the existing T-intersection treatment.

Five individuals and one community group made submissions in relation the No stopping restrictions, parking and bus stop needs in the vicinity of the intersection.

The submissions raised concerns that the initial proposal increased the number of traffic signs which were unsightly, retained the existing narrow pedestrian crossing in Killcare Rd and as there was low pedestrian traffic crossing in Araluen Dr there would be no need for a crossing.

The plan was revised due to the extent of the community concern raised.

Council Agenda TR.11.38, 5 Jul 2011

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Umina places fourth in pool rescue

Umina Surf Life Saving Club has placed fourth with 174 points at the NSW Pool Rescue Championships over the weekend of July 16 and 17 at the Peninsula Leisure Centre in Woy Woy.

The Championships included obstacle swims, manikin carries, line throws, medley relays and a simulated emergency response competition.

Surf Life saving NSW media manager Ms Donna Wishart said the events were great for honing the surf rescue skills of its top athletes, who were all volunteer surf lifesavers.

Umina achieved a number of places including fourth in the mixed 14-17 backstroke relay, first in the women's 11-13 4x50 metre obstacle relay and third in the women's 14-17 4x50metre obstacle relay.

Individual achievements included Clare Gaffney second in the women's 11-12 100 metre obstacle race, James Johnson sixth in the men's 11-12 100 metre obstacle race, Indigo Verhoeven fifth in the women's 12-13 100



metre obstacle race and Teigan Miller first in the women's 13-14 200 metre obstacle race and first in the 13-15 50 metre manikin carry.

Event favourite Terrigal Surf Life Saving Club took out the Pool Rescue Championships with a score of 495, followed by Wanda

on 361 and Cronulla on 189.

Ocean Beach Surf Life Saving Club came in 18th place with only one point despite being a favourite after they performed well last year.

**Media Release, 19 Jul 2011
Donna Wishart, Surf Life Saving NSW**

Medals at country swim carnival

A team of 11 Woy Woy Swim Club swimmers attended the Country Championships carnival at the Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre on the weekend of July 9 and 10.

A number of them secured medals and personal bests.

One of Woy Woy Swim Club's newest young representatives Caleb Alipate secured a silver medal in the 50 metres butterfly in only his second carnival.

Caleb leads a group of promising young swimmers who are being developed through coaches Mr John Young and Ms Michelle Whytes in the Young Gun and Top Gun programs.

Other Top Gun swimmers who swam in the event included Jasmine Darwin, Olivia McParlane, William Knipe and Lachlan Braddish who swam in individual and relay events and broke their personal best times.

Lachlan Braddish, 9, stood out in the under-10s with a number of Top 10 finishes.

Ethan Dodds and Myles Bailey, both 11, swam in the 50 metre backstroke and won silver and

bronze respectively.

Ethan also secured a bronze medal in the 100 metre backstroke and 12-year-old Rachel Wood placed second in the 50, 100 and 200 metre freestyle events and third in the 100 and 200 metre backstroke events.

Rachel also swam the 400 metre freestyle event and broke the 12 year females country record time by eight seconds.

"All of Woy Woy's 11 swimmers swam outstanding times and many gained top 10 finishes," said club publicity officer Ms Sandra Wood.

The 11 swimmers will face their next big meet at the NSW State Championships next month.

Woy Woy Swim Club's representative swimmers will hold a fund raising barbecue and raffle outside of Woolworths in Umina on Saturday, July 30, to help raise funds for four of its Central Coast Academy Swimmers to participate in the academy program.

The program will take them on a team trip at the end of August to participate in the Victoria State Championships.

**Email, 19 Jul 2011
Sandra Wood, Woy Woy Swim Club**

Roosters pay tribute to Don Leggett

The Woy Woy Roosters have paid tribute to Donald Leggett, who passed away on Sunday, June 26, aged 84 years.

"The memory of Don Leggett AM will always be treasured by the Woy Woy Roosters, with Mr Leggett having been a staunch supporter of the club," said Woy Woy Roosters Rugby League Club marketing and promotions manager Mr Peter Read.

"He was the driving force behind the eventual establishment and construction of the Woy Woy Leagues Club in the 1970s, through to the opening of our great licensed club in 1983.

"A lifelong Roosters supporter, Mr Leggett was sought out by the club in the mid-70s when the vision of having his own leagues club came to the fore.

"In concert with the likes of Jim Robinson, Bob Millwood, Duncan Chapman, Terry Hardman and

many others over the years, he brought the plans to life.

"When the Woy Woy and District RLFC Ltd was formed in 1979, Mr Leggett was duly elected as inaugural chairman and held that position until 1982.

"During this time, his leadership and business acumen contributed greatly to the Roosters becoming the most dominant club on the Central Coast, on and off the field.

"After handing over the chairman's reigns to Geoff

McMahon in 1983, Mr Leggett went on to focus on his political interests and will be remembered for being Gosford Shire's first ever mayor upon being proclaimed a city on January 1, 1980.

"Mr Leggett always maintained strong ties with the Roosters through his role of Patron, and was a regular at home games and presentation nights.

"Rooster's supporters will fondly remember Mr Leggett as the club's colourful ground announcer at

home games throughout the 1970s and 1980s.

"The Roosters have always held their relationship with Mr Leggett dearly, with a bar being named after him upon the opening of the leagues club.

"The Woy Woy RLFC mourns the loss of one of its finest," said Mr Read.

**Newsletter, 10 Jul 2011
Bob March, Central Coast Rugby League**

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Woy Woy loses to Northlakes

Woy Woy Rugby Union first grade team went down to Northlakes at Woy Woy Oval by 55 points to 26 in round 13 on Saturday, July 9,

Central Coast Rugby Union president Mr Larry Thomson said the match was high scoring and much tighter than the score line indicates.

Woy Woy opened the scoring with a try before Northlakes hit their straps with four tries in the remainder of the first half.

Northlakes led by 26 points to five at the half time break and the

match appeared to be all over but Woy Woy fought back in the early stages of the second half.

The scores were fairly close midway through the second half before Northlakes confirmed their win in the latter stages of the game.

"It was an exciting game of rugby with plenty of try scoring action," said Mr Thomson.

"Woy Woy never gave in.

"Their best players on the day were Nick Garnett and Steve Martin," he said.

Email, 9 Jul 2011
Larry Thomson, CCRU



Drew Courtney with the Australian team

Courtney returns with team gold

Umina surfer Drew Courtney has returned from the World Surfing Games held from June 25 to July 2 in Panama as part of an Australian team that won the team gold medal.

Courtney placed first in the open qualify round with a score

of 12.17, first in round two with an even score of 11, second in round three with a score of 13.24, third in round four with a score of 12.17 and third in the open repercharge round 6 with a score of 12.68.

The Australian Team included Mick Campbell, Drew Courtney, Thomas Woods and Nathan Hedge in the men's division;

Harley Ingleby and Dane Pioli in longboard and Dimity Stoye and Jessi Miley-Dyer in the women's.

Five out of the 12 winners were from Australia.

Australia won with a score of 15,000 points after a three-year absence on the podium.

Media Release, 4 Jul 2011
Pablo Zanicchi, Billabong ISA



Wet weather forces grounds closure

Woy Woy First Grade Rugby Woy Woy team has finished up eighth on the points ladder with a score of 21, after the team's final match against Kariong at Kariong Oval on Saturday, July 23, was cancelled and declared a draw due to the wet weather.

Gosford Council decided to close all sporting grounds on the Central Coast, including those on the Peninsula, over the weekend of Saturday, July 23, due to the torrential rain.

Larry Thomson, 22 Jul 2011
Central Coast Rugby Union

Selected to play South Africa

Ettalong Memorial Club bowler Aron Sherriff has been selected for the Australian team in the Australia v South Africa test series at Moonta Memorial Park Bowling Club in South Australia from Tuesday, August 30, to Thursday, September 1.

The test is a first for Sherriff, having not played a test series against South Africa before.

"It's the first time that I will play a test series against South Africa so I'm looking forward to meeting some new people and catching up with old friends," he said.

"Also looking forward to beating them.

"It is always a great thrill to receive the phone call from the national coach to say that I have been selected to represent the country and this time was no different.



"It's a great opportunity for us to compete against a quality nation like South Africa and it will allow us to see how we rank on the world stage.

"I never get nervous but definitely excited about the series," he said.

Kaitlin Watts, 21 Jul 2011
Interviewee: Aron Sherriff

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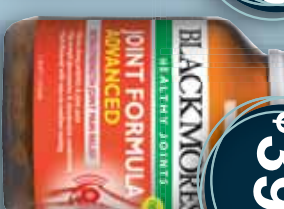
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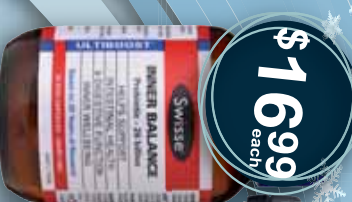
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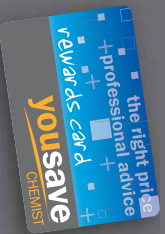


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