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## Council defends Ferry Rd toilets design

Gosford Council staff have defended the design of the Ferry Rd amenities building, saying it had received support from disability carers and parents of young children of the opposite sex.

The council's open space and leisure manager Mr Phil Moore was responding to criticism of the unisex toilets, the lack of seating around the building and offensive odours on hot days.

Mr Moore said the toilets were labelled unisex to allow carers for people with a disability of the opposite sex to enter the toilet and provide aid where required for any length of time all users could use the other toilet until it was fixed.

"This arrangement was put in place in other recently-built council facilities, including the new toilets at the Peninsula Recreation Precinct, which has received positive feedback," he said.

Mr Moore said self-closing mechanisms appropriate for accessible toilets would be installed on the cubicle doors in the near future to improve the presentation of the building.

"The external security doors open outwards and directly onto the pathway to allow better visual surveillance and reduce predatory behaviour," he said.

expected from the new facility," said Mr Moore.

"The vents below the ceiling in each cubicle perform two functions: ventilation of odours and the release of hot air build-up below the corrugated iron.

"These design functions improve the comfort of users and aid in the diffusion of odours that would otherwise intensify if contained."

rs in Mr Moore said that a portable site toilet for construction purposes was left in place near the new facility for a few days following the completion of the building and it could have been the source of the bad odour.

## Boarding house may be 'trend-setting

Gosford Council has approved a four-storey boarding house to be built in Chambers Place, Woy Woy, with staff haling it as potentially trend-setting and "a catalyst for quality construction".

The building will include 30 studio units, a managers residence, communal areas, a cafe and on ground parking for nine cars.

The proposal had a shortfall of 2.4 parking spaces and the developers will be required to contribute \$36,182 to the Woy Woy commercial centre car parking contributions plan in lieu.

Council planning staff reported that the development "represents the first viable proposal submitted to Council in this precinct".

"This proposal may set the trend and act as a catalyst project for quality construction and urban renewal in this precinct.

"The proposal will contribute to the provision of affordable housing accommodation in an area well serviced by public transport (road and rail), community and retail facilities."

Street activity is also expected to be encouraged by the increase in residents using the 30 boarding rooms.

The development would be pedestrian friendly as the Blackwall Rd frontage would be retained at single storey.

The main entrance of the boarding house on Chambers

Place would be broken by the open driveway, cafe and variety of finishes.

The proposal was amended a number of times by the applicant at Council's request.

According to Council staff, the proposal that was originally submitted "was a very poor design with an obtrusive visual appearance being basically a large "box like" structure".

"Generally the building now presents as an articulated design on a difficult, small and narrow site which will provide much needed affordable housing in the Gosford Local Government Area."

One of the drivers of the development Mr Phil Nossiter said the development would help to revive Woy Woy.

"Woy Woy is probably starting to tire.

"There isn't much activity there.

"This property is just over 150 metres from the station so there's a lot of people who commute to Sydney, a lot of single people who are in accommodation that is getting unaffordable.

"It will be an affordable, brand new security building with lifts, a full-time manager and cafe.

"The intention is to offer a nice place to live within the CBD," said Mr Nossiter.

Gosford Council report, 2 Nov 2011 Email, 22 Nov 2011 Kaitlin Watts Interviewee: Phil Nossiter



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He said that Council had received support for this arrangement from parents with children of the opposite sex as there was concern over allowing young children to use public toilets by themselves for fear of predation.

"Unisex toilets reduce opportunities for predation and help appease anxiety over use by opposite sex carers for people with disability and children," said Mr Moore.

"There is also the added benefit that if one toilet became inoperable Mr Moore said the toilets were connected to the sewerage system and had been designed to allow easy cleaning of both wall and floor surfaces.

An epoxy finish that prevented liquids and odours from being absorbed by the concrete had also been applied to the floor of the toilets.

"Offensive odours that affect neighbouring properties and passing pedestrians are not

"A number of council officers have inspected the toilets on a number of occasions since their opening and no offensive odours were observed.

"The cubicles appeared to be performing as intended."

Mr Moore also said that seating in the covered areas was a planned as part of the development and would be installed in the near future.

Media statement, 23 Nov 2011 Phil Moore, Gosford Council

An artist's impression of the proposed boarding house

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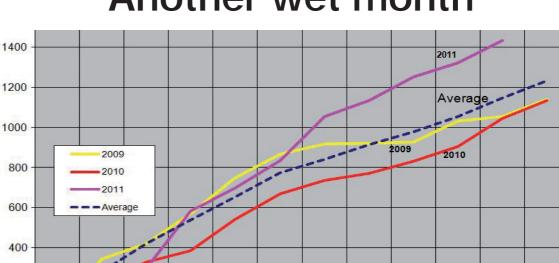
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Kaitlin Watts, 25 Nov 2011



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#### Transport Taxi 131 008

Busways 4368 2277 City Rail 131 500

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Gosford Family Support 4340 1585 Meals on Wheels Woy Woy 4341 6699 Department of Community Services Gosford 4336 2400 The Salvation Army 4325 5733 Samaritans Emergency Relief 4393 2450 St Vincent De Paul Society HELPLINE 4323 6081 Rainfall on the Peninsula was more than 20 per cent above the monthly average on the morning of Friday, November 25, with more rain expected.

Atotal of 113.3mm was recorded compared to the monthly average of 92.4mm, according to figures supplied by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

The cumulative total for the year to date was 1434mm, 25 per cent above the average figure for this time of year and about 16.5 per cent above the annual average of 1231.1mm. November has had seven days with close to 10mm or more and two days with more than 20mm recorded.

Highest temperature this month was 37.1 degrees recorded on November 14 and the lowest overnight temperature was 13.5 recorded on November 3, according to figures from www. peninsulaweather.info.

Strongest wind gust was 24.8k m/h was recorded on November 14.

Spreadsheet, 25 Nov 2011 Jim Morrison, Woy Woy www.peninsulaweather.info

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## Another wet month

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## Upgrade planned for sewage pumping stations

#### Gosford Council has accepted a tender to upgrade three sewage pumping stations in Woy Woy.

Another tender has been let to upgrade pumping stations at Daleys Point and Ettalong.

The "augmentation" will be carried out under Council's extensive Sewage Pumping Station Upgrade Program.

The upgrade will ensure that each pump station and associated catchment will be able to accommodate a minimum four hours emergency storage in the event of power failure during average dry weather flow conditions.

The four hours provides sufficient response time for Council's operations staff to implement contingency plans in the event of a pump failure, according to a council staff report.

The council was told that three Woy Woy sewage pumping stations needed upgrading.

WW3 would need a belowground concrete retention tank to ensure the station would incorporate the minimum required storage.

Pumping stations WW6 and WW13B had sufficient emergency storage capacity of greater than four hours and did not require additional storage

facilities.

However, their pumps, pipe work, valves and fittings were approaching or had exceeded their life expectancy and required immediate refurbishment.

The company chosen to undertake the construction of a retention tank at WW3 and refurbishment works at WW3, WW6 and WW13B was Carey Constructions Pty Ltd of Abbotsford.

The construction period is thirty weeks and the work is scheduled to commence in January 2012.

The second tender was let to Rivers Constructions Pty Ltd in West Gosford for the refurbishment of pumping stations DP2 at Daleys Point and E5 at Ettalong.

The work to be undertaken includes the establishment and maintenance operation of temporary sewage by-pass facilities, the removal and replacement of all pumps, pipe work, valves and fittings and the removal and disposal of decommissioned materials and fittings from the sites.

The construction period is 26 weeks and the work is expected to commence in January next year.

Gosford Council Agenda WAT.31, WAT.32, 22 Nov 2011 Umina resident Ms Jeannie Lawson has won a national environmental award after she won the State medal in August.

The winners of the National Pride of Australia Environment Medal were announced at a gala black tie event in Sydney on Tuesday, November 22.

Ms Lawson has been a vocal advocate for ocean conservation for more than 40 years.

She set up the group Ocean and Coastal Care Initiatives to raise awareness of local marine and coastal issues and also formed the Whale Dreamers Festival which attracts 5000 people to share in conservation messages.

Ms Lawson said winning the award was "quite surreal as it was a very big event".

"I am quite ok speaking in public usually, and to large audiences about the cause, but when the focus is on you personally, then it is quite daunting," said Ms Lawson.

"The red carpet, cameras and celebrities were all way out of my comfort zone!

"When they read my name out as the winner I just could not believe it.

"I was stunned.

"I don't think I've stopped shaking yet, and I only have a vague recollection about what I said on stage.

"I know I did remind everyone to do a plastic bag audit and stop using bags whenever possible. Plastic is the biggest menace to our oceans," said Ms Lawson. Email, 24 Nov 2011

Jeannie Lawson, Umina Website, 25 Nov 2011 Pride of Australia



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Forum

## Nothing found

I thought you would like to know what happened to me while I was delivering milk in the Woy Woy area in the early 1960s.

I was at the bottom of Priestman Ave in the early hours when an object as big as a big jet plane came from the sea, lit up the whole street going in slow motion and lowered to the ground.

I don't know what kept it up. It wasn't very high up.

#### TOTUM

No-one would have heard it. Someone up near McMasters Rd rang 2GO and a search party set out to Woy Woy Bay to look for it but nothing was found.

I wish I had someone with me to confirm this story.

This is the honest truth. Letter, 21 Nov 2011

Edmund Bernard, Woy Woy

#### More forum on Page 21

# No concern for our infrastructure

Cr Craig Doyle made the comment: "If we stopped every development simply because they couldn't provide enough parking, nothing would ever happen", in Peninsula News Monday, November 14.

This is a sad reflection on a council that is showing no concern for infrastructure of the Peninsula.

These decisions should be taken and rescued from the onset of any development proposal, not left for someone else to clean up any mess later.

Any financial contribution made to "provide future parking" will more than likely be used for some other purpose.

With the condition of the roads, kerbs, guttering and drainage in the area, this council should be

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contribution conditions addressing these issues now, not creating more.

I am glad the Boeing aircraft corporation do not use Cr Doyle's philosophy when building its planes.

> Letter, 16 Nov 2011 Michael Gaut, Ettalong

## Put Maccas in Gosford

I'm trying to get Gosford

council to clean up the

outside commuter car park

at Woy Woy alongside the

I remember reading an article

Soon after I read this article, I

stating it was the council's

contacted council and requested

rail line.

responsibility.

#### Forum

Congratulations Ms to Formosa for initiating a protest against the proposed unnecessary, unwanted, unsuitable, unattractive, unhealthy, unpopular, undesirable, unconscionable, unexceptional, unfriendly, unnatural, unprincipled, unreasonable, unseemly, unsophisticated, unthinkable, untidy, untimely, untoward and un-Australian development.

Surely the Gosford Council and the Maccas' spin doctors can find a more suitable location for this development: A place where it will enhance the

character of the area. A place where it will have a

positive influence on the surrounding businesses.

A place where an injection of infrastructure is required.

A place where residential property will not need rezoning.

The perfect location, for all concerned parties, is slap, dab in the middle of the Gosford Waterfront. It's the only viable location.

Email, 18 Nov 2011 Tim Haylor, Umina

## Whose rubbish?

#### Forum

them to replace blown light bulbs in the car park, which they did.

Now I'm trying to get them to clean up the mess.

They have now informed me it is not their responsibility. It's the railwavs'.

But of course when I spoke to

the rail staff at Woy Woy, they said it was council's responsibility.

Frustrating.

The car park is disgusting. There is everyday rubbish piling

up. There is dumped vegetation, pillows, clothing and what I can make out to be oyster cages.

Émail, 18 Nov 2011 Tina Channell, Umina

## Clean the pool – I'll help

I stood and applauded when the residents of Pearl Beach took it upon themselves to save their rock pool by raising sufficient funds to permit a concrete restoration.

And they succeeded.

The new pool will enhance Pearl Beach for generations to come.

It is what lies within the pool that completely nullifies the efforts of those dedicated people, for the water quality is appalling.

And one automatically suspects Gosford Council's lack of interest.

Ocean pools along the NSW seaboard are treated with respect by every other council.

They are a prized asset and are regularly cleaned and maintained to an acceptable standard, for those councils correctly realise the pools have excellent health benefits, especially for senior citizens.

I may be wrong, but Gosford Council seem to have but two ocean pools within its boundary, MacMasters Beach, which is heavily silted with sand for extended periods of the year, and Pearl Beach which is so heavily polluted with marine growth, silt and

#### Forum

human debris that it fails to give any assurance that it is safe for human use.

I think the winter blue water swimmers may secure an annual cleaning of Pearl Beach prior to the start of their season, so perhaps the pool gets cleaned once annually.

That's a disgrace.

Some coastal councils in NSW do have funding issues which limits cleaning potential, so they have passed responsibility for pool cleaning on to the community.

Taree Council is an excellent example.

The ocean pool at Hallidays Point, just north of Foster, is pristine thanks to the community, for it is cleaned every second Thursday by volunteers.

The pool then welcomes both resident and visitor.

There are some astute minds at Pearl Beach.

If those minds can get council to agree, I for one will gladly give my time to clean that pool.

Émail, 15 Nov 2011 Warwick Egan, Umina



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## Track work

Commuters from the Peninsula may experience delays due to late night track work from Monday, November 28, until Friday, December 2.

Buses will be used to replace regular train services from Gosford to Hornsby between 11:10pm until 3am, with the bus stopping at Woy Woy station at 10:55pm, 11:38pm, 1:08am and 1:13am.

Residents of Schnapper Rd,

Ettalong, have petitioned

council to stop the road

being used as a feeder route

for traffic to the Ettalong

markets and hotel complex.

that requested Council investigate

ways of discouraging loud patrons

of the complex from speeding

along the road and that it control

the overflow parking at the

Schnapper Rd was being heavily

used as a preferred feeder source

for traffic to access the markets

The petition stated that

complex.

The petition with 16 signatures

The last direct train to Central to operate each night will leave Woy Woy at 10:20pm.

From 11:50pm until 3am, buses will replace trains from Hornsby to Gosford with buses stopping at Woy Woy station at 12:23am, 1:01 am, 1:23am, 2:02 am, 2:53am and 3:32am.

Website, 18 Nov 2011 Cityrail

# Residents call for different route

and hotel complex.

and into Bream Rd.

1am.

It stated that the complex housed several cinemas and

restaurants, and on weekends,

the area was congested with traffic

in Schnapper Rd, with parking

continuing as far as Flounder Rd

frustrated by sleep interruptions

as patrons regularly left the

complex late at night and sped

along Schnapper Rd. particularly

between the hours of 9pm and

**Gosford Council Agenda** 

P.37, 22 Nov 2011

Petitioners said they were



The main entry doors at the Woy Woy Community Centre

## Help with maintenance

Four community groups have received funding to maintain their buildings under Gosford Council's annual Community Facility Support Program.

The program aims to assist with the cost of maintenance, repairs or improvements to community buildings.

The Peninsula Women's Health Centre received \$1430 for the installation of an air conditioning unit in its new meeting room while the Peninsula Community Centre received \$6000 for the complete replacement of its front entry doors and frames.

Pearl Beach Memorial Community Hall received \$2171.50 for the removal of a large, above ground LP gas tank from its present position and its replacement with an in-ground tank.

The Woy Woy Bays Community Hall received \$3000 for the modification of the toilet.

The applications were assessed by a panel of officers from Community and Cultural Development section of council.

All nine applicants received full funding except the Peninsula Women's Health Centre which received only \$1430 of the requested \$2860.

Council's report of Tuesday, November 22, stated this was due to the applicant submitting three quotes that varied significantly in cost and the determination by the assessment panel that this project was of a lower priority.

Gosford Council Agenda COM.23, 22 Nov 2011



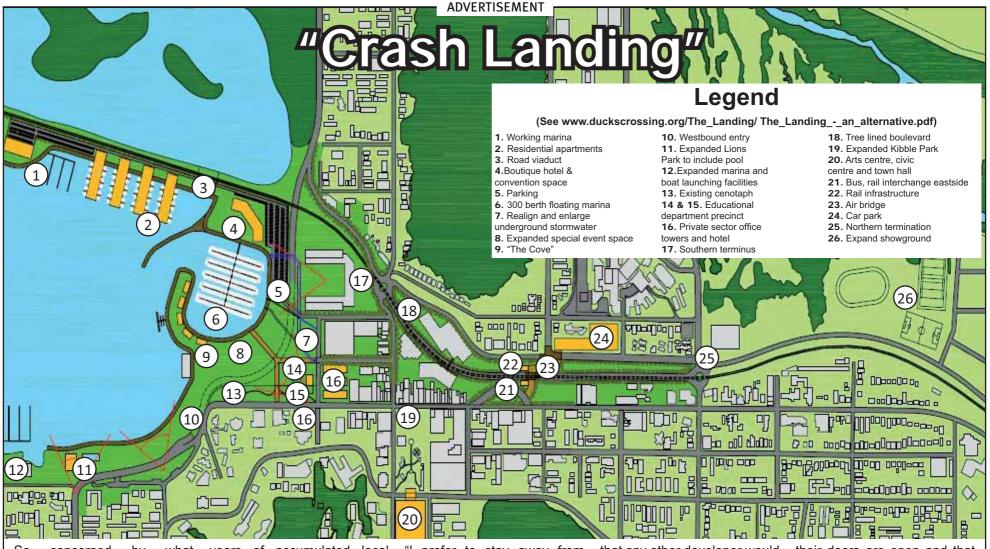
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So concerned by what exhibition of The Landing revealed, John Hancock, a local development consultant and principal of SJH Planning & Design, returned to his office and directed staff to immediately commence work on an alternative plan; a plan which Mr Hancock has lodged in response to the invitation for submissions - reproduced above.

"The authorities have spent something like \$4 million to get to this stage; we haven't.

"What we have produced reflects about seventy (70)

**NOT THIS** 

years of accumulated local professional expertise incorporating the expert advice of environmental engineers, architects and others, all of whom have a positive approach to revitalising Gosford, but all of whom are equally concerned as to the negative impacts of The Landing".

On learning of the plan, Malcolm Brooks sought access to it and it has since been circulated.

"Malcolm has been criticised as being "a handbrake", but you can't deny his passion for Gosford", Mr Hancock said. "I prefer to stay away from politics, but believe Chris Holstein is the one who can and should champion the revitalisation of Gosford but as Chris, and any developer knows, there are occasions when it's "back to the drawing board".

"The Landing as drafted, has so many shortfalls as to require redesign.

"While our plan gives appropriate recognition to established planning principles, The Landing doesn't even acknowledge planning requirements and directions that any other developer would need to," Mr Hancock said. "I believe the plan that we have tabled, if fully "fleshed out", would have the desired effect of activating the waterfront and revitalising Gosford. "The Landing simply doesn't achieve what it allegedly sets out to do."

Since lodging his submission with the Central Coast Regional Development Corporation (CCRDC), Mr Hancock has spoken to members of that organisation and with Mr Chris Holstein directly. their doors are open and that other concerned residents are making their thoughts heard as well.

"I lived on the Woy Woy Peninsula for nearly twenty (20) years and can recall how exciting "going to Gosford" used to be.

"It can be exciting again, but its future depends on something substantial happening".

Mr Hancock said he: "would be happy to work with the CCRDC and Chris Holstein, but cannot be silent when there are so many fundamental flaws in what has been advanced".

"I appreciate the fact that



#### **PROBLEMS WITH THE PROPOSAL:**

- Loss of waterfront public open space will be replaced by up to 400 plus apartments built into the waterway
  - 5 & 7 storey buildings on the foreshore will block views and cast shadows
- No provision on the waterfront for public events



#### For further information: www.facebook.com/notothelanding

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Ι,	From:
OBJECT to the current proposal of 'The Landing' for the following reasons	<ul> <li>Loss of public land on Gosford waterfront</li> <li>Loss of views of Brisbane Water</li> <li>High rise on waterfront</li> <li>Other</li> </ul>

- Boat ramp relocation will use an extensively used park south of Gosford Sailing Club
- New buildings proposed in front of Blue Tongue Stadium blocking views
- Relocation of the Gosford Swimming Pool
- Potential serious traffic issues

### It's not too late to send your objection.

Send comments to your local member:

Mr Chris Hartcher MP : terrigal@parliament.nsw.gov.au Shop 3 Fountain Plaza 148-158 The Entrance Road Erina 2250

Mr Chris Holstein MP : gosford@parliament.nsw.gov.au 20 Blackwall Road Woy Woy 2256



## Chamber backs 'retail boom'

Peninsula Chamber of president Mr Commerce Matthew Wales said the Chamber has backed the "retail boom currently driving development in the emerging Umina retail precinct", following the recent opening of a new supermarket in Trafalgar Ave and the approval of a new hardware store in West St.

"The local business community and consumers are starting to reap the benefits of the strengthening retail market in Umina Beach," said Mr Wales.

"With year's last Coles refurbishment, the new Woolworths Supermarket, the recent opening of the Aldi store and the approval by Council of the Bunnings Hardware outlet, consumers will be the winners with improved competition and choice.

"This has not happened by accident." he said.

Mr Wales said retailers had been attracted to the retail precinct as a result of the concerted efforts of the Chamber to point out the benefits of doing business on the Peninsula.

"The combined effect of these new business opportunities is the creation of over 200 jobs in the precinct and over \$1 million per annum in wages.

"Should Council support the McDonalds application on Ocean Beach Rd, the net effect will be over 300 jobs and over \$2 million in wages

"This is money that will be pumped back into the local economy which will support retail business across the board.

"It is important to remember that new retail business and wider choice attracts more foot traffic, more customers and increases spending power in the shopping centre.

"It also creates opportunities for young people to gain casual and part time work that would not otherwise be available.

"The Chamber is also backing Gosford Council's Umina Village Structure Plan with specialist planning consultants due to be appointed later this month to undertake a series of public workshops.

"The structure plan will examine traffic, pedestrian, landscaping and civic space issues so as to ensure that the future development of the Umina Beach town centre is carefully planned.

"Whilst the Chamber is mindful of the impacts of big retailers on small business, it is supportive of new job opportunities, increased choice and improvements to the vibrancy of the main street.

Gosford

Council

resolved to sell part of Woy

an adjoining hotel in The

The land was originally leased

by Council in 1970 to the Bay View

Hotel in Woy Woy and is currently

The lease expired on October

Following the expiration of the

31 last year and continued on a

lease, the Crown Lands Division

Boulevarde, Woy Woy.

being used as a bottle shop.

carrvover basis.

has

"After nearly 12 years of hard work starting with the Peninsula Main Street Program and the Council's 1998 Financial Strategy, Umina Beach is now coming of age and becoming a retail centre to rival the best on the Coast". said Mr Wales.

Media Release, 16 Nov 2011 Matthew Wales, Peninsula **Chamber of Commerce** 



The bottle shop at the Bayview Hotel

## Reserve land to be sold to hotel

advised the sale of the lease area was the preferred method of management. Woy Reserve Trust land to

The owners of the hotel requested that the Trust grant a new lease, however, the Trust was unable to grant a lease without concurrence of the Crown Lands Division

The Division stated that the continued operation and use of part of a recreation reserve by a hotel was not supported.

It advised that it would coordinate the sale in three stages comprising subdivision, de-proclamation of part of the reservation and sale.

Council has requested that the Crown Lands Division direct the sale proceeds to Council to fund work directed at embellishing the Woy Woy reserve.

As a result of the sale, continued maintenance of the reserve would no longer be covered by rent and Council would be required to meet the costs from its own funds.

> **Gosford Council Agenda** COR.132, 22 Nov 2011



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## **Apology clarifies** waste pick-up

Gosford Council has issued an apology letter to residents of Patonga for flyers sent out in error which advised of a bulk waste collection for Patonga Creek.

The flyers were only intended to be sent to residents of Patonga Creek who paid for the service and did not have street frontage for

normal collections.

These residents will be able to drop their bulky household waste and garden vegetation at the end of Meroo Ave on Saturday, December 10, between 7am and 11am.

Council officers will man the area and proof of residence will be required to be shown.

Letter, 10 Nov 2011 **Dorothy Sammut, Gosford Council** 

## Store donates bedding to Sea Shepherd

A Umina manchester store has donated \$10,000 worth of organic cotton bed linen and towels to a crew aboard an anti-whaling vessel.

Ecodownunder supported the efforts of the Sea Shepherd crew aboard the Steve Irwin and Bob Barker vessels after the crew saved over 800 whales last season alone

Last summer, the Japanese whalers set a quota to kill 1100

whales after the Japanese Fisheries Agency submitted a request entitled "measures to stabilize the scientific whaling programme" that research requested and received 2.28 billion yen for security to defend the Japanese whaling fleet in the Southern Ocean.

So far, a total of 1918 whales have been saved.

Russell Lamb, Ecodownunder

St David's Presbyterian Church in Woy Woy has received \$5000 from Gosford Council's annual Heritage Small Grants program.

The program provides funds for the ongoing conservation of heritage items within the Gosford Local Government Area

The funding will be used to restore damaged sections of the exterior of the early twentieth century timber church building.

Gosford Council's heritage coordinator Ms Rebecca Cardy said the program provided residents and community organisations with support to continue to preserve, promote and celebrate local heritage listed items.

"Many of our heritage items are under the management of private residents and the grants program is Council's opportunity to provide financial assistance toward the ongoing conservation of these buildings and places.

"We hope that this will generate greater public interest and concern for the restoration and conservation of all heritage items within Gosford City," said Ms Cardy.

Media Release, 14 Nov 2011 Media Statement, 16 Nov 2011 Rebecca Cardy, Gosford Council



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#### News

## O'Neill praises Hospital Alliance

The Member for Robertson Ms Deborah O'Neill has praised the Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance for their role in securing federal funding to revive the hospital's rehabilitation unit.

"The determined advocacy of the Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance for the Peninsula community's health needs has been vigorously pursued at every level of government," said Ms O'Neill at the Alliance's meeting on Saturday, November 19.

"The result of that advocacy at a federal level is the substantial funding the Gillard Government has committed to re-establish 20 sub-acute beds and fund them through to 2012-3.

"Through courage and perseverance, the Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance has won a great victory for the Peninsula." The Gillard Labor Government has committed \$21.7 million.

The State Liberal Government has committed \$5 million.

The Woy Woy Rehabilitation Unit is now expected to re-open within two years.

Alliance chairman Mr Ivan Kinny invited Ms O'Neill to blow out a single candle on a mud cake as a gesture to symbolise the new beginning.

Mr Kinny thanked Ms O'Neill for her advocacy and urged fellow Alliance members to maintain their vigilance to ensure the delivery of the new unit.

Media Release, 24 Nov 2011 Matt Pulford, Office of Deborah O'Neill MP



Member for Robertson Ms Deborah O'Neill with members of the Woy Woy Hospital Alliance

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## Fresh herbs in free meals

Mary Macs Place in Woy Woy will now use fresh herbs in

Your Local Skin Cancer Centre Vidler Ave Skin Cancer Centre 7 Vidler Avenue, Woy Woy Ph: 4341 9911 its meals after a herb garden was donated by a hardware store.

Project officer Ms Christine Burge said: "We hope to not only get our volunteers involved in this, but also some of the people who use our services have expressed an interest in helping with the garden."

Each week-day, teams of volunteers prepared and served more than 80 nutritious hot meals to homeless and disadvantaged people and families struggling to

keep a roof over their heads, said Ms Burge.

The fresh herbs would be used to enhance the taste and presentation of meals prepared by the volunteers, she said.

Ms Burge said Mary Mac's Place received no government funding and relied on community and business support for its continued operation.

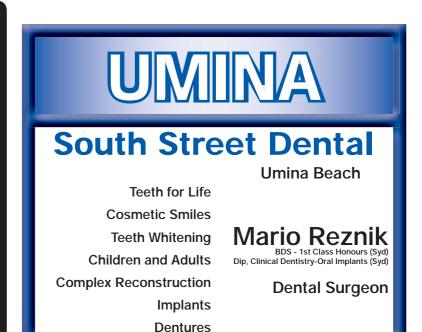
> Media Release, 14 Nov 2011 Mauree Kable, Mary Macs Place

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Health

## Hospital celebrates 40 years

#### Staff and volunteers have celebrated the 40th anniversary of Woy Woy Hospital.

The hospital opened for patients in October 1971 and was officially opened on Saturday, November 20, 1971, by the then Minister for Health, Mr AH Jago, according to Central Coast Health's corporate communications manager Mr Terry Hayes.

"Woy Woy Hospital's 34 beds came at a time when Gosford Hospital, with its 180 beds, was struggling to meet the needs of the rapidly growing population of the Central Coast," he said.

"Woy Woy Hospital has

experienced many changes over the years as public health services evolved and new health facilities were commissioned throughout the Central Coast.

"The Woy Woy Hospital site now has not only a general ward providing sub-acute services, but also a community health centre, a dental clinic, a hydrotherapy pool, a 16-bed transitional care unit and is the home base for many community health services, including outpatient services."

Director of nursing and midwifery Ms Jan Tweedie praised both staff and volunteers for their ongoing commitment and support of Woy Woy Hospital.

"I know that the Woy Woy

Hospital Auxiliary has played an important role in fundraising for Woy Woy Hospital for many, many years, and they are still going strong," said Ms Tweedie.

"I also know how loyal the staff are here at Woy Woy and I commend them for that.

"They are a strong and experienced team who provide fantastic care for their patients.

"Woy Woy Hospital has a good future and will continue to see its bed base and community services expand."

Media Release, 22 Nov 2011 Terry Hayes, Northern Sydney Central Coast Health



Woy Woy United Hospital Auxiliary president Mrs Phyllis Thomas and Woy Woy director of nursing and site manger Ms Mel Pickering

## Festival raises \$12,500 for Cancer Council

The annual Brisbane Water Oyster Festival Queens competition which raises funds for Cancer Council NSW breast cancer projects has raised \$12,500 this year.

Cancer Council NSW community relations co-ordinator Ms Lesley Chart said: "Events like the Brisbane Water Oyster Festival and the associated fundraising contribute directly to improved treatment and population screening.

"This has led to a decline in breast cancer mortality rates, with the five year relative survival rate for women diagnosed and treated for breast cancer in NSW now at 88 per cent."

More than 12,700 women are diagnosed with breast cancer in Australia each year, she said.

Media Řelease, 18 Nov 2011 Lesley Chart, Cancer Council NSW



# **Chiropractic Plus**

by Peter Grieve of the Umina Chiropractic Centre

# Wow! We are nearly there. Yes, that is correct, another calendar year is about to

expire and most of us stand at the brink of finalising our various tasks and attempting to 'clean the slate,' so we can start fresh into the year 2012.

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Dr's Ursula and Pete have had the opportunity to care for so many people with such an array of varying issues.

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#### Education



## Students graduate from health courses

Certificates have been awarded to 16 students at Brisbane Water Secondary School, the first graduates of the Health Services courses.

The course offered the students at the Woy Woy campus the opportunity to train to Certificate III level in Health Services Assistance or Allied Health Assistance.

It provided students with the opportunity to gain qualifications and work skills in a skills shortage

Students will be able to use these qualifications to obtain work in local hospitals and aged care facilities, according to teacher Mr Warren McGuire.

Trainee Jordan Smith who was placed with Peninsula Village was Central Coast school-based Trainee of the Year and a finalist at the NSW Training Awards.

A number of students have gained ongoing employment at Peninsula Village after completing

their traineeship while others plan to enrol in the enrolled nursing program at Hunter Institute of TAFE or Bachelor of Nursing at University next year.

Another student gained employment as an assistant in nursing (AIN) at Brisbane Water Private Hospital.

Email, 22 Nov 2011 Petrina Heinz, TAFE Email. 23 Nov 2011 Warren McGuire, Brisbane Water Secondary College

Graduates of the Health Services courses



## **Author** talks

Students from Umina Public School will attend the school's last author lunch for the year on Wednesday, December 7, with guest author Ms Aleesah Darlison.

Ms Darlison writes picture books and novels for children and reviews books for the Sun Herald.

The author talk is informal and lively and allows the children the chance to hear an author speak about the process of writing and getting published, according to acting principal Ms Lyn Davis.

Newsletter, 23 Nov 2011 Lyn Davis, Umina Public School

## Road safety excursion

Year 5 students from Ettalong Public School attended the road education facility at Palmdale on Monday, November 21, and Tuesday, November 22, to learn more about bicycle and road safety.

While at the centre, the children were instructed on safe and correct bicycle riding techniques and reminded of all road safety rules.

"The school takes road safety, and especially bike riding safety, seriously and this excursion is a vital component of our ongoing program," said principal Mr Colin Wallis.

"Too many children as well as adults are being maimed or killed on our roads and so much of this can be avoided through education and support by parents."

Newsletter, 22 Nov 2011 Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

## Overnight camp

Year 3 and 4 students from Pretty Beach Public School participated in an Outdoor **Education Camp at Morisset** on Monday, November 14, and Tuesday, November 15.

The students were put into two activity groups and participated in a range of activities including canoeing,

archery, fencing and high ropes.

"I'm sure all the students on their first overnight school excursion, will take from the camp many happy memories," said teacher Mr Chris McInerney.

Newsletter, 17 Nov 2011 **Deborah Callender, Pretty Beach Public School** 

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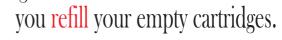
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#### Education

## School board has retreat

St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School's school board gathered at Delaney House, The Entrance, on the weekend of November 20 for a retreat.

On the retreat, each member of the board was asked to reveal his or her hopes for the school as it moves forward with its strategic planning.

"Sometimes not a lot is known about the work of the board," said principal Mr Frank Cohen.

"Its representatives are parents with diverse backgrounds, interests, income and education levels, but with one common goal, to make our school the best it can

be.

"Academic standards, although strong when compared to our local and similar schools, is an area where we can achieve greater.

"It is my vision that we always aim to be on par or above the Diocesan mean for literacy and numeracy.

"In order to achieve this, there is the need to strengthen our early literacy programs and build upon the great work being done through the implementation of the reading assist and booster programs," said Mr Cohen.

Newsletter, 23 Nov 2011 Frank Cohen, St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

## Award for bird dance

Ettalong Public School's composite Year 3-4 class has been awarded the Mayoral Award for Performing Arts at the Gosford City Environment Awards held at Laycock St Theatre on Monday, November 21.

The students performed their own choreographed dance which depicted the plight of the endangered Bush Stone-Curlew.

"Their performance was excellent and appreciated by the audience," said principal Mr Colin Wallis.

Newsletter, 22 Nov 2011 Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

# Final cattle win in successful season

Brisbane Water Secondary College has completed the 2011 cattle show season with a win at the Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza held at Scone on October 28-30.

Over 40 schools from all regions of NSW, 15 breeders, 150 head of led cattle and more than 400 students competed in what was the final and largest cattle show of the year.

Brisbane Water entered four animals, prepared by 16 students from Years 7 to 12.

Allanah Norris won Champion Heavyweight steer bred by Mr Alwyn Kelehear.

This steer continued to place Runner Up Overall Champion on the Hoof of the show.

Another two steers achieved fourth place in the middleweight and heavyweight classes.

The Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza concluded a successful show season for the college, which entered nine shows, according to Umina campus P and C president Mr Bruce Graf.

The college won five overall show champions ribbons, champion

National Capital Domestic steer at Canberra Royal, Champion School Parader at Sydney Royal, two class champions and numerous placings, he said.

Young cattle have now arrived from breeders at Forbes, Quirindi, Tamworth and the Hunter Valley in preparation for the 2012 season.

Students said they were excited about commencing training for the coming year.

"Support from breeders and the community has enabled the school to provide students a balanced and comprehensive agriculture education," said Mr Graf.

He said the program gave students the opportunity to learn team work, accountability, responsibility and work ethic.

"This has provided a solid platform for many graduates to enter successful agricultural tertiary training and employment over the years.

"These students would otherwise never encounter the diversity of the agricultural opportunities available in Australia," he said.

Media Release, 23 Nov 2011 Bruce Graf, BWSC Umina P and C

# Parent elected

Ms Lisa Butler has been selected for the parent position on the school council at Umina Public School.

Ms Butler will hold the position of parent representative on the school council for two years from the beginning of next year.

Principal Ms Lyn Davis said: "It was very encouraging to have the need for an election."

Newsletter, 23 Nov 2011 Lyn Davis, Umina Public School

School grieves

A service has been held for Umina Public School student Indah Weatherstone, who died of cancer earlier this month.

"We are proud of the empathy our students are showing towards each other as they deal with this loss," said principal Ms Lyn Davis.

"Staff have been supporting each other as they deal with the loss of a student for whom they each hold special and loving memories." Newsletter, 16 Nov 2011

Lyn Davis, Umina Public School





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## Duct and About

## Whale sculptures to be installed

whale tail sculptures are expected to be installed in the recreation precinct

December.

Members of the community participated in mosaic workshops in the Peninsula Recreation

Six giant fibreglass mosaic adjacent to Umina oval in Precinct building to help create the sculptures.

> According to Gosford Council's parks development officer Ms Emma Wallace, the workshops were "a great success with people of all ages coming to help".

The project began when the Rotary Club of Umina Beach applied for Community Building Partnership Program funding in 2010 to support the installation of public art work and Braille-Auslan plaques throughout the playground.

Email, 14 Nov 2011 **Emma Wallace, Gosford Council** 

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It and About

## Locals play at festival

Carl and Leila Desborough of Umina will perform with the band Slightly Off at the Little Blues Festival in Toukley on Sunday, December 4.

This is the band's second performance at the Little Blues Festival, which recently celebrated three years of blues concerts free to the public.

Event organizer Ms Julia Starr said the band "made such an impression" and she is "glad to have them back".

"Audiences are usually held spellbound by the ambient performance which twists around some bazaar lyrics and connecting blues moments.

"The crowd will enjoy their performance in this unique setting," she said.

Slightly Off will present original blues songs and manic ballads which keep the audience wondering what will happen next.

Performing will be Carl Desborough on guitar and vocals; Leila Desborough accompanying on a range of instruments including tenor banjo, clarinet and musical saw: Cec Bucello on mandolin and vocals; and Glenn Ewing on bass. Media release, 22 Nov 2011

Julia Starr, Little Blues Festival



## Christmas dinner sell-out

The Pearl Beach Progress Association has had a sell out for its Twilight Christmas community dinner.

The dinner will be held on Wednesday, December 7, from 6pm at the Pearl Beach Memorial Hall.

The Pearl Beach Community Twilight Christmas Luncheon was first organised by Ms Bev Lapacek in 2001 in the Crommelin Native Artboretum and was attended by 65 residents.

Each year the event has attracted more and more residents and friends.

Owing to the hot weather, the luncheon became a dinner and was now held in the Memorial Hall, said Ms Lapacek.

Catering for the dinner was done by volunteer village women, assisted by their menfolk who set up the tables and chairs, she said.

Christmas last year saw 105 dinning in style on turkey, ham, chicken and salads, with a choice of two desserts.

This year the Christmas menu is similar.

> Email, 24 Nov 2011 Bev Lapacek, Pearl Beach **Progress Association**



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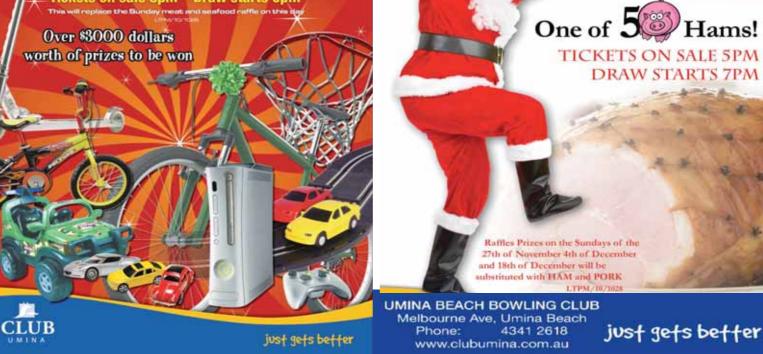
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## Studio celebrates 10 years



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A local dance studio is celebrating its 10th year in business.

Dancinality principal Ms Kristie Smee originally opened the studio's doors at age 17 in Point Clare in 2002.

Later, she formed a partnership with her mother Sharyn who now administers the school.

The school has now grown to over 350 students spread through three Central Coast branches, including one in Woy Woy.

Ms Smee said she prides Dancinality on being a family friendly school with the staff all being close family and friends.

Dancinality offers tuition in jazz, hip hop, classical, tap, drama, musical theatre, and contemporary. Email, 24 Nov 2011 Kristie Smee, Dancinality

## Students watch dance group

Students from Woy Woy South Public School have watched a performance by the Sample dance group.

The Sample dance group, from New Zealand, is made up of eight dancers between the ages of 15 and 20.

They came to Australia to represent their country in the World Supremacy Battleground Dance competition held in Sydney on Saturday, November 26.

Students were able to watch the group perform their hip hop and modern dance routines while they finalised their preparations on Thursday, November 24.

Newsletter, 15 Nov 2011 Terry Greedy, Woy Woy **South Public School** 

## Walking tour of Tasmania

A walking group from Pearl Beach, the Pearl Beach Plodders, will tour Tasmania from March 1 to 13 next year.

The group will begin their tour with a Tahuna Airwalk, a walk-way above the trees in the Picton Forest which finishes a cantilevered section over the Picton and Huon Rivers.

The group will also visit the Salamanca markets, Australia's oldest outdoor markets, before they drive to the summit of Mount Wellington.

They will take a walk to the base of Russell Falls on the West Coast and to Horseshoe Falls before they continue on to Strahan and experience the outdoor performance of the Ship That Never Was.

The group will also experience a Gordon River Cruise, walks around Cradle Mountain and Wineglass Bay.

Website, 24 Nov 2011 **Pearl Beach Progress** Association Mobile Bookkeeping Services for micro business, small business, sole traders and tradespeople.

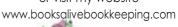
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## End-of-year outing

Pretty Beach Public School will celebrate the end of the year by travelling to Avoca Beach Picture Theatre to view the movie, Dolphin Tale, on Friday, December 9.

Students will then return to school for a pizza lunch and a

concert.

The whole school will combine for the short carol singing concert

> Newsletter, 17 Nov 2011 **Deborah Callender, Pretty Beach Public School**

from 2-3pm.



## **Preschool collects** for Mary Macs

Wallaby St Preschool in Woy Woy is collecting Christmas food and decorations to donate to Mary Macs Place, which provides meals to the homeless.

"The children have made a wonderful red and green box with paint and Christmas collage and our families have been filling the box with Christmas food and articles they have donated," said preschool manager Ms Danielle

l eete

"We have over 100 items and are hoping to have this doubled by the first week in December.

"We are also holding a Christmas disco for the children and all money raised will be donated to

the Starlight Foundation. "We are hoping to raise at least \$500."

> Email, 23 Nov 2011 **Danielle Leete, Wallaby** St Preschool

## Santa's visit

#### Santa Claus will again visit Umina this year on Christmas Eve at 10am.

He will ride up West St, Umina, escorted by decorated motorbikes with a fire engine bringing up the rear.

Around 2000 children lined West St last year to see Santa ride through the town.

Email, 22 Nov 2011 Ricki Jones, Ocean **Beach Dry Cleaners** 



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## Dut and About



Member for Gosford Mr Chris Holstein and commander Ian Gallard spinning the barrel prior to drawing the winning ticket

## Marine Rescue raffle drawn

A Umina woman has said she is ecstatic after she won the Marine Rescue Central Coast Annual Boat Raffle on Sunday, October 30.

The raffle was drawn at Deepwater Shopping Centre, Woy Woy, by Member for Gosford Cr Chris Holstein.

After a short delay as last minute shoppers bought tickets to have a final chance in the draw, Cr Holstein drew the winning ticket number 04172. Unit commander Mr Ian Gallard immediately phoned the lucky winner and Cr Holstein advised her of her success.

The raffle is run every year during the slow boating time of winter and early spring by the volunteers at Marine Rescue Central Coast.

The raffle raises money for operations in the boating season over spring and summer.

Media Release, 30 Oct 2011 Ron Cole, Marine Rescue Central Coast

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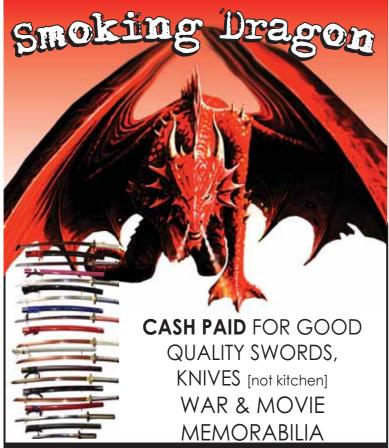
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Tom Tregent, president Ian Figtree, Narelle Bartlett, Jan Raj and Andrew Coates, Kalel Johnson, Jordan Smith and Courtney McDonald, Gai McMurtrie representing Ruth Brown and Manny Pusic

## Awarded for pride in work

Rotary Pride of Workmanship Awards have been presented to six local workers by the Rotary Club of Umina Beach



at a special evening held at Everglades Country Club on Wednesday, November 23.

Awards were presented to Narelle Bartlett of Empire Bay Estate Agency, Jan Raj and Andrew Coates of Peninsula Village, Kalel Johnson of Webstuff Biz and Ruth Brown and Manny Pusic of Brisbane Water Secondary College.

Special Vocational Training Awards of Excellence were also presented to Jordan Smith and Courtney McDonald from Brisbane Water Secondary College.

Email, 25 Nov 2011 Geoff Melville, Rotary Club of Umina Beach



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## Winning ticket

A Northern Beaches woman has won \$2 million in Lotto, having bought a ticket in Umina.

The winner said that she was still coming to terms with her new millionaire status.

"I will share some of the money with my family and the rest will set me up for life," she said.

She purchased the winning ticket, which cost \$7.10, from The Bourke Road Store, Umina.

The winning numbers for Wednesday Lotto, draw 3087, are 26, 10, 11, 12, 7 and 20 with the supplementary numbers 17 and 4. Media Release, 24 Nov 2011 Una O'Neill, Tatts Lotteries

An aged care facility in Umina has started an intergenerational playgroup which runs on Tuesdays from 10am until 11:30am.

The

playgroup the gives

children, parents and the residents of Peninsula Village the opportunity to have fun, make new friends and develop skills through informal play.

Aged facility runs playgroup

The group offers parents the chance to meet other parents

and share ideas and has rotating themes of beach party, books, craft, song, dance and dress up. Email, 16 Nov 2011

Paula Newman, Peninsula Village



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Woy Woy South Public School will host a Helpers' Morning Tea on Friday, December 2, from 11am.

The morning tea provides an opportunity for staff to show their appreciation for the many hours of support and assistance provided by parents in the classroom.

parents who have helped out in class rooms during the year," said principal Mr Terry Greedy.

"We look forward to seeing all those parents who have helped out

South Public School

This summer is set to continue you sold," said Linda. to provide good buying conditions with strong listings reported here in Woy Woy and with extra benefits from the LJ Hooker 'Make The Most Of It' campaign.

Deciding on the right property to buy whether it is to be your home or as an investment can be the most important decision Australians make.

"It is a buyer's market, with more choice available than we have seen for a couple of years, said local real estate agent Linda Donovan from LJ Hooker Woy Woy.

"Summer is nearly here with plenty of properties to choose from so 'Make The Most Of It' with the LJ Hooker campaign that will help get Linda said sellers are able to

show off properties in their best light during spring with home the cooler months.

Great buying conditions drive market confidence

"My job is to assist customers make the best decision for their individual needs and here are a couple of tips to set you on your way this summer whether buying or selling your property.

"Firstly, research is the most important element when buying or selling a property.

"By regularly searching property websites such as www.ljhooker. com.au, buyers and sellers are just a click away from finding out what is on the market, types of properties,

the various price ranges and they get an understanding of asking prices," Linda continued.

"Research gives you the insight improvements generally made over into the current market price for properties selling in your local area.

"Secondly, local real estate agents are a great source of information on the local market, prices and types of property available and someone for you to be in contact with about your specific needs.

A good agent will contact you when they have a listing that fits your criteria or prospect buyers for your property," concluded Linda.

Visit ljhooker.com.au or contact Linda Donovan at LJ Hooker Woy Woy for information and assistance.

Linda Donovan, Sales Consultant, LJ Hooker Woy Woy - 4341 2001 nobody does it bette ljhooker.com



"We have a large number of

in any way throughout the year."

Newsletter, 22 Nov 2011 Terry Greedy, Woy Woy

## Ethical fishing for children

A fishing workshop will be held in Woy Woy during the school holidays for children aged between eight and 14.

The day will involve fishing techniques such as knots and rigging as well as casting, bag and size limits and ethical fishing

practices. The workshop is designed for kids to learn how to fish and have fun at the same time.

Newsletter, 17 Nov 2011 **Deborah Callender, Pretty Beach Public School** 



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The Brisbane Water Oyster Festival was this year held over two days on the weekend of Saturday, November 12.

On Saturday, festival goers wandered through the Mediterranean inspired Ettalong Market and Cinema complex with the main event continuing on Sunday at the Ettalong waterfront.

Each day a plethora of musicians, amusements, competitions and animal rides entertained locals and visitors at both venues.

Email, 25 Oct 2011 ' Alex Quinn, Brisbane Water Oyster Festival



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## Who would want to go?

In regard to the proposed McDonalds restaurant at Umina, some correspondents claim McDonalds has a restaurant "just down the road at Woy Woy".

Well I reckon that would be about three miles, a long hike if you're aged and infirm.

Also, some Umina people wouldn't go to Woy Woy, even on their holidays

#### Forum

And vice versa. It's beyond argument that McDonalds is very popular, but

who would want to go there when

it's filled with screaming toddlers or raucous teenagers? Letter, 21 Nov 2011 Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

#### I agree with John Collins of Woy Woy, (Peninsula News, 31 Oct).

It is a disgrace the way the Express Advocate is littering the streets and I think it will be worse now there is no TV program.

I used to get the Advocate for the TV program but since they don't publish it any more I throw it

## TV program wanted

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straight in the bin.

A few of my neighbours said

they won't even bother to pick it up. When we rang the Advocate complaining about the TV program, the girl on the switch asked if I was ringing about the TV program and I said I was ringing for a group of us.

She said she had 200 calls that day and had about 20 people on hold.

I have written to the Express in the Your Say section but they won't publish it.

I hope you will publish this and

be a voice for the people. Email, 10 Nov 2011 Pat Barker, Ettalong

## **Conflict of interest?**

## Poker machines are a problem

No matter how you feel about Julia Gillard, the Labor Party, Bob Brown, the Greens or the Liberal Party, Tony Abbott's latest proclamation that he would rescind the poker machine reforms is yet another reason why this man must not be made Prime Minister!

He has sat on the sideline and watched as the clubs have bankrolled a huge media campaign to make people think that they cannot survive without poker machines.

He has waited, just like his other announcements, until a poll shows a majority one way or the other then he pounces.

Whether you have the occasional flutter on the one armed bandits or are a problem gambler yourself, everyone knows poker machines are a problem in themselves.

Abbott does not care.

He doesn't care about broken families, stress, suicide or countless other social problems that poker machines have led to.

He cares about being Prime Minister

Clubs Australia is not looking out

Forum

for the average person's well being. Make no mistake they are very, very worried about the reforms working

Why else would they spend such huge amounts of money fighting it?

We have all heard the advertising about kid's sport being destroyed, clubs collapsing, huge unemployment, all because the grey army of the Central Coast would not be as easily able to put their pension cheques through these hideous machines.

Junior sport, senior sport, community services, charities and other organisations that would supposedly disappear were here long before the poker machine industry, so why would that change?

Perhaps if people weren't spending all their money on poker machines they might have a few spare dollars to give to these charities, just like they did before.

The only thing that should be rescinded is Tony Abbott's chances of being Prime Minister.

Email, 8 Nov 2011 Ross Cochrane, Woy Woy



The front page of the Express Advocate dated 16 November 2011 indicated that "the local chamber of commerce" supported the Maccas at Umina.

The Express Advocate is published by Newspapers.

The president of the Peninsula

#### Forum

Chamber of Commerce is also a principal of Wales and Associates. The DA was apparently submitted by Wales and Associates on behalf of Maccas.

Cumberland Newspapers is represented on the executive committee of the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, based on information displayed on the Chamber's web site.

Isn't there an obligation for the publisher to disclose a situation that could be deemed a conflict of interest?

Email. 17 Nov 2011 **Tim Havlor. Umina** 

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**Central Coast** Art Society (284) Weekly paint-outs 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**

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

#### **Community Centres**

**Peninsula Community Centre** (39/290) 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 muliticultural support Children - Little Kickers, Indian Dance, Playgroups, KindyGym, Teenagers - "The Web" Youth Support Services. Adults - Bridge, Yoga, Cake Decorating, Zumba, Scrabble, Weight Watchers, Boot Scooting, Song Writing, Community College, free tax help, Post & Pre Natal Exercises. Counselling - Drug, Alcohol, Relationship, Financial, Gambling, Weight Control.

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#### **Community Groups**

#### **AACC COMPUTER**

CLUB Inc. (291) www.aacc.asn.au Help with computing problems - Program demos + Q&A sessions 7 to 10pm 2nd & 4th Wed - Windows - 3rd Wed - Linux -Narara Valley High School -Day 'meet & greet' - 12.15 - 3.15pm 3rd Tues - East Gosford Progress Hall 10 Henry Parry Dve secretary@aacc.asn.au 4362 1918

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#### **Beachside Family Centre** (287)

Peninsula Community Centre 93 McMasters Rd.Woy Woy www.brisbane-water.bridge-club.org

#### Cash Housie (56/294)

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

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Arts Guild Inc (286c) Spinning and weaving, patchwork and quilting felting and other fibre and fabric crafts Workshops and community quilting bees Day and night groups 4325 4743 www.thecottage.org.au

#### **Central Coast Family**

History Society Inc. (301) All the resources. information and advice needed to study your family's history are available through the Society.

Meetings 1st Sat ea mth 1pm Lions Community Hall, behind the Society's Research Centre 8 Russell Drysdale St, East Gosford. www.centralcoastfhs.org.au Visitors welcome 4324 5164

#### **Hardys Bay** Residents Group (60/296) Working for a positive & Healthy Environment in our

Community allanbw@bigpond.com

The Krait Club (58/295) Community Centre -Cooinda Village, Neptune St, Umina 10.30am Open to senior members of Woy Woy/ Umina Community Gentle exercises, quizzes, games, social activities, guest speakers, entertainment and occasional bus trips 4341 0698

#### **Northern Settlement** Services (282)

Provides socialisation for migrants. Volunteers assist with home visits, shopping and social days. Clients from all over the world enjoy time together. Every

#### **Rotary Club of Umina**

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

#### **Seniors Computer Club Central** Coast Inc. (83/301)

Beginners' classes held Mon or Tues. Also classes Mon - Fri as published on the Club Website. 10am to 12md or 1- 3pm Kincumber & District Neighbourhood Centre. PC and Mac Meetings also held at Avoca Beach Bowling Club 1st Mon with a Guest Speaker 4369 2530

#### Umina Beach

Scrabble Club (65/302) For all levels and ages Every Wed, 9am - 12pm, relax, enjoy a cuppa while you play Scrabble 322 West St (Rubys) Umina 4341 4859

#### Volunteering

Central Coast (57/295) Refer potential volunteers to community orgs. Support both volunteers and community orgs. Offer training for volunteers and managers of volunteers. Regular general info sessions at Woy Woy. sharanpage@ volunteeringcentralcoast.org.au 4329 7122

#### 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 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 (9/292) Meet 3rd Tues Peninsula Community Centre, Cnr McMasters Rd and Ocean Beach Rd, Woy Woy - 4341 5881

#### **Meals on**

Wheels (81/298) Delivered meals and flexible food options for people with a functional disability 4382 9401

Marv Mac's Place (287) Providing hot, freshly cooked meals Mon to Fri 11am-1pm in a welcoming, friendly environment with support, information and referrals to appropriate community services.

marymacs@woywoycatholic.org.au 4341 0584

#### **Overeaters**

Anonymous (OA) (64/278) 12-step fellowship helping those suffering from eating disorders i.e. compulsive overeating, bulimia, anorexia. No dues, fees, or weigh-ins. Peninsula Corn. Cntr. cnr. Mc Masters Rd & Ocean Beach Rd. Woy Woy, Rm 5 Every Fri 7:30- 8:30pm www.oa.org 0412 756 446

#### **Peninsula Women's**

Health Centre (285c) 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.ccwhc.com.au

#### **Woy Woy Stroke**

Recovery Club (67/278) Peninsula Community Centre 2nd Tues 11.30am Company, up-to-date info, 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. 4325 7929 www.vmrcc.org.au pr.centralcoast@ marinerescuensw.corn.au **Music Central Coast Concert Band**(288)

#### Sport

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#### **Australian Labor**

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

#### Veterans

#### N.M.B.V.A.A Inc **National Malava Borneo Veterans Association Australia**

1st Sat (except Jan) 2pm **Ettalong Beach** War Memorial Club 51-52 The Esplanade. 4342 1107

Vietnam Veterans', **Peacekeepers' and** Peacemakers' (284) Assist all Veterans and their families with pension & welfare matters. Cnr Broken Bay Rd & Beach St Ettalong. Mon & Wed 9am-1pm 4344 4760 vietvetsgosford@bigpond.com

#### **Woy Woy Ettalong** Hardy's Bay

RSL Sub Branch (79/297) Provide help with pensions and welfare etc. Shop 5/382 Oceanview Rd Ettalong. Tues & Thurs 9am to 1pm 4341 2594

#### Women's Groups

**Country Women's Association Woy Woy** 

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

**The Endeavour View** Club, Woy Woy (287) Luncheon, 1st Mon Everglades Country Club, 10.30am. Friendship Social days, 3rd Wed Uniting Church Hall, Picnic Pde Ettalong, 10.30am. Coach trips 4341 2559

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

School-based community centre for families with children from birth to 8 years old. Group programs and community activities 4343 1929 Umina Public School Sydney Ave

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Thur Peninsula Community Centre 93 McMasters Rd Woy Woy - 4334 3877 **Probus Club of** Umina Beach (81/298) Friendship, Followship

and Fun - Advancing intellectual, cultural and social interests for active retirees 55yrs+ Non Political and Non Sectarian - 2nd Wed every mth, 10am, Everglades Country Club uminabeach@probusclubs.com.au P.O. Box 443 Woy Woy

#### **Gosford RSL** Sub-Branch **Women's Auxiliary**

#### (61/296)

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## Surf lifesavers recognised



Ocean Beach surf lifesaver Katie Dixon and Umina Surf Life Saving Club were recognised at the Central Coast Sports Federation

Awards ceremony held at Mingara Recreation Club on Saturday, November 19.

Katie was awarded the Communities NSW Sport and

Recreation Volunteer of the Year while Umina Surf Life Club was presented with the Association of the Year award.

The Peninsula Touch Football Under-16 State Cup side was also a finalist in the Team of the Year category.

The Central Coast Sports Federation Awards celebrate the most outstanding sporting achievements by Central Coast residents of the year.

This year, a record number of nominations were received, with many exceptional athletes and contributions to sport being recognised.

Over 250 people turned out on the night to celebrate the achievements of sports people on the Central Coast.

Media Release, 21 Nov 2011 **Central Coast Sports Federation** 

Hopscotch

and marbles

## Wipeout at Woy Woy South

#### Woy Woy South Public School has held the second year of Wipeout.

Children took advantage of the good weather on Friday, November 18.to participate in the many activities on offer in the playground, said principal Mr Terry Greedv.

"The hill, specially constructed for the water slides, proved to be money well spent with students enjoying a longer ride and voting the slides as the best activity on

the day," said Mr Greedy.

"Once again we had a core group of P and C executives and parents, ably coordinated by Deb Smith, who worked tirelessly leading up to the event and on the day to ensure the success of the day

"Many parent volunteers gave their time on the day to help run the activities.'

Newsletter, 22 Nov 2011 Terry Greedy, Woy Woy South Public School

Year 4 students from Ettalong Public School attended a 19th century themed day on Wednesday, November 9.

Principal Mr Colin Wallis said: "They dressed appropriately in 19th century fashions for the occasion.

"And they learned how to play traditional games more common to that century, such as hopscotch and marbles.'

Newsletter, 15 Nov 2011 **Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School** 

## The Peninsula Diarv For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Auslan signs workshop,

Beachside Family Centre, 9:30am-

and C Christmas Shopping Night,

Killcare Shops courtyard, 5pm-

Saturday December 10

Pretty Beach Public School P

Friday December 9

12:30pm

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Village

Village

playgroup,

#### **Monday November 28**

Troubadour Ukulele group meeting, Everglades Country Club, 6pm for dinner, 7pm start Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary

selling raffle tickets on West St, Umina

#### **Tuesday November 29**

Peninsula Intergenerational playgroup, Centre, 10am-11:30am, Free

**Friday December 16** Arboretum Christmas Party

Saturday December 17 50+ evening, Ettalong Bowling

Club Wednesday December 21 Bays Community Group

## 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 vear.

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.

#### \$**217,475** \$3200 St John the Baptist Catholic Public School raised \$3200 from a Scholastic Book Fair Brisbane Water Oyster Festival raised \$12,500 \$12500 toward breast cancer Ettalong Beach Public School raised \$603 for the \$603 Juvenile Diabetes Foundation \$1895 St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School has raised \$1895 for the Candela Mission. Woy Woy high tea and fashion parade raised \$3500 \$3500 for the people of Kisii, Kenya National Breast Cancer Foundation at Hardys Bay \$26,000 RSL raised \$26,000 St John the Baptist raised \$20,000 from its school fete \$20,000 Rocktoberfest raised \$1000 for the Westpac Rescue \$1000 Helicopter Service \$107 Woy Woy Stroke Recovery Club raised \$107.50 for Stroke Awareness Week \$20,000 Danielle's Difference Fun Day in Ettalong raised \$20,000 for the Children's Cancer Institute Australia \$2000 Brisbane Water Secondary College donated \$2000 to Legacy Day Umina Beach Women's Bowling Cub raised \$3000 \$3000 for the ICA Strong Women Safe Children organisation \$500 Everglades Men's Bowling Club donated \$500 to Woy Woy Hospital IGA Ettalong \$1262 to charities on Central Coast \$1262 Umian Beach Mens Bowling Club donated \$4000 for \$4000 **Prostate Cancer** Woy Woy community members raised \$4400 for \$4400 Prisoners Assistance Nepal Woy Woy Junior Rugby Union raised \$2000 for the \$2000 McGrath Foundation Freemasons Lodge Morning Star raised \$5000 for \$5000 Peninsula Community Centre The Bourke Rd Store raised \$1000 for breast cancer \$1000 IGA Ettalong \$635 to charities on Central Coast \$635 Peninsula raised \$2500 for careflight \$2500 Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal raised \$43,305 43,305 on Peninsula Kmart Woy Woy raised \$270 for Ocean Beach and \$270 Umina SLSC IGA Ettalong \$810 to charities on Central Coast \$810 Full Life International Church donated \$500 to Mad \$500 Monday Cooking and Craft \$3812

IGA Ettalong \$3812 to charities on Central Coast

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Ettalong Public School

**General Meeting** 

10am-11:30am

#### Friday December 2

Woy Woy South Public School Helper's Morning Tea, 11am

#### Wednesday December 7

Pearl Beach community dinner, Memorial hall

#### **Tuesday December 6**

Peninsula Intergenerational 10am-11:30am

#### **Thursday December 8**

Young Parent Beachside Family workshop.

Meditation for Busy Minds, Empire Bay Progress Hall, 9:45am

#### Sunday December 11 Club Umina Christmas Toy Raffle, 5pm

Monday December 12 Reflection evening/book launch with Barry Cohen, Everglades Country Club, 6-9:30pm

#### **Tuesday December 13** Village Peninsula Intergenerational playgroup, 10am-11:30am

**Thursday December 15** Storytime Community Christmas Carols,

If you've got something happening on the Peninsula over the next few weeks, let us know about it and we'll list it here for you, for free. Contact details are on page 2.

Friday December 23

Pearl Beach Twilight Carols, tennis courts, 6pm, free

Saturday December 23 Santa to visit West St, Umina, 10am

#### Sunday January 22

Weet Bix Kids TRYathalon, Peninsula Leisure Centre and James Browne Oval

**Thursday January 26** Australia Day fun and beach games, Pearl Beach beachfront, 8am-12pm

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

Woy Woy Public School raised \$162 from Easter raffle

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

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

IGA Ettalong \$12888 to charities on Central Coast Woy Woy Public School raised \$739 for Queensland Floods

Umina Public School raised \$777 for Queensland floods

Empire Bay Public School raised \$571 for Flood appeal

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





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- Sue Swadling formerly trading as Four Shore Café & Take away of Umina Beach
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## **Bowls tournament** held at Umina

The King and Queen of the Central Coast bowling tournament was held at **Umina Beach Bowling Club** from Saturday, November

throuah 5, to Monday. November 7.

Forty-two teams from the Central Coast, Newcastle, North Coast, South Coast and Sydney contested the event over three

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days "Weather conditions looked

menacing at first but cleared up to give way to fine weather for the three days of competition," said Umina Beach secretary Mr Steve Stead.

"The first two days saw the teams fighting for a place in the final with 14 teams from each qualifying day to play off for the title

"The final day saw some of the more fancied struggle and, after the second round of 18 ends, several teams were still in with a chance and the final result was not confirmed until the last few ends of the final game," said Mr Stead.

With a late surge, John and Denise Ellison from The Entrance emerged as outright winners after Allan Breakwell and Judy King were held to a close game by Leanne Chenoweth and Steve England from Umina.

The top four teams were from the Central Coast and fifth place went to a team from Belmont.

Email, 16 Nov 2011 Steve Stead, Umina **Beach Bowling Club** 



## Sherriff plays in Australian team

Ettalong bowls player Aron Sherriff will contest the Asia Pacific Bowls Championship from November 30 until December 11 in Adelaide as part of the Australian team.

The event will feature 15 men's teams and 13 women's teams from a number of Asia Pacific nations including Japan, Samoa, USA and Canada.

Australia's all-star line-up for the event includes Commonwealth games medallists and world number two Brett Wilkie, number four Karen Murphy, world number eight Kelsey Cottrell and the 2010 World Champion of Champion world number 5 Aron Sherriff.

After dominating the last Asia Pacific Championships held in 2009 in Kuala Lumpur with a medal haul that included two gold. two silver and three bronze from eight events, the Australians said they were eager to perform well on the international stage.

The 2011 Asia Pacific Championships will be played at Lockleys Bowling Club and Holdfast Bay Bowls and Croquet Club in Adelaide.

Media Release, 25 Nov 2011 Sue Hill, Foster Hill PR and Marketing

## Football juniors celebrate 50 years

Woy Woy Junior Rugby League Football Club will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2012.

A number of social and fundraising events are planned for the year.

These include a Season Launch Family Picnic Day on Sunday, April 15, State of Origin Nights at the club, a trivia and karaoke night and a State of Origin raffle.

The club will also have a number of commemorative items up for sale during the year including a 50th anniversary club football.

The club will also hold a reunion photos and year books. on Saturday, June 9, at Woy Woy Leagues Club and is seeking any historical information about the club including newspaper articles,

Email, 22 Nov 2011 Tim McParlane, Woy Woy JRLFC

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#### Sport

## New faces for Bunnies

A number of new faces have joined the Umina Beach Rugby League Football Club for the 2012 season.

Luke Serevi and Junior Quata have joined the club with ambitions of making the World Cup Fiji Squad and according to president Mr Kevin Hulls, both boys know how to play the game well.

"Brendan Neil and Chad Walsh will also join us and they are both fierce competitors who will push for a first grade run very quickly," said Mr Hulls.

Others returning to the Bunnies in 2012 include Shane Lewis, James Murphy, Dave Murray, Ernie McGillicuddy, Mat Jones,

Steve Campagna, Alex Lavers and Ben Padget.

The forwards who will return from this year include Josh Foley, Pat Ryan, Mack Fawcett, Mitch Finnigan, Brett Sonter, Tom Reid, Dean Knott, Mat Paulsen and Shane O'Sullivan.

The competition structure is 18s, Opens, Reserve Grade and First Grade, with two trials confirmed at Brisbane Water College junior campus in March.

There will be 18 rounds of the competition with no byes.

The competition kick off date is yet to be confirmed but will be in early April.

Email, 25 Nov 2011 Kevin Hulls, Umina Beach RLFC



## Trolley missing

## New committee

Everglades Country Club men's bowls section held its general meeting on Saturday, October 15.

Ray Benton stepped down after eight years as secretary and president.

Ron Hughes was elected as the new president.

Bob Brien remains on the tournament committee and sponsorship with Kevin Price.

Peter Arnold was elected senior vice president and publicity officer, Gordon Robertson the vice president and Bruce Jones bowls secretary.

David Lilley was elected secretary-treasurer, while Tom Cain, Frank Ellis, John Hall, Stan Johnson and Ray Ward made up the rest of the committee.

Club Bulletin, 1 Nov 2011 Judy Andrews, Everglades Country Club A Central Coast Outrigger Canoe Club boat trolley was stolen from Umina Beach during the first week of November.

The boat trolley was used to launch a six-person outrigger onto Brisbane Water.

Anybody who has seen the trolley should contact Central Coast Outrigger Canoe Club equipment officer Ms Jenny Hartich on 0419 682 612.

Email, 16 Nov 2011 Helen Orchard, Koolewong

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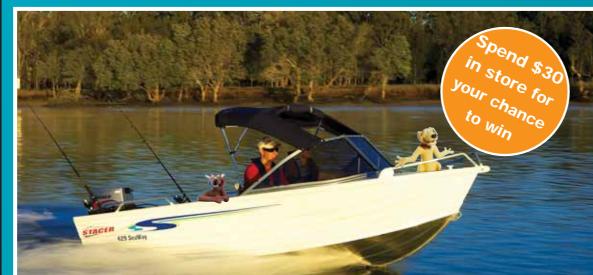
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