



Sea day for children

Gosford Council in partnership with Ocean and Coastal Care Initiatives (OCCI) and Hunter Central Rivers Catchment Management Authority held a Sea Kids Day at Ocean Beach Surf Club on Thursday, January 19.

The event was designed for children aged 3-12 years to engage in and discover the wonders of the local marine

environment.

Volunteer groups OCCI, Waterwatch and Australian Seabird Rescue provided opportunities for both children and adults to explore issues surrounding the local marine environment.

Gosford Council's environmental education officer Ms Maree Whelan said that Sea Kids was an event to help young people explore and investigate what was under the sea.

"This was a fun and educational day.

"A highlight was the live touch table where kids could feel and learn about our local sea creatures.

"There was also marine story time, water quality testing activities, great giveaways and displays," said Ms Whelan.

Media Release, 12 Jan 2012

**Marie Whelan,
Gosford Council**

Photo: Naomi Bridges

Arrested for \$8M art fraud

An Ettalong man has been arrested for art fraud, with losses estimated at \$8 million.

Fraud and Cybercrime Squad detectives made the arrest following a protracted investigation into artwork investment fraud.

Strike Force Glasson was established in early 2009 to investigate dealings relating to a number of art galleries in Sydney's north-west following complaints of

alleged investment fraud.

Police will allege numerous valuable artworks were sold to investors, with many of those investors unaware that the pieces they had purchased had also been on-sold to others, or were already the property of others.

Police alleged more than 40 investors incurred financial losses in excess of \$8 million.

During the course of the investigation, more than 400

paintings were seized by police with extensive inquiries conducted to determine the legitimate ownership of those paintings.

A 64-year-old Ettalong man was arrested at Gosford Police Station on Monday, January 16.

He was charged with 77 counts of larceny as a bailee and 10 counts of Director Cheat and Defraud.

**Media Release, 16 Jan 2012
NSW Police Media**

Bank directors elected at quiet meeting

The company which operates the Ettalong branch of the Bendigo Bank has elected five directors unopposed.

They were each elected with the 20 eligible votes at the company's annual meeting, according to minutes lodged with the National Stock Exchange on December 23.

The five directors are Bruce Croft, Jeanette Polley, Charles Brock, Robert Millwood and Paul Thomas.

The annual report for the year to June 2011, which showed a net profit of \$16,645, was also accepted unanimously.

The remuneration report was adopted with 16 votes.

Four directors with shareholdings abstained from voting.

While the minutes recorded questions being asked by shareholders, the 40-minute meeting held on November 30 did not have the disputes of the previous annual meeting.

In the previous year, the minutes recorded the dissatisfaction of one board member with some activities

of the board, together with her statement that "some members of the board cannot be trusted". She failed to be re-elected.

This year's minutes recorded questions about the way sponsorship was determined and whether a list of sponsored bodies could be included in the next annual report.

Questions were also asked about the company's performance in the new financial year and about previous tax losses of \$245,256 brought to account for the first time.

Treasurer Mr Don Wilson responded to all the questions, the minutes stated.

The chairman Mr Mick Gage acknowledged the seven years' service given by Mr Brian Wright as a board member.

The meeting was attended by 20 people, including visitors such as representatives from the Bendigo Bank and the auditors Andrew Frewin and Stewart, as well as the regional manager, the branch manager and staff.

**Minutes, 23 Dec 2011
Ettalong Beach Financial Services, NSX**

Bank branch lists at Newcastle

Ettalong Beach Financial Services which owns the Ettalong franchise of the Bendigo Bank is one of 29 companies listed on the Bendigo Stock Exchange (BSX) that have been migrated to the National Stock Exchange of Australia (NSX) in Newcastle.

The NSX announced the addition of 29 companies to the NSX market on Tuesday, January 3, taking the total number of securities listed to 120.

The migration represents the winding down of the BSX market and the continued expansion of NSX as Australia's second largest listing stock exchange.

NSX acquired the BSX in 2005 where the BSX listed companies had remained until the migration.

Moving to the NSX would provide the companies with a larger and more prominent market with more connected brokers and investors, said National Stock Exchange CEO Emlyn Scott.

Only a small number of companies decided to delist.

Mr Scott said: "We are very pleased that most of BSX companies will be migrating to NSX and that two-thirds have decided to move at the first migration date."

"The migrating BSX companies will enjoy more prominence and investor interest being listed on the NSX.

"They are joining a growing list of companies realising the benefits and attractiveness of an NSX listing."

**Website, 3 Jan 2012
BSX**

Your Chance to Win

Peninsula News and Brightlife Me are giving five readers the chance to win a Meditation for Busy Minds Pack valued at \$35.

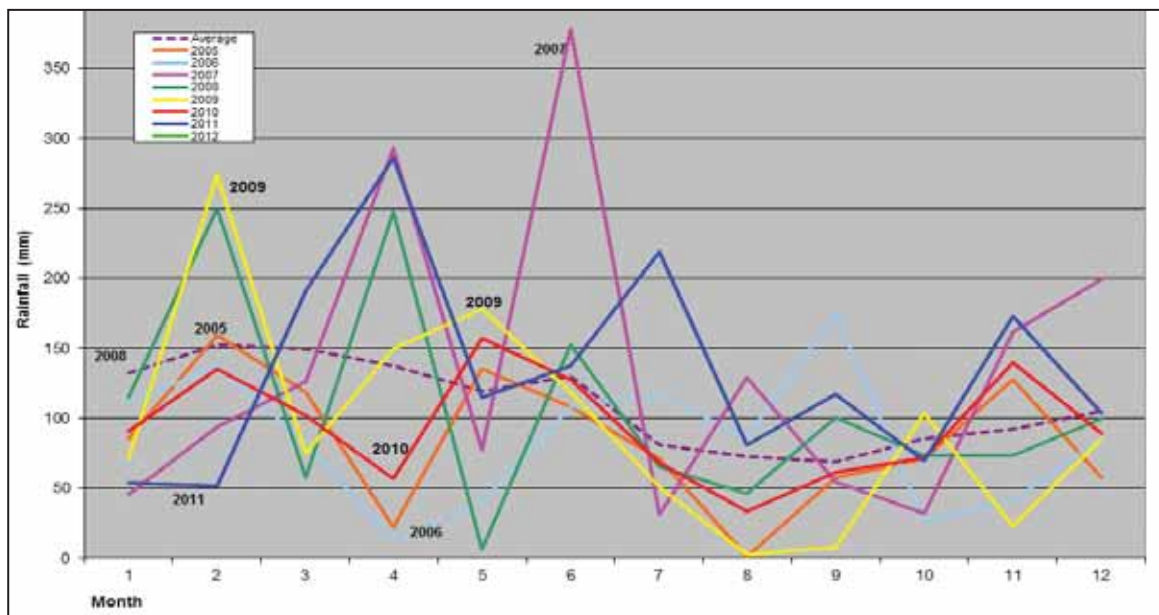
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To win one of these five meditation packs write your name, address and phone number on the back of an envelope and send to Peninsula News Meditation for Busy Minds competition P.O Box 1056 Gosford, NSW, 2250, by the close of business Thursday, February 2.

The winners of last edition's Peninsula News Big Green Leaf competition are Rita McAskill of Umina and Mrs K. Johnstone of Woy Woy.

Kaitlin Watts, 21 Jan 2012



Rain is on track

A total of 105.6mm of rain has fallen in the first three weeks of the year, according

to figures supplied by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

The rainfall is in line with the average for January.

If the rain continues at the same rate, it will reach the January average of 132.4mm by the end of the month.

Most of the rain this month has come in three days – 43.2mm recorded on January 6, 25.5mm on January 16 and 24.5mm on January 17.

Temperatures so far this month

have ranged from a minimum of 14.6 degrees recorded on January 12 to a maximum of 32.0 on January 4, according to www.peninsulaweather.info.

Highest overnight minimum was 22.9 recorded on January 8 and lowest daily maximum was 21.3 recorded on January 12.

Highest wind gust recorded was 30.2 km/h on January 11.

Spreadsheet, 20 Jan 2012
Jim Morrison, Woy Woy
www.peninsulaweather.info

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Pacific Link Com Housing 4324 7617
Rumbalara Youth Refuge 4325 7555
Samaritans Youth Services 4351 1922
Youth Angle • Woy Woy 4341 8830
Woy Woy Youth Cottage 4341 9027

Animal Rescue

Wildlife Arc 4325 0666
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Community Centres

Peninsula Community Centre 4341 9333
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Family and Relationships

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Woy Woy Hospital 4344 8444
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Legal & Financial Help

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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

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Gussy the goose

Gussy goes missing

Gussy the goose, a large white bird that has lived on the Woy Woy waterfront between Memorial and Lions Park for around 10 years, has gone missing.

Gussy the goose was rescued near the Woy Woy Memorial Park garden in Brickwharf Rd, Woy Woy, in January 2010 after he was involved in a dog attack.

"He is a well loved and sorely missed local icon, including by

all the ducks that he protects and nurtures," said Woy Woy resident Ms Lisa Hynard.

"Gussy was in the best of health and up to his usual tricks when he was noticed mysteriously missing around Christmas Eve.

Anyone with information about the missing goose is encouraged to contact Lisa on 0422 543 660.

Letter, 18 Jan 2012
Luisa Hynard, Woy Woy

Bank chairman happy with first profit

Ettalong Beach Financial Services chairman Mr Mick Gage has reported he was "extremely thrilled" that the Ettalong branch of the Bendigo Bank has returned its first profit after seven years' operation.

"We have been able to generate monthly profits on a regular basis to achieve our first ever annual profit," Mr Gage wrote in his chairman's report for the year to June 2011.

The report was accepted at the annual meeting of the company which operates the franchise of the bank's Ettalong branch.

"We achieved an operating profit of \$40,260 less interest expense (\$23,615) resulting in a net profit of \$16,645."

He said that, after adding back \$245,256, which were "prior

years' tax losses not previously brought into account", the "total comprehensive profit" for the year was \$261,901.

Mr Gage said: "Like most commercial operations, success only follows when all energies work together to achieve the ultimate benefits.

Mr Gage said "footings" had increased by \$7 million to \$73 million at June 30, with a similar increase expected in the coming year.

"Customer growth continues and is now approaching the 2,371 mark (and over 3,300 accounts) which is very pleasing.

"This year we distributed more than \$65,000 to numerous organisations by way of sponsorships and community support requests, marketing and advertising, which is funded

through the Marketing and Development fund.

"I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank our loyal shareholders patience for their continued support during our difficult establishment period.

"Whilst we are not in a position to declare any dividends at this time, subject to continuance of profit as per forecasts we will be nearing the time when we will have to consider a positive return to shareholders and the community.

"During the year we also welcomed three new directors to replace directors who were removed by shareholders vote and resignations following our last AGM held November 2010."

Annual report, 13 Oct 2011
Mick Gage, EBFS

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'Flood prone' but never flooded

My insurance company has sent me my Home Contents renewal notice.

They said that owing to the flood mapping undertaken by Gosford Council if I wanted flood cover the premium would be \$3,116.55 per annum and without flood cover the premium would be \$340.05.

Gosford Council should take some responsibility for the information that it puts out into the public domain and its

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consequences.

My house was built in the 1940s and has never flooded.

However, due to the predictions of Gosford Council I am now effectively denied flood insurance.

Those predictions, whether they prove false or true, have influenced NRMA Insurance to only offer me flood insurance at a prohibitive premium.

Gosford Council has changed the zoning of Patonga to "flood prone" and made this information public which has had the direct result of denying me flood insurance cover.

I would be interested to know what Gosford Council plan to do about the consequences of their actions.

Online submission, 6 Jan 2012
Paul Armitage, Patonga

Site meeting was waste of time

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I attended the site meeting in Ocean Beach Rd on Tuesday, December 13, regarding the re-zoning of 430-438 Ocean Beach Rd, Umina.

Cr Craig Doyle was the spokesman.

To me it was a waste of time.

Cr Doyle completely took over and was very rude and arrogant to some people in attendance.

I am not against rezoning at this particular site, for perhaps doctors, dentists or other professional services but not McDonalds.

McDonalds attracts many young people who have no respect for the area.

If the development went ahead, we could expect more litter in the streets.

The litter is a disgrace in this

area already especially at the bus stop in West St and a McDonalds would only add to this problem.

The road is always so busy.

When I drive out of Nowack Ave in order to go right, I have to turn left and go round the round-about as it is impossible to drive straight on to Ocean Beach in order to turn right due to the volume of traffic.

Also, when walking, I have to walk down to the pedestrian crossing to cross Ocean Beach Rd.

McDonalds is already situated in Woy Woy, five minutes drive from Umina.

We don't want McDonalds here.

Online submission, 26 Dec 2011
Shirley Campbell, Umina

Spoilt kids running to their mum

I find it most odd that Gosford Council would try to suspend Cr Peter Freewater for doing the job he was elected to do: tell the rate payers what their money is spent on.

If they believe he is wrong with his description of their "weekend workshop" as a "junket, completely

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unnecessary and a waste of rate payer's money" let them stand and defend their position, not behave like spoilt kids running to their mum.

Unless Cr Freewater has done something criminal, he should be

allowed to get on with his job, not have to worry about suspension.

Gosford Council should get on with its job (and that includes listening to those who live in the area, pay their rates and vote for the councillors) not just sit in their ivory castle.

Councillors, our road, kerbs and guttering is appalling in some areas so forget your weekends away, drive around the Peninsula and see what needs to be done.

You might get a reality check.

Email, 12 Jan 2012
Michael Gaut, Ettalong

More forum on Page 10, 16 & 19

A happy day

It was Sunday afternoon at Don Leggett House when there was a knock on the door.

A cute little four-year-old girl came in with a beautiful rose wrapped in cellophane and tied with a red ribbon.

With it came the words "have a happy day".

I looked past her to her mum and dad who had a large bucket of roses for my neighbours.

They said they were teaching their daughter the joy of giving and wanted no recognition but I thought the community should know.

We all had a happy day.

Letter, 17 Jan 2012
Christina Sherbon, Umina

Weeds take over

I visited the Ettalong waterfront on the weekend of January 7 and 8 and walked onto one of the viewing platforms.

The gardens were completely overgrown with weeds of many varieties.

One year's seeding means seven years weeding and so things will never change.

Visitors to Ettalong would have to be as dismayed as I was.

One would think the persons who instigated the foreshore redevelopment would have put in place an ongoing plan to keep the undergrowth from taking over once more.

Email, 13 Jan 2012
Brian Noble, Woy Woy

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Suspicious death

Police are investigating the suspicious death of a man at Wondabyne on Sunday, January 15.

Police and emergency services were called to a campsite at Wondabyne following reports at about 5.30pm that a man had a serious injury to his thigh.

A companion of the man alerted emergency services, seeking medical assistance for the man.

Due to the remoteness of the campsite, police and NSW Ambulance paramedics had to travel by train and boat to assist the injured man.

Police assisted with CPR until an officer from NSW Ambulance Special Casualty Access Team was winched in.

Despite their efforts, the 38-year-old man died at the scene.

The area was examined by specialist forensics officers.

Police are appealing for anyone who may have been in the Wondabyne area over the weekend to contact Brisbane Water Police on 02 4323 5499 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Media Release, 16 Jan 2012
NSW Police Media

More object to McDonalds

Gosford Council has received three more petitions with a total of 562 signatures objecting to the planning proposal for a McDonalds store on Ocean Beach Rd, Umina.

In December, the council received petitions with more than 1000 signatures opposing the proposal.

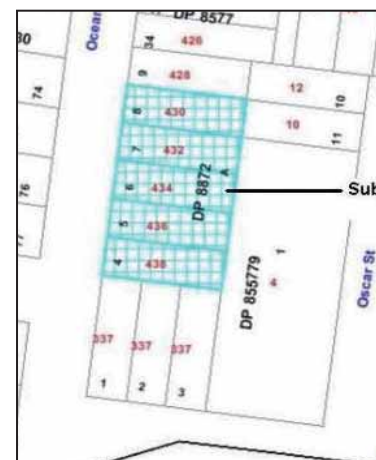
Petitioners said they believed that the community supported the many local businesses in the area and were concerned that

small businesses would financially suffer as a consequence of this development.

They said they felt that the community would also suffer by having less choice and variety of food available in the area.

They also objected to the increased traffic congestion, rubbish around the streets, health impacts and visual pollution.

Gosford Council Agenda,
P.1, 24 Jan 2012



Basket weaving group starts

The Peninsula Women's Health Centre holding a Rag Bag Basket Weaving Group from 10.00am to 12.30pm each Thursday for four weeks, starting Thursday February 2.

Using a combination of cane, strips of fabric and other bits and pieces, women will be able to learn the twining method of weaving to create a colourful and unique piece

of basket art.

Childcare is available however it is limited and bookings for childcare and the group are essential.

The group and childcare are free however a gold coin donation is requested.

To book, telephone the centre on 4342 5905.

Online submission, 19 Jan 2012
Kate Bradfield, PWHC

Raised intersection for Ettalong

Gosford Council's Road Safety and Traffic Unit has recommended a raised threshold for the intersection of Schnapper Rd and Flathead Rd, Ettalong.

Construction is expected to start this financial year.

The proposal was initiated in a petition in November which requested that Council investigate ways of discouraging loud and

unsafe vehicle usage in Schnapper Rd and to control the overflow parking at the Ettalong market-hotel complex.

Council's quarterly petitions report from October 1 until December 31 stated that the raised threshold method was favoured over speed humps as past experience had revealed speed humps caused concern to local residents who resided in close proximity to these devices due to

the 24 hour daily noise problem generated by vehicles traversing them.

In addition to improving pedestrian safety in the vicinity of the Ettalong Beach Village Centre, an application for the provision of a 40km high pedestrian activity area was lodged with the Roads and Maritime Service for consideration-approval for future funding.

Gosford Council Agenda,
COR.5, 24 Jan 2012

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Memorial to Brian Robert Neville. Born 3 January 1936 Died 7 January 2012



I am writing about Brian's life, remembering that he often said "life wasn't meant to be easy".

But he considered himself lucky.

Dad was born at Grenfell NSW on January 3, 1936, at the height of the Great Depression to Rose Stenfors and Robert Neville, known to me as Pa, who worked on the railways and lived in camps

Life wasn't easy in those days and conditions were hard but being born as a true Aussie Battler gave dad the tools he needed to overcome and triumph over the many challenges, hardships and very hard knocks that were to face him as he went through life.

Dad soon had a younger sister Alice and a brother Allan who suffered polio at birth and was crippled for all of his short life.

Much of his family's early life was spent living itinerantly, moving with the railway camps in the Riverina around Griffith and further afield to places like Forbes where they had to overcome a major flood.

The family always managed to return to Kangaroo Valley where Pa was born and his Grandfather George was also born and had a farm.

Dad stayed with George on several occasions which included droving trips around NSW and even to the NT when he was only 8-12 years old. The family eventually settled in Griffith where Dad went to high school.

Dad was a keen student and excelled both academically and athletically becoming a local champion at Hop Skip Jump and as a sprinter. Dad also started playing Rugby League at this time.

A passion that he maintained all his life as he later keenly followed his three son's careers and always his much loved St George.

Unfortunately dad's family broke up when he was 15 and, like a lot of adventurous young blokes in similar circumstances, he ran away to join the war in Korea where he was wounded, found out to be underage and sent home.

He returned to Griffith where he worked as a mechanic, rode and raced motorcycles, often

outrunning the local copper on his Vincent.

A couple of years later dad returned to Kangaroo Valley reuniting with Pa and Allan where they ended up buying their own farm with the uniquely Australian address of Wombat Hill, Kangaroo Valley.

They went into the timber business, which nearly killed dad at age 19 when he was logging with a horse and was struck by a tree.

This resulted in a broken back and 12 months in hospital where he underwent one of the first spinal fusion operations performed in Australia. Dad showed his true spirit, courage and determination to recover from this injury to again work with the timber business, play football and ride motorcycles, however, it couldn't go on forever.

After meeting a young Irene Whatman at a dance at Burrawang, dad moved to Mittagong with the Cupid family where he worked as a painting contractor and eventually set up his own business with his partner Tommy Hagon.

The painting business was easier on dad's injured back but he would eventually have to change again.

Brian and Irene were engaged in 1960 and married in 1962.

The next few years were a turmoil for Brian as it was while his new family was growing with the birth of his three sons Grahame, Ken and Darren that he lost his own family with the passing of first Allan and then tragically his sister Alice and his father.

However, Alice had married and left behind a niece and nephew in Cathy and Eric with whom he always maintained contact.

Dad's new family including Irene's parents and sisters became the most important thing in his life and he was determined to provide a better life for them than he had experienced growing up.

This led Dad to follow a long term goal and he joined the then Commonwealth Police Force in 1973, where he served in duties as varied as protective services and anti terrorist and bomb squads around the Sydney area.

Even though the force changed from Commonwealth to Australian Federal Police, dad believed it gave him the job security to raise his family with a stability he had never known before.

But a serious leg injury when he put a foot in a rabbit hole while running down a hill with full kit while on a training exercise nearly put a premature end to his career.

Dad fought back again and, after nearly 12 months on workers comp with operations and rehab, resumed his career to eventually retire as a Station Sergeant in 1990 after 18 years service. Joining the Police Force though meant the family had to move to Sydney where we settled at Revesby.

The family participated in the sports of Rugby League and baseball, which all the sons played and were supported by both mum and dad.

We also joined the Australian Air League where both mum and dad supported us through admin help and dad providing occasional presentations. Both mum and dad formed lifelong friendships there.

After retiring from the Police force mum and dad took a long holiday including a European

trip after which Dad worked part time as a handyman but he couldn't sit still for long.

In 1992 he moved to the Central Coast and bought a paint and paper shop at Woy Woy and built a new house in Stratford Park Estate at Terrigal.

If dad thought he had done it tough with his early family life and back and leg injuries life had more to throw at him yet.

After a triple bypass in 1994 dad sold his paint and paper business and took up employment with the expanding Campbell family hardware business.

Another back operation two years later was followed a year later by the biggest challenge yet, he was diagnosed with an aortal aneurism and given less than six months to live or undergo surgery with 50-50 chance of survival.

He elected for surgery and endured six months in Intensive care followed by another six months of operations to remove both his legs which suffered the most from his initial surgery.

That was nearly 13 years ago.

But dad, determined as ever, learnt to walk on his artificial legs, joined the Central Coast Amputees Association and assisted them with fundraising.

Mum and dad moved to their current home in Woy Woy where dad was able to move around better and could be more independent.

In recent times dad also became an active campaigner for the Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance, fighting for the return of the rehabilitation centre.

Dad passed away at home on Saturday 7 of January+ and although it appeared sudden he had been having more heart problems and I was glad he didn't have a prolonged period of suffering, considering the last few years.

Dad was always cheeky, good humoured and had a story to tell to whoever would listen and called everyone Fred.

He remains my friend, mentor and above all my hero.

by Grahame Neville



Police seek help after Ettalong brawl death

Investigators have renewed an appeal for public assistance following the death of Lawrence Burke after a brawl at Ettalong.

Burke died after a group of people began fighting on Memorial Ave near the intersection with Ocean View Rd Shortly before 4am on Saturday, January 7.

A short time later, the 20-year-old man and family members left the scene in a taxi.

During the journey, he lost consciousness and was taken to Woy Woy Hospital, before he was transferred by ambulance to Gosford Hospital where he died.

A post mortem was conducted on Monday, January 9, and the preliminary finding revealed

Lawrence Burke died as a result of a medical condition.

Police are examining whether the incident contributed to his death and their findings will be included in a report for the Coroner.

Investigations are continuing into the circumstances surrounding the brawl, and police have renewed their appeal for anyone with information about the incident to come forward and speak with investigators.

Anyone who witnessed the altercation, or the events leading up to it, is asked to contact Gosford Police or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

**Media Release, 9 Jan 2012
NSW Police Media
Photo: Naomi Bridges**



The memorial for Lawrence Burke at an Ettalong bus shelter

Traffic diverted for sewerage work

Temporary traffic diversions will be in place at the Woy Woy Commuter Car Park over the next six months while Gosford Council upgrades the area's sewage pump

station. Work at the pump station, located behind the Woy Woy Police Station, will start on Monday, January 23, and is expected to be completed in late June.

Traffic diversions will be in

place on the ground-level of the car park during this period.

The one-way access lane behind the police station will be closed to all traffic but pedestrian access will still be available between the car park and Blackwall Rd.

Signage will be placed in and around the car park to direct traffic and pedestrians.

The works are part of Council's extensive Sewage Pumping Station Upgrade Program, which spends around \$5 million each year to prevent

sewer overflows by improving the reliability, capacity and performance of the region's pump stations.

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Last year's Australia Day celebrations

Australia Day at Woy Woy and Wagstaffe

Wagstaffe and Woy Woy will host Australia Day activities on Thursday, January 26, in line with this year's theme, Make Your Mark Australia.

The theme aims to encourage people to think about how they would make their mark on the nation, according to Gosford mayor Cr Laurie Maher.

Cr Maher, Gosford Australia Day Committee chairperson Cr Jim Macfadyen and Australia Day ambassador Ms Judy Stone will attend both ceremonies.

Wagstaffe will host an official ceremony with guest speakers, light entertainment and a flag raising, followed by Breakfast by the Bay between 8am and 10.30am.

Woy Woy will begin its festivities from 4pm with children's activities taking place in the CWA Hall until 6pm including a colouring-in competition, face painting, games and hand printing.

An acoustic stage in Memorial Park will feature a variety of blues and folk music.

The park will also light up with a display of handheld lanterns made by children taking part in the Summer in the City workshops.

Entertainment on the main stage at The Boulevard will commence at 4pm with a range of local acts.

An official ceremony at 6pm will feature acts such as the Duelling Pianos and the Five Lands Band, which will lead up to a fireworks display at 9.15pm.

Cr Maher said the annual celebration was a great day for Gosford to let its community spirit shine.

"Celebrating Australia Day with us at Wagstaffe and Woy Woy is a wonderful opportunity for residents and visitors to the area to get together and be proud and thankful for the Australia we live in today."

Cr Maher said that while it was a day to celebrate Australia and everything that made it great, a number of new members would also be welcomed into the community.

"We will be holding our annual Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony at the Laycock St Theatre at 9.30am which will see 108 people from 28 different countries receiving Australian citizenship," said Cr Maher.

Media Release, 17 Jan 2012
Gosford Council Media
Photo: Mark Ellis

Business group condemns violence

Ettalong Beach Business Group president Ms Jeanette Polley has condemned the violence which resulted in the death of a young man in Ettalong on Saturday, January 7.

"This incident highlights the need for a greater police presence on the Peninsula and the Group joins with other business groups in calling for such an increased

presence particularly as young people are leaving licensed premises.

"We also call for a higher level of monitoring of alcohol free zones on our streets.

"We extend our condolences to the family and friends of the young victim of a senseless crime," she said.

Media Release, 11 Jan 2012
Jeanette Polley, EBBG
Photo: Naomi Bridges

Late night delays

Woy Woy travellers are being advised by Cityrail to allow additional journey time when travelling at night by train from Saturday, January 28, until Friday, February 3.

Buses will replace trains from Gosford to Hornsby from 11:10pm until 3am from Monday, January 30, until Thursday, February 2.

Buses will also replace trains northbound from Hornsby to Gosford from 11:50pm until 3am on the same days.

The last direct southbound train is scheduled to depart Gosford at 10:08pm and arrive in Central at 11:35pm.

The last direct northbound train to depart Central is scheduled for 10:15pm for a 1:18am arrival in Newcastle.

Trains between Newcastle and Gosford and between Hornsby and Central will continue to operate to the normal timetable.

They will arrive and depart on platforms 16-23 at Central Station from 2am Saturday, January 28, until 2am Monday, January 30.

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Water mains flushed

Gosford Council flushed and cleaned water mains across the Peninsula in a week-long exercise to protect the quality

of the area's drinking water supply.

Crews began work in Woy Woy on Sunday, January 15, and

made their way through Umina and Ettalong over the ensuing week.

Flushing and cleaning works were completed overnight between 9pm and 5.30am to minimise any impacts on local residents.

Media Release, 13 Jan 2012
Nathan Slade, Gosford Council
Photo: Naomi Bridges

Residents ask for kerb and gutter

Residents of Murray St, Booker Bay, have sent a petition to Gosford Council with 33 signatures objecting to the condition of their street from Eastern St to Ocean View Rd-Booker Bay Rd.

The petition stated that following heavy rain this section of road was unable to drain adequately and became waterlogged and dangerous for vehicles and pedestrians, long after rain had ceased.

The petitioners said they believed that with the high volume of vehicle and pedestrian traffic and significant development along this section, Murray St should have continuous kerb and guttering and bitumen sealing from kerb to kerb.

They asked that the road be included in the next budget so that it could be upgraded and major improvements could commence as soon as possible.

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Respect for others is critical

I respond to the forum article by Tim Haylor in Peninsula News, January 9.

I will defer to his knowledge in regards to rhinos on steroids, however, the following are the facts that were misrepresented in this article.

There was no pre-determined outcome as stated.

Council decided the application after the site inspection, with the benefit of hearing and seeing firsthand the community's views.

Forum

The determination was about rezoning the land, not about approving restaurants of any sort, regardless of who owned the land.

Council directly notifies all adjacent property owners in writing, however, not every resident in a street or suburb.

Council also advertises all rezonings publically in the paper and at the local libraries.

From my personal point of view the majority of people in attendance at the site inspection conducted themselves appropriately and respected everyone else's right to ask questions and have an opinion.

Clearly some others felt they had the right to attempt to dominate the question time and prevent others from seeking answers to their questions.

Some were blatantly rude and showed no respect for anyone in attendance by way of their conduct.

It is a shame that this sort of incident is on the rise at site inspections as it robs the public of an opportunity to seek answers directly of the applicant and the council officers.

People are disinclined to engage in the decision making process when some attendees want to bully and be rude to others, no matter who they represent or what their view is.

As the chairman of these meetings, I try to ensure all people who want to ask questions can.

With over 50 people in attendance who are passionate about a number of issues, it is critical that all respect others and follow appropriate protocol.

I hope that when the DA is lodged that all the community feels welcome to participate and not be marginalised by the process or the conduct of others.

Online submission, 17 Jan 2012
Craig Doyle, Wamberal

Gosford needs a Wikileaks

I keep wondering just how much longer the public is going to tolerate the present system concerning the council's Code of Conduct.

I had always assumed that we lived in a democracy and that under the Constitution all people were equal but it would seem that no one may voice a different point of view from the majority of councilors without it being an offence under the Code of Conduct.

The general manager then is able to appoint a committee of three to be judge and jury on the matter.

This surely is a conflict of interest.

The decisions should be arrived at by a panel which is completely impartial and objective.

This is impossible if anyone at Council has any influence in appointing this panel.

Gosford Council has a history of using their own judge and jury in these matters and guess who comes out as the winner every time?

This is an intolerable situation and the sooner this matter is rectified by the NSW Government, which is supposed to be reviewing this very matter before the next election, the better.

I would like to see more transparency and honesty in all workings of Council.

Why is so much business conducted behind closed doors and only open to a chosen few?

It is obvious that we need a

Forum

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"Wikileaks" at Gosford in order to have a more accountable Council which is responsible to their community for the decisions they make.

Their very own Code guides them on such matters as the need to act honestly and with care and diligence.

In these straightened times, therefore we could have expected Council to set a good example by attending their workshop daily, after all it was just up the coast, as all Council volunteers do for their workshops.

Again council Codes of Conduct are supposed to guide councilors on how to act so as to enhance public confidence in local government.

At the moment the public's perception of all levels of government, but particularly Local Government, couldn't get much lower.

But then, do they care?

Email, 20 Jan 2012
Margaret Lund, Woy Woy Bay

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Clean-up sites registered

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Clean-ups will take place at Empire Bay community hall from 9am until 11:30am and at Pearl Beach Memorial Hall from 9am until 11am.

Registrations for Clean Up Sites are still being taken, according to Clean Up Australia

chairman and founder Mr Ian Kiernan.

"We're urging all Australians to take notice of clean up hotspots in their local area and let us know where they are, whether you can help out on the day or not."

"Your local park, waterways, beaches, road sides or back alleys are key areas and we are asking you to join the team by letting us know where these

areas are.

"Everyone can do their bit for Australia, individually or as part of a team."

Online registrations are being taken at www.cleanupaustaliaday.org.au.

Media Release, 18 Jan 2012

Tracey Wigg, Gaia Communications

Photo: Mad Canoe Advertising



Ian Kiernan

Road works completed

Road works on Woy Woy Rd, Horsfield Bay, have been completed after they were extended following wet weather delays during November and December.

The road works involved the removal and replacement of damaged guardrail including the installation of rock bolt anchors, with other rock bolting being carried out in nearby areas.

The works commenced on Tuesday, November 8, and were expected to be completed by mid-December.

Temporary traffic control measures, warning signs and a reduced speed limit were in place while these works were undertaken to ensure the safety of workers and the community.

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Peter Wilson, Gosford Council



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3. Put comfort and fit at the top of the priority list, rather than good looks;
4. Choose a backpack with broad, padded shoulder straps;
5. Use both shoulder straps – never sling the pack over one shoulder;
6. Use waist straps attached – they are there for a good reason;
7. Don't wear the backpack any lower than the hollow of the lower back;
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A 1950s holiday at Woy Woy Bay

My aging grandparents, nan and pop Freeman, moved to Woy Woy Bay in the early 50s after a life of farming up at Rylstone.

My earliest memories were from the holidays in 1956 of a rambling old house with wide verandas, veggie gardens, a long walk up the hill to the outdoor dunny and chooks that were better escape artists than Houdini.

The old place was on several acres surrounded by Taylor St at the front and Meena Rd at the back.

The manicured lawns and lovingly cared for gardens, with every vegetable you could think of, were fenced in by white painted posts and rails with cyclone wire and a number of seemingly heavy timber gates.

The oversized front verandah had cane or bamboo roll down blinds for afternoon and evening shade.

In the lounge was a new black and white TV which was rarely used as the wireless had all the radio serials and the ABC news which pop listened to each night.

I remember light green paint and a corrugated iron roof, passionfruit vines, beans and something nan called chokoes growing along the fences.

At the back of the yard there was a cutting in the sandstone where a sample was taken for the pylons at each end of the Harbour Bridge.

A little higher up the hill there was an area of moss covered stone and a small rock cave where, as kids, we used to pinch a bottle of milk and a bunch of carrots from nan's garden and go off to be bush rangers.

We went back to Woy Woy Bay in 1992 when my dad died and climbed up to the cave.

It must have been the first time somebody had been back there because we found a couple of old milk bottles from Wyong dairy.

On the foreshore where the little park is now, low tide provided a great spot for us to annoy the hundreds, if not thousands of soldier crabs that emerged from

the sand.

A little further out was great for finding live bait and the odd swimmer crab.

Pop (Syd) Freeman had farmed all his life.

He was second in a family of 12 kids and was born in Rylstone, in 1889.

Nan (Vera) was born in Lithgow and also came from a big family.

She was two years younger than pop.

As a result, we always had lots of older relatives and cousins dropping in.

In particular I remember Uncle Athol (pop's younger brother) who would remove his wooden leg each night before bedtime and Uncle Tom who had thick white hair but was bald on top.

Uncle Arthur, the youngest of nan and pop's kids, had a disability, severe epilepsy I think, and lived at home until he passed away in East Gosford in the late 70s.

He was a character.

A stock whip and a bull whip were second nature for him.

He could wrap the end of a bull whip around my neck without disturbing the collar on my shirt.

When called in for lunch or tea he invariably answered: "I'll be there directly."

He drove an old Zephyr and in 1961 thought about buying one of the new Ford Falcons but joked that the "Falcon" might eat the chooks.

There was another Arthur who was a bit older than my uncle.

He had thick black hair, was quite portly, if not fat, and was as easy going as anybody.

He skippered the ferry to and from the jetty over at Woy Woy station to the jetties at Bassan St where the fenced in sea baths were, then up to Goora Lane to the Post Office and general store.

I have no idea why the baths were fenced in as I don't remember any problem with sharks or rays.

There was an urban myth about a lad diving off a jetty at Phegans Bay, who, when called in for lunch one Christmas Day insisted on one more dive and was never seen again.

But, I heard the same tale many years later in Brisbane.

The ferry was an old wooden tub, like in The African Queen, with wooden benches seating up to 20 and an open, semi circular aft deck with seating for eight or 10.

It chugged back and forth for school times and to meet the various trains, taking people to who knows where.

Arthur was supposed to collect six pence for the kids fare each day but forgot to do so several times each week.

This meant ice cream and soft drink were always at the ready on a hot Saturday or Sunday.

These sweets were purchased from Mrs Divine who had a small shop on Taylor St.

Mrs D sold fresh bread, milk in one pint bottles with silver paper tops, shredded wheat, corn flakes and, as a treat, Coco Pops.

The milk was straight from the cow, just chilled, with about an inch of real cream at the top of each bottle.

About once a month a man with a horse and cart would show up selling bags of salt, sugar, flour, salted beef and bacon and would offer to sharpen knives and scissors.

Life was good in Woy Woy Bay for a nine-year-old.

I had been sent up there from wet old Melbourne following a bad case of bronchitis in July of 1959.

At low tide we could go down to the water's edge, stomp around in the exposed weed with bare feet and catch nippers for live bait.

But we had to be careful as large mangrove crabs were also there and those larger nippers could easily remove a toe, but they cooked up ok.

The first time I went fishing with pop, he took me in his old wooden boat "Bonney" way up the far end of the bay and we drifted back on the outgoing tide.

I hooked a flounder using nippers and a bamboo rod with an old Alvey side cast reel.

Nan cooked it for us with home grown potatoes and string beans with a lemony vinegar and toast (that would cost a mint now at

Doyles).

The fish, crabs and oysters were great: Fresh and plentiful.

Unused bait, like nippers and pippies, usually ended up as some sort of soup or were simply thrown onto the coals on a homemade outdoor fire place.

The oysters came from a rocky area just out of sight from the bay toward Phegans Bay.

It was only accessible at low tide and those shells were sharp as a razor, resulting in abrasions on our hands and feet which bled quite well, causing Nan some distress as we walked in the back door with our catch.

My friends at the time were Norman and "Lolly Pop", a lad with bright red curly hair, Jeff Shepard from the corner of Goora Lane and a pretty blonde girl with pigtailed from up the hill on Woy Woy Bay Rd (all of us were about eight or nine) and Diane Beach who was about 12.

Diane wore a dark blue one piece swim suit which left a marked impression on most of us.

Alas, she moved to WA before we realised what we were missing.

The clear waters of the bay were home to mainly retirees and holiday makers and a strong community spirit. It had its own CWA and its own small volunteer fire service.

I stayed there until after the holidays.

I was in third grade and, though only for a few short months, the school in town was well remembered, especially trying to catch the oiled piglet at a school fete.

The greased flag pole was also a lot of fun.

I wonder if animal welfare and today's litigious world would allow that to be on any agenda.

Pop's health deteriorated in the early 60s and they sold the old place and moved to East Gosford near Doris (their first born) and Frank Arnott.

Pop was lost to us in 1966.

I married in 1976 and honeymooned on the Hawkesbury.

With a visit to nan and Arthur taking along a huge mud crab and

two of the biggest bream I have ever seen.

I showed my bride the best place in the world, but alas work and other commitments overtook our lives.

Nan passed away in 1977 and our visits to the area became less frequent.

Woy Woy Bay is now a much bigger place than I remembered.

There was the Taylor St foreshore up to Goora Lane with little further along.

The hill side had maybe a dozen homes and only a couple of places heading back up the hill along Woy Woy Bay Rd, probably only a fifth of today's development.

It is pleasing, however, to see the roadways are still a little agricultural and some of the old houses are still there even if they were renovated.


I am in enforced retirement now after breaking a few bones in my back and live near another waterway at Lake Eppalock in central Victoria.

It's nice here but it's not Woy Woy.

One day, maybe, I'll win the lotto and buy a place on the water with my own jetty.

Email, 13 Jan 2012

Keith Freeman, Lake Eppalock



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Hall will be officially opened

The Woy Woy Bay Community Hall will be officially opened on Sunday, January 29, following major refurbishments.

Member for Gosford Cr Chris Holstein and Gosford mayor Cr Laurie Maher will open the new facilities at the monthly community breakfast.

The work, completed by the Bays Community Group, was a result of a grant from the state government and support from Gosford Council, according to Bays Community Group president Mr Bob Puffett.

The group's executive committee raised the additional funds from activities and donations from residents and friends.

The work involved raising the floor of the rear verandah, closing it in and fitting louver windows.

The hall now opens out onto the verandah via bi-fold doors.

"This enables the hall to be used for a larger range of activities and, together with fire protection work, provides an excellent place for local activities," said Mr Puffett.

With a grant from Gosford Council, an ambulant toilet was also constructed.

Local builders undertook the project which involved substantial additional structural enhancements and reinforcements.

Press Release, 9 Jan 2012
 Bob Puffett, Bays Community Group
 Photo: Naomi Bridges

Children attend tournament

A group of 30 children from the Umina Tennis Courts attended the Sydney International Tennis Tournament at Homebush on Monday, January 9.

Tennis Australia Club professional coach Ms Kristy Packer said the children enjoyed a fun day that involved a wide range of tennis activities.

Students timed the speed of their serves, met international tennis players and obtained autographs.

"The day, put on free by Tennis NSW, was a great initiative and an incentive for aspiring tennis players of all levels," she said.

Email, 17 Jan 2012

Kristy Packer, Peninsula School of Tennis
 Photo: Kristy Packer



Peninsula locals enjoying the Sydney International Tennis Tournament

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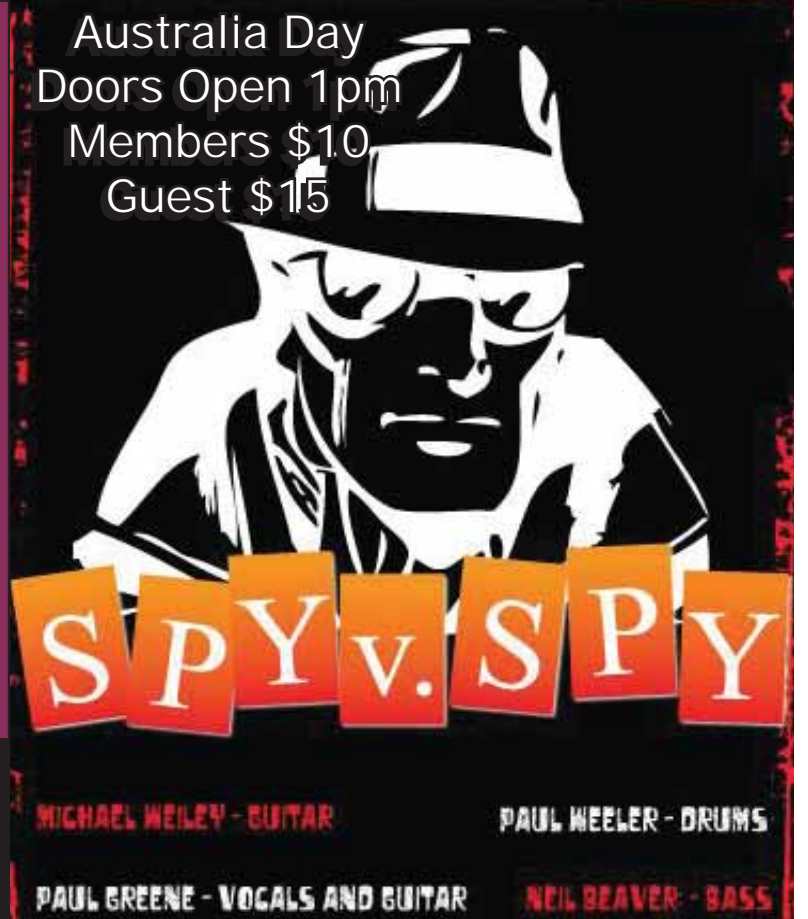
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Out and About



Children's holiday activities at Pearl Beach

The Pearl Beach Progress Association held the Pearl Beach Kids Club for the second year in a row in early January.

Events included yoga for kids, a kid's disco, Summer by the Sea art workshop with renowned local artist Marijke Greenway and a Walk on the Wildside in the Crommelin Native Arboretum.

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people participated in the Walk on the Wildside through the Pearl Beach Crommelin Native Arboretum.

Small groups were escorted by arboretum volunteers on a treasure hunt along small trails and were required to identify indigenous and botanical species.

As a special surprise, reptile and amphibian expert Mr Hal Cogger presented a live demonstration and hands-on experience with a variety of reptiles including a python, blue tongue lizard and a turtle.

Mr Cogger said: "It was extremely satisfying to see the enthusiasm and excitement of the young people when they were able to touch and hold these wonderful examples from the reptile world."

Pearl Beach Progress Association communication officer Ms Lynne Lillico said feedback from the participants was positive as many of the children and their parents had never experienced the arboretum or encountered hands-on interaction with live reptiles.

Each child was presented with a certificate to commemorate their visit.

**Media Release, 16 Jan 2012
Lynne Lillico, Pearl Beach Progress Association
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Children with Mr Hal Cogger and a python



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Working bee

A working bee was held at the Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre on Wednesday, January 11.

Seven committee members turned up to the clean up with energy and determination.

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Newsletter, 19 Jan 2012
Merrill Stopps, EBACC



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Contemporary dance was part of East Coast tour

The Peninsula Theatre hosted Remnants of Grace on Saturday, January 14, for one night only of short contemporary dance works which explored rhythms of grace through sounds, movement and film.

The group has been together for just over a year and is now touring the east coast between Sydney and Brisbane.

The group formed when founder Lucinda Coleman found herself faced with the task of getting rid of the old piano that belonged to her grandmother.

"What do you do with something that used to be functional and beautiful but is no longer seen to be so?" said

Ms Coleman.

Ms Coleman said she decided to get her family and artistic colleagues together to demolish the piano.

"My children helped tear strings from the back, lever out keys and unscrew panels of timber," she says.

"I winced as it came apart.

"The children were enthusiastic.

"The remnant artists were curious.

"One artist took away the pieces of the piano to make dance costumes.

"Another artist began composing music on her own piano.

"I began to choreograph with the dancers and then worked

with a filmmaker to shoot a short dance film about how a mother tells her daughter the story of her grandmother, using the piano and the dancers as the embodiment of melody, family and history."

The group was then invited to share the story of making new music at a primary school in Perth for which they installed and performed a 30 minute work using the pieces of the old piano, with the dancers dressed in remnants of it.

And so Remnant Dance was born.

**Media Release, 12 Jan 2012
Jenny Dias, Gosford Council**



Seniors' gala day

A Seniors' Positive Living Gala Day will be held on Saturday, March 24, from 9am until 3pm at Peninsula Village.

The gala day is aimed at

informing the local community about all aspects of what is available for over 55s.

The day will include an information forum, exercise demonstrations, live music, vintage cars and demonstrations from the

men's shed.

The information forum will include information about health, well being and opportunities to connect with the community.

The gala day is sponsored by the NSW Government as part of the 2012 NSW Seniors Week grant program.

Email, 16 Jan 2012
Paula Newman,
Peninsula Village

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Claims cannot go unchallenged

Peninsula News (January 9) contained more interesting correspondence from the president of the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce that cannot go unchallenged.

Firstly, I wish to comment on the emphasis on "foot traffic" in Umina as raised by Mr Wales.

With traffic issues one of the key points in the objections to the McDonald's development, Mr Wales seemed to carefully choosing his words by stressing the word "foot".

I am aware of the increased "foot traffic".

In fact, I was almost run down by "foot traffic" with a bull bar

Forum

that did not respect the rights of pedestrians on a pedestrian crossing.

On Saturday mornings, it is quicker to walk down West St from Ocean Beach Rd to Trafalgar St than it is to drive this distance because the "foot traffic" is on the road and not walking.

Also, as a result of the "foot traffic's" aversion to walking, convenience rather than legality is the key issue when selecting a parking space.

It seems that the "foot traffic" with its "greater spending power" can either afford parking fines or take enjoyment from inconveniencing

others.

Secondly, Mr Wales appears to be making an assessment of the mood of the business community by speaking to "enough of the business operators" and quoting anonymous sources such as the "one well established Umina retailer".

I suspect that Mr Wales is attempting to mitigate the effects of the survey by the No Umina Beach Maccas Group who surveyed 84 businesses in West St and established that 59.5 per cent opposed the McDonalds franchise, 19 per cent were undecided and 21.5 per cent were in favour of the development.

I believe that the data from the

No Umina Beach Maccas Group is far more reliable than Mr Wales' perception.

Anyhow, which West St businesses are members of the Chamber?

I haven't seen any window signs proclaiming Proud Member of the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

Until I know the identity of the members of the Chamber I will continue to assume that the Chamber is a lobby group representing realtors, property developers and assorted greedy bastards.

Is publicly acknowledging membership of the Chamber considered to be a poor marketing strategy?

Thirdly, last year Mr Wales was seeking to participate in the Umina Village Structure Plan.

In his letter dated December 29 (Peninsula News, January 9) he makes several references to the "town".

Why do we need a village plan for our town?

Gosford Council and or Mr Wales need to clear up the confusion by immediately providing definitions for village and town.

If a town is larger than a village why do we need a "village plan"?

Finally, let's get to the juicy bit about celebrity relationships.

Gosford Council and the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce have kissed and made up.

One year after alleging that Gosford Council was responsible for the Global Financial Crisis, the Chamber has reviewed its position.

The two are now holding hands, walking barefoot through the park at sunset and planning for a beautiful future together, according to Mr Wales.

Rate payers are entitled to know who initiated the reconciliation, who was the bride and who was the groom, whether the union was consummated, whether a dowry was involved, the proposed religion of any children arising from the union, whether they would be schooled in avarice or taught the fundamentals of social justice and if any person objected to the union would they have the opportunity to speak now or forever hold their peace?

What the heck, I'll speak now.

I, for one, don't want the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce to come within a 50 kilometre radius of any planning mechanism.

Any councillor in bed with the Chamber should clearly and unequivocally advise the voters of the allegiance immediately and again prior to the next Council election.

Residents of Woy Woy beware!

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Email, 12 Jan 2012

Tim Haylor, Umina



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Linda's guide to maximising research in a prospective investment market includes:

- Establish distance and transport options to and from a major city and/or an airport (less than two hours is desirable)
- Conduct research regarding average rental values and vacancy rates
- Contact local council for information about planned infrastructure and other changes
- Contact local tourism bodies to assess how the area is promoted
- Drive and walk the area to get a good feel about desirable amenities and growth indications.
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Bridge starts with cup

Brisbane Water Bridge Club started sessions for the year with the New Year's Cup competition held on Monday, January 2, at the Peninsula Community Centre.

Husband and wife team Bob and Vicky Morris were the winners of the trophy.

They were closely followed by Carolyn Molloy and Sylvia Foster, with Garry and Sally Clarke in third place.

Media Release, 17 Jan 2012
Heather Tarrant, Brisbane Water Bridge Club

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Welcome competition and choice

If I didn't know better, I would say that the Say No to McDonalds is a well organised campaign by other fast food outlets.

It is the professionally designed posters, the coordinated petitions (many signed by people outside the area) and the list of nonsense objections that gives me this impression.

I don't even know these people who come into my shop wanting to put up posters and petitions.

I thought this nonsense was way behind us when we welcomed Woolworths, Bunnings, Aldi and Coles to Umina.

I thought we finally had intelligent people in our community

Forum

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who welcomed competition and choice.

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So when the objectors who claim that Umina does not want a McDonalds they are very much mistaken.

I and my family, my friends and work colleagues do.

Letter, 14 Jan 2012
 Shane Steele, Umina

Great story on Ferry Rd, Ettalong, in the last edition (Peninsula News, January 9) but the photo said it all.

As a business owner, I get over 20 enquiries a day of how to get somewhere.

Phil Mitchell is making it up.

Forum

No money has been spent on signs and the festival is coming up.
 Email, 10 Jan 2012
 Shery Stinton, Ettalong

Money went into hole

Lizz Higgins, (Peninsula News, December 23) your first sentence just about answers your letter.

You are not an estimator. Over half the money for the roundabout at Woy Woy was spent

Forum

underground relocating services.
 Online submission, 23 Dec 2011
 Mark Smith, Woy Woy

No happiness here

If community objections are ignored and a McDonalds fast food outlet opens in Umina Beach, any produce ordered for the Umina Beach franchise would be offset against reduced orders from Woy Woy, West Gosford and Kincumber, meaning no additional income for any primary producers.

Any kindergarten student could verify that the toys that accompany the Happy Meal (cheapest of the "cheap") are made in China.

No happiness for Australian toy makers here.

Forum

Free newspapers, "cheap" meals and a clean dunny are still available at Woy Woy, West Gosford, Kincumber and many other locations for those who desire these services.

Nobody is trying to close the existing outlets.

Ocean Beach Rd, Umina, is clearly an unsuitable location for this development.

The residents of Umina have every right to comment on or protest against planning decisions that impact upon their environment,

their quality of life, the socio-economic fabric of their society, traffic congestion, noise pollution, litter, visual pollution from neon signs and the ethics of retailers who target their advertising campaigns at our children.

I hope that Gosford Council will agree that the concerns of a local community carry more weight than then the opinions of non-resident advocates for "cheap" meals.

Email, 12 Jan 2012
 Tim Haylor, Umina

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Thursday January 26 Australia Day fun and beach games, Pearl Beach beachfront, 8am-12pm Australia Day celebrations, Wagstaffe and Woy Woy Waterfront	Thursday February 16 Wills Day, Woy Woy Library	Sunday March 11 Woy Woy Little Theatre's "Natural Causes" ends, Peninsula Theatre
Saturday January 28 Cityrail delays, 2am	Saturday February 18 Discovery Tours walk, Flower Track to Box head, 9am-1pm	Friday March 16 Ettalong Beach Festival
Sunday January 29 Official Opening, Woy Woy Bay Community Hall	Sunday February 19 Troubadour Folk Concert, Woy Woy CWA Hall	Saturday March 24 Opera in the Arboretum, Crommelin Native Arboretum, Pearl Beach Senior's Positive Living Gala Day, 9am-3pm, Peninsula Village
Sunday February 5 Beginners Paddle our Parks Discovery Tour, Brisbane Water National Park, 9am-4:30pm	Friday February 24 Woy Woy Little Theatre's "Natural Causes" begins, Peninsula Theatre	
	Tuesday February 28 Business Clean Up Day	

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Grants for cricket clubs

Umina District Cricket Club and Woy Woy Junior Cricket Club have received grants and equipment valued at \$1750 from a bank at a ceremony held at Mt Penang Oval on Thursday, January 19.

Umina District Cricket Club will use the money to introduce a mid-week primary school competition for local children.

This competition will provide parents with the opportunity to register their children for the upcoming cricket season, which would increase participation rates of junior cricketers.

Woy Woy Junior Cricket Club will put its grant towards creating stronger links between the senior club and the juniors by having quality training gear and acknowledging the achievements of the teams with loyalty

membership awards.

Commonwealth Bank business banker for the Central Coast Mr Mark Brown said his bank was providing the grant to support local cricket clubs.

More than 2000 local cricket clubs applied for the grant, but only 200 applications were successful.

The grants provided \$1000 cash and \$750 worth of cricket equipment, including a shade marquee, 50 water bottles, 30 field markers, one kit bag, two sets of stumps and four cricket counters.

Media Release, 17 Jan 2012
Erin King, Commonwealth Bank
Photo: Naomi Bridges

Malibu club makes presentations

The Ocean Beach Malibu Club held its annual presentation night at the Umina Beach Surf Life Saving Club on Saturday, December 17.

For the first time in the club's 21-year history, a junior surfer has taken out not only the overall 2011 club championship but topped off a successful year by winning the 2011 Long John Memorial Old Mal title.

Kai Ellice-Flint achieved the double at only 15-years-old.

Kai outpointed some very capable surfers in the final of the old mal and beat Hayden Emery, Matt Sing and Chris Irwin to win the title.

Cyndi Zoranovic successfully defended her woman's club champion title and achieved a double of her own in the process by winning the over-35s' age division against both men and women.

Liz Ambler, Angela Goodwin and Angie Smith filled the minor places.

In the overall point score for the year, Mark Williams finished runner up to Kai followed by Marty Skewes in third position.

Craig Coultou and Wayne Medcalf shared fourth place on equal points.

Up and coming surfer Tom Payne, 12, claimed fifth spot ahead of many more experienced surfers.

The 2011 trophy recipients were Tom Payne, Hayden Wellington and Jordan Priestly in the under-13s, Kai Ellice-Flint, Ben Orman, Bryce Williams and Josh Wellington in the under-18s, Hayden Emery, Chris Irwin, Daniel Ambler and Matt Sing in the over-18s, Cyndi Zoranovic, Peter Wellington, John Payne and Darrell Young in the over-35s, Mark Rylands, Kevin Miller, Angela Goodwin and Grant Cassidy in the over-45s, Mark Williams, Marty Skewes, Craig Coultou and Garry Halliday in the over-50s and Wayne Medcalf, Daryl Anderson, Steve Cox, and Peter Ellice-Flint in the over-55s.

Brent Thoroughgood was voted the 2011 Clubman of the Year and Garry Halliday the best judge while Marc Sheean won the most improved award.

Central Coast artist Christine Rushmer created another first for the club when she drew the winning tickets in the Christmas raffle, with all three prizes being won by club members.

Brent Olsson was the lucky winner of the malibu donated by Tony Irwin.

The first contest for this year has been brought forward to Sunday, February 5, and registrations will be taken on the day.

Media Release, 15 Jan 2012
Craig Coultou, OBMC
Photo: Joanne Coultou



Kai Ellice-Flint with ladies champion Cyndi Zoranovic

Sherriff selected

Ettalong bowler Aron Sherriff has been selected in the World Championships national squad for 2012.

National coach Mr Steve Glasson said: "The new squads demonstrate a good combination of experience and youth."

"We are extremely happy with the squad we have assembled and I congratulate the players and look forward to working with them," he said.

The national squad will be reviewed in late April after the Australian Sides Championships in Adelaide.

At this time both the women's and men's teams will be reduced to eight members in preparation for the World Championships.

Media Release, 18 Jan 2012
Aidan Davis, Bowls Australia

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McShane fights for NSW

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Ryan will compete in the round robin Champion Versus Champion event from February 1 until February 5.

If successful, he will represent

Australia later in the year at the World Youth Championships.

He had five fights for five wins last year including the NSW ABA Bantamweight title, the NSW ABL Bantamweight title, the Far North Coast title and the Super Bantamweight title.

Email, 10 Jan 2012
Chris Hodder, Umina
Photo: Karina Lee

Nippers take on challenge

Umina Surf Life Saving Club sent 13 junior competitors to the Iron Person Challenge held at Wamberal Beach on Sunday, January 8.

Lachlan Braddish in the Under-10s took out first place, following a win in the same event last year.

Other results included Kirsten Miller in the Under 10s who achieved third place, Indigo Verhoeven in the Under-15s in second place and Rachel Wood in the Under-13s in third place.

Others to compete on the day were Piper Riddell-Gilsenan, Lachlan McLeod, Lily Perry, Mimi Henderson, Jasmine Darwin, Jemma Smith, Claire Gaffney, Mick Hood and James Johnson.

Lachlan, Kirsten and Rachel also took out first place each in the Toowoyn Bay Surf Carnival Surf Race.

"Umina Nippers are continuing to build in strength towards the NSW State Titles at the end of February," said Umina Surf Life Saving Club secretary Ms Christine Lavers.

Maddison McLeod in the Under 14s also won the Central Coast Junior Life Saver of the Year Award for 2011-2012 and will go on to represent the Central Coast at the State level for this award.

Media Release, 17 Jan 2012
Christine Lavers, Umina
Photo: Richard Braddish



Lochy Braddis wins Gardner

Wheelchair classic

Everglades Country Club will host the Wheelchair Sports NSW Singles Classic from Sunday, February 12, until Tuesday, February 14.

The event is a major NSW event and bowlers will come from all over the state to participate.

"Although called the Wheelchair Classic, many of the bowlers are disabled in many different ways,

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Email, 10 Jan 2012
Peter Arnold, Everglades
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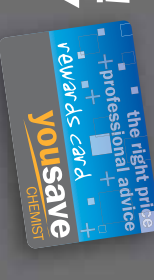
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