



Former mayor Robert Bell, Arboretum president John Greenway, former Arboretum president Phil Westlake and Patron Carol Serventy

Wildlife corridor formally opened after 10 years

A crowd of 100 friends of the **Crommelin Native Arboretum** in Pearl Beach celebrated the opening of a new wildlife corridor, a project which has taken 10 years to complete.

Arboretum patron Ms Carol Serventy cut the ribbon on Sunday, August 19, and formally opened the tract of land.

Ms Serventy's late husband, Vincent Serventy, was one of Australia's most outspoken wildlife conservationists who also resided in Pearl Beach and advocated the corridor.

Former Gosford mayor Mr Robert Bell was there to help honour the event which he himself helped set in motion in 1991.

present included Others Member for Robertson Ms Deborah O'Neill and Member for Gosford Mr Chris Holstein, as well as representatives from the National Parks and Wildlife

Plans for a wildlife corridor first began when it was discovered that proposed development of private land could negatively

affect the adjacent University of Sydney research station as well as the arboretum.

Plans were made to try to acquire the 10 hectare parcel of land for environmental protection as a wildlife corridor, joining two areas of bushland.

After years of negotiations, Gosford Council acquired half of the land.

The site was formerly a farm but, for the last seven years, Arboretum volunteers have been planting native shrubs and seedlings, particularly those indigenous to the area and favored by local wildlife.

After the acquisition in 2002, there followed 18 months of clearing the area, creating fire trails and paths and adopting a landscaping strategy.

Plantings included 750 major canopy trees, along with 104 understorev trees. 440 ground cover plants, and over 7500 tubes of native grasses.

In his short keynote speech, Mr Bell emphasised the important new wildlife corridor to the larger community.

"If you have the vision and can share the vision, then everything changes.

"You actually make the community vision empowered because it can believe in itself and can convince governments.

"People who come to Pearl Beach can then take that back to their communities and say 'Look, they can make it happen, they can create a whole community around the environment.'

"All sorts of people from all different walks of life can feel as though they can make a contribution which allows continuation from one generation to the other."

The August 19 event also coincided with the 36th anniversary celebrations of the Arboretum which was founded in

Email, 21 Aug 2012 Esther Beaton, Crommelin Native Arboretum



Former mayor Robert Bell with Patron Carol Serventy

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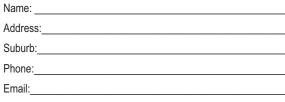
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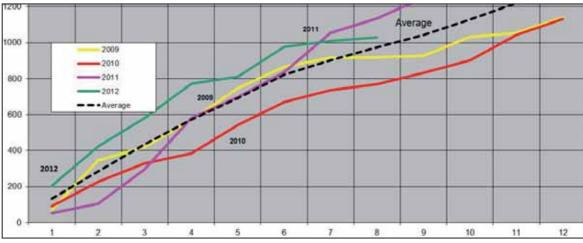
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The dry continues

August has finished with a total rainfall of just 19.6mm for the month.

The total is less than 30 per cent of the average rainfall for the month of 73mm, according to figures provided by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

Only three days of the month recorded falls of more than one millimetre.

The rainfall brings the year-to-

date total 1028.7mm, which is still 5.5 per cent above the average cumulative total at the end of August of 974.7mm.

Despite this month's low rainfall, it is only three years since a lower August fall was recorded.

Only 2.9mm of rain was recorded in August 2009, with only day of that month recording a fall greater than 1mm.

Temperatures in August ranged

from a low of 6.9 degrees on August 26 to a high of 29.7 on August 23, according to www. peninsulaweather.info.

Highest minimum was 13.4 degrees recorded on August 23 and low maximum was 15.4 recorded on August 11.

Highest wind gust was 42.8km/h on August 10.

> Spreadsheet, 31 Aug 2012 Jim Morrison, Woy Woy www.peninsulaweather.info

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The winner of the Peninsula News Ash Grunwald competition was Jamie Flanagan of Umina.

Kaitlin Watts, 1 Sep 2012





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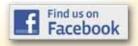
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Work starts on hardware store

Work on the new hardware store at the old Flemmings site in West St, Umina, has begun.

"This is great news for the continued growth of the Umina Beach town centre and the revitalisation of the old Flemmings building", said Peninsula Chamber of Commerce resident Mr Matthew

"After some lengthy delays since the project was first approved, it's great to see work start on the refurbishment of the old building which has long been an eyesore in the middle of town.

"This investment by Bunnings in the Umina main street is further evidence that the major retailers have considerable confidence in the long term prospects of the town centre, a view shared by the Chamber.

"The commencement of work comes at an opportune time with the public exhibition of the Umina Village Structure Plan by Gosford Council.

"Council's consultants have taken on board many of the Chambers key concerns which includes the impact of major retailers on the town centre and the way these businesses interact with traffic and pedestrian flow.

"There is no doubt that the Bunnings Hardware operation will generate more foot traffic in West St which will further enhance business opportunities for both existing and future retailers in the main street.

"While some concerns have been raised over traffic issues. it should be remembered that



the old Flemmings Supermarket previously operated on this site with similar traffic impacts.

"We recognise that the increase in activity generated by Bunnings together with Woolworths, Aldi and Coles will put pressure on the main street but it appears that West St is coping well with these changes transforming the town into a busy and vibrant retail centre.

"From the Chamber's view, its evidence that customers want to come to Umina Beach and as a business organisation, we welcome them and encourage

them to support both small and large retailers alike.

"In order to secure the long term future of the Umina Beach town centre, the Chamber will be making a number of submissions to Council in relation to the Umina Village Structure Plan during the exhibition period and encourages the business community to do the same", said Matthew Wales.

Media Release, 30 Aug 2012 Matthew Wales, Peninsula **Chamber of Commerce** Photo: Mark Ellis

Belongings stolen

Disappointment is a mild word over many years and these were to use for one resident of Ridge St, Ettalong, who had her belongings stolen from the front of her house while she was packing to move on Friday, August 3.

Ms Wendy Watts had a red anodised planter taken from the front of her property along with a number of other belongings.

Ms Watts had built up her collection of retro and vintage goods amongst the few items she was taking with her when she moved.

One of the items was Ms Watts's dog's memorial stone which was placed behind the letterbox.

"Maybe people mistook these items as rubbish, but they certainly weren't," said Ms Watts.

Anybody who has information about these items, contact Ducks Crossing Publications on 4325 7369.

Fmail 24 Aug 2012 Joanne McGill, Umina

College art at primary schools

Community members have been invited to visit a local primary school and view the art work of students from **Brisbane Water Secondary** College Umina Campus.

The display visited Empire Bay Public School from Monday, July 30, to Friday, August 10, and Ettalong Public School from Monday, August 13, to Friday, August 24.

The display will remain at Woy Woy Public School until Friday, September 7, before it moves on to Woy Woy South Public School from Monday, September 10, until Friday, September 21.

Newsletter, 21 Aug 2012 Ona Buckley, Woy Woy **Public School**



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Seven rescued from grounded boat

Seven people were rescued after a converted fishing trawler ran aground opposite Lobster Beach late in the afternoon on Sunday, August 26.

The crew of another vessel noticed the 45 foot timber boat in difficulties about 5pm, and notified Central Coast Marine Rescue.

Two boats were dispatched from the Point Clare base, one of which secured a line to the vessel in trouble.

Several attempts were made to

refloat the boat, without success.

Two adults and four children from North Narrabeen were transferred to the second Marine Rescue craft to be returned to Careel Bay, while a fifth child was reunited with her father at Ettalong Wharf.

The skipper of the grounded boat decided to remain on board overnight and attempt to float the craft at the next high tide (4.28am Monday).

Media Release, 26 Aug 2012 Shea Wicks, Central Coast Marine Rescue

Electricity easement sought

Gosford Council will create easements on land near Woy Woy Oval in favour of Ausgrid, providing no public submissions are received.

The underground 11kv cable and substation would replace the existing substation in Chambers Place.

The Electricity Act allows any person to make a submission and, if a submission is by way of objection to the proposal, the Council must not grant the easement except with the Minister's consent.

Gosford Council Agenda COR.84, 28 Aug 2012



The subject land

Delays after crash

A crash on Woy Woy Rd on Saturday, August 25, caused significant delays to traffic when the road was closed between 5pm and 6:30pm.

A 75-year-old man was driving a Toyota land cruiser towing a

caravan when he lost control of the vehicle.

The caravan collided with the safety railing and as a result began to fishtail.

The caravan veered onto the wrong side of road, detached from

the land cruiser and flipped onto its

A passer-by stopped and helped the man out of the car.

Kaitlin Watts, 29 Aug 2012 Interviewee: Inspector George Bradbury

Renovations

The Woy Woy Public School Preschool has undertaken significant renovations in the school's playground in order to meet the new National Quality Standard for early childhood learning environments.

"We are required to make a few fairly significant changes and it is impossible to implement them all immediately, but thanks to the generosity of some local businesses we have completed a few improvements recently," said preschool teacher Ms Kerrie Stewart.

Ms Stewart has requested that the community support the businesses involved in order to continue works to the playground.

Newsletter, 21 Aug 2012 Ona Buckley, Woy Woy Public School

Students practised lock down

Students at Empire Bay Public School practiced the second set of the school's emergency procedures on Monday, August 27.

The purpose of the lockdown procedure was to remove all staff and students from playground

areas to safe areas such as

"Our school is committed to implementing best practice work, health and safety protocols and to the regular review of our policy and procedures," said principal Mr Brad Lewis.

"Children participated in this emergency drill in a sensible manner," he said.

Newsletter, 29 Aug 2012

Brad Lewis, Empire

Bay Public School



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Assault witnesses wanted

Police are appealing for witnesses after a child was assaulted by an unknown male at Empire Bay on Friday, August 17.

The 12-year-old boy was approached by the male as he was walking home through bushland on Empire Bay Dr just after 3pm.

Police have been told the male grabbed the boy before assaulting him with a large stick.

The boy managed to push the offender away before he ran to his nearby home.

The male was seen leaving the area on a motorised pushbike.

Police were alerted and officers from Brisbane Water Local Area Command attended the scene and commenced inquiries.

Local detectives are now

seeking public assistance as they try to identify the offender.

He's described as being of caucasian appearance, aged in his mid to late teens, about 180cm tall, of heavy build and tanned skin.

He was wearing a blue t-shirt, white jeans, a bracelet on his right wrist and a motorcycle helmet.

The bike was described as a blue-framed pushbike with a red seat and a wooden number plate on its back.

It had a small engine installed on it.

Anyone who witnessed the incident or who may know the identity of the offender is urged to contact Gosford Police or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Media Release, 17 Aug 2012 NSW Police Media



Students enjoy wildlife

Brisbane Water Secondary College students attended the Walkabout Wildlife Park at Peats Ridge on Tuesday, August 21, and performed the duties of a ranger for a day.

They cleaned out the dingo

enclosure as well as the wombat and possum enclosure and provided enrichment for many of the animals there.

Students said they particularly loved interacting and playing with the dingoes.

They said they also enjoyed

CCTV cameras turned off

in electricity dispute

the enrichment activities, where they wrapped some treats in a cardboard box and hid it for the dingoes to find.

> Email, 22 Aug 2012 Nerrida Lewis, Brisbane Water Secondary College

Comments sought on wharf fee

Gosford Council is seeking submissions about its proposed new fees and charges for the use of council wharves.

Submissions will be received for a total of six weeks.

The council decided at its August 7 meeting to levy ferry operators an annual fee of \$7000 a wharf for the use of Gosford Council wharf infrastructure.

Money raised from the levy

will be used to improve ferry related infrastructure including the upgrade of passenger facilities at Gosford Council wharfs including Wagstaffe and Ettalong.

The council meeting was told that the council received no income for the commercial use of its wharf infrastructure, while incurring "significant annual expenses for the maintenance, upkeep and upgrading of these facilities".

Gosford Council Agenda CIT.37, 28 Aug 2012 Gosford Council has CCTV curned off CCTV cameras in

Ettalong and is looking to relocate them, after a dispute with a property owner over payment for electricity used by the cameras.

Council's acting director of City Services Mr Peter Armour said the council had been presented with a \$600 bill from Energy Australia.

Mr Armour claimed the council was being asked to pay the electricity bill for the whole premises, including air conditioning, and not just the

CCTV cameras.

The cameras are located on property owned by Mr Jerry Altavilla in Ocean View Rd.

One camera points toward the Ettalong town centre and another is on the corner of Ocean View Rd and Schnapper Rd.

"There was an agreement signed by Mr Altavilla allowing Council to connect a CCTV camera to Mr Altavilla's property dated January 27, 2009," according to Mr Armour.

"This agreement allowed Mr Altavilla to be reimbursed for electricity usage in relation to the

> Cadbury Chocolate

CCTV camera, upon receipt of an invoice.

"Mr Altavilla claims the electricity bill is entirely for power usage of the CCTV camera."

Mr Armour said the council was willing to pay according to the agreement, but was not prepared to pay the total electricity bill which included electricity for the premises and air conditioning.

He said that, if the dispute could not be resolved, the council would have to look elsewhere to mount the cameras.

> Media statement, 29 Aug 2012 Peter Armour, Gosford Council

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Sponsorship and grants offered

Local clubs will have the opportunity to seek sponsorship and grants in Ettalong this month.

The Ettalong Beach Community Bank is inviting submissions for sponsorships and grants for the 2012-13 financial year.

Applications are invited from registered associations, clubs, and charitable groups who operate for the benefit of the wider community

and who are open to all sections of the community.

Applicant groups should be located within the Woy Woy Peninsula and its immediate surrounds.

Sponsorship or grant monies must be used for improvement of the applicant's offering to the community, and details of the use of the funds will be required in the application.

Prior recipients of sponsorship

monies who seek to again apply will need to detail how previous conditions of monies received were met, including benefits gained by the Community Bank from their members and-or associates.

Applications need to submitted by September 29.

For more details, contact Peter McKeon on 4344 4206.

Media Release, 27 Aug 2012 Peter McKeon, Ettalong **Beach Community Bank**



Parks burnt for Reading at hazard reduction **Umina library** loads in the areas and consolidate being undertaken by The National

The National Parks and Wildlife Service conducted hazard reduction burns in **Brisbane Water National Park** and Bouddi National Park on Wednesday, August 29, and Thursday, August 30.

The National Parks and Wildlife Service regional manager Mr Tom Bagnat said the low intensity burns were undertaken to reduce fuel

Sunday - 9am - 2pm

earlier burns.

A 7.8 hectare burn was undertaken between Bouddi National Park and private properties in Albert St and High View Rd in Wagstaffe.

During the Bouddi National Park burn Lobster Beach walking track and other informal trails in the area were closed to walkers.

This burn was just one of many

Parks and Wildlife Service across NSW, as conditions allow.

During 2011-2012, the National and Wildlife Service completed 204 prescribed burns treating an area of more than 47,000 hectares.

> Media Release, 27 Aug 2012 Liza Cassidy, NSW **Environment and Heritage**

reading of Alison Lester books on Friday, October 5, at 10am.

The reading is aimed at children between the ages of six and 10.

As well as the reading, an opportunity will exist to create a craft based upon her books.

The talk is part of a series

organised by Gosford Council's Libraries in recognition of the National Year of Reading 2012 with September-October celebrating Australian authors.

Spaces are limited so bookings are essential.

To book, visit www.gosford.nsw. gov.au/library/whatson.

Email, 30 Aug 2012 **Gosford Council Media**



TIMBER AND HARDWARE



Resort wins tourism gold

the Gold award for Luxury Accommodation at the **Hunter-Central Coast Awards** for Excellence in Tourism at Cypress Lakes Resort, Hunter Valley, on Thursday, August 30.

The awards ceremony and gala dinner celebrated the industry's leading contributors and recognised the high standards of the Central Coast and Hunter Tourism Industry.

This year's gala event theme was United in Tourism.

Bells at Killcare is situated high

A resort in Killcare has won on the Bouddi Peninsula and is surrounded by Bouddi National Park and secluded beaches.

> The property offers exclusive and private coastal style cottage accommodation.

Guests can arrive by seaplane, helicopter, ferry or car.

Hunter-Central The Coast Awards for Excellence provide entrants the opportunity to be recognised amongst their peers.

Outgoing Central Coast Tourism CEO Mr Ollie Philpot said: "These awards are a great accolade for the winners and validates the quality of products and services that's available on the Central Coast.'

"Of course to snatch gold off our neighbouring region, the Hunter, is always an added bonus," he said.

Mr Philpot said submissions were of a high standard and the competition was highly competitive with a record 71 individual tourism operators entering across 27 categories.

Sixteen Central Coast Tourism members made the finalist list.

Gold winners from the Hunter-Central Coast Tourism awards automatically become finalists in the State Tourism Awards.

Media Release, 31 Aug 2012 Leeanne Dyer, Central **Coast Tourism**

Lutheran church opens

Matthews Lutheran Church has relocated from West Gosford to Jumbuck Crescent, Woy Woy.

The rehoming was required after the Roads and Maritime Authority acquired the land the former church was occupying for its road expansion project.

The church in Woy Woy has been consecrated and is now fully

So as not to entirely lose its original identity, most of the interior furnishings, the sandstone and the sacred vessels were relocated to the new church.

Services are held every Sunday morning from 9:30am.

> Letter, 29 Aug 2012 Lyall Hood, St Matthews **Lutheran Church**

Wildflower bushwalk

The Peninsula Environment Group will hold a free bushwalkacrossthe Rampart, the large rock platform above Umina Heights, on Sunday, September 9, from 9am until 12pm with local wildflower expert Mr Mark Snell.

The walk will be low intensity but closed shoes and long trousers are required.

meet by the entrance to the water tank on the corner of Castle Circuit and The Bastion, Umina Heights, at 8.50am.

Children are welcome under parental supervision.

No bookings are required.

Email, 24 Aug 2012 Mark Mann, Peninsula **Environment Group**

Why being up to date with your tax is important

Besides the obvious in not wasting money on fines, there is a far more important reason to be up to date with tax and for that matter other things in your life.

You live in the present to create your future.

How can you focus on the future if your attention is on the past?

If you think that one day you will sort it out, it is on your list of must do's, you will not achieve your goals.

In fact generally, you won't have any goals.

This leads to frustration, anguish and unhappiness.

I use the analogy that when you do a clean-up and are returning from the tip, you feel good.

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Cheques presented to local clubs

A number of local charities and community groups presented with cheques totalling over

\$45,684 at the Ettalong Club grants Beach presentation held Thursday, August 23.

The club's chairman Mr Don Young and fellow directors presented the cheques to a wide range of recipients

including Umina Surf Life Saving Club, Central Coast Kids in Need, Lifeline Central Coast, Hand Brake Turn, Central Outreach Coast Services, Strong Women-Safe Children, Gosford City Rural Fire Service Canteen, Working Presentation Age Group Stroke (WAGS), Central Coast Kids Day Out, Mr John Dunne said: "The Camp Breakaway, Lions Club of Wyoming, Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre and Centacare Catholic Family Services (Diocese of Broken

Groups such as Youth and Family Education Resources,

International Advocates Ltd and Youth Off the Streets also received a total of \$10,000 of funding from Ettalong Beach Club through the 2012 Gosford LGA ClubGrants Local Committee

Ettalong Beach Club CEO presentation of these funds back into the community is one of the most humbling and rewarding days for the Club and we look forward to looking after as many similar groups next year."

Email, 24 Aug 2012 Joy Allan, Ettalong Beach Club



The Shocking Truth About Roof Restoration

If you've ever been concerned about the condition of your roof, then this could be the most important article you read this year.

Unscrupulous roof restoration salespeople have been telling unsuspecting homeowners that they need a full roof restoration (clean, repair, re-point, seal, and paint) when in many cases all that they need is a simple repair.

This has been going on for years but in recent times has reached epidemic levels. Here's what typically happens...

A telemarketer or door-to-door canvasser offers you a free roof inspection. Sounds like a good idea right..?

It is a good idea unless the roof inspector (usually a salesperson) does what unfortunately happens in many of these instances: he or she will grossly exaggerate the problems and insist that you really need a full roof restoration when perhaps you don't.

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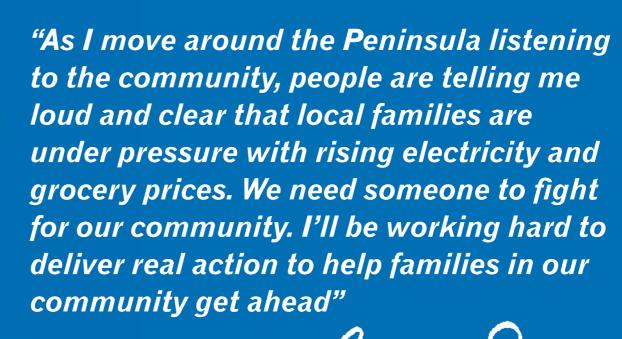
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Health



Exercise program after breast cancer surgery

A free exercise program for residents who have had breast cancer surgery will be held in Woy Woy from October 11 until November 29 from 10am until 12pm.

The YWCA Encore program meets the physical needs and supports the well-being of women after the trauma of breast cancer surgery in a nurturing and supportive environment, whether that surgery was a few months

ago or 20 years ago, according to coordinator Ms Kate Guthrey.

"The Encore program was created to improve movement, flexibility and strength after breast cancer surgery.

"It helps to reduce the potential risk of lymphoedema and can assist in its management.

"It runs for eight weeks and incorporates gentle floor and hydrotherapy exercises.

"It's a perfect opportunity for relaxation and information-sharing

amongst women with similar experiences.

"Studies have shown that exercise programs for most cancer survivors in general can reduce anxiety and depression, improve mood, boost self-esteem and reduce symptoms of fatigue," said Ms Guthrey.

Register by calling 02 9285 6264 or 1800 305 150 or emailing encore@ywcansw.com.au.

Media Release, 24 Aug 2012 Hayley Bryce, YWCA

Family day care service is sponsored

Coastwide Child and Family Services has begun sponsoring a day care service in Woy Woy.

It is a not-for-profit community-based organisation which sponsors Gosford Family Day Care, Gosford Supported Playgroups, My Time Playgroups and now Peninsula Family Day Care.

In the Peninsula area, there are currently 20 family day care educators who provide care for

over 250 families in the local area.

"Our service would appreciate the opportunity to further promote family day care in the Peninsula and surrounding suburbs areas," said Coastwide senior coordinator Ms Vicki Fowler.

"At present we have many families waiting for care and are also hoping to recruit more prospective educators in the local area," she said.

Email, 31 Aug 2012 Vicki Fowler, Coastwide CFS

Principals explore speech pathology

Principals from schools in the Brisbane Water Learning Community have been investigating the possibility of having a speech pathologist work with each of the primary schools.

Woy Woy South Public School principal Mr Terry Greedy said the growing need for this service was evidenced by the increasing number of students presenting at primary schools with expressive and receptive language issues.

If the program proved to be viable, funding would be provided by the Peninsula schools.

Newsletter, 28 Aug 2012 Terry Greedy, Woy Woy South Public School

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Explicit instruction for kindergarten students

Woy Woy South Public School Kindergarten students have been participating in the Language, Learning and Literacy Program for the past two terms.

The program is a research based classroom intervention, targeting text reading and writing.

It has been designed to complement the daily literacy program, according to program coordinator Mr Steve Collins.

Students received explicit instruction in reading and writing strategies in small groups of three to four selected students.

Students then rotated to independent individual or group tasks.

This occurred in the daily literacy session.

Data collected through assessment of student progress in reading and writing suggested that the program has had a positive impact on students learning, he said.

"The explicit instruction students are receiving through the program is definitely improving their skills in both reading and writing," said Mr Collins.

"I am a big fan of the new approach to the style of teaching the program brings to the classroom," he said.

Newsletter, 28 Aug 2012 Terry Greedy, Woy Woy South Public School

Charged with assault

A man has been charged following an alleged assault at Umina at about 1am on Sunday, August 19.

A 27-year-old man was allegedly assaulted by two men after he went to assist the male driver and passenger of a Ford sedan that failed to negotiate a right hand turn in Memorial Ave.

The two men then ran from the scene

The 27-year-old was later taken to Gosford Hospital where he

was treated for a range of serious injuries including a suspected fractured cheekbone and eye socket.

Police attended an address a short time later, and after a short foot pursuit, a 28-year-old man was arrested.

He was taken to Gosford Police Station where he was charged with recklessly inflicting grievous bodily harm in company, assault occasioning actual bodily harm in company, driving under the influence of alcohol, and failing to disclose identity of passenger

Investigations are continuing and police would like to speak with a second man who may be able to assist with inquiries.

Anyone with information about incident, or the current whereabouts of a man who may be able to assist with inquiries, is asked to contact Gosford Police or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Media Release, 19 Aug 2012 NSW Police Media

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This might not mean that you have symptoms straight away, but think about

how well your body could then adapt to its environment and cope with the stressors (chemical, physical and emotional) it's bombarded with every day, if it was only functioning at 40%.

Not very well!

Pretty quickly, changes would be seen in muscle tone, strength, digestion, lung function, the immune response etc. depending on the location of the interference.

Most people will notice symptoms when it concerns pain but not recognise the signs of spinal dysfunction such as digestion only occurring at 75% of normal, or muscle strength decreased in one limb.

That's why, regardless of whether someone "feels" pain or not, we want to keep the body free of interference and correct the dysfunction before symptoms occur, so that you are always functioning at your best, not just getting by.

Remember, pain is only one of the MANY types of symptoms or signs that the body can give, so look for the other warning signals!

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Why the mystery?

Why the mystery about a matter clearly of public interest - the error leading to Cr Freewater's Central Coast Alliance ticket failing to successfully nominate for council elections (Peninsula News, August 20)?

I think that for future reference, voters on the Central Coast should know which unnamed candidate it was who failed to nominate in time for the Central Coast Alliance ticket's candidacy at the September 8 elections.

The failed ticket has narrowed the choice for voters on September

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8 and raises basic questions of that person's competency as a possible future candidate for the Central Coast at an election for any of the three levels of Australian government.

Both Cr Freewater (for the Greens) and Mr Jake Cassar (independent) were candidates in the 2011 State elections.

I also think that it is completely disingenuous of Cr Freewater, having left the Greens, to now endorse their first two candidates for the upcoming council elections.

I don't think that, after his disaster, they'd appreciate his condescending secondhand endorsement.

> Email, 22 Aug 2012 Peter Mullins, Booker Bay

Vote may change

I am all for progress, but definitely provide infrastructure first to cope with the expansion of this area (Peninsula Ward for Gosford Council. August 20).

I have lived on the Coast for 38 years and 16 years on the Peninsula.

In the last year, Umina has seen an influx of people and businesses and no infrastructure to handle it.

Give the young people a go to help build it.

Yes, we need strong council support, an increase in funding for adequate services (roads, transport, health, policing, jobs and

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education) for both young and old, because we all matter.

The rates keep going up and the services are going down.

Can someone please remove the sign in Ryans Rd "Gosford City Council Building, Better Roads"?

It's been up for 12 years now and counting.

The list goes on.

I have never wavered from who I normally vote for, but this time I may have to.

Online Submission, 29 Aug 2012 Sandra Campbell, Umina

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Don't close carpark

As a resident of Umina for the last eight years, I've always been so grateful to have car-parking with such easy access to all the shops, post office and banks nearby.

I was horrified when I heard that Council was considering closing our Bullion St car park which is almost always full.

That would have a disastrous effect on businesses and residents. Online submission, 30 Aug 2012 Jenny Walder, Umina

Retail diversity better

I moved to Umina one year ago from Sydney.

The quality of take away food on West St is appalling and expensive.

If Umina is to move forward as a desirable village-cafe style community, it needs to get rid of that old school battered sav, chico roll culture.

Just look in the glass cabinets of the fish and chip shops at the prebattered food and you'll know what I mean.

What I say to retailers is lift your

As real estate prices in the area rise and more people from Sydney are moving up here this old school

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people will desire better quality

McDonalds is a far better and healthier choice to what we presently have.

I see Umina as having a Bondi type feel in the future.

I say the more diversity in retail the better.

I say yes to McDonalds.

Just have council stipulate that a full time employee needs to issue the job of cleaning the store and surrounds as this has been an issue at other stores.

Online submission, 25 Aug 2012

Vote needed before poll

Surely a Council vote on McDonalds³ issue the (Application deferred until after election, Peninsula News, August 20) would be preferable before the coming Council election?

It would give residents a chance to reward or punish the councillors via the ballot box for the decision

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Deferring the issue appears as a means to stand for re-election without facing the responsibility for their decision.

Vote on it now.

Don't dump this development on us after the poll.

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Email, 22 Aug 2012 Michael Gaut, Ettalong

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Residents to vote for 41 candidates

Peninsula residents are required to vote for their preferred local government candidates on Saturday, September 8.

There are 41 candidates contesting 10 seats in the Gosford Council election.

These are made up of named parties or groups - Labor, Liberal, Central Coast First and Central Coast Greens - and two unnamed groups of independents, and two other ungrouped independent candidates.

Gosford Council does not have wards or electoral subdivisions, so all residents of the municipality may vote for any of the 41 candidates from whom 10 councillors will be elected for a four year term.

Voters do not have the opportunity to vote for mayor.

The councillors themselves elect one of their own number each September as mayor for the following year.

The council's website describes the councillors' role as "to direct and control the affairs of the Council, in accordance with the Local Government Act".

The councillors review the

performance of the Council and its delivery of services, financial and management plans and its annual budget, it states.

The work of Councillors is voluntary and a small allowance is paid to compensate them for the cost of attending the many Council meetings and carrying out their civic duties.

The mayor chairs all council meetings and is described as its chief spokesperson and civic leader.

The City of Gosford municipality covers an area of 1029 square kilometres, stretching east to the Tasman Sea, south to the Hawkesbury River, west to the Judge Dowling Range, and north to meet the Cessnock and Wyong Shires on a border through Kulnura, Lisarow and Forresters Beach.

Candidates for the Gosford Council local government elections were asked to provide 250 words about what they have done and will do for the Peninsula.

Gosford Council website, 1 Sep 2012 Kaitlin Watts, 1 Sep 2012



Where to vote

Booker Bay Pre-School Brisbane Water Secondary College-Umina Campus Brisbane Water Secondary College-Woy Woy Campus Empire Bay Public School Ettalong Public School Patonga Progress Hall South Woy Woy Progress Association Hall The Bays Community Hall Umina Community Hall
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Wagstaffe Community Hall
Woy Woy South Public School



Labor's plan to put the community first

Jim Macfadyen and Vicki Scott have worked hard as Councillors to deliver for our local community. Jim has been the driving force behind the rebuilding of our local surf clubs, while Vicki has fought for new playgrounds and better library facilities for Central Coast families.



Peter McCabe, Vicki Scott, Jim Macfadyen & Trevor Drake – your community Labor team.

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Protecting our lifestyle
Labor will act to protect our
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listening to local communities.

Supporting local jobs
Labor will support sustainable
and responsible projects for Gosford
City that create local jobs.



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Election



Central Coast First

government Local should not be hostage to big party politics, which is why Central Coast First can make a difference at Council.

Central Coast First is a coalition of independent residents and business owners.

The Central Coast First Group is committed to stopping the commute, creating more local employment opportunities on the Coast, creating a "can-do" attitude on Council, responsibly managing Council finances and resources, developing a regional arts and culture centre and a university campus, improving local infrastructure, introducing

wards into the Gosford Local Government area and fairly allocating funds to regions.

The Central Coast First team is a dynamic, skilled and passionate bunch of locals led by Gosford-based psychologist lan Kilpatrick who believes that creating job growth on the Coast will reduce the distress caused by commuting on local families

Supporting lan on the ticket is Daryl Lynch an Ettalong resident, a passionate advocate for the Peninsula.

"Fighting for Peninsula" is Daryl's mantra.

He wants effective management plans for and Umina Ettalong Beaches and entertainment

venues in Ettalong, Umina and Woy Woy.

Murray Edwards is a Gosford-based solicitor who was previously a senior police officer with 26 years of experience.

Somersby resident and acclaimed highland dancer Douglas McFarland, manages a large retail store.

operates her salon in downtown Gosford. She is fed up with the

Hairdresser Kaye Brown

Gosford City. Twenty plus year olds siblings, talented Holly and Mitch Faulkner are

delays in

dedicated "Coasties". They want a future for their kids on the Coast.

Central Coast First

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Craig Doyle Independent

Group B, the Craig **Doyle** Independent ticket, presents candidates with variety of views, all too eager to ensure the independent voice is represented in council.

Each member has opinions, motivations they passionate about and will not be controlled by party

Craig Doyle: Our Road Warrior has been on council for 12 years.

A long term resident, Craig attended Erina High and raised his three children on the Coast.

A small business owner, Craig is committed to the progression of the region

and very passionate about employment options and sustainable infrastructure development.

Leanne Sutherland: Both a small business owner and working mother supporting a child with a disability, Leanne has a long-term interest in local government and developing business opportunities on the Coast.

Leanne is passionate about supporting our older residents and people living with a disability.

Rebecca Gracia: A working mother of three and studying urban regional development and social sustainability at Newcastle University.

Rebecca is dedicated to community consultation,

the environment and the performing arts; Rebecca is a local girl with strong ties to the Peninsula.

Emily Rudd: A local schoolteacher with a Pilipino background.

Emily is passionate about education and promoting the understanding of different cultures in our community.

Joanne Sarolis: A 21-year-old law student at Newcastle University, Joanne wishes she could study law here on the Coast.

Her drive is to ensure the voice of youth is heard with education, career opportunities and entertainment options for young people clearly on the agenda.

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Our priorities include:

- ✓ Supporting local businesses to grow
- ✓ Stop the commute by creating local job growth
- Create a "can-do" attitude on Council
- ✓ Ensure a 'fair share' for all suburbs

Think about the future of your kids on the Coast. On Saturday September 8th:

Put 1 in Box F for Ian Kilpatrick & the new Central Coast 1st team.

Authorised by Amanda Muir – 34 Harold St, Umina NSW 2257



Election





The Greens

The Greens are committed to continuing to change the culture of Council, improving its approach to grass roots democracy and ecological sustainability.

The Greens would work co-operatively in Council to promote low-carbon job creation, keep public assets in public hands, bring to life the vision of the Challenge Masterplan to revitalise Gosford City and stand against inappropriate development on any waterfront.

The Greens would work to improve government by moving to record Council meetings, improve the Council website and aim to ensure that residentscommunity groups are treated as stakeholders just as business groups are.

We want to strengthen, expand and introduce community programs such as a utility bike path strategy, co-ordinated community gardens policy, co-operation and engagement with local Aboriginal groups, facilities for the retired, elderly and young population and wildlife protection.

The Greens will work with Wyong to develop local renewable energy generation, a Joint Regional Arts Strategy including concert hall, museum, exhibition space and integrated art within major developments and a Joint Regional Sports Strategy

The Greens want a vibrant Central Coast, but jobs at any cost will not be supported by us.

If the environment is destroyed, our way of life will disappear.

Ecologically sustainable development is not difficult and demonstrably profitable.

In the long-term, a beautiful region with wildlife, clean water, healthy beaches, productive farmland and lively towns will benefit all our citizens, bringing jobs and leisure activities that return money and life-profits to residents.

Standing on the ticket are Hillary Morris, Kate da Costa, Phocion Vouros, Heather Ingram and Terry Jones.

The Greens

Labor Party

Councillors Jim Macfadyen and Vicki Scott have worked to deliver for Gosford in the eight years they have been on Council.

Jim has been the force behind rebuilding local surf clubs while Vicki has fought for playgrounds and library services

Five reasons to support Labor at the election:

- 1. Getting the basics right with improved roads, rubbish collection, water and sports, community and library services.
- 2. Capping rate rises.
 Labor won't follow the
 Sydney councils that have
 burdened their ratepayers
 with increases.

3. Holding community council meetings outside of Gosford CBD.

4. Listening to the community to protect our unique lifestyle.

5. Supporting local jobs and the revitalisation of Gosford CBD, including projects near the waterfront.

Jim is a life member of Surf Lifesaving Central Coast and is credited for the removal of the sea level rise s149 (5) messages from local planning certificates.

Vicki is active in local women's issues and is a leader across NSW promoting women in local government.

Peter McCabe went to school on the Coast and lives with his wife Kellie and young family in Springfield.

He has been a commuter for most of his working life and is passionate about revitalising Gosford.

Trevor Drake is a local small business owner of an established legal practice and lives with his family in Terrigal.

Katie Smith lives and works on the Peninsula and understands that the most basic services are often the most important.

Pat Norman, Paul Malone, Brad Maisey, Liam O'Neill and George Sidiropoulos complete the ticket

> Email, 23 Aug 2012 Peter McCabe, Springfield

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VOTE 1 THE GREENS FOR COUNCIL

Grass roots democracy starts at the local level and we need Greens in Council in order to push through our message of sustainability, environmental protection and social equity. We are committed to a fair balance between residents, the environment, businesses and developers on the Coast.



Hillary MorrisSmall business operator in Gosford and Wyong



Kate da Costa University researcher, heritage background



Phocion Vouros
Artist, metal worker,
President - Greek Community
Central Coast Inc.



Heather Ingram Secretary, animal welfare campaigner



Terry JonesScience and computing teacher

If elected as the Greens representatives on Gosford Council we would:

- encourage Council to engage in sustainable opportunities where ever possible
- protect community lands for the community
- promote the diversity and richness of our region, incorporating the hinterland
- increase possibilities for residents to participate in Council decisions
- work with business groups to develop low-carbon employment options

We will campaign to ensure that residents' voices on the Peninsula are heard alongside the views of business owners, to pursue a Joint Regional Arts strategy and a Joint Regional Sports strategy to increase opportunities for residents, and we will stand against inappropriate development which damages the environment.

Contact details: 0418 397 698

email: campaign@gosford.nsw.greens.org.au web: centralcoast.nsw.greens.org.au

Authorised by T. Jones 3 Baden St, Killcare, The Greens

I attended the Coronial Inquiry and was outraged when Council General Manager, Peter Wilson was recalled and gave the coroner to understand that it was not unusual for documents to go missing.

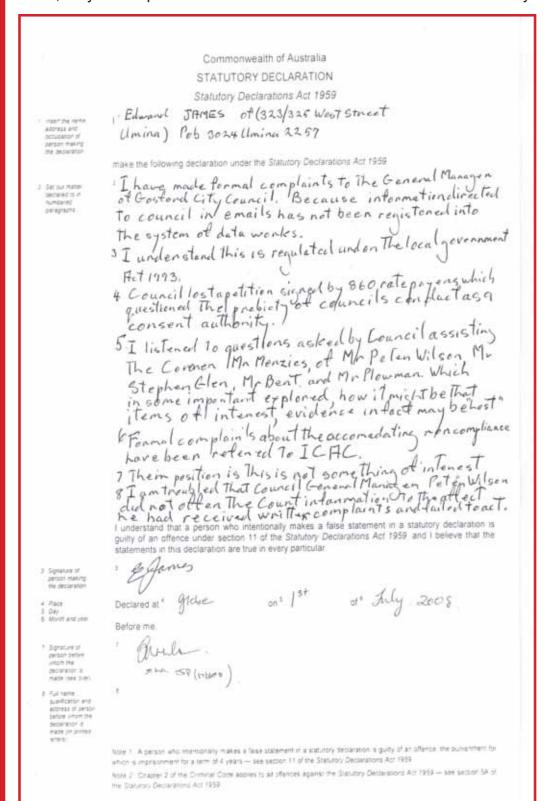
I felt it necessary to ask Counsel assisting the Coroner, Mr Menzies, if the court was aware that formal complaints had been made to ICAC and the State Ombudsman about Council management regularly leaving important items out of council records.

He said the Crown was not aware and was apparently not interested.

I found his attitude offensive, I checked with ICAC that they had records of my complaints and prepared and lodged with the Coroner, Peter Mahoney the following Statutory Declaration:

- 1. I. Edward James, of 323-325 West Street Umina, declared the following at Glebe on the first of July 2008.
- 2. I have made formal complaints to the General Manager of Gosford City Council, because information directed to Council by email has not been registered into their mandated system of data works.
- 3. I understand that this is regulated under the Local Government Act
- Council claimed to have lost a petition signed by 860 ratepayers which questioned the probity of council's conduct as a consent authority.
- 5. I listened to questions asked by counsel assisting the coroner, Mr Menzies, of Mr Peter Wilson, Mr Stephen Glen, Mr Bent and Mr Plowman which in some import and explored how it was possible that items of interest evidence, in fact may be "lost".
- 6. Formal complaints about the accommodating non compliance have been referred to ICAC.
- Their position is, this is not something of interest.
- I am troubled that Council General Manager, Peter Wilson, did not offer the information to the effect he had received written complaints and failed to

Until tax pavers reject the spineless political representation offered on their behalf, they can expect more of the same from Government Bureaucracy.





Lack of rear lane access, to main street commercial property

This plan overview was misleading in no

small way and hence in direct conflict

with the regulation of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1993 Vague and misleading indication INDIANA NY of 2 story commercial premises with no mention of the 3 bedroom residential Chemist house behind. Bank

West St Umina

Have I failed to effectively convince the people who count that Gosford City Council is corrupt?

A very tired Labor Shadow cabinet hit the Central Coast town of Toukley.

Were they trying to attract local voter support?

As a tax paver. I must let readers know that Crisis. Nathan Rees, already a failed Premier, now Shadow Police Minister, bunged on an act refusing to talk with me on Tuesday afternoon.

John Robertson, you should give Nathan some advice.

The man is in denial about his failings, Gosford City Council and five wrongful deaths among them.

The few people who attended were almost outnumbered by politicians and staff.

almost empty hall, bearing testament to just how toxic the Labor Party has become.

Labor Party's self destruction titled, Power rank and file, in failing to expel the dead

Labor party members and they did not see any problem with Labor.

I pointed out that they were like one eyed Council is corrupt? parents of a problem child.

ownership of all the problems with the Labor Party and its brand.

Labor party members refuse to see what The empty chairs kept silent vigil over an hundreds of thousands of us can see leaking out into the media almost every day!

While I expect the law courts will take up

A few of the concerned Labor Party the abuse of positions and rorting in another place, voters must consider where they will Rodney Cavalier wrote a book about the direct their votes because the Labor Party wood, have permitted their party to become a Some staffers attending told me they were political hazard to good governance.

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Have I have failed to effectively convince the people who count that Gosford City

Will the ten councillors elected to sit on They just can't see, never mind accept Gosford City Council insist on an open enquiry into why the state coroner was misled by Gosford City Council during his inquiry These two staffers and many rusted on into the deaths of five people at Piles Creek, Somersby in 2007?

"Forget about it and move on."

That's what our dead wood politicians want!

Forget about it and move on, that is what our deadwood politicians want



started out trying to stand the State coroner? over my father ended up people on their hands.

corrupt council is still there? Who among the candidates elected.

with the deaths of five for you to tell voters what How can we vote when the you will take with you into political weeds. Local Council, should you be

Will those personal values

The same council which evidence that Council gave permit you to leave me and there. many others at the mercy of a This is a public request corrupt Gosford City Council?

Many candidates are

act while Attorney General

The bad politics are still is woefull.

The council is still there I have spoken with only three candidates whom I feel part of your personal values simply the seeds of unwanted I could trust with my vote, John Hatzistergos failed to da Costa and Jason Tomich.

Some people ask me whom they should vote for.

I can't tell them that.

I do however tell them that I won't vote for Labor they are, Ren Wagner, Kate or anyone who preferences Labor because they have still Out of 41 Candidates that not learned their lesson.

I point out that for Gosford, for them.

both easy and strong to vote additional numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 in the squares opposite the names of five candidates in the order of your preference

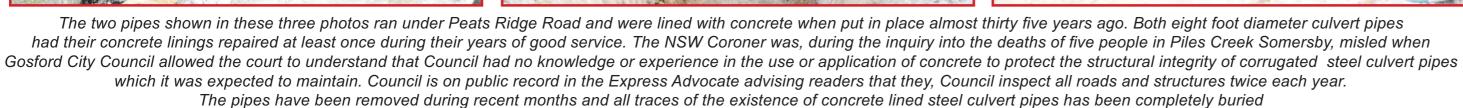
with forty one candidates, it is If you wish to vote for in the squares opposite the below the line, directing your place consecutive numbers candidates, in order of your own preferences and place beginning with the number 6 preferences for them.

candidates, names of those additional











Past Minister for the Central Coast and leader of Labor in Opposition for NSW John Robertson reading about the alleged corruption





Liberal Party

One of the components of the five point plan of Liberal Party's team for the Gosford Council election is the improvement and repair of local roads, including those on the Peninsula, according to leader of the Liberal ticket Cr Jeff Strickson..

"We are committed to improving roads on the Peninsula, some of which are in a shocking condition and are calling out for attention.

"Gosford Council plans to borrow \$6.85 million with a generous interest rate subsidy, under the NSW Government's Local Infrastructure Renewal Scheme, to fund work on over 100 existing local roads, through rehabilitation, reconstruction or asphalt resurfacing.

"An additional \$3.15 million loan from the scheme will be used to renovate or rebuild 19 Council-owned community buildings, which are in poor shape.

"A further benefit from this activity is the further work for local businesses and the creation of local jobs, which is another of the Liberal team's objectives.

"During our campaigning, many Peninsula residents have complained about the condition of their local roads and we are determined to take action to make the roads safer for not only residents but also for visitors to the area.

"We will be delighted to ensure that some of these roads receive attention under the scheme.

"We will continue to ensure that council focuses attention on the Peninsula roads on an on-going basis," Cr Strickson said.

The Liberal Party team comprises Cr Jeff Strickson, Bob Ward, Cr Chris Burke, Deanna Bocking, Adam Crouch, Robert Stephen and Christian McLaughlan.

Media Release, 27 Aug 2012 Bob Ward, Liberal Party

Team McKinna

When putting together a team for the local council elections, Lawrie McKinna recognised the importance of having candidates with first hand experience of Peninsula issues.

Often over looked, the Peninsula is a vitally important artery in the pulse of the Gosford City electorate.

By approaching qualified individuals who either reside or operate businesses on the Peninsula, Lawrie has assured he has a strong connection to the growing community of this waterside oasis.

Team McKinna has

established from the Peninsula community, that it is tired of feeling overlooked.

With a growing population and increased needs, the Peninsula community is ready to vote for change.

Basic necessities such as curb and guttering and ample drainage, is something Team McKinna recognises as a priority for many residents.

In an area so close to sea level and often affected by tides, it is incredibly important to control and maintain water flow and run off in order to protect properties and road ways as best as possible.

Crime and anti-social behavior is another issue

often raised as one that greatly concerns Peninsula residents.

Team McKinna is focused on the fact that while the revitalisation of Gosford waterfront and the CBD may bring further opportunities to Peninsula youth, more Peninsula based facilities are required to ensure young people have adequate incentives to better themselves closer to

Listening to and working with Peninsula residents is of the utmost importance to Team McKinna in order to see the area flourish and not be forgotten.

Email, 30 Aug 2012 Laurie McKinna, Terrigal

Jason Tomich, independent Ren Wagner, independent

Councils must focus on basic community needs such as roads and maintenance, community services, water and drainage, local employment, environment maintenance,

lifestyle and improved community engagement and consultation on major issues such as the proposed development for Gosford Waterfront.

Gosford LGA needs to be revitalised.

Gosford CBD urgently needs redevelopment and a major review of current planning, improved tourist facilities and attractions to bring tourists to Gosford LGA, improved sea level rise planning that focuses on protection and defensive planning with no encoding of S149 Planning Certificates, reduced constraints on the rights of property owners and businesses and more incentive and opportunity for renewal and redevelopment.

Improved support for the disadvantaged and greater recognition of the contribution to the community of defence services



personnel, emergency services workers, police and other front line community services.

I am a member of the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club and The Wireless Institute of Australia, I am also a Sub-Branch Member of Davistown RSL and an active Member of the Defence Force Welfare Association and the Alliance of Defence Services Organisations.

Having spent the last eight and a half years fighting for my country in Royal Australian Navy as an Electronics Technician including a three year Sea Billet on HMAS Darwin I am now ready and able to spend my time representing my community as a councillor on Gosford Council.

I am 42 years old, married to my wife Narelle who is a NSW Police Officer with almost 10 years' experience and I have a four month old daughter, Isabella.

Email, 30 Aug 2012
Jason Tomich, Copacabana

The council needs a fresh approach with new ideas flowing from the community and I want to use my knowledge and experience to ensure that communities are consulted and their voices heard on issues that affect them.

Ren Wagner's platform has seven key election commitments outlined below.

All seven form part of my broader belief of equality of opportunity for people.

I want to the consultative processes for decision making in the community so that Council is truly informed and representative of affected communities.

I want to improve community safety, which is linked with CBD revitalisation.

More needs to be done to look at social problems holistically that affect industries and livelihoods.

Investment in infrastructure - reinvesting in essential services, including public transport, roads and the proposed high speed rail.

Improving existing



services such as disability services.

Services are at capacity and need more funding from state and federal governments, which means we need council to lobby on their behalf.

Caring for our elderly.

Aged care represents a large part of the community on the Central Coast and need a voice and representation on issues that directly affect them.

Conservation of our natural resources and safe

habitats for our unique flora and fauna.

This can also have positive economic effects, for example, clean waterways for our oyster farmers.

Enhancing our arts and cultural profile.

We need to find more spaces to showcase the arts on the Coast and to also give locals an opportunity to experience arts and culture as part of their everyday life.

Email, 24 Aug 2012 Rendall Wagner, Pt Clare

Chamber seeks election promises

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has listed its election priorities for potential candidates for the upcoming council elections with the focus on upgrading and reconstructing key roads on the Peninsula.

"It's a sad reality that there has been a lack of funding for the upgrading and reconstruction of key roads on the Peninsula with many in such a bad state of repair that it is putting the safety of motorists and pedestrians at risk," said Peninsula Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"With the upcoming local

government elections due on the September 8, the Chamber will be approaching candidates with its list of priorities with the focus on road repairs-reconstruction and CBD improvements.

"The Chamber will be pushing for increased road funding for the Lone Pine Ave reconstruction, Springwood Ave reconstruction and Bourke Rd repairs.

"It will also seek commitments for improvements to the Rawson Rd roundabout and the intersections at Dunban Ave-Ocean Beach Rd and Lone Pine Ave-Ocean Beach

"These are key pieces of transport infrastructure

have been sadly neglected over successive years and yet need to be urgently addressed.

"Further funding for footpath upgrades in the Woy Woy town centre will be sought together with funding to implement the recommendations arising from the Umina Village Structure Plan," said Mr Wales.

Mr Wales said the Chamber would also push for more funding to continue the foreshore upgrading works from Ettalong Beach to Umina Beach including a masterplan for the section between the Ocean Beach and Umina Beach Surf Clubs," said Mr Wales.

"It still amazes people that

we have such a magnificent beachfront which can hardly be seen from the road yet absolutely no decent pedestrian infrastructure to access this area.

"Here we are trying to attract visitors to the area yet no-one can take full advantage of one our best assets.

"The Chamber will also be seeking an undertaking from potential candidates for the continued support by Council for the highly successful and long running Brisbane Water Oyster Festival which is now in its 11th

"With Council now committed to a partnership arrangement with the Chamber for 2012 together with the Ettalong Beach Club, we are looking forward to securing the long term success of the Festival which attracts over 20,000 people to Ettalong Beach.

"We obviously wish candidates success in upcoming elections and look forward to the new Council working closely with the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce and the local business community," said Mr Wales.

Media Release, 30 Aug 2012 Matthew Wales, Peninsula **Chamber of Commerce**

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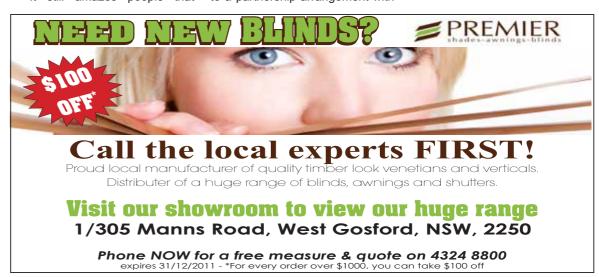
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Edward James



As discussed with Councillor Craig Doyle, here is my apology him and my readers publishing this photograph as being on Gosford City Council property when it was in fact on

Edward James



Written and authorised by Edward James, 323 West St, Umina Beach NSW 2257

PILES CREEK SOMERSBY dateline 2007 A STATE SPONSORED DEATH TRAP FOR FIVE PEOPLE.





Five people died at Piles Creek Somersby way back in 2007.

At the time, the councillor who wrote this plea for campaign support (Blue box) using our Gosford City Council resources was insistent TO THE POINT OF USING UPPERCASE that the pipes in Piles Creek could not possibly have rusted because they were made of plastic! See extract of his shouting email below (Red box)

From: Craig Doyle (Councillor) [mailto:Craig.Doyle@gosford.nsw.gov.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 7 August 2012 9:02 AM

Hi Everyone,

As you may have heard there is an election coming up next month. Many of you are supportive of the work I do in council, and have shown that in various ways.

If you can assist I need the following urgently:

Campaign funds - To date we have been able to raise zero. We don't have the luxury or extravagance of party assistance, and I am reliant upon personal donations. I can't accept company cheques. It has to be personal from someone on the electoral role. I know some of you wanted to assist this way, however if you could ring me urgently that would assist. No campaign, no me on council, it IS getting to that point with only 4 weeks to go!!. 0477 186666

Booth assistance - I need people to man booths on election day, 7:30 am until 6:30 pm is the voting window. If you can assist on the day (Saturday September 8th) for any part of the day, or you know someone who can, please ring me urgently. 0477 186666

Poster Locations - We are looking for prominent sites to put our corf lutes up for a month. Any main road or prominent site is superb. With your permission we will have a happy smiley face out front in no time. Please ring me urgently if you can assist. 0477 186666

Please assist if you support me for council.

Thanks,

Craig Doyle

-- Original Message -----

From: Craig Doyle (Councillor)

To: Edward James

Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2007 4:06 PM

Subject: RE: A walk downstream in Piles creek from the partly blocked three pipe culvert onder Somersby Falls Rd downstream to the collapsed road site revealed rusted away galvinised steel pipes.

ED, AS I STATED THE PILES CREEK PIPES ARE PLASTIC CALLED BLACK BRUTES. I HAVE NO INFO ON THE OTHER.

From: Edward James [mailto:espj@bigpond.net.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 26 June 2007 7:04 PM

To: Craig Doyle (Councillor) Cc: Edward James

Subject: A walk downstream in Piles creek from the partly blocked three pipe culvert onder Somersby Falls Rd downstream to the collapsed road site revealed rusted away galvinised steel pipes.

Deputy Mayor Doyle

Based on your advice last week about the pipes being plastic. I went back to my people who included Bruce McDougal Telegraph, Clive Robertson 2UE Jim Ball 2GB, my readers some politicians and others. To apologise and correct what I accepted in good faith from you was an error in my published description of infrastructure as rusted steel, which I had provided them. Today after a meeting with Telstra at the Quarry road intersection with the Old Pacific Highway to discuss community concerns about the safety of Optical fibre to the Somersby Park Industrial Estate particularly where it runs above Leahy Creek. FOI I understand the responsibility for the fibre is that of Vision Stream, and someone will be addressing the subsidence issue as it relates to the optical fibre. I took the opportunity to investigate more thoroughly the condition of the Leahy Creek culvert and surrounding bush land. As in my opinion it mirrors to a certain extent what may have occurred on the night of the 8 of June. This culvert is not as deep and comprises two steel pipes set into a ten inch thick concrete buttress (which appears to have shifted) running beneath the second obvious subsidence, with much larger bolts holding the steel sections together that the steel in piles creek. I went part way into one the pipes which slopes down hill to try and ascertain how far the steel went but it was not worth the risk! As I had enough evidence of corrosion to speak with confidence about the rusted nature of the Leahy Creek pipes. Which to some extent replicate the corroded nature of the Piles creek pipes. It may be that plastic is used, but what I have photographed in the close up of the middle pipe from piles creek is rusted out galvanised steel and a partly blocked culverts! Edward James POB 3024 Umina 2257 0243419140





School accepted for program

Ettalong **Public** principal Mr Colin Wallis attended a workshop on the implementation of the **Empowering Local Schools** National Partnership on Friday, August 17, along with Ms Helen Denning and Ms Jes Zammit.

The school has been accepted

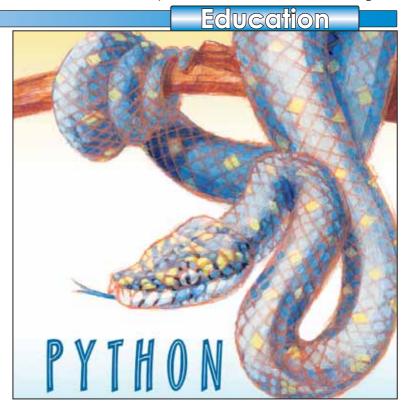
into the program for next year, which would afford the school financial support as well as intensive training in the initiatives being undertaken by the NSW Department of Education and Communities in 2014 and beyond under the Local Schools Local Decisions initiative.

The initiative aims to put decision making for schools at the

"Although within the department are at times challenging, they are also very exciting and ultimately advantageous for our students' learning outcomes," said Mr Wallis.

"It will be a journey for the entire school community," he said.

Newsletter, 21 Aug 2012 Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School



Day spent at school farm

Students from schools in the Brisbane Water Learning participated Community in a day of activities at the **Brisbane Water Secondary** College Umina Campus farm on Tuesday, August 29.

The 20 students learnt about handling chickens and day-old piglets, how to round up sheep and feed goats and cattle.

Students enjoyed a tractor ride around the farm to see all the animals, ate produce from the fruit trees, and laughed at the animals'

Students got to hold Frog, the school's resident python, and the baby animals that are filling the paddocks this time of year.

Newsletter, 29 Aug 2012 Sheree Gilchrist, Brisbane Water Secondary College

Debbie steps down

Ettalong Public School P and C long time executive member Ms Debbie Ritchie has decided to step down from the position secretary.

"Debbie has been a tower of strength, working tirelessly and selflessly for the benefit of our school and the students within," said principal Mr Colin Wallis.

"It is not goodbye as Debbie will still be seen around the school and will remain a valued member of our P and C," he said.

Newsletter, 21 Aug 2012 Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

Author will visit schools

Children's author Chris Cheng will visit both Umina Public School and St John the Baptist Public School on Thursday, September 6, and speak about his new book Python.

The children are expected to hear the author speak about the process of writing and getting published.

Mr Cheng will dedicate and sign

books for all the participants after question and answer time.

He has worked as a primary school teacher, helped in a science lab, worked in the education unit at Taronga Zoo and has run the Zoomobile.

He has also written historical fiction for the Scholastic My Australian Story series, a picture book and edited poetry collections. Email, 30 Aug 2012

Mandi McIntosh, Book Bazaar

Full program at family centre

Beachside Family Centre is gearing up for Term 4 which will begin with Storytime in the Plaza in conjunction with Mingaletta during the school holidays.

The event will be held at Deepwater Plaza on Thursday, September 27, from 10am to 12pm.

Traditional stories and aboriginal tales will be read by elders.

Beachside Family Centre has plenty more activities for Term 4 including Transition to School programs, playgroups and TAFE



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Fun with Sounds will be back at Mingaletta Hall and Wiggle and Giggle will be wiggling for another term.

The Early Bird Transitions Playgroup is open to kids going into kindergarten next year.

Email, 29 Aug 2012 Philippa Skipper, Beachside Family Centre

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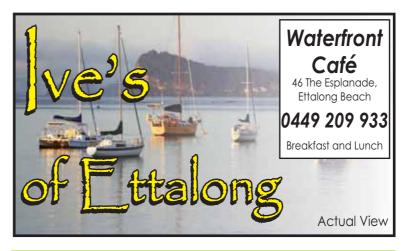
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Students remove 60 bags of rubbish

Brisbane Water Secondary College support unit students removed unwanted litter from the western foreshore of Woy Woy Bay on Friday, August 17.

Water craft assembled at Woy Woy boat ramp at 9am with the 17 students assisting in the setup of craft and equipment.

The main body of students walked from the Woy Woy Campus, to the boat ramp, gearing up for the possible cold morning on the water.

Simon's barge was able to transport many of the group to the work site with a slow "emu parade" along the foreshore.

The pre-planned peak high tide enabled all craft to reach the foreshore, thus assisting in the removal of a large volume of small litter that infested the banks and mangroves.

This is the third occasion that this foreshore has been cleaned, this time with 45 full bags stacked on the barge.

"Plastic again made up the vast percentage but many glass products were also uncovered, mainly in the dry foreshores above the waterline," said organiser Mr Graham Johnson.

The foreshore area south of the railway station to the overhead power lines was then completed, with 15 bags filled. Seven tyres were stacked for future bulk pickup near these power lines.

One large oyster tray was also brought back by the group, together with small timber products.

Woy Woy Campus principal

Mr David Allomes attended the field day and thanked the students and volunteers for their efforts in protecting the mangroves from the dangers of plastic and residential

All rubbish was loaded into the

coordinator's trailer and vehicle with 60 bags and timber taken to the Woy Woy tip.

Email, 20 Aug 2012 Graham Johnston, MacMasters Beach Surf Club



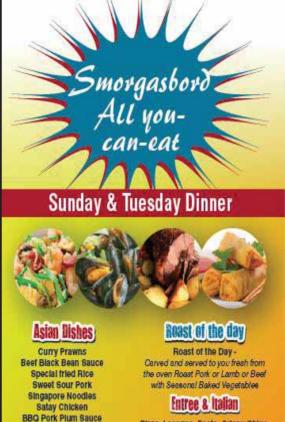




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Jake Cassar at folk club

The Troubadour Folk Club will area at Kariong. meet at the CWA Hall in Woy Woy on Saturday, September 22, for an Australian themed event featuring Jake Cassar.

Mr Cassar has lived on the Central Coast his whole life and works as a professional musician, bushcraft teacher and a community

"From traditional Australian folk songs to contemporary acoustic, singing is his real passion," said Troubadour publicity officer Ms Willy Timmerman

passionate "Jake is a conservationist and has led the campaign to protect the Bambara

"Jake is also committed to helping with the issues of homelessness and mental health and has organised large community events to raise funds and awareness for these issues," said Ms Timmerman.

Jake's influences as a musician include Cat Stevens, Red Hot Chilli Peppers, Billy Idol and Redgum.

Jake has performed original songs at the Big Day Out and has supported Kasey Chambers, Ross Wilson and other high profile performers.

Email, 30 Aug 2012 Willy Timmerman, Troubadour

Free TAFE courses

Two free TAFE courses will be held at the Beachside Family Centre in Umina starting in October.

Colour Me Clever will be held on Monday, October 22 and 29, and Monday, November 5, from 10am until 12pm.

The course will teach a range of simple accelerated learning techniques to improve memory and learning.

The course is open to all ages from 15 years.

The Senior First Aid Course will run every Tuesday from October 23, until November 27, from 9:15am until 12:15pm.

With inquiries about either course, phone Philippa on 4343

> Email, 21 Aug 2012 Philippa Skipper, Beachside **Family Centre**

The 39 Steps at Little Theatre

Woy Woy Little Theatre will present Alfred Hitchcock's The 39 Steps from October 26 until November 11, at the Peninsula Theatre.

The play, directed by Christine Vale, was adapted by Patrick Barlow from the movie of Alfred Hitchcock based on the novel by John Buchan.

The award winning adaptation thrusts Richard Hannay into a world of international espionage where he meets beautiful women

and evil villains.

Four actors play over 140 characters.

Auditions will also be held for Tom Dulack's Breaking Legs at the Peninsula Theatre on October 2 and 4.

Actors are required for the roles of one female in her mid-20s, one male in his 40s and three men over

> Email. 29 Aug 2012 Jessica Alex, Woy Woy **Little Theatre**

Spring fair

Ettalong Public School will hold its Spring Fair on Saturday, September 8, from 9am until 3pm.

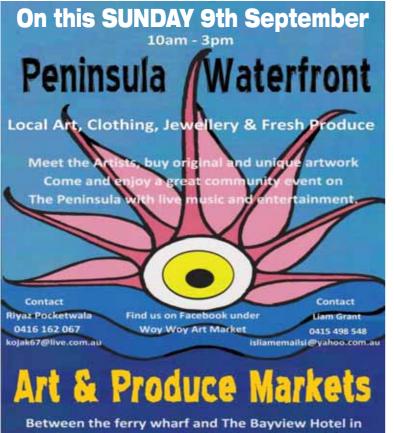
The day coincides with the

Council election so people can vote at the school and also walk around the fair.

There will be unlimited rides from 10am until 2pm for \$25.

There will also be Devonshire teas, cakes, white elephant, book, plant and food stalls.

Email, 30 Aug 2012 Rowena Curtin, Ettalong **Public School**



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Craft pioneer

Financial information

A free financial information such as budgeting, credit cards, seminar was held at Woy Woy Library on Tuesday, August 27, to help locals understand more about retirement income streams.

The seminar was run by Financial Information Service officers who provided information on a range of financial matters

pensions, superannuation and

Since the Financial Information Service began, more than 6.7 million Australians have sought information on financial and lifestyle matters.

> Email, 27 Aug 2012 Peter McCabe, Office of Deborah O'Neill MP

celebrates 90 years The Ettalong Beach Arts and

Crafts Centre will celebrate Penny Riley's 90th birthday on Saturday, September 22.

Ms Riley was the centre's pioneer, according to publicity officer Ms Sue Sullivan

"Penny is well known in the Peninsula community for her energy and drive in making things happen," said Ms Sullivan.

"It was this can-do attitude that was responsible for the Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre starting in humble beginnings and growing to be the thriving centre it

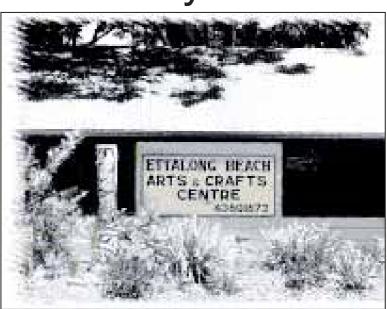
"The Centre's first classes started in 1976 in a house and garage owned by Ettalong Beach Memorial Club.

"The running costs were covered by the club until they decided to expand.

"Penny Riley was the leading light of the centre, encouraging members to commence a vigorous fund raising campaign.

"With help from State and Federal government, they built the art and craft centre.

"This is the building used today." Email, 29 Aug 2012 Sue Sullivan, Ettalong Beach **Arts and Craft Centre**















Mark Fisher with his grandson Konnor McKay and dinner

Fishing clinic for grandparents

Central Coast Family Support like you to join us for a day of fun Service will hold a fishing grandparents clinic raising grandchildren on Sunday, October 7, at Woy Woy Lions Club from 10am until 3pm.

"If you are a grandparent with the fulltime care and responsibility of your grandchildren we would

fishing," said the service's events coordinator, Ms Sarah Grey.

Children seven years and over can participate in the fishing clinic. Call the service on 4340 1585 to secure a place.

Email, 28 Aug 2012 Sarah Grey, Central Coast **Family Support**

Garage sale and polling booth

A garage sale will be held adjacent to a council election polling booth at the Umina **Uniting Church community** hall on Saturday, September

The garage sale will raise money for the maintenance of the

There will be a variety of stalls

including trash and treasure, second-hand books, lamington and sausage sandwich stalls.

At Ettalong Uniting Church, the annual Spring Fete and Displays will be held on Saturday, September 15.

There will be the usual stalls from 8am until 12pm.

The special features of the fete

will be the display of spring flowers and a display called My Favourite Things, supplied by members of the congregation.

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> Email, 28 Aug 2012 Annette Strong, Umina **Uniting Church**



A previous Salvation Army fair

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Salvos plan annual fair

The Salvation Army will hold its annual fair on Saturday, November 3, from 8am until 2pm in Umina.



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Salvation Army Umina Beach Fair project coordinator Mr Hans Schryver said the fair would be a day when the community could come together to have fun.

"We will be having market stalls, arts and crafts, jams, Devonshire teas and food.

He said there would be fire engines from Empire Bay Rural Fire Services and from Fire and Rescue NSW and a simulated kitchen stove fire.

A Crime Unit from the NSW Police Force would also attend.

Other attractions included face painting, clowns, temporary tattoos, jumping castle, ice creams, balloons, music by C'est la vie and Jake Cassar, and didgeridoos, said Mr Schryver.

The Salvation Army Umina Beach pastors Lieutenants Dean and Rhonda Clutterbuck highlighted that the importance of having a fair was to help those who needed help on the Peninsula and also help to create a sense of community

The fair will be located at The Salvation Army property at 9 Sydney Ave, Umina.

Media Release, 17 Aug 2012 Hans Schryver, Salvation Army

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Call 4325 7369 if you would like to be added to this list.

Students complete SES training

Students from Brisbane Water **Secondary College Woy Woy** Campus have completed the State Emergency Service cadet program in term two this year.

The 19 students trained with SES staff every Tuesday afternoon for 10 weeks and attended a two day camp at Port Hacking.

Students were then eligible to join the SES as a cadetvolunteer to become involved with training, rescue, operation and in community education-media.

While most volunteer community activity happens when areas are affected by floods, storms and other emergencies, there are numerous other roles that an SES volunteer can do when not operational, according to supervising teacher Ms Val

"There is a regular commitment to training and updating skills as well as practising those already

"The forging of friendships and community relationships is also considered important."

Student Jay Lang said: "It was a great experience that showed me more about being part of a team that works and taught me more about being a leader."

Callum O'Donnell described the experience as 'brilliant and unique", while Rebecca Hooper said she made new friends and learned many new things.

Ms Frances said the event was a memorable experience in the life of a teacher.

"The entire program was professionally organised operated.

"SES staff were highly skilled, genuine, friendly and patient at all times and appeared to enjoy themselves as much as the students.

"The camp was an absolute pleasure to attend and enhanced by sharing



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experience with such friendly staff and students from Pennant Hills High School.

'Our students were challenged by the tasks and operated with intelligence, team work and determination at all times.

"It was a proud moment to see their insightful feedback to SES staff on all aspects of the SES training and camp," said Ms

> Email, 20 Aug 2012 Valerie Frances, Brisbane Water Secondary College

Peninsula directory of services, contacts and support groups

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Central Coast 4325 7929 SES - Storm and Flood Emergency 132 500

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Woy Woy Youth Cottage 4341 9027 **Animal Rescue**

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Woy Woy 4341 6699 **Department of Community Services** Gosford 4336 2400

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The Peninsula Diary For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Wednesday September 5

Umina CWA branch meeting, 10am, Umina CWA Hall

Friday September 7

Woy Woy Peninsula Little Athletics Registration Day, McEvoy Oval, Umina, 4-6pm

Saturday September 8

Bays Community Group Kid's Disco, Woy Woy Bay Community

Local Government election Song Critiquing Session, The Clearing, Woy Woy, 11am-12pm, Fest, Peninsula Village Aged Care Free

Ettalong Public School spring fair, 9am-3pm

Garage Sale, Umina Uniting Church Community Hall, 8:30am-

Sunday September 9

Woy Woy Art Market, 10am-3pm, Anderson Reserve

Bushwalk across the Rampart, Peninsula Umina Heights, Environment Group, 9am-12pm

Wednesday September 12

Railway underpass at Bulls Hill community meeting, Bays Community Hall, 7:30pm

Friday September 14

Woy Woy Peninsula Little Athletics Registration Day, McEvoy Oval, Umina, 4-6pm

Thursday September 20

Movie night fundraiser- Kath and Kimdarella, Cinema Paradiso, Ettalong

Friday September 21

Woy Woy Peninsula Little Athletics Registration Day, McEvoy Oval, Umina, 4-6pm

Peninsula Art, Craft and Food

Saturday September 22

First Woy Woy Sea Scouts open day, 10am, Woy Woy Sea Scouts

Salvation Army Fete, Peninsula Community Centre, 9am-2pm

Marvels of Magic, Peninsula Theatre, 6:30pm

Saturday September 22

Peninsula Village Art exhibition Open Day, Pozieres Ave, Umina Troubadour Folk Club meeting,

Woy Woy CWA Hall, 7pm Penny Riley's 90th Birthday celebration, Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts centre

Monday September 24

Woy Woy Little Theatre play 7:30pm-Peninsula reading,

Tuesday September 25

Council meeting, Gosford Gosford Chambers, Council 6:45pm

Wednesday September 26

Friends of Mingaletta petition launch, Mingaletta, Umina, 4pm

Thursday September 27

Story time with Nick Bland, Woy Woy Library, 2pm, free

Sunday September 30

Bays Community Group Breakfast in the Bays, Woy Woy Bay Community Hall, 8:30-10:30am

Tuesday October 2

Gosford Council meeting, Council Chambers, Gosford 6:45pm

Wednesday October 3

Umina CWA branch meeting, 10am, Umina CWA Hall

Friday October 5

Alison Lester reading, Umina Library, 10am

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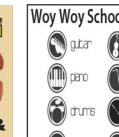
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and our boys came third.

the variety of skills taught in said Mr Podmore.

Newsletter, 23 Aug 2012 **Deborah Callender, Pretty Beach Public School**

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Peninsula Community

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Central Coast Family History Society Inc. (301)

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Hardys Bay

Residents Group (60/296) Working for a positive & Healthy Environment in our Community allanbw@bigpond.com

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Peninsula Village Carer's Support Group (287-311)

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Umina Beach Men's

Shed Inc. (287-311) Men come and share, a variety of tools, pursue interests and hobbies, Spend time with other men and Learn new skills Darrell 4341 2355

Umina Beach Scrabble Club (65/302)

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volunteers and community orgs. Offer training for volunteers and managers of volunteers. Regular general info sessions at Woy Woy. vrc@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

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

> fice@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

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Woy Woy - 4341 5881

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Meet 3rd Tues Peninsula Community Centre, Cnr

McMasters Rd and Ocean Bowling Club 7.30pm 4341 7323 Meals on Wheels (81/298)

Central Coast branch of

a functional disability 4382 9401

Mary 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 - 4341 0584

marymacs@woywoycatholic.org.au

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, Every Fri 8 - 9pm www.oa.org - 0412 756 446

Pink Butterfly Breast Cancer Support Group -

First Sunday 10.00am -12.00 Shop 71 Schnapper Road **Ettalong Markets** 0428 712 251

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 Public Hospital Alliance (308)

Formed to restore medical services previously available at this hospital - upgrade to a standard commensurate with the needs of the Peninsula and the Gosford City area 2pm 2nd Sat St Lukes Church Hall, Blackwall Rd Woy Woy 4344 4811

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)

Every Tues 7.15 - 9.30pm Community playouts with four concerts a year at Laycock St Theatre. 0407 894 560

Soundwaves(87/308)

Men's acapella 4 part harmony chorus - all ages welcome 7.00pm Monday Nights Central Coast Leagues Club Ray 0405 030 945 randtbale@bigpond.com

Political Group

Australian Labor Party

Umina Ettalong Branch (293) Political Discussions National, State and local government issues 2nd Mon Umina Beach

Central Coast Greens

Geens NSW, active regarding ecological sustainability, social and economic justice, peace and non-violence, grassroots democracy and getting Greens elected

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Sport

Woy Woy Judo Club (287)

Classes 6 14yrs- \$5 Fri 5.30 - 6.30pm Adult Classes Tue & Fri 6-8pm 15yrs+ - 1st Lesson Free 4 Week Trial Ettalong 50+ Leisure and Learning Centre 0434 000 170

www.wwjc.org.au Veterans

National Malaya Borneo Veterans Association

Australia Inc (66/302) 1st Sat (except Jan) 2pm **Ettalong Beach War Memorial** Club, 51-52 The Esplanade. 4342 1107

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Assist all Veterans and their families with pension & welfare matters. Mon & Wed 9am-1pm 4344 4760 Cnr Broken Bay Rd & Beach St Ettalong. 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 (309)

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Country Women's Association Umina

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CWA Hall, Cnr West and Sydney St. Umina. 4341.5404 or 4369.5353

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. 4342 2283

Gosford RSL Sub-Branch Women's Auxiliary (61/296)

For women over 18 years. Raise money for welfare of veterans and their families RSL Club West Gosford 4th Mon 2pm 4323 7336

Inner Wheel club of Gosford North (92/309)

Women making a difference with friendship, personal service and international understanding. Many social activities combined with fund raising for local, national and international projects 2nd Wed 7pm Phillip House Kariong 4324 7176 gosfordnorthiw@live.com.au

Planning goalposts are removed

Gosford Council's Character Statement DCP, which requires new development to fit into the existing character of an area, has a long history which dates back to September 2001.

Over the last decade, the provisions of this DCP have been applied to many development applications.

However, in August this year, Council staff have effectively decided that Character DCP is expunged.

It appears that with the application for a McDonalds in Ocean Beach Rd, Umina, the need to adhere to a local character statement no longer applies.

"The building will appear visually as a standard corporate McDonalds building," according to Gosford Council Agenda, ENV.67, August 7.

Council staff added an additional comment to ensure that there was no ambiguity: "The building is designed as a corporate McDonalds Restaurant, therefore the needs of the applicant should be balanced against the character requirement."

It seems it is official: The needs of the applicant are superior to the character requirements which previously meant "the qualities

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that distinguish each area and the individual properties located within that area"

Council staff reported that the DA did not comply with character requirements but still supported the development.

Character Statement Umina Town Centre contains numerous inconsistencies with the application, for example: "Off street parking should be concealed behind shops.

McDonalds The proposal "consists of parking located at the front of the site".

This is apparently innocuous to the council staff who firmly believe "the proposed does not detract from the character of the immediate locality".

DA criteria now appear a day-to-day undergo metamorphosis, as council staff favour "the needs of the applicant".

The goal posts aren't changing. They have been removed.

Letter, 7 Aug 2012 Norman Harris, Umina

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Money has been lost

While Macfadyen Holstein as mayors may be comfortable with their constituents being misled by such rubbish headlines, I am surprised there may be others out there who believe no ratepayers' money has been lost.

It is a fact we were reminded by the ABC only a few weeks ago.

Holstein is on public record claiming "we have not lost a red

That fiction is just another way of asking voters not to put Labor and their supporters last on any ballot paper.

Edward James, Umina

'Victory' as insurance and seas still rise

"Victory." That's what the flyer from the Coastal Residents Action Group said.

Fantastic news I thought to myself, now my insurance will go down.

I rang my insurance So company.

"Hello, do I get a discount on my home insurance now that the s149(5) is gone?"

The reply: "No sorry, we do our own mapping.

"In fact, we will be increasing the premiums next year".

Hmm not a good start, so I decided it's time to sell.

After all, according to the Coastal Residents Action Group, waterfront properties have dropped \$250k since they were put in.

"Hello Real Estate, I would like to sell my house since its worth a lot more today than yesterday"

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The reply: "No sorry there are a lot more factors to a properties' price than the removal of a coding warning of sea level rises.

"After all, the seas are still rising whether it's there or not".

Hmmm, maybe I am being too selfish and not looking at the bigger picture.

"Hello CSIRO? Now that the s149 (5) certificate is removed have the sea levels stopped rising?'

The reply: "No, unfortunately they are rising at an increasing

Hmmm this wasn't looking good, so I thought I would go to the people we all trust, the organisation that's pretty big on scientific matters with many very intelligent people.

"Hello NASA?

"Just wondering how the global warming thing is going now that the s149 (5) sea level certificate has been removed?"

The reply: "Yeah we heard about that, but unfortunately it also coincided with this week's announcement that the Arctic ice levels have shrunk to what we believe is the lowest in 130,000

"Also we are starting to get a fair bit worried about Antarctica as

So my insurance will still increase, my house isn't worth anymore, the seas are still rising and the ice is still melting.

Tell me: What is there to feel victorious about?

Email, 30 Aug 2012 Ross Cochrane, Woy Woy

What is candidate position on sea level rise?

Last Saturday in Woy Woy I attended a meeting called Sea Level Rise: Looking for

Many people on the Central Coast, in places such as Gosford and the Peninsula are concerned about flooding, particularly from storm surges combined with king

Insurance, it seems, does not include inundation by salt water.

Well might these people be concerned.

At Ocean Beach at least 12m of dune has been lost since June 8,

We have seen the water within 6m of the Esplanade.

These dangers are not helped by regular foreshore vegetation removal and vandalism, most recently attributed to Council's own maintenance crews.

The area in front of the Ettalong Online submission, 20 Aug 2012 Beach Club has had banksia trees removed and other vegetation cut.

These things are contrary to the Ettalong Beach Plan of Management and Council's own Tree Preservation Policy, which has fines exceeding \$1 million.

This is not the first time this vandalism has occurred.

The sea here had eroded the dune from under the green barriers, water was half way up the path and there was sand across the road.

Council now has detailed maps based on NSW adopted sea level rise of 0.9m by 2100, showing areas which are likely to flood.

Why, with this information, has Council rescinded the S149 statement on house deeds dealing

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with flood risk simply because of public pressure and supported and promoted the State Government's Regional Development Plan for the development of Gosford Landing, on land which its own maps and advisors confirm will be liable to flooding?

How can residents take sea level threats seriously when Council adopts such contradictory positions?

With Council elections imminent,

electors need to understand the position of candidates on these vital issues.

Climate Change is here, whether we believe it or not, and this finite planet is the only one we

Change has happened before but, just imagine, when Blackwall Mountain was an island, where was the land around it?

With so many of the world's population now living around coastlines and rivers this climatic change would be devastating.

Increased and more ferocious weather events around the world and particularly in Australia, are already with us.

We need leaders with vision. who can act now.

If you want to know the facts look them up for yourself, ensuring that you are consulting a real authority, not someone with vested interests.

Email, 31 Aug 2012 Margaret Lund, Woy Woy Bay

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Front – Rachel Wood, Jemma Smith, Back from left to right - Indigo Verhoeven , Kiesha Bovill, Mollie Murphy, Karen Murphy and Kerry Armstrong-Smith.

Medals won in pool rescue championships

Umina Surf Life Saving Club was awarded six gold, five silver and three bronze medals and a high number of top six results at the Australian Pool Rescue Championships in Adelaide from August 17 to 19.

The club placed 10th overall with seven competitors competing in obstacle swims, relays, patient tows, manikin tows and carries and line throws, all designed to simulate rescue situations in aquatic environments.

Kiesha Bovill, Mollie Murphy, Jemma Smith, and Rachel Wood were gold medallists in the 200m 4 x 50m obstacle relay and the 200m 4x50 medley relay.

Indigo Verhoeven received a silver medal in the 100m manikin carry with fins.

In the Masters category, Umina was represented by two mums, Kerry Armstrong-Smith and Karen Murphy, who were awarded a gold medal in the 100m line throw relay throw, only one second off an Australian record.

"Not only is it great for Umina

from the competitive perspective, this is also reassuring for the Peninsula community to know the local beach is patrolled by members who can demonstrate remarkable capabilities in rescue related techniques," said club publicity officer Mr Peter Talty.

Email, 23 Aug 2012 Peter Talty, Umina Surf Life Saving Club

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Minister visits Woy Woy oval

The State Minister for Sport and Recreation Mr Graham Annesley visited Woy Woy Oval on Friday, August 24, to inspect the soon to be demolished grandstand.

Gosford Councillors Jeff Strickson, Chris Burke deputy mayor Craig Doyle were also in attendance, and were accompanied by Gosford Council officers.

Minister for the Central Coast Mr Chris Hartcher said the decision made by Gosford councillors to demolish the existing facility and redevelop the entire site would be of huge benefit to the many sporting clubs that utilise the site.

"Good facilities allow local sporting clubs to thrive and make it easier for everyone to participate in physical activity," Mr Hartcher said.

"This presents an exciting opportunity to develop the site in line with the needs of those local sporting clubs and with their input considered."

Mr Annesley reminded local not-for-profit organisations, government authorities local and Gosford Council that round one applications in the Sport Recreation Participation and Facility Program close on September3.

"The program offers grants capped at \$10,000 for participation projects and \$50,000 for facility projects," Mr Annesley said.

"Organisations may apply for multiple projects or project types, with the maximum available to any one organisation in a financial year capped at \$50,000.

"Projects eligible to be funded include the construction of new facilities, as well as the enhancement of existing facilities, as well as training costs which lead to increased participation opportunities."

Member for Gosford Mr Chris Holstein said that while Gosford Council had pledged \$1.75 million towards the new grandstand, he hoped that the Council and all sporting groups would consider applying to the grants program.

"The NSW Government is committed to investing in our communities to encourage sport and physical activity," Mr Holstein

"The new grandstand will make a huge difference to how Woy Woy Oval is utilised and I look forward to seeing the plans as they develop."

Applications for a second round of grants will be available late

Media Release, 24 Aug 2012 Caroline Hutcherson, Office of Chris Hartcher MP



Lorraine field, Judy Pigram, Evonne Norman, Neil Norman and Jean Lane

Badges presented at Umina

Umina Beach Men's Bowling Club held its Presidents and Officers Day 2012 on Saturday, August 18, with 112 bowlers on the green.

Badges, name bars brooches were awarded by State councillor Mr Kevin Dring, Royal NSW Bowling Association representative Mr Doug Rose, Bowls Central Coast president Mr Max LeGuier and Bowls Central Coast vice-president Mr Bob Bourke.

A Bowls NSW Merit Badge was presented to Michael McHale, a 10-year Service Badge to Steve Stead, a five-year Service Badge to Ron Austin and Name Bars to Michael O'Sullivan and Jim

Bowls NSW Royal Brooches went to Judy Pigram and Lorraine Field and Bowls Central Coast-Zone 15 Brooches to Yvonne Norman and Jean Lane.

Umina vice-president Mr Ron Austin stood in for president Ross McIntyre who was recovering from an operation.

Special guest was Merrylands

RSL Bowls president Mr Fred

Media Release, 19 Aug 2012 **Bob Bourke, Bowls Central Coast**

Rugby draw

Woy Woy played its final game of the season against The Entrance in round 18 of the Central Coast Rugby Union competition on Saturday, August 25, at Joseph Banks Oval.

The game ended in a 16-all draw with both teams scoring a try apiece.

The Entrance went to the halftime break leading by 13 points to six but was only able to kick one further penalty goal in the second half while Woy Woy was able to cross for a converted try as well as kick a penalty goal.

Best for The Entrance was fullback Adam Williams who kicked four goals, and five-eight Piripi

Best players for Woy Woy were lock Damien Peleiupu and outside centre Moses Afoa.

Email, 25 Aug 2012 Larry Thomson, Central **Coast Rugby Union**



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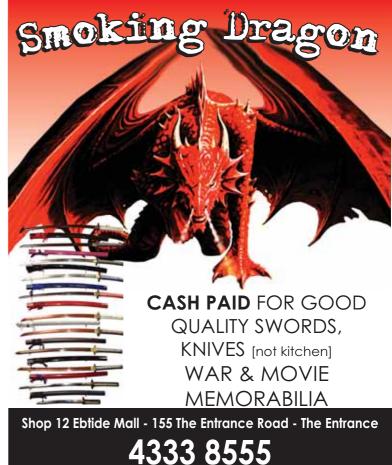
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