

## Liberals dominate at council election

**Gosford Council is likely to comprise four Liberal councillors, two Labor, one Green, two Team McKinna and one Doyle Independent, if preferences fall as expected.**

Central Coast First and the Greens were the big losers.

Once having two councillors, including last year's mayor Cr Laurie Maher, Central Coast First look unlikely to retain any seats.

It gained only 52 per cent of the number of votes required for a councillor to be elected in his own right.

The Greens suffered a swing away from them of 4.4 per cent, down to 10.4 per cent of the vote, and will lose one of their two seats on the previous council.

The Liberals retained most of the personal following that Cr Chris Holstein brought with him when he joined the party at the last election, dropping only one per cent.

Elected as Member for Gosford in the State election, Mr Holstein did not contest the council elections this year.

Labor and the independents



Jeff Strickson, Deanna Bocking, Bob Ward, Robert Stephen, Adam Crouch and Chris Burke.

picked up the swing to them of 2.7 per cent apiece.

The Liberal Party received a quota of 3.84 on first preference votes, meaning that sitting

councillors Jeff Strickson and Chris Burke and new candidate Bob Ward were elected in their own right.

The Labor Party received a

quota of 2.32 first preference votes, meaning that sitting councillors Jim Macfadyen and Vicki Scott were re-elected.

Team McKinna gained a quota

of 2.21, meaning that Lawrie McKinna and Gabby Bowles were elected.

With a quota of only 1.14, the Greens will lose a seat to only retain one seat on council, with Hillary Morris elected.

Sitting councillor Craig Doyle, with a quota of 0.77, is expected to benefit from Central Coast First preferences to get him across the line.

The Liberals are expected to pick up the final council seat on preferences.

None of the elected councillors lives on the Peninsula, with Jeff Strickson at St Huberts Island, Deanna Bocking at Killcare and Jim Macfadyen at Pretty Beach being the closest.

Counting for the Gosford Council election was still underway as Peninsula News went to press on Friday and results may be subject to change.

The poll was not expected to be declared until Saturday.

Website, 14 Sep 2012  
NSW Electoral Commission

## Comment sought on new camping fees

**Comment will be sought on new fees and charges for the Patonga Camping Area for a period of 28 days.**

If no "sustainable objections" are received, the new fees will be adopted.

Gosford Council has proposed that the charges go up to \$44 per night for the powered sites from \$31 per night and to \$35 for unpowered from \$24.50 per night.

A report from staff to the council meeting of Tuesday, September

4, said weekends at the Patonga Camping Area were often fully booked from September through to the end of April every year.

Under the current fees and charges, these weekends fall into the "shoulder tariff" period excluding long weekends, NSW School holidays and the peak period from December 1 to January 31.

According to acting director of city services Mr Peter Armour, the camping area was at capacity during these weekends, and

additional resources were required including security on a Friday and Saturday night and additional staff.

The resources and services being provided were consistent with those being provided during "peak tariff" times, he said.

"The current rates charged for the shoulder rate period do not cover the costs involved with the additional services required," Mr Armour said.

Gosford Council Agenda  
CIT.39, 4 Sep 2012

## Railway St to be B-double route

**Gosford Council will arrange for advertisement in the Government Gazette to proclaim a B-double semi-trailer route for Railway St, Woy Woy, from Charlton St to Nagari Rd to the Woy Woy tip entrance.**

A request was received by Council from Viking Waste Pty Ltd that a B-Double route to the Woy Woy tip be established.

The proposed route satisfied the route assessment guidelines for B-Doubles for land and shoulder widths and swept path requirements.

A trial run was carried out and was witnessed by representatives from Council, Roads and Maritime Services and NSW Police.

The consensus from those representatives was that the route be approved.

According to Gosford Council's Local Traffic Committee report of Monday, August 6, the route would reduce heavy vehicle movements throughout the day, reduce fuel consumption and pollution for the movement of freight and be more efficient.

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TR.12.39, 4 Sep 2012

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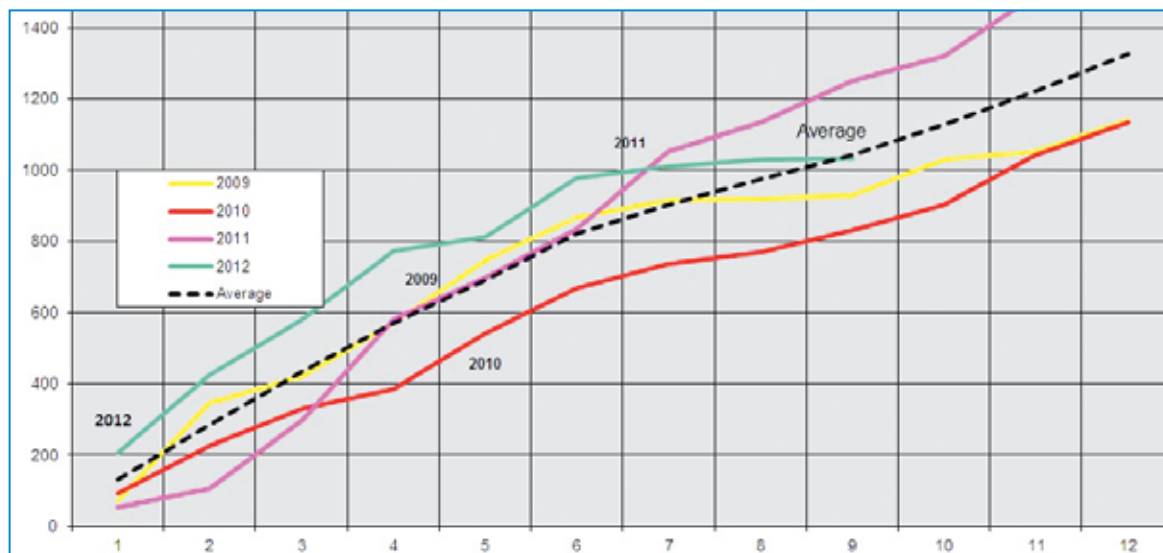
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## Dry weather continues

**Dry weather has continued on the Peninsula, with almost no rain falling so far this month, according to figures supplied by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.**

Just 3.8mm had been recorded in the first 14 days of September,

compared to an average for the month of 68.8mm.

Temperatures so far this month have ranged from an overnight low of 7.4 degrees on September 3 to a maximum of 28.6 on September 6, according to the [www.peninsulaweather.info](http://www.peninsulaweather.info) website.

Highest minimum was 19.1 on

September 6 and lowest maximum was 16.5 on September 1.

Highest wind gust recorded during the month was 33.1 km/h on September 1.

**Spreadsheet, 14 Sep 2012**  
**Jim Morrison, Woy Woy**  
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The winners of last edition's Peninsula News Style Agency competition were Ailsa Dodds of Woy Woy, Coral Hynes of Umina and Leanne Charlier of Woy Woy.

**Kaitlin Watts, 13 Sep 2012**



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# Hospital flight after skateboard fall

A teenage boy was flown from Woy Woy to Westmead Children's Hospital on Saturday, September 1, after he was left unconscious when he fell from his skateboard.

Ambulance paramedics called the trauma team to Rogers Oval to assist treating the boy shortly before 3:30pm.

The CareFlight doctor said the 13-year-old boy from Woy Woy was riding a skateboard on the road near his home when he fell and hit his head.

The boy was not wearing a

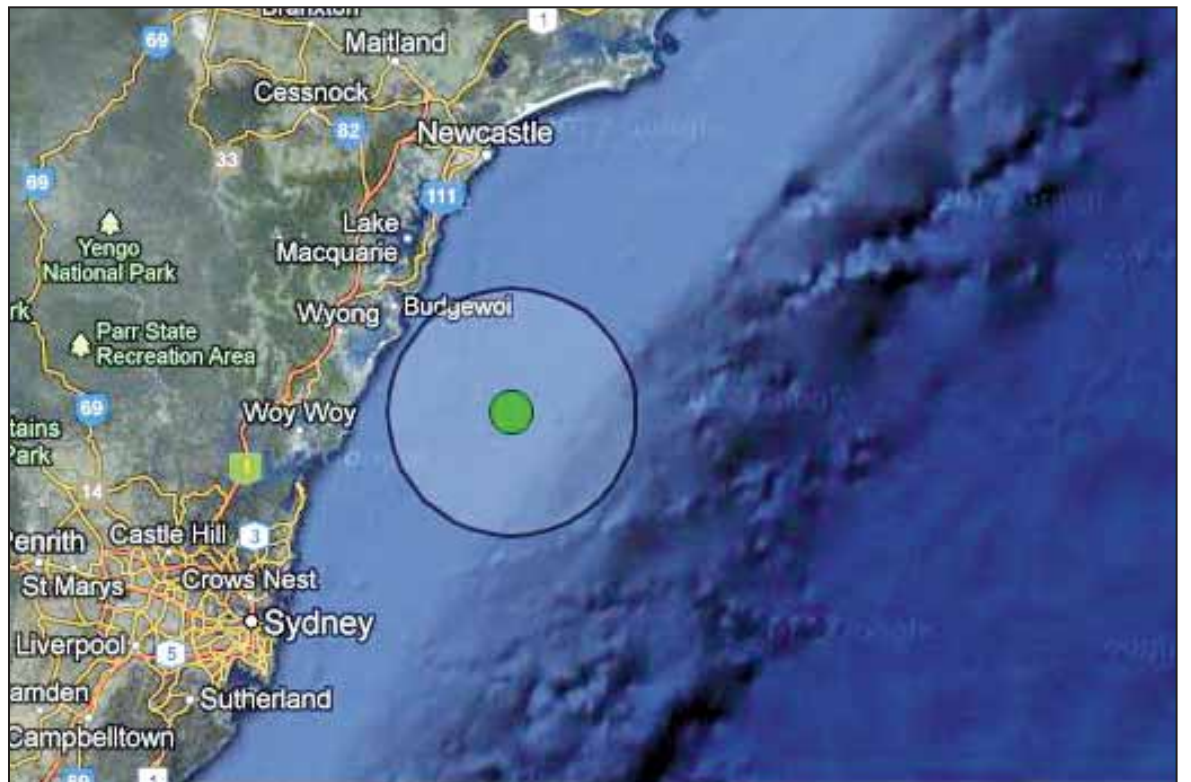
helmet at the time and was left initially unconscious.

After stabilisation, CareFlight flew the boy, accompanied by his mother, to the Westmead Children's Hospital.

Although suffering a mild traumatic brain injury, the boy was in a stable condition on arrival at the hospital.

The CareFlight doctor urged all skate board and bicycle riders to wear a riding helmet to avoid suffering a brain injury.

Media Release, 1 Sep 2012  
Ian Badham, CareFlight



## Tremor hits Peninsula

Peninsula residents may have felt a tremor on Monday, September 10.

The 3.2 magnitude earthquake

hit about 60km offshore from Woy Woy at 4:23pm.

The earthquake could have been felt by residents up to 28km

away.

No damage was recorded.

Website, 11 Sep 2012  
Geoscience Australia

## Rotary helps remove graffiti

Woy Woy Rotary Club and Umina Rotary Club will take part in Graffiti Removal Day on Sunday, September 23, to remove graffiti from nominated sites on the

Peninsula.

Community groups and individuals are encouraged to get involved by nominating a graffitied site, assisting with removal or promoting the project to others.

To register for the event or to nominate a site in the area, phone 4342 2476.

Media Release, 6 Aug 2012  
Ray Southeren, Rotary International



Emergency services prepare to fly the injured boy to hospital from Woy Woy

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## Residents complain after laneway accident

**Residents of Ettalong whose properties back onto the unnamed laneway from Bourke Rd and Karingi St have contacted Gosford Council to close the laneway following an accident at the T intersection which caused \$2000 in damages.**

"Under siege by reckless and underage drivers, who use this resident access way, as a race track, we are fully in favour of closing off this lane way," the residents have written.

"We wish to stress, however, that the problem exists at the T-intersection, where vehicles take the corner at high speed.

"Some of these offenders are tenants at the rear of properties

on Bourke Rd and Karingi St, so a closure half way down the lane will not solve the problem.

"Recently a vehicle missed the corner and went through a fence, causing significant damage at the expense of the resident.

"This smash occurred just metres from where there are bedrooms in cabins facing the lane way.

"In fact some of these beds are literally just centimetres from the edge of the lane.

"With kids and pensioners regularly using this part of the lane as a walkway, it is only a matter of time before someone is seriously injured or even killed.

"These vehicles and trail bikes reach speeds of up to 80km per hour, spewing rocks up at anyone

who might be in the way.

"As such, we request the roadblock be placed at the T intersection, at the Barrenjoey Rd end, allowing Barrenjoey and corner block residents, access to the lane from Karingi St and all other residents from the main lane access on Springwood St.

"We strongly believe this is the best and safest solution to a dangerous problem we face daily.

"The situation has become intolerable and is affecting considerably our right to the safe and peaceful enjoyment of our homes and environment," said the petition.

**Email, 5 Sep 2012  
Walter von Sturmer, Ettalong**



*Some of the damage caused by the accident*

## Council decides not to close laneway

**Gosford Council's Local Traffic Committee has resolved not to close the unnamed laneway that runs east from Springwood St between Bourke Rd and Karingi St, Ettalong.**

Council, at its meeting held on March 6, adopted a Traffic

Committee recommendation of February 6 that recommended the proposed closure of the laneway be placed on public exhibition seeking public comment and that a letter box drop be carried out to all affected residents.

Following the public exhibition and letterbox drop to affected residents Council received

82 submissions including 71 signatures contained on two petitions.

Thirty four of the submissions supported the proposal while 48 objected to the proposed closure.

Submissions supporting the proposed closure stated that the laneway was a share way, not just vehicle access and people using

the access way were in danger on a daily basis and that the closure would be a good move as it would make the laneway area safer.

Submissions objecting to the proposal stated that it would be an inconvenience and menace to access properties by local residents and visitors, and access by emergency vehicles would be

restricted as they may be unable to gain access to a front entrance to one of the properties.

The Roads and Maritime Service crash database has shown that there were no reported crashes in the laneway in the five year period (2006-2010).

**Gosford Council Agenda  
TR.12.40, 4 Sep 2012**

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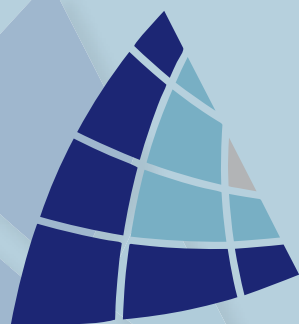
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## Laneway closure request

A proposal for a midblock closure of the unnamed laneway at the rear of Brisbane Ave, Umina, which travels between Bathurst St and Perth St, will be advertised for comment and a letter box drop will be carried out to all affected residents.

A local resident requested the closure of the unnamed laneway to through traffic due to concern that

motorists were driving through the laneway at inappropriate speeds and had, on occasion, crashed into the rear fence of properties in Brisbane Ave.

The resident also stated that a couple of neighbours supported this request.

Council's crash database has shown no reported crashes within the laneway between 1996 and 2010 inclusive.

**Gosford Council Agenda**  
TR.12.41, 4 Sep 2012



## Closed to through traffic

A proposal to close an unnamed laneway which travels between Waterloo Ave and Alma Ave, Woy Woy, to through traffic will be publicly exhibited and a letter box drop will be carried out to affected residents.

The proposal follows a request by Council's Maintenance Section that consideration be given to the closure as use of the laneway by through traffic caused frequent customer complaints and generated regular maintenance

attention.

The section of the laneway was earth and grass and did not stand up to vehicular traffic, the section commented.

The section had no plans to seal or upgrade this portion of the laneway.

Vehicular access would remain available to the laneway between Waterloo Ave and Alma Ave with two accesses from Alma Ave and one adjacent to house number 43 Waterloo Ave.

**Gosford Council Agenda**  
TR.12.42, 4 Sep 2012

## Lane to be sold to Peninsula Village

**Gosford Council has agreed to sell part of a Umina laneway to Peninsula Village.**

The council will lodge an application with the Department of Lands to close a section of the laneway between Pozieres Ave, Bapaume Ave and Lone Pine Ave, Umina.

A report by council staff stated that the closure would enable all land owned by Peninsula Village to be amalgamated into one

lot and subsequently allow for development.

Peninsula Village owns properties surrounding the laneway.

The decision, made by Council at its meeting of Tuesday, September 4, was subject to a number of conditions.

The conditions included making easements for a public utility plant in the area, that Peninsula Village consult directly with the Department

of Lands and that application fees and professional costs be borne by Peninsula Village.

Once the section of road is closed, the land will be sold to the Peninsula Village.

Comment was sought from the interested business units of Council and no objections were received.

**Gosford Council Agenda**  
COR.92, 4 Sep 2012

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## Killcare home wins design awards

A company that designs and builds environmentally sustainable buildings has won two awards in the Master Builders Association Excellence in Building awards for its design of a home in Killcare.

Enviroarch Australia was the winner of the Energy Efficiency and Environmental Sustainability Award for the Clark residence in Killcare.

The judges said the Clark residence was fully featured for energy efficiency, with a range of inclusions that put it at the high end of sustainability.

The judges also commented that while the home took full advantage of the northern aspect, it also included adjustable external louvres that prevented excessive heat entry on warmer days.

The Killcare residence was also the winning project of the Efficient Use of Water award.

Judges said the house was 100 per cent self-sustainable for water usage.

They said the inclusion of an 18,000 litre rainwater tank that formed the main architectural feature of the street facade of the home effectively announced the level of commitment to water reuse.

Email, 11 Sep 2012  
Kerri Richards, Master Builders Association of NSW

## Local groups benefit from pokie profit rebates

**Woy Woy Aged Care, Umina Beach Men's Shed, Woy Woy Cricket Club and Woy Woy Rotary Club are among the beneficiaries of the distribution by one local registered club of more than \$59,000 through the Club Grants Scheme.**

Everglades Country Club gave the money to community, sporting and welfare groups both on the Peninsula and across the Central Coast.

The Club Grants Scheme provides registered clubs in NSW with tax rebates of up to 1.85 per cent of their gaming machine profits over \$1 million when they spend an equivalent amount on community development and support.

The Club Grants scheme is broken down into two categories.

Category One is for projects and services that contribute to the welfare and broader social fabric of the local community, and are aimed at improving the living standards of low income and disadvantaged people.

At least 0.75 per cent of eligible profits must go Category One for clubs to qualify for the gaming machine tax rebate.

Category Two is for other community development and

support services.

Category One recipients for this year included Glenvale Public School, Woy Woy Aged Care, Working Age Group Stroke, Central Coast Handbrake Turn and Centacare Broken Bay (Mary Mac's Place), Umina Beach Men's Shed, Coast Shelter, Beacon Foundation, Evolve Community Wellness, International Community Advocate Ltd and Central Coast Hospice Palliative Care.

Category Two recipients included Diabetes Group, Everglades Probus Club, Umina Beach Probus Club, Umina Beach Rotary Club, Umina Junior Rugby League Club, Umina United Soccer Club, Woy Woy Cricket Club, Woy Woy Football Club, Woy Woy Peninsula Lions Club, Woy Woy Probus Club, Woy Woy Rotary Club, Brisbane Water Secondary College and Southern Ettalong United Soccer.

The presentation of Category Two Club Grants took place in May and the presentation of the Category One Club Grants occurred in July.

Email, 11 Sep 2012  
Christine Wenta, Everglades Country Club

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## Bad roads not good enough

**There isn't a day that doesn't go by that somebody complains to me about the state of local roads.**

I haven't been a councillor since March 2004 and yet residents on the Peninsula are frustrated they don't have a real local representing them in our area.

The Woy Woy Peninsula is a population of 36,000 residents and contributes to a very high percentage of revenue to Gosford Council and we despair at the state of our local roads.

I can recall the last main roads on the Peninsula to be kerbed and guttered were South St, Brisbane Ave, Gallipoli St and Osborne

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Avenue and since 2004 we haven't seen that kind of infrastructure being done.

It is truly unacceptable that

80 per cent of our roads on the Peninsula are not kerbed and guttered let alone proper drainage or footpaths.

People ask me how can we get this council to focus on our local roads and stop talking about it or grown men calling themselves road warriors when they do precious little.

It only takes a drive around the area and you'll find very soon that nearly every road running off Ocean Beach Rd is little more than a goat track.

It simply is not good enough.

Email, 1 Sep 2012  
Debra Wales, Umina

## No explanation of ballot paper

### Forum

on their website, unbelievable really.

We needed to elect 10 councillors here from 41 candidates.

What exactly is the position "above the line" and "under the line"?

Why was a sample ballot paper not on the website?

The resulting ignorance amongst the public must badly affect the outcome of the entire local government election.

Not just here, but everywhere in NSW.

Email, 7 Sep 2012  
Klaas Woldring, Pearl Beach

**Prior to the election I checked the NSW Electoral Commission website to see if I could figure out what the exact task of the voter was in the election.**

I found that it was not on the website.

I phoned the NSW Electoral Commission and was referred to Gosford Council.

At first I was told by Council that I had to phone the NSW Electoral Commission but when I explained that I had been referred to Gosford Council, I was redirected to a person, Leanne, who didn't know either but had done a pre-poll herself and told me what I could do.

It is appalling that this was not

## Keep village cafe style community

**I am appalled and offended by Andrew Polan's comments (Peninsula News, September 3).**

I have lived in Umina for 34 years and the variety, quality and price of food Umina has to offer is exceptional.

If Umina is to keep its village-cafe style community, how does McDonalds, a huge eyesore with its unhealthy food, fit into your desirable community?

McDonalds is not going to be in a shop in West St amongst the other businesses.

Five houses on Ocean Beach

### Forum

Rd are proposed to be demolished.

The first thing visitors to our area will see is those hideous golden arches.

This will change our village style community and not for the better.

We live in a seaside town where your good old fish and chips are extremely popular.

I'm confident that Bondi has fish and chip shops and even sells battered savs and chicken rolls.

We have some great cafes in Umina and they are far better,

healthier and offer far more variety than anything McDonalds has to offer.

There is simply no comparison.

If McDonalds is the only food you desire, it's only a five minute drive to Woy Woy.

I say McDonalds will change the community feel Umina has and will affect locally owned and operated businesses.

Rubbish is a major problem, as it always is with McDonalds.

I say no to McDonalds.

Online submission, 6 Sep 2012  
Leisa Smith, Umina

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## Moral principles are needed

### Forum

**I have to agree with Keith Whitfield (Peninsula News, September 3) that the 1950s were indeed the good days in Australia.**

Which begs the question, where have we gone wrong and what does the future hold?

Now our streets are awash with booze and drugs, firearms and violence.

Our culture, if that is what we can still call it, is devoted to and revolves around pornography, extreme violence and mindless vulgarity and we can only expect things to get worse.

One constantly hears public appeals for more police, harsher

sentences and tougher goals but I believe we should be looking at the system and the culture that produces people who want to commit crime and engage in extreme anti-social behaviour.

Police and goals are the last resort.

Let us think about what we are teaching our young and why.

It is a hackneyed phrase but we must get back to teaching and encouraging some good old-fashioned moral principles.

Online Submission, 4 Sep 2012  
Vic Jefferies, St Huberts Island

## Diversity of cuisine

**In reply to Andrew Polan (Peninsula News, September 3) I would say there is an abundant diversity of cuisine on the Peninsula.**

There is no need for the second

### Forum

McDonalds.

They only had the approval of the Heart Foundation because they paid \$3000 a year to have it

so I really don't think that counts as a healthier choice.

Take a 20 minute trip around the Peninsula to see what is on offer.

Online submission, 6 Sep 2012  
Mark Waters, Umina

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Since then, Lucy has forged a successful career in the telecommunications industry, engaging with local communities and businesses on the issues which affect them and being responsive to their needs.

At the same time she has continued to pursue her passion for helping young people through her work with youth groups and community organisations.

But her biggest joy is raising her two young children, Oscar and Mollie-Joy, with her husband Chris. Lucy wants to give her children the same great Central Coast childhood that her parents gave her.

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## Peninsula student returns as solicitor

A general practice law firm in Woy Woy has employed Ms Davina Borrow-Jones as a senior associate solicitor.

Tonkin Drysdale Partners managing partner Mr Darrell Pannowitz said Ms Borrow-Jones came to the company with "a wealth of experience as a commercial lawyer".

Ms Borrow-Jones has worked in banking and finance with Gadens Lawyers in Sydney as well as in the commercial division with Kells Lawyers at Wollongong.

Following obtaining her law degree in 2005, she travelled overseas and worked with the London firm of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw and Pittman and worked in information technology and intellectual property.

"We are very excited to have Davina aboard," said Mr Pannowitz.

"She brings to us experience in areas that we are thrilled to develop such as superannuation trust fund deed development and borrowing.

"Davina has been active in property and commercial leasing and will continue in these areas with us," he said.

Ms Borrow-Jones was raised on the Peninsula and attended



Gosford High School.

She has recently returned home from travel in Europe, USA and Nepal.

During her time overseas she worked as a volunteer lawyer for International Bridges of Justice in

Geneva.

"We look forward to the contribution she will make at Tonkins," said Mr Pannowitz.

Media Release, 10 Sep 2012  
Paul Quinn, Tonkin Drysdale Partners

## Petition launch at afternoon tea

**Friends of Mingaletta will host an afternoon tea on Wednesday, September 26, at 4pm at the Mingaletta Centre, Umina.**

A petition will be launched at the afternoon tea that will call on the Federal Government to take the necessary steps to put a referendum to the Australia people at the next election to change the Constitution.

The Government has already received a report from an expert panel, which was set up to consult with the community across the country.

The panel has recommended that the Constitution be changed to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the first peoples of the country, along with their languages, cultures and heritage, and that racial discriminatory provisions that exist now be repealed, and racial discrimination be prohibited.

"It is shameful that these provisions are still part of our Constitution in the 21st century, and we must act to remove them," said Friends of Mingaletta

media officer Ms Barbara Kelly.

"To ensure that the referendum is successful, we need to raise awareness about these important issues and gain broad community support otherwise this referendum will join the long list of failed previous attempts to change the Constitution.

"We have asked local businesses, schools, unions, community organisations and politicians to come to our afternoon tea and demonstrate their support for constitutional change and we also have extended an invitation to all members of the media to attend.

"We will be asking people attending the afternoon tea to sign the petition, and also take them back to their workplaces, meetings places and homes and asking others to sign up to this momentous change.

"We intend to personally deliver the petition to Prime Minister Gillard," said Ms Kelly.

With inquiries, or to register attendance, phone 4342 7515.

Media Release, 12 Sep 2012  
Barbara Kelly,  
Friends of Mingaletta

## Emergency project receives grant

Peninsula Community Centre has received an Insurance Community Grant of \$8332 for an emergency readiness and response project.

The project aims to educate staff on the correct use of fire extinguishers and how to identify if smoke alarms are working.

NRMA Insurance community and sustainability manager Ms Megan Lupton said: "Peninsula Community Centre's Ageing and

Disability Service is one of this year's recipients and we look forward to seeing their project in place."

Member for Gosford Mr Chris Holstein said: "Peninsula Community Centre, Ageing and Disability's initiative is a valuable emergency readiness and response project which I am sure will make a difference to Woy Woy locals."

Media Release, 13 Sep 2012  
Mariana Cidade, NRMA Insurance

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### **Out and about**

It was a lovely surprise to have Deputy Prime Minister Wayne Swan pop in and talk to the Umina Public School students at Parliament House about what made him get into politics and his role as Treasurer.

Another beautiful day on the Central Coast to welcome back our gold medallist, Tom Slingsby, and to celebrate his great win at the London Olympics.

Centrelink staff were on hand at the Financial Information Services seminars held in Woy Woy Library. The session proved a great opportunity for retirees on the Peninsula to get free independent advice on how to maximise their pension or superannuation.



***Deborah O'Neill***

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## Health



The Ambleside development

# Peninsula Village expands to Morisset Park

The Peninsula Village Group has purchased a development in Morisset Park as part of an expansion of the group's Lifestyle Choice Division.

"The Ambleside development has 13 units and is situated in a prime waterfront location," said

Peninsula Village Group CEO Mr Shane Neaves.

The expansion provides apartment living to residents in Umina and Lake Macquarie.

"Ambleside is a serene and peaceful boutique property that boasts water views across Lake Macquarie with a boat shed, studio and private jetty," said Mr Neaves.

"Major shopping centre facilities are five minutes away, with a bus stop within 250 metres.

"At Peninsula Village, we really care about the residents.

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"This means that you are able to move through the group's higher levels of care, if you require, during your lifetime," said Mr Neaves.

Peninsula Village is fully accredited and the 2011 and 2012 Winner of the Positive Living and Aged Care Awards.

Media Release, 1 Sep 2012  
Linda Grant, Peninsula Village

## Volunteer receives Fair Go award

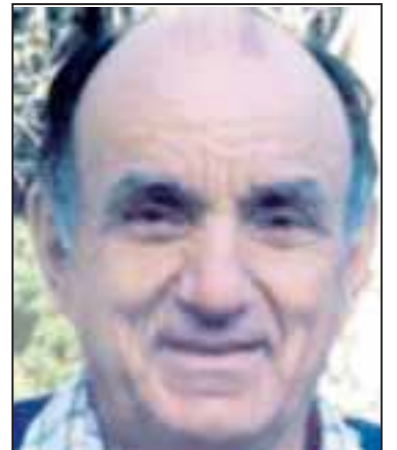
A Mary Mac's Place volunteer has been awarded a Pride of Australia Medal in the Fair Go category.

The Fair Go category is for an Australian permanent resident or citizen, born overseas, who has enriched Australia through their community involvement, hard work and willingness to embrace their new home.

Mr Steve Petras was born in Egypt and came to Australia at the age of 14.

He volunteers two days a week at Mary Mac's Place in Woy Woy and helps provide meals and welfare support for the homeless and disadvantaged.

His community support continues with another two days



of volunteer work with Meals on Wheels, which he has performed for the past seven years.

Website, 13 Sep 2012  
Pride of Australia

## Wills Day at Woy Woy

A free Wills Day will be held on Tuesday, September 25, at Woy Woy Library.

Staff from the NSW Trustee and Guardian's office will be on hand to assist people to make or update their will.

"During the Wills Day, our experienced staff will be available

to prepare a legally valid will which reflects your current circumstances," said Gosford NSW Trustee and Guardian branch manager Mr Trevor Booth.

"Having your will written by an independent and impartial expert can help avoid confusion and conflict among loved ones regarding your wishes and can also help future-proof your family and friends from potentially stressful and costly legal disputes.

"Enjoying a reputation as the State's largest will-maker, NSW Trustee and Guardian has written over 900,000 Wills and currently manages around 2000 estates a year, as well as providing assistance with a range of other legal and financial affairs," said Mr Booth.

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## Grief program offered at Woy Woy

**Woy Woy Public School will again offer its Seasons for Growth program in term four.**

The program aims to teach children strategies to help them cope with change, loss and grief in their lives.

The program will initially be offered to Stage 3 students who may have experienced grief due to a significant loss and will be offered to stage 1 and 2 students next year.

School chaplain Mr Sam Collins said the grief response may be triggered by a number of reasons including the death of a family member or friend, family

separation or divorce or other significant changes to a child's life.

"The program allows children to normalise change and helps them to validate the feelings and emotions associated with change," said Mr Collins.

"For the effectiveness of the program, it is a requirement that the children attend the course six months after the event of grief taking place," he said.

The children will meet peers in a small, confidential group accompanied by Mr Collins, a trained facilitator.

Newsletter, 11 Sep 2012  
Kevin Lane, Woy Woy Public School

**The Peninsula Village Group has, for the second year, been successful in winning the Positive Living in Aged Care Award for its initiative, the Scrapbook, which is now a weekly activity at the Village.**

The Scrapbook brings together school children from Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina Campus and Peninsula Village residents.

"The project provides aged care residents with a vehicle to get them into their new family," said Village leisure and lifestyle manager Ms Paula Newman.

Ms Newman said the scrapbooking materials helped the residents learn about the history of their new group home at Umina.

The Village originated about 30 years ago "built on cupcake stalls, scones and sponge cakes" and is now home to 300 residents as well as being the largest employer on the Peninsula.

"People begin feeling like home when they get to put their own stamp on it," Ms Newman said.

"They have a better understanding of the home, how it operates and how it began and its development.

"Being able to make something



that can be hung on a wall, or displayed on a coffee table enhances the feeling of being at home.

"It is something that residents

can show to other residents as their contribution to the home," she said.

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Linda Grant, Peninsula Village

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Salvos enjoy campus cafe

A group of Salvation Army visitors attended the Kooindah Cafe last month and were served by some of the Aboriginal students at Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina Campus.

One of the women in the group was celebrating her birthday so the group was served birthday cake and espresso coffee made by the students.

Salvation Army group leader Mr Garry Beitch said that the group had enjoyed themselves and appreciated the refreshment break that the students provided.

Email, 4 Sep 2012

Yvette Beemster, Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina Campus

Bus zone for Pretty Beach school

A bus zone and No Stopping zone will be installed in the vicinity of Pretty Beach Public School.

The council decision came after the school contacted Busways following the completion of the construction of the access to the school from Heath Rd.

A 30 metre bus zone will be provided on the south western side of Heath Rd, Pretty Beach, south easterly from a point 14 metres north west of the north western side of the concrete access to Pretty Beach Public School.

No stopping signs installed near school

A 33 metre No Stopping restriction will be installed on the northern side of Hobart Ave, Umina, east of Melbourne St, after a safety concern was raised by NSW Roads and Maritime Services.

Roads and Maritime Services contacted Gosford Council about the school crossing in Hobart Ave and said vehicles were being parked close to and on the corners of the intersection which impeded vision to oncoming traffic.

Gosford Council's Local Traffic Committee considered the matter at its meeting on June 4 and resolved that a 25 metre No Stopping restriction be provided on the eastern side of Melbourne Ave, south from Hobart Ave to the southern side of the pedestrian ramp.

It was also recommended that a 10 metre No Stopping restriction be provided in Melbourne Ave, north from Hobart Ave and on the northern side of Hobart Ave, west of Melbourne Ave.

Subsequent discussion with representatives of the Roads and Maritime Services confirmed that an additional 33 metres of No Stopping restriction on the northern side of Hobart Avenue, east from Melbourne Avenue for the departure side of the pedestrian school crossing was required to ensure that any pedestrian could be seen by two-way traffic.

Gosford Council's Local Traffic Committee agreed with the recommendation and it was adopted at its meeting of Monday, August 6.

Gosford Council Agenda TR.12.37, 4 Sep 2012

Teachers assessed in school review

Umina Public School executive staff conducted interviews with all teachers earlier this month as part of the teacher assessment and review process.

Staff were asked to identify their professional and learning needs and had the opportunity to make suggestions as to how the school could be made better.

They were required to provide evidence of their ability to meet the

professional standards of the NSW Institute of Teachers.

Principal Ms Lyn Davis conducted the same interviews with the executive staff.

"This process is ongoing and is undertaken every year.

"As a principal, the school education director comes to visit me and we go through the same process four times a year," said Ms Davis.

Newsletter, 4 Sep 2012

Lyn Davis, Umina Public School

Boot camp at high school

Pretty Beach Public School Year 6 students attended a boot camp at Kincumber High School on Friday, September 7.

The day was part of their

transition program to high school.

Students participated in various activities to help build resilience against bullying.

Newsletter, 6 Sep 2012

Deborah Callender, Pretty Beach Public School

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# Principal continues with professional courses

**Ettalong Public School principal Mr Colin Wallis attended a half day workshop at Merewether on Friday, September 7, which centred around budgeting and school planning.**

The workshop was focussed on the school's involvement in the Empowering Local Schools National Partnership.

Mr Wallis will also participate in a number of video conferences

around the same area in the coming weeks.

"These professional learning workshops and courses are set to continue into next term as our school prepares for this innovation in school management," said Mr Wallis.

"It will be a busy time but will afford the school huge dividends in the long run," he said.

**Newsletter, 4 Sep 2012  
Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School**



Jill Colwell, Lyn Davis and Annette Darmody with the prize winners from Umina Public School

## Lily produces best book on East Timor

**Umina Public School student Lily Perry has won the CWA Umina's International Country of Study competition for the best study book on Timor Leste (East Timor).**

Lily's entry will be judged against entries from all around NSW at Moree in May next year.

Grace Oldfield was awarded second prize for her study book, while in the poster section, Avril James was first, Tally McIntyre second, and Mikayla Saitta and

Luca Richardson were joint third place getters.

All entries were judged by Club Umina general manager Mr Evan Spiros and Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft Centre past president Ms Carol Leitch.

CWA Northumberland Group International Officer Ms Carmen Dewar presented the awards to the students along with Mr Leitch.

Following the prize giving, students gave well-prepared speeches on what they had learnt

about Timor Leste including its history, environment, and culture.

The CWA presented a donation of \$150 to the school, and thanked the principal Ms Lyn Davis, and the librarian Ms Annette Darmody for their efforts.

Both Rosemary Richardson and Helen Parkinson gave short talks on CWA and its activities at local, state, and international levels.

**Media Release, 12 Sep 2012  
Jill Colwell, Umina CWA  
Photo: Jill Colwell**

## College troupe performed at primary schools

**Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina Campus went on the road for Education Week this year and taking troupe of students to perform for local primary schools.**

Singers, guitarists, drummers, actors, dancers, jugglers and gymnasts were all on the program.

"The whole show was set up and managed by students from the College and at each venue they were able to adapt to the environment," said teacher Ms Nerrida Lewis.

Schools visited included Umina Public School, Woy Woy South

Public School, Ettalong Public School, Empire Bay Public School and Woy Woy Public School.

"The show presented some of the best performers at the College and highlighted the depth of talent amongst the ranks of the student body.

"Acts were chosen for the show from the vast number of performers our school has to offer and, with a limited number of places and time for the program, the competition was intense."

**Email, 6 Sep 2012  
Nerrida Lewis, Brisbane Water Secondary College**

## End-of-term concert prepared

**Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina Campus is currently in preparation for its end of term concert.**

The end of term concert gives students, with or without stage experience, the chance to perform in front of their peers.

Singing, drama monologues and a scene from the upcoming musical, Bats, are a few examples of what the end of term concert has to offer.

Kane Harrington will sing on stage and is the younger brother of Cody Harrington who has represented the school as an Australian Juggling Champion in previous years.

The concert will be organised and run as part of CAPA, coordinated by Jeff Phillips, Kristy Fullagar and Nerrida Lewis.

The production is run by the

TEPA students and the guidance of music teacher Ben Ross.

**Email, 11 Sep 2012**

**Nerrida Lewis, Brisbane Water Secondary College, Umina Campus**

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## Out and About



### Volunteers plan for festival

A volunteers meeting for the Woytopia Festival will be held on Saturday, September 22, at the Peninsula Environment Centre from 9:30am until 11:30am.

The Woytopia festival will be held on Sunday, October 28, at

Woy Woy South Public School from 9:30am until 3pm.

All volunteers are asked to attend and new volunteers are welcome.

Email, 1 Sep 2012  
Mark Mann, Peninsula Environment Group

The Bouddi Foundation for the Arts has announced its 2012 program of grants to young aspiring artists on the Central Coast.

The Foundation is offering grants of up to \$5000 to help young artists develop their talents.

"We are looking for artists from 15 to 25 who are engaged in music, the performing arts, literature or

the visual arts," said Foundation chairman Mr John Bell.

"I know how important it is for artists to get encouragement and support at a young age," said Mr Bell, who is an actor, director and founder of the Bell Shakespeare Company.

"The Bouddi Foundation for the Arts has been established to do this.

"We are excited at the opportunity we have to help these young people and build on the rich culture of our community," he said.

The Bouddi Foundation for the Arts was established by the Bouddi Society, a non-profit organisation located on the Bouddi Peninsula.

Media Release, 13 Sep 2012  
Phil Donnelly, Bouddi Foundation of the Arts

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## Out and About

### Operatic film at Ettalong

An operatic film which is being screened in selected national cinemas will be shown at Ettalong, from Saturday, September 22, for a limited season.

La Traviata is the story of Violetta Valery, one of those women who fathers warn their sons about, according to Ms Maryanne Sayers from Cinema Paradiso.

While hosting a lavish party for her many admirers at the opening of the opera, Violetta is confronted by Alfredo Germont, who confesses his love for her.

Can their two very different

lives be reconciled or is too much standing in the way of their love?

Media Release, 7 Sep 2012

Maryanne Sayers, Cinema Paradiso



### Recorder group perform at Opera House

Ettalong Public School's recorder group participated in the Festival of Instrumental Music: Banksia Concert on Tuesday, August 28, at the Sydney Opera House.

The students performed as part of the massed recorder ensemble.

"The concert was amazing, displaying the wide talent of public school students from across the state," said principal Mr Colin

Wallis.

"A special feature of the concert was a performance by the recorder teachers including our own Katie Walker," said Mr Wallis.

Newsletter, 4 Sep 2012

Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School



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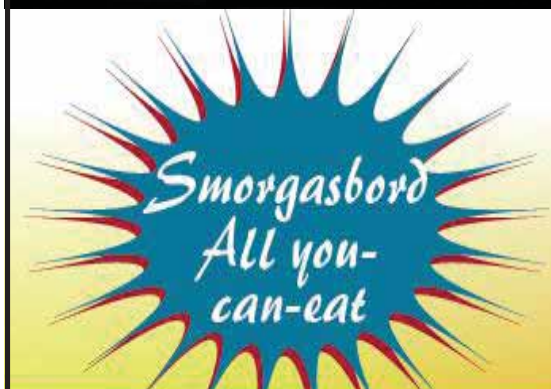
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# Conjuror performs at theatre

Professional conjuror Elio Simonetti will perform at the Peninsula Theatre on Saturday, September 22, at 11am, 2pm and 6:30pm.

The 11am and 2pm shows include free children's workshops while the 6:30pm show includes more adult content and Elio's \$1000 challenge.

An audience member is invited to tie Mr Simonetti up with 25 metres of rope so that he cannot escape.

If he fails to release himself, the member of the audience wins \$1000.

Mr Simonetti has been a professional conjuror since he was 15 and is one of Australia's most inventive and artistic magicians.

His training in classical ballet brings a graceful bravado to his strong theatrical approach.

His engaging performance sets elegant illusion to classical music, light-hearted conjuring to an upbeat tango and humorous capers with audience volunteers.

Email, 4 Sep 2012

Jan Wells, Gosford Council



# Auxiliary draws raffle

Wagstaffe Hall will be a hive of creative energy during the annual Art Fair on Saturday, September 29, and Sunday, September 30, from 9am until 4pm.

The Wagstaffe to Killcare Art Fair aims to highlight the talents of artists in the area and to raise funds for a local community project.

Works on display will be in a variety of media and will include paintings, prints, drawings, photographs, and digital art.

A number of established artists in the area will be exhibiting and all

works will be for sale.

Visitors will also be able to see the work of a group of local carvers who have been busy over the past couple of months converting disused Ausgrid power poles into totems.

When completed, the recycled poles will be strategically placed near Wagstaffe Wharf to provide a welcome for visitors.

Carving will be in progress near the wharf on Saturday from 11am to 4pm.

Email, 5 Sep 2012

Jean Scott, Wagstaffe Art Fair

# Art fair for Wagstaffe

The Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary's Fathers' Day Raffle was drawn on Thursday, August 30, at Woy Woy Leagues Club which raised almost \$4000.

The Auxiliary also received over

\$300 in donations.

"The response to the raffle was outstanding," said public relations officer Ms Pat Harding.

Email, 30th Aug 2012

Pat Harding, Woy Woy Hospital Auxiliary



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## Umina hosts spelling finals

**Umina Public School was one of the 42 public schools in NSW to host the Hunter and Central Coast Regional Finals of the 2012 Premier's Spelling Bee.**

Umina hosted one of the finals on Friday, September 14, which saw 76 students compete from 19 different schools.

Regional Finals for the 10 NSW public school regions began on Monday, September 10, and will continue up until Thursday, September 20.

The Finals involve 3241 students from 857 public schools, one of the largest turnouts in the

Bee's history.

Students who are successful at the Regional Finals will then proceed to the State Final in Sydney on Wednesday, November 7, where the State's best speller will be crowned.

The Premier's Spelling Bee encourages students from Government schools across NSW to focus on their spelling in a fun and competitive format.

It was first launched in 2004 and has attracted record numbers of participating students ever since, with 123,306 NSW public school students signing up this year.

**Media Release, 5 Sep 2012**  
**Sven Wright, DET**



*Marijke and Pim with some of their paintings*

## Fathers' Day at Ettalong

**Ettalong Public School held its Fathers' Day breakfast on Friday, August 31.**

"One of the advantages of running around with my camera is that I get the privilege of zooming in on the best of people," said school publicity officer Ms Rowena Newton.

"It's all part of trying to capture the moment.

"I caught principal Mr Colin Wallis, serving slices of buttered

toast with a smile and teachers serving breakfast.

"Not to be outdone by the adults, the kids sang a special Father's Day song."

Mr Wallis said it was great to see the families chatting with their dads over breakfast and there was great community spirit.

**Email, 12 Sep 2012**  
**Rowena Newton, Ettalong Public School**  
**Photo: Rowena Newton**

## Fourth joint exhibition for Pearl Beach artists

**Pearl Beach artist Ms Marijke Greenway will exhibit her work along with Ms Pim Sarti in her fourth Show Off exhibition at Pearl Beach Community Hall from September 29 to October 1.**

Pim and Marijke have painted en plein air side by side every week for the past 10 years.

This year the contrast between the artists' subject matter could not be greater.

Marijke travelled over the outback for three months last year and completed 40 paintings on-site.

These works were then internalised back in the safe haven of her studio to emphasise the

magnitude that she remembered.

Moving from the outback to the homestead, Pim contemplated the intimate obsessions of her private sanctuary with a series of small still lifes, precisely arranged and then painted with a richness of colour.

Her large en plein air paintings of the boats, beaches and blooms of the Central Coast show the confidence of a mature artist, said Ms Greenway.

**Email, 5 Sep 2012**  
**Marijke Greenway, Pearl Beach**

## First-time visitors

**Future Ettalong Beach Public School kindergarten students visited the school for the first time on Tuesday, September 4.**

The children participated in storytelling and went on a school tour session.

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**Newsletter, 6 Sep 2012**  
**Deborah Callender, Pretty Beach Public School**

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## Bid for justice or partisan attack?

I enjoy reading the Peninsula News but I do not look forward to having to flick past the regular diatribe that Edward James pays for.

Mr James likes to portray himself as an independent voice and paint himself as someone trying to get justice for us all but how true is this?

It seems more and more apparent that the purpose of his advertisement is to make partisan attacks on the Labor Party while continually ignoring the other side of politics.

Why is Mr James still complaining about members of the previous ALP government?

Why is there never any criticism of the current Liberal state government even though they give no indication they are any more willing to undertake an inquiry into

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Gosford Council?

We are supposed to believe, according to Mr James's regular wraparound advertisements, that his issues with the ALP apparently revolve around their unwillingness to investigate Gosford Council or the actions of ALP members on the Council and yet we never seem to

read about the current local state member being the former mayor of Gosford.

It came as no surprise to me to see Mr James chatting with Liberal Party members handing out election material on Friday (September 7) morning.

Likewise it came as no surprise to read your sister publication where Mr James has two photos of ALP posters he claims are illegally put up but none of the countless Vote Liberal posters

I'm sure he, like the rest of us, have seen on the Peninsula (at Woy Woy station, near Everglades etc).

Mr James should start being honest with his "readers" and admit that he has a clear bias towards the Liberal Party and an irrational hatred of the ALP.

Email, 9 Sep 2012  
Peter Lawson, Umina

## Poster placement breaches code of conduct

**Breaches of Gosford Council's Code of Conduct were made by some Labor Party, Liberal Party and Independent councillors who campaigned for their re-election in the run up to September 8.**

The proliferation of political advertising photographed on our public property and power poles for many weeks created a perception that those sitting councillors and the deputy mayor had enjoyed the benefit of Council's habitual sloth-like enforcement of compliance in regard to political activity on our local road reserves and power poles.

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The use of our public property usually attracts a fiscal return to ratepayers for its use or a fine of \$425 for repeat offenders.

Clearly so-called friends of council get a free ride.

Every time there is an election, Federal State or Local politicians and their supporters may with impunity convert our public property for their own use.

Some of this political material is still in plain sight of those responsible.

Email, 13 Sep 2012  
Edward James, Umina

## Jobs – we've heard it all before

It is with some scepticism that one reads of all the jobs McDonalds will bring to area (Peninsula News, August 20)

How many full time jobs will there be and how many shifts for casual workers will there be per

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week?

We've heard this before when the big supermarkets were built and refurbished but count how many self serve counters that have

been introduced to replace full time positions.

If you want to be served by an employee, there are fewer of these folk than automated self serve counters.

Letter, 28 Aug 2012  
Rie Lester, Ettalong

## How will schools make up money?

Now that the NSW Liberal Government has announced cuts of \$1.7 billion to public schools over four years, cynically just four days after

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council elections, could our State Member Chris Holstein please provide us with details of how much each school will be losing in funding?

Also perhaps some suggestions as to how schools could make this money up, perhaps the kids could wear uniforms with sponsorships

from McDonalds or KFC?

Perhaps they could sell any surplus sporting equipment or maybe they could sell off part of their ovals for housing development?

This is a disgusting way to balance a budget and Barry O'Farrell and all Liberal Government members should hang their heads in shame.

Email, 11 Sep 2012  
Ross Cochrane, Woy Woy NSW

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## Bringing storytelling to life

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There is so much to do, from casting to set building, lighting, stage management, direction of actors, to the selling of tickets.

I can recall seeing early productions at the Umina Progress Hall.

This was in the late 60s and early 70s.

One that stands out in my

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memory was the Australian play, Summer of the Seventeenth Doll.

It was excellent and the two male leads were marvellous.

Woy Woy Little Theatre's recent productions of The Mousetrap and Arsenic and Old Lace were examples of their consistent high standard.

Theatre is great art and entertainment and it has been pointed out that story telling is the oldest art and that theatre is the art that brings storytelling to life.

Letter, 16 Aug 2012  
Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

## Ratepayers' money has been lost

**While Macfadyen and 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

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ago.

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

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Online submission, 20 Aug 2012  
Edward James, Umina

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# Vincent Serventy - conservationist

**Vincent Serventy was listed as a significant man in the Significant Men of the Central Coast book brought out in 2009 to acknowledge men who had made a difference on the Central Coast.**

He graduated from the Western Australian University in 1941 with degrees in education and science.

He fought hard for years to see Western Australia become an environmental leader for Australia.

With Carol, his wife and partner of many years, he wrote over 70 books on conservation, wildlife preservation and wider environmental issues.

Notable of these are A Continent in Danger, Nature Walkabout, Dryandra Saving Australia, The Handbook of Australian Sea Birds with D.L. Serventy and John Warham, Zoo Walkabout, Australian National Parks, The Desert Sea, Koalas, Crusoe Boys, Flight of the Shearwater, and Vincent Serventy - An Australian Life.

Australia's Wildlife Heritage, with Carol Serventy and Robert Raymond, was published as a part work of 104 magazines.

A number of Vincent's books were published in other languages and his influence spread around the world.

In 1965, Vincent and Carol, travelled around Australia from Perth to Sydney via Darwin, Alice Springs and north Queensland to film, the Nature Walkabout series of 26 episodes for Channel 9.

This became one of the earliest and most popular environmental series on television at that time.

In 1973 Vincent was elected as president of the Wild Life Preservation Society of Australia, and over the next 30 odd years he steered the Society into a national, influential wildlife conservation society, involved in the major conservation battles of the time.

He was awarded the honour of Ridder in the Order of the Golden Ark by Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands in 1980 for his work in international conservation, the Australian Natural History Award

in 1974, and made a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in 1975 for his work for conservation and education.

He received an honorary Doctorate of Science from Macquarie University in 1998 in recognition of his service to the advancement of natural history and science.

Carol and Vincent bought a house in Pearl Beach in 1977 and spent weekends there with their family.

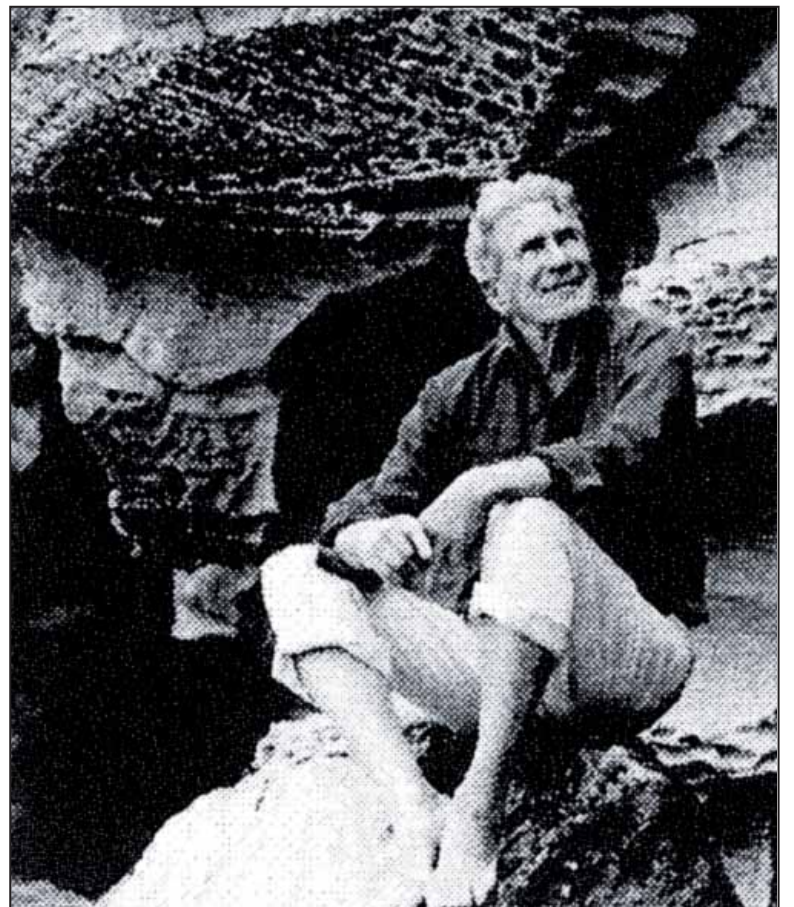
In 1992, they came to live full time in Pearl Beach.

With Carol, he was Patron of the Pearl Beach Native Arboretum Committee and a keen member of the Progress Association.

He continued his conservation work including writing a brochure on the local flora in this wonderful natural space, at Pearl Beach.

Vincent was also a Patron of the Multi Arts Confederation for many years before his death in 2007.

**Significant Men of the Central Coast, 2009  
Margaret Hardy**



# Bob Puffett - educator

**Bob Puffett was listed as a significant man in the Significant Men of the Central Coast book brought out in 2009 to acknowledge men who had made a difference on the Central Coast.**

Mr Puffett was born in the War Memorial Hospital, Waverley, NSW, in September 1940.

His mum, Lillian and dad, Bob, christened him Robert James (Robert is a family name).

He went to school at Gladesville Public School and then to Drummoyne Boys High School.

The Puffetts lived in an old stone cottage at Gladesville where his dad worked as a maintenance plumber.

Growing up Bob played soccer and field hockey and was in the Boys Scouts, going to two Jamborees.

After doing the Intermediate Certificate he left school in 1955

and got a job as a junior clerk, however, after six months he decided that he wanted to be an apprentice plumber.

He attended 'tech' at Gore Hill and did a five year apprenticeship.

He undertook further studies in Plumbing and Building Services.

His parents purchased land at Wagstaffe and built their weekend where Bob, his brother and sister had great times with family and friends.

Bob met his wife Wendy and they married in 1964 and have two children and four grandchildren.

Their daughter, son in law and grandchildren live on the Central Coast while their son and daughter in law live in Far Northern Queensland.

Bob decided he wanted to be a TAFE teacher and got a job in 1965 as a Plumbing teacher and taught at Granville, Petersham and did country service at Orange.

During his time at TAFE, Bob

studied for his Diploma in Teaching and did a Bachelor of Education degree at the then Sydney College of Advanced Education.

He had a wonderful career in TAFE progressing from teacher to assistant director general.

He was a role model for many trades, proving that they could advance their careers with further study.

Bob's philosophy in life has been based on fairness, respect and honesty.

He has always had a passion for young people, skills excellence and opportunity.

His text book series has been used throughout Australia for some

25 years.

Bob and his colleague Len Hossack have promoted young plumbers by granting a \$2000 scholarship to the young plumber who represents Australia at the Worldskills Olympics convened every two years at one of the 50 member countries of Worldskills International.

Bob was national chairman of Worldskills Australia and official delegate to Worldskills International taking teams of Australia's skill champions to Montreal, Canada, Seoul South Korea, St Gallen, Switzerland, Helsinki, Finland and Shizuoka, Japan.

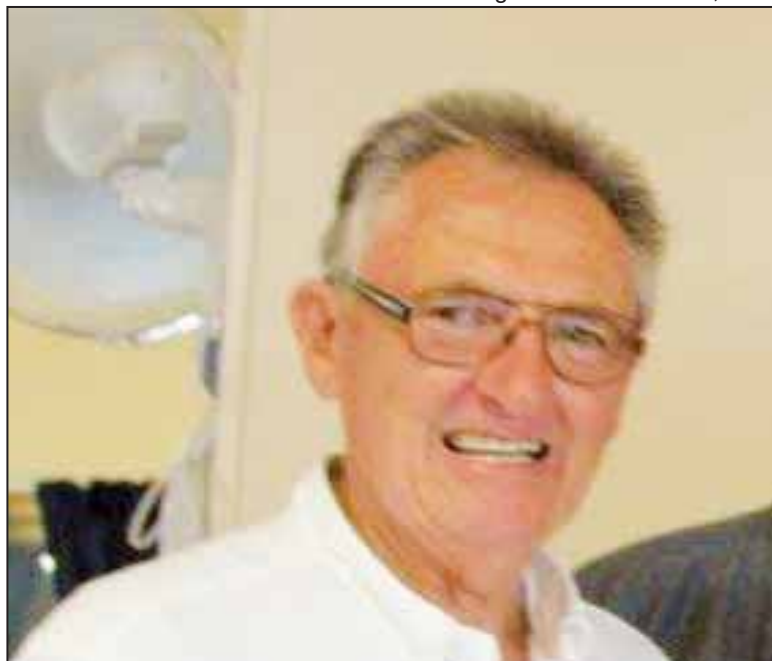
Since moving to the Central

Coast, Bob has been active in his local community as the president of The Bays Community Group Inc.

He promotes community inclusiveness and representation.

He exercises most days by rowing his skiff on Woy Woy Bay, and enjoys helping out with his children and grandchildren.

**Significant Men of the Central Coast, 2009  
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School-based community centre for families with children from birth to 8 years old. Group programs and community activities - Umina Public School  
Sydney Ave  
4343 1929

**Bridge** <sup>(286c)</sup>  
Tues 12.15pm A friendly game without pressure.  
Duplicate Bridge Mon Thur Fri Sat at 12.15pm and Wed 9.15am and 6.45pm  
Brisbane Water Bridge Club  
Peninsula Community Centre  
93 McMasters Rd.Woy Woy  
www.brisbane-water.bridge-club.org

**Cash Housie** <sup>(56/294)</sup>  
50 Games every Sat night  
St Mary's Hall, Ocean View Rd Ettalong Beach, Free Tea and Coffee. 7.30 - 10.30pm.  
Proceeds to Woy Woy Catholic Parish.  
wwcphousie@hotmail.com

**Central Coast Amateur Radio Club (CCARC)** <sup>(97/317)</sup>  
Do you wish to join the world wide hobby of Amateur Radio?  
Dandaloo St, Kariong open Saturday from 11am to 4pm  
ccarc@ccarc.org.au  
4340 2500

**Central Coast Handweavers, Spinners and Textile Arts Guild Inc** <sup>(286c)</sup>  
Spinning and weaving, patchwork and quilting, felting and other fibre and fabric crafts  
Workshops and community quilting bees  
Day and night groups  
4325 4743  
www.centralcoasthsguild.org.au

**Central Coast Family History Society Inc.** <sup>(301)</sup>  
All the resources, information and advice needed to study your family's history are available.  
Meet 1st Sat 1pm  
Lions Community Hall, behind 8 Russell Drysdale St, E. Gosford. www.centralcoastfhs.org.au  
Visits welcome 4324 5164

**Hardys Bay Residents Group** <sup>(60/296)</sup>  
Working for a positive & Healthy Environment in our Community  
allanbw@bigpond.com

**The Krait Club** <sup>(58/295)</sup>  
Community Centre - Cooina Village, Neptune St, Umina  
10.30am For senior members of Woy Woy/Umina Community  
Gentle exercises, quizzes, games, social activities, guest speakers, entertainment and bus trips - 4341 0698

**Northern Settlement Services** <sup>(282)</sup>  
Provides socialisation for migrants. Volunteers assist with home visits, shopping and social days. Clients from all over the world enjoy time together. Every Thur Peninsula Community Centre  
93 McMasters Rd  
Woy Woy - 4334 3877

**Peninsula Village Carer's Support Group** <sup>(287-311)</sup>  
Invitation to carers of loved ones with dementia  
Meet 1st Wed - 10 to 11.30am  
Paula Newman 4344 9199

**Peninsula Village Playgroup** <sup>(287-311)</sup>  
Carers, Grandparents, parents & children - Come & join our 'Intergenerational Playgroup'  
Every Tues 10 to 11.30am  
Paula Newman - 4344 9199

**Probus Club of Umina Beach** <sup>(81/298)</sup>  
Friendship, Followship and Fun - Advancing intellectual, cultural and social interests for active retirees 55yrs+  
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- 2nd Wed every mth, 10am, Everglades Country Club  
uminabeach@probusclubs.com.au  
P.O. Box 443 Woy Woy

**Central Coast Prostate Cancer Support Group (Gosford)**  
Meet last Friday Month  
Terrigal Uniting Church  
9.30am to 12 noon  
Affiliated with PCFA  
4367 9600

**Rotary Club of Kariong/ Somersby** <sup>(309)</sup>  
International service club exists to improve lives of communities in Australia and overseas.  
Join us for fun-filled activities, fellowship and friendship.  
Meet breakfast at Phillip House  
21 Old Mount Penang Rd (opp Shell), Fridays 7.15am  
4340 4529  
kersuebay@philliphouse.com.au

**Rotary Club of Umina** <sup>(6/294)</sup>  
International service organisation of business leaders seeking to improve the lives of young people and those in need in our community and abroad. Weds.  
Everglades Country Club  
curleys@ozemail.com.au  
0409 245 861

**Rotary Club of Woy Woy**  
Rotary is a great organisation in which to be involved in community, international and social activities, It is a fantastic way to discover and fulfill your true potential.  
To become a part of this, we meet every Tues 6pm, at the Everglades Country Club.  
Contact Don Tee  
4369 7496  
0428 438 535

**Seniors Computer Club Central Coast Inc.** <sup>(83/301)</sup>  
Beginners' classes Mon or Tues. Also classes Mon - Fri as published on Club Website. 10am -12md or 1- 3pm Kincumber & District Neighbourhood Centre. PC and Mac - Also at Avoca Beach Bowling Club 1st Mon with a Guest Speaker - 4369 2530

**Umina Beach Men's Shed Inc.** <sup>(287-311)</sup>  
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** <sup>(65/302)</sup>  
For all levels and ages  
Every Wed, 9.30-12.30md, relax, enjoy a cuppa while you play  
Scrabble  
Mingaletta, 6 Sydney Ave, Umina  
4344 2808

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

**Wagstaffe to Killcare Community** <sup>(285)</sup>  
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** <sup>(282c)</sup>  
Horse Riding as a therapy for those with intellectual or physical disabilities  
Volunteers always required  
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**Environment**  
**Peninsula Environment Group** <sup>(287)</sup>  
Talks, films, social events, workshops, renewable energy and recycling projects, organic food buying group  
www.peg.org.au  
**Health Group**  
**Arthritis NSW** <sup>(9/292)</sup>  
Meet 3rd Tues Peninsula Community Centre, Cnr McMasters Rd and Ocean Beach Rd,  
Woy Woy - 4341 5881

**Meals on Wheels** <sup>(81/298)</sup>  
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4382 9401

**Mary Mac's Place** <sup>(287)</sup>  
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**Overeaters Anonymous (OA)** <sup>(64/278)</sup>  
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www.oa.org - 0412 756 446

**Pink Butterfly Breast Cancer Support Group -**  
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Shop 71 Schnapper Road  
Ettalong Markets  
0428 712 251

**Peninsula Women's Health Centre** <sup>(285c)</sup>  
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** <sup>(308)</sup>  
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** <sup>(67/278)</sup>  
Peninsula Community Centre  
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**Marine Rescue**  
**Central Coast Unit** <sup>(287)</sup>  
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**Music**  
**Central Coast Concert Band** <sup>(288)</sup>  
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**Soundwaves** <sup>(87/308)</sup>  
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Central Coast Leagues Club  
Ray 0405 030 945  
randtbale@bigpond.com  
**Political Group**  
**Australian Labor Party**  
Umina Ettalong Branch <sup>(293)</sup>  
Political Discussions National, State and local government issues 2nd Mon Umina Beach Bowling Club 7.30pm  
4341 7323

**Central Coast Greens**  
Central Coast branch of

Geens NSW, active regarding ecological sustainability, social and economic justice, peace and non-violence, grassroots democracy and getting Greens elected  
3rd Thur, centrally on the Coast  
centralcoast.nsw.greens.org.au  
centralcoastgreens@gmail.com

Sport

**Woy Woy Judo Club** <sup>(287)</sup>  
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Veterans

**National Malaya Borneo Veterans Association Australia Inc** <sup>(66/302)</sup>  
1st Sat (except Jan) 2pm  
Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club, 51-52 The Esplanade.  
4342 1107

**Vietnam Veterans', Peacekeepers' and Peacemakers'** <sup>(309)</sup>  
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** <sup>(79/297)</sup>  
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** <sup>(309)</sup>  
Friendship Mornings  
1st and 2nd Wed 10am  
Meetings 4th Wed 10.30am  
4324 2621

**Country Women's Association Umina**  
Craft and Friendship:  
• Monday: 6pm  
• Wednesday: 9am  
• Sunday: 1st Sun of month 12.30pm  
• Branch meeting: 1st Wednesday of the month 10am  
CWA Hall, Cnr West and Sydney St, Umina.  
4341.5404 or 4369.5353

**The Endeavour View Club, Woy Woy** <sup>(287)</sup>  
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** <sup>(61/296)</sup>  
For women over 18 years. Raise money for welfare of veterans and their families  
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**Inner Wheel club of Gosford North** <sup>(92/309)</sup>  
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Phillip House Kariong  
4324 7176  
gosfordnorthiw@live.com.au





## Out and About

# CWA members visit ABC studios

**Umina CWA publicity officer Ms Jill Colwell was one of 20 CWA women who visited ABC Studios on Tuesday, August 14, to be entertained by ABC Radio Show presenter Ian "Macca" McNamara.**

Mr McNamara chatted about the show and how it was a reflection of Australian community life.

He spoke about the problems of trying to be in three places at once during his road trips, and concluded by serenading the group with some songs, including

one that he had just written.

Prior to meeting Mr McNamara, the group had a tour behind the scenes of the ABC radio and TV studios and the departments of make-up, hair and special effects.

The three day publicity seminar was held at CWA's Potts Point Head Office and attendees learnt how to promote CWA's organisation and branches.

The Land newspaper general manager Mr John Dwyer gave a summary of his work as a journalist, starting as a cadet in Forbes and rising to his current position.

He then went on to give the group hints on writing media releases and gaining publicity.

Other matters covered during the seminar included taking photographs, using social media (particularly Facebook and Ravelry), a comparison of various web technologies and a Skype presentation by Sefton and Associates from Bathurst.

**Media Release, 11 Sep 2012**

**Jill Colwell, Umina CWA**



*Hugh and Alison Inglis with marriage celebrant Maureen Crawley*

## Married on the waterfront

**Two Umina residents were married on the Woy Woy waterfront on Saturday, September 8.**

Alison Brady and Hugh Inglis met in May 2009.

Their ceremony was intimate with a gathering of 70 guests.

The couple is now honeymooning in Tasmania.

**Email, 12 Sep 2012**

**Maureen Crawley, Woy Woy Bay**

# Sea Scouts celebrate 90 years

**The First Woy Woy Sea Scouts will celebrate its 90th anniversary on Saturday,**

**September 22, from 10am until 4pm at the Woy Woy**

**Sea Scout Hall.**

The event aims to bring together Scouts young and old from all over the region to celebrate shared Scouting experiences.

The celebration will include cub and Scouting activities for all the family, 90 years' worth of scouting memorabilia on display in the hall, speeches from scouting representatives and local dignitaries and a birthday cake.

**Email, 5 Sep 2012**

**Julie Crowhurst, First Woy Woy Sea Scouts**

## Peninsula directory of services, contacts and support groups

## Ambulance, Police, Fire 000

### Emergency

**Ambulance, Police, Fire 000**  
**Police Assistance Line 131 444**  
**Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000**  
**Woy Woy Police Station 4379 7399**  
**Energy Australia 13 13 88**  
**Gas Emergency 131 909**  
**Gosford City Council 4325 8222**  
**Marine Rescue NSW - Central Coast 4325 7929**  
**SES - Storm and Flood Emergency 132 500**

### Aboriginal & Torres Strait

#### Islander Organisations

**Mingaletha 4342 7515**  
**Aboriginal Home Care 4352 1153**  
**Drug & Alcohol rehab 4388 6360**

### Accommodation

**Dept. of Housing Gosford 4323 5211**  
**Cassie4Youth 4322 3197**  
**Coast Shelter 4324 7239**  
**Pacific Link Com Housing 4324 7617**  
**Rumbalara Youth Refuge 4325 7555**  
**Samaritans Youth Services 4351 1922**  
**Youth Angle - Woy Woy 4341 8830**  
**Woy Woy Youth Cottage 4341 9027**

### Animal Rescue

**Wildlife Arc 4325 0666**  
**Wires 8977 3333**

### Community Centres

**Peninsula Community Centre 4341 9333**  
**Men's Shed Cluster Inc 0413 244 484**

### Counselling

**Centacare: 4324 6403**  
**Relationship Australia: 1300 364 277**  
**Interrelate: 1800 449 118**

### Family and Relationships

**Centacare Gosford 4324 6403**  
**Gosford Family Support Service 4340 1099**

**Horizons (For men with children) 4333 5111**

**Uniting Care Burnside Gosford 1800 067 967**

### Health

**Poisons Information 131 126**  
**Ambulance Text Mobile 106**  
**Ambulance GSM 112**  
**Gosford Hospital 4320 2111**  
**Woy Woy Hospital 4344 8444**  
**Sexual Health @ Gosford Hospital 4320 2114**  
**After Hours GP Help Line 1800 022 222**

### Legal & Financial Help

**Financial Counselling Service 4334 2304**  
**Tenants' Advice and Advocacy Service 4353 5515**  
**Woy Woy Court 4344 0111**

### Libraries

**Gosford district:**  
**Umina Beach 4304 7333**  
**Woy Woy 4304 7555**

### Problems, Habits & Addiction

**Alcoholics Anonymous 4323 3890**  
**Narcotics Anonymous 4325 0524**

### Transport

**Taxi 131 008**  
**Busways 4368 2277**  
**City Rail 131 500**

### Welfare Services

**Gosford Family Support 4340 1585**  
**Meals on Wheels Woy Woy 4341 6699**  
**Department of Community Services Gosford 4336 2400**  
**The Salvation Army 4325 5733**  
**Samaritans Emergency Relief 4393 2450**  
**St Vincent De Paul Society HELPLINE 4323 6081**

## The Peninsula Diary

**For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257**

### Thursday September 20

Movie night fund raiser  
 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 Fest, Peninsula Village Aged Care

### Saturday September 22

First Woy Woy Sea Scouts open day, 10am, Woy Woy Sea Scouts hall  
 Salvation Army Fete, Peninsula Community Centre, 9am-2pm  
 Marvels of Magic, Peninsula Theatre, 6:30pm  
 Afro Moses, Gospel Garden, Umina, 8pm  
 La Traviata, Cinema Paradiso  
 Ellio Simonetti, Peninsula Theatre, 11am, 2pm and 6:30pm  
 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 reading, 7:30pm- Peninsula Theatre

### Tuesday September 25

Gosford Council meeting, Gosford Council Chambers, 6:45pm  
 Wills Day, Woy Woy Library, free

### Wednesday September 26

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

### Thursday September 27

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

### Friday September 28

My Life Pizza Workshop, Umina SLSC

### Saturday September 29

Showoffs 2012 Art Exhibition, Pearl Beach Memorial Hall, 10am-5pm  
 Liss'N Sweetie band gig, Empire Bay Tavern, 7:30pm-11pm  
 Art Fair, Wagstaffe Hall, 9am-4pm

### Sunday September 30

Bays Community Group Breakfast in the Bays, Woy

Woy Bay Community Hall, 8:30-10:30am

Showoffs 2012 Art Exhibition, Pearl Beach Memorial Hall, 10am-5pm  
 Art Fair, Wagstaffe Hall, 9am-4pm

### Monday October 1

Showoffs 2012 Art Exhibition, Pearl Beach Memorial Hall, 10am-5pm

### Tuesday October 2

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

### Wednesday October 3

Umina CWA branch meeting, 10am, Umina CWA Hall

### Friday October 5

Alison Lester reading, Umina Library, 10am

### Saturday October 6

Pearl Beach Food and Wine Fair, Pearl Beach Memorial Hall, 10am-5pm

### Tuesday October 9

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

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



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# Roosters selected for under-16s comp

**Three of the Woy Woy Roosters Under-16 players have gained selection in teams to compete in the Under-16 Origin Harmony Cup to be held next month.**

Aaron Redhead, Josh Sharma, Jordan Wynberg, Jacob Turner and Braidon Little travelled to Sefton in Sydney's West for training earlier this month to trial for the NSW Rugby League Young Achievers team.

The NSW Rugby League Young Achievers coach Dom Paton praised all the boys on their performance, skills, attitude and commitment.

Two of the players Aaron and Josh showed enough during the trials to gain selection.

Two other players Paul Russell and Raymond Anthony-Saunders joined by Braidon Little trialled for a position in the South West Young Achievers team on Sunday, September 9.

The three boys all put in solid performances with Raymond being the standout and successful in gaining selection.

Aaron, Josh and Raymond said they were all thrilled to be selected and were looking forward to the experience of coming up against some of the Sydney based players.

They will train with their respective teams up until game day.

Although the boys were team mates all season, it will be a different case come

game day when the NSW Rugby League team with Aaron and Josh come up against Raymond playing for the South West team.

The competition will be made up of heritage based teams including Australian indigenous, African, Maltese, Lebanese, Samoan and Maori

The purpose of the single day tournament is to broaden junior league participation base for non-junior representative players, provide opportunities for players to participate at a representative level, develop an appreciation for cultural diversity within rugby league and the wider community and assist the international development of rugby league through an additional junior development program.

"It will be a great experience for Aaron, Josh and Ray," said Roosters president Mr Tim McParlane.

"They deserve selection for the initiative and commitment shown to go down to Sydney to train and trial, it reflects the commitment and attitude they've shown all year with the Roosters."

Media Release,  
12 Sep 2012

Tim McParlane, Woy Woy Roosters

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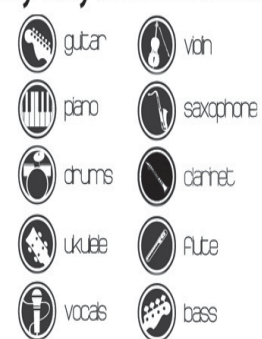
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# State selection



John Roberts

Ettalong Bowling Club bowler John Roberts has been selected into the NSW State Senior side for the Australian Senior Sides Championships.

The Championships will be played at Queanbeyan in October. Roberts has been chosen as a skip along with Rex Johnson and Bruce Anderson.

Email, 3 Sep 2012  
John Roberts, Ettalong Bowling Club

# Ettalong bowlers make State finals



Winners of the Zone 15 Major Fours Zac Robertson (lead), Lee Trethowan (third), Aron Sherriff (skip) and Harley McDonald (second)

Ettalong Bowling Club players will compete in the State finals after they made a clean sweep of all the Central Coast Zone Major Championships for the second successive year.

Zac Robertson, Harley McDonald, Lee Trethowan and Aron Sherriff were the winners of the Fours early in the year.

Sherriff then teamed up with Tony Laguzza and won back to back Pairs titles.

The singles saw an epic final where young gun Harley McDonald was able to edge out Sherriff to claim the crown before McDonald and Sherriff teamed up with John Roberts to take out the Triples title they won last year.

The State finals will be played at Soldiers Point from October 20.

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## Tesch wins first sailing gold

Liesl Tesch of Woy Woy and her sailing partner Daniel Fitzgibbon won Australia its first paralympic sailing gold medal after they blitzed the Skud 18 field at the Paralympic Sailing Regatta on Portland Harbour.

In bright sunshine and winds up to 15 knots, the Australian duo revelled in the stronger breeze during the opening race of the day, leading at every mark to record their fourth victory of the 11-race series.

"After the first race, I'm thinking we've won, we've done it, we've got gold," said Tesch.

"But at the same time it's like we've still got another race to go and we could get protested on."

In the second race, the Italian crew shot off the starting line and led all the way to the finish line while the Aussies trailed behind to cross second and consolidate gold with an overall lead of six points.

"We just positioned ourselves really well all day and kept the boat sailing like we have all week," said Fitzgibbon.

"We've been working for this moment for four years, I'm thrilled," he said.

The win is extra special for Tesch, who had an emotional week after her mum passed away on the first day of competition.

"Not many people get up on the morning of their gold medal race and start organising a memorial service for their mother but what a beautiful way to celebrate my mum's life but to win gold on a beautiful sunny day at the Paralympic Games," she said.

Tesch made her Paralympic debut in wheelchair basketball at the 1992 Barcelona Games before going on to win silver at Sydney and Athens and bronze in Beijing.

"I've been waiting for it my whole life," said Tesch.

"The medals will all come together in a big chunky mess but the gold one will be shiny while the rest are a bit grubby."

In June last year, Fitzgibbon said he nearly quit the sport after poor results at the World Championships at Portland Harbour.

"We took a big gamble getting Liesl over from basketball and she had to learn a hell of a lot for these Paralympics but she's picked it all up really quickly," said Fitzgibbon.

"What I saw in Liesl was a natural sports person."

"She was strong, motivated and keen."

"She brings things to the boat that I lack, so we really do balance each other out there," said Fitzgibbon.

**Media Release, 5 Sep 2012**  
**Jacqueline Chartres, Australian Paralympic Committee**

## Medal named after Umina player

**A former Umina soccer player has had a Player of the Match award named after him.**

The Andrew French Medal will be presented annually in the CountryNet Mens Premier League First Grade Grand Final.

The award will recognise the outstanding contribution by one of the Central Coast's most talented, durable and highly-respected footballers.

Born in Sydney in 1972, Andrew moved with his family to Killcare when he was two years old.

He first played football at the age of eight with the Umina club before graduating to representative level, initially with the Central Coast Under-11 and Under-12 teams in 1983 and 1984.

The family then moved to Goulburn where Andrew's father was involved in the relocation of the NSW Police Academy.

Andrew continued to play representative football while in Goulburn and was selected in the 1985 NSW U13 Country team.

In 1986, he travelled from Goulburn to Campbelltown to play in the Sydney Youth League.

The following year, the French family returned to the Central Coast where, in his busiest season to date, Andrew played club football with Umina, represented with the Coasties and then won selection in the NSW Under-14 team which took out that year's National Championships.

In 1988, he travelled to Sydney to play in the Sydney Croatia Under-15 team and was again selected in the NSW State team which retained its national title.

The highlight of Andrew's representative career came in 1989 when he was selected in the Australian Joeys (Under-17) team where he played alongside future Socceroos including Mark Schwarzer, Tony Popovic, Stan Lazaridis and Zelco Kalac in the 1989 Junior World Cup in Scotland.

Between 1988 and 1990 he played professionally in First Grade with Sydney Croatia in the National Soccer League competition, helping the club win the State Championships in 1988 and 1989.

By 1991, Andrew had set up his own business on the Central Coast and made the tough decision to step back from professional football to concentrate on his business.

His final season of representative football was with the Central Coast Coasties in 1991.

The following season, still aged 20, he returned to Umina where he was to play in that club's first grade team for the next 20 years, more than any other player in the history of the local First Division-Premier League competition.

During his period with Umina, he was a major factor in the club winning six league championships and four premierships from seven grand final appearances.



Andrew French with the medal that was named after him

Despite playing the majority of his career as a midfielder or defender, Andrew was sent off just once in his entire career, and has never been suspended.

He is also a three-time winner (1993, 1999 and 2000) of the prestigious Central Coast First Grade Player of the Year award, the only player to have done so.

Andrew stepped down from First Grade following Umina's success in last year's Grand Final to spend more time with his family, wife Peta, sons Oliver (nine) and Noah (seven) and one-year old daughter Lara.

He has "resisted the temptation to hang up his boots", and has just finished his 21st straight season in Premier League with the Umina Reserve Grade team.

He also has plans to resume a

junior coaching role with Umina.

The inaugural Andrew French Medal was presented by Andrew at this season's CountryNet First Grade Grand Final played at Plum Park on Saturday, September 15.

**Email, 31 Aug 2012**  
**Alistair Kennedy, Central Coast Football**

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# Roosters juniors claim premierships

**The Woy Woy Roosters Junior Rugby League Club had two teams claim premierships this year with wins to the 11-3s on Saturday, September 8, and the 13-1s on Sunday, September 9.**

On Saturday morning, the 11-3s' boys were full of confidence in their ability to upset undefeated opponents Kincumber as they ran out onto Morry Breen Oval, Wyong.

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The game seesawed back and forth with neither side giving an inch and, at the full time siren, the teams were on equal points.

"The Roosters coaching staff were on edge as the boys took to the field for the first of the golden point five minute halves," said Roosters president Mr Tim McParlane.

The allotted five minutes wasn't required when winger Cody Wilesmith crossed for the winning try after only a few minutes play.

"Coach John Saley was unable to contain his jubilation as he jumped to his feet to run out and congratulate the boys, only to crack his head in the process on the overhead cover for the interchange bench," said Mr McParlane.

"Every player contributed to the win, doing their job as per the game plan.

"The stand outs for Woy Woy were fullback Brendan Cashin, who pulled off a number of beautiful try saving cover defence tackles and

ran the ball back with confidence, five-eighth Issac Zadavic who ran the ball all day and troubled the Kincumber defence with every touch, Cody Wilesmith on the wing tackled everything that came his way and crossed over for two tries.

"Finally the Man of the Match was five-eighth Issac Zadavic in his first year with the Roosters who tackled like a Trojan and ran the ball all day troubling the Kincumber defence with every touch.

"Issac has been one of the most consistent players all year, a well-deserved award for a blinder of a game," said McParlane

The boys all met again later in the afternoon at the Leagues Club to get sized up for their premiers jackets, with John making it back in time after having received eight stitches courtesy of the Emergency Department at Wyong Hospital.

The boys did the traditional march through the club with congratulations and well wishes from the patrons on hand.

Mick Bovis's 13-1s had experienced semi-final football previously in the 10s, 11s and 12s, but this was their first grand final.

Their opposition, the Toukley Hawks, (like the 11-3s opponents) were undefeated.

"After their Final win against Wyong, I was very confident that the boys still had their best game left in the tank," said Mr McParlane.

"It was a beautiful day at Blue Tongue Stadium, although a little dusty through some of the Woy Woy supporters' eyes, with a large crowd of Roosters' fans gathering to cheer on the boys.

Captain Max Bovis busted through Toukley's line and crossed over for what looked to be a certain try, only to have the ball jarred out of his hands by a defender before grounding the ball.

Toukley made the most of the opportunity and went in for the first try.

Much like the 11-3s game the previous day, it was real arm wrestle with neither team wanting to concede.

"Woy Woy's commitment and enthusiasm in defence, on top of the minimal amount of mistakes they made and the high completion rate of their sets enabled them to keep Toukley out and hang on for the win," said Mr Mcparlane.

"The boys were ecstatic as were the coaching staff and all the supporters.

"This Premiership win is a turning point for these boys and so much deserved.

"If they can keep the same team together they will be a constant threat in any competition for the rest of their junior league careers.

"It was a great team effort from all the boys in what was a tight tussle with Toukley all game.

"The best for Woy Woy were lock Luke Moore who was solid in defence and made a thousand runs taking two or three defenders with him each time, Jake Hubbard at full back with some great trying saving tackles as well as bringing the ball back from kicks all day at speed, Mitch Wilson at hooker whose dummy half and kicking and chase game was top rate from start to finish, which has been the case all

season and Max Bovis who was the best player on the field and much deservedly received the Man of the Match award.

"Max defended solidly at five-eighth knocking anyone over running his way and absolutely cut the Hawks defence to shreds with every touch he had, they had no answer for him and were troubled all game trying to contain him.

"A great end for a great year for Max," said Mr McParlane.

The 13-1s regrouped back at Woy Woy Leagues Club and were sized up for their premiers jackets.

Scott Jones had a few words to say, followed by coach Mick who made special mention of and gave thanks to the two 12-1s players Toby Marks and John Saley who backed up for the 13's.

"Although they didn't take the field were never the less an important part of the winning group," said Mcparlane.

"On behalf of all the Woy Woy Roosters I would like to congratulate all the players from the 11-3s squad, coach John Faulkner, manager Therese Gane, trainers Scott Jones and Hayden Fuller and all the players from the 13-1s, coach Mick Bovis, managers Belinda Thompson and Melissa Moore, trainers Aaron McLean and Mark 'Snappa' Wilson; on their success and a great win."

As well as the two teams playing in the grand finals, the Roosters had three other boys who officiated as touch judges in grand finals over the weekend: Ethan Whitfield, Mitch Wolfe and Sean Downey.

Email, 12 Sep 2012

Tim McParlane, Woy Woy Roosters

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The 11-3s team



The 13-1s team



# Killcare has new surf boat

## Killcare Surf Life Saving Club has bought a "state of the art" surf boat.

Publicity officer Mr Allan Wilson said the boat was tested in a workout on Sydney Harbour where conditions were widely varied.

"The boat's sleek lines, yet robust appearance, suggest greater propulsion though the water and will surely provide an ideal advantage when called into public service during times of surf rescues," said Mr Wilson.

Captain of boats Mr Tony Newton said: "The acquisition of the Slipstream, with its recent design concept, represents the type of boat which best suits our conditions."

"Our extensive search for that type of boat even took us as far north as Queensland where we found the answer.

"And there it was, just what we were looking for.

"We eventually negotiated with the Noosa Heads Surf Club through funding raised by our well attended 2012 Art by the Sea at Killcare Beach exhibition, in addition to the support provided by other benefactors.

"The new boat represents a solid investment by the surf club in the sport and it is hoped that new members will consequently be attracted to take part in these activities," said Mr Newton.

The new addition was officially showcased and christened in late August during the Back to Hardy's Bay Weekend.

The traditional champagne naming was performed by club member Luisa Scutts who organised the club's Art by the Sea exhibition.

**Media Release, 10 Sep 2012**  
**Allan Wilson, Killcare Surf Club**  
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Killcare Surf Life Saving Club president Leah Fotofili and captain of boats Tony Newton with the club's recently acquired Slipstream surf boat

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