

Capacity crowd for Anzac Day

Woy Woy Memorial Park was nearing capacity at the 10:30am Anzac Day service on Thursday, May 25.

Brisbane Water Secondary College school captains Jason Mumford and Aleisha Ford were the guest speakers at the ceremony.

Jason said it was an honour to have been asked to deliver a speech at the service.

"I have been attending Anzac services for as long as I can remember and have always seen this day as one of great inspiration, remembrance and unity.

"Each nation recognizes a past event, which would stay with them forever.

"This is our event.

"The large turnout here today is evidence itself of how close this date is to the hearts of all Australians.

"It is so encouraging seeing so many peoples, both young and old, attending this service and similar ones nationwide.

"April 25 is no longer a date on the calendar, but rather a fundamental Australian tradition.

"A celebration of the lives in which were sacrificed to allow the many freedoms we all take for granted today.

"These Anzacs, often younger than myself, saw this as an adventure.

"Always displaying the characteristics now cemented forever in this great nation.

"These young men



Jason Mumford and Aleisha Ford

demonstrated immense courage, commitment, endurance and of course mateship.

"Four qualities in which Australians as a whole have adopted and should continue to strive for.

"By the end of the war, one quarter of a million casualties could be counted, from a country with a small population of only five million at the time.

"To put that painfully, one

in every 17 people of our total population was dead or injured as a result of the war; brothers, fathers, sons, mothers, daughters and mates.

"We must also think of their families and the pain they suffered after losing a loved one to the war, something many of us could not comprehend today.

"Their potential to further impact the world fading with them too, however, their legacy lives on.

"This is why we remember.

"By remembering we uphold everything the Anzacs stood and fought for.

"By coming together today we show our appreciation in a national unity.

"The essence of Gallipoli was that in the face of potential and likely defeat, the Australian spirit prevailed.

"Let us not celebrate the war on this day, but instead the people

involved.

"We must look back with pride, but also look forward to further build on the foundations and freedoms these young Anzacs established for us all.

"Lest we forget," concluded Jason.

**Email, 26 Apr 2013
Jason Mumford, Brisbane
Water Secondary College**

Trust responds vigourously to mangrove removal

The Killcare Wagstaffe Trust has "responded vigourously" to the recent granting of a permit to remove mangroves from the Hardys Bay foreshore.

The Hardys Bay Residents Group reported in its recent newsletter that it had removed "designated mangroves" with Council and Fisheries approval near Killcare marina in a clean-up in February.

The Trust stated in its newsletter that it was "not fundamentally opposed to appropriate mangrove removal".

However, the committee said that permits should only be granted after serious consultation with all the stakeholders including the community, Fisheries, Waterways and Council and only for the purposes of ecological health and not for enhancement of views for residents.

The Coastal Zone Management Plan for Brisbane Water Estuary was prepared for Gosford Council by consultants and released last year.

The plan specifically recognised the importance of preserving estuarine habitats such as

mangroves, seagrasses and saltmarsh, according to the Trust's newsletter.

"These are associated with high rates of diversity and abundance of fish, birds and invertebrate fauna and identified as protected habitats by the Fisheries Management Act 1994," stated the newsletter.

"It did, however, recommend that mangrove growth should be controlled where they are affecting key drainage channels.

"This should be undertaken (where permissible) under the relevant permit or licence.

"For instance, it was proposed

to deepen and widen the outlets of Mudflat and RSL Creeks in Hardys Bay so that both creeks restore tidal flushing.

"The efficacy of this option in improving flushing should be assessed prior to undertaking the works."

One of the key recommendations in the Plan was to rehabilitate the eroding eastern foreshores of Hardys Bay with vegetation.

The eastern shore of Hardys Bay near Hardys Bay Pde is currently affected by shoreline erosion and local residents said they had observed trees falling into

the water.

This action seeks to stabilise the foreshore via the establishment of vegetation.

It was also recommended in the plan, among other things, that measures to address the eroding seawall located near Araluen Dr on the southern side of Hardys Bay be investigated and implemented.

The Trust will discuss a possible long-term plan for the estuary at its annual meeting on Sunday, May 5.

**Newsletter, 24 Apr 2013
David Legge, Killcare
Wagstaffe Trust**

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Year's wet start continues

A rainfall of 188.3mm has been recorded for the month, as of last Friday, April 26.

The rainfall brings the total for the year to 722.5mm, in a continuing wet start to the year, according to figures supplied by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

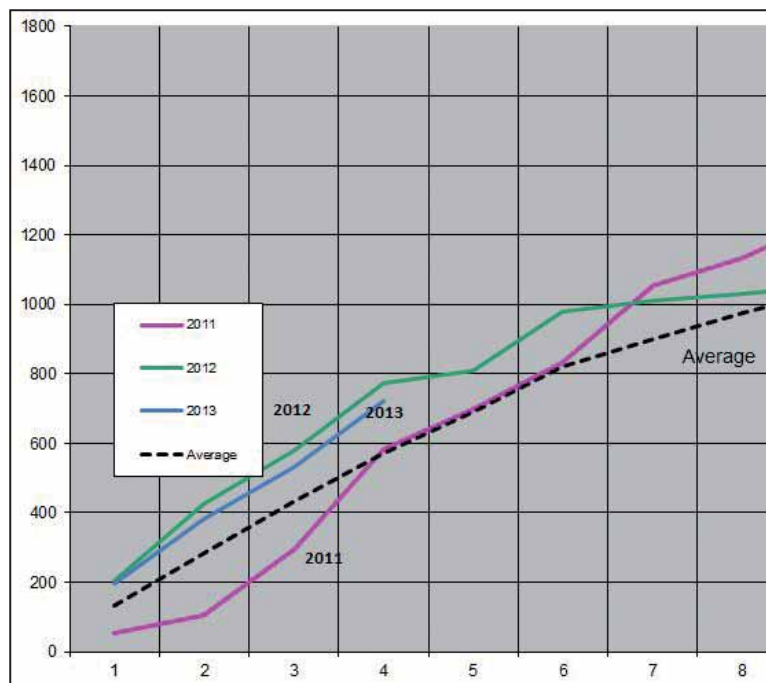
The total is well above the average of 574mm, and closer to last year's figure of 773.2mm at the end of April.

The month's rainfall is close to last year's figure of 191.8mm.

The rainfall pattern for the first four months is also similar to last year when a wet start was followed by a run of dry months in the second half of the year.

Temperatures this month have ranged from a high of 27.8 degrees on April 14 to an overnight low of 11.4 on April 23, according to local weather website www.peninsulaweather.info.

A highest minimum temperature for the month of 17.5 degrees was recorded on April 16.



A lowest maximum of 17.2 was recorded on April 20.

Highest wind gust was 24.8 km/h on April 19.

Spreadsheet, 26 Apr 13
Jim Morrison, Woy Woy
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Your Chance to Win

Peninsula News and Hidden Valley Farm are giving away a free family weekend holiday valued at \$160.

The weekend away at Hidden Valley Farm, located in Ourimbah, would accommodate a family of up to six people in cabin accommodation with a communal kitchen, barbecue area and bathrooms.

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To win the Hidden Valley Farm weekend, write your name, address and phone number on the back of an envelope and send to Peninsula News Hidden Valley competition PO Box 1056, Gosford, NSW, 2250, by the close of business Thursday, May 9.

The winners of last edition's Peninsula News Planinsek competition were Sandra Pilling of Bensville and Mrs J Polley of Ettalong.

Kaitlin Watts, 26 Apr 2013



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Anzac Day at Pearl Beach

Over 150 people attended the Pearl Beach Anzac Day Ceremony in the Memorial Hall on Thursday, April 25, as part of the nationwide day of remembrance.

The ceremony went from 9am to 12pm and morning tea was provided.

Local Lynne Lillico, who helped organise the service, said she was very pleased with the ceremony.

"It was fantastic, the weather was good and the hall was over spilling," said Ms Lillico.

"There were about 150 people who came, both people from the community and visitors and lots of young people.

"It was really lovely seeing young people there, being instructed in what it's all about."

The Anzac Day ceremony included ode and scripture readings, wreath laying and The Last Post and Reveille played by 15-year-old, Alistair Campbell.

Ms Lillico said that there was plenty of positive feedback from the day, with many people pleased that the ceremony was still continuing in Pearl Beach.

The ceremony raised around \$330 from donations, with all proceeds given to the Brisbane Water Branch of Legacy.

Annabelle Williams, 26 April, 2013
Interviewee Lynne Lillico



Estuary management group

Regular bushcare group

Council aerial spraying

Patonga comment time extended

An extension of time for community feedback has been allowed for the Draft Plan of Management for Patonga Crown Reserves and Dark Corner Cottages.

The announcement of the extension was made by Deputy Premier Mr Andrew Stoner and has been welcomed by Member for Gosford Mr Chris Holstein.

Community feedback now closes on May 26 for written submissions.

"Subsequent to representations made to the Deputy Premier on

behalf of the residents of Patonga, I have been able to secure a four-week extension for those yet to submit comments," Mr Holstein said.

"I encourage residents to have their say in this important project."

Submissions can be sent to: Senior Manager – Hunter, NSW Trade and Investment – Crown Lands, PO Box 2215 Dangar 2309. Email: MaitlandCrownLands@lands.nsw.gov.au.

Media Release, 24 Apr 2013
Chris Holstein, Member for Gosford

Progress on bush regeneration

Progress has been reported on the regeneration of the Putty Beach Reserve which is heavily infested with bitou bush and asparagus fern.

After the successful trial of aerial spraying of bitou bush at the north end of Putty Beach Reserve, Gosford Council has agreed to continue and extend the program, according to the Killcare-Wagstaffe Trust.

The Killcare Wagstaffe Trust newsletter stated that the trial

achieved a good kill rate of the bitou with very little damage to the native vegetation.

This was achieved by using a low dose of roundup and carrying out the spraying when the native vegetation was dormant and the bitou was active.

Council Bushcare then pays contractors to follow-up.

Spraying is done at the end of the National Parks program of spraying in Bouddi National Park.

"The whole process is cost effective for the Council as they

just have to cover the extra time and cost of chemicals," stated the newsletter.

Meanwhile, bush regeneration work is being carried out along the creek on the western side of Putty Beach Dr through Estuary management funds and on the southern end of the reserve by the regular volunteer group.

Newsletter, 24 Apr 2013
David Legge, Killcare Wagstaffe Trust



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Peninsula included in prospective claim

The Peninsula has been included in a prospective Native Title claim by the Awabakal and Guringai Peoples.

They have given notice that they intend to file a claim for Native Title over the area from Broken Bay to Maitland, including the Peninsula area.

The notice invited descendants of the Awabakal and Guringai Peoples' ancestors, in addition to other Aboriginal persons who believe they have Native Title rights within the area, to attend a meeting at Cameron Park Community Centre on Sunday, May 5, convened by the Awabakal and Guringai Peoples.

Persons of non-indigenous descent were not invited.

The notice stated that the meeting's agenda would include discussion of the decision-making process to be implemented: presentation of anthropological evidence to support the proposed claim, authorisation of a Native Title Determination to be filed with the Federal Court, authorisation of the applicant to act on behalf of the Awabakal and Guringai Peoples, and clarifying the extent of the applicant's authority.

Under NSW law, Darkinjung

Land Council holds the Land Rights to the areas which stretch from Catherine Hill Bay to the north, Hawkesbury River to the south, Pacific Ocean to the east and Watagan Mountains to the west, and is able to claim vacant crown land within these boundaries.

When asked for comment on the impact of the Awabakal and Guringai Peoples' intent to apply for Native Title, Darkinjung Land Council CEO Mr Sean Gordon said that Darkinjung would not be impacted and is not impacted by any Native Title claim that may be placed on the land today or in 20 years.

Community member of Darkinjung Mr Gavi Duncan said that he believed the claim would be unsuccessful.

"Native Title says that you need to provide evidence of a continuous physical, ceremonial, spiritual relationship with the land, and they haven't had that at all," said Mr Duncan.

"Guringai was something that was created by Warren Whitfield here on the Coast a number of years back.

"He and a Gosford Council employee basically claimed that this area was occupied by the Guringai Group.

"The Guringai Group was created by non-Aboriginal people, and Aboriginal people have never recognised any Aboriginal group called Guringai.

"On the Northern Beaches, they have a Ku-ring-gai National Park, which was named by Europeans.

"Guringai is just a word or a language that was spoken," he added.

Mr Duncan said that the Darkinjung People had not initiated a Native Title claim over their land as they were unable to prove the unbroken spiritual, ceremonial and physical connection to the land.

The NSW Aboriginal Land Rights Act was established in 1983 to provide Aboriginal people with compensation for the loss of land by giving the holder the right to build an economic base through land sales.

Native Title is federal legislation which was established in 1993 to recognise peoples' traditional connection to land, and it does not confer ownership of the land but allows Native Title holders to negotiate with mining companies for royalties.

Kaitlin Watts and Harley Cattini, 24 Apr 2013

Interviewees: Steve Gordon and Gavi Duncan



Chamber calls for local NBN rollout

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has called for the National Broadband Network rollout on the Peninsula to be brought forward.

"The Chamber will be pushing NBN Co to extend the service as quickly as possible so that businesses can reap the benefits."

Mr Wales was responding to the announcement that the NBN was officially available in the Gosford CBD but that "it could be several years" before it was available on the Peninsula.

"Obviously we are keen to see the roll out occur on the Peninsula.

"There still appears to be a lot of uncertainty in the market place

with possible changes to the NBN should there be a change in government at the next Federal election.

"Everyone is concerned about the cost which seems to escalate every few months."

Mr Wales said he expected the availability of the NBN in Gosford would encourage technology-

based businesses to set up in the heart of Gosford.

"We don't want to see centres like the Gosford CBD connected and then important commercial precincts like Woy Woy miss out.

"No matter what the outcome is in September, the Chamber will be lobbying to have all three retail and

commercial centres NBN-ready as soon as possible.

"If we are going to have the NBN, then let's get it and get it soon," said Mr Wales.

**Media Release, 24 Apr 2013
Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce**

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Busy weekend for Marine Rescue

Marine Rescue Central Coast was busy with a number of rescues made in the Peninsula area on the weekend beginning Friday, April 12.

The rescues began at around 10am on Friday when volunteer radio operators received a 27MHz marine radio call from the skipper of a 5.5m centre-console runabout east of Box Head.

He reported that there were two people on board and that the recently serviced boat had a mechanical problem.

Assistance to return to safety was requested.

The Friday on-call boat crew, Brendon Weston and Ken Sharp, were contacted and Central Coast 20 was launched.

Once offshore and while searching for "a white boat", the rescue crew observed a spotlight flashing at them.

It was the runabout and it was taken in tow from near West Reef.

The tow back to Blackwall Ramp was completed around 1:30pm.

On Saturday, April 13, around 10:30am, the owner of 4.5m half-cabin runabout with three people on board phoned the base from Orange Grove.

His vessel's engine had failed and assistance was needed to return to Lions Park at Woy Woy.

Brian Warburton and his crew on Central Coast 20 completed the task.

Around 11:10am, the rescue boat and crew were then directed to Pretty Beach to assist a 12.9m Riviera cruiser with three people on board that had ran aground.

The combined efforts of two Marine Rescue boats and a

Roads and Maritime vessel could not move the cruiser that was hard on the mud.

Brian Warburton and his crew on Central Coast 20 took the vessel's anchor and dropped it in deep water.

Around 11pm on the 1.7m high tide, the cruiser's crew were able to move the boat back into the channel.

The Marine Rescue crew checked with the owner on Sunday morning to confirm all was well.

About 3pm, Anthony Porter and his crew on Central Coast 20 were sent to Ettalong Beach to assist a personal water craft with engine failure.

The PWC was towed to Lions Park.

On Sunday, April 14, at 5am, the boat crew were called out by the Police Marine Area to assist a Command Quintrex half-cabin runabout with two people aboard which had run aground on the northern side of St Hubert's Island.

Roger Palmer and his crew on Central Coast 20 located the vessel around 6am.

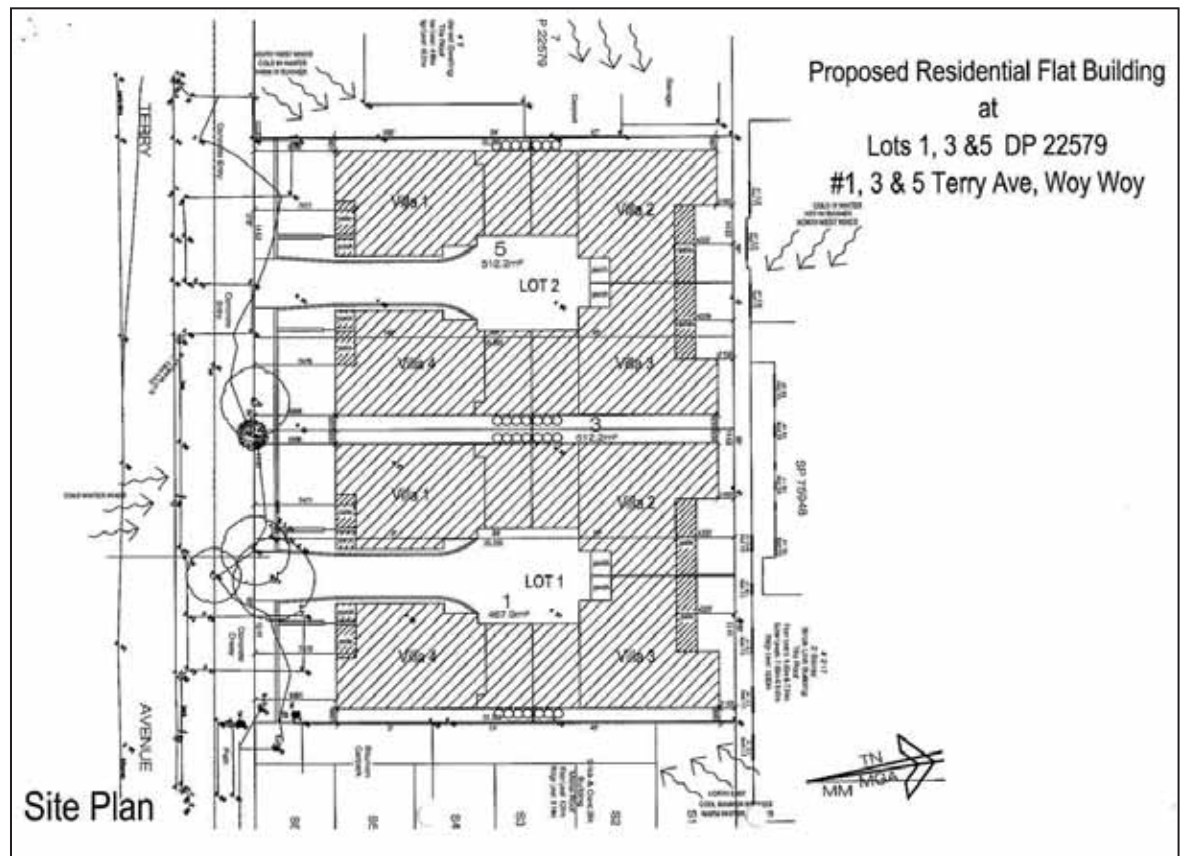
The owner reported that he thought he had water in the fuel.

The vessel was also towed to Lions Park.

Around 2pm, Brian Warburton and his crew on Central Coast 20 were sent to the southern end of Paddy's Channel to assist a six metre ski-boat with five people on board.

The vessel's fuel pump had failed and the owner requested a tow to the Lintern St ramp at Davistown.

Media Release, 14 Apr 2013
Ron Cole, Central Coast
Marine Rescue



Blocks of flats being proposed

A plan for the subdivision of three allotments and the construction of two blocks of flats in Terry Ave, Woy Woy, is currently being advertised.

The development would see

three blocks resubdivided into two and the construction of eight units in two single storey flat buildings, with a total estimated cost of \$960,000.

Two submissions have been

received from neighbouring properties raising issues of drainage and parking.

Development Application,
27 Mar 2013
Gosford Council

Consent for pontoon

Gosford Council has issued a Deferred Commencement Consent for the construction of a new walkway and pontoon between Marina View Pde and Skiff Pl, St Huberts Island.

The development consent will commence following the

completion of a number of conditions including the licensing of the walkway and pontoon.

The structure was originally proposed off the middle of the site at Marina View Pde.

However, after negotiation the applicant and owner agreed to relocate the structure to the

southern boundary to allow for future sharing of the structure with the adjoining property.

The width of the walkway would be 1.25 metres and it would extend for 15.7m.

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Radio operators called by phone

Volunteer radio operators on duty at Marine Rescue Central Coast responded to a mobile phone call on Thursday, April 11, around 2pm from a lone man in a

5.5m runabout two nautical miles east north east of Barrenjoey Lighthouse. He reported that his motor and electrics had failed, so he was unable to use his marine radio.

Due to water depth he indicated he was unable to anchor and was drifting south. The on call boat crew, Ted Leeson and Norm Smith, were immediately contacted and rescue boat Central Coast 20

was launched. After an offshore search, the man and his drifting runabout was located three nautical miles south of his first reported position. The boat crew then began the long tow back to Lions Park,

Woy Woy, which was completed at about 4:30pm. The rescue boat and crew then returned to base for boat closedown and incident debrief. Media Release, 12 Apr 2013 Ron Cole, Central Coast Marine Rescue

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The Shocking Truth About Roof Restoration

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

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Another council CDO matures

Gosford Council has reported that another of its overseas Colateralised Debt Obligation investments has matured, returning \$2,091,947 - around 70 per cent of the initial capital invested.

Council's director corporate services Mr Nic Pasternatsky told Council that over 80 per cent of council's portfolio was now invested with Australian Authorised Deposit-Taking Institutions.

"It is a well-diversified portfolio that has been prudently managed to take advantage of market opportunities that have risen in the last couple of years," said Mr Pasternatsky's report.

"With markets still factoring in another interest rate cut late in 2013, overall returns are expected to decline in the upcoming months.

"However, with term deposit margins still historically wide, it is expected that council can continue to achieve above benchmark returns with prudent investment selection for its short and long term holdings," stated the report.

Mr Pasternatsky said that Council's Investment Portfolio had a current market valuation of \$59,400,855, with a face value of \$67,357,660.

"Without marked-to-market influences, Council's investment portfolio yielded 4.35 per cent per annum during the month.

"Council's investment strategy is continuously monitored in order to ensure that the investment returns achieved are maximised with minimum risk involved," he said.

Gosford Council Agenda
COR.28, 23 Apr 2013

Fund	Source of Funds	Principal Amount	Type
GENERAL FUND	Coastal Open Space	3,165,000	R
	Combined Collections General Fund	15,822,908	Comm/ Grant
	Employee Entitlements	1,245,005	R
	Financial Strategy Projects Loan	5,294,270	L
	Financial Strategy Sinking Fund	1,922,978	R
	Gosford Foundation Trust	74,982	R
	Section 94 Contribution Plans	12,428,337	R
	Security Deposits	2,564,569	R
	Somersby Industrial Estate	3,907,458	R
	Unexpended Loans	52,826	L
	Trust Fund	117,000	R
SEWER FUND	Combined Collections Sewer Fund	3,267,051	Comm/ Grant
	Sewer Contribution Plans	3,046,547	R
WATER	Combined Collections Water Fund	3,089,615	Comm/ Grant
	Water Contribution Plans	9,833,981	R
TOTAL PORTFOLIO		67,357,660	

Reported missing after four years

Brisbane Water Police are appealing for assistance to find a missing woman who was last seen in the Woy Woy area in 2009.

Ms Sheila Gibbs, 52, was only reported missing recently and police have said they are concerned for her welfare.

Ms Gibbs is from the Peninsula area and has a number of properties in the area.

Inquiries have revealed that she may have left Australia in 2005, however, her movements and whereabouts are unknown.

Police would like to speak to family members or friends of Ms Gibbs who may have knowledge of her whereabouts and history, or even to establish where she may have travelled in 2005.

If any person has knowledge of Ms Gibbs they are encouraged to contact Gosford Detectives on 4323 5599 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

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Brisbane Water Local Area Command



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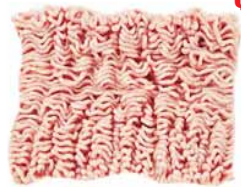
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Volunteers wanted for Red Shield Appeal

The Salvation Army's 2013 Red Shield Appeal will run over the weekend of May 25 and 26 and the Salvos are calling for volunteers on the Peninsula to assist with this year's Appeal.

"The Central Coast is one of the few regions in Australia where the expenditure on local services far outweighs the funds raised," explained Central Coast Red Shield Appeal chair Ms Louise Duff.

"This year, the Salvos have set themselves a Peninsula doorknock target of \$53,500, with an aim to mobilise 500 collectors across the Peninsula.

"The Salvation Army will spend over \$3.6 million this year on Central Coast services and in order to try and reach our 2013 goal, we are urging people to donate their time as collectors so we can knock on as many doors as possible.

"Volunteering only involves a commitment of two or three hours and we are encouraging people to form teams to collect.

"Simply doorknocking the streets around your home is an easy way to get to know your neighbours, whilst benefiting the community as a whole at the same time.

"The Salvation Army is pleased to have the continued support of the Peninsula community with a number of local businesses



and organisations in the area pledging volunteers.

"The local Schools have also jumped on board to support the Appeal, with many students donating their time to volunteer.

Peninsula Doorknock Committee chair Mr Richard Sharpe said that without volunteers, the Appeal would be nowhere near as successful as it has been year after year.

"We are so proud every year of the support from the Peninsula community and we look forward to the continued support.

"We urge residents, businesses and workplaces to get together and register to volunteer so the Salvos can continue their wide range of social and community services, assisting those who are disadvantaged in our society," said Mr Sharpe.

Media release, 24 Apr 2013
Richard Sharpe, Red Shield Appeal

Business to support women

Umina resident Ms Bianca Wakelin has opened a business in Ettalong to support and connect women on the Central Coast.

The Goals 2B Reached home offers a venue for women to relax, socialise, work or study.

Goals 2B Reached, which previously offered one-on-one coaching sessions and mentoring to help mums and women in general achieve their goals, has now opened its doors with playgroup sessions, and business workshops.

Ms Wakelin said that if women were struggling to work from home they could bring along their laptop, make use of the free Wi-Fi and work from the venue for a small fee.

A nanny can also be arranged to

mind children.

"The Goals 2B Reached home is designed to be a one stop home for women," said Ms Wakelin.

"Whatever the need, playgroup, support, workshops – we have it all here.

"The Goals 2B Reached home is all about making women feel empowered to achieve their family, personal and business goals, whatever they may be.

"Our philosophy here is to guide not to direct.

"We believe every woman has the capability to achieve their goals with the right guidance," said Ms Wakelin.

A daily calendar of activities can be found at www.goals2Breached.com.au/events.

Media Release, 17 Apr 2013
Bianca Hall, The Social Factory

Break-ins recorded

Brisbane Water Local Area Command police recorded a total of nine incidents in the Peninsula area between Thursday, April 18, and Monday, April 22.

Five break-ins were recorded with one in Bourke Rd, Umina, one in Coral Cres, Pearl Beach, one in Manly View Rd, Killcare Heights, one at Umina Public

School and one at the Community Sports Club at James Brown Oval in Woy Woy.

Three thefts from motor vehicles were also reported with one in West St, Umina, one in Paul St, Umina, and one in Grandview Cres, Killcare.

Facebook Page, 22 Apr 2013
Brisbane Water Local Area Command



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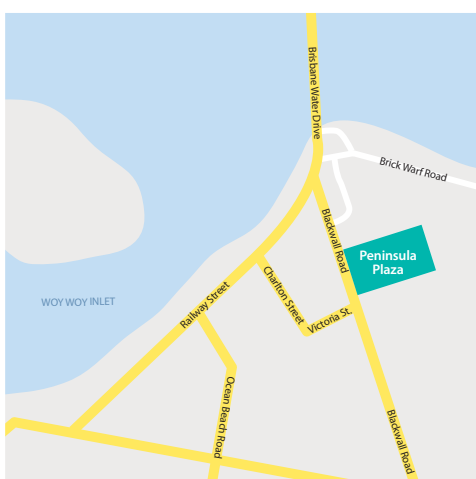
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Linguist needed for ‘socio-economic’

The English language is wonderful.

The word “poor” used in the heading of an article (Peninsula News, March 18) caused an emotive outpouring by two school principles.

Those letters have now prompted this letter.

The words “low” and “status” and “socio economic” were used in both a school newsletter and a letter to the editor in the Peninsula News to describe families and communities.

In my copy of the Oxford Dictionary and Roget’s thesaurus,

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the words “low” and “status” are there.

There was no sign of “socio-economic”.

Is it an adjective?

What is the word describing?

If it is a noun, what is being named?

I need a linguist.

Best wishes to all involved with the project that is trying to establish friendly contact between different schools.

This would be as wonderful as the English language.

Letter, 9 April 2013
June Mitchell, Woy Woy

When the bands all cease to play

Have you ever seen the veterans
parading through the street,
have you ever heard the rhythm
of their weary marching feet?

Have you ever heard the jingle
of the medals on their chest,
when the bands all cease to play
and the pipers takes their rest?

Have you stood and watched them
as down Martin Place they come,
slowly marching to the beat
of a lonely muffled drum?

Have you ever wondered why
the flags are at half staff,
have you ever seen their faces
as they pass the cenotaph?

Have you ever caught a glimpse
of the mist that fills their eyes
as they think about old friends
no longer by their sides?

Then have you seen them raise their heads
and march as in years gone by -
when the bands commence to play again
and the pipes their glory cry?

Here is the spirit of the Anzac
and on this hallowed day
their friends come back to join them,
but in a special sort of way.

Because for every one you see
marching down the street
there’s a thousand there beside them,
but they march on silent feet.

For friendships forged in battle
are of the rarest kind,
they extend beyond the grave
and withstand the tyranny of time.

So if you listen with your heart,
come next Anzac Day,
perhaps you’ll understand
why they are marching on parade:

It is for that sacred moment -
that moment in the day -
when the pipers take their rest
and the bands all cease to play.

Email, 4 Apr 2013
Vic Jefferies, St Huberts Island

Tennis court move not needed

The proposal by Gosford Council to move the existing Patonga tennis courts to the other end of the village to provide extra parking for the camping area is another magnificent display of bureaucratic numbskullness.

While there is ample room to expand a number of parking areas within the camping area at minimal cost, council apparently prefers to spend at least one million dollars removing and rebuilding what is now a perfectly functioning

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amenity, to gain a few car spaces which will only be used or needed at peak holiday time.

The proposal to move the courts to the Eve Williams Oval area seems to ignore the almost overwhelming parking congestion that occurs in that area due to those attending the local pub.

The residents who live in the area of the oval and the pub now suffer from the associated traffic and parking problems and most certainly do not need any further

development in that area.

Gosford Council and the Lands Department have pondered, plotted and planned ways of changing and even privatising the Patonga camping area over the past 40 or so years to my personal knowledge and possibly even longer.

I suspect the removal of the tennis courts from their present site, which is adjacent to the camping area, is just another step in that drawn out process.

Email, 20 Apr 2013
Vic Jefferies, St Huberts Island

Local chemist started radio station

Local Community Radio Station 50-Plus is now celebrating its 20th successful year.

It began broadcasting from a chemist shop at Umina and the chemist was Phil Paterson, president of the radio station from 1993 to 1998.

Phil, with three other radio buffs, Maurice Janson, Alan Pearce and Colin Monk met one afternoon.

They were dissatisfied with the current community radio

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management, of Triple C (CCC).

So Maurice suggested, “Why don’t we start our own radio station?”

Phil said: “Let me sleep on it”.

The next day, Phil said: “Yes, we’ll do it”.

So Radio 50 Plus was born.

It started with a weekend license, moved to Gosford, then received a weekly license.

Later, a permanent license was

granted.

The station provided community news and it was unique Australia wide, in that it provided a wide range of music to the listening public.

As a presenter for 14 years, I am pleased to say that I helped share musical enjoyment and inspiration amongst many, many listeners over these years.

Letter, 26 Mar 2013
Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

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Government should be sent packing

As a preamble to what I consider justifiable condemnation, I respectfully direct your attention to the following viewpoints.

Over 2400 years ago, the great philosopher Aristotle proclaimed that the essence of life revolved around an aspiration to live one's life by adhering to a code of ethics which embraced good and decent morals.

He also taught moderation in all matter, which was highly desirable.

Some aspects relative to Liberal dogma include: encouragement of individuals to pursue avenues free from restrictions and which support self-expression and enterprises, moderation is a key component of their policies and support for public hospitals, public transport and public schools etc, which is well entrenched in their policies.

In other words, support for the admiral aspects of socialism is not lacking in their pans.

Labor on the other hand believes it is best equipped to cater for individuals and regulations which they foist on the said individuals and businesses with very little

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consultation.

I also suggest that it is important to keep in mind that Labor emanated from socialism (i.e. in all aspects of socialism), which in turn, emanated from communism.

The overriding purpose of this article is an attempt to convince the reader that my condemnation of this Government is entirely justified and that it should be sent packing as quickly as possible.

My desperate yearnings are for the installation of personnel who will deliver a safe, secure and flourishing Australia.

With respect, I suggest the reader would have great difficulty in disputing the following proclamations.

It is widely accepted that Julie Gillard and her Government has established itself as the worst government event to befall Australia.

The Government has presided over massive debt and budget blowouts, the loss of control of our borders, the Pink Batts and the

Building the Education Revolution fiascos and the declination of the cattle industry.

Many more failures can be attributed to Julia Gillard and company.

They have demonstrated unequivocally that they are not fit to govern.

However, the overwhelming condemnation of this Government lies in the fact they have been found to be guilty of lies and proved conclusively they cannot be trusted.

Say for example, one requires the services of perhaps a trades person, the first prerequisite to be considered is surely the element of trust.

Finally, please help me with my yearnings and do the right thing for Australia, for yourself, for your family and for your friends.

Vote Julie Gillard and company out and vote an Abbott Government in.

Email, 26 Mar 2013
Colin Williams, Ettalong

An election flyer from the Liberal Party informing us about the "cost of Labor's illegal boat arrivals" was dropped in our letter box today.

This was estimated at \$6.6 billion described as "of your taxes wasted".

There are no illegal boats and no illegal refugees.

This is so well known that using these terms can only be described as a deliberate falsehood.

Checking the figures on the internet, I came across the following recent Bigpond-AMP website: <http://www.bigpondmoney.com.au/illegal-boat-arrivals-what-it-really-costs>.

The same falsehoods here, playing on xenophobic sentiments.

Commentators expressed surprise and anger.

The leaflet's content was authorised by Liberal Party Senator Arthur Sinodinos, a former chief of staff of former Prime Minister John Howard.

An overwhelming number of boat arrivals are genuine refugees

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and should be integrated in the community as soon as possible.

The arrivals are mostly inevitable no matter what party is in power.

To reduce the cost, rapid processing and integration in the community is essential.

Email, 10 Apr 2013
Klaas Woldring, Pearl Beach

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Great news

This is great news for the people of the Peninsula (Foreshore work to start in May, Peninsula News, March 18).

Ettalong and its foreshore is a special place.

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These new works will enhance the area and create a beautiful area for locals and visitors.

Online submission, 19 Mar 2013
Richard Braddish, Umina



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Adolescent protection team for Peninsula

A new adolescent protection team will operate from the Peninsula Community Centre.

The centre is one of four community service centres on the Central Coast to be covered by the new Central Coast Adolescent Child Protection Team.

The team was launched by the Minister for Family and Community Services Ms Pru Goward on Tuesday, April 23.

Ms Goward said that the team would provide services to young people aged between 12 and 17 years who are at risk of significant harm.

"Currently about 30 per cent of risk of significant harm reports across NSW are about adolescents," Ms Goward said.

"The significant emotional, cognitive, and social developments of adolescence are a key opportunity for positive intervention to help young people

reach their full potential.

"Adolescence can be a particularly challenging time and the role of this team is to help adolescents within their families navigate the challenges and reduce the risks by linking them to appropriate support.

"I am thrilled that we will

have a dedicated resource for adolescents on the Central Coast.

"This reflects our confidence in the successful work that is currently undertaken by the Hunter adolescent teams," she concluded.

**Media release, 23 Apr 2013
Kurt Graham, Office of Pru Goward**

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Action taken after petition

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Petitioners stated that the fibro house was very old and they were concerned with the risk of asbestos being contained

in the structure.

They said they believed that building work may not have been conducted in a safe and regulated manner and were concerned with its potentially hazardous fibres being released into the air.

Petitioners requested Council to investigate the matter further.

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Ms Angela Allen with guide dogs Will and Hamish and Ms Barbara Craig being presented the cheque by Mr Ted Crawley

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Guide Dogs benefit from opera

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Rotary Club president Mr Ted Crawley presented the cheque to Guide Dog client Ms Angela Allen and Central Coast Support Group president Ms Barbara Craig.

"The Rotary Club of Woy Woy are delighted to make this donation which will help train a guide dog and improve the mobility, independence and quality of life for people living with vision impairment," said Mr Crawley.

"It costs \$30,000 to transform a puppy and turn it into a highly trained guide dog."

Email, 16 Apr 2013
John Greenway, Opera
in the Arboretum

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First school excursion for kindergarten

Umina Public School Kindergarten students attended their first school excursion on Wednesday, April 3.

Due to the rain, students watched a DVD and enjoyed a sausage sizzle as part of the Fun Day as all outside activities were

postponed,

Students were, however, able to participate in outside activities on Monday, April 8, when they walked to the caravan park and played on park's the jumping pillow and climbing equipment.

"We also enjoyed a tractor around the park and went to

the big barn to complete art and craft activities," said excursion coordinator Ms Laura Vella.

"The children summed up the day as 'fun, cool and exhausting'," said Ms Vella.

Newsletter, 9 Apr 2013

Lyn Davis, Umina Public School

College participates in engineering challenge

Brisbane Water Secondary College participated in the 2013 Science and Engineering Challenge on Wednesday, April 10, and Thursday, April 11, along with more than 400 students from 14 Central Coast schools.

Minister for the Central Coast Mr Chris Hartcher said students encountered common challenges found in science and engineering careers during the two-day competition.

"The program, run by the University of Newcastle, is designed to inspire the next generation of workers," said Mr Hartcher.

"Year 10 students participated in a series of competitive activities to demonstrate the elements needed for a career in the science and engineering industries.

"We know from past participants that 45 per cent of students studying physics in Year 11 were influenced to choose the subject after taking part in the Science and Engineering Challenge.

"NSW electricity distributor Ausgrid hopes the challenge will help plug the skills gap in the energy industry," Mr Hartcher said.

More than 35 Ausgrid graduate engineers, cadets, trainees and apprentices were there to assist students with activities in the Challenge and give information about career opportunities.

The top scoring schools across Northern NSW will now compete at a Super Challenge in August.

Media Release, 10 Apr 2013
Caroline Hutcherson, Office of Chris Hartcher MP

School Sport Stars

Woy Woy South Public School student Jack Jackson participated in the NSW Primary School Swimming Carnival earlier this month.

He finished in the top 20 in all events he entered comprising the 50m breaststroke, 50m backstroke

and 50m freestyle.

Woy Woy South Public School principal Mr Terry Greedy has wished Uma Van Edmond Jones, Jack Young and Reece Roseworn good luck in their participation at the Sydney North trials for girls soccer and rugby league

respectively.

Jack will also trial for the Sydney North Rugby Union team along with Darcy Larkins.

Newsletter, 9 Apr 2013
Terry Greedy, Woy Woy South Public School

Parade was well attended

Ettalong Public School held its Easter Hat Parade on Thursday, March 28, which principal Mr Colin Wallis said was well attended by

parents and friends.

"The children's hats looked amazing and their singing was an excellent touch," said Mr Wallis.

The P and C raffle raised over \$1600.

Newsletter, 2 Apr 2013
Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

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Principal attends regional conference

Umina Public School principal Ms Lyn Davis attended the Hunter Central Coast Regional Principals Conference on April 4 and 5.

"It is vital that principals are abreast of current research and the implications for schools," said Ms Davis.

"The national standard for principals outlines five professional practices.

"They are leading teaching and learning; developing self and others; leading improvement, innovation and change; leading the management of the school; and engaging and working with the community.

"Attendance at this conference supported my role as principal in all of these professional practices," said Ms Davis.

Newsletter, 28 Mar 2013

Lyn Davis, Umina Public School



Development days

Ettalong Public School will use its two school development days on April 29 and 30 to allow teachers to become familiar with the new K-10 English Curriculum.

"Our term three school development day will be a combined day with other Brisbane Water Learning Community primary schools where we will be involved in a presentation and work shop by Dr Barry Carpenter on the Foetal Alcohol Syndrome and its impact on children's learning and

behaviour," said Ettalong principal Mr Colin Wallis.

"Barry is based in England and, so to accommodate Barry's busy schedule, the day will be held on Monday, September 9.

"These will be all very worthwhile professional learning opportunities for our staff and should consequently make a very positive impact on students' learning," said Mr Wallis.

Newsletter, 19 Mar 2013

Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

Variety night at Woy Woy campus

A Variety Night will be held at the Brisbane Water Secondary College, Woy Woy Campus, on May 22 and 23 from 6:30pm.

The Variety Night is the school's annual show which presents singing, dancing and drama acts from students at both campuses.

Tickets are \$10 per adult, \$5 for children or \$25 for a family.

Guests will also have access to the canteen on the night.

Email, 28 Mar 2013

Tullia Price, Brisbane Water Secondary College

Donation for school garden

Woy Woy Public School has received a donation of \$200 toward its garden from Sam Collins and the Good News Church.

As a result of the donation, the school was able to purchase a compost bin, garden tools,

terracotta bed signs and seeds with more purchases to be made at a later date.

The garden bed will soon be cleared with a winter crop to be planted.

Newsletter, 8 Apr 2013

Ona Buckley, Woy Woy Public School

Empire Bay holds school disco

Empire Bay Public School P and C held its school disco on Monday, March 18, with the theme of Bold and Bright.

Many students embraced the theme, according to principal Mr Brad Lewis.

"DJ Andy once again led the three sessions and had each group on their feet with great music and enjoyable games," said Mr Lewis.

"Andy commented to me on a number of occasions saying how much he enjoyed coming to our school as the event was always well-run and the students were so well-behaved and enthusiastic.

"My thanks go to our very busy P and C who coordinated the evening and then volunteered to run the canteen and conduct the

ticketing process.

"Their organisation contributes significantly to the success of these nights.

"I would also like to acknowledge the teachers who volunteered their time to stay back and assist with the supervision on the night, their willingness to extend their work day into the evening is much appreciated," said Mr Lewis.

Newsletter, 20 Mar 2013

Brad Lewis, Empire Bay Public School

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Four-day excursion to Canberra

Stage 3 students from Ettalong Public School attended a four-day excursion to Canberra early this month.

"This was a great learning opportunity and experience for them all and, from all reports, it was a wonderful success with the students learning much and gaining in independence and social skills," said principal Mr Colin Wallis.

Mr Wallis said their accompanying teachers in made their own time

available to leave their families and personal lives to take the students on the excursion.

"It really is beyond the call of duty and is indicative of the dedication of our staff," he said.

"This opportunity is not offered in all schools and I appreciate and value the fact that our school can still offer overnight excursions," he said.

Newsletter, 9 Apr 2013

Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

Students selected

Two students from Ettalong Public School have been selected to represent the area in their respective sports,

Ningali Forrest-Freeman was selected to represent the Central Coast area at the Sydney North

Tennis Trials.

Daniel Hughes was selected to represent the area at the next level of the soccer trials.

Newsletter, 12 Mar 2013

Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

Students attend leaders' day

Students from Ettalong the annual National Young Public School attended Leaders Day on Monday,

March 25, at the Sydney Entertainment Centre.

"It was an exciting and most interesting day where our young leaders were entertained and informed by speakers such as Creel Price, Brett Lee, Jess Fox and Nathan Hindmarsh," said principal Mr Colin Wallis.

"The theme was around good leadership and very strong messages were given that will further enhance our young leaders' skills.

"This is always a great day for our students where they get to meet other student leaders and hear inspiring talks from well-known leaders and celebrities," said Mr Wallis.

Newsletter, 26 Mar 2013

Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School



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Future needs a different Landing

I'm 21-years-old and am planning a wedding for July, which means the future of the Central Coast is an important thing to me.

I hope to raise my family here as I was raised; playing in the streets and getting up to mischief day after day in the many wide open spaces, parks and, to my mother's dismay, the wetlands.

I've been reading Coast Community News on and off for a couple of years now; in particular the Forum section.

I enjoy the debates, the fact that so many people have so many opinions and that we can discuss them openly and intellectually through the local newspaper.

There is, however, one subject I'm a little sick of hearing about, The Gosford Landing.

Not because I think it's unimportant but rather the fact that a decision hasn't been made.

A few months ago I remember reading a call to young people of the Central Coast to express their thoughts on the proposed Landing.

So here I am, expressing my opinion.

I too want to preserve the beauty of the Central Coast for the generations after me to enjoy and I want my children to be able to run around in the streets, parks and wetlands.

We are so lucky to have these natural beauties available to us (that goes for a wide majority of Australia as well, not just the Central Coast).

When did worrying about what visitors think become more important than how comfortable and happy the residents are?

Tourism should still be on the radar as it brings money into the community but we'd be fools if that were the only reason to go ahead with the Landing.

In saying that, though, I would love for my soon to be husband to be able to work close to home.

I want my children to have just as many opportunities

Forum

for education, sports, art and culture as other children have in Sydney and Newcastle.

I want to be able to take my out of town guests into 'the city' of Gosford for a night out.

So why do we all presume that to have one we can't have the other?

I would like to see the council compromise with the residents on The Landing.

Tourists aren't going to flock to the Coast because Gosford has turned into another Newcastle, Terrigal or The Entrance.

Creating an eco-friendly city could very well be the edge that the Central Coast needs and create not only a healthy environment for us but also a great attitude within our community; an attitude to respect and support our Central Coast's natural beauty.

We have so much technology available to us now including solar power, hydro power and wind power among many other wonderful things which can allow us to be eco-friendly without compromising on aesthetics or luxuries.

Many people in the community are already taking the initial steps to becoming more eco-friendly by growing their own fruit and vegetables, walking, catching public transport and riding bikes or scooters.

There has been increasing interest for more regular community-based markets (which enables people to make money off what they enjoy doing, puts money back into the community and keeps jobs on the Coast).

We have the exciting new Narara Eco-village about to become a very real addition to our community and many local people commuting to Sydney for an education in the natural therapies industry.

So of course no one is going to be happy about a complete overhaul of the beautiful waterfront of Gosford.

We've all seen that same

beauty in other cities of the world disappear once investors think only about the money they can make off tourism.

From where I'm sitting, everyone seems to be looking

only for the black and whites of the situation but the Landing contains various shades of grey as well.

The Central Coast and the people who live here have a

great opportunity, so let's make the most of it and do something a little different and hopefully inspire all of Australia.

Email, 23 Apr 2013
Amanda Becker, Umina

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up” in Deepwater Plaza and a \$1000 cheque presented to the Club.

Member for Gosford Mr Chris Holstein, Liberal candidate for

Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks, Campbell's Hardware Store owner Mr Mark Campbell and Star FM's Craig Annis were persuaded to spend time in the gaol.

“The Rotary Club of Woy Woy was pleased to obtain Mark Campbell's release and thanked him for his support and endeavors in the project,” said Woy Woy

Rotary Club public relations officer Ms Fiona Hunt.

Media Release, 19 Apr 2013

Fiona Hunt, Woy Woy Rotary Club



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To appear in court

Garage sales

A 27-year-old male from Umina will appear in court after he was arrested for numerous offences on Thursday, April 18.

Police were patrolling Gosford train station when they observed the man walking up the entry stairs from Burns Cres.

The man was issued with an on-the-spot infringement notice for swearing at police.

A few minutes later, police saw the man on the platform smoking a cigarette.

He was warned regarding the offence and told to dispose of the cigarette.

However, according to police, he refused to do so and again began swearing and abusing police.

There were numerous commuters in earshot and he was arrested for his continued offensive language.

Website, 22 Apr 2013
Brisbane Water Local Area Command Facebook Page

A garage sale will be held at the rear of Umina Uniting Church on Saturday, May 4, from 8am until 11:30am.

The Garage Sale will have furniture, trash and treasure and second hand books for sale.

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Email, 23 Apr 2013
Annette Strong, Umina Uniting Church

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History of Rotary help

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Woy Woy Rotary Club undertook to provide the new club house.

The Club chose a novel method of financing the Surf Club.

The Rotary Club invited members of the public, organisations and Rotarians to loan free of interest, in lots of £25 which the Club guaranteed to repay at the end of three years.

The final cost of the Surf Club was \$8000.

Jim Huntington and Stewart Miles supervised the building which ran right through the Rotary year.

Tradesmen gave their time free and suppliers donated materials.

Surf Lifesaving Association president at the time Judge Adrian Curlewis opened the Clubhouse on September 29, 1957.

The project cemented a relationship between the two community based clubs which has continued for half a century.

The Ocean Beach Surf Club was followed by the Umina Beach Surf Club and both have received Rotary assistance throughout the years.

Rotary's projects were real basic services the community needed.

The Community needed activities for its children, sound sporting institutions and help to those in emergency.

The Government was not going to provide them.

The theme of the times was post-war self-reliance.

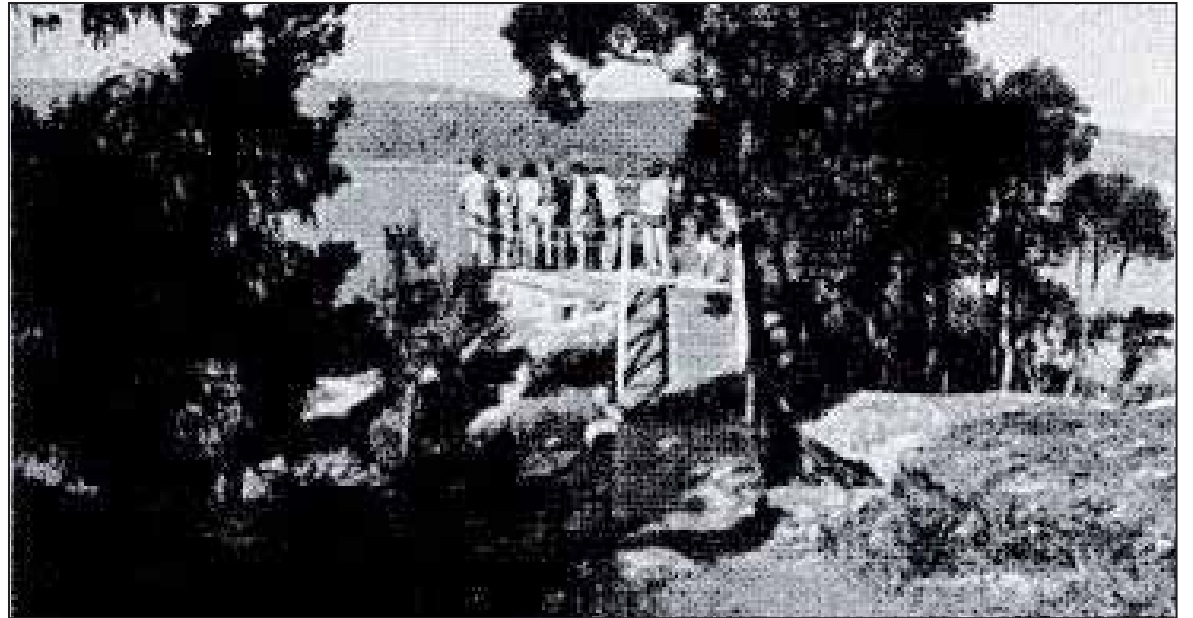
The Rotary Club of Woy Woy responded to those times but needed to find money if it was going to enact its Charter.

From the time the first Board met on August 1, 1950, at president Bruce Hanks' home, the question of how to raise money in a small isolated community tested the imagination of the Club's office holders.

The fundraising activities they decided to undertake reflected the times.

In the early 1950s, home-making was just that.

Creating a home required a lot of making of foods and clothes.



Mt Ettymalong Lookout built and maintained by Woy Woy Rotary

Washing was still a huge task, especially in a tiny beach-side community like Woy Woy with only bore water and rain water tanks.

There was no takeaway except fish and chips.

There was little or no entertainment.

The radio and the cinema was all there was and Umina, Ettalong and Woy Woy all had cinemas.

One of the reasons many

joined Rotary was for the fellowship; it was a way for people to get together.

The men made the decisions about Rotary but it was the enthusiasm of their wives which also helped make Rotary the social and institutional success it was during the decades from the 40s to the 60s.

In the first year of the Club, Mrs Harris, Mark Harris' wife made place names for all dub members.

Others played piano at special nights, others stocked fete stalls.

For the wives, Rotary gave focus for their socialising as well.

Community organisations often provided this in small or isolated communities.

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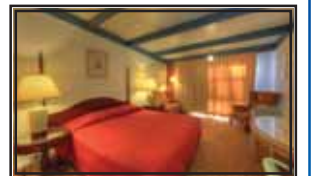
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Tues 4369 5860.
Workshops 9.30am 1st & 3rd Wed Gosford City Art Centre 4363 1820.
Social Meetings 1.30pm 4th Wed for demonstrations publicity@artcentralcoast.asn.au
4325 1420

Point Clare Arts & Crafts

Wed - Adult Art Class
Wed & Fri - Adult Crafts
Bunka Embroid, Cards, Crotchet, Cross Stitch or bring your own - \$3/session
Point Clare Community Hall
10am - 12noon
4325 5007

Hospital Art Australia

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

Community Centres

The Krait Club

Community Centre - Cooinda 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

Peninsula Community Centre

Cnr Ocean Beach Rd & McMasters Rd Woy Woy
Child Care - Before & After School, Vacation, Family, Day & Occasional
Children, Teenagers & Adults - Dance, Singing, Guitar, Drama, Music, Physie, Karate, Belly Dancing and multicultural support

Children - Little Kickers, Indian Dance, Playgroups, KindyGym,
Teenagers - "The Web" Youth Support Services.
Adults - Bridge, Yoga, Cake Decorating, Zumba, Scrabble, Weight Watchers, Boot Scooting, Song Writing, Community College, free tax help, Post & Pre Natal Exercises.

Counselling - Drug, Alcohol, Relationship, Financial, Gambling, Weight Control.

Over 55's - Social Outings, Oil Painting, Multi craft, Needlework, Bushwalking, Stroke Club, History, Tai Chi, U3A, Scrabble, Arthritis Assoc, Gentle Exercise, Free Seniors Internet Kiosk,

Discussion Groups.
www.pccinc.com.au
4341 9333

Ettalong 50+ Leisure & Learning Centre

Mon - Fri - Cards, Computer Lessons, Dancing, Indoor Bowls, Fitness, Handicrafts, Leatherwork, Line Dancing, Painting, Scrabble, Table Tennis, Tai Chi, Yoga, Darts
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4324 4749

Community Groups

AACC Computer Club Inc.

www.aacc.asn.au
Help with all Computing problems - Program demos + Q&A sessions - Monthly meetings held from Feb to Nov
• 2nd Wed Windows 7pm to 10pm
Narara Valley High School Fountains Road, Narara
• 4th Thur Social + Windows 12.15 - 3.15pm
East Gosford Progress Hall Cnr Webb Rd & Henry Parry Drive
4362 1918 - 4324 2740
secretary@aacc.asn.au

ABC "The Friends" Support group for Public Broadcaster.

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www.fabcnsw.org.au
4341 5170

Bridge

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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

50 Games every Sat night
Peninsula Community Centre, McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, 7.30pm. Proceeds to Woy Woy Catholic Parish.
www.cphousie@hotmail.com

Central Coast Amateur Radio Club (CCARC)

World wide hobby of Amateur Radio? Dandaloo St, Kariong
Sat 11am to 4pm
ccarc@ccarc.org.au 4340 2500

Central Coast Handweavers, Spinners and Textile Arts Guild Inc

Spinning and weaving, patchwork and quilting, felting and other fibre and fabric crafts
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www.centralcoastsguild.org.au

Central Coast Family History Society Inc.

All the resources, information and advice needed to study your family's history available.
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

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

Peninsula School for Seniors

The Community Centre, McMasters Road, Woy Woy
Discussions, Rumikin, Craft, History, Walkers, Coach trips
Tues, Wed, Thur
4341 7785
4341 2142

Peninsula Village Playgroup

Carers, Grandparents, parents & children - join our 'Intergenerational Playgroup'
Every Tues 10 to 11.30am
Paula Newman - 4344 9199

Probus Club of Umina

Friendship, Followship and Fun - Advancing intellectual, cultural and social interests for active retirees 55yrs+ Non Political and Non Sectarian - 2nd Wed 10am, Everglades Country Club
uminabeach@probusclubs.com.au

Seniors Computer Club Central Coast Inc.

Beginners classes for PC or Mac Mon or Tues. Classes Mon to Fri for most programs - see website. 10am - 12md or 1pm - 3pm Kincumber & District Neighbourhood Centre. Monthly Meetings with Guest Speaker held at Kincumber Hotel 1st Mon 43692530

Umina Beach Men's Shed Inc.

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

For all levels and ages Every Wed, 9.30-12.30pm, relax, enjoy a cuppa while you play Scrabble
Mingaletta, 6 Sydney Ave, Umina
4344 2808

Volunteering Central Coast

Refers potential volunteers to community orgs. Support both volunteers and community orgs. Training for volunteers and managers of volunteers. Regular general info sessions at Woy Woy. 4329 7122
vrc@volunteeringcentralcoast.org.au

Wagstaffe to Killcare Community

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

Disabled Services

Riding for the Disabled

Horse Riding as a therapy for those with intellectual or physical disabilities
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4340 0388

stateoffice@rdansw.org.au

Environment

Peninsula Environment Group

Talks, films, social events, workshops, renewable energy and recycling projects, organic

food buying group
www.peq.org.au

Health Group

Alcoholics Anonymous

If you want to drink, that's your business.
If you want to stop, that's our business.

Meets every Saturday - Progress Hall Ronald Ave, Wyoming 8pm
4323 3890

Arthritis NSW

3rd Tues Peninsula Community Centre, Cnr McMasters Rd and Ocean Beach Rd,
Woy Woy - 4341 5881

Central Coast Prostate Cancer Support Group (Gosford)

Last Friday Terrigal Uniting Church 9.30am to 12 noon
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Meals on Wheels

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4382 9401

Mary Mac's Place

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www.oa.org - 0412 756 446

Pink Butterfly Breast Cancer Support Group -

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

Peninsula Village Carer's Support Group

For carers of loved ones with dementia - 1st Wed - 10 to 11.30am Paula Newman
4344 9199

Peninsula Women's Health Centre

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

Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance

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

Peninsula Community Centre
2nd Tues 11.30am
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4342 1316

Marine

Central Coast Rescue Unit

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4325 7929 www.vmrcc.org.au
pr.centralcoast@marinerescuensw.com.au

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Gosford Musical Society Minstrels

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4341 4210

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Troubadour Central Coast Inc

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7pm CWA Hall Opposite Fishermans Wharf Woy Woy
mail.info@troubadour.org.au
4341 4060

Political Group

Australian Labor Party

Umina Ettalong Branch
Political discussions, national, state and local government issues
2nd Mon Umina Beach Bowling Club 7.30 4341 7323

Central Coast Greens

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

Service Groups

Lions Club of Woy Woy Peninsula

1st and 3rd Mon at Everglades Country Club 4326 1996
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Northern Settlement Services

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Woy Woy - 4334 3877

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kersuebay@philliphouse.com.au

Rotary Club of Umina

International service organisation of business leaders improving lives of youth & those in need in our community and abroad. Weds.
Everglades Country Club
curleys@ozemail.com.au
0409 245 861

Rotary Club of Woy Woy

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Don Tee 4369 7496

0428 438 535

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4342 1107

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4344 4760 Cnr Broken Bay Rd & Beach St Ettalong.
vietvetsgosford@bigpond.com

Woy Woy Ettalong Hardy's Bay RSL Sub Branch

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

Opposite Fisherman's Wharf
Friendship Mornings
1st and 2nd Wed 10am
Meetings 4th Wed 10.30am
4324 2621

Country Women's Association Umina

Craft and Friendship:
• Mon 6pm; Wed 9am; 1st Sun 12.30pm • Branch meeting: 1st Wed 10am CWA Hall, Cnr West and Sydney St, Umina.
4341.5404 or 4369.5353

The Endeavour View Club, Woy Woy

Lunch 1st Mon Everglades Country Club 10.30am.
Friendship days, 3rd Wed Uniting Church Hall, Picnic Pde Ettalong, 10.30am. 4342 2283

Gosford RSL Sub-Branch Women's Auxiliary

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

Inner Wheel club of Gosford North

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2nd Wed 7pm Phillip House

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

Chamber backs small business campaign

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has backed the NSW Business Small Business Too Big to Ignore campaign which was officially launched in the week on Monday, April 15, by the NSW Business Chamber.

"This is an important national campaign for small business leading up to the Federal Election in September and is driven by local chambers of commerce through the NSW Business organisation," said Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"The Small Business Too Big to Ignore campaign will push issues that affect small business and give business owners and

employees an avenue to put their case for improvements to business conditions to politicians from all parties.

"Politicians need to understand that small business employs over seven million Australians which is around 60 per cent of the Australian workforce.

"Here on the Peninsula, this percentage is much higher with the vast majority of business fitting into the small business category.

"We are all concerned about small business competitiveness, the impact of the carbon tax, escalating power costs, cost of wages and superannuation, government red tape and industrial relations laws," he said.

Mr Wales also said that the

launch of the Small Business Too Big to Ignore campaign coincided with the recent visit to the Peninsula by Shadow Federal Minister for Small Business, Competition Policy and Consumer Affairs Mr Bruce Billson.

"We were fortunate to have Bruce Billson at our recent Chamber function at the Bayview Brasserie where he actively endorsed the Too Big to Ignore campaign," said Mr Wales.

"He was very supportive of the issues that small businesses face on a daily basis and backed the NSW Business campaign to have the voice of small businesses heard at a Federal level.

"The dinner was attended by the Central Coast manager for NSW Small Business Daniel Farmer and Liberal candidate for Robertson Lucy Wicks.

"Mr Farmer is the face behind the NSW Business Campaign on the Central Coast and spoke passionately about the power of small business to influence Federal outcomes and achieve benefits for the struggling small business sector", said Matthew Wales.

"This is a great campaign which will be rolled out through the media in the coming months and we encourage both sides of politics to pay attention to our issues and the impact of Government policies on business operations," said Mr Wales.

Media Release, 24 Apr 2013
Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce



Daniel Farmer (left), Matthew Wales (centre left), Lucy Wicks (centre right) and Hon. Bruce Billson (right)

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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

Mingaletta 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 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 of Events

For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Monday April 29

The Odd Couple play reading,
Peninsula Theatre, 7:30pm

Saturday May 4

Umina Uniting Church Garage
Sale, 8am-11:30am

Sunday May 5

Killcare Wagstaffe Trust annual
meeting, Maitland Bay Information
Centre, 9:30am

Thursday May 9

Central Coast Gurdjieff Group
meeting, Woy Woy
Composting and worm farming
workshop, Peninsula Leisure
Centre, 1pm-1:30pm, free

Friday May 10

Woy Woy Little Theatre's Season
of One Act Plays begins, Peninsula
Theatre

Wednesday May 22

Brisbane Water Secondary
College variety Night, Woy Woy
Campus, 6:30pm

Thursday May 23

Brisbane Water Secondary
College variety Night, Woy Woy
Campus, 6:30pm

Sunday May 26

Breakfast in the Bays, Woy Woy
Bay Community Hall

Wednesday June 19

Bays Community Group annual
meeting, Woy Woy Bay Community
Hall, 7:30pm

Sunday June 30

Breakfast in the Bays, Woy Woy
Bay Community Hall

Saturday July 13

Bays Community Group Wine,
Cheese and Art Night, Woy Woy
Bay Community Hall, 7:30pm-
10:30pm

Sunday July 28

Breakfast in the Bays, Woy Woy
Bay Community Hall

Wednesday August 21

Bays Community Group annual
meeting, Woy Woy Bay Community
Hall, 7:30pm

Sunday August 25

Breakfast in the Bays, Woy Woy
Bay Community Hall

Saturday September 7

Bays Community Group Kids
Disco, Woy Woy Bay Community
Hall, 2pm-5pm

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. See the Coast Community News for events in post code areas 2250, 2251 & 2260 and the Wyong Regional Chronicle for events in post code areas 2258, 2259, 2261, 2262 & 2263

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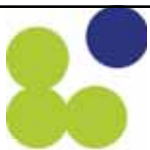
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Ms Robyn Simmonds, of Umina, has started as a travel and cruise manager for a new travel brand was launched this month.

Ms Simmonds said that Travel Managers Australia was the country's largest network of mobile travel consultants and, following the launch of Cruise Managers, could now provide advice on cruises.

She said that as a Cruise Managers consultant and personal travel manager, she worked closely with clients to discuss their travel plans and create their ideal holiday.

Cruise Managers was a member of Cruiseco, a consortium of the top cruise specialist travel agencies



throughout Australia, she said.

Ms Simmonds said that since its inception in 2000, Cruiseco had become the largest provider of fly and cruise product in the country.

"It means I can offer a range of unique product, exclusive cruise charters and competitively priced cruise deals that are not available through most travel agencies.

"And, with access to about 90 per cent of world cruise product, you will receive

special offers and availability released by the majority of cruise lines including Royal Caribbean, Seabourn, Silversea, Holland America Line, Cunard, P and O, Carnival and Regent Seven Seas – just to name a few.

"There's also an opportunity for you to earn Qantas Frequent Flyer points on cruise holidays booked through Cruise Managers," said Ms Simmonds.

Email, 19 Mar 2013
Robyn Simmonds, Umina

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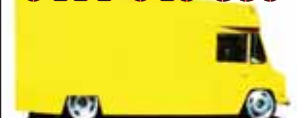
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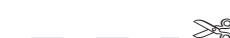
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Help wanted

Officers from Brisbane Water Local Area Command are appealing for information after a number of vandalism reports were received in the early hours of the

morning on Thursday, April 18.

A group of five youths were reported damaging property in Ettalong.

Reports were received for Ridge St and Uligandi St where colour bond fences were kicked in and Barrenjoey Rd where a car roof and bonnet were dented and a colour bond fence was dented and split.

Police are appealing for anyone with information about the vandalism to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

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Brisbane Water Local Area Command Facebook Page

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Reece Paget sneaks a Bunnies try during the first half

Rugby league at Umina

The opening of the 2013 Central Coast Rugby League competition saw last year's runners-up, Umina, play the 2011 Premiers, Berkeley Vale, on Sunday, April 14, at the Col Gooley oval in Umina.

The Berkeley Vale Panthers began the season with a 50-24 defeat over Umina.

Off-season signing Alex Moore led the way for Berkeley Vale and,

despite finding themselves 18-12 in arrears midway through the opening half, the visitors took a 28-18 advantage into half time and proved too strong for the Bunnies running in nine tries to four.

In other opening round results, Woy Woy defeated Toukley 44-16 after leading 16-6 at the break.

Email, 15 Apr 2013
Andrew Stark, Point Clare
Photo: Andrew Stark

Everglades wins RSL zone fours

A team of four bowlers from Everglades Bowling Club has been named the winner of the 2013 Central Coast Fours Championship held at Bateau Bay Bowling Club on Friday, April 12.

Barry Cross, Glenn Richardson,

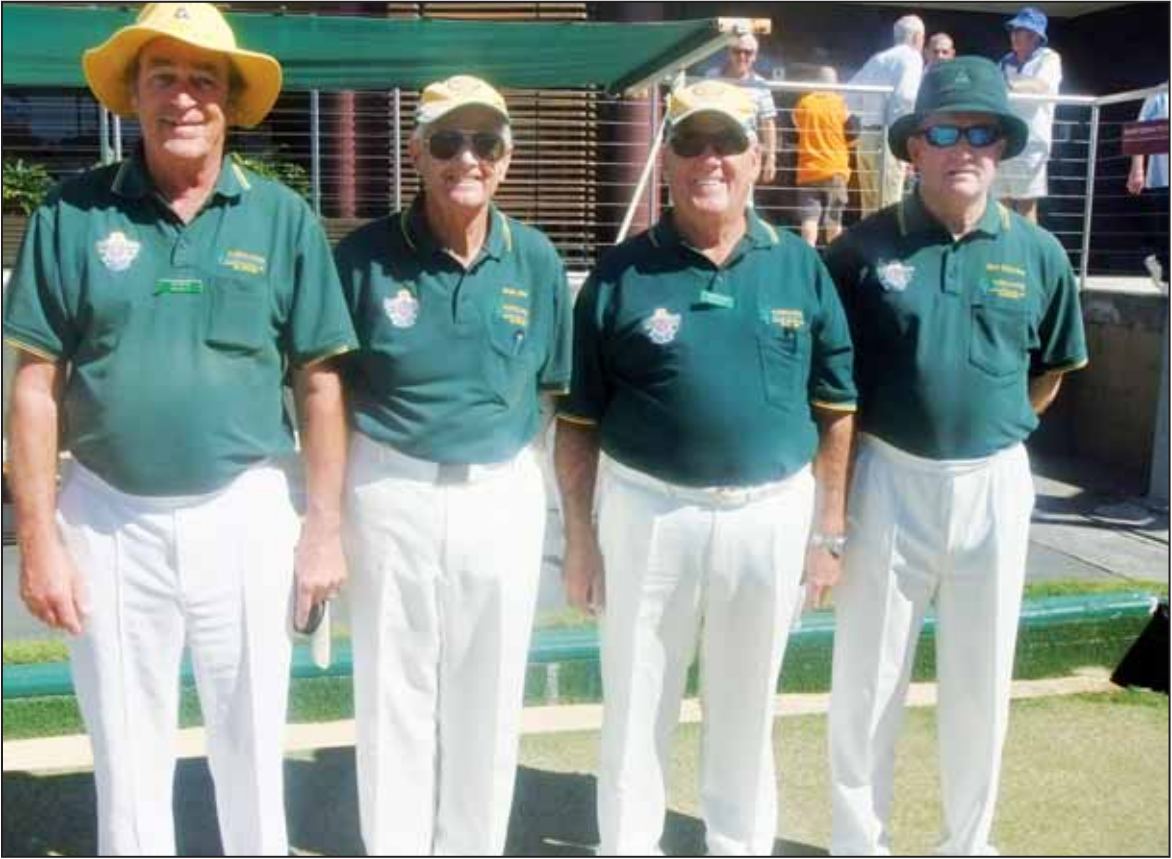
Bruce Jones and Allan Jones defeated the Munmorah United team of Robin Cocks, John Urquhart, Lindsay Harvey and Ray Austin by 26 shots to 18.

Everglades shot to the front leading 19-6 after 13 ends but Munmorah dug deep and fought

back to 20-18 after 19 ends.

Munmorah dropped a five on end 20 before Everglades picked up a shot in the last end and emerged victorious.

Email, 23 Apr 2013
Kevin Owen, Zone 5 RSL



The winning Everglades team of Bruce Jones, Allan Jones, Barry Cross and Glenn Richardson

Disco to raise funds for taekwon-do

Extreme Martial Arts Club Woy Woy hosted a "kids disco" at Woy Woy Leagues Club on Thursday, April 19, to raise funds for the forthcoming National Titles Taekwon-Do Tournament to be held in Maroochydore QLD.

"We are looking for sponsors to help with this expense so all kids regardless of financial circumstances have a chance to attend," said fundraising assistant Ms Clare Fenwick.

"We have started fundraising for this event and our goal is \$10,000 to fund this trip.

"We are organising a coach to leave on the Friday prior to the tournament from Woy Woy, travelling to Maroochydore and return on the Monday afterwards.

"Sponsors will receive positive exposure through their names being printed on the back of team t-shirts that will be worn during our trip.

"They will also receive a result report on return and an appreciation certificate and will be mentioned in

any media and social events we host," added Ms Fenwick.

Email, 6 Apr 2012
Clare Fenwick, Extreme Martial Arts Club Woy Woy



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College competes in girls' rugby sevens

Brisbane Water Secondary College students competed in the Secondary School Rugby Sevens Girls Festival held on Wednesday, April 10, at Sir Joseph Banks Oval in Bateau Bay.

The College's under-16 team won the CJ Morgan Cup while the under-18s team was runner-up to Terrigal High School.

The under-16 team will now travel to Forster on Tuesday, September 17, to contest the Under-16 Girls Secondary School Sevens Regional Championship while the College's under-18 team will progress to the Regional Under-18s Secondary School Sevens Championships in Newcastle on Tuesday, June 11.

Finalists in the competition on Tuesday, June 11, will have the opportunity to play the curtain-raiser to the British and Irish Lions versus Combined Country at Newcastle Stadium that evening.

The Secondary School Rugby Sevens Girls Festival is contested throughout NSW in under-14, under-16 and under-18 age divisions.

The event was run as a Train and Play model with all girls working on their tackle and tackle contest skills ensuring the safety and wellbeing of the participants.

For many, this was their first experience of rugby union, so the

event provided an opportunity for the sport to show off its Olympic pathway to the next generation of future sporting stars.

The under-18 event was named after Tobie McGann who, as an ex-Wallaroo and National Sevens player, won World Cups for Australia.

Tobie attended Kincumber High and started her rugby career on the Coast with Avoca Beach Rugby Club when the women's competition was in operation.

The under-16 event was named after Cobie-Jane Morgan who is a current member of the Australian Women's Sevens team.

Ex-Wallaroo Paige Butcher attended the Festival and presented the cups to the winning captains.

"What a great day and seeing so many highly skilled young ladies participating in rugby shows the future of the sport is in good hands," said Paige.

"From what I have seen today I am sure there will be a few players here who, if they work hard, will have the opportunity to maybe one day represent Australia in rugby at the Olympic Games," she said.

**Media Release, 12 Apr 2013
Michael Magriplis,
Australian Rugby Union**



Brisbane Water Secondary College under - 16s team

Equipment wanted

Ettalong Public School is seeking play and art equipment for its two playground programs.

Good quality toys, games, coloured paper or craft items are required.

Anyone wishing to donate items should leave them at the school office.

**Newsletter, 12 Mar 2013
Lyn Davis, Umina
Public School**

Students from Umina Public School have competed in the inaugural Southern Central Coast Zone Swimming Carnival held on Tuesday, March 12, at the Peninsula Leisure Centre.

Students that competed were Joseph Gilchrist, Jamie Bickel, Talen Green, Jessie O'Neill-Pethebridge, Kai Darwin, Archie Crooks, Thomas Wilson, Lachlan Braddish, Mitchell Brady, Darcy Coleman, Jack Wilson, Kelley Kimber, Tom Herbert, Levi Smith, Aiden Coleman, Corey Ricaud, Josh Kirby, Bill Branton, Jackson Austin, Lachlan McLeod, Davara

Marshall, Maia Darwin, Scarlett Crooks, Daisy Duiguid, Bethwyn Caller, Kiara Jack, Sienna Rawlings, Ella Harrington, Kirsten Miller, Aria Chapman, Emily Downs, Hannah Murphy, Casey

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**Newsletter, 5 Mar 2013
Lyn Davis, Umina Public School**

Swimmers compete



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Win rounds off successful season

It was a case of third time lucky when Killcare Surf Club's Women's Beach Relay team won the final of the event at the Australian Championships at North Kirra in Queensland this month.

Narrow runners-up on the past two occasions in the national event, Tegan Spackman, Laura Washington, Michaela Hofer and Leah Fotofili, registered their first-ever triumph in the 140 years (combined ages) Masters category.

Overall, the Killcare club gained six medals following the gold to the women's relay team.

Michaela Hofer also won gold in the women's 35 to 39 years beach flags and silver in the women's 35 to 39 years beach sprint while Tegan Spackman placed second in the women's 35 to 39 years beach flags and third in the women's 35 to 39 years beach sprint and Joel Maybury won bronze in the men's 35 to 39 years beach sprint.

"The national event rounded off a highly successful season for the highly respected Central Coast club after sterling Masters performances throughout a



Tegan Spackman, Laura Washington, John Bourne (club coach), Michaela Hofer and Leah Fotofili.

testing calendar which embraced a network of East Coast, Branch, State, World and National events," said Killcare Surf Club publicity officer Mr Allan Wilson.

"Killcare's solid season in the

campaigns drew comparisons with those of the years gone by with club coach John Bourne who has been involved in this capacity on a regular basis for almost 20 years, declaring that 'the best is

yet to come'.

Mr Bourne said: "We are delighted with the wonderful depth of talent which exists in our club, performance-wise, and our increasing membership ranks

justify the upsurge in interest where public safety on our beach is of major importance."

Media Release, 23 Apr 2013
Allan Wilson, Killcare Surf Club

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Students participate in new swimming zone

A selected number of Woy Woy South Public School students participated in the first swimming carnival held under the new PSSA banner of Southern Central Coast Zone on Friday, March 15.

Charlie Polson was named the 11 years boys champion after he placed first in the 11 years boys butterfly, first in the 11 years boys freestyle, second in the 11 years boys backstroke and third in the senior boys medley.

Izabella McBurney placed second in the nine years girls freestyle while James Walker placed third in the 11 years boys butterfly and Kayla Hinwood placed third in the senior girls breaststroke and backstroke.

"From all reports, the standard of swimmers competing in events was well above the previous standard seen at the Woy Woy zone carnivals when only seven schools were involved," said Woy Woy South principal Mr Terry Greedy.

"Primary school sport is organised to identify students who can perform at an elite level.

"With reorganisation of the PSSA boundaries, our students will now be exposed to competition against better competitors than was the case previously and, over time, this will no doubt push them to raise their performance," said Mr Greedy.

Newsletter, 19 Mar 2013
Terry Greedy, Woy Woy South Public School

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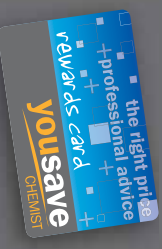
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