



A previous Oyster Festival at Ettalong Beach

Council agrees to sponsor Oyster Festival again

Gosford Council has agreed to sponsor the Brisbane Water Oyster Festival on a sliding scale model of \$10,000 in year one and reduce the funding by \$2500 per year over a four year period.

This follows a review of the

2012 festival, which considered possibilities to make the festival financially self-sustaining.

The Brisbane Water Oyster Festival and Blessing of the Fleet was established in 2000 by the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce to show off the Peninsula, local oyster farming and the professional Fisherman's Association.

Gosford Council has supported the Brisbane Water Oyster Festival for a number of years providing in-kind and financial support.

Council's support in past years has been \$5000 annually.

In 2008 there was a one off sponsorship of \$10,000, plus the in-kind at a cost of approximately \$2000.

Last year, Council also chose to sponsor the festival for \$10,000.

As part of the agreement for the 2012 festival, a post report was received and presented to Council on February 26 this year.

Following discussions between Council staff and the organisers of the event, it was determined that for the Brisbane Water Oyster

Festival to become sustainable in the future, ongoing funding would be required to facilitate this process.

**Gosford Council Agenda
GEN.7, 6 Aug 2013
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Reference panel appointed to review Patonga plan

A Community Reference Panel has been established to review the Draft Plan of Management for various Crown lands at Patonga.

NSW deputy premier Mr Andrew Stoner has said the NSW Trade and Investment Crown Lands department and Gosford Council would work together with the Patonga Beach Progress

Association and the community to review the plan.

"This follows the exhibition of the Draft Plan and a total of 236 submissions from the community," Mr Stoner said.

"There were a number of unanticipated and contentious issues in the draft plan that will require further consideration to resolve.

"I am sure these can be resolved through the Community Reference Panel process."

Member for Gosford Mr Chris Holstein said the community was asked to nominate two representatives for the panel.

Local residents Mr Mark Zwan and Mr Dain Simpson were subsequently elected.

"Paul Burgess has been

nominated as the reserve community member, while Andrew Minto and Phillip Doughty will represent the Patonga Beach Progress Association," Mr Holstein said.

"The terms of reference for the Community Reference Panel have been reviewed by all the members and finalised for the coming meetings.

"The panel will meet from August for up to six months with the role of advising Crown Lands and Council on issues raised by the community."

The first meeting of the panel was scheduled for Thursday, August 15.

**Media release, 14 Aug 2013,
Blake Hardy, Office of
Andrew Stoner MP**

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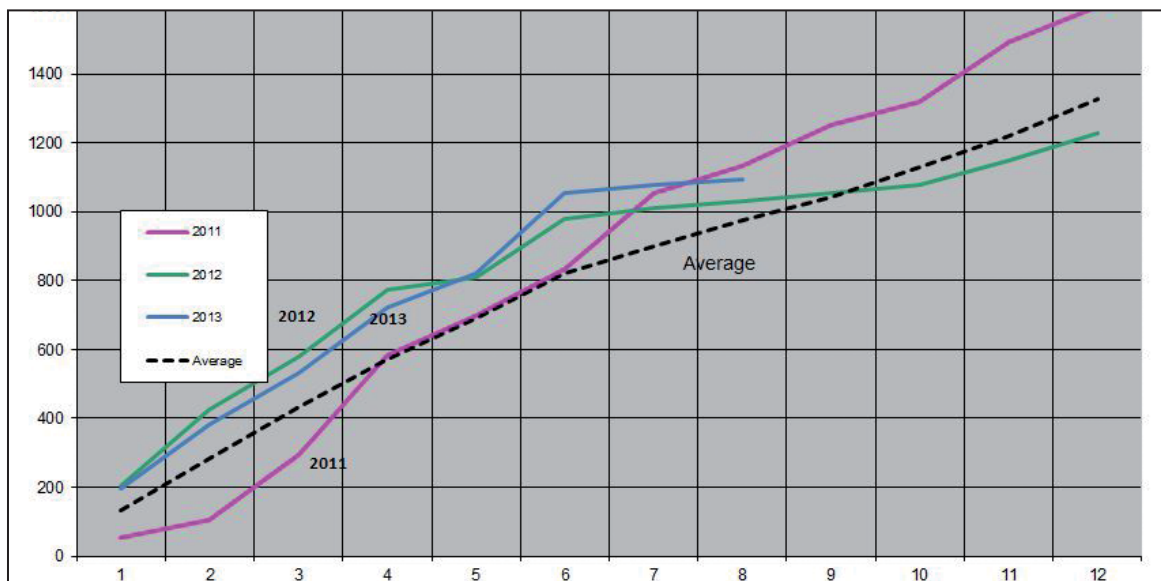
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Low rainfall for August

Only 13.3mm of rain have fallen on the Peninsula in the first half of the month, according to Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

The figure, recorded at 9am on Friday, August 16, is less than 20 per cent of the monthly average for August.

Despite this, the cumulative total for the year stands at 1092mm, which is 11.9 per cent above the average figure at the end of August.

Temperatures this month have ranged between an overnight low of 6.7 degrees on August 16 and a high of 24.6 on August 12, according to local weather website www.peninsulaweather.info.

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The highest minimum of 12.8 degrees was recorded on August 7 and the lowest maximum of 13.9 on August 9.

Highest wind gust was 30.2 km/h recorded on August 12.

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Kaitlin Watts, 16 Aug 2013

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New asbestos procedures at Woy Woy tip

A new procedure for the safe disposal of asbestos at the Woy Woy tip has been introduced by Gosford Council.

The changes include double wrapping the waste in 200 micron (plastic), sealing with waterproof tape and packaging the waste in smaller sizes to prevent rupturing.

Customer appointments for asbestos disposal are also requested to be made 24 hours in advance to ensure ease and efficiency at the landfill site.

Gosford Council's acting manager waste and emergency services Mr Glen Pestell said the changes reflected council's ongoing commitment to public health and safety.

"As most people are well aware, asbestos is a highly dangerous product that can have fatal consequences if handled inappropriately.

"For this reason, council has introduced a new, improved procedure incorporating changes

designed to make the process more streamlined and efficient.

"We are encouraging everyone to be vigilant about the correct disposal of this type of waste, not only for their own safety but also the wider community," Mr Pestell said.

On the back of this new procedure, Council rangers will be cracking down on illegal dumping with significant penalties including fines and potential legal action for those who do not comply.

Woy Woy Landfill is the only waste disposal centre where the public can legally dispose of asbestos waste in the Gosford LGA.

Its hours of operation are Monday to Friday 7am to 4pm and weekends between 8am and 3pm.

For more information about asbestos disposal, phone the Woy Woy Landfill on 4342 5255 or visit www.gosford.nsw.gov.au/waste_services.

**Media release, 15 Aug 2013
Glen Pestell, Gosford Council**



Hunter Institute of TAFE representative Mr Phil Cox, Gosford mayor Cr Lawrie McKinna, Department of Broadband representative Ms Sharon Bird, Member for Robertson Ms Deborah O'Neill, Central Coast Broadband Infrastructure Group chairman Mr Dave Abrahams and Point Frederick resident Mr Bruce Eikelman who has connected to the NBN

NBN work to start soon, says broadband chairman

Construction of National Broadband Network infrastructure is likely to start shortly, according to Central Coast Broadband Infrastructure Group chairman Mr Dave Abrahams.

The construction phase for the NBN will begin in northern Woy Woy in the coming months, he said.

Regional Development Australia Central Coast CEO Mr Andrew Roach said: "Growing the digital economy has become

a successful focus for our organisation thanks to leadership from our Chair (Mr Abrahams) and support from the Board."

"Unquestionably, this business transition funding will benefit our regional economy in such a variety of applications."

Mr Abrahams said: "The Central Coast is well and truly on the National agenda and is leading the way in a number of projects, approximately 80 per cent of Central Coast premises are on the published maps.

"Almost 100 per cent of the Peninsula is on the current NBN

Co published maps.

"This is an incredibly important investment success that will drive much more than most regions in the country," said Mr Abrahams.

The Central Coast Broadband Infrastructure Group meets periodically to discuss matters around the NBN rollout and other technological developments across a variety of leveraged industries.

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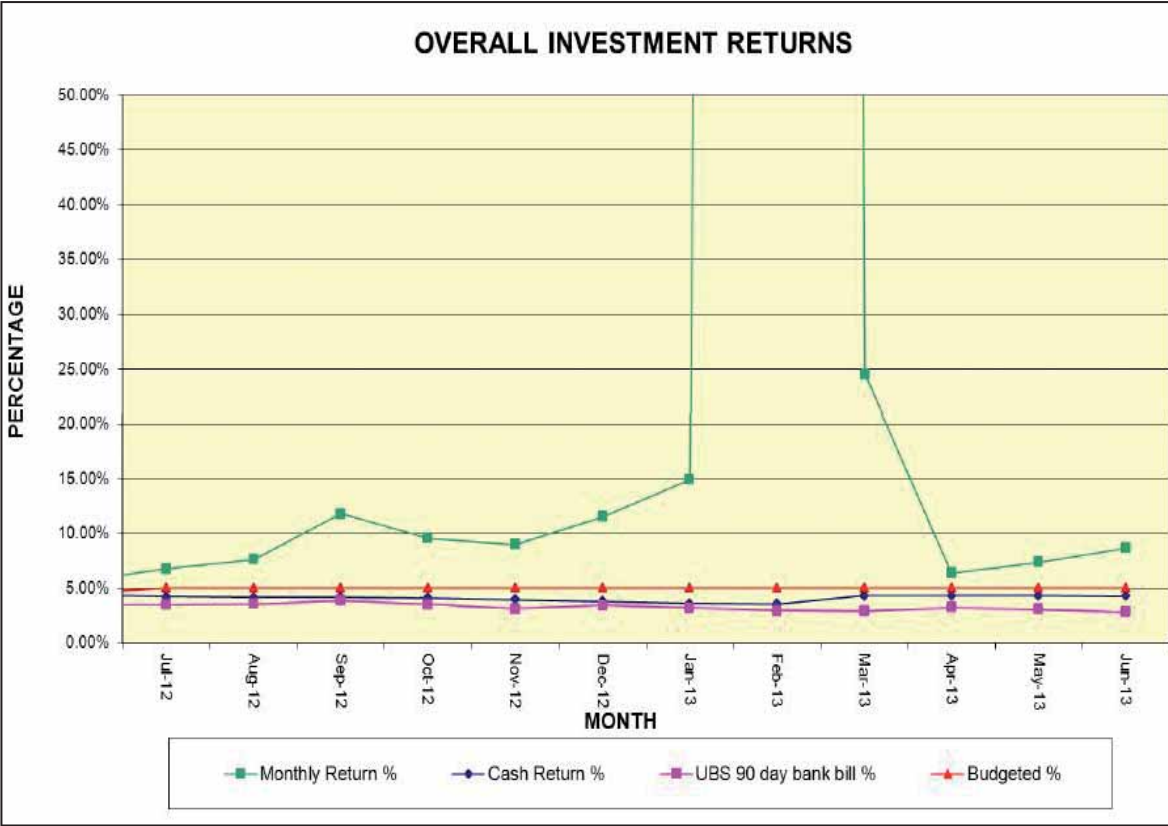
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The gap between the face value and the market value of Gosford Council's investments continues to narrow, according to a report presented to the council meeting of Tuesday, August 6.

The report stated that as at June 30 this year, council's investment portfolio had a current market valuation of \$108,766,229, against

the "hold to maturity" value (face value) of \$116,088,921.

All of council's nine structured securities showed an increase in their market value.

The net market value increase for the period was \$141,600.

Council's investment portfolio return also outperformed the bank bill index benchmark during the month at 8.70 per cent per annum versus 2.83 per cent per annum.

Its portfolio is expected to return above benchmark returns if there are no further credit events within its CDO portfolio.

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Heritage forums to seek residents' views

Gosford Council will hold a series of community heritage forums designed to help review the current list of heritage items located in Gosford City.

Peninsula residents are invited to attend one of the forums to provide comment on heritage places they feel are of value to the community.

The Ettalong senior citizens' centre will host a forum from 10am on Saturday, August 17.

Another forum will be held at the Patonga Community Hall from 2:30pm on Sunday, August 25.

The forums are part of a community based heritage study

to identify items of heritage significance within the Gosford LGA.

They will also recommend ways to manage and conserve these items in the future.

To view a provisional list of heritage items in the Gosford local government area, visit www.gosford.nsw.gov.au/community/heritage/heritage-1.

For more information on the forums, contact Heritage Program co-ordinator Ms Rebecca Cardy on 4325 8869 or rebecca.cardy@gosford.nsw.gov.au.

Media release, 13 Aug 2013, Rebecca Cardy, Gosford Council

Drug charge follows police station trespass

A 32-year-old Umina man was arrested for shoplifting and possessing drugs, after being found trespassing at Woy Woy police station.

Police found the man on Wednesday, August 14 in the rear compound area of Woy Woy Police Station where he was observed looking into police vehicles and stumbling around.

He was placed under arrest and questioned about trespassing on police property.

A check of the compound located a black wallet and a resealable plastic bag containing suspected cannabis and a bottle of alcohol, allegedly stolen from a nearby liquor outlet shortly beforehand.

Police found the man had

apparently defecated between two vehicles.

The man appeared to be affected by alcohol or drugs, was slurring his speech, struggling to walk unassisted and had difficulty responding to police.

He was taken to Gosford Police Station where it was discovered that some clothing worn by the man may also have been stolen.

Police also reviewed the Woy Woy Police Station CCTV.

He was subsequently charged with shoplifting, offensive behaviour, possession of a prohibited drug, and possession of stolen goods.

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Let the contest begin!

The September 7 election draw for Robertson was held on Friday, August 16, in Gosford.
The draw determines the order of the candidates on the

ballot paper.
Nine nominations were received by close of nominations on Thursday, August 15.
Independent Mr Jake Cassar will appear as number one

on the ballot paper, followed by Democratic Labour Party's Mr Paul Sheeran, Liberal candidate Ms Lucy Wicks, Palmer United Party candidate Mr Steven Whitaker, Christian

Democratic Party candidate Ms Holly Beecham, Team Central Coast candidate Mr Lawrie McKinna, Central Coast Greens' Ms Kate da Costa, Australian Independents Party candidate




Mr Douglas McFarland and current Member for Robertson Labor's Deborah O'Neill will be ninth on the ballot.
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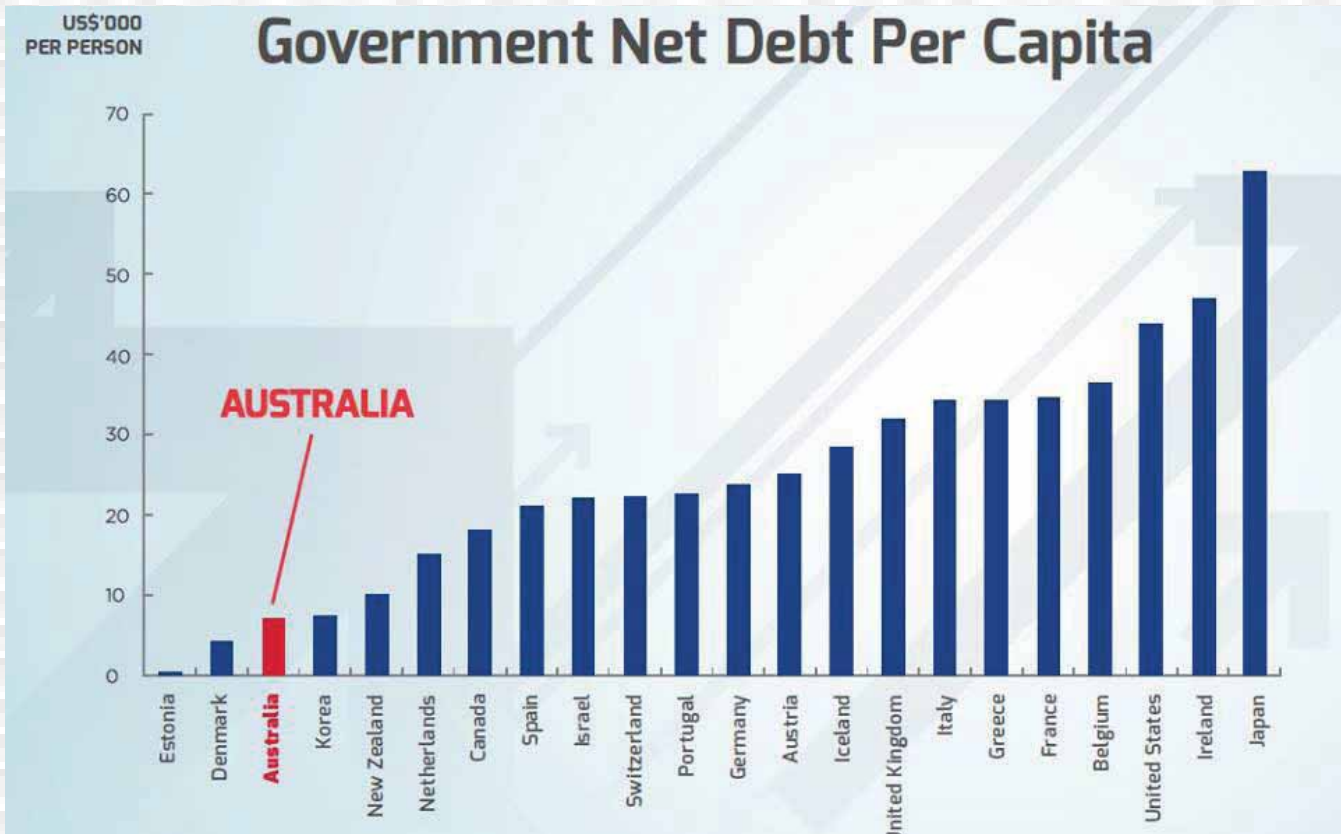
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Masterplan is master disaster

Mayor, I take it that your answer to my request for a public meeting about the proposed new grandstand at Woy Woy Oval is no.

What a shame.

If the plan is so great why are you so loathe to publicly demonstrate its virtues and give others a chance to have a say?

Perhaps it's because it's not actually all that great after all.

The condemned grandstand incorporated a ticket booth and ground entry, toilets, change rooms for both teams, referee's room, announcer's box and a canteen.

Under your Masterplan, these are all to be separate structures.

This, you explain, would allow a phased implementation.

The problem I have with that is, which buildings will be completed in phase one, and which in other phases?

Are we to have a facility with no toilets or one with no changing rooms?

But wait a minute, why are all these separate buildings at all?

Why are they not an integral part of our brand new grandstand?

It's because there is no grandstand.

There is only tiered seating.

With a budget exceeding \$8 million, we are to get a few raised seats with inadequate views at a cost of around \$14,000 each.

This few rows of concrete could, with a bit a clever designing, be made off-site in pre-cast sections and installed in a week.

I observe in the budget released in March there is a provision of \$50,000 for field relocation.

I am yet to see justification for moving the field.

Being that as it may, moving it closer to the existing tennis courts will surely endanger users of that facility and the removal of the trees at the northern end, to include grass mound seating, would result in many goal kicks bouncing off

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windcreens in the car park.

I am also wondering if this provision includes moving the four lighting towers?

With parking in Woy Woy already at a premium, the plan removes the 50 spaces adjacent to the oval.

A nice little grassed area may well be the beginning of the creation of a vibrant and accessible community hub but I wonder if the users of the proposed medical health office would prefer to be able to park almost at the door or have to push their walker a hundred yards through the pot-holed car park behind the pub?

The Masterplan is a master disaster.

We had a very adequate grandstand incorporating all the necessary facilities for officials, players and most importantly spectators.

This proposal will require enormous initial expense, excessive on-going maintenance costs, which Council has proven doesn't happen, just look at the present scoreboard, and is a retrograde step for all the users.

If I may mix a few metaphors, you are hanging your hat on a white elephant which will come back to bite you.

Email, 10 Aug 2013
Fred Charles, Woy Woy

Masterplan should include connections with town centre

It was with joy that I read about the planned upgrade for our Woy Woy Oval.

But I think that the "oval masterplan" should incorporate some improvements in the town's centre as well.

When I moved to Woy Woy last year, I was pleasantly surprised to find a vibrant and busy town centre.

Unfortunately, I also found a dismal connection within the town centre.

The waterfront and Gnostic Corner are nice places to be and are tourist attractions, but visitors rarely walk further up the street.

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There are no good connections to the rest of the town.

There are only some walkways between and in the rear of old buildings.

To get people walking into town, there needs to be an easy and pleasant connection.

The new oval development might address some of that but is still on one side of the town.

Another main walkway to the Deepwater Plaza goes via a dreary wooden fenced-off path along the Westpac Bank and then through

three crossings inside their car park. Where is the pedestrian dignity in that?

Woy Woy is not on the waterfront only.

There needs to be a central open plaza along Blackwall Rd, where we can rest (and not on the Library's walls) in the shade.

Wow Woy does need to be invigorated like other places.

We only need some better connections and lots of beautification to our vibrant town.

I think we deserve it.

Letter, 31 July 2013

Johanna Reygersberg, Woy Woy

More forum on Page 12

Rudd still ignores expense

Kevin Rudd calling the federal election a week earlier than Julia Gillard's announced date of September 14 will cost this country at least \$20 million and probably more, because the scheduled referendum on whether local government should be formally recognised in the Australian constitution has now had to be abandoned.

Apparently, due to constitutional constraints, September 14 was the earliest such a referendum could be staged.

Local councils throughout Australia, including Gosford, collectively contributed at least \$10 million dollars of their ratepayer's funds towards the cost of the referendum.

Rudd now says that if he is elected the referendum will be held separately at some time in the future which is estimated would cost at least \$40 million dollars.

The question is: Did Mr Rudd understand the referendum would have to be aborted when he made his hasty decision to call the election a week earlier than previously planned or did it simply not occur to him and his party or conversely did they simply not care?

From watching Mr Rudd being interviewed on the Saturday, when he seemed to be rather nonchalant as to when the election would be called, to witnessing his

referendum was simply sacrificed for political expediency.

It seems that Mr Rudd's penchant for ignoring expense has not changed.

Email, 6 Aug 2013

Vic Jefferies, St Huberts Island

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hurried return to Canberra from Brisbane on the Sunday and his unseemly haste in announcing the election, it became clear something rapidly changed his mind and the

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Support sought for Patonga plan concerns

The Patonga Progress Association has met with Member for Robertson Ms Deborah O'Neill seeking support for community concerns about the Draft Crown Lands Plan of Management for the area.

Ms O'Neill attended an association meeting on Saturday, August 3, where the committee working on the plan reported on progress towards a review of the plan.

The meeting was told that

two Progress Association representatives and two elected community representatives would work with Lands NSW and Gosford Council on a Community Reference Panel to review the Draft Plan.

The Progress Association representatives are Mr Phillip Doughty and Mr Andrew Minto and the community representatives are Mr Dain Simpson and Mr Mark Zwan, with Mr Paul Burgess as reserve.

The meeting unanimously endorsed the goals which the

Association's representatives will seek to achieve through the review panel meetings.

These are to defend and maintain the beauty and charm of Patonga as a fishing village with history, address issues of parking, traffic and safety, prevent expansion and commercialisation of the Patonga caravan and camping area, retain the tennis courts in their present location, oppose parking on Eve Williams Memorial Oval and retain Patonga Creek-Water Access Only Residents Parking Spaces.

Other matters discussed at the

meeting were the identification of maintenance requirements for the Patonga War Memorial which was built by the community and dedicated in 1948, notification of Gosford Council's Community Heritage forum to be held at the Patonga Hall on Sunday, August 25, the lack of maintenance and generally poor state of Patonga Dr with several residents reporting having tyre blowouts due to the large potholes and the upcoming fundraising barbecue to be held at Bunnings Umina on Saturday, August 31.

Also mentioned at the meeting was the fact that artist Jocelyn Maughan of the Patonga Bakehouse Gallery is taking orders for her limited edition 2014 calendars featuring prints of her paintings Fishermen of Patonga.

The calendars can be purchased for \$20 with profits going to the Plan of Management Fighting Fund.

To order a calendar, phone Jocelyn on 4379 1102.

Media release, 15 Aug 2013
Joyce Chambers, Patonga Beach Progress Association

Police arrest 80-year-old woman for supplying drugs

An 80-year-old Umina woman has been charged with supplying cannabis as part of an on-going police operation on the Central Coast.

Investigators attached to Brisbane Water Local Area Command established Operation Hulk five months ago to investigate the supply of illicit drugs.

Police executed a search warrant at the woman's Gallipoli Ave home at about 8:15am on Wednesday, August 7.

Officers allegedly located an amount of cash and hydroponic equipment at the residence and spoke with the 80-year-old woman at the location.

Following further inquiries, the woman was charged on Wednesday, August 14, with supplying a prohibited drug (cannabis).

She was issued a notice to appear before Woy Woy Local Court on Tuesday, October 22.

This is the third arrest for the Operation, with two men also charged on Wednesday, August

7, with a number of drug related offences.

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Election

Mayor to run for Robertson

Gosford mayor Lawrie McKinna will run as an independent candidate for the seat of Robertson in the September 7 federal election.

Mr McKinna said he believed the Central Coast had been overlooked by Labor and the Coalition for far too long.

He said he would seek to draw attention to and action on the neglected needs of the people of the Central Coast.

Mr McKinna said he had been "closely aligned" with the Central Coast for the past nine years as coach and ambassador of A-League Premiers Central Coast Mariners.

Former International test cricketer Nathan Bracken will run with Mr McKinna in Team Central Coast. He will contest the seat of Dobell.

Team Central Coast is being funded by businessman Mr John Singleton.

Mr Singleton, who has been a rate payer on the Central Coast for over 60 years, said he was funding the campaign because he believed



that the residents of the Central Coast have been forgotten by both major parties during his entire life time.

"Of course, in a federal election, we expected representatives of the major parties to be focused primarily on federal-national

issues," Mr Singleton said.

"That is as it should be.

"But it is surely not unreasonable for the people of the Central Coast to also expect from candidates who seek to represent us in Canberra, recognition of the major challenges and opportunities our region faces and a genuine commitment to doing something about them.

"The Central Coast opportunity is right now lost on both major parties.

"Our population lives in a depressing present and is faced with a limited future, only because of lack of leadership.

"I know something has to be done before the Central Coast becomes a lost and forgotten opportunity.

"I realise the odds are against our winning either of the seats we are contesting.

"But we will have succeeded if the major parties understand that your votes, and our candidates' preferences, will go to them only if they can demonstrate a real commitment to the future of the Central Coast.

"I stand to gain no more and no less from my actions than any other resident of the Central Coast which I believe has more, or as many, natural assets than anywhere in Australia."

Mr Singleton said that his researcher, Mr Ian Woolcott of Woolcott Research, has reinforced his disillusionment with the political situation on the Central Coast, with studies in both seats showing over 90 per cent of voters are tired of being continually forgotten.

The research also showed that 43 per cent of voters in the seat of Robertson would select Liberal candidate Ms Lucy Wicks as their first preference for their federal member.

Labor candidate Ms Deborah O'Neill came in second, with 33 per cent of voters indicating she would be their first preference.

Mr McKinna would receive 10 per cent of the first preference vote and nine per cent would select Kate da Costa from Central Coast Greens as their first preference.

Mr Singleton's Central Coast interests include his family holiday home at Killcare; Bells at Killcare Resort; Manfredi at Bells; Pretty Beach House; Bells Beach House; Strawberry Hill Stud; and the Bluetongue Brewery at Warnervale.

Media release, 12 Aug 2013, Monique Marks, Team Central Coast

Wicks promises more CCTV

More closed circuit television cameras will be installed in Woy Woy, Umina and Ettalong if the Liberal candidate for Robertson Ms Lucy gets her way.

"I have been working closely with the police, council, chambers of commerce and community groups on this for months," said Ms Wicks.

"CCTV plays a vital role in helping solve crimes like theft and

graffiti, as well as tackling anti-social behaviour.

"The funding for additional cameras on the Peninsula will enhance operations in the area," she said.

The Peninsula cameras would be funded as part of a \$680,000 commitment to the Robertson electorate under the Coalition's Safer Streets Communities Grants program.

Media release, 14 Aug 2013 Mary Doherty, Office of Lucy Wicks



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You can be justifiably proud of the time and effort you all put in.

Sadly, we realise there will always be a need for community-minded folks like you to contribute to these tasks.

If you ever consider doing more of this, could we suggest the corner of Brisbane Water at Tascott railway station.

Forum

Over the past years, there has been quite a build-up of the regular plastic debris plus a dozen or more baskets washed in from oyster leases.

We sent a letter and photos to both the Maritime Department and the Council three months ago with no action on their parts so far.

We had cleared this corner ourselves a few times 10 or so years back, but it is well beyond us now.

Keep up the good work.

Email, 7 Aug 2013

Neil and Linda Bradley, Tascott

Proper planning gives people a valid say

Bruce Hyland (Peninsula News, August 5) always writes thoughtful and precise letters, the last one being about the White Paper on planning and development.

Might I say, in regard to community input for development, the germination seemed to be in the 1960s and 70s and flowering

occurred in the 1980s with the Wran Labor government.

This was before concerned citizens were horrified at the bulldozer mentality of everything worthwhile and the mantra of anything goes in regard to development.

The state government was supreme and rode roughshod over local councils and communities.

When proper planning laws were established, plus the Environment Court, it then gave councils and the people a valid say in regard to development.

Letter, 12 Aug 2013,
Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

Forum

All about ego, corruption and expediency

The NSW Labor machine, often called "the faceless men", has over the years produced many talented people who have turned this organisation, the NSW Branch of the ALP, into a first-rate electioneering machine.

In days of yore, their main aim

was to develop laws to benefit the working class.

Alas, in recent years, it's all about power and the perks of office.

In regional NSW, a host of activists worked hard to return Labor governments, when ideals

and policies were paramount.

The policies were fair and just working conditions, Australian enterprise and infrastructure, health for all, good environment, heritage education legislation, etc.

Today it seems to be all about ego, corruption and expediency.

Letter, 15 July 2013
Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

Forum

Ugly clown gives the finger

As I drive down Ocean Beach Rd towards McUmina I am now insulted by an ugly American clown.

This ugly American clown appears to be giving me the (rude)

finger.

The sign in front of the new two lane drive through take away facility clearly states that I can drive through "any lane anytime".

In my opinion "anytime" indicates a 24-hour operation.

Is the clown also giving the finger to Gosford Council which authorised limited trading hours?

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Those five wrongful deaths of the extended Bragg and Holt families in a ditch at Piles Creek should not continue to be ignored!



Civic minded and extremely benevolent John Singleton, a "local" for over sixty years, has started late and missed the point, with his each way bet.

Half of his so called Team Central Coast, Gosford Mayor Lawrie McKinna, was exposed, by me in local papers, bringing the political process into disrepute during the Local Government Elections.

Along with other local political hopefuls, some of whom were experienced sitting Gosford councillors who should certainly have known better, they conducted their political campaigns outside the law by placing their "Vote for me" signage in places that were illegal to use.

Pursuant to The Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act 1912, Section 151 B, and The Local Government Act 1979, these self same councillors have now, on July 16, 2013, voted to change council policy D1.12 in a failed attempt to legitimise what they have done to get elected.

As for my specific complaint that started me on my long campaign, here is some background for new Central Coast residents and the occasional reader of any of the several Ducks Crossing Publications.

In 2001, Gosford City Council as a consent authority, accepted a development application 11923 / 2001 and published it for the ratepayers consideration.

That development application (DA) certainly was misleading in no small way, pursuant to the regulation of The Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.

As that DA denied in both the plan over view and accompanying statement of environmental effects (entry 14) the existence of my 1400 hundred square foot three bedroom residential house, with all its entitlements, it caused no end of grief.

Council and State politicians just turned a blind eye!

Over the years a stream of our elected representatives and all the Mayors of Gosford have ignored what I have identified in our local papers over many years as political sins against

the peoples committed by the consent authority and our political allsorts at State and Local government levels.

This is the same Consent Authority which is bullish in its insistence on accommodating property developers who want control of our foreshore land at Gosford.

I believe it would be naive to ignore vested influence at work.

Perhaps because we, the peoples, are finding our voices, thinking for ourselves and exercising our own votes, we have attracted attention.

We do have the power to shake the base of politics!

I have been told others have said, Edward James will never get rear lane access to his West Street property.

I no longer give a damn!

There are more important political issues which concern me.

When I stood up in 2001 to defend my father's rights to due process and natural justice, in the court of public opinion against a still insistently dysfunctional Gosford City Council, the sort of council which we all pay for, (Which last Friday ,9

August for example, wasted the magistrate's time as well as a considerable amount of rate payer's money, by bringing a three year old simple court case to the magistrate's court two and a half years too late, only to have it thrown out!), I found myself in a position to see there are many people being disenfranchised by those very people like Mayor McKinna who we have already given our votes to in trust!

I encourage my readers to continue to exercise their own votes to good effect by numbering all the boxes below the line.

On the Senate paper, number 1 to the candidate of their choice and just as important the candidate you would like to see kicked right out of Parliament and into the street, last.

I can't understand why someone would resolve to give their vote to independents Mayor of Gosford, Lawrie McKinna and Nathan Bracken when they have told us they will redirect your votes to the candidate of their choice.

Please exercise your own vote, direct your own preferences, you may identify

who you want first and who you want last and everyone in between.

Remember, the value you put on your vote, is the value you put on yourself.

Please don't give your vote to someone else for them to exercise.

Mayor McKinna, your Gosford City Council has been the most complained about council far too many times.

To see you out there asking for voter support during a Federal election while you have glaring problems long over due to be addressed within your own Gosford council's governance doesn't make sense.

How can so many politicians, Local State and Federal like you, and their supporters read and take no political action, or chose to ignore the often published allegation that Gosford City Council misled the State Coroner during his inquiry into the deaths of five people at Piles Creek, Somersby?

Edward James. POB 3024 Umina 2257. 02 43419140

Oyster festival to be held again

The 13th annual Brisbane Water Oyster Festival will be held at Ettalong Beach on Sunday, November 10.

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce president Mr Matthew Wales said the Chamber had renewed its partnership with Gosford Council and the Ettalong Beach Club to run the festival this year.

Mr Wales said the festival brought thousands of visitors to the Peninsula, as well as other parts of the Central Coast and provided a "huge boost" for the local economy.

"It has also become a destination event which brings big tourist dollars to our area, supports local accommodation outlets and boosts local restaurants and cafes," Mr Wales said.

"Without our financial

partnerships with Gosford Council and the Ettalong Beach Club, the festival just wouldn't be happening.

"Sponsors are critical to the longevity and success of the event."

The Oyster Festival has been held annually at the Ettalong Beach waterfront on the second Sunday in November, at a time when local oysters are at their seasonal best.

"Entertainment will commence at 9:30am on the Sunday with the award winning band Jive Bombers," Mr Wales said.

"At 1pm, Ace Music Award winners Akinga will perform live on stage throughout the afternoon.

"Due to public demand, the famous 'How Many Oysters Can You Eat in 30 Seconds' competition will have two sessions, with each winner receiving a lunch for two cruising the Sydney Harbour.

"The festival will have over 100 stalls in the streets."

Mr Wales said there would also be a variety of food stalls on the day.

"Well known wine companies will present chilled wines from the Hunter Valley and cold ales will be available from the Ettalong Beach Club Beer Stall," Mr Wales said.

"Our Chamber puts in a lot of effort to present a first class food and wine festival to promote our local area and to showcase our beautiful waterways."

Media release, 13 Aug 2013,
Matthew Wales, Peninsula
Chamber of Commerce

Pink Day lunch

The Hardys Bay Annual Pink Day Luncheon will be held at Bells at Killcare on Friday, October 25, from 12pm.

The luncheon is organised by the Hardys Bay National Breast Cancer Committee and is being

held at Bells at Killcare for the first time this year.

Tickets are on sale for \$60 per person at Bells at Killcare and Wagstaffe Store.

Newsletter, 5 Aug 2013
Ian Bull, Wagstaffe to Killcare
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Education



Governor-General Quentin Bryce congratulating Raier Blakeney

Ettalong student meets Governor-General

Indigenous Year 12 boarding school student Raier Blakeney, from Ettalong, has been congratulated for her academic achievement by Governor-General Quentin Bryce, in a special ceremony

at Duntroon in Canberra on Friday, August 9.

The ceremony honoured 24 Year 12 Yalari scholars, including Ms Blakeney, for graduating from prestigious Australian boarding schools.

Ms Blakeney successfully completed Year 12 at St Hilda's, a leading boarding school on the

Gold Coast, thanks to a scholarship and pastoral care provided by Yalari.

Yalari is a not-for-profit indigenous education organisation, which supports 185 indigenous students around the country.

Media Release, 8 August 2013
Sally Higgins, Rowland

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Students plant new garden

Students of Woy Woy South Public School have helped plant a new garden on the eastern side of the school

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Principal Mr Terry Greedy said the Tree Planting Day activities transformed sections of the playground.

"Hopefully all trees planted will grow and we will end up with a beautiful garden along this section that can be enjoyed by all," said Mr Greedy.

Newsletter, 6 August 2013
Terry Greedy, Woy Woy South Public School



French culture shown at Umina campus

An organisation which promotes inter-cultural understanding has performed its show Les Batons Francais to students at Brisbane Water Secondary College, Umina campus, on Tuesday, August 13.

In the show Les Batons Francais, the organisation Cultural Infusion aims to take students on a comedic journey exploring French culture, people and places.

The performance comprised two comedians who use a number of theatrical styles to present their show, including French traditions

such as mime, puppetry, music and song.

The show is designed to be fun and zany while touching on French icons and literature such as la Tour Eiffel, Cyrano De Bergerac, the Three Musketeers, and the farcical style of Moliere.

The show is part of "a multi-disciplinary program utilising arts and cultural practitioners from diverse cultures as a primary communication tool to enhance the school curriculum".

Media Release, 13 August 2013
Eugenie Modeste,
Cultural Infusion

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Young songwriter is 'unearthed'

Bonnie Grace, a local songwriter who launched her career on the stage of the Gospel Gardens in Umina, has been featured on Triple J Unearthed.

Bonnie, who has been playing guitar for two years, piano for seven years and singing since she was little, said she "gets so inspired" when seeing artists play live.

She said her song lyrics are usually poetry that she has written.

"Every day my knowledge of guitar and piano are extending and my love for music grows,"

said Bonnie.

Bonnie said her original song "Draping Trees" had received good reviews on Triple J Unearthed in the High section.

The Gospel Garden Sanctuary has been available twice a week for almost two years for spontaneous music expression sessions.

"There are not many places that underage artists can perform," said Gospel Garden's Ms Gina Booth.

"It is so important for teens to be able to express themselves in their time, when they need to."

Email, 2 Aug 2013

Gina Booth, Gospel Garden

Restaurant hosts fundraiser for young artists

A Killcare restaurant will hold a special event on Sunday, November 3, to raise money for young talented artists.

Bouddi at Bells is being organised by Bells at Killcare and The Bouddi Society.

It will feature a host of celebrity entertainers and food by Bell's award winning restaurant Manfredi at Bells.

The fundraiser will feature Shakespearean actor-director John Bell, Rob Carlton, HG Nelson, Jane Caro, Adam Spencer, Graeme Blundell and

Anna Volska, with the afternoon including Shakespeare, opera and comedy.

There will also be a performances by Wendy Matthews, by internationally-renowned Encore Vocal Group and by the Central Coast Chamber Orchestra.

Bouddi at Bells will be the first of what is expected to be an annual event held by The Bouddi Arts Foundation in order to raise funds to support young talented artists reach their goals.

Media Release, 9 August 2013

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Appeal launched to buy former church

An appeal has been launched to buy the former Catholic church in Umina to make it available for community use.

A group of local residents, calling itself the United Arts and Cultural Voice Umina Inc, hopes to buy the Gospel Garden Sanctuary building in Umina.

Instigator Ms Gina Booth said that, in two years, "it has become the cultural and social hub of Umina Beach, a place to meet with others, watch a show, put on an exhibition, learn ukulele or meet celebrated authors at a book launch or just come to a sausage sizzle."

"It all happens at the Gospel Garden Sanctuary."

"Pubs and cafes are not enough if you want to create a healthy social environment, people need a place where they can engage in deep meaningful conversations, where beautiful friendships can be forged, family bonds strengthened and cultural identity expressed."

"The Gospel Garden Sanctuary allows this to occur in a safe and dynamic alcohol-free environment."

Ms Booth said the building was now under threat of redevelopment.

"Now, after two years in operation, the Gospel Garden Sanctuary faces its greatest test, keeping the bulldozers away."

"The owner of the building has advised us that he is lodging a DA to Gosford Council in order to sell



Barry Neilan, Gina Booth, Adrianna Wood, Dave Leckey, Annita Jo Haggard, JB Gunn and Jamie Lantine

the block to interested developers. "If that happens, the building will be torn down like everything else around it."

"This building is an integral part of the community's past, present and future."

"Tearing it down would be like amputating a perfectly good limb."

"It makes no sense at all and will cripple the community of Umina in an irreversible way."

"On the other hand, buying the building for Umina is a fair and equitable solution."

"It's a win-win proposition for the owner and Gosford Council because it would cost millions to

build a new social centre from the ground up to replace this existing building which is a hub of social inclusion."

"We see it as an opportunity to do something good and save money and lives at the same time"

"It's a perfect example of business community and council working together, no downsides, everybody wins."

"And isn't this what social inclusion, a policy adopted by Gosford Council, is all about?"

"Developers have gone mad it would seem with a licence to bulldoze everything that stands in their way."

"Profit is their only master."

"One would have to be sceptical that this is the best way forward for any community."

"The way we allow our community to be shaped is the way our community will forever shape us."

"Buying this building for Umina will ensure at least a part of our heritage stays with us into the future"

"It's an opportunity to invest in the people of Umina and preserve a valuable landmark building while making it relevant to the needs of today and the future," said Ms Booth.

The Gospel Garden Sanctuary was formed in July 2011, when Gina Booth, Danny DeMoreta, Greg Hoffman and Ace Alistar came up with the idea to renovate the Old Catholic Church for the purpose.

Since then, the Gospel Garden Sanctuary has become a place of music and social events for all the community.

"It's a place where people seeking friendship, social interaction or refuge will find it," said Ms Booth.

"We have had many people, young and old, say to us that the Gospel Garden Sanctuary has saved their lives."

"That is a huge compliment and a big responsibility that we don't take lightly."

"This old building was about to be torn down when we saw it, but we thought we could put it to good use again."

"Aside from its social value and the fact that it is the last standing historically and spiritually significant building in Umina, it has been given a new life and a new role in the Peninsula."

To join the United Arts & Cultural Voice Umina Inc, contact uacvumina@hotmail.com.au.

**Email, 15 Aug 2013
Gina Booth, Gospel
Garden Sanctuary**

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Entry opens for art challenge

Entry is open for the Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association's Inside the Square art challenge over the October long weekend.

The event challenges entrants to create a piece of art or craft which has in its title the word "time".

Examples of this might include "time flies", "time machine", "tea time" and "time line".

Entrants are able to use any medium they like but creations must sit inside the square of a provided canvas.

The canvas may be created to hang or sit flat on a table and watercolour, photography, sculptures or carvings can be attached to it.

Canvases, details and entry forms can be picked up from Bouddi Gallery and there is a maximum of two entries per person.

Finished canvases are to be delivered to Wagstaffe Hall on Friday, October 4, between 4pm and 6pm.

All works will be hung in the exhibition to be held on Saturday, October 5, and Sunday, October 6.

There will be three people's choice awards and a special under-12s prize.

All proceeds from the exhibition will go towards costs of the carving project.

Email, 13 Aug 2013,
Wagstaffe-Killcare
Community Association



Community arts project completed at Wagstaffe

A community arts project has been completed at Wagstaffe with three carved poles are now standing in a freshly landscaped garden beside the water at Wagstaffe Wharf.

"It was a long, slow but richly rewarding process and we all learned about the technique of carving, a lot about our own creativity and work ethic but most

of all how we worked so well as a community group," said carving group member Mr Terry Baker.

"The carving group is looking forward to having an official unveiling of the poles and a big celebration of our achievement on September 15.

"Hopefully many others from the local area and visitors will join us for this occasion," he said.

The project began a year ago

after a long-term local resident of Wagstaffe suggested that local people could create some artistic poles to greet visitors arriving by water.

The project was sponsored by the Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association and poles were supplied by Ausgrid.

Newsletter, 5 Aug 2013
Ian Bull, Wagstaffe to Killcare
Community Association


Jim Pike to perform at Troubadour

Jim Pike will perform as the guest artist at the next Troubadour Folk Club concert to be held on Saturday, August 24, from 7pm in the Woy Woy CWA Hall.

Mr Pike has worked in as a radio announcer and producer, TV presenter on Burke's Backyard, resident "Instant Poet" on the Midday Show, comedy writer, script writer and song writer.

He has come back to singing and performing again with lyrical tales of old towns and small lives, lost loves and found hope.

Email, 6 Aug 2013
Marilyn Russell, Troubadour





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Young residents remove waste

Local clean-up crusader Mr Graham Johnston has brought together some young local residents, through Youth Connections and The Croft, to remove waste from the foreshores of Woy Woy Bay and Paddys

Channel.

The task involved removing litter from Woy Woy Bay foreshores adjacent to the railway station, checking on isolated bays and inlets and cleaning up the Paddys Channel eastern foreshore.

"The clean-up day was Youth Connections first trip out together and the young clients were very keen to get in the water at Woy Woy Bay," said coordinator Mr Graham Johnston.

The railway station foreshore

presented a substantial amount of rubbish, with six large garbage bags being filled.

Waste, including several abandoned oyster products, was also removed from nearby mangroves near the railway bridge.

All bagged litter was taken to Kincumber and off-loaded into a bulk truck for proper disposal.

**Email, 5 August 2013
Graham Johnston,
MacMasters Beach**



Little Theatre launches social media presence

Woy Woy Little Theatre has launched a new social media network comprising a new look website, Facebook and Twitter pages.

The main thrust of the new look is the revamped Woy Woy Little Theatre website which had previously only listed past performances.

"Woy Woy Little Theatre is moving with the times and, in some ways, has run faster by offering a much more simplified way of keeping in touch with our existing and future audiences," said president Ms Barbara Hickey.

"We know our younger audience want information about our community theatre group at their fingertips and that's what our new website offers," said Ms Hickey.

The website features updated information about the next Woy Woy Little Theatre production *Competitive Tenderness*, a modern day Australian comedy that takes a stand against local government's new wave of streamlining the rates of local residents.

The 50-year-old theatre group's

2014 Subscription Season is listed on the new website, together with information of their next play reading night and a new Retrospective page where Woy Woy Little Theatre looks back at previous shows.

This month the Retrospective page will feature the 2006 production *Pack of Lies*, directed by Mary Middleton.

"Next month's offering will be one of the first plays Woy Woy Little Theatre presented some 50 years ago," said Ms Hickey.

"While we're very excited about the new look website as well as the Facebook and Twitter connections, Woy Woy Little Theatre always recognise and appreciate the support of our major local newsprint media, the Peninsula News, which has always been 100 per cent supportive of our little theatre company," said Ms Hickey.

Woy Woy Little Theatre's website address is woywoylt.com.au.

**Media release, 14 Aug 2013
David Wicks, Woy
Woy Little Theatre**

Pretty Beach holds Seaside Fair

Pretty Beach Public School will hold a Seaside Fair on Sunday, September 15, from 9am until 3pm.

Live entertainment will be provided all day, with a wide array of acts set to perform.

Activities will include learning about indigenous art and culture, children's drama workshops and the opportunity to climb aboard the local fire truck.

Food will include authentic paella, a barbecue, homemade cakes and fairy floss.

A petting zoo, sideshows, a bungee trampoline, a jumping castle, face painting, chocolate wheel and celebrity auction will be among the other attractions.

Ride tickets can be pre-purchased from Wagstaffe Store,

Killcare Cellars or Pretty Beach Public School.

To take advantage of a 10 per cent discount, tickets must be purchased by Friday, September 13.

**Newsletter, 8 Aug 2013,
Deborah Callender, Pretty
Beach Public School**



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Mary Mac's holds arts and crafts show

Woy Woy's Mary Mac's Place will hold an art and craft show and fashion parade in September.

The art show will be held on Saturday, September 21, from 2pm until 7pm and Sunday, September 22, from 10am until 2pm.

Works by members of the Ettalong Beach Art and Craft Centre will be available to purchase on these days and the Rotary Club will also provide a sausage sizzle.

Fashions from the Victoria Black Boutique will be showcased from 7pm on Saturday, September 21,.

Tickets for the fashion parade are \$15 and there will be wine and nibbles.

The events will all be held at 100 Blackwall Rd Woy Woy, to raise money for the Mary Mac's Place service.

The service helps people in need in the area by serving a nutritious hot lunch each week day and through providing referrals to other local services.

For more information, contact Mary Mac's Place on 4341 0584.

**Media release, 7 Aug 2013,
Christine Burge, Mary Mac's Place**



Outsiders join clean-up program

Volunteers from outside the Peninsula have started helping clean up local waterways, in efforts co-ordinated by Mr Graham Johnstone of MacMasters Beach.

Ten volunteers from North Gosford Learning Centre assisted in the clean-up of Daleys Point and the Empire Bay Channel on Wednesday, August 14.

The bay south of the Rip Bridge saw a large amount of litter removed with five full bags filled with plastic bottles and pieces of

plastic.

The foreshore south of the bay saw two tyres retrieved and one full bag of rubbish.

The small Island at the end of Empire Bay Channel, which was partly completed last month, was completely cleaned.

Plastic bottles, food packaging and beer bottles were collected with five full bags filled.

All bags and tyres were transferred to Woy Woy Tip weighing in at 140kg.

**Email, 14 Aug 2013
Graham Johnstone,
MacMasters Beach**

Guides celebrate fifth birthday

Blackwall District Girl Guides celebrated its fifth birthday on Monday, July 22.

Past and present members, leaders and helpers came together with celebrations including the cutting of a cake.

The event was attended by Ted Crawley, Don Tee and Susan Tee who represented the Woy Woy Rotary Club.

Liberal candidate for Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks also attended as a representative for Member for Gosford Mr Chris Holstein who is a local Guiding ambassador.

After a forced closure due to lack of leaders, the Guide Unit was re-opened in 2008 to girls aged six to 10 years.

Since then a new unit has opened to girls aged 10 to 14

years.

"Our units are growing all the time," said Blackwall District Girl Guides Support Group chairperson Ms Belinda Player.

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**Media Release, 12 August 2013
Belinda Player, Blackwall
District Girl Guides**

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Directory - Not for profit Community Organisations

parents & children
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uminabeach@probusclubs.com.au

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Council to sponsor children's triathlon for two years

Gosford Council has agreed to cover operational costs and associated fees for the next two years for an annual children's triathlon held at the Peninsula Leisure Centre and James Browne Oval on Sunday, February 2.

The sponsorship will be to a maximum value of \$21,568.40.

The event has been held on the Central Coast for seven years and was held in Woy Woy on Sunday, January 20, this year in association with Gosford Council for the second consecutive year.

The series aims to inspire children to get off the couch and get active, swimming, riding and running their way to the finish line in a friendly and supportive environment.

The event attracted a record 1227 registrations from ages seven to 15 years old at last year's event. Council provided assistance

in staging the event through the waiving of hire fees for Peninsula Leisure Centre Pool Hall and James Browne Oval.

In addition, operational costs for lifeguards, Peninsula Leisure Centre Cleaning costs, traffic management equipment hire and VMS signage hire, and food inspection fees were also covered as part of Council's commitment.

Post event parent feedback was sought with 85 per cent of 149 parents "really enjoying" the whole event and 85 per cent of parents admitting that the event had a positive effect on their child's confidence and self-esteem.

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The Peninsula Diary of Events

For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Wednesday August 21

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

Friday August 23

Love your Lunch Winter Workshop, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 11am-2:30pm
 Imposition performance, Ettalong Bowling Club, 7:30pm

Saturday August 24

Troubadour Central Coast concert, Woy Woy CWA Hall, 7pm

Sunday August 25

Breakfast in the Bays, Woy Woy Bay Community Hall

Wednesday August 28

1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching program, Woy Woy Public School, 11:15am-1:15pm

Friday August 30

Pearl Beach Glee Club and Friends Variety Concert, Pearl Beach Memorial Hall, 7:30pm
 Simone Montgomerie fundraising event, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 8pm

Saturday August 31

Pearl Beach Glee Club and Friends Variety Concert, Pearl Beach Memorial Hall, 2:30pm

Monday September 2

National Disability Insurance

Scheme open public forum, Everglades Country Club
 Woy Bay Community Hall

Friday September 6

Central Coast Bioblitz, Bouddi National Park

Saturday September 7

Bays Community Group Kids Disco, Woy Woy Bay Community Hall, 2pm-5pm
 Central Coast Bioblitz, Bouddi National Park

Thursday September 12

Guide Dogs Central Coast Support Group fundraising stall, Deepwater Plaza, 9am-2pm

Saturday September 14

WOWgirls Buy, swap, barter and trade event, Gospel Gardens, Umina, 1pm-5pm
 Bays Community Group Kids Disco, 2pm-3:30pm

Sunday September 15

Pretty Beach Public School seaside Fair, 9am-3pm

Saturday September 21

Art Show, Mary Mac's Place, Woy Woy, 10am-2pm

Sunday September 22

Art Show, Mary Mac's Place, Woy Woy, 2pm-7pm

Sunday September 29

Breakfast in the Bays, Woy

Woy Bay Community Hall

Saturday October 5

Wagstaffe to Killcare Community Association art and craft event, Wagstaffe Hall

Wednesday October 16

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

Friday October 25

Hardys Bay Annual Pink Day luncheon, Bells at Killcare, 12pm

Sunday October 27

Breakfast in the Bays, Woy Woy Bay Community Hall

Sunday November 3

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Sunday November 10

Brisbane Water Oyster Festival, Ettalong foreshore

Sunday November 24

Breakfast in the Bays, Woy Woy Bay Community Hall

Wednesday December 18

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

Sunday February 2

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The Woy Woy Roosters
players were Wil Hudson
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13-1s, along with 10 from
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Hubbard, Patrick Thompson,
Luke Moore, Mitchell Wilson,
Jake Shelley, Kyle McLean,
Jayden Burraston and
Miguel Acevedo Moreno,
said Roosters junior club
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Miguel was named Man
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Woy Woy Junior Roosters Rugby League Club players at the Rite of Passage event

Special events for junior Roosters

The Woy Woy Junior Roosters Rugby League Club has held a number of special events in recent weeks.

The club held its trivia, karaoke and fancy dress night last month at Easts Woy Woy Leagues Club which was attended by over 80 people.

"It was good to see a number of people in fancy dress with the theme being music," said club president Mr Tim McParlane.

"Wayne Hayward, the club's coaching co-ordinator and 15-1s coach, came as Boy George.

Under-7s coach Dave Tebutt, showed Elvis Presley was "alive and well and a hit with the microphone".

"The karaoke again saw some superstars in the making with 9-1s coach Matt Walton belting out a classic rendition of Mental as Anything's The Nips Are Getting

Bigger."

The Club also held its Rite of Passage workshop on Wednesday, July 31, for its under-13 players.

The workshop, which is in its third year, was organised by Scott Jones who is part of the club's development program for the under-13 players.

As part of the under-13 players "contract", the club was willing to offer some benefits "on the proviso that in return players are both respectful and mature at all times when representing the club," said Mr McParlane.

"Part of this initiative includes a fully funded trip for all under-13 players and coaching staff to attend a State of Origin game.

"All players receive a club bag and are invited to attend the international presentation night.

"Also included is the Rite of Passage night where Woy Woy Police Station youth liaison officer

Senior Constable Pott and Darren Martin from the program No Way To Drugs present two separate workshops.

"The first workshop was from Senior Constable Pott on social media and its pitfalls, which concentrated this year on cyber-bullying."

Mr McParlane said that Darren's presentation on his personal account of the effects alcohol and illicit drug use had an impact on both the boys and adults present.

The Roosters 15-1s had a meet and greet barbecue after training on Thursday, August 1, with newly appointed coach John Jewiss and assistant coach Ben Bell for next year's 16-1s.

"John has coached both juniors and seniors in the past at Woy Woy and his return to the club is welcomed by all," said Mr McParlane.

"John's assistant for the year is Ben Bell, who is in his first year at Woy Woy but has coached previously on the Coast at club and representative level.

"The partnership of John and Ben ensures the continued development of this team.

"John will assist Wayne Hayward, the current coach, for the remainder of the season enabling him to start building a relationship with the players," said Mr McParlane.

Email, 13 Aug 2013
Tim McParlane, Woy Woy JRLFC

Swim season ends with many successes

Woy Woy Swim Club's winter season has come to an end for many of its representative swimmers.

The first weekend of July saw 20 Pirates' representatives contest 84 individual swims and six relay swims between them at the Country Championships held at the Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre.

Woy Woy Swim Club received one of its best results for many years, placing 10th overall.

Pirates' representatives Rachel Wood, Lachlan Braddish, Myles Bailey and Ethan Dodds won 17 medals between them.

Laura Ghali, Kaylah Homes, Olivia McParlane, Charlie Polson, Katelyn Smith and Sienna Inglis all helped out with the points tally by finishing with top 10 results.

This year saw Jacob Barrett, Kayla Hinwood, Jade Vadala and Tasha Oberlander debut at the competition, with all four posting personal best times and helping Woy Woy's relay teams finish with top 10 results.

Laura Ghali and Rachel Wood, both 14 years old, then qualified and swam at the State Open Championships on July 19 and 20 at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre in Homebush.

Rachel contested the open 800m freestyle and came in eighth overall.

She also placed 16th in the open 200m freestyle.

Laura contested the open 400m individual medley and finished in 14th position overall.

In the same competition, Rachel claimed second place in the 14-15 years girls 400m freestyle.

Lachlan Braddish, 11, also

swam in the 13 years and under 200m freestyle event.

The Pirates then contested the State Age Championships on August 2, 4 and 4, again at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre.

Rachel Wood claimed gold in the 14 years 200m individual medley and bronze in the 14 years 200m backstroke.

Myles Bailey also claimed silver in the 13 years 200m backstroke.

Other Pirates' members Lachlan Braddish, Ethan Dodds and Laura Ghali were also successful in claiming 16 top 10 results between them.

With the short course winter season now over for most of the Woy Woy team, it is only Rachel Wood and new recruit Megan Burgess left to compete before the summer season kicks off.

Both girls will line up with Australia's best swimmers over the weekend of August 23 to 25 at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre for the Australian Short Course Championships.

Megan will compete in the open 100m backstroke and Rachel will race in the open 200m backstroke, open 200m individual medley and the open 200m butterfly.

Due to good results posted at the Country Championships, State Open Championships and State Age Championships, Rachel has also been selected as one of the state's 10 best females in the 13-14 age group to represent NSW at the State Team Short Course Championships.

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Central Coast Football celebrated its 50th anniversary with a dinner and presentation held at the Mingara Recreation Club.

Nearly 370 guests saw five players become the inaugural inductees into the newly-formed Central Coast Football Hall of Fame.

The five were Damien Brown, Andrew Clark, Renaye Iserief, Andrew French and Dale Eggleton.

Andrew Clark played for Umina from under-6s to under-11s while Andrew French played for Umina from under-8s to under-11s, Umina

United First Grade from 1992 to 2011 and Umina United Reserve Grade from 2012 to 2013.

Dale Eggleton is the current Southern and Ettalong United first grade coach.

Guests at the dinner included Gosford mayor Cr Lawrie McKinna, Football NSW chairman Greg O'Rourke and representatives from the Central Coast Mariners including chairman and group general manager Peter Turnbull, director and owner Michael Charlesworth, head coach Graham Arnold and one of the club's most popular players, Patrick Zwaanswijk.

Media release, 31 Jul 2013
Alistair Kennedy, Central Coast Football



Jake Hubbard and Bailey Coombes

Roosters juniors have finals chances

The Woy Woy Junior Rugby League Football Club season is drawing to a close with only a handful of games left to be played.

At Round 13, the club had the possibility of seven teams making the semi-finals with three teams, the 10-1s, 12-1s and 14-1s, all in the top four and the 11-1s and 13-1s sitting in fifth place.

The 16-1 Red and 16-1 White teams will both play in the semi-finals under the new under-16s competition rules.

Round 13, played on Saturday, August 3, saw Bailey Coombes and Jake Hubbard both from the 14-1s and Joe Williams from the 16-1s all play their 100th game for the club.

The day also saw the last home game as juniors for the 16-1 Red team coached by Laurie Taylor.

"The team sat on top of the competition going into Round 14 which is a credit to the entire coaching staff and the players," said club president Mr Tim McParlane.

A number of under-6s stayed

back to watch their coaches Liam Stone and Jarrod Lynch play their last game at Rogers Park.

The club's final home game, played in Round 15 on Saturday, August 17, saw Scott and Mick Markham's 16-1 White team play their final junior home game.

The under-7s team will be also given the chance to play at the Sydney Roosters versus Titans game on Sunday, September 1.

Email, 13 Aug 2013
Tim McParlane, Woy Woy JRLFC

Restricted pairs bridge comp

Brisbane Water Bridge Club held its annual Restricted Pairs Championship on Thursday, August 8, for competitors who had less than 300 master points.

Thirty-one pairs competed with first place awarded to Martin Johnson and Jenny Buckley with

68.80 per cent.

Second place went to Hilary Owen and Helen Smith with 67.60 per cent while Heather Tarrant and Jurate Petrauskas placed third with 66.50 per cent.

Email, 12 Aug 2013
Jenny Buckley, Brisbane Water Bridge Club
Photo: Barry Foster

Fundraiser for jockey's daughter

A fundraising event will be held in Woy Woy at 8pm on Friday, August 30, for the daughter of Simone Montgomerie, the jockey killed in a race fall at Darwin Cup race day.

The event will be held at Woy Woy Leagues Club and will feature music by Sean Frazer, raffles,

auctions, door prizes and special guests.

Simone left behind her five-year-old daughter, Kodah.

A fund has been established for the family of Simone and has received pledges in the vicinity of \$500,000 to date.

Flyer, 15 Aug 2013
Warwick Davis, Woy Woy

Woy Woy suffers massive defeat

Woy Woy finished a disastrous year in the Central Coast Rugby Union competition with a massive

defeat by Terrigal in Round 17 on Saturday, August 10.

Woy Woy scored the opening try at The Haven Oval, but after this initial glory it was all about the home side.

Terrigal beat Woy Woy 97-7, running in a total of 15 tries in what was their biggest win of the season.

Best for Terrigal were lock Sam

Kenny, winger Braeden Clack and prop Nick Bamford.

Woy Woy finished the 2013 season in last place with only two points.

Email, 11 Aug 2013,
Larry Thomson, Central Coast Rugby Union

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Aaron Camp

Award for surf club project

Ocean Beach Surf Life Saving Club's Aaron Camp was awarded Initiative of the Year for the program, The Project, at the annual Surf Life Saving NSW Awards of Excellence in Sydney on

Saturday, August 3.

The Project is a participant-led endeavour where participants learn skills that are immediately transferrable to their.

These include networking, budgeting, public speaking and social media awareness.

Additionally, the program this year took the participants to visit Arcadian Surf Life Saving Club in Far North Queensland to expose them to significantly different lifesaving challenges than would be faced at the member's own clubs.

Through the program, the branch has seen record engagement with the SLSNSW Youth Opportunity Makers Program with 18 applicants received.

This initiative aims to improve member retention and engagement of this age group and to provide for a platform to develop future leaders, according to Mr Camp.

Media release, 14 Aug 2013
Matt Miller, Surf Life Saving NSW

Woy Woy hosts rugby union finals series

Woy Woy Oval will play host to all of the finals series games for this season's Central Coast Rugby Union competition.

The minor semi-final games will be held on Saturday, August 24, and will see teams placed third and fourth in the under-19s, third grade, second grade and first competitions battle it out to keep their finals hopes alive.

The major semi-final games will be played on Saturday, August 31, and the first and second placed teams from each grade will play for a spot in the grand final matches.

Saturday, September 7, will see

each grade's major semi-final loser and minor semi-final winner fight for a final chance to participate in the grand final day.

Grand final matches will be played on Saturday, September 14.

The under-19s match will kick off at 10:15am.

The third grade game will begin at 11:45am and the second grade teams will battle it out from 1:15pm.

The first grade grand final will commence at 3pm.

Email, 12 Aug 2013,
Larry Thomson, Central Coast Rugby Union

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Umina Grade Five bowlers at State finals

Umina Beach Men's Bowling Club Grade Five pennant side travelled to Taree for the State finals.

"Despite failing to reach the finals, the team represented the Central Coast admirably and was unlucky not to record wins in the first two games," said club publicity officer Mr Ian Jarratt.

Umina won two rinks against Dee Why in the first round but lost 60-52 on the main board.

The second round saw Umina lose to Windang 59-43 with two of the Umina sides failing to win their rinks.

The third round saw Umina come up against eventual winners Goodooga.

One of the Umina sides

recorded a draw while the other lost by four which saw a final score of 69-43.

Mr Jarratt said it was a "credible performance against an extremely strong team".

Goodooga went on to defeat St Johns Park in the semi-final by one shot and Soldiers Point 74-44.

"The Goodooga side had previously won the sevens, sixes and now the fives and will no doubt move up to the fours," said Mr Jarratt.

"Not bad for a team that has no official green, with the bowlers coming from out past Lightning Ridge."

Email, 6 Aug 2013
Ian Jarratt, Umina Beach Men's Bowling Club

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